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Years.	Dutiable.	Free.	Total.
180.....	\$ 784,865	\$ 49,118	\$ 833,983
181.....	1,381,683	115,303	1,496,986
183.....	3,699,249	807,371	4,506,620
184.....	6,363,849	1,868,260	8,232,109

stem is well decor- y cases from ten to three of the eastern nformed, observing nce of this cannot once indicates that digested, exceed- plies the fattening. as to be fed in the these grasses are rass or wild vetch, h grass—a great y. It is scarcely n size and growth e lower districts, s at the greatest

As the lumber, locomotives, animals, coal, ce., used in the construction of the C. P. R. were free and unenumerated, it is safe to say, hey, during that period, would augment these figures by something over four millions more. To these figures may be added several thousands entered at Fort McLeod, Fort Walsh, and Wood Mountain from Montana and adjoining American districts besides. For the years 1882 and 1883, our trade with the eastern Provinces was \$11,034,839 and \$14,197,077 respectively.

**GROWTH.**

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But the trade of the country does not end with these figures. Our merchants and wholesale firms have done a considerable through importation from the eastern conti- nent besides these figures, in the total amounting to \$658,017, and \$1,604,679. The items constituting these figures being teas from China and Japan, wines from France and Spain, and earthenware from Germany, for the most part.

**The Exports.**

The exports for the past year as reported by the American Consul at Winnipeg, were as follows :

To United States.....	\$ 402,828 00
To Great Britain.....	504,935 00
To Eastern Canada.....	935,718 00
Total.....	1,843,481 00

A large portion of the item for eastern Canada is made up 400,000 bushels of wheat, (value, \$351,848); 40,000 barrels of flour, (value, \$239,534). Of the export to the United States \$72,490 represented furs, \$41,636 hides, and \$27,191 wheat. Nearly the entire shipment to Great Britain was of furs by the Hudson's Bay Co.

A full statement of our trade as reported by the American Consul is as below :

Countries.	Imports.	Exports.	Total.
Canada.....	\$14,197,677	\$ 935,738	\$16,131,795
United States...	8,485,986	402,838	8,898,813
Great Britain....	1,539,240	504,935	2,044,175
France.....	26,228	.....	26,228
Belgium.....	12,251	.....	12,251
Spain.....	5,510	.....	5,510
Germany.....	4,392	.....	4,391
Japan.....	3,714	.....	3,704
China.....	1,721	.....	1,720
Holland.....	1,857	.....	1,877
Portugal.....	1,707	.....	1,757
West Indies.....	851	.....	851
Australia.....	500	.....	500
Prussia.....	383	.....	383
Bohemia.....	201	.....	201
Switzerland.....	60	.....	60
British Guana...	60	.....	60
Total.....	24,291,767	1,843,481	26,135,248

Adding to the revenue about \$52,000 as collected in the Northwest, and supposing the population of the country to have increased from 1881 to 220,000, the rate of revenue of the country to the Dominion Government would be about \$14.50 per soul against the \$4.18 of Ontario.

To complete the statement showing the comparative growth of the country, we can do no better than give its entire imports, ex- ports and customs from 1872, when provincial institutions were first established, down to the present time :