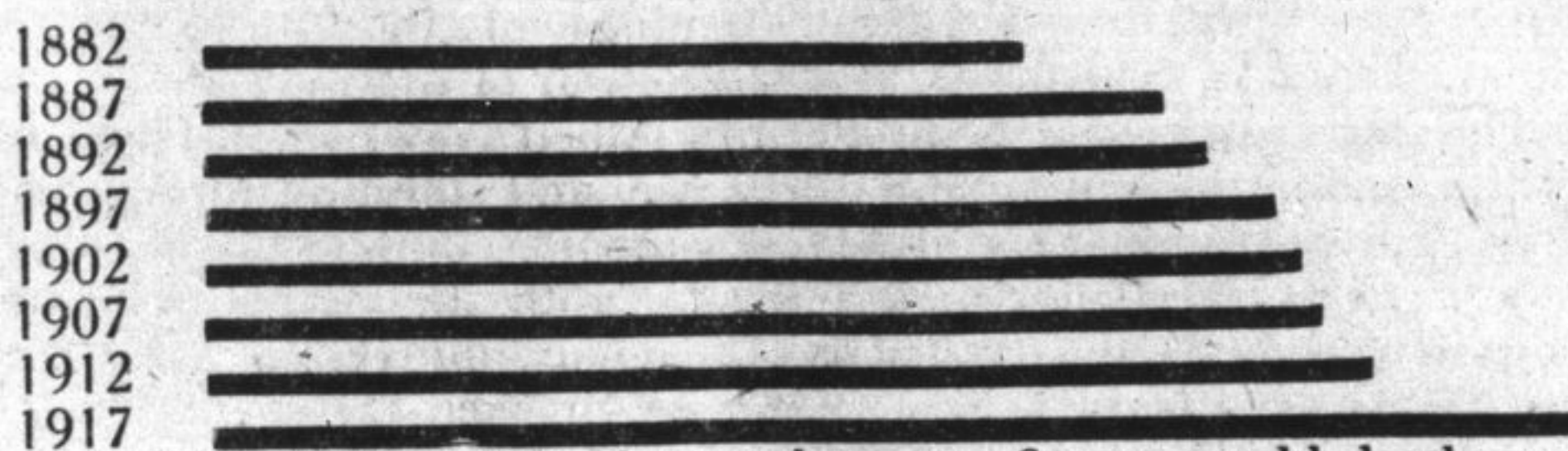


Kingston's Population Shows Steady Growth

IT DOES NOT LEAP FORWARD SPECTACULARLY, AND THEN SLUMP.

Look at the Following Comparative Table and You Will See the Justification for Kingston's Claim That Its Growth Is of the Best Possible Kind Because It Is Steadily Maintained Through Good Times and Bad Elsewhere.



The above table shows better than any figures could do the progress of Kingston's growth in population during the last thirty-five years. It illustrates what is perhaps the most satisfactory feature about the Limestone City. Possibly too much emphasis has been laid upon it in the course of these Prosperity Issues of the British Whig, but it is so unusual that Kingstonians may be pardoned for insisting that it shall have the fullest attention.

During the last thirty-five years there have been good times and bad times in Canada. There have been periods when certain cities have doubled their population in a few years, but the trouble has been that this phenomenal growth has not been maintained. It was too good to last. It had not the essentials of permanence, and, as a matter of fact, as soon as the special causes that brought in the inrush of new population were removed, the newcomers, or a proportion of them removed themselves.

There is nothing of that kind about Kingston. Its growth does not seem to have been affected spectacularly by either good or bad times. It has just gone forward year after year, gaining people in this industry and in that, but also keeping them. Its manufacturers plan their extensions on sound lines. They build to last, and thus it is that when a man is offered a "job" in Kingston he feels a confidence in accepting it, because he knows that it will be a permanent one. There will be no closing down owing to business stagnation, nor will there be any of those night and day periods of feverish activity which provide a little extra money at the expense of a great loss of health.

Kingston factories almost without exception are working overtime, but they are doing it in a reasonable way, and employers and employed are on the best of terms. That is another reason for the steady growth of the city. Every Kingstonian is in fact a kind of immigration agent among his friends outside.

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