

increase of only three-fifths of 1 per cent. But in 1879 the urban population of the province was 544,678, while in 1889 it was 775,379—an increase of 230,701, or 33½ per cent. This increase in the urban population means an extended market for fruit growers. Exports of fruit from Canada in 1879 were valued at \$157,618, while in 1889 they were of the value of \$1,617,818.

The enormous extent of steam and sail traffic on the Great Lakes of America can perhaps be illustrated by a few facts descriptive of the carrying feats of single craft. A year or two ago, it was thought a remarkable performance when the American Union Line steamers "Owego" and "Chemung," made twenty-five round trips between Buffalo and Chicago in a single season. But this has been exceeded, for in the season just closed the Western liners, the "Harlem" and "Hudson," have made twenty-seven round trips this season, and each carried 200,000 tons of freight. We find in the Owen Sound Times particulars of the traffic per C.P.R. steamers "Alberta" and "Athabasca," between Port Arthur on Lake Superior and Owen Sound on Lake Huron, via the canal at the rapids of the St. Marie River. Each boat made thirty trips during the navigable season of 1890.

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