

The Dominion of Canada, of which what is known as "Western Canada" forms a large part, stretches along a line immediately north of the United States, having as its eastern and western boundaries the Atlantic and Pacific Oceans respectively, while to the north it embraces all the territory stretching to the Arctic Ocean, and includes the district of Yukon, where are found the celebrated gold fields, the recent discovery of which has caused greater ex-

citement than has anything of the kind for generations past. It also includes the Province of British Columbia, with its vast mineral wealth, only a small portion of which has been developed. In this connection it might be said that in the month of May of this year one of the gold mines in that Province was reported to have been sold for \$3,000,000. The Dominion of Canada comprises an area of 3,456,382 square miles, made up as follows:

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Ontario	٠٠. ٠٠.٠٠	•		222,000
$Quebec \dots$				228,900
New Brunswick				28,200
Nova Scotia				20,600
Prince Edward Island				2,000
Manitoba				
British Columbia				
Provisional	District	of Assiniboia,	about	89,535
"	"	Keewatin	"	282,000
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	"	Alberta	" "	106,100
	ii	Athabasca .		
Northwest Territories				
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Bay			······································	196,800
Territory of Hudson's Bay				
Islands in Arctic Ocean and Hudson's Bay300,000				
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The distance through Canada from the Atlantic to the Pacific is, in round figures, 3,000 miles, the City of Winnipeg, the Metropolis of Western Canada, being situate about midway. The Provinces of Quebec and Ontario lie to the east, and supply the Great West with a large quantity of the articles required in the work of tilling its immense wheat fields. These two Provinces comprise an area of about 450,000 square miles, and stretch from the Gulf of the St. Lawrence to a point near the Lake of the Woods. Western Canada comprises the Province of Manitoba, and the Districts of Assiniboia, Alberta, Saskatchewan, Keewatin and Athabasca, having an area of 760,000 square miles, in addition to which there are the Northwest Territories, and the islands in the Arctic Ocean and Hudson's Bay, with an additional area of 1,760,800 square miles. The Districts