ESTIMATED PRODUCTION AND CONSUMPTION OF WHEAT IN CANADA IN THE YEARS 1881 TO 1890, INCLUSIVE.

Year.	Estimated Crop.	Imports of Wheat and Flour for Home Consumption.	Exports of Wheat and Flour, Produce of Canada.	Estimated Amount retained for Seed.	Estimated Consumption.
	Bushels.	Bushels.	Bushels.	Bushels.	Bushels.
1881 1882	38,000,000 47,831,706	1,208,494	6,193,730	4,572,552	28,442,212
1883	30,920,762	1,368,877 $2,954,600$	8,312,688 1,732,471	4,598,596 4,513,214	36,289,299 27,629,677
1884 1885	$\begin{array}{c} 45,443,417 \\ 42,816,327 \end{array}$	$3,073,641 \ 1,072,719$	2,959,841 5,349,663	4,914,232 $4,548,818$	40,642,985
1886 1887	38,304,503 39,034,233	870,685 324,452	8,232,791 3,914,329	4,519,918 4,359,296	26,422,479 31,085,060
1888	33,044,851	1,179,825	1,081,219	4,638,462	28,504,995
1889 1890	30,871,656 $40,527,562$	953,344 406,222	$940,219 \ 3,433,744$	5,106,346 5,515,118	25,778,435 31,984,922

According to the above table, the production of wheat has exceeded the quantity apparently required for consumption and seed during the period named by 28,737,836 bushels, being an average annual excess of 2,873,783 bushels.

Production and consumption per head, 1881-1890.

379. The following table gives the apparent production, consumption and quantity of wheat available for export, after providing for seed, per head of population, in the years named:—

APPARENT PRODUCTION AND CONSUMPTION OF WHEAT IN CANADA, PER HEAD OF POPULATION, IN THE YEARS 1881 TO 1890, INCLUSIVE.

Year.	Production.	Consumption.	Quantity available for Export.
	Bushels.	Bushels.	Bushels.
1881	8.67	6.48	1·14
882	10.79	8.19	1.57
.883	6.90	6.16	-0.27
.884	$\frac{10.02}{9.33}$	8·96 7·41	-0.03
.885	8.26	5.70	1.59
886	8.33	6 63	0.77
.887	6.98	6.02	-0.02
.888	6.45	5.38	0.00
1889 1890	8.37	6.60	0.63
Average	8.41	6.75	0.63