

5.—Statistics of United Kingdom Import and United States Export Trade in Food Commodities.

About five-sixths of the total value of Canadian trade is transacted with the United Kingdom and the United States. The former country is our greatest customer for our surplus animal and agricultural products, though in the British market Canadian food products meet on equal terms the competition of the world. In Table 26 are given statistics for the five calendar years 1917 to 1921 inclusive, of British imports of animal and agricultural food products by the countries whence they are imported. The figures given in the table make it possible for the enquirer to investigate the rise or decline of the Canadian exports of each of the commodities under consideration in comparison with those of other countries and with the total.

In spite of its enormous domestic demand, the United States is still a large exporter of animal and agricultural food products, and in the markets of the world its products come into competition with our own. In Table 27 statistics of the United States exports of such commodities are furnished for the year ended June 30, 1917, and for the four calendar years 1918 to 1921.

26.—Quantities and Values of Selected Animal and Agricultural Food Products imported into the United Kingdom, by Countries whence imported, during the five calendar years, 1917-1921. [From the British Annual Statement of Trade, 1921.]

(Values converted at par of exchange. £1=\$4.86½.)

Imports by Countries.		1917.	1918.	1919.	1920.	1921.
Live Cattle¹—						
United States.....	No.	-	-	-	-	34,878
	\$	-	-	-	-	7,395,752
Canada.....	No.	-	-	-	-	31,792
	\$	-	-	-	-	6,017,663
Other countries.....	No.	-	-	-	-	4
	\$	-	-	-	-	58
Total.....	No.	-	-	-	-	66,674
	\$	-	-	-	-	13,413,473
Live Sheep¹—						
United States.....	No.	-	-	-	-	8,648
	\$	-	-	-	-	188,457
Canada.....	No.	-	-	-	-	2,056
	\$	-	-	-	-	45,751
Total.....	No.	-	-	-	-	10,704
	\$	-	-	-	-	234,208
Butter—						
Russia.....	cwt.	-	-	6,954	19,308	65,211
	\$	-	-	426,359	1,365,849	3,458,521
Sweden.....	cwt.	-	-	-	4	808
	\$	-	-	-	214	40,014
Denmark.....	cwt.	622,160	40,327	290,291	817,268	1,250,176
	\$	34,225,320	3,753,617	19,212,797	57,245,846	73,411,744
Netherlands.....	cwt.	75,880	9,885	1,641	102,567	63,065
	\$	3,713,062	799,676	101,285	7,706,279	3,621,992
France.....	cwt.	45,707	4,770	2	8,734	542
	\$	2,434,029	360,080	78	586,136	30,095
United States.....	cwt.	10,534	196,593	216,495	37,261	1,888
	\$	516,275	11,856,490	13,368,285	2,711,473	54,312
Argentina.....	cwt.	142,300	313,143	265,675	138,862	401,354
	\$	6,851,517	18,478,977	16,275,170	9,921,157	24,416,232
Australia.....	cwt.	529,809	540,072	417,371	227,542	964,226
	\$	25,371,866	32,716,756	25,555,723	15,974,230	55,867,513
New Zealand.....	cwt.	310,925	372,572	318,872	275,406	709,381
	\$	15,551,958	22,382,608	19,030,769	18,630,963	41,337,773
Canada.....	cwt.	33,057	61,971	33,337	32,140	43,138
	\$	1,669,685	3,767,530	2,032,261	2,322,617	2,578,633
Other Countries.....	cwt.	36,144	39,325	9,566	43,111	24,187
	\$	1,625,385	2,096,990	622,150	2,859,809	1,237,580
Total.....	cwt.	1,866,516	1,578,558	1,560,204	1,702,203	3,523,976
	\$	91,959,107	96,212,724	96,624,877	119,324,573	206,054,409

¹ For food.

NOTE.—Throughout this table the cwt. is the long cwt. of 112 lb., and for eggs the great hundred=120.