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## PART I-REPORT.

## CHAPTER I.

## General.

The year 1933-34, with which this review deals, was the fifth year of the great world-wide economic depression; and it has left behind it a confused legacy of tentative experiments and new departures. How far these experiments may prove to be beneficial it is yet too early to say. In some directions, indeed, the depressed conditions of the earlier years seem to have been further intensified and new evils have appeared, while in others there are feeble indications that the corner is about to be turned. In the political field the defection of Japan and Germany from the League of Nations is important; while in the purely economic sphere the world's most comprehensive programme of world co-operation and economic internationalism, which was to have reccived its formal ratification in London on the occasion of the World Economic Conference, was shelved by the adjournment of this conference in a moribund condition, thereby giving a rude setback to world trade. The failure of the World Economic Conference proved a signal for excited action on the part of most of the participating countries so that a further, freer and more extended charter has been given to economic nationalism with all its weapons of restriction-control, prolibition, quotas and tariffs. And, while country after country has thus been reviving the use of the ancient weapons in the national economic armoury, international finance has continued in a state of chaos and uncertainty. But the financial chaos, which has clogged the wheels of progress over the greater part of Europe, is only one among the many uncertainties and doubts which have disturbed the economic equilibrium of the world. Of greater importance and more dominating in its influence, has been the great experiment of "sogjalisation of finance and industry " undertaken in the Recovery Plan of President Roosevelt in the United States of America. For a time at least that great experiment succeeded in giving to the United States of America a spell of rising prices, which was not without a beneficial influence on world prices. But the beginning of a genuine rise in world prices of commodities, such as had been induced by the actual movement of the great staples in the world markets, has been obscured by this greater speculative rise based on the prospect of inflation in America, and the period of dollar uncertainty has probably enhanced the difficulties in the path to increased international trade. The

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Recovery Plan has in some ways accentuated existing uncertainties and disturbed existing channels and accustomed modes of business. On the whole, therefore, the year under review has been one of swift alternations of hope and disappointment. There are as yet no striking and convincing signs of an early arrival of really prosperous times. But, withal, some recovery, however feeble, has at last been made from the oppressive economic conditions of recent years. In many countries the almost uninterrupted decline that had started at the end of 1929 has slackened off and, in some quarters at least, a feeling has been expressed that world trade is in the process of returning to some kind of stahility, nibeit at a very low, a very much restricted, level. In countries which have been free from disturbances to their monetary structure prices indeed have ceased to fall, while in the case of a few articles such as tea, tin and rubber equilibrium between demand and supply has for the time being been re-established through measures of international control. The year 1933-34 was the first complete year after the introduction of the scheme of preferential duties resulting from the Ottawa Agreement. (The examination of the effects of that agreement has been the subject of a separate report and it need not be discussed again in this review.) Apart from the Ottawa Agreement, however, the outlook in India has been considerably changed by her recent legislation, which seeks to remedy the exceptional conditions brought about in the past few years by intensive competition from Japan. Of the greatest importance has been the understanding, reached with Japan, regarding the terms of a fresh commercial treaty. Closely associated with this development were the unofficial negotiations, carried on between a delegation representing the cotton interests of Lancashire and the representatives of the cotton-mill industry in Bombay, for the evolution of a working agreement acceptable to both parties.

Indian conditions generally showed some progress towards recovery, though there was no great improvement in the agricultural situation. Apart from a few exceptions prices of the various agricultural commodities showed little or no increase on balance during the year. These prices generally rose from the beginning of the year till June or July; but after that date there was a distinct recession till the end of the year when they seemed to have steadied somewhat. The only agricultural commodity which showed a considerable price rise was tea and this was due to the " export restriction scheme" introduced during the year. On the whole, therefore, there was little or no improvement in the agricultural position. The cotton mill industry experienced depressed conditions during the first half of the year and a number of mills in Bombay had to close down. In October matters reached a crisis in that city with the closing of the Currimbhoy Ibrahim group of mills. The position, however, became distinctly more hopeful as the year advanced and just before the strike in April, 1934 the prospect for the cotton mill industry contained some promise of better times to come. The jute mill industry was slowly reaping the benefits of the restriction of output which it had imposed upon itself, although prices of jute manufactures in some months of the year were definitely disappointing. In the first quarter of 1934 the improvement in the jute industry had so far advanced that it was decided in April, 1934 to unseal $2 \frac{1}{2}$ per cent of the hessian looms from November, 1934. The iron and steel and sugar industries were generally in a healthy

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condition throughout the year and so also was the tea industry. The coal industry, however, remained in the throes of depression. On the whole Indian industrial conditions in general appeared to be slightly better during the year than had been the case for the past year or two. As far as foreign trade was concerned, India's position improved distinctly during the year under review. The visible balance of trade, even excluding shipments of gold, was greatly in her favour. Including the fairly considerable exports of gold, the balance amounted to a large figure, and India's position as regards her foreign payments was thus definitely favourable during the year under review. Financial conditions also showed some specific improvement; the bank rate remained unchanged throughout 1933-34 at the low level of $3 \frac{1}{2}$ per cent. On account of the favourable balance of trade, exchange easily maintained itself above $1 s .6 d$. almost continuously throughout the year. Further, total cheque clearances were much higher than in the preceding two years. The price of Indian securities also registered considerable improvement during 1933-34. The $3 \frac{1}{2}$ per cent Government paper was on a distinctly higher level in 1933-34 as compared with 1932-33. Prices of non-speculative industrial securities rose during the year and the index number of prices of speculative securities recorded a rise of 34 points in March, 1934 over the figure of the corresponding month of 1933. It would appear that confidence was steadily, though slowly, returning to the stock markets. The general conclusion, therefore, would appear to be that, on the whole, conditions during the year were distinctly better than they had been in 1932-33, except in the case of agriculture where the position remained more or less unchanged.

The monsoon of 1933 started a little earlier than usual and gave, on the whole, well-distributed rains over the country. There were no prolonged
Agricultural conditions breaks and the rainfall was generally in excess of the in India. normal. Averaged over the plains of India, the total rainfall during the monsoon period was 14 per cent above the normal. During the retreating period of the monsoon the rainfall was defective in the Punjab, the North-West Frontier Province, Sind and North-East India ; elsewhere it was normal or above it. Taking the year as a whole, the rainfall was above the average in most parts of the country.

From the point of view of agriculture, the season may be regarded as fairly good, although in some places crops were damaged by excessive rains and, in the cold weather, by low temperature and frost. The outturn of rice fell short of the last year's good crop, but was still satisfactory, particularly in Burma where the yield was 5 per cent in excess of last year. A very good yield was obtained for the sugarcane crop, exceeding the previous year's record outturn by 8 per cent. The outturn of jute and cotton increased by 13 and 7 per cent respectively, as compared with the preceding season. Groundnut gave an increased production in 1933-34, while sesamum and castor seed yielded slightly less than in the preceding season. The wheat crop of 1932-33-which largely affects the year under review-was better than the preceding season's production by 5 per cent. The production of the rape and mustard, and linseed (winter oilseeds) crops of 1932-33 was about the same as in the preceding season, the former showing an increase of 2 per cent and the latter a decrease of an equal magnitude.

Industrial situation.-Although, in general, like its predecessor, the year 1933 was free from industrial disputes of any serious character, it was not

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altogether immune from minor disturbances of a sporadic nature. On the whole, the number of working people involved and the total loss in working days that occurred were a little larger than in 1932.

Index Number of prices.-The declining tendency of commodity prices was reversed about the beginning of the year under review and for some months the Calcutta wholesale price index number rose steadily, till at the end of July, the level of September, 1931 was touched. After a slight recession, following on the adjournment of the World Economic Conference, the index number became steady and remained so for the ten subsequent months, subject only to a few fluctuations within narrow limits. Thus, at last, the disastrous decline in commodity prices, which began towards the last quarter of 1929, appeared, at least, to be arrested. Prices are, however, still at a very low level.

In the following table the index numbers of wholesale prices in the important countries of the world are set out for purposes of comparison.

|  | India, Calcutta (July $1914=100$ ) | United Kingdom Board of Trade (1913 $\quad=100$ ) | United States of America $(1926=100)$ | $\begin{gathered} \text { Canada } \\ (1020=100) \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} \text { Australla } \\ (1911=100) \end{gathered}$ | Japan (October $1000=100)$ | $\underset{\text { France }}{(1918=100)}$ |
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| September | 148 | 135.8 | 88.1 | 97.3 | 185.8 | 217.5 | 608 |
| December | 134 | 132.5 | 98.3 | $90 \cdot 2$ | 176.0 | $205 \cdot 0$ | 606 |
| 1030- |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| March . | 125 | 124.5 | 90.2 | 91.9 | $164 \cdot 7$ | 105.9 | 658 |
| June | 116 | $120 \cdot 7$ | 80.8 | $88 \cdot 0$ | $165 \cdot 7$ | 181.2 | 640 |
| September | 111 | 116.5 | 84.4 | 82.5 | $153 \cdot 2$ | 171.5 | 550 |
| December | 100 | 108. 5 | $70 \cdot 6$ | 77.8 | 139.0 | $100 \cdot 8$ | 5.11 |
| March . | 100 | $105 \cdot 9$ | $76 \cdot 0$ | $75 \cdot 1$ | $145 \cdot 6$ | 158.3 | 539 |
| June | 03 | 108.2 | $72 \cdot 1$ | 72.2 | $142 \cdot 5$ | $160 \cdot 7$ | 518 |
| September | 01 | 90.2 | 71.2 | 60.7 | $139 \cdot 1$ | $140 \cdot 6$ | 478 |
| December | 08 | 105.9 | $68 \cdot 6$ | $70 \cdot 4$ | 142.5 | 151.0 | 442 |
| 1932- | 94 | 104.7 | 68.0 | 09.1 | 143.8 | 158.5 | 444 |
| June. | 86 | 98.0 | $63 \cdot 9$ | $68 \cdot 6$ | 180.0 | 146.4 | 426 |
| September | 91 | 102.1 | $65 \cdot 3$ | 68.9 | 144-1 | $167 \cdot 4$ | 418 |
| December | 88 | $101 \cdot 0$ | $62 \cdot 6$ | 64.0 | 136.7 | $184 \cdot 6$ | 413 |
| 1933-- |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Febraary | 88 | $100 \cdot 3$ 98.9 | 61.0 69.8 | 63.6 | 133-4 | 185.0 179.6 | 404 |
| March. | 82 | $97 \cdot 6$ | 60.2 | 64.4 | $133 \cdot 3$ | 177-4 | 390 |
| April . | 84 | 97.2 | 60.4 | $65 \cdot 4$ | 135.8 | 176.2 | 387 |
| May . | 87 | 90.2 | 62.7 | 68.9 | 140.6 | $178 \cdot 8$ | 383 |
| June - | 80 | $101 \cdot 7$ | $65^{\circ} 0$ | $67 \cdot 6$ | 143.9 | $179 \cdot 6$ | 463 |
| July ${ }^{\text {a }}$ | 91 | $102 \cdot 3$ | 68.9 | 70.5 | 146.5 | $182 \cdot 1$ | 401 |
| August | 89 | 102.5 | 60.5 | 69.4 | 148-4 | 180.0 | 397 |
| September | 88 88 | 103.0 100.0 | 70.8 71.2 | 68.9 67.9 | 148.1 | 182.4 | 397 397 |
| November | 88 88 | $102 \cdot 6$ 102.8 | $71 \cdot 2$ 71.1 | 67.9 88.7 | 144.5 | $180 \cdot 4$ 178.7 | 397 403 |
| December | 89 | 102.8 | 70.8 | 69.0 | 148.6 | $175 \cdot 5$ | 407 |
| 1934- |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| January | 90 | $104 \cdot 6$ | 72.2 | 70.6 | $145 \cdot 6$ | $175 \cdot 5$ | 405 |
| February | 89 | $105 \cdot 3$ | $78 \cdot 6$ | $72 \cdot 1$ | 145-2 | 177.5 | 400 |
| March | 88 89 | 103.8 | 73.7 | 72.0 | $145 \cdot 9$ | $176 \cdot 9$ | 394 |
| April . | 89 | 102.8 | $78 \cdot 3$ | 71'1 | 147 $\cdot 1$ | 176-9 | 387 |

The suspension of the gold standard by a number of countries toward the end of 1931 and the depreciation of their currencies in terms of gold had been expected to raise the interna! prices in those countries; but after a short interval, owing to the continued fall in gold prices, the only result of the departure from gold and the depreciation of currencies was that prices in the countries off gold did not fall to the same extent as did prices in the gold countries. In India the price index number is strongly influenced by the presence of a large number of quotations for agricultural produce. As a result of this weighting, combined with the larger fall of agricultural prices than of industrial prices, the Indian price index numbers show greater falls than the price index number s

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of more highly industrialised countries. These points are brought out by the figures in the table given above.

