

Tables 5 and 6 show the imports and exports of forest products by chief classes for the calendar years 1922 to 1924, statistics which may be compared with those of production given in the tables above.

### 5.—Imports of Forest Products by Chief Classes, calendar years 1922-1924.

Products.	Quantity.			Value.		
	1922.	1923.	1924.	1922.	1923.	1924.
				\$	\$	\$
Lumber, rough sawn.... M ft. b.m.	142,499	163,631	-	6,920,949	9,089,457	
"    matched..... "    "	5,242	4,991	-	278,309	274,072	
Total, sawn lumber.....	147,741	168,622	131,673	7,197,258	9,363,529	7,272,639
Railway ties..... No.	540,424	671,975	685,573	679,020	865,964	918,504
Veneer..... \$	-	-	-	297,550	443,146	444,625
Logs..... \$	-	-	-	258,136	324,567	309,985
Cork, canes, reeds, etc.. \$	-	-	-	236,356	268,854	267,046
Squared timber..... \$	-	-	-	37,377	60,431	218,696
Fuel wood..... cords	9,002	-	6,260	36,571	51,567	37,952
Poles..... No.	1,892	6,356	6,797	7,011	23,915	44,026
Posts..... \$	-	-	-	13,453	22,240	11,828
Shingles..... M	10,065	5,105	6,550	36,309	17,701	22,164
Lath..... \$	962	-	801	6,421	6,379	5,961
Miscellaneous..... \$	-	-	-	290,796	402,425	411,182
Total Imports..... \$	-	-	-	9,146,258	11,850,718	9,954,608

### 6.—Exports of Forest Products by Chief Classes, calendar years 1922-1924.

Products.	Quantity.			Value.		
	1922.	1923.	1924.	1922.	1923.	1924.
				\$	\$	\$
Sawn lumber..... M ft. b.m.	1,993,551	2,372,286	2,051,925	58,063,896	75,979,040	63,941,129
Pulpwood..... cords	1,011,332	1,384,230	1,330,280	10,359,762	13,525,004	13,536,058
Shingles..... M	2,358,992	2,622,004	2,645,305	9,210,961	9,902,170	9,441,760
Lath..... "	1,285,910	1,556,384	1,676,029	7,643,710	9,380,133	9,952,918
Logs..... M ft. b.m.	185,489	260,421	343,559	3,270,575	5,095,168	5,861,378
Timber..... "	55,140	143,105	127,773	1,492,344	4,037,030	3,317,225
Poles..... No.	306,421	515,343	620,341	1,211,592	2,275,201	2,904,318
Railway ties..... "	966,288	1,115,897	1,158,281	684,247	888,596	926,483
Veneer..... \$	-	-	-	-	470,284	339,387
Piling..... lin. ft.	1,365,538	1,800,398	2,862,391	119,290	196,192	260,559
Fuel wood..... cords	11,570	21,878	12,684	70,168	136,086	80,338
Fence posts..... \$	-	-	796,058	64,020	86,325	93,461
Miscellaneous..... \$	-	-	-	2,278,674	1,723,633	2,281,013
Total Exports..... \$	-	-	-	94,469,237	123,694,942	112,836,017

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.