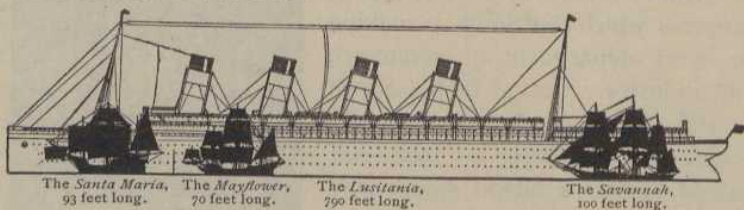


(p. 376) and which has been flowing ever since. Of the 26,000,000 immigrants who have come to America since the beginning of our national history nearly 20,000,000 have come since 1870. In recent years immigrants have been arriving at the rate of a million a year.

Of the increase in population since 1860 cities and towns have received more than their share, and farming districts have received less than their share. In 1860 only one sixth of the people lived in towns and cities; by 1900 one third lived in towns and cities; and to-day it is probable that we have as many people in our cities as we have on our farms.

Our growth in wealth since 1860 has been even more remarkable than our growth in population, as the Table of Progress shows. While our population has been increasing threefold, our wealth has increased sevenfold, and we have become by far the richest nation of the earth.



An ocean steamship of to-day as compared with early ships.

QUESTIONS ON THE TEXT

1. Describe the progress which has been made in agriculture since the Civil War.
2. What progress has been made in manufacturing since the war?
3. To what extent has our mining industry increased since 1860?
4. Compare the commerce which we had in 1860 with the commerce which we have to-day. Give an account of the improvements which have been made since 1860 in the means of communication.
5. What progress has been made in the use of electricity since 1860?
6. What progress has been made in education since 1860?
7. Show that since the Civil War a New South has come into being.
8. To what extent has our population increased since 1860? To what extent has our city population increased since 1860? What increase has been made in our wealth since 1860?