

The following table shows the nationalities of vessels doing the Canadian carrying trade by sea, by five-year periods, with percentage of each nationality to total tonnage in and out carrying cargo :—

PERIOD.	BRITISH.		CANADIAN.		FOREIGN.	
	Tons.	p. c.	Tons.	p. c.	Tons.	p. c.
1869-73.....	16,765,848	77·8			4,780,634	22·2
1874-78.....	11,486,233	49·6	4,152,296	17·9	7,527,054	32·2
1879-83.....	12,196,093	43·9	6,957,066	25·0	8,638,600	31·1
1884-88.....	13,319,072	41·9	7,175,669	22·6	11,272,594	35·5
1889-93.....	15,963,726	41·4	6,433,836	16·7	16,159,854	41·9
1894-98.....	19,416,498	45·7	7,339,072	17·3	15,715,681	37·0
1899.....	5,267,473	54·7	1,357,977	14·1	3,003,714	31·2
1900.....	5,559,151	52·1	1,415,147	13·3	3,686,830	34·6
1901.....	5,220,243	50·1	1,188,157	11·4	4,011,337	38·5
1902.....	5,584,110	53·2	1,245,196	11·9	3,667,277	34·9
1903.....	6,498,069	56·4	1,348,141	11·7	3,678,359	31·9

Beginning with 1876, when the separation between British and Canadian vessels was made in our navigation tables, and giving the figures by provinces, we have the following set of tables :—

BRITISH, CANADIAN AND FOREIGN REGISTERED TONNAGE CARRYING CARGO IN AND OUT.

PROVINCE OF QUEBEC.

Year.	BRITISH.	CANADIAN.	FOREIGN.
	Tonnage.	Tonnage.	Tonnage.
1876.....	1,152,025	290,064	292,952
1877.....	1,334,474	302,726	319,240
1878.....	1,276,960	340,392	257,182
1879.....	1,296,622	218,415	168,949
1880.....	1,550,010	198,615	189,003
Total.....	6,610,091	1,350,212	1,227,326
Average.....	1,320,018	270,042	245,465
1889.....	1,540,961	122,870	300,081
1890.....	1,633,561	134,349	413,549
1891.....	1,634,085	124,688	362,465
1892.....	1,712,145	124,046	377,057
1893.....	1,905,930	153,158	366,905
Total.....	8,426,682	659,111	1,820,057
Average.....	1,685,336	131,822	364,011
1894.....	2,029,777	126,292	430,975
1895.....	1,898,541	93,094	265,717
1896.....	2,102,672	93,205	251,108
1897.....	2,319,092	88,512	255,633
1898.....	2,577,989	77,312	205,403
Total.....	10,928,071	478,415	1,408,836
Average.....	2,185,614	95,683	281,767
1899.....	3,017,416	69,241	154,896
1900.....	2,760,080	51,153	217,970
1901.....	2,675,722	52,403	250,442
1902.....	2,755,176	51,849	272,164
1903.....	3,257,650	46,466	287,541