642. Other countries have, to a considerable extent, increased their exports to Canada, as the following statement shows:—

IMPORTS FROM COUNTRIES OTHER THAN GREAT BRITAIN AND UNITED STATES.

| | 1886. | 1893. |
|-----------------------------------|-----------|-----------|
| Interchangeable mechanism | \$ 15,109 | \$ 24,559 |
| Hardware, cutlery and edged tools | | 205,690 |
| Machinery | 5,452 | 64,557 |
| Castings and forgings | 2,504 | 413 |
| Rails and railway supplies | 45,388 | 54,549 |
| Other forms of iron and steel | 131,563 | 275,229 |
| Pig iron | 2,067 | 359 |
| Total | \$351,817 | \$625,355 |

643. The following table gives the world's production of pig iron and steel, principally in 1893. 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.

| Countries. | Pig Iron. Tons. | Steel. Tons. |
|---|---|--|
| Great Britain. United States Germany and Luxemburg. France. Belgium Austria-Hungary Russia. Sweden Spain Italy Other countries (estimated). | 6,750,000 7,124,502 4,826,819 2,032,567 768,321 925,308 912,290 490,913 179,433 | 3,679,043 3,123,524 2,161,821 803,063 221,296 499,600 375,625 172,774 63,011 107,676 5,000 |
| Total | 26,003,780 | 12,290,892 |

644. Great Britain and the United States combined produced 61 per cent of the total quantity of pig iron, and 65 per cent of the total quantity of steel, produced in the world. Great Britain no longer maintains her supremacy as the largest manufacturer of iron and steel, the United States having wonderfully increased their production during the last fifteen years. In 1878 Great Britain produced 45 per cent and 36 per cent of the total production of iron and steel respectively, and the United States 16 per