In September, 1929, the index number of wholesale prices at Calcutta was 143. By September, 1931, the index had fallen to 91 . The suspension of the gold standard by Britain in September, 1931 and the retention of the link between the rupee and sterling, resulted in an immediate appreciation of the Indian price-level ; this improvement was maintained till December, 1931 but thereafter a fall began and by June, 1932, the index number was 86, the lowest. figure reached during 1932. The figure remained stationary at 91 from August to October, 1932, but receded to 82 in March, 1933. From March, it again showed an upward tendency and reached the maximum for 1933, viz. (91) in July : from the next month it declined again and closed at 89 in December. During the first quarter of 1934, the index remained more or less steady. It touched 90 at the end of January, but dropped back to 88 at the end of March.

In the United Kingdom.-In the United Kingdom, the Board of Trade Index number was $135 \cdot 8$ in September, 1929, and $99 \cdot 2$ in September, 1931. As in the case of the Calcutta wholesale price index number, some appreciation was noticed in the price level after sterling left gold. From April, 1932, the index number declined till a figure of 97.7 was reached in July, 1932. In September, 1932, the figure was again up at $102 \cdot 1$. Thereafter, it remained almost stationary at 101 up to December, when it began to fall, till in April, 1933, it was down again to 97.2 . It rose again to 103 in September whence it showed a slight downward tendency and stood at 102.8 in December, 1933. The beginning of 1934 saw a distinct improvement and the index rose to $105 \cdot 3$ in February, 1934. This was followed by some decline and the year closed with the index at 103.8 in March, 1934.

In other foreign countries.-In the United States of America, the Bureau of Labour index number was 96.1 in September, 1929, and $68 \cdot 6$ in December, 1931. From January, 1932, it fell further, till in June it reached 63.9. It had then an upward tendency and touched $65 \cdot 3$ in September whence it fell again to 59.8 in February, 1933. In March, 1933, America went off the gold standard and the dollar began to depreciate relatively to most other currency units. The index number in that month showed a slight improvement and it continued to rise till October and closed at 70.8 in December, 1933. Thereafter, the index rose steadily and reached 73.7 in March, 1934.

In Canada, the price level declined steadily during 1932 from $69 \cdot 4$ in January to 63.6 in February of the following year. From March, 1933, it began to rise and reached 70.5 in July whence it receded to 67.9 in October but rose again to 69.0 in December, 1933. This improvement continued during the next quarter and the index was 72.0 in March, 1934.

In Australia, the index number at the end of 1931 was 142.5 and after a fall in January, 1932, it rose to $144 \cdot 9$ in February. Then it had a downward tendency but rose again from 139 in June to $144 \cdot 1$ in September. Thereafter, it began to fall till February, 1933, when it reached 133. From March it continued to rise reaching 148.1 in September, but fell again to 144.5 in October, 1933, and $141 \cdot 4$ in November, 1933. As in the case of the countries mentioned before, the index improved thereafter and ranged between $145 \cdot 2$ and 145.9 during the first quarter of 1934.

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On the 17th December, 1931, the Government of Japan issued a deoree prohibiting the conversion of notes into gold. This was virtually an abandonment of the gold standard and the resultant depreciation of the yen raised the price level in Japan during 1932 to a higher level than that of 1931. The index number in December, 1931, was 151.0 and in February, 1932, it was $161 \cdot 4$. By June it declined to 146.4 -the lowest figure of the year. It then rose again reaching 185 in January, 1933. Then it began to fall till April when it reached 176.2 and from then showed an upward tendency till July. Thereafter, it fell to 178.7 in November with a rise to $182 \cdot 4$ in September. Then followed a further fall and the index stood at 175.5 during the next two months. A slight rise was noticed in the following month, February, 1934when the index was 177.5 .

The comparative falls in prices of raw materials and of manufactured articles in India, as given by the prices of exported and imported articles respectively, are shown in the two tables below :-

Table I.
Indian Index Number Series (1873).

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Table II.
Calcutta Index Number Series (1914).
$\left.\begin{array}{lllllll} & & & & & & \\ & & & & & & \\ \text { Exported } \\ \text { Artioles. }\end{array}\right)$

Table I gives the Indian Price Index Number series for exported articles and imported articles, month by month, from January, 1933, and also gives for purposes of comparison, index numbers for September, 1929, December, 1931 and December, 1932. Table II is based on a rough division of the Calcutta wholesale price index number series into articles of export and articles of import. It will be noticed from both the tables that up to December, 1931, the decline in the export price level was much heavier than that in the import price level. But, according to the Indian Index Number series, the position was reversed thereafter. According to this series, the fall on the export side was 43 per cent in December, 1931, as compared with September, 1929, while that on the import side was only 13 per cent. The fall in March, 1934, on the export side on the same basis was 46 per cent while that on the import side was $24 \cdot 6$ per cent. Compared with December, 1931, the fall in the export price level was 4.9 per cent in March, 1934, and that in the import price level was $13 \cdot 1$ in the same month. In the next month, however, the export index number fell by 1 point while the

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import index number fell by 3 points, According to the Calcutta Index Num ${ }^{\text { }}$ ber series, the fall in export price level from September, 1929 to December, 1931, was one of 39 per cent and in import price level one of 17 per cent. From 81 in December, 1931, the export index number dropped to 76 in March, 1934. or a fall of 6.2 per cent as compared with December, 1931. The drop on the import side was from 124 to 111 or 10.5 per cent as compared with December, 1931. The export price level remained steady thereafter, though the import price level improved, the respective index numbers being 76 in April and May on the export side and 112 and 114 respectively on the import side.

The table below gives the Calcutta Index Numbers for the various groups of articles for September, 1929, December, 1931 and 1932, and for each month from January, 1933, to May, 1934. It also gives the percentage decline in December, 1931, December, 1932, September and December, 1933, and also in March, 1934, as compared with September, 1929.

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On an examination of the above table it will be noticed that as compared with September, 1929, the heaviest decline in March, 1934, was in oilseeds and raw jute. Amoing other agricultural products the next heaviest decline was in rice and raw cotton. Wheat prices were on a higher level during the first seven months of 1933 than during 1932 but they showed a declining tendency from August till March, 1934. The price of sugar was on a lower level during 1933 than in 1932 and the decline towards the end of 1933 was fairly marked. In 1933, tea prices showed a great improvement as compared with 1932 and the rise was most noticeable from June, 1933, when the price basis for teas sold for export was much higher than those for internal consumption. In December, 1932, the index number was 57, and this rose to 149 at the end of January, 1934. Among raw materials, the prices of hides and skins rose in 1933 as compared with 1932. Prices of cotton manufactures did not show any marked fluctuation during the year but they improved slightly towards the close. The prices of jute manufactures as compared with 1932, fell during the first quarter of 1933, then they rose till July. Thereafter they displayed a downward tendency till October when they rose again and the index number stood at 79 in March, 1934, and 83 in February, 1934. Metal prices were on a lower level than that in the previous year.

It has been shown above that the prices of agricultural commodities have fallen to a much greater degree than those of manufactured goods. This great fall in the prices of agricultural goods has affected India's national income which has shrunk considerably as a result. The fall has not been uniform in the case of the various agricultural commodities, as can be seen from the tables given above, and, therefore, the agricultural incomes of the various provinces have been affected differently. This is illustrated roughly by the following tables in which the main crops of each province are taken for the agricultural year 1928-29,-the year just before the depression began-and for 1932-33, the latest agricultural year. The crops have been evaluated in most cases by taking the average harvest price for each of the crops in the different provinces. Thus the money which the cultivator gets for his produce has been taken as far as possible. The following tables give the results of these computations :-

## Table I.

Value of total production of the principal crops considered in each Province in 1928-29 and 1932-33.


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## Table II.

Value of some principal crops in Madras in 1928-29 and 1932-33. 1928-29. 1932-33.

|  |  |  |  |  | 1928-29. | 1932-33. |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Crops. |  |  |  | Values in lakhs of Rs. | Values in Jakhs of Rs. | Cbange in value in lakhs of Rs. |
| 1. Rice | - - | - - | - . | . | 97,26 | 53,35 | -43,91 |
| 2. Cotton | . . | . . | - - |  | 11,00) | 4,62 | -6,38 |
| 3. Sugarcane | . . | . . | . $\cdot$ | . | 6,54 | 4,20 | -2,34 |
| 4. Tea | $\cdot$ - | - . | . - | . | 1,98 | 1,34 | -64 |
| $\overline{\text { on }}$. Grouudnuts | $\cdot$. | - . | . $\cdot$ | - | 34,64 | 20,17 | -14,47 |
| 6. Sesammam | - . | . . | - . |  | 2,45 | 1,80 | -65 |
| 7. Castor | . . | . | . . |  | 65 | 56 | -9 |
| 8. Jowar | . . | . . | - $\cdot$ | - | 15.54 | 7,69 | -7,85 |
| 9. 13ajra | . . | - . | - - | - | 10,72 | 5,60 | -5,12 |
|  |  | . | Total | - | 1,80,78 | 99,33 | -81,45 |

Table III.
Value of some principal crops in Bombay in 1928-29 and 1932-33.


Table lV.
Value of some principal crops in Bengal in 1928-29 and 1932-33.

|  |  |  |  |  |  | 1928-29. | 1932-33. |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  | Crops. |  |  |  | Values in lakhs of Rs. | Values in lakhs of Rs. | Change in value in lakhs of Rs. |
| 1. Rice | - | - | - | - - | - | 1,71,35 | 64,64 | -1,06,71 |
| 2. Jute |  | . . | . | . . | . | 37,25 | 10,57 | -26,68 |
| 3. Tea . |  | - . | . | - . | . | 6,73 | 3,57 | -3,16 |
| 4. Sugareane |  | . . | . | - . | . | 5,02 | 4,56 | $-46$ |
| 5. Linseed | . | . . | . | - . | . | 41 | 27 | -14 |
| 6. Sesamum | . | . . |  | - . | - | 62 | 68 | $+6$ |
| 7. Rapeseed | - | . . | - | - . | . | 2,93 | 1,82 | -1,11 |
| 8. Wheat. | . | . : | . | . . | . | 52 | 35 | -17 |
| 9. Barley - | . | - . | . | . . | . | 25 | 16 | -9 |
| 10. Gram . | . | . . | - | . . | . | 63 | 37 | -26 |
| 11. Cotton. | . | . . | - | . . | - | 24 | 17 | -7 |
| 12. Tobacco | - | - . | . | - . | . | 6,64 | 3,38 | -3,26 |
|  |  |  |  | Total |  | 2,32,59 | 90,54 | -1,42,05 |

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## Table V.

Value of some principal crops in the United Provinces in 1928-29 and 1932-33. 1928-29. 1932-33.


## Table VI.

Value of some principal crops in the Punjab in 1928-29 and 1932-33.

|  | Crops. |  |  |  | 1028-29. | 1932-33. | Change in |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  |  |  |  | Values in | Values in | value in |
|  |  |  |  |  | lakhs of Rs. | lakhs of Rs. | lakhs of Rs. |
| 1. Wheat . | - - | . | - - |  | 35,52 | 24,37 | -11,15 |
| 2. Cotton | . . | . | . . |  | 8,47 | 5,71 | $-2,76$ |
| 3. Sugarcane | - - | . | - - |  | 4,72 | 3,17 | -1,55 |
| 4. Rapeseed | - $\quad$ | . | - $\cdot$ |  | 3,03 | 1,44 | -1,59 |
| 5. Barley . | - - | - | - . |  | 2,41 | 79 | -1,62 |
| 6. Jowar . | . . | . | - . | . | 1,06 | 62 | -44 |
| 7. Bajra . | - | . | - . | . | 3,40 | 2,00 | -1,40 |
| 8. Maize - | . | . |  |  | 4,31 | 2,19 | -2,12 |
| 9. Gram | - . | . | - . |  | 9,26 | 5,63 | $-3,63$ |
| 10. Rice (unhusked) | - • | - | - $\cdot$ | - | 4,60 | 2,61 | -1,99 |
|  |  |  | Total |  | 76,78 | 48,53 | -28,25 |

## Table VII.

Value of some principal crops in Burma in 1928-29 and 1932-33.


