

W. Kidston jr.—A partial acquaintance.
A. M. Rudolf.—Am practically acquainted.

Question 36.—What is the nature and extent of the navigation carried on to and from the Ports in your County, and what kinds of vessels are employed?

Answers of—

Cartwood.—Principally by sailing vessels. Four hundred thousand bushels of grain, and 25 to 40,000 cubic feet of clean timber are annually shipped.

Chalmers.—Lumber and grain are exported; coal, salt, plaster and water lime are imported. Vessels of light draught of water are employed.

Patterson.—The trade of the lakes consists in the carrying of all kinds of grain, square timber, staves, sawn lumber, and ores, the product of the country. Return cargoes consist of pig and railroad iron, salt and all kinds of merchandise. Steamers and sailing kessels of various kinds are employed in this trade. The exports of this County (Frontenac) are all kinds of course grains in moderate quantity.

R. Bell.—Rideau Canal is the southern boundary of the County. Tay Canal connects Perth with Rideau. The Tay is not now used for vessels.

Farncomb.—The chief trade from this port consists in the export of Grain, Lumber, &c., to the United States and Montreal, and the Import of plaster, salt and coal from the United States.

Fraser.—The navigation to and from the ports in this County is inland lake and river navigation and the vessels used are sailing vessels, steamers, scows and barges.

Dunham.—Our chief trade is with the United States and consists principally of the export of lumber, grain, &c. The class of vessels navigating the lakes, is employed.

Simpson.—Exportation of lumber, in vessels of about 300 tons, wooden barges and schooners.

Taylor.—There is only one vessel belonging to this port, the steamer "City of Toronto," a passenger and freight boat plying between Toronto, Niagara and Lewiston.

Scott.—Nearly altogether confined to lake navigation with the exception of an occasional vessel to or from Great Britain or Halifax. Schooners from 17 to 179 tons; One Ba:que 279 tons; One brigantine 423 tons, and steamers from 25 to 491 tons.

Whitehead.—Coasting and foreign trade. Steamers, &c.

Anderson.—The navigation of this County, which is a frontier one, is carried on the River Detroit, (which divides this portion of Canada from the United States,) by steamers and sailing vessels. I will confine my answers to the trade of my own port. There is an American Steamer plying daily between Detroit, Windsor and this port. There are also two small Canadian steamers which form a daily line plying between Windsor, Kingsville in the Township of Gosfield and Leamington in the Township of Mersea, touching at Amherstburgh each way. Timber and staves, walnut lumber, &c. Agricultural products, stone and sand, the greater portion of which is exported to the United States, form the principal items of trade of the County of Essex, with the exception of the square timber which goes to Kingston and thence by raft to Quebec. The vessels engaged in timber trade are large, say 300 tons, and belong to parties residing at St. Catharines on the Welland Canal. The great bulk of the agricultural products are shipped by steamer to Detroit, and the stone and sand also go there in a class of small flat-bottomed vessels called scows. These are about one half American and the other Canadian bottoms. There is also a large trade in firewood, about one fifth of which is brought over from the United States to this port and sold to the American Steamers trading between Buffalo and Chicago. The sales last year amounted to 40,000 cords, at an average price of two and a-half dollars per cord. This may be called our export as it is consumed by American steamers; the Americans' money left in place of it.

Gaskin.—Principally grain and lumber. The lumber vessels employed are from 100 to 500 tons burthen.

Elliott.—Very varied, consisting of steam ferry boats for the conveyance of passengers and freight between this port and the United States; one iron steamer for carrying over cars, steamers from the lower lakes bringing freight. Steamers and vessels from United States with freight; steamers and vessels trading coastwise between this and the