

SPIRITS.

The quantity of spirits *manufactured* in 1874-75 was greater than in any previous year, but the quantity taken for consumption was less. The quantity exported was a little more than in 1873-74, but a good deal less than the average of the three preceding years. More was used in bonded factories, and there was a large increase in the quantity left in the warehouse, as will be seen by the following statement :

	<i>In Warehouse.</i>	<i>Bonded Factories.</i>	<i>Exported.</i>	<i>Consumption.</i>	<i>Manufactured.</i>	<i>In Warehouse.</i>	<i>Annual Average of</i>
	1,418,860	277,981	343,512	4,421,866	5,240,838	1,168,021	1871-72-73.....
	1,085,843	281,090	197,576	5,479,800	5,433,741	1,621,802	1873-74.
	2,247,995	300,916	202,451	3,963,957	5,619,507	1,005,843	1874-75

It will be seen that the quantity of spirits made was, in 1874-5, greater by 7½ per cent. than in the three years average, and the quantity taken for consumption 10½ per cent. less. This difference is due to the advance of duty in April 1874, which induced dealers to ex-warehouse their stocks. The increased duty does not appear to have checked consumption to any material extent. In exportation of spirits, there is a decided decline, and a steady increase in the quantity used in the manufacture of vinegar and methylated spirits.

MALT.

The quantity of *Malt* manufactured was greater in 1874-75 than in the preceding year, being 41,933,986 lbs., but the quantity taken for consumption was somewhat less than in either of the preceding years. There was an increased quantity in bond at the end of the year, but still a good deal below the average of the four years previous. The exportation of Malt fell off about two-fifths, being on the average of four years nearly eight millions of lbs., and in 1874-75 only 4,677,960 lbs. 30,377,039 lbs. of the malt was used in the manufacture of malt liquor, and 3,826,996 in distilleries.

The following is a comparative statement of malt manufactured for the years ended June 31, 1874 and 1875, in Canada :

IN 1874.

Barley used.....	813,684 Bushels.
Other grain used	14,443 "
Total grain used.....	828,117 "
Do. in M. cubic inches.....	1,780,832
Malt manufactured ..	900,927 "
Do.	31,594,005 lbs.
Malt paid duty ex-manufactory	11,448,585 "
Malt Warehoused. . .	20,055,420 "
No. of Licenses	125

IN 1875.

Barley used....	2,206,765 M. cub. in.
Other grains used.....	12,027 "
Total grain used.....	2,278,792 "
Malt manufactured . .	2,564,692 "
Do.	40,846,079 lbs.
Malt paid duty ex-manufactory	18,208,735 "
Malt Warehoused....	22,637,344 "
No. of Licenses.....	118