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So little was known in Brazil of British North America, or, as it is now called, "The Dominion of Canada," of its products and manufactures, that I was induced when lately in that country, to add to the letters I had already written in the "Journal do Commercio," of Rio de Janeiro, the statistics and information which are contained in the first portion of this pamphlet, in the hope that the proposal for the establishment of direct trade which has been made by the Government of Canada, might find an echo in Brazil; and I was the more induced to do this from the fact that His Excellency, Senhor Simbu, the Prime Minister, hall published a dispatch I had previously written to him on the subject, which was most favourably received both by the Press and the Public.

It was my good fortune in February, 1878, to cross the Atlantic with Dr. S. P. May, of Toronto, the Secretary to the Canadian Commisioners at the Paris Exhibition. In consequence of the conversation I had with this gentleman, I visited the exhibition, and paid particular attention to the exhibits from the Dominion, having in view a visit to Brazil.

When there I continued my enciuiries, and again on returning to Euroge I went to Pris, where the Canadian Commissioners kindly opened their books to me in order that I might obtain every information. From what I there learned it was perfectly clear that Brazil was losing a good market for her produce, and that Canada, by taking the productions of Brazil nirect, might find in return a profitable market for hers in that country.

I accordingly proceeded to Canada and placed my view's before some of the leading men of the Dominion, as well as before the Board of Trade of Montreal, all of whom expressed themselves very warmly in favour, and having received the support of the principal manufacturers and p:oducers, I laid the matter before the Government.

Sir John A. Machonali and his colleagues entered at once into the question, and while expressing the great respect they entertained for His Majesty, the Emperor, and their desire to cultivate more intimate commercial relations with the Empire shewed their appreciation by at once proposing in the House of Commons, a vote of 50,000 dollars per annum, to aid the establishment of a direct line of Steamers between the Dominion of Canada and Brazil, dependent, however, on the Government of Brazil agreeing to give a like amount. And while they had in their Budget given evidence of their good will, by arranging their tariff to favour Brazil in Sugar and Coffee (the only Brazilian products which are taxed) they commissioned me to say to the Government at Rio, that they were willing to make even further concessions in these commodities if Brazil on her part would reciprocate.

I found the Government of Brazil were fully alive to the advantages that must accrue to their country by the development of direct trade, and in response to the initiative taken by the Government of Canada, have prepared a Bill for a similar subsidy, have passed a law authorising the Government to make reciprocal reductions in tariff, and have also granter the use of Government Buildings, and other favours for the holding of an Exhibition of Canadian Products and Manufactures during the present year.
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To the statistics which chietly related to the Dominion of Canada, published in Brazil, 1 have added tables of the trade of the chief ports of that coumsy and also the course of trade between the United States of America. (the most of whose products are identical with those of Canada,) the West Indies, and the River Plate Republics.

The statistics for all the Ports of Brazil have unfortunately not been published to the latest dates, and in these cases I have taken the figures given in the last official reports.

It is greatly to be regretted that at present there are no means to trace the quantities of Brazilian produce which undoutedly reach Canada through England and the United States, or the amount of the products of the Dominion which find their way into Brazil, through the same medium. It is to be hoped however that the establishment ef direct communication will remedy this in the future.

It is only for me to place information and statistics before the public of both countries, for them to see and appreciate the immense advantages of direct communication, and if I am the means of opening up a new market for the products of Brazil and Carada, 1 shall be rewarded by the feeling that I have benefited in some degree the country which I have the honor to serve, as well as the foremost colony of my native country.

## WM. DARLEY BENTLEY.

> liruzitian C'onsul.

London, zoth January, is8o.
the Dominion of Canada, extending from the Atlantic to the Pacific Oceans, contains about $3,406,000$ square miles. Its principal cities, are Montreal, Quebec, Toronto, Hamilton, London, Ottawa, (the seat of Government,) St. John't, and Halifax. The chief Ports are Montreal, Quebec, Halifax, and St. John's-of these Montreal and Quebec, situated on the river St. Lawrence, are closed in winter, but Halifax and St. John's are open all the year round, and from these cities the Government "Intercolonial" Railway opens communication with the whole country, and also the Unitsa States.

Canada has a representative Government : the Governor General representing the Queen of England, and receiving advice from his Ministry. The House of Commons and The sertatesik elected by the people. Canada governs herself, has the right to impose taxes, and to adjust her tariif to suit herself, and in fact is perfectly independent of the Mother Country in everything that does not effect the Imperial Interests of Great Britain.

It is a fact, that tr? distance from Pernambuco to Halifax is 33 miles shorter than from Pernambuco to New York, the exact miles being to Halifax 3,331, and to New York 3.364.

In summer, vessels go up the St. Lawrence, and by a system of the mest splendid Canals in the world, through the inland lakes to Chicago on Lake Michigan, a distance of

1,26I miles from Montreal, and about 2,200 miles from the Atlantic Ocean.

By this route grain and merchandise can be shipped during the season from Chicago, and the Western States of America and Canada, to any part of the world without transhipment, and at a freight considerably less than by Railway to the Sea Board and thence by steamer. Besides this, Canada is well supplied with Railways running to all parts of the Dominion and taking her produce at low freights.

Let us now see what the Dominion of Canada produces, and in the able statistics which the government publish they are classified under the heading of Ist-Produce of the Mine. 2ndThe Fisheries. 3rd-The Forest. 4th-Animals and their Produce. 5th-Agricultural Products. 6th-Manufactures.
1st-PRODUCE OF THE MINE.

The value of the exports of the Produce of the Mine for the year 1878 was $2,869,363$ dollars. In this class are included Coal, Mineral Oil, Gold, Ores, Silver, Lead, Copper, \&c.

