

Description of Goods.	Classifier of Quantity.	Quantity.	Total Value.
Cotton Goods— <i>Con.</i>			Hk. tls.
Flannelettes..	"	86,471	293,717
Handkerchiefs..	Dozens.	66,292	25,514
Towels..	"	247,364	118,409
Cotton yarn..	Piculs.	141,213	3,273,370
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Woollen goods—			Hk. tls.
Camlets..	Pieces.	1,283	29,396
Lastings..	"	3,122	73,867
Spanish stripes..	Yards.	3,460	3,391
Metals—			
Brass and yellow metal sheets and plates.	Piculs.	2,397	119,560
Copper ingots, slabs, and sheets, new and old..	"	247	12,824
Iron and mild steel, new—			
Bars..	"	22,340	126,341
Nail-rod..	"	7,398	39,947
Nails..	"	21,508	172,721
Iron and mild steel, old..	"	20,372	57,523
Lead, in plgs, har., and sheets..	"	15,248	235,526
Steel..	"	2,201	26,362
Tinned pl. tes..	"	20,129	204,435
Zinc (spelter)..	"	67	2,743
Sundries—			
Bean cake..	"	157,907	382,720
Beans..	"	999,973	2,874,475
Betelnuts..	"	28,552	64,525
Bicho de Mar..	"	3,857	137,720
Bran, rice..	"	2,310,160	3,384,297
Cereals—Rice and paddy..	"	9,851,465	28,312,624
China ware, earthenware, and pottery..	"	57,674	309,963
Cigars and cigarettes..	Mille.		1,033,389
Coal..	Tons.	379,492	2,597,715
Cotton cloth, native..	Piculs.	31,441	1,997,070
" raw..	"	24,873	368,180
Dyes—Coal-tar products..	Value.		93,611
Fish and fishery products..	Piculs.	868,939	7,482,101
Flour..	"	538,040	2,022,134
Glass, window..	Boxes.	10,385	93,519
Groundnuts..	Piculs.	1,897,524	8,579,086
Leather..	"	50,513	3,121,476
Matches, wood..	Gross.	1,544,716	632,147
Oil, bean, groundnut, etc..	Piculs.	144,435	1,437,078
" kerosene..	Amer. gal.	17,827,017	5,468,114
Paper..	{ Piculs.	66,548	543,635
Rattans..	{ Value.		5,772
Saltpetre..	Piculs.	87,507	643,096
Sandalwood..	"	491	10,521
Seed, sesamum..	"	6,426	71,195
Sugar, brown..	"	44,907	214,545
" white..	"	114,118	449,880
" refined..	"	329,050	2,280,930
Sulphur..	"	25,353	225,130
Timber, hardwood..	Cubic feet	4,314	54,181
Tobacco..	Piculs.	578,776	282,481
Vermicelli and macaroni..	"	39,915	495,618
		57,828	559

IMPORTS OF FOREIGN GOODS.

As may be seen from the above table, the chief imports of foreign goods into Hong Kong are much the same as the goods which enter Shanghai and the other ports of China, and are comprised principally of cotton piece-goods, cotton yarn, woollen goods, iron and steel and metals, hardware, timber, machinery, household stores, flour, leather, china ware, paints and oil, dyes and chemicals, kerosene oil, soap, cigarettes, matches, fruit, confectionery and bisemits. Great Britain is the chief supplier of cotton piece-goods to South China, while a considerable business is also done by the United States and Japan. The competition of the latter country, especially in the coarser grades of cotton cloth, has lately become serious and has created much speculation regarding the maintenance of the trade position of Great Britain in the China market. About two-thirds of the trade of Great Britain with