

Tables 5 and 6 show the imports and exports of forest products by chief classes for the calendar years 1921 to 1923, statistics which may be compared with those of production given in the tables above.

#### 5.—Imports of Forest Products by Chief Classes, calendar years 1921-1923.

Products.	Quantity.			Value.		
	1921.	1922.	1923.	1921.	1922.	1923.
				\$	\$	\$
Lumber, rough sawn....M ft.b.m	116,698	142,499	163,631	5,629,172	7,020,949	9,089,457
"    matched....."	7,181	5,242	4,991	266,717	276,309	274,072
Total, sawn lumber.....	123,879	147,741	168,622	5,896,069	7,197,258	9,363,529
Railway ties.....No.	1,441,601	540,424	671,975	2,335,697	679,020	865,964
Veneer.....\$	-	-	-	343,365	297,550	443,146
Logs.....\$	-	-	-	465,622	258,136	324,567
Cork, canes, reed, etc...\$	-	-	-	255,373	286,356	268,854
Squared timber.....\$	-	-	-	35,832	37,377	60,431
Fuel wood.....cords	8,895	9,002	-	35,101	36,571	51,567
Poles.....No.	30,544	1,892	6,356	73,805	7,011	23,915
Posts.....\$	-	-	-	11,389	13,453	22,240
Shingles.....M	4,433	10,065	5,105	20,415	36,309	17,701
Lath....."	7,167	962	-	51,274	6,421	6,379
Miscellaneous.....\$	-	-	-	354,912	290,796	402,425
<b>Total Imports.. \$</b>	-	-	-	<b>9,878,854</b>	<b>9,146,258</b>	<b>11,850,718</b>

#### 6.—Exports of Forest Products by Chief Classes, calendar years 1921-1923.

Products.	Quantity.			Value.		
	1921.	1922.	1923.	1921.	1922.	1923.
				\$	\$	\$
Sawn lumber.....M ft.b.m.	1,024,227	1,993,551	2,372,286	37,159,008	58,063,896	75,979,040
Pulpwood.....cords	1,092,553	1,011,332	1,384,230	14,617,610	10,359,762	13,525,004
Shingles.....M	2,192,979	2,358,992	2,622,004	7,507,526	9,210,961	9,902,170
Lath....."	808,132	1,295,910	1,556,384	5,301,286	7,643,710	9,380,183
Logs.....M ft.b.m.	119,320	185,489	260,421	2,117,097	3,270,575	5,095,168
Timber....."	55,103	55,140	143,105	1,699,530	1,492,344	4,037,030
Poles.....No.	152,713	306,421	515,343	653,334	1,211,592	2,275,201
Railway ties....."	1,853,296	965,288	1,115,897	2,248,185	684,247	888,596
Veneer.....\$	-	-	-	-	-	470,284
Piling.....lin. ft.	1,399,486	1,365,538	1,800,398	163,907	119,290	196,192
Fuel wood.....cords	1,824	11,570	21,878	81,686	70,168	136,066
Fence posts.....\$	-	-	-	36,933	64,020	86,325
Miscellaneous.....\$	-	-	-	2,550,470	2,278,674	1,723,683
<b>Total Exports \$</b>	-	-	-	<b>74,136,572</b>	<b>94,469,237</b>	<b>123,694,942</b>

The first timber shipped from Canada to Europe was during the French *régime* in 1667, and consisted mostly of square timber and masts and spars for the French navy. The export to England began to develop in the early part of the 19th century. Quebec was the centre of the square and waney timber trade, which reached its maximum in 1864, when as many as 1,350 sailing vessels entered that port and carried away over 20,000,000 cubic feet of timber, most of which was white or "Quebec" pine. The increase in the production of sawn lumber, the "deal trade", and the increasing scarcity of suitable material resulted in a steady decline in the exports of square and waney timber, and Montreal became the centre of activity in exportation.