employed by our native shipbuilder are raised, on an average, forty-eight per cent, thereby. If, however, in spite of this he ventures to build his steamer and start her for Europe, he must pay on the gross receipts of passengers a tax of two and a half per cent, and on his profits (though the probability of this is slight,) a tax of five per cent. His Liverpool or Glasgow rivals build their vessels one-half cheaper, enjoy the use of all articles of common use without duty, burn coal at half the cost of the American, pay smaller wages, are burdened with only a small local tax of but from one to two on the rental of their machine shops, and, finally, pay an income tax on profits of only one and two-thirds per cent. It will be easily seen from these brief statements why the American goes the wall, and why the American marine is passing from the ocean.

The shoe business in Auburn, Me., is unusually brisk, and some of the manufacturers are working extra hours. Prices are high.

RECEIPTS AT OSWEGO.

THE following will show the comparative receipts of flour, grain and lumber at the port of Oswego, during the month of September, and since the opening of navigation to the 1st of October of the present year:—

	September last.	Since open'g of navigation.
Flour, brls	12	8,504
Wheat, bush	1,333,688	5,037,269
Corn	479 4'3	1,442,083
Oats	35,3'6	59,701
Barley	141,182	187,583
Rye	23 733	192 599
Pease	653	28,493
Lumber, feet	48,229,719	241,225,115

The following table shows the aggregate receipts of grain and flour (flour reduced to wheat) and lumber at this port since the opening of navigation to Oct. 1st, in the years indicated:—

	Grain, bushels.	Lumber, feet.
1868	8,990,289	208,725,652
1869	6,965,248	241,225,115

STATEMENT OF BANKS

Acting under Charter, for the Month ending September 30th, 1869, according to the returns furnished b them to the Auditor of Public Accounts.

NAME OF BANK.	CAPITAL.		LIABILITIES.				
	Capital authorized by Act.	Capital paid up.	Promissory Notes in circulation not bearing interest.	Balances due to other Banks.	Cash deposits not bearing interest.	Cash deposits bearing interest.	TOTAL LIABILITIES.
ONTARIO AND QUEBEC.	$	$	$	$	$	$	$
Bank of Montreal	6,000,000	6,000 000 ..	245,155	165,833	6,988,937	10,403,956	17,803,882
Quebec Bank	30,000	14,788 ..	738,433	42,822	791,415	1,019,663	2 592,343
City Bank	1,200,000	1,200,000 ..	316,113	38,976	567,513	788,429	1,710,131
Gore Bank	1,000,000	485,568 ..	72,907	2,2'0	28,566	25,361	129,084
Bank of B. N. America	4,866,666	4,866,666 ..	1,060,733	23,983	1,094,240	2,733,193	4,912,149
Banque du Peuple	1,600,000	1,600,000 ..	80,079	1,000	385,033	224, 62	690,875
Niagara District Bank	400,000	303,590 ..	195,859	68,460	127,362	118,742	510,425
Molsons Bank	1,000,000	1,000,000 ..	119,272	174 254	196,643	414,504	904 675
Bank of Toronto	2,000,000	800,000 ..	818,891	50,651	354,889	1,422,758	2,647,100
Ontario Bank	2,000,000	2,000,000 ..	895,026	100,282	876,549	1,079,696	2,051,554
Eastern Townships Bank	400,000	4 0,600 ..	128,509	11,157	58 380	87,326	285,463
Banque Nationale	1,000,000	1,000,00 ..	174,181	39,813	222,691	414,504	851,657
Banque Jacques Cartier	1,000,000	1,000,000 ..	101,710	21,174	327 162	60 ,977	1,051,023
Merchants Bank	6,000,000	4,107 301 ..	1,435,817	66,374	1,106,43	2,391,104	5,000,726
Royal Canadian Bank	2,000,000	1,189,655 ..	216,695	6,085	156,462	308,554	697,527
Union Bank of L. C.	2,000,000	1,035,157 ..	137,329	268,026	322,154	359,594	1,085,104
Mechanics Bank	1,000,000	311,544 ..	....	119	38,471	122,982	161,573
Bank of Commerce	2,000,000	1,594.760 ..	1,415,005	28,142	1,256,301	961,246	3,660,665
NOVA SCOTIA.							
Bank of Yarmouth	200,000	129,400 ..	151,600	....	25,173	5,275	182,048
Merchants Bank	....	....	....	....	....	....	
People's Bank	....	....	....	....	....	....	....
Union Bank	1,000,008	400,000 ..	124,480	22,743	199,160	339,018	685,402
Bank of Nova Scotia	....	....	....	....	....	....	....
NEW BRUNSWICK.							
Bank of New Brunswick	600,000	600,000 ..	627,815	53,014	614,120	1,005,224	2,300,182
Commercial Bank	....	....	....	....	....	....	....
St. Stephens Bank	200,000	200,000 ..	105,431	7,398	45,553	86,058	244,441
People's Bank	....	....	....	....	....	....	....
Total Liabilities	37,496,666	30,152,931 ..	9,161,050	1,191,682	15,781,224	24,914,230	51,048,169

