

## IMPORTS OF IRON AND STEEL INTO CANADA, 1887 AND 1888.

ARTICLES.	1887.		1888.	
	Value.	Duty.	Value.	Duty.
	\$	\$	\$	\$
Pig iron.....	620,104	149,380	840,605	273,326
Slabs, blooms, &c.....	306,728	52,669	80,252	46,479
Scrap iron and steel.....	326,593	33,694	337,738	54,138
Ferro manganese, &c.....	24,688	3,344	44,275	7,096
Iron, manufactures of.....	1,584,529	438,338	1,305,081	516,924
Steel do.....	773,821	143,381	973,971	222,487
Iron and steel, manufacture of.....	1,704,778	287,563	2,359,042	452,051
Castings and forgings.....	503,318	169,279	549,561	227,050
Railroad iron and steel.....	1,580,316	30,238	1,586,003	49,327
Highly finished articles, about.....	3,400,000	940,000	3,700,000	1,150,000
Total.....	10,824,875	2,247,886	11,776,528	2,998,878

Consumption of iron in Canada.

429. The above figures for 1888 represent a consumption of about 400,000 tons of pig iron, valued at over \$5,000,000. This quantity would necessitate a supply of over 1,000,000 tons of ore and 3,000,000 tons of fuel, and some idea can thus be obtained of the wealth that would be retained in the country if the iron and coal resources of Canada, which are quite equal to such a demand, were sufficiently developed.

Production of iron and steel in the world.

430. The following table gives the world's production of pig iron and steel, principally in 1888. Tons of 2,240 pounds are used with reference to Great Britain, the United States, Russia and "Other Countries," and metric tons of 2,204 pounds for continental countries:—

## THE WORLD'S PRODUCTION OF IRON AND STEEL, 1888.

COUNTRIES.	Pig Iron.	Steel.
	Tons.	Tons.
Great Britain.....	7,898,634	3,405,536
United States.....	6,489,738	2,899,440
Germany and Luxemburg.....	4,258,471	1,785,354
France.....	1,688,976	525,646
Belgium.....	826,984	223,638
Austria-Hungary.....	761,606	355,038
Russia.....	541,951	246,000
Sweden (1887).....	456,625	111,565
Spain (1885).....	159,225	24,500
Italy (1886).....	12,291	23,760
Other Countries (estimated).....	100,000	30,000
Total.....	23,194,501	9,630,477