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Table Vili.
Value of some principal crops in Bihar and Orissa in 1928-29 and 1932-33.


Table IX.
Value of some principal crops in Central Provinces in 1928-29 and 1932-33.


These tables show that the largest decrease in the money value of agricultural produce occurs in the case of Bengal. The fall amounts to just over 61 per cent of the 1928-29 total. The fall in the case of Bihar and Orissa is a little over 58 per cent and in the case of Burma over 53 per cent. In the Central Provinces, the fall is over 48 per cent and in Madras 45 per cent. Bombay seems to have suffered least, the decline in this case being only a little over 30 per cent. Taking these eight provinces together, the fall amounts to over 47 per cent. A very important point, however, to be borne in mind in interpreting these figures is that so far as food crops are concerned the cultivator consumes, or exchanges in kind for services rendered, a large portion of the crop which he grows and to that extent the fall in the prices of food stuffs has not affected him.

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Imports and Exports.-The table below gives the values of the imports into, and exports from, British India of private merchandise and gold and silver during the three years 1931-32, 1932-33 and 1933-34.

Imports.
(In lakhs of rupees)


Exporls.
(In lakbs of rupees)

|  | - | 1931-32 | 1932-33 | 1933-34 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Private merchandise Gold and silver | - . . | 1,60,55 | 1,35,63 | 1,49,73 |
|  | . . . | 62,61 | 67,74 | 58,95 |
|  | Total maports | 2,23,16 | 2,03,37 | 2,08,68 |

The total value of the imports of foreign merchandise into British India during 1933-34 amounted to R115 crores and that of exports including re-exports to fl 150 crores. Compared with the preceding year, there was a decline of R 17 crores or 13 per cent in the case of imports while exports including re-exports recorded an improvement of R14 crores or 10 per cent. On the import side the demand for foreign textiles weakened. The decrease recorded under this head amounted to one of R16 crores on a total of R 47 crores recorded in 1932-33. Stated in percentages, this meant a decline of 34 per cent over the figures of 1932-33 and of 12 per cent over those of 1931-32. The decline under the textile group was primarily the result of smaller imports of cotton piecegoods, the total receipt of which only amounted to 796 million yards, valued at R13,49 lakhs, as compared with 1,225 million yards valued at R21,26 lakhs in 1932-33. All the principal varieties of cotton piecegoods participated in this decline, grey goods falling by 126 million yards, white by 151 million yards and coloured by 156 million yards. Imports both from the United Kingdom and from Japan recorded decreases under all the descriptions. Arrivals of cotton twist and yarn also fell off from $45 \cdot 1$ million lbs. valued at R3,79 lakhs to $32 \cdot 1$ million lbs. valued at $\mathrm{R} 2,58$ lakhs. There were concurrent declines under some of the other important items included in the textile group-notably a fall of $\mathrm{P75}$ lakhs under silk, raw and manufactured, of R42 lakhs under wool and woollens and of R1.42 lakhs under artificial silk (including yarn and goods of artificial silk mixed with other materials). The imports of raw cotton also receded from 84,800 tons to 42,900 tons. Under the metals groups there was a decline of R24 lakhs. Imports of iron and steel indeed rose from 326,000 tons to 329,000 tons in quantity and from $\mathrm{P} 5,30$ lakhs

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to $\mathbf{~} 25,53$ lakhs in value, but metals other than iron and steel and manufactures thereof declined from 70,000 tons to 63,000 tons in quantity and from $\mathbb{7 4}, 43$ lakhs to R3,97 lakhs in value. Under machinery and millwork there was an advance of $\mathrm{P} 2,22$ lakhs due chiefly to larger arrivals of sugar machinery. The value of hardware imported contracted from $\mathrm{P} 2,99$ lakhs to $\mathrm{Z} 2,88$ lakhs. There was an improvement in the imports of motor vehicles from $\mathbf{R 2} 2,43$ lakhs to $\mathrm{F} 3,19$ lakhs, the number of motor cars imported rising from 6,201 to 9,759 and that of omnibuses from 2,676 to 5,496 . The value of the imports of rubber manufactures, however, declined from R1,98 lakhs to R1,88 lakhs. Imports of foreign sugar continued to decline and only amounted to 264,000 tons valued at $\mathbf{R 2}, 71$ lakhs as against 402,000 tons valued at $\mathbb{7 4 , 2 3}$ lakhs in the preceding year. Arrivals of mineral oils declined slightly in quantity from 188 million gallons to 186 million gallons and in value from $\mathrm{R} 6,70$ lakhs to $\mathrm{R} 5,83$ lakhs. Imports of kerosene oil contracted from 59.5 million gallons to $58 \cdot 1$ million gallons while those of fuel oils advanced from $104 \frac{1}{2}$ million gallons to 105 million gallons. The value of provisions imported declined from R2,93 lakhs to $\mathrm{X} 2,72$ lakhs, the bulk of the decline having been due to a falling off in the consignments of vegetable products. Imports of paper and pasteboard recorded a decline of $76,000 \mathrm{cwts}$. in quantity and of X 23 lakhs in value. Consignments of wheat declined from 33,500 tons worth R291 lakhs to 18,300 tons worth R121 lakhs while those of rice, not in the husk, rose from 35,500 tons (R31 lakhs) to 84,000 tons(R49 lakhs).

On the export side, despatches of raw cotton rose from $2,063,000$ bales valued at $\mathrm{R} 20 \frac{1}{3}$ crores to $2,740,000$ bales valued at R 27 crores. Cotton manufactures (including twist and yarn) recorded a decline of P56 lakhs and amounted to $\mathrm{R} 2,73$ lakhs. Despatches of Indian cotton piecegoods declined further from 66.4 million yards worth $\mathrm{R} 2,09$ lakhs to 56.5 million yards worth fll,66 lakhs. Shipments of twist and yarn, however, advanced slightly in quantity from 15.1 million lbs. to 16.4 million lbs, and in value from P 79 lakhs to R 82 lakhs. The exports of raw and manufactured jute recorded an improvement in value of R1 crore. Shipments of raw jute increased from $3,153,000$ bales valued at $\mathrm{R} 9,73$ lakhs to $4,190,000$ bales valued at $\mathrm{R10,93}$ lakhs. Exports of gunny bags contracted from 415 millions (fll, 16 lakhs) to 402 millions ( $\mathrm{R} 9,72$ lakhs), while those of gunny cloth rose from 1,012 million yards ( $\mathrm{Z} 10,24$ lakhs) to 1,053 million yards ( $\mathrm{R} 11,38$ lakhs). Exports of foodgrains declined in quantity from $2,056,000$ tons to $1,870,000$ tons and in value from R16,08 lakhs to R11,75 lakhs. Exports of wheat remained practically unchanged at 2,000 tons, while those of rice dropped from $1,887,000$ tons to $1,744,000$ tons in quantity and from R14,46 lakhs to R10,57 lakhs in value. Despatches of tea declined from 379 million lbs. to 318 million lbs. in quantity but owing to much higher prices the value rose from R17,15 lakhs to R19,85 lakhs. Exports of oilseeds amounted to $1,124,000$ tons valued at R13,66 lakhs which meant an increase of 53 per cent in quantity and of 21 per cent in value in comparison with the figures of the preceding year. The improvement was due mainly to increases in the shipments of linseed from 72,000 tons to 379,000 tons, of groundnuts from 433,000 tons to 547,000 tons, of cotton seed from 2,000 tons to 6,000 tons and of sesamum from 10,000 tons to 15,000 tons. Rapeseed showed a decline of 41,000 tons. Exports of hides and skins recorded a large improvement from 41,800 tons worth $\mathbb{7 7 , 4 3}$ lakhs to

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61,400 tons worth R9,90 lakhs. Shipments of metals and ores advanced considerably from 695,000 tons valued at $\mathrm{R4}, 68$ lakhs to 976,000 tons valued at R5,49 lakhs. Shipments of lac anounted to $731,000 \mathrm{cwts}$. valued at R2,46 lakhs which represented an increase of 75 per cent in quantity and of 98 per cent in value in comparison with the corresponding figures for 1932-33. Despatches of coffee advanced by $13,000 \mathrm{cwts}$. in quantity but the value dropped by R8 lakhs.

The total value of re-exports amounted to R3,42 lakhs, which represented an improvement of R 20 lakhs as compared with 1932-33 and a decline of R1,72 lakhs in comparison with 1930-31. Re-exports of cotton manufactures (chiefly piecegoods) recorded a slight improvement from R57 lakhs to R59 lakhs. Re-exports of raw skins rose in quantity from 226 tons to 262 tons. Shipments of sugar showed an increase from 4,000 tons to 11,500 tons. Reexports of raw wool improved to 10.6 million lbs. valued at R31 lakhs from 3.9 million lbs. valued at R13 lakhs in the preceding year. Despatches of raw cotton advanced from 118 tons to 891 tons in quantity. As the bulk of the re-export trade of British India passes through Bombay her share improved from $\mathrm{Pl} 1,97$ lakhs to $\mathrm{R} 2,16$ lakhs, the corresponding increase in the percentage share being from 61 per cent to 63 per cent.

The following figures have been compiled to show the values of imports and exports of merchandise on the basis of the declared values in 1913-14. These statistics are necessarily approximate, but they are sufficiently accurate to afford a fair measure of the course of trade :-

| (in erores of Rupees) |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| - | 1018-14 | 1625-28 | 1088-27 | 1987-98 | 1098-89 | 1980-90 | 1930-31 | 1081.82 | 1082-38 | 1038-34 |
| Imports | 188 948 | 148 | 158 885 | 181 888 |  | 180 | 157 836 | 143 200 | 102 176 | 146 809 |
| Toval tBadein WRRORANDIEE, BYOLUDINO RE-EXPORTS, | 487 | 389 | 384 | 480 | 160 | 468 | 302 | 348 | 838 | 355 |

The table shows a moderate progress in recovery from the record low level of 1932-33, indicating as it does an improvement of Z 17 crores, on the basis of 1913-14 prices, in the total trade in merchandise (excluding re-exports). It is significant that the recovery was confined to the export side, the imports having as a matter of fact shown a decline of R 16 crores. The extent to which the general level of prices for the imported articles adjusted itself to the general level for the exported articles may be seen from the following index numbers, which have been obtained by comparing the values of imports and exports, us shown in the preceding table, with the values actually recorded for each.

|  | 1913-14 | 1085-26 | 1086-27 | 1027-28 | 1028-89 | 1089 -30 | 1930-31 | 1as1-32 | 1932-33 | 1933-34 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Imperte | 100 | 158 | 148 | 135 | 133 | 128 | 305 | 88 | 88 | 79 |
| Experta | 100 | ( $\begin{array}{r}16 z \\ \text { 或 }\end{array}$ | 188 | 180 | 127 | 118 | 04 | 78 | 75 | 73 |

It will be seen that prices declined at a higher rate on the export than on the import side in comparison with the preceding year. The margin between

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the index numbers for imports and exports which was 7 points in 1932-33 broadened during the year to 9 points. The index numbers of prices of imported articles and exported articles separately, which have been given earilier in this report, refer to the internal prices. The prices which are considered here are external prices and a comparison with the figures given earlier would only be valid, if due allowance could be made for the difference between the rates of import duties in the base year 1913-14 and in the year under review. It may be stated, however, that the index numbers under consideration in this paragraph give only a rough idea of the movements involved.

Balance of trade. The visible balance of trade in merchandise and treasure for the year 1933-34 was in favour of India to the extent of $\mathbf{R} 92$ crores as compared with A 68 crores in 1932-33. The transactions in treasure on private account resulted in a net export of treasure, amounting to R 574 crores as against $\mathbf{R} 65$ crores in the preceding year. Net exports of gold amounted to A57 crores, wbile silver showed a net import of A1 lakh. Net exports of currency notes amounted to $\nexists 19$ lakhs.

Gold exports.-Shipments of gold from India continued on a large scale, although the exports of $1933-34$ valued at R 58,15 lakhs were smaller than those of the preceding year by R8,69 lakhs. The following table gives the average monthly prices of gold and the quantities and values of gold exported during each month in 1933-34:-
Table showing monthly average price of gold at Bombay and quantity and value of gold exported from British India by sea.