The coalfields of Canada are situated in the Provinces of Nova Scotia and New Brunswick, and belong to the true carboniferous period. The coal produced being as good as some and superior to most English north-country coal. Though comparatively little has been done as yet towards the full development of the mines, the amount of coal raised has been as follows:-

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Mineral oil is found in the Province of Ontario, but owing to the repeal of the duty on Petroleum the Inland Revenue statistics do not give a full account of the trade. The following may be considered pretty accurate--

|  | crude ofl. Impl. Gal. | manufactered. Impl. Gal. | Exionted. <br> Impl, Gal. |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 1875 .. | 7,202,991 | 4.009,66 | 140 |
| 1876 | 9,417,901 | 4,838,215 | 47,246 |
| 1877............. | 15,964.6.47 | 7913.754 | 3,923,720 |

This oil is less explosive and stands a higher test than that of the Pensylvania oil regrion. It obtained a special prize at the Paris Exhibition, and the Legion of Honor was given to the Exhibitor.

The amount of some of the other proflucts of the mine exported were-

| Gold.......................... | 1.031509 dollars value. |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Gypsum....................... | 9?,695 |  | ,, |
| Copper........................ | 119.629 |  | : |
| Silver... | 103,681 | , | ., |
| Phosphate Lime.............. | 64,612 | , | " |
| Salt............................ | 83,720 | " | " |
| Stone.. | 52,665 | , |  |

## 2nd-FISHERIES.

This is one of the most important industries in the Dominion, and it is satisfactory to find that the yield and value are still improving. Compared with $\mathrm{I}_{7-6}$, the produce of the
following year, 1877, was nearly one million dollars more, being valued at $12,020,957$ dollars.

The following are the total values of Exports from the Dominion for the last four fiscal years and the countries to which the produce was shipped direct:-


Canada abounds with forests producing unlimited quantities of the finest timber of all descriptions.

The total exports for the year 1877 and 1878 are valued at $23,665,487$ dollars and $27,054,829$ dollars respectively. The bulk of the lumber exported from Canada goes to the United States, and it is mostly from that country that white pine, \&c., find their way into Brazil.
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Of the quantities and value of planks and boards exported from the Provinces of Ontario and Quebec in the following years it will be seen that over 94 per cent. went to the United States.

| Years. | Fece. | Value in dullars. | Per centage <br> exportem to United Sates |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| $1875-76$ | $336,110,000$ | $3,693,519$ | 94.13 |
| $1876-77$ | $330,051,000$ | $3,542,642$ | 94.43 |
| $1877-78$ | $353,827,000$ | $3,700,463$ | 94.12 |

A fair idea of the extent of the Canadian lumber trade with the United States may be taken from the following table, shewing the quantity of Canadian and American Lumber respectively imported into the Port of Oswego in the United States:

| Year. | Total Amount <br> of feet. | I'ropurtion of L'nited <br> States Lumber. | Proportion of <br> Canadian. |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| $1875 \ldots \ldots .$. | $156,207,670$ | $5,511,266$ | $150,6,6,404$ |
| $1876 \ldots \ldots$. | $124,536,918$ | $3,525,289$ | $121,011,629$ |
| $1877 \ldots \ldots$. | $123,312,125$ | $3,172,701$ | $120,139,424$ |

The total value of exports of lumber from Canada direct to South America in 1878 was 198,977 dollars, but this went almost entirely to the River Plate.

It will be seen, therefore, from the above figures, that the lumber imported into Brazil, though largely Canadian, comes from and through the United States. Why sheuld it not conte direct, saving to the people of this country the profit that must be made by the middle men?

## 4th-ANIMALS AND THEIR PRODUCE.

Canada is pre-eminently a butter and cheese country, as will be seen by the large exports of these comnodities. In 1877 she exported $15,479,550$ pounds of butter and $37,700,921$ pounds of chetse, and in 1878 her exports were, butter, $13,504,117$ pounds, and cheese, $39,371,139$ pounds. Of eggs, she exported 5,025,953 dozens in 1877, against $5.268,170$ dozens in 18-8.

Canada also exports large quantities of live stock, dead meat, bacon, hams, $\& c$. Last year, 1878 , her exports of these were as follows:--


The total value of her exp rets under this head of Animals and their produce for the gear 1878, was 14,577 ,086 dollars.

## 6th-AGRICULTURAL PRODUCTS.

After the United States and Russia, Canada is the largest producer of Agricultural products in the worid. Her total exports for the year i8,7 were valued at 19,279,726 dollars, and for the year 1878 at $27,281,089$ dollars.

The following table will show the exports in detail :-

|  | 1877. |  | 1878. |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Barley.................... | 6,587,18o bushels |  | 7,543.342 bushels |  |
| Peas ..................... | 120.100 | " | 71,299 | " |
| Indian Corn............. | 4,083,174 | " | 3,987,600 | " |
| Oats....................... | 3,996,156 | " | 2,430,841 | , |
| Pease.. | 1,753.439 | " | 2,420,049 | , |
| Rye........ | 95,065 | " | 452,420 | " |
| Wheat. | 3,559,095 | " | 8,509,2,42 | , |
| Flour..................... | 276,439 barrels |  | 479,245 barrels |  |
| Oatmeal... | 33,727 | n | 174,511 | " |
| Pctatoes............ | 3,124,334 | ushels | 1,065,757 | bushels |

## 6th-MANUFACTURES.

The total value of the exports of Canadian manufactures was in 1877, 4,681,759 dollars, and in 1878 4,715,776 dollars. This is comparatively small, but it must be remembered that the policy of the late Government in Canada was a free trade policy, It is not for me to enter here into the merits of free trade or protection, but the geographical position of Canada lying adjacent to a great country whose policy is strict protection, cannot but interfere with free trade and make it an impossibility. The boundary line between the two countries is to all intents and purposes imaginary; but on the one side of this line is a country with a protective tariff, and on the other side there was practically a free trade tariff: consequently all the surplus stock of the United States manufacturers was sent into Canada and sold at prices at which it was impossible for the

Canadian manufacturers to compete. Hence, therefore, many industries were abandoned, while others languished or were undeveloped.

