

194. The total free goods entered for consumption in 1885 amounted to \$29,440,401, as against \$28,170,146 in 1884, being an increase of \$1,270,255; and the total dutiable goods for home consumption were \$73,269,618, against \$80,010,498 in 1884—a decrease of \$6,740,880.

195. The percentage of duty on the total value of goods, dutiable and free, entered for consumption, showed a small decrease as compared with 1884, being 18.61 per cent., against 18.64 per cent. in that year. The largest amount of duty \$7,778,817 was collected in the Province of Quebec. But that Province contains the principal ports of entry by the St. Lawrence, at which there are large importations for consumption in other Provinces, and notably Ontario.

196. A detailed comparative statement of the value of the principal duties imported in the last three years will be found in the following table, dutiable goods being distinguished from those that were admitted free:—

VALUE of the Principal Imports, Dutiable and Free, during the Years 1883, 1884 and 1885.

Articles.	Value of Imports.		
	1883.	1884.	1885.
DUTIABLE GOODS.			
Ale, beer and porter.....	215,884	239,293	191,779
Animals, living.....	820,877	1,215,889	1,101,721
Books, periodicals, &c., and other printed matter.....	1,333,158	1,266,986	1,165,414
Brass, and manufactures of.....	387,278	329,998	299,623
Breadstuffs, viz :—			
Arrowroot, biscuit, rice, &c.....	436,414	384,006	566,413
Grain of all kinds.....	7,774,272	7,745,407	5,327,368
Flour and meal of all kinds.....	1,977,133	2,988,337	2,615,909
Brooms and brushes.....	117,497	92,184	98,880
Candles.....	49,243	39,600	43,765
Carriages.....	1,173,034	426,693	312,176
Carpets.....	176,332	72,953	43,052
Clocks.....	138,435	103,589	126,129
Coal and coke.....	6,433,796	7,807,707	7,363,634
Coffee.....	103,400	117,717	169,709
Copper and manufactures of.....	244,296	126,076	88,229
Cordage.....	182,609	130,663	94,841
Cotton, manufactures of.....	9,967,979	7,513,404	6,249,534
Drugs, dyes, chemicals and medicines.....	1,033,058	1,204,025	1,213,396
Earthenware and chinaware.....	675,000	541,932	485,498
Fancy goods.....	2,195,872	1,703,572	1,585,766
Fish.....	144,739	132,710	96,278
Flax and hemp, and manufactures of.....	1,432,494	1,096,213	1,159,931
Fruits and nuts, dried.....	1,429,880	1,174,521	908,083
Fruits, green.....	814,544	778,446	693,169
Furs, and manufactures of.....	702,091	641,682	633,921
Glass, and manufactures of.....	1,196,083	993,228	1,009,477
Gold and silver, manufactures of.....	344,984	232,790	238,431
Gunpowder and explosive substances.....	175,364	200,456	177,669
Gutta percha and India rubber, and manufactures of.....	671,059	704,768	761,239
Hats, caps and bonnets.....	1,363,950	1,097,783	1,073,449
Iron and manufactures of, and steel and manufactures of.....	13,771,277	10,406,060	7,641,488
Jewellery.....	662,648	554,845	482,043
Lead, and manufactures of.....	205,454	164,751	152,831
Leather, and manufactures of.....	2,040,669	1,447,555	1,533,632
Carried forward.....			