

It will be observed, 1st, that there has been a steady increase in the total tonnage employed in carrying cargo to and from Canada, the five years 1889-93 showing an increase of nearly 80 per cent over the periods 1869-73. The tonnage employed in 1895 shows an increase of 8 per cent over the average of the 1889-93 period and the tonnage in 1895 a decrease of about 4 per cent as compared with 1894.

2nd. That the proportion between tonnage carrying cargo in and tonnage carrying cargo out has remained nearly the same. In the first period, 1869-73, the proportion being 60 per cent cargo out and 40 per cent cargo in; in the second period, 61 per cent out, and 39 per cent in; in the third period, 59.9 per cent out and 40.1 per cent in; in the fourth period, 58.6 per cent out and 41.4 per cent in; in the 1889-93 period, 58 per cent out, and 42 per cent in; in 1894, 57.8 per cent out and 42.2 per cent in, and in 1895, 57.2 per cent out and 42.8 per cent in.

1093. The following tables show total tonnage of sea-going vessels carrying cargo into and out of the different provinces by five-year periods, with yearly average and percentage of increase or decrease :—

QUEBEC.

Registered sea-going tonnage carrying cargo into and out of the province by five-year periods, with yearly averages and percentages of increase or decrease :—

PERIOD.	Total Tonnage.	Yearly Average.	Per cent.
1869-73.....	8,541,112	1,708,222	.....
1874-78.....	9,180,482	1,836,096	+ 7.5
1879-83.....	10,087,924	2,017,585	+ 9.9
1884-88.....	10,646,050	2,129,210	+ 5.5
1889-93.....	10,900,830	2,180,166	+ 2.4
1894.....	.....	2,587,044	+ 18.7
1895.....	.....	2,257,352	- 12.7

Registered sea-going tonnage carrying cargo into the province, &c. :—

PERIOD.	Total Tonnage.	Yearly Average.	Per cent.
1869-73.....	3,389,426	677,885	.....
1874-78.....	3,392,515	678,503	+ 0.1
1879-83.....	4,260,500	852,100	+ 25.6
1884-88.....	4,803,506	960,701	+ 12.7
1889-93.....	5,114,665	1,022,933	+ 6.4
1894.....	.....	1,252,272	+ 22.4
1895.....	.....	1,103,771	- 11.8