

of the Cape of Good Hope, which will account for the large figures.

Value of  
total trade  
of British  
possessions

283. The value of the total trade of the United Kingdom and her possessions was \$5,440,888,005, as compared with \$5,122,737,727 in 1887, being an increase of \$318,150,278; in 1887 there was an increase of \$258,332,689 as compared with 1886. The total imports exceeded the total exports by \$449,143,337; the excess of imports into the United Kingdom amounted to \$436,785,800, showing that, exclusive of that country, there was an excess of imports of \$12,357,537.

Excess of  
imports &  
exports  
respectively  
in British  
possessions.

284. The following is a list of British possessions in which imports and exports were respectively in excess in 1888 :—

*Imports exceeded Exports in*

United Kingdom.	Bermudas.
Straits Settlements.	Bahamas.
Ceylon.	New South Wales.
Natal.	Victoria.
St. Helena.	Western Australia.
Gold Coast.	Queensland.
Canada.	Tasmania.
Newfoundland.	Turk's Island.

*Exports exceeded Imports in*

India.	Jamaica.
Mauritius.	Trinidad.
Lagos.	Windward Islands.
Cape of Good Hope.	Leeward Islands.
Sierra Leone.	South Australia.
Gambia.	New Zealand.
Honduras.	Fiji.
British Guiana.	Falkland Islands.

Imports &  
exports of  
foreign  
countries.

285. The total value and the value per head of the imports and exports of some of the principal foreign countries in the latest available years are given in the following table. The figures have been taken from official sources, and the calculations made in this office :—