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, Canada ranked thirteenth in 1900 among the countries of the world as regards the magnitude of her shipping trade.

SHIPPING IN FOREIGN COUNTRIES, 1896 TO 1900, EXCLUSIVE OF COASTING TRADE.

Countries.	Tonnage of Vessels Entered and Cleared.				
	1896.	1897.	1898.	1899.	1900.
	Tons.	Tons.	Tons.	Tons.	Tons.
France	30,026,932	31,488,753	33,563,852	36,692,812	38,286,445
*United States	35,271,758	39,881,044	43,592,049	44,141,890	47,151,255
Spain	28,023,337	28,765,414	26,843,144	29,140,330	28,477,569
Germany	24,086,632	25,762,511	27,536,990	28,179,826	29,207,857
†Austria	22,670,007	23,418,703	24,618,194	25,543,667	25,278,773
Italy	17,005,287	a 35,643,803	a 36,622,635	a 38,957,254	a 39,510,262
Russia in Europe	18,862,501	18,066,576	17,471,914	17,366,619	
Argentine Republic	15,208,853	12,877,812	14,170,560	15,307,452	13,364,884
Sweden	14,119,804	14,877,813	15,373,091	16,384,747	17,123,126
Holland	15,611,910	16,897,809	17,325,827	18,825,920	18,890,462
Belgium	14,971,182	15,899,475	16,517,610	17,153,957	16,977,646
Portugal	14,525,623	17,806,171	17,904,563	17,128,715	19,960,318
Denmark	9,318,858	10,561,982	11,204,876	11,322,092	11,753,567
b China	9,504,935	9,600,102	9,924,620	10,992,715	10,954,359
Norway	5,850,787	6,131,717	6,297,606	6,376,600	6,149,700
Chile	7,277,422	6,084,274	6,111,792	6,498,551	5,961,270
Uruguay	3,934,415	3,701,155	4,069,870	4,494,530	4,371,677
Japan	6,723,602	7,354,000	7,406,239	7,840,415	
Mexico	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.

a Including coasting trade. b Vessels of foreign type only.