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The value of imports in 1860 shows an increase of 135 per cent. over 1849; the increase in 1863 over 1860 being 22 per cent. The value of exports in 1860 shows an increase of 167 per cent. over 1849; the increase in 1863 over 1860 being  $27\frac{1}{2}$  per cent. The aggregate value of imports and exports in 1860 shows an increase of 149 per cent. over 1849; the aggregate increase in 1863 over 1860 being  $24\frac{1}{2}$  per cent.

The Customs' returns of Canada for 1863 show that the value of goods imported at Montreal was 27 per cent. of the entire importations of the Five Provinces in that year; while the value of shipments from this city was 19 per cent. of the exportations.

The Customs' duties collected in the Five Provinces in 1863, amounted to \$7,427,528,—Canada's proportion being \$5,169,173. In that year the duties collected at the Port of Montreal amounted to \$2,988,621, or 404 per cent. of the entire Customs' revenue of the proposed Confederation; while in 1864, the duties collected here amounted to \$3,963,992, being an increase of  $32\frac{2}{3}$  per cent. over 1863.

A statement is given on page 38, which shows the extent of the trade between the Lower Provinces and the United States during a period of fourteen years. The yearly quantities and values of Breadstuffs imported by these Provinces from the United States are also given on page 39 of this report.

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