The present Government were elected to alter this state of things, and their policy has been to protect Canadian industries against the United States, to promote and foster manufactures, and to develope direct trade with foreign countries.

Still Canada, in agricultural implements, hardware, manufactures of leather, shoes, sewing machines, manufactures of wood, liquors, beer, ales, locomotives and railway carriages, and many other articles can compete successfully both in price and quality with any other country.

Labour in Canada is cheap and above all the necessaries of life are cheap. She has an abundant supply of Railways, and her water communication in summer is the finest in the world. She has therefore all the elements of future greatness, and as her population multiply, so will her trade and her resources, which even now are numerous, rapidly increase.

The following table shews the total value of all the exports whatever from the Dominion of Canada to each country during the fiscal year ending 30 June, 1878:-

Dollars.

|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| :--- | :---: | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | ---: |
| Great Britain | $\ldots$ | $\ldots$ | $\ldots$ | $\ldots$ | $\ldots$ | $45,917,693$ |
| United States | $\ldots$ | $\ldots$ | $\ldots$ | $\ldots$ | $\ldots$ | $\mathbf{2 2 , 8 5 0 , 4 3 9}$ |
| British West Indies | $\ldots$ | $\ldots$ | $\ldots$ | $\ldots$ | $1,950,144$ |  |
| Spanish West Indies | $\ldots$ | $\ldots$ | $\ldots$ | $\ldots$ | $1,039,807$ |  |
| French West Indies | $\ldots$ | $\ldots$ | $\ldots$ | $\ldots$ | 246,728 |  |
| Danish West Indies | $\ldots$ | $\ldots$ | $\ldots$ | $\ldots$ | 74,465 |  |

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| Dutch West Indies |  |  | ... | ... | ... | ... | 5.996 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Hayti | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | 46,997 |
| British Guiana |  | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | 189,895 |
| South America |  | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | 615,5 19, |
| France | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | 369,391 |
| Australia | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | 370,723 |
| St. Pierre de Miquelon |  |  | ... | ... | ... | ... | 169,2 19 |
| Germany | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | $\ldots$ | 122,254 |
| Portugal | ... | ... | $\cdots$ | ... | ... | ... | 104,028 |
| Italy | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | 151,861 |
| Other Countries |  | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | 2,679,853 |

'Total exports for the year 1878 ... ... 76,905,012

## IMPORTS.

The total imports of Canada for the year 1878 were valued at $93,081,787$ dollars.
lt is important only for the present to enquire into the imports of products of Brazil and the sources from which they find their way into Canada.

The following table will be found of interest :


Of all the articles enumerated in the above table and which are produced in Brazil, not one pound or one mil reis worth is shipped direct from this Country. Surely this is wrong : In Canada there is a market for the producer of these articles and yet they find their way into that country through other countries and by the medium of other exporters, who take a profit that by right belongs to the producer.

The refineries of sugar in Canada were compelled to close in 1875 owing to the policy of the then Government, and the system of drawbacks in the United States (covering it is
alleged a bounty of 18 cent per toopounds,) upon refined sugars exported into Canada.

Previous to that year Canada had imported direct from Brazil an average of ten million pounds of sugar per annum, but since not one pound has been received. The percentage of sugars imported direct from the country of its growth fell off from 43.55 in 1875 in 7.30 in 1878.

The present Government have however altered this and the refineries are again at work.

They have enacted "That the advalorem duty on sugar "coming direct from the country of its growth shall be charged "on the fair market value of the sugar at the place of pro"duction without any addition for the cost of hogsheads or "other packages or other charges or expenses prior to ship"ment."

This is a great boon to Brazil, and as the Canadian Government are willing to grant still further favours to Brazil in this coammodity on certain conditions, I anticipate without doubt, that the Government of his Majesty will entertain favourably the questions, and that the sugar industry so loner languishing will revive under these influences.

There is a splendid opportunity for Brazil to get a footing in the markets of Canada. If she can strike in now she can place her sugar in Canada, a country that consumes ore hundred and ten millions of pounds, at a price cheaper than other countries.

Again, to encourage direct trade, the Government of Canada seeing that coffee came from the United States inslead of from the country of its growth, has placed a duty of 10 per cent on coffee imported from or through that country.

The other products of Brazil are admitted into the Dominion frhe, but direct communication will soon demonstrate the benefit of direct trade, and before long these articles will be shipped without the intervention of others, and thus return better prices to the producer. It does not require much penetration to see that the fewer hands through which any commodity goes, the better it is for the producer and consumer.

To sum up, here are two countries each requiring what the other produces, and yet they have been receiving these products through the medium of others instead of making a direct interchange.

It is impossible to calculate the amount of money thus lost to both countries, but let us hope that this is now drawing to a close and that the proposals made by the Government of Canada will be met in a right spirit, as I feel sure they will by the Government of Brazil, and that the good feeling and kindly wishes expressed not only by the Canadian Ministers, but by the Canadian People, may find a response in this country, and that the enlightened policy of the Government of His Majesty may contribute to the development of a trade that as it grows in years will grow in extent, and contribute to the wealth and grandeur of two great and mighty Empires.

