

IMPORTS FROM GREAT BRITAIN AND UNITED STATES—*Continued.*

	5 YEAR PERIODS.		FOR THE YEARS		
	1882-86.	1889-93.	1894.	1895.	1896.
	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$
Other forms of iron and steel—					
Imports from G.B.....	19,757,893	20,403,933	2,409,593	1,679,469	2,863,373
“ U.S.....	2,961,816	7,821,806	2,722,816	2,107,266	2,746,573
Proportion — G.B.....	87.0 p.c.	72.3 p.c.	58.3 p.c.	44.4 p.c.	51.0 p.c.
“ U.S.....	13.0 “	27.7 “	41.7 “	55.6 “	48.6 “
Pig-iron—					
Imports from G.B.....	2,747,947	2,822,265	204,235	73,952	61,383
“ U.S.....	1,297,640	1,916,681	306,816	302,051	345,324
Proportion — G.B.....	67.9 p.c.	60.0 p.c.	40.0 p.c.	19.7 p.c.	15.9 p.c.
“ U.S.....	32.1 “	40.0 “	60.0 “	80.3 “	84.1 “

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.

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	
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	
Decrease.....	\$ 1,178,473	
Machinery—		
Imports from G.B. and U.S., 1882-86.....	\$ 10,130,588	
“ “ “ “ 1889-93.....	8,393,159	
Decrease.....	\$ 1,737,429	