

431. The principal articles of food, it will be seen, that are imported from Canada, are cattle, meats, cheese, pease and apples, but as all the articles in the table are capable of being produced in this country in large quantities, there is no reason why our share of the imports should not be much larger than it is at present.

Principal articles imported from Canada.

432. The following table gives the total quantities of the same articles imported into Great Britain in 1889 and 1890, without reference to the countries from whence they came :—

Imports of articles of food into Great Britain, 1889 and 1890.

IMPORTS OF CERTAIN ARTICLES OF FOOD AND AGRICULTURAL PRODUCE INTO GREAT BRITAIN IN 1889-90.

ARTICLES.	QUANTITY.	
	1889.	1890.
Horses.....	No. 13,832	19,286
Cattle.....	" 555,222	642,596
Sheep.....	" 677,958	358,458
Mutton.....	Lbs. 137,206,496	185,518,928
Pork.....	" 43,310,400	33,611,872
Bacon and hams.....	" 502,220,096	560,001,792
Beef, salted.....	" 29,396,416	30,769,312
" fresh.....	" 155,204,234	207,714,416
Meats, canned.....	" 71,870,960	82,298,832
" all other.....	" 9,280,544	11,634,366
Lard.....	" 133,577,248	144,250,512
Tallow and stearine.....	" 139,331,472	154,962,416
Butter.....	" 215,918,304	227,104,304
Cheese.....	" 213,695,888	240,196,880
*Poultry.....	\$ 2,302,872	2,422,904
Eggs.....	Doz. 94,325,030	102,912,460
Wheat.....	Bush. 109,296,855	112,885,136
Barley.....	" 40,602,125	38,915,305
Oats.....	" 52,674,809	41,924,848
Pease.....	" 3,164,334	3,439,311
Flour.....	Brls. 8,216,366	8,833,068
Potatoes.....	Bush. 3,480,262	3,621,520
Onions.....	" 3,854,453	3,871,195
Apples.....	" 3,612,316	2,574,957
Flax seed.....	" 18,155,960	15,465,320
Flax, dressed and undressed.....	Lbs. 177,791,264	177,167,088
Wool.....	" 696,011,487	629,236,209

*Value only.

433. The fertile plains of the North-West, particularly in the district of Alberta, are admirably adapted for stock-raising, and in 1891 there were 129 ranches in operation in the grazing districts. According to

Ranches and stock in N. W. T.