Tue Empire of Brazil, containing an area of about 3,134,000 square miles with a coast line of 3000 miles, a population numbering over $11,500,000$, and with a geographical position of the greatest importarce, with regard to the Dominion of Canada seems to possess special advantages for the development of direct trade with that country. Fertile as the soil is, coffee susar, cocoa, tapioca, and mandioca, are chiefly cultivated in Brazil: she is therefore practically dependent on other countries for all the necessa:ies and luxuries of life. What Brazil produces is required in Canada, and the products of the Dominion are such as are absolutely necessary in Brazil. Here then are the elements of a mutual trade to hand ready for development.

The chief cities and towns in Brazil are on the coast. Commencing from the north we have Para, Maranhao, Pernambuco, Macieo, Bahia, Rio de Janeiro, Santos, (port of San Paulo) and Rio Grande do Sul, \&c.

Rio de Janeiro is the capital and contains about 500,000 inhabitants.

Trade with Brazil is carried on principally with England, France, Portugal, Germany, the United States, and the River Plate Republics. The following table compiled from the Brazilian returns of 1876 shows the percentage of exports and imports to and from different countries.

|  | Ixponts. | Exponts. |
| :--- | :---: | :---: |
| Gerinany and Austria | 5.21 | 3.43 |
| Belgium | 1.51 | 0.63 |
| Chili and Pacific Ports | 0.49 | 0.71 |
| Denn -k | 0.19 | 0.88 |
| River Plate | 9.13 | 4.75 |
| United States | 4.67 | 20.90 |
| France | 17.49 | 13.46 |
| Great Britain and Colonies | 51.47 | 45.30 |
| Spain | 1.49 | 1.41 |
| Holland | 0.15 | 0.03 |
| Italy | 0.44 | 0.81 |
| Portugal | 5.01 | 4.73 |
| Russia, Sweden, and Norway | 0.33 | 2.44 |
| Other Countries | 0.42 | 0.51 |

Since 1876 there is practically little alteration from these figures except that the United States have increased their exports to the detrement of England. Manufactures of all sorts and luxuries come from European Countries, while the staple commodities are mostly received from North America. Of these Flour is largely imported, the consumption of this commodity in Rio de Janeiro alone averaging about eleven hundred barrels per day. In like manner lumber so necessary for building and a thousand other purposes comes entirely from abroad; the wood in Brazil being so hard that it is difficult to work.

Butter, cheese, lard, kerosene, and cod-fish enter very largely into the imports.

Ti., following are the total imports and exports of the Empire from 1875 to 1878 :

## IMPORTS.

| $1875-76$ | $\ldots$ | $\ldots$ | $\ldots$ | mal reis. |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| $1876-77$ | $\ldots$ | $\ldots$ | $\ldots$ | 154,982, IO3 |
| $1877-78$ | $\ldots$ | $\ldots$ | $\ldots$ | $148,364,654$ |

## EXPORTS.

| $1875-76$ | $\ldots$ | $\ldots$ | $\ldots$ | $178,880,413$ |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| $1876-77$ | $\ldots$ | $\ldots$ | $\ldots$ | $196,779,918$ |
| $1877-78$ | $\ldots$ | $\ldots$ | $\ldots$ | $153,769,252$ |

## RIO de JANEIRO.

The Statistics of this port are not yet published for the year 1878 , so it is necessary to take those for the preceding year. The total imports were valued $43,69,6,221$ dollars. The imports of-

| Cottons | $\ldots$ | $\ldots$ | $9,411,736$ dollars |  |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | ---: |
| Woollens | $\ldots$ | $\ldots$ | $3,396,71 \mathrm{I}$ |  |
| Linens $\ldots$ | $\ldots$ | $\ldots$ | $1,607,766$ |  |
| Paper of all sorts | $\ldots$ | $\ldots$ | 962,545 |  |
| Iron $\quad \ldots$ | $\ldots$ | $\ldots$ | $1,399,389$ |  |
| Copper | $\ldots$ | $\ldots$ | $\ldots$ | 504,186 |
| Lead | $\ldots$ | $\ldots$ | $\ldots$ | 167,588 |
| Woods | $\ldots$ | $\ldots$ | $\ldots$ | 749,066 |
| Mieats $\quad . .$. | $\ldots$ | $\ldots$ | $4,568,187$ |  |
| Vegetables | $\ldots$ | $\ldots$ | $2,522,527$ |  |
| Plants $\quad . .$. | $\ldots$ | $\ldots$ | $1,056,372$ |  |

Note-At the present exchange of 23 , the Mil reis may he taken roundly as equivalent in 2 shillings sterling.

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| Juices $\quad .$. | $\ldots$ | $\ldots$ | $4,010,89^{2}$ Dollars. |
| :--- | :---: | :--- | ---: |
| Chemicals | $\ldots$ | $\ldots$ | $1,164,293$ |
| Earthen and | Glassware | $\ldots$ | 590,998 |
| Machinery | $\ldots$ | $\ldots$ | 795,962 |
| Sundries | $\ldots$ | $\ldots$ | $2,675,357$ |

Of the total imports the following countries ontributed:

| England | $\ldots$ | $\ldots$ |  | $17,279,698$ Dlrs. |
| :--- | :---: | :--- | :--- | :---: |
| France | $\ldots$ | $\ldots$ | $\ldots$ | $8,770,680$ |
| Portugal | $\ldots$ | $\ldots$ | $\ldots$ | $3,428,382$ |
| Germany | $\ldots$ | $\ldots$ | $\ldots$ | $3,148,310$ |
| Argentıne | $\ldots$ | $\ldots$ | $\ldots$ | $1,594,462$ |
| United States | $\ldots$ | $\ldots$ | $3,289,480$ |  |
| Uruguay $\quad . .$. | $\ldots$ | $\ldots$ | $2,793.952$ |  |
| Belgium | $\ldots$ | $\ldots$ | $\ldots$ | $2,438,741$ |
| Other Countries | $\ldots$ | $\ldots$ | 952,516 |  |

Total 43,696,22 I Dlrs.

