

44.—Statistics of Canadian Manufactures, including all establishments, irrespective of the number of employees, 1905 and 1915.

Items.	1905.	1915.	Increase.	
			Amount.	Per cent
Establishments.....No.	15,796	21,306	5,510	34·88
Capital.....\$	846,585,023	1,994,103,272	1,147,518,249	135·54
Employees on salaries.....No.	36,496	52,683	16,187	44·35
Salaries.....\$	30,724,086	60,308,293	29,584,207	96·29
Employees on wages.....No.	356,034	462,200	106,166	29·82
Wages.....\$	134,375,925	229,456,210	95,080,285	70·76
Value of products.....\$	718,352,603	1,407,137,140	688,784,537	95·88

It will be observed that the capital had increased during the ten years from \$846,585,023 in 1905 to \$1,994,103,272 in 1915, the increase of \$1,147,518,249 representing a percentage ratio of 135·54. In the same period the value of products rose from \$718,352,603 in 1905 to \$1,407,137,140 in 1915, an increase of \$688,784,537, or 95·88 p.c.

TRADE, TRANSPORTATION AND COMMUNICATIONS.

The trade returns of the Dominion may be examined profitably for evidences of national progress in various directions; but the broad fact emerges that so far as total values are concerned the trade, though of course fluctuating annually, has continued to make rapid progress, especially since the opening of the present century and still more notably during the last four years of war. In Table 45 I have taken out for purposes of comparison the values of the total trade of Canada for the fiscal year corresponding with the year of the decennial census and for the years 1915, 1916 and 1917. The figures show the total value of imports entered for home consumption and the total value of the exports of merchandise, including both Canadian and foreign produce. The value of coin and bullion is not included.

45.—Canadian Trade, 1868 to 1917 (1868, 1871-81-91-01-11, 1915-17).

Year.	Imports.	Exports.	Total Trade.
	\$	\$	\$
1868.....	67,090,159	52,701,720	119,791,879
1871.....	84,214,388	67,483,268	151,697,656
1881.....	90,488,329	97,319,818	187,808,147
1891.....	111,533,954	97,470,369	209,004,323
1901.....	177,700,694	194,509,143	372,209,837
1911.....	451,745,108	290,000,210	741,745,318
1915.....	455,446,312	461,442,509	916,888,821
1916.....	507,817,159	779,300,070	1,287,117,229
1917.....	845,356,306	1,179,211,100	2,024,567,406