

In exchange for this courtesy, His Honor the Lieutenant-Governor in Council appointed Count Viola our representative in Venice, giving him as colleagues, with instructions to prepare the Canadian exhibit at Quebec, Mr. Eugène Taché, assistant Commissioner of Crown Lands, and Mr. Faucher de St. Maurice, Clerk of Private Bills in the Legislative Council.

The Congress was to be made up of the eight following scientific groups,

- I. Geography, mathematics, geodesy, topography ;
- II. Hydrography and maritime geography ;
- III. Physical geography, meteorology, geology, botany and zoology ;
- IV. Anthropological and philological geography ;
- V. Historical geography and the history of geography ;
- VI. Economical, commercial and statistical geography ;
- VII. Methodology, teaching and diffusion of geography ;
- VIII. Geographical explorations and travels.

We set to work and Mr. Taché sent to Venice the maps, books and specimens which the Government placed at our disposal.

The following is an extract from the official catalogue, respecting Canada, printed in Italy, under the direction of Count Viola ;