NAME OF BANK.	ASSETS.							
	Coin, Bullion, and Provincial Notes.	Landed or other property of the Bank.	Government Securities.	Promissory Notes or Bills of other Banks.	Balances due from other Banks.	Notes and Bills discounted.	Other debts due to the Bank not included under the foregoing heads.	TOTAL ASSETS.
ONTARIO AND QUEBEC.	$	$	$	$	$	$	$	$
Bank of Montreal	3,414,464 ..	350,000 ..	1,476,586 ..	515,082 ..	4,364,737 ..	16,023,872 ..	193,662 ..	26,338,506 ..
Quebec Bank	522,762 ..	89,188 ..	148 433 ..	67,600 ..	424,188 ..	2,762,849 ..	264,253 ..	4,279,176 ..
City Bank	251,015 ..	43,837 .	158,939 ..	112,053 ..	45,574 ..	2,421,021 ..	91,150 ..	3,123,597 ..
Gore Bank	99,518 ..	15,141 ..	82,733 ..	512 ..	63,672 ..	260,0:7 ..	123,812 ..	648,438 ..
Bank of B. N. America	834,244 ..	243,333 ..	751,840 ..	158,917 ..	19,956 ..	5.797,959 ..	118,924 ..	7,915.173 ..
Banque du Peuple	148,278 ..	55,217 ..	160,364 ..	38,139 .	14,779 ..	1,981,967 ..	42,209 ..	2,440,945 ..
Niagara District Bank	55,214 ..	12,879 ..	46,720 ..	9,573 ..	63,255 ..	622,944 ..	46,304 ..	858,892 .
Molson's Bank	125,270 ..	86,137 ..	100,253 ..	139,785 ..	105,008 ..	1,320,700 ..	177,646 ..	2,055,102 ..
Bank of Toronto	455,317 ..	45,311 ..	147,155 ..	69,611 .	160,097 ..	3,025,099 ..	40,334 ..	3,880,927 ..
Ontario Bank	492,481 ..	154,490 ..	206,892 ..	120,533 ..	245,577 ..	3,996,162 ..	125,123 ..	5,341,261 ..
Eastern Townships Bank	58,028 ..	16,500 ..	67,833 ..	37,286 ..	115,373 ..	451,432 ..	6,6'0 ..	753,054 ..
Banque Nationale	153,687 ..	23,518 ..	108,350 ..	19,846 ..	129,572 ..	1,455,324 ..	71,944 ..	1,962,743 ..
Banque Jacques Cartier	83.228 ..	....	101,228 ..	26,369 ..	22,836 ..	1,948,545 ..	....	2,174,199 ..
Merchants' Bank	994,387 ..	360,300 ..	533,606 ..	251,996 ..	221,8·2 ..	6,307,721 ..	1,324,001 .	9,993,966 ..
Royal Canadian Bank	380,894 ..	14,194 ..	128,966 ..	32,299 .	78,352 ..	1,158,803 ..	21,495 .	1,814,066 ..
Union Bank of L. Canada	64,758 ..	....	120,206 ..	117,038 ..	79,942 ..	1,829,558 ..	....	2,211,504 ..
Mechanics' Bank	37,920 ..	35,858 ..	....	33,498 ..	2,835 ..	373,395 ..	18,495 ..	502,569 ..
Bank of Commerce	1,057,866 ..	54,666 ..	162,034 ..	139,275 ..	50,574 ..	3,875,172 ..	....	5,330,528 ..
NOVA SCOTIA.								
Bank of Yarmouth	25,010 ..	7,901 ..	....	7 ..	32,826 ..	197,147 ..	68,159 ..	331,082 ..
Merchants' Bank	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	
People's Bank	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....
Union Bank	252,171 .	24,000 ..	83,000 ..	14,113 ..	656,964 ..	....	....	1,160,406 ..
Bank of Nova Scotia	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....
NEW BRUNSWICK.								
Bank of New Brunswick	316,235 ..	13,583 ..	....	17,378 ..	435,107 ..	2,386,275 ..	130,156 ..	3,286,728 ..
Commercial Bank	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....
St. Stephen's Bank	13,261 ..	4 394 .	....	35,163 ..	45,418 ..	315,119 ..	82,194 ..	490,551 ..
People's Bank	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....
Total Assets	9,825,982 ..	1,647,692 ..	4,585,143 ..	1,939,973 ..	7,368,545 ..	58,498,692 ..	3,027,272 ..	86,893,302 ..

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