EXPORTS,
The following are the exports from the port of Rio de Janeiro for the jear 1877:-

| Rum | $\ldots$ | $\ldots$ | $\ldots$ | 3,452 Dlrs. |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :---: |
| Cotton | $\ldots$ | $\ldots$ | $\ldots$ | 28,602 |
| Sugar | $\ldots$ | $\ldots$ | $\ldots$ | 65,904 |
| Coffee | $\ldots$ | $\ldots$ | $\ldots$ | $44,455,691$ |
| Hides | $\ldots$ | $\ldots$ | $\ldots$ | $45 \mathrm{I}, 038$ |

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Total

And the countries to which sent :

| United States | $\ldots$ |  | $24,266,895$ Dlrs. |  |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :---: |
| Great Britain | $\ldots$ | $\ldots$ | $6,027,726$ |  |
| France | $\ldots$ | $\ldots$ | $\ldots$ | $5,675,458$ |
| Germany | $\ldots$ | $\ldots$ | $\ldots$ | $4,014,304$ |
| Portugal | $\ldots$ | $\ldots$ | $\ldots$ | $3,073,946$ |
| Uruguay | $\ldots$ | $\ldots$ | $\ldots$ | $2,127,449$ |
| Argentine | $\ldots$ | $\ldots$ | $\ldots$ | $1,316,075$ |
| Other Countries | $\ldots$ | $\ldots$ | $4,016,577$ |  |
|  |  |  |  |  |
|  |  | Total |  | $50,518,430$ Dlrs. |

The exports of Coffee for the year 1877:

EUROPE.
1,317,498 bags

UNITED STATES. I,448,424

TOTAL.
2,765,922

NOTE.--Unfortunately the statistics of this port aro not kept in the same manner as in Pernambuco and Bahia, consequently the details are not so minute.

## BAHIA.

| Imports for $1877-78$ | $\ldots$ | $\ldots$ | $£ 1,942,336$ |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | ---: |
| Exports for $1877-78$ | ... | ... | $1,509,518$ |

## IMPORTS

Great Britain and her Colonies
MIL EEIS

|  | contributed |  |  | $11,727,713$ |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: | ---: |
| United States | $\ldots$ | $"$ | $\ldots$ | $1,296,081$ |
| France | $\ldots$ | $\ldots$ | $"$ | $\ldots$ |
| Portugal $\quad . .$. | $\ldots$ | $"$ | $\ldots$ | $2,329,071$ |
| Germany $\quad . .$. | $\ldots$ | $"$ | $\ldots$ | $1,960,506$ |
| Other Countries | $\ldots$ | ,. | $\ldots$ | $1,160,572$ |

The following are the Exports from the Port of Bahia for the Years 1877 and 1878 .

| Gireat Britain United States Other Countries | Sugar | Cotton | Kum | Coffee | Hides \& c . | Tobacco | Diamonds | Rosewood, \&c. | Sundries |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | 3,680,858 | 9,977 |  | 905,522 | 28,107 | So, I 83 | 95,705 | 47,069 | I, OI5, 164 |
|  | 315,879 |  |  | 222,681 | 226,258 | 131 |  | 112,947 | 335,86I |
|  | 89,904 | 7,066 | 62.403 | 1,968,001 | 4ט8,357 | 5,723,373 | 796,5 I S | 178,614 | 181,455 |
| Total | 4,056,64 I | 17,063 | 62.403 | 3.096,204 | 662,72? | 5,803,68 | S92,223 | 338,630 | 1,532,480 |
|  | $\begin{gathered} \text { Kilos. } \\ 44.798,311 \end{gathered}$ | Kilos. | I.itres | Kilos. | Kilos. | Kilos. | Gramms. | Ton M. |  |
|  |  | 34,177 | 343.692 | 5.971 .023 | I,432,864 | 17,272,678 | 10,664 | 40,264 |  |

## PERNAMBUCO.

IMPORTS FOR THE YEAR ENDING 3OTı JUNE, 1878.

|  |  | Weight and | Great Britain \& her Colonics | United States | Other Countrics | Total |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Beer and Spirits ... | $\ldots$ | Litres | 15S,527 | 2,481 | 88,539 | 249,547 |
| Cod-fish .. | $\ldots$ | Kilos | 13,635,372 | 64,068 | 258,450 | 13,957,890 |
| Boots and Shoes | ... | Dozens | 2,6653 | Nil. | 20,155 | 22,820 ${ }^{\frac{1}{2}}$ |
| Coal ... | ... | Tonss | 31,817 | 1,316 | 278 | 33,411 |
| Leather ... ... | ... | Kilos | I, 154 | Nil. | 25,448 | 26,602 |
| Flour ... ... | ... | du. | 2,022,06S | 8,492,579 | 4,675,833 | 15,190,480 |
| Iron and Steel ... | ... | do. | 1,020,755 | 37,233 | 453.039 | 1,946, C97 |
| Glass ... ... | ... | do. | 7,521,964 | 485,188 | 3,325,661 | 11,332,813 |
| Butter and Lard | ... | do. | 74,380 | 231,407 | 723,797 | 1,029,584 |
| Cheese ... ... ... | ... | du. | 131,326! | ${ }_{4}^{48 \mathrm{C}}$ | 41,887 | 173,693: |
| Kerosene and other oils | ... | do. | 67,424 | 2,153,189 | 6,8,4 | 2,227,467 |
| Paper, \&c. ... | ... | do. | 91,972 | 70,211 | 436,002 | 598,005 |
| Manufactured Goods- |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Cotton | ... | do. | 2,765,416 | 37,384 | 92,248 | 2,895,048 |
| Wool | ... | do. | 62,186 | 9 | 32,95 ${ }^{1}$ | 95,146 |
| Ready Made Clothes- |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Cotton |  | Dozens | 1,669 | Nil. | 12,948 | $14,617$ |
| Woul | ... | Kilos | 1,700 | Nil. | 286 | $1,986$ |

