

RECEIPTS CUSTOMS DUTIES.

In 1841 under Protection.

Coffee.....	£ 888,563
Breadstuffs.....	576,407
Currants.....	221,197
Spirits.....	2,410,184
Timber.....	1,488,531
Butter.....	262,967
Cheese.....	136,054
Fruits.....	290,960
Seeds.....	107,111
Silks.....	244,076
Sugar.....	5,123,986
Molasses.....	193,546
Tallow.....	206,464
Tea.....	3,978,518
Tobacco.....	3,580,164
Wines.....	1,800,128
Miscellaneous.....	2,098,268

£23,606,124

In 1862 under Free Trade.

Coffee.....	£ 433,360
Breadstuffs.....	845,037
Currants.....	245,540
Spirits.....	2,622,728
Timber.....	229,224
Cocoa.....	16,361
Pepper.....	106,080
Raisins.....	97,837
Figs.....	29,120
Oats.....	81,174
Sugar, unrefined.....	6,201,243
Do. refined.....	247,172
Molasses.....	192,816
Tea.....	5,582,793
Tobacco.....	5,144,448
Wines.....	1,123,605
Miscellaneous.....	225,034

£23,993,546

The item "miscellaneous" in the first column, has in it the duty on raw material taken off in 1842. But the similarity pervading the remainder is most striking, and shows that Free Trade made no other difference whatever.

In addition to the above, I here give the mean gross receipts for each five years, commencing from 1838 (omitting hundreds,) viz;—£23,188,000, from 1843 £22,540,000, from 1848 £22,303,000, from 1853 £22,050,000, and from 1858 £23,900,000.