

	Barrels.		Barrels.
In 1844, actual export	732,960	In 1856, actual export	480,852
1845 do	584,142	1857 do	415,831
1846 do	712,565	1858 do	478,677
1847 do	556,180	1859 do	605,577
1848 do	431,868	1860 do	685,384
1849 do	693,747	1861 do	366,571
1850 do	490,591	1862 do	744,658
1851 do	659,986	1863 do	734,075
1852 do	516,156	1864 do	549,871
1853 do	511,483	1865 do	630,467
1854 do	427,759	1866 do	(about) 600,000
1855 do	469,868		

The above Table does not include the summer herring, of which as much as 200,000 barrels are sometimes exported.

I annex likewise a Table showing the chief countries which imported Norwegian herrings, in the years 1863, 1864, and 1865.

NATION.	In 1863.		In 1864.		In 1865.	
	Spring Herring.	Other Herring.	Spring Herring.	Other Herring.	Herring.	Other Herring.
	Barrels.	Barrels.	Barrels.	Barrels.	Barrels.	Barrels.
Great Britain.....	4,179	2,762	21,125	19,642	32,549	6,815
Sweden.....	230,470	33,207	203,381	43,407	215,670	21,417
Russia.....	295,735	7,764	182,189	7,092	201,462	11,907
Finland.....	18,148	1,301	2,059	1,967	4,478	232
Baltic Ports.....		2,590		3,053	1,305	3,829
Prussia.....	182,522	76,564	133,596	96,782	166,682	91,114
Mecklenburg.....		2,253	1	5,276	357	6,434
Denmark.....	2,133	42,663	3,066	26,557	2,557	46,928
Sleswig.....				2		4
Holstein.....		2,490		451		34
Hamburg.....	681	9,414	1,184	17,801	2,229	16,057
Lubeck.....		1,919	434	596		342
Hanover.....			10	305	550	130
Belgium.....	92		227	30	455	42
Mediterranean.....					400	
United States.....	38	445		586		5
Holland.....	77	371	2,643	831	3,451	4,508
Bremen.....		1		300		
Total.....	734,075	183,747	549,915	224,631	632,625	209,798

Sweden, Russia, and the Baltic ports are the chief markets for the Norwegian herring. Attempts have been made to ship to Leghorn, the Black Sea, and Madeira, but the results have not been encouraging. Of late years, shipments have been made to England, but it appears that the prices obtained there are low, and the demand depends to a great extent upon the result of the Scotch fisheries. The English, it seems, purchase only what they call here "round salted" herrings, which they afterwards smoke, and the Norwegians are turning their attention to the possibility of themselves smoke-curing, with a view to finding a good market in England and Holland, and, through this latter country, in Germany, where smoked herrings are consumed in very large quantities.

The Scotch and Dutch herring command a higher price on foreign markets than the Norwegian does; but this fact does not, it appears, injure the demand, for the consumption of the former kinds is principally limited to the better or middle classes, whereas the lat-