## EXPORTS

For year ending June, 18;8.

| Great Pritain...... <br> United States...... <br> Other Countries | COTTON | SUGAR | SPIRITS | HIDES |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Kilos. | kilus. | i.ITRES. | Kilos. |
|  | 2,443.505 | 32,885,918 | Nil. | 65148 |
|  | ${ }_{2}^{\text {Nit. }}$ | 18.933,456 | Nil. | 1.104.237 |
|  | 2,387,658 | 19,396,918 | 1,630,617 | 2,135,385 |
| Totals........ | $4,831,163$ | $71,216.292$ | 1,630,617 | 3,304.770 |

The total imports into the Province of Pernambuco were $£_{2}, 105,040$ as agrainst $\mathfrak{E}_{1,950,963}$ in the preceding year. Of this amount Great Britain and her Colonies contributed in 1877-8 $\mathfrak{£}_{1,206,869 \text {, France was next with } £ 333,316 \text {. The United }}$ States imports shew a considerable advance from 130,840 in 1876-77 to $\mathfrak{E}_{178,618}$ in 1877-78. The total exports for the year $1877-78$ were value $£_{1}, 365,102$.

Of the year ending June, 1879, the imports and exports have been the smallest on record, the severe drought which this province suffered trom, had a serious effect on the sugar crops, and naturally affected all business. Of FLOUK there were received 285,483 barrels and 10,634 bags, coming principally from the United States and Austria. The chief American brands are Haxall, Gallego, O. Dance, Mount Vrenon, Silver Spring, Ilfchester, and Mindle Branch. Austrian brands the most used are Buda Pesth o i, Pannonia o/i. Concordia oit Economa o/l, and Fontana sulerfine.

In KEROSENE the importation has been 75,870 tins. containing about $2,503,45$ I kilos., of which about $2,503,260$ kilos. were imported from the United States.

PLANKS and LUMBER.-The transactions have been small, only 12,031 square metres being imported

ROSIN was entered at $\$_{34}, \mathrm{~S}_{2} \mathrm{I}$ kilos.
BUTTER.-This article is in great demand in this Port, the entries being 605,038 kilos. for French, 45,537 kilos, for English, and about 1,107 kilos. from other countries, It is generally put up in boxes of 200 lb in 1 lb or 2 ll tins, and in barrels of about 54 to 60 kilos. It may be remarked that in Pernambuco the French butter takes the lead and English has not altogether lost its reputation as in Rio de Janeiro, where the brands are Danish and French.

POTATOES.-.The chief imports are from Lisbon and Havre, 208,966 kilos, coming from the former, 246,459 kilos. from the latter, while $S_{3.49}$ kilos came from England.

LEATHER, prepared for all purposes was entered at 9,775 kilos.

CANDLES. - The import of this commodity was 19,728 kilos., chiefly from Hamburg.

LARD was imported to the extent of 171,000 kilos.
CHEF.SE.-135,650 kilos., chiefly Dutch.
HAM and BACON 212,512 kilos.
HARDWARE.-The lowest estimate is $\mathbf{1 , 0 9 5 , 4 3 6}$ kilos. entered.

COD-FISII.-This is one of the largest imports, the amount being 374,104 Drums.

Of the Exports for the same period,
Sugar shews 85,143 barrels, and 715,4co bags.
Hides.-204,793 Hides, dry and salted have been exported to France and England, while 74,000 of the above were shipped to the United States.
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\text { YEAR } 1877
$$

Wine, Oil, Vinegar, Sperm Candles, Flagstones, Furniar of EXPORTS DIRECT
IMPORTS FROM FOREIGN
Cod-fish-3000 drums-Value-45,000 mil reis, Newfoundland.
lagstones, Furniture, $\& c$., of the value of 43,210 mil reis
from Portugal.

|  | COTTON. |  | SUGAR. |  | HIDES. |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | ${ }^{\text {Bags of } 75 \text { kilos }}$ | Talue in mil reis | Baga of 75 kilog | Value in mil reis | Average 2sib | Value in mil reis |
| Great Britain.. | 58,801 | 1,764,030 | 165.226 | 1,652,260 | 4,728 | 31,548 |
| New York \& Lisbon.... | 155 | 5,037 | 48,312 | 483,120 | 1,440 | 547 |

NOTE.-This port lies about 120 miles south of Pernambuco and has about 20,000 inhabitants,
besides being the capital of the Province of Alagoas. The direct trade is very small, in (he Royal Mail Steamers call once a month, being the only cean steamers visiting the port regularly. There is great room for the development of direct dian Trade. Products could be landed at a cheaper price than by the preat shipping to Pernambuco and transhipping in coasting vessels.

