

**Imports of Coal to Toronto for Year ended 30th  
June, 1888.**

Anthracite, 320,257 tons; bituminous, 192,463 tons; total, 512,720 tons.

Forty years ago the only coal used in Toronto was for blacksmith purposes, showing the vast increase of our manufacturing industries. By the removal of duty off anthracite coal, these industries are greatly encouraged, while private consumers have the benefit of a reduction in price of one of the chief necessities of life.

Should a policy of retaliation be enforced by the United States, the whole value of this coal, amounting at retail prices to over three millions of dollars in Toronto alone, would be kept in the country by the development of Canadian coal mines, which are amply sufficient to supply all our wants.

**Toronto's Police Force and Citizen Soldiers.**

In the days of Toronto's comparative innocence, referred to in a previous chapter—before Captain Prince, with the iron rod of military discipline, compelled the policemen to polish their boots, wear white cotton gloves, and button their coats up to the throat; when peaceable and order-loving citizens were permitted to stand or walk wherever they pleased, and the order to "move on" was unknown—a dozen policemen were considered sufficient to guard the lives and property of the citizens. It must be admitted, however, that in proportion to the population, the amount of crime was fully as large as at present. The Brookes' bush gang for years kept the eastern part of the city in terror, committing robberies, and even murders, as well as every other species of crime, and such a state of lawlessness existed as under the present system would not continue for many days. No doubt many minor offences were allowed to pass unnoticed under the free and easy system then existing, and the guardians of the peace, while by no