The price of gold was on a higher level than in the preceding year. The export movement was fairly strong at the beginning of the year, but fell off later, to revive again during the last quarter of the year. The net exports of gold from India during the three years, ending March, 1934, amounted to R $1,80,56$ lakhs. The chart on the opposite page illustrates the course of prices and exports of gold in each month during 1933-34 with the monthly rates of exchange.

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Rupee sterling exchange.-Although the year was one of considerable excitement from the standpoint of international finance yet India was on the whole saved from the consequential uncertainty in exchange, the rupee remaining linked to sterling. The large export shipments of gold, which had continued throughout the year, helped to maintain a firm exchange rate. The opening rate of the year at $18 \frac{1}{32} d$. ruled with a few short fluctuations over the first five weeks of the year and then spurted up to $18 \frac{1}{18} d$. on the 1lth May. This rise was not however maintained for long and the rate fell once again to the level of $18 \frac{1}{3} d$. by the 24th May. The exchange remained stationary at that rate till the 9 th September. Thereafter, with the presentation of the Reserve Bank Bill in the Legislative Assembly, the market was influenced by rumours of a contemplated change in the ratio and as a result there was a weakening of the rate for a short period. But gradually as the market became assured of the Government's intention to oppose any change in the ratio and as the large exports of gold which were taking place had a buoying effect on the exchange, the rate returned to the level of $18 \frac{1}{3 g} d$. on the 20 th September to remain steady there for about a month. From the second week of October there were renewed rumours regarding a possibility of the ratio being changed and as attempts were being made by intensive propaganda to force a programme of devaluation of the rupee large forward purchases were made by speculators. The export shipments of gold were temporarily suspended and in consequence of the resultant uncertainties the rate continued to sag till the 18th November when it reached $17 \frac{13}{6} d$. which is the lowest quotation for the year. This weakness however proved to be a temporary feature, for as soon as confidence in the ratio was restored the rate gradually recovered to $18{ }_{s} \frac{1}{2} d$. by the 13 th December. Up to the 17 th January there was no further change in the rate. On the :. 22nd January the rate advanced to $18 \frac{1}{16} d$. with which figure the year closed. The average rate for the year was $18 \frac{1}{3 \frac{1}{2}} d$.

Imperial Bank of India rate.-The Imperial Bank of India rate remained unchanged at $3 \frac{1}{2}$ per cent throughout the year. As money was cheap. Government was enabled to borrow on treasury bills at lower rates and thereby to improve its ways and means position and to maintain the strength of its securities.

Government of India paper.-The following figures show the prices and yields of $3 \frac{1}{2}$ per cent Government of India paper on or about 1st April during the past ten years.

Year Price Yield

| 1925 | - | - | - | - | - | - | - |  |  |  |  |  | Per cent $5 \cdot 2$ |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 1926 | . | . | . | . | . | - | . |  |  |  | 74 | 6 | 4.7 |
| 1927 | . | - | . | . | . | . |  |  |  |  | 78 | 11 | $4 \cdot 4$ |
| 1028 | - | - | . | . | . | . | . | . | . |  | 75 | 6 | $4 \cdot 6$ |
| 1929 | - | - | - | . | . | - |  | - | . |  | 71 | 5 | 4.9 |
| 1930 | - | - | . | - | - | - |  | . | - |  | 68 | 14. | $5 \cdot 1$ |
| 1931 | - | - | - | . | . | . | - | . | . |  | 63 | 0 | $5 \cdot 5$ |
| 1832 | . | . | . | - | . | . |  |  |  |  | 61 | 3 | 5.7 |
| 1933 | . | , | . |  |  | . |  |  |  |  | 88 | 4 | $4 \cdot 0$ |
| 1934 | - | - | - |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | 89 |  | 3.9 |

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Freight rates.-Compared with the previous year, freight rates during the year under review reached further low levels. The rates were fast declining from the beginning of the year till June. Even the seasonal improvement that followed was less pronounced than in the previous year. According to the Economist, the index number of whole-cargo charter rates, calculated with the year 1913 as base, was 71.9 in March, 1934, while it was 71.7 and $78 \cdot 4$ in the corresponding month of 1933 and 1932 respectively.

Tariff changes.-The changes in the tariff made under the various Acts passed during the latter part of 1932 and the earlier part of 1933 were dealt with in the review for the year 1932-33. Since then eleven Acts have been passed introducing several changes in the tariff.

The Indian Tariff (Second Amendment) Act, 1933, imposed, with effect trom the 23 rd December, 1933, a duty (including the additional duty and the surcharge) of 3 as .9 p . per imperial gallon on mineral oil, other than kerosene and motor spirit, which is suitable for use as an illuminant in wick lamps.

The Indian Tariff (Amendment) Act, 1934, which was passed on 19th February, 1934, affords assistance, by the imposition, generally, of minimum specific duties under the standard rate, to certain Indian industries which have been subject to menacing competition from foreign countries. The principal items affected are :--

[^0]The Act further imposed specific duties on hardened or hydrogenated fish oil and whale oil, sugar candy, and household and laundry soap and increased the duties on boots and shoes and uppers therefor, silk or artificial silk mixtures, and certain kinds of cotton fents. The Act came into force on the 20th February, 1934, but the changes mentioned above became effective from the 23rd December, 1933, under the provisions of the Provisional Collection of Taxes Act, 1931.

The Wheat Import Duty (Extending) Act, 1934, extended the operation of the temporary import duty on wheat and wheat flour up to the 31st Marcin, 1935.

The measures of protection afforded to certain manufactures of iron and steel by the Steel Industry (Protection) Act, 1927, as subsequently amended, the Wire and Wire Nail Industry (Protection) Act, 1932, and the Indian Tarift (Ottawa Trade Agreement) Amendment Act, 1932, were due to expire on the 31st March, 1934. The question of further protection, if any, to be granted to the steel industry was referred to the Tariff Board who were als;s asked to re-examine at the same time the measures of protection afforded to the industry by the Wire and Wire Nail Industry (Protection) Act, 1932, and the Indian Tariff (Ottawa Trade Agreement) Amendment Act, 1932. As the enquiry could not be completed before April, 1934, the operation of the three Acts mentioned above was extended, with a view to maintaining the continuity of the protective scheme, for a further jeriod up to the

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31st October, 1934, by the Steel and Wire Industries Protection (Extending) Act, 1934.

The Indian Finance Act, 1934, which was passed on the 29th March changed the duty payable on cigarettes to 25 per cent ad valorem and in addition either R88-2 per 1,000 or R3-4 per lb. whichever is higher. It also increased the duty on unmanufactured tobacco to P3-4 per lb. (standard rate) and $\mathrm{f} 2-12$ per lb. (colonial preference rate), and reduced the duty on silver to $5 a s$. per oz. The Act further abolished the export duty on raw hides.

The Salt Additional Import Duty (Extending) Act, 1934, extended the operation of the Salt (Additional Import Duty) Act, 1931, to the 30th April, 1935, subject to certain modifications which were recommended by the Salt Industry Committee of the Legislative Assembly.

As a result of the denunciation by India of the Indo-Japanese Convention of 1904 in April, 1933, the question of the conclusion of a new commercial agreement between India and Japan had to be taken up. Pending the discussion of this question the operation of the protective duties on cotton piecegoods imposed by the Cotton Textile Industry (Protection) Act, 1930, as subsequently amended, which was due to expire on 31st October, 1933, was extended up to 31st March, 1934, by the Cotton Textile Industry Protection (Second Amendment) Act, 1933. The Cotton Textile Industry Protection (Amendment) Act, 1934, further extended by one montb, up to 30th April, 1934, the operation of these duties pending the completion of consideration by the Indian Legislature of the Indian Tariff (Textilc Protection) Amendment Act, 1934, which was passed on the 26th April, 1934. The latter Act gave effect to the conclusions of the Tariff Board recommending substantive protection to the cotton textile industry, modified in the light of the denunciation of the Indo-Japanese Trade Convention of 1904 and the subsequent conclusion of a new trade agrcement with Japan and of the unofficial agreement between representatives of the Indian and the Uvited Kingdom textile industries*. It also gave effect to the decisions of the Government of India on the recommendations of the Tariff Board in regard to the claims of the sericultural industry to protection. The Act removed starch and farina from the tree list and made them liable to a duty of 15 per cent ad valorem. The duty on artificial silk yarn was raised to 25 per cent ad valorem with an alternative minimum specific duty of 3 as. per lb. The Act further fixed the rate of duty on cotton piecegoods, not of British manufacture, at 50 per cent ad valorem 'subject to a minimum specific duty of $5 \frac{1}{4}$ as. per lb . in . the case of plain greys) and made the following liable to protective dutiea:-

[^1]The rates of duties on the following articles were also altered:-
Ribbons; socks and stockings made wholly or mainly from silk or artificial silk; fents not exceeding 4 yards in longth; apparel, hosiery, haberdashery, millinery, drapery, hats, caps, bonnots and hatters' ware; and toxtile manufactures not otherwise specified.

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The Act came into force on the lst May, 1934, and the changes made therein shall have effect up to the 31st March, 1939.

The Sugar (Excise Duty) Act, 1934, received the assent of the Governor General on the Ist May, 1934. It imposed, with effect from lst April, 1934, on (i) Khandsari sugar and (ii) all other sugar, except palmyra sugar, produced in a factory in British India an excise duty of (i) 10 as. per cwt. and (ii) RI-5 per cw.t. respectively.

The Matches (Excise Duty) Act, 1934, which also received the assent of the Governor General on 1st May, 1934, imposed, with effect from 1st April 1934, on matches made in British India and sold in boxes or booklets containing on an average not more than eighty an excise duty of -
(i) RI per gross of boxes or booklets if the average number is forty or less,
(ii) Al-8 per gross of boxes or booklets if the average number is more than 40 but less than 60, and
(iii) fl 2 per gross of boxes or booklets if the average number is more than 60 .

In exercise of the powers conferred by the Act the rate of excise duty on all other matches was fixed at 4 as. for every 1,440 matches or fraction thereof with effect from 3rd May, 1931. The Act also revised the customs duties on imported matches in such a manner as to compiise rates maintaining the existing measure of protection for the Indian industry over and above the equivalent of the new excise duty.

Besides the statutory changes mentioned above the period of operation of the additional protection accorded to iron or steel galvanised sheets, fabricated, and pipes and tubes made therefrom has been extended up to the 31st October, 1934, under section 3 (4) of the Indian Tariff Act, 1894. Similarly under section 3 (5) of the above Act the import duty on the non-British cotton piecegoods was reduced, as a result of the Indo-Japanese negotiations, to 50 per cent ad valorem with a minimum specific duty of $5 \frac{1}{}$ as. per lb . in the case of plain grey, with effect from the 8th January, 1934. As already stated in a previous paragraph, the statutory rate of duty on non-British cotton piecegoods was also fixed at this level with effect from the lst May, 1934.

