

ONTARIO.

Ontario the most populous province of the Dominion has its maximum breadth along the meridian of about 82.30, which passes through Point Pelee, on Lake Erie lat. 42; and the mouth of the Albany River lat. 52.

Ontario is, next to British Columbia the largest province in the Dominion; the population is the greatest of the provinces; and in respect of wealth, products, manufactures, and general business, it is the most important.

In educational facilities Ontario is surpassed by no other country in the world, having carried off the medal awarded at the "World's trair." Public schools, within the reach of all, are absolutely free.

Ontario has many beautiful sceneries; the Niagara Falls, fourteen miles from the mouth of the Niagara River, is Canada's greatest natural wonder.

The great industry of Ontario is farming, the forest industry stands next in importance and manufacturing ranks thir 1.

Toronto is the capital of Ontario, and its largest city, a.d the second largest city in the Dominion. It was founded in 1793. It was first called York and was long known as 'Muddy York," it was not till 1834 when it received its present name. It is healthy, and it is said to be less subject to extremes of heat and cold than any other Northern island city on this continent. Toronto is justly celebrated for its public buildings and is the educational centre of the province, as well as the capital and commercial center. It contains the University College and the University | Jack.

of Toronto, the School of Fechnology, the normal and model schools and many colleges. The churches and the public buildings are, for the most part, fine structures; University College, especially, being unsurpassed in architectural design by any building for a similar purpose on the continent. Many of the private residences are also fine substantial buildings, marked by good taste rather than by showiness.

In enterprise, energy, intelligence, aud on substantial aud rapid progress, Toronto is a typical Ontario city.

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"Union Jack"—so called because it is a union of the English, Scotch and Irish crosses, and this represents the united three kingdoms; and "Jack" because it was the English Jack, or sailor, who won for it the most glory at first.

British Ensign is a red fly with Union Jack in the upper corner, near the flag staff. Part most distant is called the fly.

Dominion flag is British ensign with the Canadian coat of arms on the fly. The Canadian flag represents the empire generally and Canada in particular.

The Union Jack has only been in existence 93 years, although the English flag has been for a thousand years.

England and Scotland were joined in 1603, England, Scotland and Ireland .n 1801.

The St. George's, St. Andrew's and St. Patrick's crosses form the Union Jack.