

goods per capita.

imported and subject to Customs duties) per head of the estimated population in the several Provinces and in the Dominion, during a series of years, being a continuation of similar statistics in former Reports.

MALT AND MALT LIQUOR.

Comparison of five years ending 1870 malt.

10. The following Statement shows the transactions in malt during the year ended 30th June, 1878, and four preceding years:

| Fiscal Year. | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 |
|---|---|-------------------------------|------------------------|------------|--------------------------|--------------------------------|---|
| | In Warehouse at commencement of period. | Manufactured during the Year. | Taken for Consumption. | Exported. | Otherwise accounted for. | In Warehouse at end of period. | Memo. of Revenue accrued thereon, including License Fees. |
| | Lbs. | Lbs. | Lbs. | Lbs. | Lbs. | Lbs. | \$ |
| 1873-74..... | 12,862,041 | 31,802,989 | 33,369,016 | 6,233,367 | 412,292 | 4,650,355 | 354,765 |
| 1874-75..... | 4,650,355 | 41,039,986 | 33,016,082 | 4,677,960 | 33,360 | 7,962,939 | 351,386 |
| 1875-76..... | 7,962,939 | 51,876,385 | 30,693,447 | 10,123,378 | 7,190 | 19,015,309 | 327,709 |
| 1876-77..... | 19,015,309 | 39,235,298 | 28,878,551 | 11,577,814 | 2,910 | 17,791,332 | 389,257 |
| | 44,490,644 | 163,954,658 | 125,957,096 | 32,612,519 | 455,752 | 49,419,935 | 1,423,117 |
| Annual average of four years ended 30th June, 1877. | 11,122,661 | 40,968,664 | 31,489,274 | 8,153,130 | 113,938 | 12,354,984 | 355,779 |
| 1876-77..... | 17,791,332 | 48,229,293 | 26,534,587 | 19,151,181 | | 20,334,857 | 538,592 |

Comparison of averages.

11. The above statement shows that the quantity of malt manufactured during the past fiscal year is greater than the average of the four previous years, by 7,240,629 lbs., and more than the quantity manufactured in 1876-77 by 8,993,995 lbs., while the quantity taken for consumption was 4,954,687 lbs. below the average, and 2,343,964 lbs. less than was taken in 1876-77. These figures show that there has been a steady decline in the quantity of malt used during the past five years.

Exports.

12. The quantity of malt exported last year is 10,998,051 lbs. in excess of the average exports of the preceding four years, and 7,573,367 lbs. in excess of the exports of 1876-77.