

PORT OF QUEBEC.

The Inspecting Physician, Dr. Rowand, reports the season of 1879 as a very healthy one, there being only 12 cases of infectious disease out of all the arrivals. Of these seven were cases of scarlet fever, all members of one family, four were cases of measles, and one of chicken pox. They were sent to the Marine Hospital, and with the exception of one child, who died from convulsions, they all made good recoveries, and there was no spread of infection from them.

VI.—IMMIGRATION.

The same form of tables as was used last year has been retained in this report, for the convenience of comparison; and, therefore, in the first place, in the following statement, all arrivals both of immigrant passengers and immigrant settlers, who have entered the Dominion from 1871 to 1879, inclusive, are given:—

	1871.	1872.	1873.	1874.	1875.	1876.	1877.	1878.	1879.
<i>Via</i> the St. Lawrence	37,020	34,743	36,901	23,894	16,038	10,901	7,743	10,295	17,251
<i>Via</i> Suspension Bridge and Inland Ports, including Manitoba.....	27,365	49,130	50,578	39,904	18,322	13,203	13,040	15,814	*30,071
Maritime Province Ports, including Portland.....	1,337	5,313	2,659	2,114	959	1,311	2,749	2,488	3,955
Entered at Customs Houses with settlers' goods.....			8,971	14,110	8,139	11,134	11,753	11,435	9,775
Total.....	65,722	89,186	99,109	80,022	43,458	36,549	35,285	40,032	61,052

* NOTE.—It may be explained that this item of 30,071 is composed as follows:—Immigrants *via* Suspension Bridge, 22,166; and from United States, *via* Duluth and St. Paul and Pacific Railway, comprising Mr. Lalimes party from the Eastern States, 7,905.

The arrivals by the St. Lawrence route, both by immigrant passengers and immigrant settlers, from 1854 to 1877, inclusive, are shown by the following table:—

1854.....	53,180
1855.....	21,274
1856.....	22,439
1857.....	32,097
1858.....	12,810
1859.....	8,778
1860.....	10,150
1861.....	19,923
1862.....	22,176
1863.....	19,419
1864.....	19,147
1865.....	21,355