

1301. The following is a statement of British and colonial shipping in 1890, 1891, 1892 and 1893. The figures are all taken from official sources :—

SHIPPING IN BRITISH POSSESSIONS IN 1890, 1891, 1892 AND 1893,
EXCLUSIVE OF COASTING TRADE.

COLONY.	TONNAGE OF VESSELS ENTERED AND CLEARED.			
	1890.	1891.	1892.	1893.
	Tons.	Tons.	Tons.	Tons.
United Kingdom.....	74,283,869	74,812,620	75,867,155	74,632,847
Hong Kong.....	9,771,741	10,279,043	10,294,152	10,535,859
Malta.....	9,162,094	8,187,726	6,236,424	6,931,663
Gibraltar.....	11,488,693	10,665,744	8,753,175	9,248,019
Canada.....	10,328,285	10,695,196	10,752,974	10,608,611
Straits Settlements.....	8,641,911	9,385,413	9,069,763	9,572,994
India.....	7,315,586	7,684,954	8,590,651	7,692,291
New South Wales.....	4,761,872	5,694,236	5,647,184	5,193,328
Victoria.....	4,363,341	4,715,109	4,456,254	4,029,738
South Australia.....	2,190,442	2,576,546	2,383,263	2,550,581
Western Australia.....	964,861	1,045,555	1,124,565	1,071,418
Tasmania.....	951,247	1,044,606	1,137,140	934,439
New Zealand.....	1,312,474	1,244,322	1,131,323	1,258,070
Queensland.....	910,779	997,118	972,428	945,628
Ceylon.....	5,117,902	5,696,940	5,790,706	6,152,393
Windward Islands.....	2,971,065	2,889,046	2,680,232	2,906,680
Leeward Islands.....	1,487,617	1,667,066	1,792,324	1,806,543
Trinidad.....	1,346,107	1,276,246	1,201,791	1,212,574
Cape of Good Hope.....	2,957,377	2,891,607	3,180,532	3,142,245
Jamaica.....	1,230,506	1,179,063	1,285,493	1,423,793
Mauritius.....	679,375	585,675	655,270	587,032
British Guiana.....	686,621	631,787	635,300	648,528
Newfoundland.....	634,147	656,310	*	852,308
Gold Coast.....	643,015	777,169	826,910	830,766
Lagos.....	555,862	593,634	679,354	618,875
Sierra Leone.....	679,509	842,523	800,695	746,512
Natal.....	1,035,999	1,063,014	1,163,890	1,192,702
Bermuda.....	307,506	287,694	348,576	354,043
Honduras.....	364,067	354,273	285,324	283,305
Turk's Island.....	215,428	203,391	224,281	223,476
Bahamas.....	270,874	303,121	334,079	349,491
Gambia.....	221,686	229,958	217,424	228,706
St. Helena.....	79,366	65,636	74,161	81,161
Fiji.....	117,355	138,141	137,309	147,388
Falkland Islands.....	61,575	86,209	89,328	59,754
Labuan.....	56,894	124,134	115,455	109,142

*Figures cannot be given owing to destruction of books in the great fire.

Gibraltar and Malta being merely ports of call, it will be seen that no British possession outside of the United Kingdom has a larger shipping trade than Canada, though the combined shipping of the Australasian colonies exceeds that of this country; the latter figures, however, include the intercolonial trade.