

1202. The following tables give the amount raised by Customs and Excise duties during the last twenty-eight years, together with the proportion of each to population* :—

TAXATION BY CUSTOMS AND EXCISE DUTIES AND PROPORTION TO POPULATION IN CANADA—1868-95.

YEAR ENDED 30TH JUNE.	Customs.	Amount per Head.	PROPORTION TO		Excise.	Amount per Head.
			Total Taxation.	Imports for Home Consumption.		
	\$	\$ cts.	Per cent.	Per cent.	\$	\$ cts.
1868.....	8,578,380	2 54	73·3	12·25	3,002,588	0 89
1869.....	8,272,879	2 42	74·4	12·31	2,710,028	0 79
1870.....	9,334,212	2 70	71·3	13·28	3,619,622	1 05
1871.....	11,841,104	3 36	72·5	13·62	4,295,944	1 22
1872.....	12,787,982	3 54	72·2	12·11	4,735,651	1 31
1873.....	12,954,164	3 53	73·5	10·20	4,460,681	1 22
1874.....	14,325,192	3 74	71·1	11·32	5,594,903	1 46
1875.....	15,351,011	3 95	74·3	12·83	5,069,687	1 30
1876.....	12,823,837	3 25	66·0	13·44	5,563,487	1 41
1877.....	12,546,987	3 14	70·9	13·03	4,941,897	1 23
1878.....	12,782,824	3 13	71·6	14·03	4,858,671	1 19
1879.....	12,900,659	3 11	69·8	16·10	5,390,763	1 30
1880.....	14,071,343	3 34	76·1	19·70	4,232,427	1 00
1881.....	18,406,092	4 24	76·8	20·19	5,343,022	1 23
1882.....	21,581,570	4 92	78·3	19·27	5,884,859	1 34
1883.....	23,009,582	5 19	78·6	18·82	6,260,116	1 41
1884.....	20,023,890	4 47	75·5	18·64	5,459,309	1 22
1885.....	18,935,428	4 17	74·5	18·61	6,449,101	1 42
1886.....	19,373,551	4 22	76·8	19·50	5,852,904	1 28
1887.....	22,378,801	4 83	78·0	21·24	6,308,201	1 36
1888.....	22,105,926	4 72	78·4	21·57	6,071,487	1 30
1889.....	23,726,784	5 01	74·2	21·65	6,886,739	1 45
1890.....	23,968,954	5 00	75·8	21·21	7,618,118	1 59
1891.....	23,399,301	4 83	77·2	20·66	6,914,850	1 43
1892.....	20,501,059	4 18	72·0	17·52	7,945,098	1 62
1893.....	20,954,003	4 22	71·5	17·30	8,367,364	1 69
1894.....	19,198,114	3 82	69·6	16·97	8,381,089	1 67
1895.....	17,640,466	3 47	69·3	16·76	7,805,733	1 54

* The amounts of Customs duties being taken from the Public Accounts represent the amounts actually paid in, and will not quite correspond with the figures in the Trade and Navigation Returns, these latter being for amounts accrued.

It will be seen that considerably the larger part of the whole amount of taxation is derived from Customs duties, the average proportion for the twenty-eight years having been 73·7 per cent, later years showing a tendency to decrease it. The proportion in the United Kingdom in 1895 was 26 per cent; in the United States in 1895 it was 51 per cent, and in the Australasian colonies in 1894 it averaged 73 per cent.

The amount of Customs duties paid per head in the United Kingdom in 1895 was \$2.50 and in the United States \$2.18, in both cases being a