

preventive measures. The sanitary administration of the City of Birmingham is carried out by a medical officer of health, an assistant, a chief inspector of nuisances, 31 assistant sanitary inspectors, 17 lady health visitors, and a fully-qualified lady medical practitioner specially engaged in work having for its object the reduction of infant mortality and the training of qualified midwife visitors. The Corporation have likewise a public analyst under the Sale of Food and Drugs Act, and the necessary laboratory staff. There is also a special department to deal with certain aspects of the problem of housing the working classes—a department of which the medical officer is the executive officer, although control is exercised by the Housing Committee. The work of the Health Committee is also concerned with the collection and destruction of refuse through its Interception Department, the

isolation in hospitals of patients suffering from infectious diseases, the treatment of phthisis at the Salterley Grange Sanatorium (the first rate-supported institution of its kind in England), the inspection of house property and insistence on its being maintained in good sanitary condition, the inspection of common lodging houses, canal boats, factories and workshops, milk shops and dairies, the carrying out of the provisions of the Shop Hours Act and the Shop Seats Act, and the abatement of smoke nuisances. To the work of the Health Committee, supplemented by that of voluntary agencies of various kinds, may be attributed in large measure the fact that the death-rate has been reduced in the last forty years from 25 per 1,000 per annum to 15.5. The diminished mortality during the last five years alone as compared with the previous five years represents a saving of about 1,650 lives per annum.

Fifteen Years of Canadian Trade.

TRADE OF CANADA.

Years Ended	Imports for Consumption			Exports			Total Trade
	Dutiable	Free	Total	Home Produce	Foreign Produce	Total	
	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$
June 30, 1896	67,239,759	43,347,721	110,587,480	109,707,805	11,306,047	121,013,852	231,601,332
" 1897	66,220,765	45,073,256	111,294,021	123,632,540	14,317,713	137,950,253	249,244,274
" 1898	74,625,088	56,072,918	130,698,006	144,548,662	19,604,021	164,152,683	294,850,689
" 1899	89,433,172	64,618,421	154,051,593	137,360,792	21,536,113	158,896,905	312,948,498
" 1900	104,316,795	76,457,521	180,804,316	168,972,301	22,922,422	191,894,723	372,699,039
" 1901	105,969,776	75,268,232	181,237,988	177,431,386	19,056,246	196,487,632	377,725,620
" 1902	118,657,496	84,134,099	202,791,595	196,019,163	15,620,523	211,640,286	414,431,881
" 1903	136,796,065	96,994,451	233,790,516	214,401,674	11,448,050	225,849,724	459,640,240
" 1904	148,909,576	102,554,756	251,464,332	198,414,439	15,066,796	213,521,235	464,985,567
" 1905	150,928,787	110,996,767	261,925,554	190,854,946	12,461,926	203,316,872	465,242,426
" 1906	173,046,109	117,314,698	290,360,807	235,483,956	21,102,674	256,586,630	546,947,437
" 1907	208,628,648	145,872,246	354,500,894	226,512,063	31,659,611	258,171,674	612,672,568
Mar 31, 1908	2 8 160,047	140,268,569	358,428,616	246,960,968	33,045,638	280,006,606	638,435,222
" 1909	175,014,160	123,191,797	298,205,957	242,603,586	18,908,573	261,512,159	559,718,116
" 1910	227,214,990	148,668,670	375,783,660	279,211,537	22,146,992	301,358,529	677,142,189

TRADE OF CANADA WITH BRITISH EMPIRE.

June 30, 1896	25,578,715	9,815,873	35,394,588	66,767,139	4,344,174	71,110,313	106,544,901
" 1897	21,338,661	10,333,298	31,671,959	74,184,921	8,053,102	82,238,023	113,909,982
" 1898	23,295,316	11,231,037	34,526,353	98,680,776	12,101,279	110,782,055	145,308,408
" 1899	28,772,200	11,121,687	39,893,887	90,567,921	14,139,079	104,707,000	144,601,887
" 1900	32,850,129	15,545,874	48,396,003	103,462,544	11,319,723	114,782,267	163,178,270
" 1901	33,447,056	13,405,748	46,852,804	100,748,097	12,635,060	113,383,157	160,236,061
" 1902	37,103,563	16,792,258	53,895,821	120,914,009	8,156,611	129,070,620	182,966,441
" 1903	44,982,241	20,028,027	65,010,271	135,746,596	6,229,390	141,975,986	206,986,257
" 1904	51,614,555	21,274,591	72,889,146	121,194,135	7,757,474	128,951,609	201,840,755
" 1905	52,923,924	19,506,826	72,430,750	108,579,770	5,297,553	113,877,323	186,308,073
" 1906	61,335,023	22,469,004	83,804,027	138,421,222	5,890,581	144,311,803	228,115,830
" 1907	74,859,112	29,018,661	103,877,773	130,434,935	8,257,943	138,692,878	242,570,591
Mar 31, 1908	81,087,314	30,153,581	111,240,895	139,172,890	8,575,195	147,748,085	258,988,980
" 1909	62,704,313	24,377,937	87,082,250	139,698,024	7,599,827	147,297,851	234,340,101
" 1910	81,136,474	30,612,587	111,749,061	154,201,438	10,462,648	164,664,086	277,113,147

TRADE OF CANADA WITH FOREIGN COUNTRIES.

June 30, 1896	41,661,044	33,531,448	75,192,492	43,118,198	6,755,341	49,903,539	125,096,031
" 1897	44,882,104	34,739,958	79,622,062	49,774,017	5,937,313	55,711,230	135,334,292
" 1898	51,322,772	44,841,881	96,171,653	46,913,609	6,457,019	53,370,628	249,542,281
" 1899	60,660,972	53,496,734	114,157,706	47,894,116	6,295,789	54,189,905	168,347,611
" 1900	71,496,666	60,911,647	132,408,313	67,179,825	9,932,631	77,112,456	209,520,769
" 1901	72,522,700	61,862,384	134,385,084	76,683,249	6,421,186	83,104,435	217,487,559
" 1902	81,553,933	67,311,841	148,865,774	75,105,754	7,463,912	82,569,666	231,465,440
" 1903	91,814,821	76,966,424	168,781,245	78,655,078	5,218,660	83,873,738	252,654,983
" 1904	97,295,021	81,280,165	178,575,186	77,220,304	7,319,322	84,569,626	263,144,812
" 1905	98,064,863	91,489,941	189,494,804	82,275,176	7,164,373	89,439,549	278,934,353
" 1906	111,711,086	94,845,694	206,556,780	97,027,734	15,212,093	112,242,827	318,801,607
" 1907	133,769,536	116,853,645	250,623,181	107,788,078	23,401,668	131,189,746	381,812,927
Mar 31, 1908	137,072,733	110,114,988	247,187,721	107,788,078	24,470,443	132,258,521	379,446,242
" 1909	112,309,847	198,853,860	211,163,707	102,905,562	11,308,746	114,214,308	325,378,015
" 1910	146,078,516	117,956,083	264,034,599	124,310,099	11,684,341	135,994,440	400,029,042