

To the above quantities are to be added the quantity of leaf taken for consumption in a raw state, during the same years, which will give the following additional columns :—

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	Raw Leaf taken for Consumption.		Total Tobacco taken for Consumption.	Duty collected thereon, including License Fees
	Canadian.	Foreign.		
	Lbs.	Lbs.	Lbs.	\$
1874-75.....	65,529	228,172	6,869,144	1,434,778
1875-76.....	11,932	158,272	8,524,159	1,775,450
1876-77.....	8,630	87,203	7,816,466	1,630,390
1877-78.....	3,202	42,507	7,521,331	1,581,503
	89,293	516,154	30,731,100	6,422,121
Annual average for four years ended 30th June, 1878.....	22,323	129,039	7,682,775	1,605,530
1878-79.....	1,402	55,896	7,503,295	1,584,877

Manufactured 18. From the above it appears that the production of manufactured tobacco during the past fiscal year has been 539,335 lbs. less than was produced in 1877-78, and less than the average annual production during the four previous years by 1,015,993 lbs.

Taken for consumption. 19. The quantity taken for consumption during the last fiscal year was 18,936 lbs. less than was taken in 1877-78, and less than the average of the four preceding years by 179,480 lbs.

In bond. 20. The stocks of manufactured tobacco in warehouse at the close of the past fiscal year were less than the stocks in warehouse on the 30th June, 1878, by 591,451 lbs., and less than the average at the close of the preceding four years by 808,631.

Small consumption of Canadian tobacco. 21. The additional column (No. 7), respecting raw leaf, presents an unsatisfactory statement in relation to that article. The quantity of Canadian leaf charged with duty as such during the year was only 1,402 lbs., while the quantity manufactured was only 7,528 lbs.—a quantity so insignificant, as compared with the quantity known to be grown in the Dominion, as to justify the belief that the payment of the duty is evaded to a very serious extent by parties who are not cultivators of tobacco. This belief is further justified by the numerous seizures made of Canadian grown tobacco—both manufactured and raw—illegally offered for sale during the past year.