

Taking totals, and from all countries, we have :—

		Yearly Average.	1895.	1896.	
		\$	\$	\$	
Total imports, home consumption,	1882-86	\$75,251,232..	15,050,246	9,522,327	12,025,068
“	1889-93	70,972,717..	14,194,543		
Imports from Great Britain	1882-86	44,125,291..	8,825,058	3,340,838	4,271,829.
“	1889-93	39,718,373..	7,943,274		
“ United States	1882-86	29,683,187..	5,956,637	5,680,539	7,096,270
“	1889-93	28,162,406..	5,632,481		
“ other countries	1882-86	1,442,754..	288,551	500,950	658,969
“	1889-93	3,091,938..	618,387		
Proportion from Great Britain	1882-86	58·6 p.c.		35·1 p.c.	35·5 p.c.
“	1889-93	56·0 “			
“ United States	1882-86	39·4 “		59·6 “	59·0 “
“	1889-93	39·6 “			
“ other countries	1882-86	2·0 “		5·3 “	5·5 “
“	1889-93	4·4 “			

### IRON AND STEEL IMPORTS.

		1894.	1895.	1896.
		\$	\$	\$
From British Empire—				
Dutiable . . . . .		3,528,164	2,132,300	2,352,581
Free . . . . .		2,005,945	1,177,866	1,108,640
Total . . . . .		5,534,109	3,310,166	3,461,221
Duty paid . . . . .		895,717	439,810	494,726
Per cent of duty on total . . . . .		16·4	13·3	14·3
Proportion of dutiable . . . . .		63·7	64·4	68·0
Free . . . . .		36·3	35·6	32·0
From all other countries—				
Dutiable . . . . .		5,248,369	5,273,623	6,111,166
Free . . . . .		528,293	665,960	1,380,220
Total . . . . .		5,776,662	5,939,583	7,491,386
Duty paid . . . . .		1,560,969	1,507,864	1,676,072
Per cent of duty on total . . . . .		29·7	28·6	22·4
Proportion of dutiable . . . . .		90·8	88·8	81·6
Free . . . . .		9·2	11·2	18·4

### IMPORTS FROM COUNTRIES OTHER THAN GREAT BRITAIN AND UNITED STATES.

	1886.	1893.	1894.	1895.	1896.
	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$
Interchangeable mechanism . . . . .	15,109	24,559	33,892	27,158	29,319
Hardware, cutlery and edged tools . . . . .	149,734	205,690	252,887	162,105	171,730
Machinery . . . . .	5,452	64,557	24,909	85,260	17,177
Castings and forgings . . . . .	2,504	413	327	555	994
Rails and railway supplies . . . . .	45,388	54,549	82,464	21,460	99,072
Other forms of iron and steel . . . . .	131,563	275,229	288,279	203,637	340,326
Pig-iron . . . . .	2,067	359	607	774	351
Total . . . . .	351,817	625,356	683,365	500,949	658,969