

Value of  
imports  
highest  
during  
1873-1877.

275. Out of the four periods into which the foregoing table is divided, it will be seen that the aggregate value of imports was largest in the period 1873 to 1877. Trade was very flourishing all over the world at the commencement of that period, and prices ruled high. If, however, the prices of 1873 and 1874 had prevailed during the period 1883 to 1887, the aggregate value of the imports in those years would have been much the largest. The following table shows the proportions of imports from the principal countries to the total aggregate value of each of the same periods :—

Proportions of im-  
ports from  
principal  
countries  
to total  
value,  
1868-1887.

PERCENTAGE OF IMPORTS INTO CANADA ENTERED FOR CONSUMPTION FROM PRINCIPAL COUNTRIES TO AGGREGATE VALUE OF THE SAME DURING THE PERIODS NAMED.

COUNTRIES.	1868 to 1872, inclusive.	1873 to 1877, inclusive.	1878 to 1882, inclusive.	1883 to 1887, inclusive.
	Per cent.	Per cent.	Per cent.	Per cent.
Great Britain .....	55·46	48·13	44·03	41·25
United States .....	35·08	44·24	46·18	45·18
France .....	1·78	1·68	1·74	1·87
Germany .....	0·74	0·65	0·83	2·09
Other European Countries .....	0·83	1·09	1·48	1·92
British West Indies .....	1·15	0·78	1·38	1·49
Other " .....	1·70	0·91	1·54	1·52
Newfoundland .....	.....	0·92	0·68	0·49
Other British Possessions .....	0·03	0·18	0·27	0·58
" Foreign Countries .....	1·23	1·42	1·87	3·61
B. N. A. Provinces .....	2·00	.....	.....	.....
Total .....	100·00	100·00	100·00	100·00

Value of  
exports,  
1888 and  
1889.

276. A comparative statement of exports from Canada in the years 1888 and 1889 will be found below :—