Consumption of Manufactured Products.—One of the beneficial results of placing the classification of external trade and of production upon a common basis is exhibited in Table 5, where the value of commodities made available for consumption in Canada is derived from the statistics of the two important fields. For example, the value of all manufactured commodities made available in a period approximately corresponding to 1926 was \$3,343.397,137, a figure obtained by adding to the value of manufactured products in 1926 the value of the imports of manufactured and partly manufactured goods during the fiscal year ended Mar. 31, 1927, and deducting the value of the corresponding exports for the same period. Vegetable, textile and iron products led the other groups in the value of finished goods made available for consumption. The large amount of vegetable products made available for consumption was due to the large production, as the exports exceeded the imports, while textiles and iron and steel products, in addition to a large production, showed an excess of imports over exports of \$142,000,000 for textiles and \$152,000,000 for iron and steel products.

5.—Consumption of Manufactured Products, by Groups, 1926, with Totals for 1922-1925.

Norg.-Statistics of manufacturing production are for the calendar years. Imports and exports of manufactured and partly manufactured goods are for the fiscal years ended Mar. 31 of the following years.

Groups of Industries.	Value of manufactured products.	Manufactured and partly manufactured goods.		Value of manufactured products
		Value of imports.	Value of exports.	available for consumption.
<u> </u>	\$	\$	\$	\$
Vegetable products. Animal products. Tertile products. Iron and its products. Non-ferrons metal products. Non-metallic mineral products. Non-metallic d products. Miscellaneous industries. Chemicals and allied products. Miscellaneous industries. Central electric stations. Total 1926. Total 1925. Total 1924. Total 1923.	452.034.925 366.334.644 600.004.601 505.188.849 183.501.723 174.156.923 122.559.526. 70.143.531 115.467.940 3.247.943.438 2.948.545.315 2.695.653.582	27,137,009 148,360,194 46,914,208 226,594,326 47,983,485 51,805,752 31,844,715 62,189,667 88,012 767,694,145 671,932,363 576,964,069	87,568,152 6,077,355 267,030,265 74,277,763 53,910,810 7,469,459 16,574,753 18,047,318 4,590,817 672,160,446 692,924,285 591,695,831	391,603,782 508,617,483 383,948,694 657,505,412 177,574,398 218,493,216 137,859,488 114,285,910 110,965,135 3,343.397,137 2,327,553,393 2,660,321,520
Total 1922	2,439,843,766	574,551,323	515,173,415	2,499,221,674

Section 2.—Production by Industrial Groups and Individual Industries.

One of the factors in the progress of Canada is the possession of many natural resources favourable to industrial growth. It is upon the country's agricultural resources, forests, minerals and wild life that Canada's industries are mainly based. The sea and lake fisheries also make an important contribution of raw material to the manufacturing industries of the Dominion. Nevertheless, the industrial development of Canada was a matter of small beginnings and gradual growth over a period of many years, and the comparatively small home market, restricted at the