

1st. Interchangeable mechanism, the manufacture of which requires the highest skill and workmanship. (This class includes sewing machines, fire-arms, locomotive engines and agricultural implements.)

2nd. Hardware, cutlery and edged tools.

3rd. Machinery.

4th. Castings and forgings.

5th. Rails and railway supplies.

6th. Other forms of iron and steel.

7th. Pig-iron.

Classes 6 and 7 include (1st) pig-iron, the basis of the iron and steel industries; and (2nd) other forms of iron and steel in the making of which skilled labour enters to a limited extent. They constitute the raw material entering into the manufacture of iron and steel articles by Canadian workmen, and are (in addition to pig-iron) bar iron, rolled or hammered, boiler plate, steel bloom ends, rolled iron for horse-shoe nails, steel for skates, files or saws, wrought scrap iron, &c., and parts of articles in other respects manufactured in Canada.

880. Taking the above division and applying it to our imports from Great Britain and the United States, from which two countries came, in the two periods under consideration, 98 per cent and 95 per cent, respectively, of the whole import, we obtain the following results:—

Interchangeable mechanism—		
Imports from G. B. and U. S., 1882-86.....		\$ 5,369,861
“ “ “ “ 1889-93.....		2,857,637
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Decrease.....		\$ 2,512,224
Hardware, cutlery and edged tools—		
Imports from G. B. and U. S., 1882-86.....		\$13,094,440
“ “ “ “ 1889-93.....		11,915,967
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Decrease.....		\$ 1,178,473
Machinery—		
Imports from G. B. and U. S., 1882-86.....		\$10,130,588
“ “ “ “ 1889-93.....		8,393,159
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Decrease.....		\$ 1,737,429
Castings and forgings—		
Imports from G. B. and U. S., 1882-86.....		\$ 3,214,366
“ “ “ “ 1889-93.....		1,676,362
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Decrease..		\$ 1,537,984
Rails and railway supplies—		
Imports from G. B. and U. S., 1882-86.....		\$15,733,927
“ “ “ “ 1889-93.....		12,194,419
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Decrease.....		\$ 3,539,508
Other forms of iron and steel—		
Imports from G. B. and U. S., 1882-86.....		\$22,719,719
“ “ “ “ 1889-93.....		28,225,739
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Increase.....		\$ 5,506,020
Pig-iron, and probably including scrap—		
Imports from G. B. and U. S., 1882-86.....		\$ 4,045,587
“ “ “ “ 1889-93.....		4,738,946
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Increase.....		\$ 693,359

Changes were made in the iron and steel tariff in the Session of 1894.