

526. The following table, according to Mr. Coste, contains the only reliable statistics of Canadian production of oil that are available, and these figures do not give the total production since the quantity of crude oil used as such is not included :—

Canadian
production
of oil.

PRODUCTION OF CANADIAN PETROLEUM AND NAPHTHA AND CORRESPONDING QUANTITIES OF CRUDE OIL, 1881-1886.

YEAR.	Refined Oils.	Crude Equivalent calculated.
	Imp. galls.	Imp. galls.
1881	5,380,081	10,760,162
1882	5,111,893	11,359,762
1883	6,204,544	13,787,875
1884	6,730,063	16,825,170
1885	5,853,290	14,633,225
1886	6,469,667	17,025,439

527. And the following table shows the exports during the same period :—

Exports of
Canadian
oil.

EXPORTS OF CANADIAN PETROLEUM, 1881-1886.

YEAR.	Gallons.	Value.
		\$
1881	501	99
1882	1,119	286
1883	1,328	710
1884	1,098,090	33,168
1885	337,967	10,562
1886	241,716	9,855

528. The amount therefore of Canadian oil consumed in the country during those six years was 84,056,867 imperial gallons. The amount imported during the same period was 7,476,394 imperial gallons. The total consumption in Canada therefore amounted during that time to 41,533,261 gallons, being an average annual consumption of 6,922,210 gallons.

Consumption
of oil
in Canada.