

been \$25,925,462^c instead of what it really was, viz: \$9,270,953. The measures adopted have therefore resulted in a gain to the Canadian farmers of \$16,654,510 in the value of the home market.

GREAT BRITAIN'S IMPORTS.

493. During 1895 Great Britain, more largely than ever, drew her food supplies from outside countries.

There was an increase in the value of her imports of wheat, pease, corn-meal, other grains, preserved meats, fresh pork, fish (salt), potatoes, poultry and game, sheep, swine, fresh beef and mutton, lard, rabbits, unenumerated meats, butter, condensed milk, eggs and raw vegetables. There was a decrease in the imports of salted pork, margarine, hops, cattle, barley, oats, beans, corn, wheat-meal, flour, &c., bacon, hams, beef (salted), fresh fish, cheese, apples and onions.

494. The following statement gives in some detail the imports into the United Kingdom to meet the demand for food, during 1894 and 1895:—

| ARTICLES. | 1894. | | *1895. | |
|--|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|
| | Quantity. | Value. | Quantity. | Value. |
| | | \$ | | \$ |
| Animals, living (for food) No. | 960,045 | 44,237,455 | 1,481,356 | 43,635,759 |
| Wheat, barley, oats, pease, beans, Indian corn and flour cwt. | 178,466,116 | 232,297,429 | 179,927,460 | 241,962,159 |
| Dressed meats " " | 10,718,870 | 110,594,951 | 12,096,321 | 115,678,905 |
| Butter " " | 2,574,835 | 65,489,268 | 2,825,682 | 69,326,786 |
| Margarine " " | 1,169,325 | 14,818,075 | 940,168 | 12,444,894 |
| Cheese " " | 2,266,145 | 26,644,708 | 2,133,809 | 22,747,681 |
| Eggs doz. | 118,769,680 | 18,426,801 | 127,222,920 | 19,483,408 |
| Fish cwt. | 2,555,977 | 12,882,456 | 2,458,860 | 14,479,661 |
| Fruit, raw bush. | 17,383,774 | 26,816,526 | 15,277,260 | 23,680,348 |
| Hops cwt. | 189,155 | 3,768,639 | 217,161 | 3,136,591 |
| Lard " " | 1,400,516 | 13,424,292 | 1,742,688 | 14,317,446 |
| Milk (condensed or preserved) " " | 529,465 | 5,252,277 | 545,400 | 5,258,720 |
| Potatoes " " | 2,703,803 | 5,013,110 | 3,758,161 | 5,695,470 |
| Onions bush. | 5,288,512 | 3,723,195 | 5,734,768 | 3,389,283 |
| Vegetables, unenumerated | | 5,306,467 | | 6,215,015 |
| Poultry and game | | 2,340,469 | | 2,945,141 |
| Total | | 591,036,118 | | 604,397,267 |

* The figures of 1895 are subject to revision—taken from monthly reports.

NOTE.—Cwt. = 112 lbs.

In addition to these articles there are rice, spices, sugars, molasses, chicory, cocoa, coffee, dried fruits, tea, spirits, wines and tobacco.

In all, the imports of articles of food and drink enumerated amounted to \$847,722,000, of which \$41,460,000 were exported, leaving the net food and drink bill paid to outsiders in 1895 to \$806,262,000.