

STATISTICS OF CANADA.

CENSUS OF 1870-71.

INTRODUCTION.

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The twentieth Table, the first of this volume, gives an account of the total number of acres of land owned by the residents of each Census District, and also of the number and tonnage of ships owned by the population of each District. It is the general statement of the landed and maritime property, according to the residence of the proprietors but irrespective of the situation of the property.

In reference to the lands, the difference between the superficies by the first column of Table XX and the total superficies occupied according to Table XXI, shows the number of acres of wild land belonging to individuals, but not forming part of the farm holdings.

The number of ships and the amount of tonnage shown by Table XX, represent the number of ships and the actual tonnage owned by residents of Canada, whether the ships were built abroad, or were launched from Canadian ship yards. These figures have no connection with those given by the Registry of Ships built in Canada, which may, and in fact, have, in large numbers become the property of persons living abroad.

For instance, on one side, the amount of tonnage held by Canadians in the large iron steamships of our Oceanic Lines, although these are built and registered in the British Isles, is shown in this Table because owned by Canadians; on the other hand, the numerous ships built in our yards or registered here and sold to others than Canadians do not appear in the Table, from the fact of their being owned abroad.