

The world's supply of wheat 1887 and 1888.

301. The next table is an estimate of the world's supply of wheat for the seasons of 1886-87 and 1887-88, made by Mr. Beerbohm :—*

COUNTRY.	1886-87.		1887-88.	
	Import Requirements.	Export Surplus.	Probable Requirements.	Probable Export Surplus.
	Bushels.	Bushels.	Bushels.	Bushels.
United States and Canada.....		100,000,000		120,000,000
United Kingdom.....	148,000,000		136,000,000	
France.....	56,000,000		16,000,000	
Belgium.....	18,000,000		16,000,000	
Germany.....	12,000,000		8,000,000	
Holland.....	8,000,000		8,000,000	
Austria-Hungary.....				20,000,000
Russia and Roumania.....		56,000,000		80,000,000
Switzerland.....	12,000,000		12,000,000	
Italy.....	8,000,000		32,000,000	
Spain and Portugal.....	4,000,000		12,000,000	
India.....		44,000,000		32,000,000
Australia and Chili.....		8,000,000		7,200,000
Argentine Republic.....				4,800,000
West Indies and China.....	20,000,000		20,000,000	
Greece.....	6,000,000		6,000,000	
Egypt and sundries.....		6,000,000		8,000,000
Totals.....	292,000,000	214,000,000	266,000,000	272,000,000

* Supplement to the Statist, February, 1888.

Imports of wheat into the United Kingdom 1887.

302. The total imports of wheat into the United Kingdom in the calendar year 1887 were 149,272,776 bushels, the value of which was 151½ million dollars, and if paid for at the same rate as twenty years ago the value would have been 273 million dollars.

Imports and exports of Canada by countries 1887.

303. The next table gives the imports from and exports of Canada to the United Kingdom, other British Possessions and Foreign Countries during the year 1887, with the percentage of the total amount in each case :—