

The figures below give the actual values and index numbers for the years comprised in the table, and also what the index numbers and values would have been at the prices of 1883, the basis of comparison being still the same :—

ACTUAL INDEX NUMBERS AND VALUES FOR 1882-97, AND THE SAME AT PRICES OF 1883.

YEAR.	Index Number	Actual Values.	Index Number	At 1883 Prices.
		\$		\$
1882.....	1073	94,137,660	1078	91,541,000
1883.....	1000	87,702,431	1000	87,702,000
1884.....	910	79,833,098	942	82,661,000
1885.....	902	79,131,735	997	87,429,000
1886.....	887	77,756,704	1015	89,053,000
1887.....	923	80,960,909	1082	94,862,000
1888.....	928	81,382,072	1034	90,687,000
1889.....	915	80,272,456	1023	89,753,000
1890.....	972	85,257,586	1054	92,414,000
1891.....	1012	88,801,066	1087	95,300,000
1892.....	1133	99,338,913	1256	110,180,000
1893.....	1206	105,798,257	1334	116,994,000
1894.....	1188	104,161,770	1378	120,853,000
1895.....	1175	103,065,012	1336	117,170,000
1896.....	1253	109,915,337	1487	130,413,000
1897.....	1414	123,959,838	1756	154,004,000

By this mode of comparison it would appear that the value of the aggregate trade during the years named would, if the prices of 1883 had been maintained, have been \$172,526,000 more than it actually was.

The next table gives what the actual index numbers and values would have been at prices of 1882-97 :—

EXPORTS OF 1883.

At prices of 1882.....	Index No.	1008 =	\$ 88,404,000
“ 1883.....	“	1000 =	87,702,000
“ 1884.....	“	980 =	85,948,000
“ 1885.....	“	918 =	80,510,000
“ 1886.....	“	888 =	77,879,000
“ 1887.....	“	875 =	76,739,000
“ 1888.....	“	912 =	79,984,000
“ 1889.....	“	946 =	82,966,000
“ 1890.....	“	938 =	82,264,000
“ 1891.....	“	924 =	81,037,000
“ 1892.....	“	929 =	81,475,000
“ 1893.....	“	905 =	79,370,000
“ 1894.....	“	885 =	77,616,000
“ 1895.....	“	880 =	77,178,000
“ 1896.....	“	861 =	75,511,000
“ 1897.....	“	822 =	72,091,000