

California and Boston; and the next a family of two, absent five years, one in California, and one in Cambridgeport, Massachusetts."

NOTE.—The late Government, though utterly unable to refute or even deny Dr. Borden's statements, not only refused to take any steps to correct these frauds, but absolutely declined to assist, or rather to permit, Dr Borden to make any further investigations, thereby making themselves, in the most marked manner, accomplices in these outrageous frauds after the fact, even if they did not originally instigate them. The exact extent cannot now be ascertained, but it is evident that if Dr. Borden's case be a fair sample of what was going on elsewhere, the population of the Dominion was over-estimated in 1891 by very many thousands. This, of course, will diminish by so much the apparent increases, whatever it may be, in 1901.

POPULATION OF TORONTO.

(As per Assessors.)

1891	170,951
1896	178,186
1901	205,887
Increase in first half decade.	7,000
Increase in second half decade. ...	28,000

NUMBER OF VACANT HOUSES.

1894	4,633
1895	3,990
1896	4,014
1897	2,514
1898	2,672
1899	1,706
1900	761
1901	676

Those who know that Toronto has always increased when Ontario was prosperous will easily understand the very strong probability that Ontario gained next to nothing in the years from 1891 to 1896.