

from Nova Scotia and New Brunswick ports, to which provinces they are credited as exports. According to the Trade and Navigation Returns, 102,834 head of cattle were exported from the Province of Quebec in 1892—that is, from the port of Montreal; but over 90 per cent of this number were actually from Ontario. Very little of the wheat grown in and exported from Manitoba, is credited to that province, but appears in the returns as an export either from Ontario or Quebec, according to the situation of the port where the export entry is made. A considerable quantity of grain grown in Ontario, is, similarly, credited to the Province of Quebec. Coal from the North-west Territories sent to the United States is included in British Columbian exports. Numerous other instances might be given, but enough has been said to show that the official returns of imports and exports by provinces are of no value as indicating the consumption and production of individual provinces, and only show which provinces contain the largest importing and exporting centres.

312. The following table gives the value of goods entered for consumption at three periods since Confederation, viz., in 1871, 1881 and 1891, and shows also the countries from which the goods were imported, the value of imports from each country, and the percentage in each case to the total imports.

Value of goods entered for consumption, and countries from which imported, 1871, 1881 and 1891.

VALUE OF IMPORTS ENTERED FOR CONSUMPTION IN CANADA IN THE YEARS NAMED, SHOWING THE COUNTRIES FROM WHICH IMPORTED, AND THE PROPORTION IN EACH CASE TO THE TOTAL VALUE.

Countries.	Value of Imports Entered for Consumption, 1871.	Percentage.	Value of Imports Entered for Consumption, 1881.	Percentage.	Value of Imports Entered for Consumption, 1891.	Percentage.
	\$		\$		\$	
British Possessions—						
Great Britain.....	49,307,585	56.71	43,583,808	47.57	42,047,526	37.10
British West Indies.....	839,523	0.97	1,888,695	2.06	1,244,185	1.10
“ East.....			29,951	0.03	51,040	0.05
“ Africa.....	222,557	0.26	138,815	0.15	78,091	0.07
“ Guiana.....	16,635	0.02	173,978	0.19	140,629	0.12
Newfoundland.....	*257,507	0.29	652,304	0.71	751,003	0.66
Australasia.....			143		169,065	0.15
Other British Possessions..	1,697,168	1.95	2		1,549	...
Total.....	52,340,975	60.20	46,467,696	50.71	44,483,088	39.25
Foreign Countries—						
United States.....	29,134,550	33.51	36,704,112	40.07	53,685,657	47.36
France.....	1,265,183	1.46	1,631,332	1.78	2,312,143	2.03
Germany.....	578,772	0.67	934,266	1.02	3,804,090	3.36
Austria.....	296		25,025	0.03	144,548	0.13
Belgium.....	171,584	0.19	412,834	0.45	655,448	0.58
China.....	376,116	0.43	592,245	0.65	868,982	0.77
Japan.....	66,285	0.08	818,728	0.89	1,254,329	1.11