## CHAPTER II.

## Imports of Merchandise.

The following table shows the comparative importance of the principal articles imported into British India :-

Imports.

|  |  |  |  |  | usand | e93) |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| - | 1820-30 | 1080-81 | 1031-32 | 1932-33 | 1083-84 | Peroentarioon total Importa of metobsandise in 1983.34 |
| Cotton end cotton goods | 62.90.88 | 31,64,57 | 26,18,81 | 34,08,53 | 21,30,12 | $10 \cdot 32$ |
| Machlnery and millwork | 18.21.05 | 14,34,78 | 10,92. 34 | 10,54,24 | 12,76,93 | 11.06 |
| Metalsand ores | 23, 31.91 | 15,92,26 | 0,77,d5 | 9,73,49 | 9,49,86 | $8 \cdot 98$ |
| $0 \mathrm{O} / \mathrm{s}$. | 11.68 .65 | 10,92,25 | 9,72,26 | 8,00,01 | 6,81,30 | $5 \cdot 90$ |
| Yohloles - - | 10,84.73 | 7,30,58 | 4,48,47 | 3,81,04 | 4,76,88 | $4 \cdot 13$ |
| Instruments, apparatus and appll- ances. | 6,38,20 | 4,77,47 | 8,09,20 | 8,84,77 | 4,112,04 | 8.48 |
| Sill ${ }^{\text {ama }}$ and manufacturea . | 4.58.48 | 2,09,92 | 2,78,56 | 4,93,37 | 3,58,53 | $8 \cdot 10$ |
| H?rdware. | 5.098 .8 | 9,60, 88 | 2,80, 01 | 2,99,22 | 2,37,88 | 2.49 |
| Provisions and oilman's stores | 5.63.61 | 4.87,79 | 3,41,26 | 2,92,87 | 2,71,58 | $2 \cdot 35$ |
| Supra | 15.77,65 | 10.96.47 | 6,16.53 | 4,22,87 | 2,70,9i | $2 \cdot 95$ |
| Cbrmicals | Y.78.74 | 2,61,22 | -, 66,97 | 2,71,25 | 270,06 | $2 \cdot 94$ |
| Paper and pastoboard | 8.72 .81 | 2,86,74 | 2,50,24 | 2,86,45 | 2,43,19 | $2 \cdot 28$ |
| W ool raw and menufactures | 4.28 .45 | 2,31,11 | 1,62,06 | 2,96,47 | 2,54,93 | 2.29 |
| Dy's. | 2.43.31 | 2,59,00 | 2,67,65 | 2,50,48 | 2,46,10 | $2 \cdot 13$ |
| Liquors | 3.76.68 | 8,31,76 | 2,28,86 | 2,25,70 | 9,28,98 | 1.96 |
| Drugs and medicines | 2.26.25 | 1,98,94 | 1, 121.11 | 1.85,89 | 1,113,42 | 1.68 |
| Rubter | 3,32.07 | 2,58,24 | 2,22.23 | 1,09,05 | 1,91,35 | 1.60 |
| Spires | \$.25,75 | 2,54,94 | 2,08,22 | 1,72,50 | 1,55,67 | $1 \cdot 35$ |
| Glass and glassware | 8.51 .98 | 1.64,78 | 1,21,07 | 1,42,47 | 1,2 2,13 | 1.06 |
| Frults and rogetahles | 1.89.87 | 1,48,69 | 1,94,47 | 1,16,57 | 1,04,14 | -87 |
| Paints and palntrrs' materials | 1.4655 | 1,12,09 | 87,63 | 92,19 | 92,19 | $\cdot 79$ |
| Grain. pulse and flour . | 6.42.06 | 2,81,48 | 1,17,61 | 70,98 | 83,70 | $\cdot 72$ |
| Apparel . | 1,71.24 | 1,11,19 | 88,78 | 84.21 | 81,51 | $\cdot 71$ |
| Snap. $\cdot$ - | 1,86,88 | 1,11,98 | 88.72 | 82.63 | 78,37 | -68 |
| Precions stoner and pearis, unset | 1.09,65 | 50.74 | 45,00 | 88,64 | 74,82 | -64 |
| Toharco - | 2,49.71 | 1,51,16 | 94,34 | 98.94 | 72,15 | -68 |
| Statinnary - ${ }^{\text {sta }}$ | 1,05,06 | 81,95 | 68,08 | 72.86 | 60,22 | - 57 |
| Bullding and epgineoring materisls | 1,94,44 | 1,09,89 | 83,78 | 77,95 | 84.35 | -86 |
| Tollet requialten | 72,88 | 58.87 | 47.80 | 58.14 | 58.61 | -49 |
| Haberdashery and millinery | 1,04.28 | 72,08 | 54,20 | 67,80 | 54.67 | -47 |
| Food and timber | 1,03.64 | 89,82 | 60.89 | 51.44 | 84,00 | -47 |
|  | 80.24 | 88.68 | 60,32 | 47.77 | 53.38 | -46 |
| Tova and requitites lor games | 64,84 | 49,06 | 87.04 | 47.33 | 53,35 | -48 |
| Manurea | 98.65 | 67,49 | 88.01 | 58,80 | 52,42 | . 46 |
| Books, printed, etc. | 71,82 | 00,91 | 63,38 | $43^{2} 38$ | 40.33 | -42 |
| Boote and shoes | 87.81 | 88,06 | 64,08 | 51.77 | 47.61 | . 41 |
| Salt ${ }^{\text {S }}$ - | 1,30.39 | 1,14,97 | 71,90 | 78.98 | 48.8* | $\cdot 40$ |
| Belting for machinery | 90.23 | 63,62 | 60.11 | 62,86 | 46,06 | -40 |
| Earthearare and porceialn | 72,34 | 48,16 | 38,36 | 42,56 | 43,15 | -97 |
| Arms, ammunition and military stores. | 05,44 | 64,02 | 68,48 | 44,14 | 42,97 | -87 |
| Anlmala. living . | 82,42 | 20,86 | 42.06 | 14,79 | 28.12 | - 24 |
| Paper mahing misterials | 44.95 | 42,07 | 35,90 | 22,09 | 27,10 | -28 |
| Umbrellas and fittlugs . | 43.60 | 81,09 | 80.16 | 27,77 | 26,96 | -28 |
| Gums and resiog. | 41,96 | 81,07 | 2425 | 23,68 | 2¢, 61 | -23 |
| Cutlery | 41.41 | 26,05 | 20,69 | 24,27 | 25,50 | -22 |
| Tea | 68.90 | 45,68 | 48,57 | 94,68 | 26,13 | -21 |
| Bobbins | 89.98 | ¢2.99 | 81.91 | 28,57 | 23.81 | -19 |
| Tallow and stearint ${ }^{\text {Fratare and cabtnet wars }}$ | \$1,02 | 27.28 | 20,79 | 24,66 | 19,66 | $\cdot 17$ |
| Farniture and cabinot warb and manufactures: | S7,86 88.88 | 27,78 | 20.11 | 17,06 | 16.49 | -14 |
| Clockr and watches and parts | 28,47 | 10,89 | 11.21 | 16.76 12,75 | 16,04 16,99 | -14 |
| Fish (exolnding canned fish) | 26,31 | 23,86 | 18,42 | 18.68 | 16.05 | -13 |
| Coal sud roke | 45,55 | 34,69 | 14.28 | 0,08 | 13,59 | ${ }^{112}$ |
| Jute and jute gooda | 24,90 | 18,37 | 12,78 | 13,49 | 9,85 | -08 |
| Jowellery, also plate of gold and silver. | 26,25 | 89,34 | 19,18 | 34,48 | 6,50 | . 04 |
| Matches aritioles. $\quad$ - . . | 10.89 $14,32,60$ | 10,53,76 | 0,64,05 | 10,31,78 | $\begin{array}{r}\text { 8, } \\ 84 \\ \hline 8.88\end{array}$ | $\stackrel{01}{7 \cdot 78}$ |
| Total valus of Importa | 240,70,69 | 166,70,87 | 126,87,14 | 122,63,48 | 115,88,61 | 100 |

## Cotton manufactures.

Cotton manufactures ( $\ddagger 17,74$ lakhs).-The year 1932-33 had been a year of fresh advances for the import trade in cotton manufactures. The year just passed, on the contrary, was one of steady decline from the high level of 1932-33. All sections of the trade were affected, twist and yarn and cotton piecegoods, notwithstanding their different status in the industrial economy of the country, having more or less shared the same fate.

The total value of the imports of cotton manufactures in the year under review amounted to R17,74 lakhs as compared with R26,83 lakhs in the year preceding, and R59,49 lakhs in 1929-30, which, for purposes of comparison, may be taken as the last of the normal years. Imports of cotton twist and yarn amounted to 32.0 million lbs. valued at $\mathrm{R} 2,58$ lakhs as against $45 \cdot 1$ million lbs. valued at R3,79 lakhs in 1932-33, and 43.9 million lbs. valued at R6,00 lakhs in 1929-30. The total consignments of piecegoods received in the year under review totalled 796 million yards worth $\mathrm{Zl} 3,49$ lakhs as compared with 1,225 million yards worth $\mathrm{R} 21,26$ lakhs in the previous year, and 1,919 million yards, valued at $\mathrm{R} 50,25$ lakhs in 1929-30.

The values of the different classes of cotton manufactures imported during the past five years and the pre-war year, 1913-14, are set forth below :-


As stated alteady, the imports of cotton twist and yarn were valued at, $\mathrm{R} 2,58$ lakhs as compared with $\mathrm{R} 3,79$ lakhs in 1932-33. Quantitatively, the imports of 1933-34 amounted to 32 million lbs. as against 45 million libs. in the preceding year. The value of the consignments thus fell off by $\mathrm{R1}, 21$ lakhs or by 32 per cent and the quantity by 13 million lbs. or 29 per cent. Relatively speaking, therefore, the rate of decline was greater in the case

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of value than in the case of quantity. This is reflected in the average declared values, as worked out from these figures, the average value for 1933-34 being 12 as. 10 p. per lb . of yarn against 13 as. $5 p$. for the preceding year. The quautities imported under the different classifications of twist and yarn are shown below:-

| - | 1919-1t (pre-war yoar) | 1920-27 | 1927-28 | 1028-29 | 1029-30 | 1980-31 | 1081-32 | 1932-83 | 1033-84 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Cotton trist and yarn- | 1,000 ibs. | 1,900 | 1,000 | 1,000 | 1,000 | 1,000 lbs. | 1,000 108. | 1,000 lue. | 1,000 |
| Grey(unbleached) | ) 0,087 | 35,765 | 86,144 | 30,704 | 28,521 | 10,908 | 21,458 | 31,676 | 23,002 |
| White (bleached) | $\int^{20,087}$ | 4,082 | 4,813 | 5,068 | 6,279 | 8,975 | 3,043 | 4,0,4 | 2,045 |
| Coloured | 18,205 | 8,370 | 5,970 | 3,891 | 4,326 | 1,732 | 1,403 | 1,668 | 1,110 |
| Mercerlsed. | - | 4,169 | 5,365 | 4,077 | 5,722 | 3,628 | 6,050 | 7,774 | 4,864 |

On the above showing, the actual decline has been the largest, being about 8.5 million lbs., in the case of grey yarns, which represent quantitatively by far the most important description under the imports, whereas the rate of decline has been the greatest in the case of mercerised yarn, imports of which shrank by 37 per cent.

The following table shows the imports of foreign yarn and, correspondingly, the production of yarns in the Indian mills for a series of years:-


It will appear from the figures just given that, although the home production fell off by 95 million lbs. in comparison with the figure for 1932-33, this

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decline was of no assistance to the import trade in yarn, the quantity imported having also undergone a concurrent reduction of 13 million lbs.

The following table shows the imports of twist and yarn and the production thereof in Indian mills, classified as to counts, for a number of years :-

(a) Includes white twhat and yaril which commenced to be shown geparately by counts from April, 1027.

The table below gives the imports of cotton twist and yarn from the United Kingdom, Japan and other countries for the four years 1929-30 and 1931-32 to 1933-34 :-

Imports of cotton twist and yarn.

|  | Quantity |  |  |  | จигит |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | 1020-30 | 1931-32 | 1932-33 | 1033-84 | 1029-80 | 1031-32 | 1932-3s | 1938-34 |
| From- | $\underset{(1,000)}{1 \mathrm{lbs} .}$ | $\underset{(1,000)}{\text { lbs. }}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 1 \mathrm{bbs} . \\ & (1,000) \end{aligned}$ | $(1,000)$ | $\underset{\text { (lakhs) }}{\mathbf{7}}$ | $\underset{(\text { Lakhs) }}{\text { n }}$ | $\underset{(0 \mathrm{ch}}{\mathrm{f}}$ | $\underset{\text { (lakhs) }}{\mathbf{f}}$ |
| Unlted Kingdom. | 20,112 | 11,013 | 18,357 | 9,962 | 2,80 | 1,22 | 1,32 | 98 |
| Japan . - | 10,870 | 6,206 | 18,140 | 11,884 | 1,64 | 83 | 1,61 | 96 |
| Other countries | 12,000 | 13,456 | 18,507 | 10,410 | 1,40 | 94 | 80 | 68 |
| Total | 43,882 | 31,675 | 45,103 | 82,065 | 6,00 | 2,00 | 8.79 | 2,58 |
| Declared valué per 1 l . |  |  |  | - | $\begin{aligned} & \text { \#.a.p. } \\ & \text { 1-6-10 } \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Th.a.p. } \\ & 0.10-2 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { R.e.p. } \\ & 0-19-6 \end{aligned}$ | $\underset{\substack{\text { R-a.p. } \\ \hline 120}}{ }$ |

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The main characteristic of the above table is that it shows throughout for 1933-34 a tendency of the import figures to adjust themselves in a downward direction. It is also interesting that, while imports from all the three sources specified have fallen off, the decline, actually as well as relatively, has been the largest in the case of Japan. Thus, imports from Japan have fallen away by 6 million lbs., whereas those from each of the other two sources have diminished by a little more than 3 million lbs. Expressed in percentage, Japan shows a decline of 36 per cent against one of 25 per cent for United Kingdom and 23 per cent for "other countries". It will have been seen from the table that in spite of the relatively larger rate of fall in her case, Japan still retained the position of vantage which she had acquired in 1932-33. Thus, while the import figures, both for the United Kingdom and "other countries" constitute in effect new low tecords, imports from Japan in 1933-34 actually amounted to about double the quantity sent out by her in 1931-32. It was largely because of this that the total imports of yarn in 1933-34, although they were smaller in comparison with 1932-33 by 13 million lbs., were, nevertheless, at least as large as the total imports of 1931-32. It is, however, to be understood in interpreting the above table that the imports from " other sources" represent predominantly imports from China, which supplies more than 98 per cent of the actual quantities shown against this group of countries.

