

EXPORTS OF HORSES, CATTLE AND SHEEP, THE PRODUCE OF CANADA, 1874 TO 1889.

YEAR ENDED • 30TH JUNE.	HORSES.		CATTLE.		SHEEP.	
	Number.	Value.	Number.	Value.	Number.	Value.
		\$		\$		\$
1874	5,339	570,544	39,623	951,269	252,081	702,564
1875	4,382	460,672	38,968	823,522	242,438	637,561
1876	4,299	442,338	25,357	601,148	141,187	507,538
1877	8,306	779,222	22,656	715,750	209,899	583,020
1878	14,179	1,273,728	29,925	1,152,334	242,989	699,337
1879	16,629	1,376,794	46,569	2,096,696	308,093	988,045
1880	21,393	1,880,379	54,944	2,764,437	398,746	1,422,830
1881	21,993	2,094,037	62,277	3,464,871	354,155	1,372,127
1882	20,920	2,326,637	62,106	3,256,330	311,669	1,228,957
1883	13,019	1,633,291	66,396	3,898,028	308,474	1,388,056
1884	11,595	1,617,829	89,263	5,681,082	304,403	1,544,605
1885	11,978	1,554,629	143,003	7,377,777	335,043	1,261,071
1886	16,525	2,147,584	91,866	5,825,188	359,407	1,182,241
1887	18,779	2,268,833	116,274	6,486,718	443,495	1,592,167
1888	20,397	2,458,231	100,747	5,012,713	395,074	1,276,046
1889	17,767	2,170,722	102,919	5,708,126	360,131	1,263,125
Total	227,500	25,055,470	1,092,893	55,815,989	4,967,284	17,649,290

370. Some idea can be formed of the extent and importance of this trade when it is seen that the value of the horses, cattle and sheep exported during the last 16 years has reached the enormous sum of \$98,520,749, and, as the above table shows, the dimensions of the trade are, subject to fluctuation, continually increasing.

Total value exported during 16 years.

371. Previous to 1872 no meat, either live or dead, was exported from this country to Great Britain, except a certain quantity of salted beef, and the export of live cattle may be said to have commenced in that year—the first shipment being made through the United States, owing to there being no vessels trading to Canada suitable for the purpose. Since that time, however, vessels have been built specially fitted for the carrying of live stock; and this circumstance, by reducing the rates of freight, has contributed largely towards keeping the business a fairly remunerative one, in spite of the fall in

Live cattle export trade to Great Britain.