

## NEW BRUNSWICK.

The following return of the new vessels registered in the Province of New Brunswick, and their tonnage, in each year from 1850 to 1864, including vessels built for owners in the United Kingdom, and sent home under Certificate or Governor's Pass, shews the extent of the Shipbuilding industry of the Province. Almost all these vessels were built at St. John. Since the establishment of a system of surveying by Lloyd's surveyors, the quality of the ships built in New Brunswick has very much improved:—

Year.	No.	Tons.	Year.	No.	Tons.
1852 ...	118	58,399	1859...	93	38,330
1853 ...	122	71,428	1860....	100	41,003
1854 ...	135	99,426	1861....	80	40,523
1855 ...	95	54,561	1862....	90	48,719
1856 ...	129	79,907	1863....	137	85,250
1857 ...	148	71,989	1864. .	163	92,605
1858 ...	75	26,263	1865. .	148	65,474

Since 1825 (41 years), there have been built 4,317 vessels, measuring 1,649,860 tons register: averaging 104 vessels, 40,240 tons, for each year. The vessels registered since 1st May, 1855, were measured under the Merchant Shipping Act, 1854, which reduced the tonnage by about 10 per cent. as compared with the Act previously in operation.

About one-half of the tonnage built in the Province is sold annually in the English market. The remainder is held in the Province. The system which prevails so extensively at Quebec, under which Merchants and Bankers make advances on vessels during their building, and thus derive more profit out of the industry than the Shipbuilders themselves, no longer obtains to any great extent at St. John. Vessels sent home for sale are now almost always placed in the carrying trade on their owners' account, if they do not meet with ready sales at limits.

## NOVA SCOTIA.

The following figures show the extent of the Shipbuilding industry of Nova Scotia for the past six years:

	No. of Vessels built.	Tons register	Estimated Value.		No. of Vessels built	Tons register	Estimated Value.
1860.....	233	20,684	\$ 852,831	1863. ....	207	46,862	\$1,962,814
1861. ....	216	23,634	972,448	1864. .	304	73,038	2,943,204
1862. ....	201	39,383	1,566,168	1865. .	294	56,768	2,481,752

Very few of these Vessels—not more than 40 *per annum* were sent abroad for sale.

They were built at almost all the ports and are chiefly vessels of small tonnage, as will be seen by the following table, relating to the ships registered in 1865:

Ports where Registered.	Sloop.	Schoo-ners.	Bri-gan-tines.	Brigs.	Bar-ques.	Ships.	Total No. of New Vessels.	Tons Register	Estimated value in dol-lars.
Annapolis.....		5	2	3			10	1,535	\$74,000
Arichat.....		12	3				15	1,512	64,400
Baddeck.....		1					1	81	2,916
Digby.....		4	7	1	1		13	2,554	136,200
Guysborough ..		4	1		1		6	730	29,300
Halifax.....	1	33	16	5	8		63	10,357	414,320
Liverpool.....		7	7		6		20	4,798	270,600
Lunenburg ..		9	3				12	945	49,140
Parrsboro ..		8	10	2	2		22	3,884	158,360
Pictou.....		4	7		7	1	19	4,983	198,350
Port Hawkesbury.		6	1				7	493	16,936
Pugwash.....		4	4	2	1		11	1,750	74,050
Shelburne.....		8	7		4		19	3,202	176,000
Sydney.....		5					5	320	12,700
Windsor.....		10	18	6	6	2	42	9,948	397,920
Yarmouth.....		8	5		13	3	29	10,271	409,560
Total.....	1	128	91	19	49	6	294	56,768	\$2,481,752

## PRINCE EDWARD ISLAND.

Ship-building is always active in Prince Edward Island. The lumber fit for ships is almost exhausted, and the Islanders have to go into the yards of the adjacent Provinces for timber, but they nevertheless manage to overcome this disadvantage, and withal build ships more cheaply than the people on the other side of the Straits of Northumberland from whom they buy material.

STATEMENT of the number and tonnage of vessels built since 1850, with the estimated value thereof:—

Year.	Num-ber.	Tons.	Value.	Year.	Num-ber.	Tons.	Value.	Year.	Num-ber.	Tons.	Value.
1850.	93	14,367	\$502,845	1856....	51	22,781	797,335	1861. .	67	12,732	\$445,620
1851. .	89	15,721	559,235	1857....	104	24,060	\$42,100	1862. .	80	18,418	644,630
1852. .	79	10,748	376,180	1858....	69	13,973	457,555	1863. .	100	24,091	874,685
1853. .	76	13,340	466,900	1859....	61	11,064	387,240	1864....	119	24,138	864,080
1854. .	106	24,111	843,885	1860....	66	12,636	442,260	1865....	130	26,193	916,755
1855....	86	15,559	544,565								

From two thirds to three fourths of these vessels are exported annually, the figures for 1865 being: Transferred to other Ports and sent home under Governors pass, No. 89, Tons 18,276, Value \$639,660. For so small a population as that of Prince Edward Island, these figures are very remarkable.