The following table exhibits the percentage shares of the more important countries in the imports of cotton twist and yarn for a series of years :-

Percentage shares of the United Kingdom, Japan and China in the importe of cotton twist and yarn.

| - | 1918- | ${ }^{1025}$ | ${ }_{87}^{1020-}$ | $\begin{gathered} 1927-8 \\ 28 \end{gathered}$ | ${ }_{89}^{1928}$ | $\begin{gathered} 1020 . \\ 80 \end{gathered}$ | $1080 .$ | $\begin{gathered} 1081 . \\ \hline 82 \end{gathered}$ | ${ }_{89}^{1032}$ | ${ }_{84}^{1038-}$ |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Unitod Ringdom . - . . | 80 | 31 | 41 | 99 | 68 | 46 | 85 | 88 | 80 | 81 |
| Jadan . . . . . . | 2 | 05 | 54 | 32 | 17 | 25 | 24 | 20 | 40 | 36 |
| Cbins (including Hongkong). | - | - | 2 | 25 | 26 | 24 | 40 | 48 | 80 | ss |

As these figures indicate, the United Kingdom slightly improved her pereentage share notwithstanding the falling off in the actual imports from that country. Japan, on the other hand, showed a considerable decline in her relative share, the percentage, in her case, falling away from 40 per cent to 36 per cent. A part of this decline, however, has been set off by an inc.ease in the share of China from 30 to 32 per cent.

Compared with the imports of 1932-33, the total shipments of cotton piecegoods, including fents, received into India in 1933-34, fell of by 429 million

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yards, or 35 per cent, to 796 million yards. This decrease was largely due to smaller shipments from Japan as a result of the increased duties. But the imports of 1933-34 were above the record low figure of 776 million yards for 1931-32.

The table below shows the imports of cotton piecegoods under the three main heads : grey, white and coloured, for the five years from 1929-30.


These figures indicate the following percentage variations. Imports of grey goods decreased by 35 per cent as compared with the imports of 1932-33. The decline in each of the other two cases amounted to 37 per cent. As in 1932-33, coloured goods individually formed the most important class under cotton piecegoods and it was under this category that the decline was largest, the actual measure of that decline being 156 million yards against 151 million yards under white goods and 126 million yards under grey.

Of the total quantity of piecegoods imported, Bombay received 33 per cent against 26 per cent taken by Bengal and 21 per cent by Sind. The respective partieipations of these three maritime provinces in 1932-33 had been 27, 29 and 25 per cent. Madras accounted for 9 per cent of the imports as compared with 8 per cent in the preceding year, whereas the share of Burma remained unchanged at about 11 per cent. It is important that, speaking relatively, Bombay considerably increased her share at the expense of Bengal and Sind and that the pride of place which used to be Bengal's passed over to Bombay during the year under review. The probable explanation of this is that a large part of the trade which during the active period of the civil disobedience movement had been diverted to Sind from Bombay is gradually being transferred back to Bombay.

The imports of fents amounted to 35 million yards against 32 million yards in 1932.33. Despite this quantitative increase, the value of the con-

Fents ( P 45 lakhs.) signments dropped from R52 lakhs to P 45 lakhs. As far as quantity is concerned, the whole of the increase is to be set down to Japan which sent large quantities, amounting to an aggregate of 8 million yards against 1 million yards supplied in 193233. Part of the increase due to Japan was set off by a reduction in the consignments from the United States of America from 19 million yards to 16 million yards. The share of the United Kingdom remained unchanged at 11 million yards.

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Below are shown the imports under the three main important classifications of cotton piecegoods for each year from 1913-14.


As shown above, the imports of grey goods fell to a record low level of 230 million yards from 356 million yards in 1932-33 and were even smaller by 19 million yards than the strikingly low figure of 249 million yards returned for 1931-32. Imports of white goods also shrank by 151 million yards in comparison with the imports of 1932-33 and constituted a low record superseding the previous low record of 1930-31 by a little less than 10 million yards. There was, similarly, a decline of 156 million yards under coloured goods, the imports of which dropped from 425 million yards in 1932-33 to 269 million yards. But under this head, at least, even with such shrinkage as occurred, a slightly better result was achieved during the year than in the two years,

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1930-31 and 1931-32, both of which admittedly had been remarkably lean years in this particular line of trade.

The import fgures for grey goods, referred to above, can be further separated under the two classifications "plain" and "bordered". Of the net decline of 126 million yards, which has been noticed under grey goods, 62 per cent was accounted for by a falling oft in the imports of plain goods, the remainder being laid to bordered goods. The details of the imports of grey goods are given below :-


The imports of coloured, printed and dyed goods in 1929.30 and the past three years have been further analysed below:-

| -- | 1929-30 |  | 1931-32 |  | 1032-33 |  | 1933-24 |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Million yards | $\underset{\text { (lakhs) }}{\mathrm{R}}$ | Million yards | $\underset{\text { (lakhs; }}{\mathrm{R}}$ | Million yards |  | Million yarda | $\underset{\text { (lakhs) }}{\mathrm{fl}}$ |
| Total printed goods. | $190 \cdot 9$ | 5,77 | 104.9 | 2,08 | 237.0 | 3,97 | $140 \cdot 2$ | 2,33 |
| Total dyed goods. | 151.0 | 4,92 | 93.0 | 2,29 | 147.7 | 3,37 | 102.6 | 2,30 |
| Total woven coloured goods. | 132\% | 4,47 | $\mathbf{2 5 \cdot 4}$ | 68 | 40.1 | 1,00 | 25.9 | 62 |

On the basis of the detailed figures given above, the decline in 193334 relatively to the imports of 1932-33 amounted to 41 per cent in the case of printed goods against 35 .per cent in the case of woven coloured and 30 per.

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cent in the case of dyed goods. Aotually, however, the significance of the decline in the cases of printed and dyed goods is weakened by the fact that the imports still maintained themselves at a considerably higher level than the abnormally low importations of the first two years following the onstet of the depression. The decrease under coloured goods is, however, of especial significance in view of the fact that these are being exposed to severe competition from artificial silk goods, providing as they do a form of cheap luxury to the poorer classes in India.

The detailed figures relating to the imports under the principal classes of grey, white and coloured goods are given below in millions of yards.

| Grey (unbleached) | $\begin{gathered} 1913.14 \\ \text { (pre-war } \\ \text { year) } \end{gathered}$ | 1030-31 | 1931-32 | 1932.33 | 1933-34 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Dhutis, saris and soarves | 806.1 | $171 \cdot 0$ | $83 \cdot 6$ | - 138-8 | 90-3 |
| Jaconete, madapoliams, mulls, eto. | $150 \cdot 4$ | $19 \cdot 3$ | $23 \cdot 7$ | $26 \cdot 8$ | $22 \cdot 1$ |
| Longcloth and shirtings . . | $545 \cdot 4$ | 168.3 | $133 \cdot 8$ | 182.8 | 112.8 |
| Sheetings - - . | $\cdot 2$ | $4 \cdot 1$ | $3 \cdot 7$ | $5 \cdot 1$ | $2 \cdot 2$ |
| Drilta and jeans . . | $21 \cdot 3$ | 2.4 | $2 \cdot 9$ | 1.3 | 1.6 |
| Other sorts . | $10 \cdot 8$ | 1.8 | 1-7 | 1.2 | $1 \cdot 1$ |
| Total | 1,534•2 | 365.0 | $249 \cdot 4$ | 356.0 | 230-1 |
| White (bleached) | $\begin{gathered} 1913-14 \\ \text { (pre-war } \\ \text { year) } \end{gathered}$ | 1930-3t | 1931-32 | 1932-33 | 1933-34 |
| Dhatis, saris and scarves | 104.3 | 15.t | 1.8 | 3-6 | 6.5 |
| Jaconets, madapollams, mulls, eto. | $307 \cdot 9$ | $135 \cdot 2$ | 155.2 | $229 \cdot 2$ | $137 \cdot 8$ |
| Longcloth and ahirtiags - | $115 \cdot 3$ | $71 \cdot 9$ | $79 \cdot 8$ | 109.7 | $75 \cdot \$$ |
| Nainsooks . - | $204 \cdot 7$ | 25.9 | 21.5 | 30-9 | 17.5 |
| Drils and jeans . - | $5 \cdot 7$ | $3 \cdot 8$ | 4-1 | $4 \cdot 4$ | $5 \cdot 3$ |
| Checks, apota and stripes | $16 \cdot 1$ | 3.7 | $3 \cdot 8$ | $7 \cdot 9$ | $4 \cdot 4$ |
| Twills . | $8 \cdot 3$ | $7 \cdot 7$ | $3 \cdot 7$ | $11 \cdot 4$ | 7.0 |
| Other sorts . | 31.0 | 8.0 | 9.7 | 15.6 | $7 \cdot 6$ |
| Total | 793.3 | $271 \cdot 6$ | $278 \cdot 7$ | 412.7 | 201.8 |
| Coloured, printed or dyed. | $\begin{gathered} 1913-14 \\ \text { (pre-wor } \\ \text { year) } \end{gathered}$ | 1030-81 | 1081-32 | 1932-33 | 1933-34 |
| Dhutis, earis and soarves | 115.2 | $18 \cdot 1$ | $8 \cdot 7$ | 18.2 | 18.0 |
| Cambrics, etc. | $113 \cdot 6$ | $20 \cdot 5$ | $10 \cdot 7$ | 40-6 | $34 \cdot 2$ |
| Shirtings ${ }^{\text {a }}$ | $152 \cdot 6$ | $54 \cdot 7$ | 62.9 | 115.6 | $5 \cdot 6$ |
| Printe and chints | $209 \cdot 7$ | 33.7 | 23.0 | $50 \cdot 5$ | $23 \cdot 7$ |
| Drills and joans . | 30.0 | $33 \cdot 3$ | $32 \cdot 9$ | 71.4 | 53.7 |
| Checks, spote and stripes | 19.7 | 12.5 | $5 \cdot 1$ | 12.8 | 13.0 |
| Twills ${ }^{\text {c }}$ | 31.4 | $16 \cdot 0$ | 17.8 | $22 \cdot 6$ | $14 \cdot 9$ |
| Other morts | $159 \cdot 6$ | 55.9 | $53 \cdot 1$ | 93-1 | 51.6 |
| Total | 831.8 | 245.7 | $223 \cdot 2$ | 424*8 | $268 \cdot 7$ |

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The bulk of the reduotion under greys, it will have been noticed from the figures given above, has to be attributed to recessions in the imports of dhutis, saris, and scarves and of longeloth and shirtings, usually the two most important sub-divisions in this class. Consignments of dhutis, saris and scarves fell away by 49 million yards or 35 per cent in comparison with the imports of 1932-33 and those of longcloth and shirtings by 70 million yards or 38 per cent. The imports under the former classification, however, were still well ahead of the abnormally low figure of 1931-32. In the case of white goods, the retrogression of the import trade was accounted for mainly by jaconets, madapollams, mulls, etc. and, to a relatively small extent, by longcloth and shirting. The imports of jaconets, etc., at 138 million yards were smaller by 91 million yards or 40 per cent. The decline under longcloth and shirting was smaller, being only about 34 million yards or 31 per cent. The import figure for $1933-34$ under each of these two heads marked a low level, which, as will be seen from the table above, was passed in recent years only once in 1930-31.

