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ASBESTOS.—TABLE 6.
Imports Fiscal Years 1885-1908.

Fiscal Year.	Value.	Fiscal Year.	Value.	Fiscal Year.	Value.
	\$		\$		\$
1885	674	1893	19,181	1901	50,829
1886	6,831	1894	26,021	1902	52,464
1887	7,836	1895	26,004	1903	75,465
1888	8,793	1896	23,940	1904	83,827
1889	9,943	1897	19,182	1905	116,836
1890	13,250	1898	26,389	1906	137,974
1891	2,656	1899	32,607	1907 (9 months) ..	127,949
1892	4,090	1900	43,455	1908	190,960

* Asbestos in a form other than crude, and all manufactures of. Duty 25 per cent.

Outside of Canada the chief asbestos producing country is Russia, whose output in 1907 is reported as 9,356 metric tons. The United States, Cape Colony, and Cyprus are also producers, though the quantity is not important.

Table 7 shows the principal productions since 1902.

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World's Production 1902-1908 in Metric Tons, (2204.6 lbs.).

—	1902.	1903.	1904.	1905.	1906.	1907.	1908.
Canada (b).....	27,414	28,240	32,306	45,967	55,122	56,364	60,372
United States (c).....	912	805	1,343	2,820	1,538	792	849
Russia (e).....	4,507	5,624	7,502	7,366	9,201	(a) 9,356	•
Cape Colony (e)	(g) 41	(k) 276	373	454	473	548	•
Cyprus (e).....					(g) 19	(g) 89	•

* Figures not available.

(a) Provisional.

(b) Mines Branch, Ottawa.

(c) United States, Geological Survey.

(e) Home Office, London.

(g) Exported.