PARA.
The following are the Exports and Imports for the year 1876:-
IMPORTS.

| England | $\ldots$ | $\ldots$ | $\ldots$ | value $£ 300,140$ |  |
| :--- | ---: | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | ---: |
| United States | $\ldots$ | $\ldots$ | $\ldots$ | 93,500 |  |
| France | $\ldots$ | $\ldots$ | $\ldots$ | $\ldots$ | 59,920 |
| Portugal | $\ldots$ | $\ldots$ | $\ldots$ | $\ldots$ | 98,110 |
| Germany | $\ldots$ | $\ldots$ | $\ldots$ | $\ldots$ | 9,360 |
|  |  |  |  |  | $\ldots$ |
|  |  |  |  | Total | $\ldots 561,030$ |

## EXPORTS.

TONS, VALUE,

| India Rubber | ... | $6,493$ | ... | $\mathfrak{£}_{955,000}$ |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Cocoa ... | ... | 3.241 | ... | 152,000 |
| Nuts | ... | 2,764 | ... | 41,000 |
| Hides . | ... | 1,245 | ... | 40,000 |
| Deer Skins | ... | 65 | ... | 6,800 |
| Isinglass | ... | 36 | ... | 9,100 |
| Balsam Capivi | ... | 91 | $\cdots$ | 11,800 |
| Quinine Bark | ... | 56 | ... | 12,300 |

£ $1,228,000$

Note. - The Port is situated at the mouth of the River Amazon, which together with its affluents are navigable by steamers for upwards of 43,250 kilometres $=25,950$ miles as shewn by the foliowing table:

| Amazon $\ldots$ | $\ldots$ | 3,828 kilom. |
| :--- | :---: | ---: |
| Basins of its chief affluents | 32,822 |  |
| Lesser affluents and lakes | 6,600 |  |
|  |  |  |
|  |  | 43,250 |
|  |  |  |

The Republics of Bolivia, Peru, Equador, Colombia, and Vent suela ccmslunicate with the Port of Para, and with several Brazilian Provinces, by the waters of the Amazon and its tributaries.

## MARANHAO.

This port is situated to the north of Pernambuco, between that city and Para. It has a population of 36,000 . No statistics have been published for some time, so no reliable information is obtainable. The exports are large and increasing and consist chiefly of Sugar, Cotton and Dye-woods.

The imports are similar to those of every other port in Brazil,

For the year 1878-
Flour was entered at 12,000 barrels chiefly Imerican.

| Fish | $\ldots$ | t,oco barrels. |
| :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Butter | ... Soo cases. |  |

The following tables will be found interesting as shewing the course of trade between the United States, Prazil, The River Plate Republics, and the West Indian Islands. It will be seen that the bulk of the Products exported by the United States to these countries are also Products of the Dominion of Canada,
which has been simply excluded from these markets to a great degree by the want of direct communication, while the Exports of these countries have been received into the Dominion through other channels for the same reason :

## IMPORTS INTO THE UNITED STATES,

From Brazil, Argentine, and Uruguay, for the year ending June, 1877.

| Free of Duty. | Weight <br> or Value. | Brazil- | Argentine. | Uruguay. |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Chemicals ... | dollars | 66,356 |  |  |
| Coffee ... | it) 2 | 27,306,857 |  |  |
| Dye woods | th | 10,125 |  |  |
| Hair, horse | 1 l | 161,715 | 596,741 |  |
| Hair, other | th | 420,969 | 144,220 | 235,315 |
| Hides | dollars | 1,138,819 | 2,109,187 | 1,790,057 |
| India Rubber | 1 b | 6,305,482 |  |  |
| Rags, Cotton | 15 |  | 181,850 |  |
| Tea | tb |  | 3,504 |  |
| Wood ... | dollars | 75,988 |  |  |
| Sundries ... | dollars | 174,228 | 81,436 | 34, 139 |
| Subject to Duty |  |  |  |  |
| Chemicals ... | dollars | 2,722 |  |  |
| Fancy Goods | dollars | 3,628 | 58,163 | 20,827 |
| Sugar ... | tb | 74,327,436 |  |  |
| Wool, raw ... | lb | 969,526 | 8,166,c25 | 2,185,884 |

## EXPORTS FROM THE UNITED STATES

For same period.

|  | Brazil. | Argentine | Uruguay. |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Agricultural Im- |  |  |  |
| Beer, \&c., bottles dozen | 5,990 |  |  |
| ,, casks gal. | 9,140 |  |  |
| Blacking ... dollars | 11,180 | 738 | 1,799 |
| Books, maps, \&c. dollars | 11,971 | 6,878 | 4,313 |
| Bread and biscuits lb | 248,342 | 3,500 |  |
| Indian Corn bushels | 2,410 |  |  |
| Wheat Flour barrels | 482,209 |  | 400 |
| All other bread |  |  | 431 |
| Brooms \& Brushes dollars | 4.746 | 472 |  |
| Candles, all sorts it | 20,786 |  |  |
| Carriages ... dollars | 8,001 |  |  |
| Cars, railway, \&c. dollars | 49.315 |  |  |
| Clucks \& parts of dollars | 16,426 | 2,262 | 2,230 |
| Cordage, rope, twine lb | 15,182 | 1,571 | 55,336 |
| Cottons, colored yards | 4,218,430 | 63.362 | 415,222 |
| ,, uncolored yards | 1,390,285 | 111,382 | 414,091 |
| " all others dollars | 10,811 | $\bigcirc 4.007$ | 2.772 |
| Drugs, Chemicals dollars | 120,463 | 15,440 | 22,679 |
| Glass, \& Glassware dollars | 7,500 | 975 | 403 |
| Ice ... tons | 1,850 |  |  |
| India Rubber, manufactured dollars | 4.78. |  |  |

