

MANITOBA.

Direct imports and exports from and to foreign countries
for years ending 30th June, as shown by the customs returns :

	IMPORTS.	EXPORTS.	DUTY PAID.
898	1886.....\$1,959,837.....	\$ 859,615.....	\$467,213
	1887.....2,011,183.....	885,041.....	508,848
	1888.....1,750,048.....	1,304,800.....	457,354
	1889.....2,207,314.....	682,605.....	549,458
	1890.....2,555,235.....	988,384.....	649,027
	1891.....2,796,805.....	1,612,124.....	920,395
	1892.....3,038,443.....	2,078,339.....	775,924
72 52	1893.....2,652,488.....	1,211,078.....	693,293
	1894.....2,353,768.....	1,864,964.....	602,465
	1895.....2,190,570.....	1,611,003.....	484,252
	1896.....2,770,316.....	1,308,505.....	634,840
	1897.....2,858,966.....	1,965,755.....	644,281

On account of the most of the merchandise, produce, etc., imported into or exported from this province, being carried from and to the seaboard mainly through Canadian territory, the eastern seaboard ports get credit for the shipments in the customs returns, and consequently the above returns do not cover anything like Manitoba's trade with foreign countries, Especially is this the case in the matter of exports of cattle, wheat and flour; the customs ports in Ontario and Quebec receiving credit for practically the whole exports of Manitoba and the North-West Territories along these lines.