

wood and wool. In the value of free goods imported for home consumption there was an increase of \$3,149,790, principally in imports of anthracite coal, cotton wool, drugs and dyes, fish of all kinds, gutta percha, raw hides, lumber and timber, manufactured and otherwise, iron and steel and unmanufactured tobacco.

258. The value of the total dutiable goods imported was \$81,286,372 and of free goods \$38,681,266, as compared with \$86,258,633 and \$35,599,608, respectively, in 1890. Value of dutiable and free goods.

259. The value of the imports of manufactures showed a small increase over that of 1890. In 1872, 2,444,210 lbs. of raw cotton were imported, and manufactured goods to the value of \$10,182,154. In 1891, 35,643,056 lbs. of cotton wool and \$4,029,110 worth of manufactured goods were imported; testifying to the progress made by the cotton industry during the intervening period, and the following figures give the details of its development:— Imports of raw and manufactured cotton.

YEAR.	MANUFACTURED COTTON.	RAW COTTON.
	Value.	Quantity.
	\$	Lbs.
1872	10,207,561	*2,226,810
1873	10,158,574	*2,752,302
1874	11,318,977	*4,454,101
1875	10,050,192	*4,782,156
1876	7,502,569	*6,170,334
1877	7,776,895	*6,501,296
1878	7,267,879	*8,011,759
1879	6,551,611	*9,720,708
1880	7,825,164	13,237,168
1881	10,204,465	16,018,721
1882	11,125,238	19,342,059
1883	10,045,032	28,777,071
1884	7,539,129	20,769,940
1885	6,241,283	23,727,525
1886	5,780,478	31,506,045
1887	5,470,504	33,227,256
1888	4,200,072	33,550,276
1889	4,245,868	39,233,594
1890	3,963,182	36,635,187
1891	4,029,110	39,503,688

\* Flax waste included.

It is evident, from a study of the above figures, that considering how small the export of manufactured cotton is from this country, the above figures indicate a large increase in home consumption, a rise in the standard of comfort in living, and consequently a proportionate increase in and wider distribution of wealth.

260. The following table gives the value of goods entered for consumption (dutiable being distinguished from free) in each province in 1891, and the amount of duty collected thereon:—

Goods entered for consumption, by provinces.