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INTRODUCTORY.

The publishers take much pride in presenting this Directory of the City of Toronto for 1885 to their patrons, and claim that the work is the most complete and accurate of its kind published in the Dominion. Since the issue of 1884 two new wards have been added to the city, what was known as Brockton, forming St. Mark's Ward, and St. Matthew's Ward comprising what was formerly Leslieville and Riverside, adding thus to the population of Toronto some 3,000 souls. We find by actual count that the Toronto Directory proper for this year contains 39,409 names (after deducting the names of business firms), which multiplied by 3 (a very low estimate) makes the population of Toronto proper 118,227. Take from this, 3,000 gain by St. Mark's and St. Matthew's Wards, and we have 115,227, or an actual growth since 1884 of some 6,000.

Following are the names appearing in each year's publication for the last ten years :

Year.	Names.
1876.....	16,929
1877.....	18,979
1878.....	19,354
1879.....	20,226
1880.....	21,919
1881.....	23,166
1882.....	23,879
1883.....	33,592
1884.....	36,359
1885.....	39,409

The publishers again issue a street map of the city with this volume, and were induced to do so by the fact that the names of a number of the old streets had

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