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New York Commercial Advertiser:
The use of the Suez Canas by many
United States transports and the expected construction of the Nicaragus
Canal have acqueed considerable interest in the operations of the first
named waterways. Nothwithstanding
its birth and growth in political and
financial corruption, the idea of such a
construction was legitimate and its
use by the shipping of the world has
increased to such a point as to more
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even though it was considerably greater than the actual cost of the waterway.

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expense to that country is return for
concessions, and also that the Pasha
was to receive a liberal toil from the
canal receipts, this glittering balt
proved the downfall of the country
which had held out against the scheme
for many thousands of years. Rameses the Great was the first to cut
a waterway from the Nile to the Red
Sea, this being swallowed up by the
desert in later years. Seven centuries
later Necho II proposed to join the two
oceans, but his oracle persuaded him
that it would give the land to the
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to insperi to the sues enterprise is one of great scandal and intrigue, but as the desired end was acounplished, those who travelled this
great short cut can afford to pass
these matters by. The first year the
Sues Canal was opened, which was
1870.480 vessels passed through it. The
subsequent increase in canal traffic
is most strikingly chown in the following short table:

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18 is interesting to note not only the rapid increase in the size of the vasuels. This is more clearly shown in the figures of 1886 than 1880, for in 1890 there were 231 less vessels passed through the canal than in 1885, and yet 1890 shows an increase over 1886 of 554.341 tons.

The Sues Canal cost something over \$100,000,000, of which it is said only 58 per cent was actually spent in construction. Its building involved the removal of 100,000,000 cubic yards of sand, which was mostly due by Arab siaves with their hands and carried in baskets to the dumping ground. The work was commenced in 1850, and the canal was opened to commerce November 17, 1899, or ten and a half years later. The company to build it was incorporated in 1858, with a capital of \$48,000,000. There were 400,000 shares in the construction, bearing 5 per cent interest, which was to be paid during construction. These was the motive power in the construction of the canal, but Engsiand, by the subsequent purchase of 170,000 shares at 113, now quoted at 550, succeeded the French control. These shares a list of the canal was a list by electric light, thus almost doubling its capacity, and the canal was lit by electric light, thus almost doubling its capacity, and the time of transit has now been reduced from thirty-three hours and fifty-eight minutes to twenty-two hours and nine minutes. The average tomage of vessels using the canal in 1890 was 3.389, and the average change for the passage of such a vessel was \$3.570.

When the canal was first opened the tolls were \$2 per ton capacity for each ship and \$2 for each s

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a profitable undertaking, and it will not be long before it is done, for the increase in draft of Treight carriers makes its feet the necessary depth for any waterway which proposes to be available for any vessel which may come along.

The Suez canal as an accomplished fact has faded more or less from the minds of the people of the world as one of the marvels of the century, but it stands even to-day as an achievanent with few parallels. Its building cost the lives of thousands of men. Its current changed the channels of trade throughout the world, made and unmade ports, built and unbuilt cities. It has been a feature of European statecraft for centuries as a proposition and a threat and, finally, as a completed fact. The criminality exercised in its building was colossal in its impudence and aplendor. The materialization of the Sues canal was the accomplish-

dous crimes. The Penama acheme, born and carried to disaster in the momentum of the Sues accomplishment, was a marvel of petty iarcenies, from widows and orphans, its operations consisting of vast aggregates of lerser crimes. In the case of Sues it was a great and successful confidence game in which France was the bunco steerer and Egypt the victim, while England, that vigilant guardian of her own interests, stood by ready to reap advantage in time of all that might be done.

Canadian Fishing Industry.

According to the annual report of the department of fisheries at Ottawa, no less than 70,803 men were last year earning their living by exploiting Caracian waters, using 5,506,760 feetness of nets and other fishing goar, repre-

senting a capital of 310,000,000. Nearly 1,200 schoolers and tugs, manned by 8,970 sailors, as well as 70,863 other fastermen, using over 38,000 boats, found occupation in this vast industry. The lobster plant alone is estimated at 31,334,180, comprising SS canneries, dispersed on the seaboard of the Maritime Provinces. No less than 18,708, persons found employment in this branch of the fishing industry, using over 1,380,000 traps. The salmon preserving industry in British Columbia, comprising sixty-nine canneries, and representing a capital of 31,390,000, gives employment to 18,707 hands. The sr. Jount of capital invested in the sharders last year exceeded that of the year previous by '\$280,748, and 719 move men were engaged in the industry. The total value of the catch of shi in Canada for the year amounts to \$21,891,708, being an incremes of about \$2,280,000 over the preceding year.