In regard to coloured goods by far the most important manifestation of the retrograde movement was under shirtings, of which the quantity received shrank by 56 million yards or by a little more than 49 per cent. To a large extent, this difference between the import figures of 1932-33 and 1933-34 under this particular head is accounted for by the fact that the imports had been unexpectedly high in the earlier of the two years brought under comparison and, as a matter of fact, the imports of $1933-34$ were smaller only by 5 per cent than those of 1931-32 and were higher than the imports of 1930-31 by as much as 9 por cent. However, the decline under shirtings was matched by a similar movement of smaller intensity, under cambrics, prints and ohintz and under drills and jeans, involving in the aggregate a net decline of 50.9 million yards. Turning to the other classifications in the same table, it will be seen that there were feeble upturns under a few less important heads, to wit, drills and jeans under greys and whites, and checks, spots, and stripes under coloured. Apart from these few exceptions, the same general movement for a downward adjustment of the import level was noticeable under all classes throughout the table.

Of the total quantities of piecegoods imported in 1933-34, 54 per cent came from the United Kingdom and 44 per cent from Japan as against 49 and 47 per cent in the respective cases in 1932-33. Imports from the United States of America amounted in the aggregate to 2 per cent, or much the same as in 1932.33. The following table gives the details for a number of years.

Percentage shares in the total quantities of piecegoods imported.


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The feature of outstanding importance in the above table is that it indicates a definite break in the trends, in opposite directions, of the percentage shares of the United Kingdom and Japan, the latter for the first time since 1925-26 showing a reduction in her share from 47 per cent to 44 per cent, concomitantly with an increase in the share of the United Kingdom from 49 per cent to a little less than 54 per cent. The percentage shares of the two principal competitors in the piecegoods market of India in 1913-14 and the past five years, under each of the three important classes of piecegoods are set forth in the table below :-


The above table reveals some increase in the proportion of imports coming from the United Kingdom and a decrease in that from Japan under each of the three descriptions of piecegoods imported. This may be accounted for partly by the widening of the difference between the rates of duty applicable to the imports from the two countries. The measure of the increase in imports in the case of the United Kingdom and of the decrease in the case of Japan has been the smallest in the case of white goods. It is interesting, however, that the United Kingdom has gained in her percentage share as much as Japan has lost in hers under grey goods. In the case of white goods, the advance of the United Kingdcm had no very appreciable effect on the percentage share of her competitor, Japan. In the case of coloured goods, however, the United Kingdom gained much more than Japan lost.

The actual imports, both in quantity and value, under the three main closses in 1929-30 and the past three years with the percentage variations in

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the imports of 1933-34 over 1929-30 and 1932-33 are shown in the table below:-

| Imports of cotton plocegoods | Quantit; |  |  |  |  |  | - Value |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  |  | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Ydg. } \\ & \begin{array}{c} \text { (IILI: } \\ \text { Ilons) } \end{array} \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Yds: } \\ & \text { (M11- } \\ & \text { (10ns) } \end{aligned}$ |  |  | $\begin{gathered} \text { Rs. } \\ (\mathrm{laLhs}) \end{gathered}$ | $\underset{(\text { Iakhs })}{\text { Rs. }}$ | (lakhs) | $\underset{(\mathrm{la} \mathrm{kh} s}{\mathrm{R}})$ |  |  |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  | 521 | 60 | 111 | 88 | -21 | -83 | 11,76 | 90 | 1,76 | 1,35 | -23 | -89 |
|  | ${ }_{11} 98$ | 185 4 | 244 | 142 | -48 |  | 8,88 | 2,89 | 1,30 1 | 1,70 1 | -48 | $\square^{-81}$ |
|  | 926 | 249 | 856 | 230 | -35 | -75 | 20,93 | 8,02 | 5,07 | 3,06 | -40 | -85 |
| $\begin{gathered} \text { Whits. } \\ \text { Yromited } \\ \text { Uningdom. } \\ \text { King } \end{gathered}$ | 436 | 207 | 281 | 184 | -35 | -58 | 12,03 | 4,02 | 5,27 | 3,69 | -80 | -69 |
| $\begin{gathered} J_{\text {apan }} \\ \text { Other } \\ \text { countries. } \end{gathered}$ | 14 24 | 60 13 | 120 12 | 75 8 | -37 -75 | +588 +88 -87 | ${ }_{92}^{93}$ | 98 38 | 1,68 48 | $\stackrel{88}{88}$ | ${ }_{-81}{ }^{-41}$ | $\underline{+1,01}$ |
| Total | 474 | 280 | 418 | ${ }^{2} 28$ | -37 | -45 | 13,28 | 6,38 | 7,33 | 4,78 | -35 | -64 |
| $\begin{gathered} \text { Coloured. } \\ \text { From-Ted } \\ \text { United } \\ \text { Kingom. } \end{gathered}$ | 279 | 110 | 194 | 142 | -27 | -49 | 0,50 | 2,85 | 4,88 | 8,54 | -27 | -63 |
| Japan Other countrles. | 164 50 | 95 18 | 214 17 | 124 3 | $\xrightarrow[-82]{ }$ | 二94 | 8,45 2,20 | 1,63 | 2,82 | 1,85 8 | -43 <br> -89 | -52 |
| Total. | 483 | 223 | 425 | 269 | $-37$ | -44 | 15,15 | 5,05 | 8,34 | 5,25 | -87 | -65 |
| Total cotton |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Bengal | 857 | 226 | 353 | 2 cs | -41 | -76 | 20,35 | 3,92 | 5,47 | 3,22 | -41 | -84 |
| Bombay . | ${ }_{592}^{518}$ | 1718 | 335 303 | 206 | ${ }_{-21}$ | -41 | 14,05 | 3,35 | 5,93 | 4,44 | $-25$ | -68 |
| Slnd | 292 107 | 218 62 | ${ }_{93}^{303}$ | 171 71 | -24 | - 41 | 7,65 <br> 8,39 | 4,03 1,27 | 5,28 1,78 | 2,89 1,38 | 二 - $^{46}$ | -69 |
| Burma | 145 | ${ }^{80}$ | 140 | 80 | -48 | -45 | 4,81 | 2,10 | 2,80 | 1,58 1,58 | -24 | - 67 |
| Total | 1,819 | 776 | 1,225 | 796 | -35 | -58 | 60,25 | 14,07 | 21,26 | 13,40 | -37 | $-73$ |

A study of the percentage figures given above will suggest the following interesting conclusions. Compared with the trade results of 1932-33, the actual decline in 1933-34 has been the greatest, in the case of the United Kingdom, under white goods. On the same basis, in the case of Japan, her actual loss has been the heaviest under greys. It is also interesting that while the rate of decline has been far and away greater for Japan both under greys and coloured, the losses to both the countries have been more or less evenly balanced under white. It is also to be noted that though the falling away of the trade in 1933-34 has been spread out over the entire field of imports under the above classifications, and although this affected the shares of both the countries in the same manner, the United Kingdom was still ahead of the import figures entered against her for 1931-32 by as much as 28 million yards under greys and by 32 million yards under coloured. Concurrently, Japan, despite the general reduction in her trade, actually maintained her share at a level which was higher by 15 million yards under white, and by 29 million yards under coloured goods in comparison with 193I-32.

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The same table also brings out the more important tendencies that are revealed by the values declared for the imports. It will be noticed that the total value of the imports of all classes of cotton piecegoods declined from ¥221, 26 lakhs in 1932-33 to RI3,49 lakhs in 1933-34. Thus, while the quantity imported fell by 35 per cent, the value declined by as much as 37 per cent. These figures, by themselves would suggest a further lowering of the average declared value for all classes of cotton piecegoods taken together. The fall, has been, in the ease of grey goods, 40 per cent in value against a reduction of 35 per cent in quantity. Under white goods, the value fell off at a slightly smaller rate relatively to the rate of decline in the case of quantity, while in the case of coloured goods the rate of fall has been almost the same both for quantity and value. Thus the declared value worked out from the figures given in the foregoing table shows a further decline under grey goods from $2 a s .3 p$. in 1932-33 to $2 a s .2 p$. in 1933-34. In the case of white goods, the declared value showed a small increase from $2 a s .10 p$. to $2 a s .11 p$., whereas over the same period the average value of coloured goods remained unchanged at 3 as. $2 p$. per yard. The following table shows the declared value per jard of each of the three classes of goods for a number of years.

| Cotton pieoegoods | 1913-14 | 1025-20 | 1026-27 | 1027-28 | 1028-29 | 1838-90 | 1930-31 | 1981-32 | 1032-38 | 1033-34 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Grey (abbleached) . | f 1 8 | Plll | $\begin{array}{llll}\text { R A. P. } \\ 0 & 4 & 2\end{array}$ | 0 311 | 0 O 10 | $\begin{array}{llll}0 & 3 & 7\end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{lll} \\ 0 & 8 & 0\end{array}$ | 7 A. P , | $\begin{array}{lll}\text { If } & \text { A. } & \text { P. } \\ 0 & 2 & 3\end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{lll}\text { f } 4 . \\ 0 & \text { P. } \\ 0 & 2\end{array}$ |
| Whitg (bleached) - | 0311 | 050 | $0 \leqslant 11$ | $0 \leqslant 8$ | $\begin{array}{llll}0 & 4 & 5\end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{llll}0 & 4 & 6\end{array}$ | 088 | 08 | 0210 | 0211 |
| Coloured, printed or dyed | 036 | $0 \quad 11$ | $\begin{array}{llll}0 & 6 & 3\end{array}$ | 057 | 056 | 050 | 048 | 038 | 0382 | 0 3 2 |

The table which is given below illustrates the monthly variations of the average declared value of cotton piecegoods imported from the United Kingdom and Japan, separately under the three descriptions, " grey", " white" and "coloured", for the year under review.

Declared value of imported piecegoods.


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On the above showing, the differential in favour of Japan in the matter of average declared value was generally the highest for coloured goods and tho lowest for grey. In the case of grey goods, the differential which initially stood at 41 points in April rose after a small relapse to 55 points in July and remained at the relatively higher level till October, but in November the margin narrowed again considerably and starting with 25 points, gradually fell away to 9 points in February only to rise once more to 11 points in the next month. In the case of white goods the differential was 59 points in April and 48 in May. Thereafter with a spurt upward to 82 points in the next month it gradually rose to 93 points in August. Subsequently it moved downward fluctuatingly, but January found it once again at 90 points. By March, however, the margin narrowed down to 53 points. In the case of coloured goods the margin broadened from 114 points in April to 132 points during the first quarter of the year. Subsequently, a considerable portion of the gap was bridged over and the differential touched 105 points in October. In the course of the last few months of the year the margin tended to increase and stood at 116 points in March. It is, however, important to realise, while studying the comparative figures just given, that these should not necessarily be taken as representing prices for similar qualities, particularly in the case of white and coloured goods, although in the case of grey goods at any rate, the difference in quality is not particularly great. The average declared values of goods coming from these sources have been analysed in detail, as the relative prices of goods from various countries have a particularly important bearing on the consideration of the transfer of trade from one country to another even in normal times, while their importance is greatly enhanced during a period when the purchasing power of the consumer has fallen in a marked degree. For, as has been remarked in previous issues of this Review, India is essentially a price market and with the lowering of the purchasing power of the masses this characteristic of the market has been greatly accentuated in recent years.

