

PRINCE EDWARD.—(Continued.)

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Imports and Exports of the Dominion.

The total value of Imports into the Dominion during the Fiscal Year 1872-3, was

	\$126,536,523
Total value of Exports was..	90,610,573
	217,197,096

The increase over the previous year was \$28,848,317. Very large increase has been the principal features of the figures for some years past. We subjoin the figures showing the increase for the four past years:—

1869-70, the increase was..	\$20,510,878
1870-1 " " ..	16,310,007
1871-2 " " ..	29,223,558
1872-3 " " ..	26,848,317

We bring forward from the last number of the *Year Book* the following figures, showing the total trade of Canada from 1850, with those for the last fiscal year added:

Years.	Total Trade.
1850.....	\$29,703,497
1851.....	31,805,461
1852.....	35,594,100
1853.....	55,782,739
1854.....	63,518,515
1855.....	64,274,630
1856.....	75,631,404
1857.....	66,437,222
1858.....	62,550,461
1859.....	58,299,242

In the next decennial which we subjoin, the era of Confederation comes in, commencing with 1867-8. In that year the trade of the Maritime Provinces of New Brunswick and Nova Scotia, was added to the old Provinces of Upper and Lower Canada:

Years.	Total Trade.
1860.....	\$68,955,093
1861.....	76,119,843
1862.....	79,398,067
1863.....	81,458,335
1864 ½ year.....	34,586,054
1864-5.....	80,614,951
1865-6.....	96,479,738
1866-7.....	94,791,860
1867-8.....	119,797,879
1868-9.....	130,889,946

The following are the figures of four years from 1869-70:—

Years.	Total Trade.
1869-70.....	\$148,337,829
1870-71.....	170,264,559
1871-72.....	194,070,190
1872-73.....	217,197,096

Nothing can more clearly show than these figures the very rapid expansion of the trade of Canada for the past twenty-four years. The increase of the trade within the last two years was about the same volume as the total trade in 1850. It is, however, since the era of Confederation that the most rapid increase of trade has taken place. Confederation has given a more rapid stimulus to industry of all kinds than its most sanguine advocates predicted.

ENTERED FOR CONSUMPTION.

The following is a statement of Goods entered for consumption in the Dominion of Canada, with the amount of Duty collected for the two last fiscal years:—