

The next table gives the tonnage of vessels trading to and from some of the principal foreign countries. It will be seen that, including the United Kingdom and Hong Kong, Canada ranked fourteenth in 1897 among the countries of the world as regards the magnitude of her shipping trade.

SHIPPING IN FOREIGN COUNTRIES, 1893 TO 1897 EXCLUSIVE OF COASTING TRADE.

COUNTRIES.	TONNAGE OF VESSELS ENTERED AND CLEARED.				
	1893.	1894.	1895.	1896.	1897.
	Tons.	Tons.	Tons.	Tons.	Tons.
France.....	28,022,326	28,538,827	27,909,379	30,026,932	31,488,753
*United States.....	33,504,271	34,331,090	33,748,992	35,271,758	39,881,044
Spain.....	24,022,726	25,892,022	25,922,486	28,023,337	28,765,414
Germany.....	22,999,554	24,499,103	23,953,464	24,086,632	25,762,511
†Austria.....	18,087,882	18,324,394	20,492,296	22,670,007	.....
Italy.....	14,736,859	16,157,927	16,829,468	17,005,287	.....
Russia in Europe.....	12,752,466	17,075,590	16,225,550	18,862,501	18,066,576
Argentine Republic.....	12,838,340	13,666,087	13,261,453	15,208,853	12,877,812
Sweden.....	11,705,414	12,689,093	12,383,747	14,119,804	14,877,813
Holland.....	12,399,485	13,751,221	13,531,345	15,611,910	16,897,809
Belgium.....	11,941,470	13,056,692	13,670,002	14,971,182	15,899,475
Portugal.....	11,632,940	11,851,163	12,424,936	14,525,623	15,806,171
Denmark.....	7,952,114	8,785,984	8,425,804	9,318,858	10,561,982
China.....	7,142,612	7,635,584	8,507,107	9,504,935	9,600,102
Norway.....	5,796,170	5,477,012	5,339,150	5,850,787	6,131,717
Chile.....	4,985,657	5,551,681	5,771,152	7,277,422	6,084,274
Uruguay.....	2,785,162	3,216,661	3,366,453	3,934,415	3,701,155
Japan.....	4,302,001	4,907,419	5,270,537	6,723,602	7,354,000
Mexico.....	3,192,843	2,611,459	4,985,657	5,551,681	5,055,667

\* Exclusive of lake trade between the United States and Canada. United States vessels engaged in this trade are not allowed to engage in sea-going voyages.

† Including coasting trade. Exclusive of Hungary.