

The National-Revenue Question.

The actual amount of revenue accruing to the Dominion Government from the liquor-traffic in every form for the year ending June 30th, 1896, is set out in the following table:

EXCISE DUTIES.

On Canadian spirits	\$4,029,359	
On malt liquors	6,748	
On malt	775,354	
		\$ 4,811,461

LICENSE FEES.

Distillers' licenses	\$2,500	
Malsters' licenses	6,200	
		\$ 8,700

CUSTOMS DUTIES.

On imported ale, beer, wines, and spirits of all kinds	\$2,242,763	
On imported malt	8,391	
		\$ 2,251,154

Total revenue..... \$ 7,071,315

This amounts to about \$1.37 per head of our population. It is estimated that about 32 cts. per head is for spirits used for medicinal, mechanical and scientific purposes, and that the revenue from the liquor-traffic for beverage purposes is about \$5,400,000, or about \$1.05 per head of the population.

In leaflet No. 1 of this series, it is shown that consumers of liquor pay for it the sum of \$39,879,854, and that the country is impoverished by the full amount of the money paid for liquor. If this traffic is stopped, the people at large will be richer at the