Iron \& Steel manuf.
Railway bars, \&c. cwt. 12,463
Castings dollars 4,246
Car wheels $\quad$ 'oliars 10,951
Locomotives and

| parts of | dollars | 350,250 |  |  |
| :--- | :---: | ---: | ---: | ---: |
| Machinery | dollars | 175,704 | 8,874 | 8,820 |
| Nails \& Spikes | dollars | 58,689 | 28,314 | 8,697 |
| Edge Tools | dollars | 65,952 | 8,806 | 7,071 |
| Lamps $\ldots$ | dollars | 24,078 | 7,421 | 4,172 |
| Oils, mineral | dollars | 904,129 | 231,231 | 154,249 |
| Paper \& Stationy, dollars | 21,991 | 7,754 | 3.786 |  |
| Perfumery | dollars | 31,520 | 18,628 | 13,318 |

Provisions-Lard,
Butter, Cheese,

| Bacon, Pork, \&c dollars | 577,808 | 27,320 | 54,924 |
| ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: |
| Sewing Machines dollars | 21,158 | 10,081 | 60 |


| Soap | $\ldots$ | dollars | 8,718 |  |  |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | ---: | ---: | ---: |
| Spirits, distilled | dollars |  | 83,380 | 45,880 |  |
| ", of Turpentine | gals. | 72,752 | 35,820 | 20,570 |  |
| Starch | $\ldots$ | It, |  | 889,958 | $\mathbf{7 8 8 , 6 6 7}$ |

Lumber-

| Boards, Deals, \&c M ft. | 15,440 | 4,743 | 10,456 |  |
| ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: |
| Furniture | dollars | 32,132 | 16,400 | 26,742 |

The total exports for the year ending June, 1877, were-

| Brazil | $\ldots$ | $\ldots$ | $\ldots$ | $7,499,118$ dollars |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Argentine | $\ldots$ | $\ldots$ | $\ldots$ | $\mathbf{1}, 129,168 \quad$, |
| Uruguay | $\ldots$ | $\ldots$ | $\ldots$ | $\mathbf{1}, \mathrm{C} 77,434 \quad$, |

While the total Imports to the United States for the same period were-

| Brazil | .. | $\ldots$ | $\ldots$ | $43,498,041$ | dollars |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Argentine | ... | $\ldots$ | $\ldots$ | $3,449,559$ | , |
| Uruguay | .. | $\ldots$ | $\ldots$ | $2,197,711$ | ". |

The following tables shew the Exports from and Imports to the United States with Brazil, Argentine, Uruguayy, and the British, French, Dutch, and Danish West Indies for the year ending June, 1878:

EXPORTS OF

\begin{tabular}{|c|c|c|c|c|c|}
\hline \& Brazil \& Argentine \& Uruguay \& British
W. Indies \& Dutch \& Dan
W, Indies \\
\hline Manufactures of Cotton. \(\qquad\) \& DOLLARS
\[
523,322
\] \& \[
\begin{gathered}
\text { DOLLARS } \\
203,048
\end{gathered}
\] \& dollars \& \begin{tabular}{l}
Dollars \\
202,98
\end{tabular} \& Dollars \\
\hline Bread and bread stuffs \& 4,694,662 \& 8,011 \& \&  \& \\
\hline Provisions, butter cheese lard pork, bacon, cannd.meats\&c \& 640,673 \& \& \& 1,472,245 \& \(1,200,003\)

$60,2,488$ <br>

\hline Petroleum........ \& 671,722 \& 283,8ı0 \& 95,897 \& $$
\begin{array}{r}
1,472,245 \\
176,326
\end{array}
$$ \& \[

65,2,488
\]

$$
60.161
$$ <br>

\hline Live Annimals... \& \& , \& 95,897 \& $$
399,652
$$ \& \[

$$
\begin{array}{r}
69,161 \\
106,138
\end{array}
$$
\] <br>

\hline
\end{tabular}

Totals of Exports .

IMPORTS OF

|  | Brazil | British W.Indies | French W.Indict | Duteh \& Danish West Indies | Argentine. | Aruguay |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Sugar ... ... dollars | 3,165,384 | 3,678,049 | 2,848,867 | 503,409 |  |  |
| Coffee ... ... Hb | 211,654,160 | 2340,187 |  | 49,533 |  |  |
| Chemicals, Drugs-dollars Dyes, \&c. | 257,952 | 37,703 |  | 19,939 |  |  |
| Hides and Skins dollars | 1,288,085 |  |  | 172,681 | 3:380,747 | 1,571,729 |

$$
\vdots
$$

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\vdots \quad \vdots \quad \vdots \quad \vdots \quad \vdots \quad \vdots \quad \vdots
$$

$$
\begin{array}{lr}
\text { Brazil } & \ldots \\
\text { British West Indies } \\
\text { French do } & \\
\text { Dutch } & \text { do } \\
\text { Danish } & \\
\text { do } & \\
\text { Argentine } & \ldots \\
\text { Uruguay } & \ldots
\end{array}
$$

Total of Imports:
$\begin{array}{cc}42,968,973 & \text { dollars } \\ 5,647,708 & " \\ 2,876,903 & " \\ 624,934 & " \\ 335,54 \mathrm{I} & " \\ 4,948,016 & " \\ 2,437,102 & "\end{array}$

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\begin{array}{lllllll} 
& \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \vdots \\
\vdots & & & & & & \\
& \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \vdots \\
& \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \vdots
\end{array}
$$

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\vdots \quad \vdots \quad \vdots \quad \vdots \quad \vdots \quad \vdots \quad \vdots
$$

## TRADE BETWEEN THE DOMINION OF CANADA AND THE WEST INDIES.

IMPORTS for tie year ending June, 1878 :

From British West Indies, including British Guiana.

| 'direct. | тиRo' u.s. |
| :---: | :---: |
| $1,019,708$ | 42,374 |

From other West Indies including French and Dutch Guiana.

Dikect. thro ${ }^{\circ}$ U.S.
365,242 211,397

EXPORTS for year ending June, 1878 :


