

202. There was, it will be observed, an increase in the exports of Canadian produce of the mine in 1885 over both 1884 and 1883; the principal increase in 1885 being in coal, mineral oils, antimony and iron ore. There was a large decrease in phosphates, also in silver ore and salt.

203. Fisheries exports showed a decrease in 1884 as compared with 1883, and a further decrease in 1885 as compared with 1884. The decrease in the last year was principally in dry salted and pickled codfish, fresh mackerel, pickled herring, other fresh and preserved sea fish and canned salmon. There was a large increase in the exports of fresh salmon, canned lobsters, and skins of fish and marine animals.

204. The decrease in produce of the forest exported in the past year was very large, the principal items being hop and telegraph poles, deals, deal ends and boards, sleepers and railway ties, and oak and red and white pine square timber.

205. The exports of animals and their products increased in each year, the chief increase being in horned cattle, cheese, dressed and undressed furs, and hides and skins. There was a large decrease in swine, as well as in the value of lard, canned meats and wool exported.

206. The largest decreases among agricultural products were in exports of wheat, rye and other grains, and of maple sugar; the exports of green fruits were largely in excess of 1884, as also were those of oats, hay and malt.

207. There was a general decrease in exports of manufactures, more especially in hardware, sewing machines and manufactures of leather, as well as in ships sold to other countries; an increase, however, will be found in agricultural implements, cottons, sole and upper leather, organs, woollens and manufactures of wood.

208. The following table gives the value of imports and exports in the different Provinces from 1881 to 1885, inclusive, together with the value per head of the population of each Province.

IMPORTS and Exports by Provinces, 1881 to 1885.

Provinces.	Year ended 30th June.	Imports.		Exports.	
		Total Value.	Value per Head.	Total Value.	Value per Head.
		\$	\$ cts.	\$	\$ cts.
Ontario.....	1881	34,597,556	17 91	30,014,478	15 54
	1882	41,690,760	21 22	40,765,921	20 75
	1883	44,666,445	22 35	32,890,019	16 46
	1884	41,967,215	20 66	26,891,017	13 24
	1885	39,828,083	19 30	28,434,731	13 78
Quebec.....	1881	51,071,013	37 45	48,965,087	35 91
	1882	53,105,257	38 44	38,972,121	28 21
	1883	55,909,871	39 95	42,642,986	30 47
	1884	49,122,472	34 68	42,029,878	29 67
	1885	46,733,038	32 61	39,604,451	27 64