257. The following table gives the value of the total im- Imports, ports and exports, and of the aggregate trade in every year and total since Confederation, the excess of imports over exports, or otherwise, is also shown, as well as the value of the aggregate trade per head of population in each year:-

IMPORTS AND EXPORTS, AND TOTAL TRADE OF CANADA, 1868 TO 1887.

YEAR HNDED 30TH JUNE,	Total Imports.	Total Exports.	Excess of Imports.	Excess of Exports.	Total Imports and Exports.	Value of Total Trade per Head.
	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$ cts.
1868	73,459,644	57,567,888			131,027,532	38 86
1869	70,415,165				130,889,946	38 35
1870 1871	74,814,339				148,387,829	42 95 48 39
1872	96,092,971 111,430,527	74,173,618 82,639,663	28,790,864	********	170,266,589	53 74
1873	128,011,281	89,789,922		**************	194,070,190 217,801,203	59 37
1874	128,213,582	89,351,928	38,861,654		217,565,510	56 88
1875	123,070,283		45,183,304		200,957,262	51 70
1876	93,210,346		12,243,911		174,176,781	44 10
1877	99,327,962			*	175,203,355	43 65
1878	93,081,787		13,758,120		172,405,454	42 26
1879	81,964,427		10,473,172	/*I*****	153,455,682	37 01
1880	86,489,747			1 409 511		41 37
1881	105,330,840	98,290,823	7,040,017		203,621,663	46 86
1882	119,419,500		17,282,297		221,556,703	50 00
1883	132,254,022		34,168,218		230,339,826	50 99
1884	116,397,043				207,803,539	45 11
1885	108,941,486					42 20
1886			19,173,247			39 57
1887	112,892,236	89,515,811	23,376, 125		202,408,047	41 52
Total	2,059,241,749	1,654,952,289	405,711,171	1,421,711	3,714,194,038	*45 74

*Average.

258. The value of imports has been exceeded six times, Average and the value of exports five times since Confederation, and imports in six years during the same period the total trade was ports. also larger. The average value per head during the twenty years has been of imports \$25.38, of exports \$20.36, and of the total trade \$45.74, so that in 1887 imports were \$2.14,