

the trade with the United States formed 6·30 per cent. of their total trade, and according to American official figures, 5·49 per cent. of their total imports were exports from British North America (including Newfoundland), and 4·76 per cent. of their exports were imports into the same. There is, however, and probably there always will be, a large discrepancy between the two sets of figures, owing to the carelessness in valuation of exports on both sides of the line.

The ex-
port trade.

305. Almost all the exports went to the United Kingdom and United States, the proportion of the whole being 91·86 per cent.; of the remainder, 4·58 per cent. went to Newfoundland, South America and British West Indies. The exports to exceeded the imports from six countries only, viz., British West Indies, Newfoundland, Portugal, Norway and Sweden, Australasia and Denmark. The imports from British Possessions were \$47,052,596, and the exports to the same \$48,018,656, being an excess of exports of \$966,060, and forming altogether 46·97 per cent. of the total trade as compared with 46·20 per cent. in 1886.

Imports
from for-
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tries 1886
and 1887.

306. The next table is a comparative statement of the imports from foreign countries in 1886 and 1887 :—