

tonnage was less than in 1894, but was more than the period 1889-93, and that the proportion of Foreign tonnage was somewhat more than in 1894.

1100. Taking the provinces and comparing the five years 1876-80 with the five years 1889-93, and both periods with the years 1894 and 1895, we have the following results:—

PROVINCES.	Nationality.	Period	Period	Year	Year
		1876-80.	1889-93.	1894.	1895.
		Tons.	Tons.	Tons.	Tons.
Quebec	British	6,610,091	8,426,682		
	Average	1,322,018	1,685,336	2,029,777	1,898,541
	Canadian	1,350,212	659,111		
	Average	270,042	131,822	126,292	93,094
	Foreign	1,227,326	1,820,057		
	Average	245,465	364,011	430,975	265,717
Nova Scotia	British	2,297,764	5,721,664		
	Average	459,553	1,144,333	995,786	993,275
	Canadian	3,016,926	3,660,585		
	Average	603,385	732,117	1,010,700	958,562
	Foreign	1,858,680	2,905,317		
	Average	371,736	581,063	497,184	470,181
New Brunswick	British	533,221	520,243		
	Average	106,644	104,048	127,889	152,164
	Canadian	1,949,174	1,851,817		
	Average	389,835	370,363	390,389	322,719
	Foreign	2,727,921	3,562,338		
	Average	545,584	712,468	649,308	665,289
Prince Edward Isl'nd	British	24,849	79,860		
	Average	4,970	15,972	4,964	8,815
	Canadian	351,012	194,196		
	Average	70,202	38,839	45,133	46,911
	Foreign	348,701	225,522		
	Average	69,740	45,104	54,613	68,064
British Columbia	British	140,895	1,215,457		
	Average	28,179	243,091	390,278	353,133
	Canadian	130,623	65,914		
	Average	26,124	13,183	17,748	6,258
	Foreign	1,568,811	7,646,588		
	Average	313,762	1,529,318	1,571,943	1,868,656

1101. Iron and steel have so completely superseded the use of wood in the construction of ships that there can be little, if any, development in the ship-building industry of Canada till the great natural facilities of the Dominion are properly applied. The Province of Nova Scotia possesses such large deposits of iron ore, coal and flux in close proximity to each other and to ship harbours that capital and skill should find a splendid opening for successful enterprise.

The following tables show the number and tonnage of sea-going vessels of 100 tons or over recorded in Lloyd's. The statistics for steam vessels are based on gross tonnage, as the deductions to secure net tonnage in steam vessels vary considerably among nations. The number of vessels, as well as the tonnage in the world's mercantile marine, is given. The salient features are the steady increase in size of vessels and the substitution of steel for other materials. The compilation shows the progress for the last