The table below shows the monthly imports of piecegoods, excluding fents, in millions of yards for the past five years.

| - | 1930-31 | 1931-32 | 1932-33 | 1933-34 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| April | 184 | 71 | 91 | 88 |
| May | 134 | 54 | 83 | 84 |
| June | 91 | 69 | 108 | 68 |
| July | 73 | 68 | 119 | 64 |
| August - | 73 | 62 | 129 | 63 |
| September | 48 | 65 | 121 | 52 |
| October | 42 | 63 | 90 | 50 |
| November | 36 | 48 | 96 | 43 |
| December | 46 | 45 | 82 | 41 |
| January | 62 | 71 | 91 | 57 |
| February : | 45 | 63 | 80 | 54 |
| March . - | 67 | 73 | 103 | 97 |

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The following table shows，side by side，the imports，classified as to countries of consignment，and the production in India，of cotton piecegoods in millions of yards from 1902－03．

Imports by countries of consignment，and production in India，of coiton piece－ goods．
［In million yards．］

| －－ |  | 最 | 离 |  |  | 叐 | 兵 | 麻 |  |  | 钽 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 1009.08 | 2，071 | 18 | 8 | 8 | $\cdots$ | ． | ．． | 18 | 2，107 | $\cdots$ | － |
| 1009－04 | 1，097 | 13 | 4 | 6 |  |  |  | 18 | 2，083 | － |  |
| 1904 －05 | 2，251 | 18 | 4 | 4 |  | － | － | 16 | 2，288 | 678 | 2，806 |
| 1005－06 | 2，415 | 16 | 6 | 10 | $\cdots$ | $\cdots$ | $\cdots$ | 17 | 2，463 |  |  |
| 1908－07 | 2，276 | 16 | 5 | 8 | ． | $\cdots$ |  | 18 | 2，818 |  |  |
| 1807－08 | 2，487 | 10 | 7 | 4 | $\cdots$ |  |  | 18 | 2，632 | 808 | 8，340 |
| 1808－09 | 1，941 | 23 | 4 | 9 | B | $\cdots$ | $\cdots$ | 10 | 1，093 | 824 | 2，817 |
| 1009－10 | 2，141 | 23 | 4 | 10 | 6 | ． | ． | 10 | 2，193 | 984 | 8，157 |
| 1010－11 | 2，252 | 22 | 8 | 8 | 0 | － | ＊ | 12 | 2，308 | 1，043 | 8，851 |
| 1911－18 | 2，379 | 28 | 7 | $\theta$ | 4 | 1 | ． | 15 | 8，488 | 1，136 | 8，574 |
| 1912－18 | 2，048 | 26 | 12 | 16 | 6 | 0 | － | 10 | 8，029 | 1，220 | 4，248 |
| 1918－14 | 5，104 | 85 | 23 | 10 | 0 | $\theta$ | － | 20 | 3，107 | 1，164 | 4，861 |
| 1014－15 | 2，378 | 1 | 10 | 12 | 8 | 36 | －． | 6 | 8，440 | 1，186 | 3，682 |
| 1015－16 | 2，049 | 21 | 13 | 17 | 4 | 30 | －• | 5 | 2，148 | 1，442 | 8，500 |
| 1916－17 | 1，788 | 14 | 14 | 11 | 8 | 100 | 1 | B | 1，034 | 1，578 | 8，612 |
| 1917－18 | 1，430 | 6 | 7 | 13 | 1 | 95 | 1 | 3 | 1，656 | 1，014 | 8，170 |
| 1918－19 | 867 | 1 | 1 | 11 | 1 | 238 | － | 3 | 1，128 | 1，461 | 2，573 |
| 1010－20 | 976 | 8 | 1 | 10 | 2 | 76 | $\cdots$ | 8 | 1，081 | 1，640 | 2，781 |
| 1020－21 | 1，292 | 18 | 16 | 13 | 4 | 170 | 1 | 7 | 1，610 | 1，581 | 8，001 |
| 1851－2： | 955 | 12 | 2 | 28 | 1 | 00 | 1 | 6 | 1，000 | 1，732 | 2，82¢ |
| 1022－23 | 1，458 | 18 | 2 | 8 | 8 | 109 | 3 | 8 | 1，693 | 1，725 | ，818 |
| 1023－24 | 1，819 | 11 | 6 | 7 | 7 | 123 | 6 | 7 | 1，486 | 1，702 | 8，188 |
| 1924－85 | 1，614 | 12 | 10 | $\theta$ | 7 | 155 | 5 | 21 | 1，823 | 1，070 | 8，798 |
| 1925－20 | 1.287 | 18 | 11 | 15 | 7 | 217 | 2 | 0 | 1，564 | 1，954 | 8，518 |
| 1928－17 | 1，467 | 20 | 17 | 16 | 12 | 244 | 2 | 10 | 1，788 | 2，269 | ，047 |
| 1927－28 | 1，543 | 20 | 26 | 28 | 15 | 828 | 7 | 11 | 1，978 | 2，357 | 4，390 |
| 1028－89 | 1，466 | 20 | 38 | 80 | 11 | 857 | 18 | 12 | 1，937 | 1，808 | ，890 |
| 1020－30 | 1，248 | 22 | 25 | 38 | 10 | $66_{2}$ | 10 | c | 1，919 | 2，419 | 4，888 |
| 1080．81 | 623 | 13 | 10 | 0 | 6 | 321 | 2 | 6 | 800 | 2，681 | 8，461 |
| 1081－32 | 888 | 7 | 11 | 19 | 8 | 340 |  |  | 776 | 2，080 | 8，766 |
| 1982－83 | 597 | 5 | 8 | 20 | 10 | 580 | 1 | 4 | 1，225 | 170 |  |
| 1098－84 | 426 | 2 |  | 16 | 1 | 869 |  | 2 | 796 | 2，945 | 8，741 |

## Cotton piecegoods.

The quantities of cotton piecegoods, available for consumption in India in each year from 1904-05 with calculation as to the annual per capita consumption of cotton piecegoods in India (allowing for variation in population from year to year) are shown in the following table:-

Consumption per capita of cotton piecegoods including handloom products in India.

| Year | NBT IMPORTS |  | Net ayamablik mind PRODOOTION |  | HAND LOOH PRODJOTION |  | NbT avaithals for CONSUIUTION |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Actual | Per capila | Actual | Por capita | Estlmated | Per capita | TOTAL | Percaptia |
| 1004-05 | Yards crores 223 | Yarda $7 \cdot 43$ | Yards crores 50 | Yarda 1.97 | Yards crores 83 | Pards 2.77 | Yarda crores 365 | Yards $12 \cdot 17$ |
| 1905-06 | 230 | 7.97 | 01. | 2.03 | 108 | 3.60 | 408 | 13.60 |
| 1000-07 | 220 | 7.29 | 03 | 2.03 | 115 | $3 \cdot 71$ | 404 | 13.03 |
| 1007-08 | 247 | 7.97 | 74 | 2.39 | 111 | 3.58 | 432 | 13.94 |
| 1908.09 | 104 | 6.26 | 74 | 2.39 | 112 | $3 \cdot 61$ | 380 | 12.26 |
| 1009-10 | 214 | 6.90 | 87 | 2.81 | 00 | 2.90 | 801 | 12.61 |
| 1910-11 | 224 | 7.23 | 04 | 3.03 | 91 | 2.93 | 409 | 13.19 |
| 1011-12 | 237 | 7-11 | 108 | $3 \cdot 31$ | 104 | 3.95 | 447 | 13.97 |
| 1912-18 | 295 | 9.22 | 113 | 3.53 | 104 | 3.85 | 612 | 16.00 \% |
| 1913-14 | 918 | $9 \cdot 78$ | 108 | $3 \cdot 38$ | 107 | 3.34 | 528 | 16.50 |
| 1914-16 | 241 | 7.53 | 107 | $3 \cdot 34$ | 118 | 3.69 | 460 | 14.56 |
| 1915-16 | 211 | 6.69 | 183 | $4 \cdot 16$ | 105 | 3.28 | 449 | 14.03 |
| 1916-17 | 183 | 6.72 | 132 | $4 \cdot 13$ | 82 | 2-56 | 397 | 12.41 |
| 1017-18 | 147 | 4.59 | 142 | 4-44 | 81. | 2.53 | 370 | 11-56 |
| 1918-18 | 101 | 3.16 | 130 | 4.06 | 105. | . 3.28 | 336 | 10.50 |
| 1010-20 | 99 | 3.09 | 144 | $4 \cdot 50$ | 56. | 1.75 | 298 | 9.34 - |
| 1920-21 | 145 | 4.53 | 148 | $4 \cdot 47$ | 116 | $3 \cdot 59$ | 408 | 12-69 |
| 1921-22 | 102 | $3 \cdot 19$ | 157 | 4.90 | 110 | 3.72 | 378 | 11-81 |
| 1022-23 | 162 | 1.61 | 166 | $4 \cdot 73$ | 134 | 4.06 | 442 | 13.40 |
| 1929-24 | 142 | $4 \cdot 30$ | 154 | $4 \cdot 67$ | 101 | 3.06 | 997 | 12.03 |
| 1924-25 | 177 | $5 \cdot 36$ | 179 | $5 \cdot 43$ | 120 | 3.82 | 482 | 14.61 |
| 1025-26 | 158 | 4.50 | 179 | $5 \cdot 27$ | 116 | $3 \cdot 41$ | 448 | $13 \cdot 18$ |
| 1920-27 | 176 | 6.18 | 200 | 6.06 | 133 | 3.91 | 515 | $15 \cdot 15$ |
| 1927-28 | 104 | 6.71 | 210 | $6 \cdot 4$ | 131 | 3.85 | 644 | 16.00 |
| 1928-29 | 191 | 6.16 | 174 | 497 | 108 | 3.09 | 473 | 13.52 |
| 1929-30 | 100 | $5 \cdot 43$ | 229 | 6.54 | 140 : | 4.00 | 659 | 15.97 |
| 1980-31 | 87 | $2 \cdot 49$ | 246 | 7.03 | 139 ' | 3.97 | 472 | 13.49 |
| 1931-32 | 76 | 2.11 | 288 | 8.00 | 150 . | $4 \cdot 17$ | 514 | 14.28 |
| 1932-33 | 120 | 3.34 | 811 | $8 \cdot 64$ | 170. | 4.72 | 601 | 16.70 |
| 1083-34 | 77 | $2 \cdot 14$ | 289 | 8.03 | 144 | 4.00 | 510 | 14.17 |

## İmports.

It will be seen that this table, unlike its predecessors in previous issues of this Review, takes into account the estimates of the quantities of handloom cloth available for consumption from year to year. It is important to note that the figures in the last four columns are only estimates. The calculations given there, however, altogether neglect the existence of stocks. Subject to this and other considerations it will be seen that the quantity of piecegoods available for consumption in 1933-34 amounted to something like $14 \cdot 17$ yards per head of the population as compared with $16 \cdot 67$ yards in 1932-33. The statement, as will be realised, is likely to convey a somewhat misleading impression, since in 1932-33 both imports and production had shown a tendency to peak and a considerable part of the available supplies for that year must have been withheld from actual consumption and carried over as stocks into the year under report. If, however, some allowance is made for the exceptional stock position of the preceding year by taking the average of both the years for purposes of comparison, it will be seen that the average quantity available per capita during the two-year period was appreciably larger than the corresponding running average for two years in any previous periods excepting 1931-33, 1926-28 and the period just preceding the War.

The fall in the import demand for cotton goods in 1933-34, of which some measure has been given above, represents in effect a re-action against the unexpectedly heavy increase in imports in the preceding year. It is important that the central figure in the " boomlet" of 1932-33 had been Japan. And Japan in her recent anxiety about the rising tariff on cotton goods in India had virtually sought to minimise its impact by anticipating the increases and expanding stocks to an extent sufficient to cover the demand for some months ahead. The heavy imports of 1932-33, coming in as they did in disregard of the statistical position in the trade, were indeed bound to result in a glut on the markets in India and thereby react on the trade prospects for 1933-34. To what extent the imports of 1932-33 had been actually in excess of the current requirements of that year it is not possible to assess owing to the absence of the basic data for calculating stocks in the consuming markets in India. But some measure of the excessive stocks can be obtained from the quantities of cotton piecegoods which had remained in Customs bonded warehouses at the end of March, 1933. The quantities thus carried over at the end of 1932-33 amounted to $\mathbf{3 . 6}$ million yards for white and 9.3 million yards for coloured goods against the corresponding figures of 0.5 and 0.7 million yards for the preceding year. In the case of grey goods, the quantities in bond amounted to over 3 million yards, although in this particular case the significance of the figure disappears when it is set against a similar but slightly higher figure of 3.7 million yards for the preceding year. The figures for bonded stocks just given are, bowever, important only in so far as they suggest inferentially the much larger quantities of stocks, surplus to the current needs, that were held in the innumerable markets scattered all over the country. Another reason for the reduction of imports in 1933-34 was the increase of duties in June of that year. As far as 1933-34 is concerned, there should have been some broadening of the basis of demand, arising from the gradual lifting of the boycott against foreign goods, of which indeed there were important indications available from some of the outlying districts, where a revival of demand for imported goods had been already under way. But

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despite this the market indications were bound to be weak, especially when the purchasing power of large sections of the people, representing the primary growers, remained feeble on account of the low prices for important crops such as jute, cotton and rice and parts of the country were affected by the disastrous earthquake in Bihar. It was not surprising, therefore, that the offtake of stocks from the ports should remain unusually small.

These indeed were the basic facts which influenced the statistical position and the trade prospects of the year. Of equally fundamental importance was that intricate mass of forces acting on the cotton industry abroad. The leading foreign influence in the cotton industry in 1933-34 was the unsteadiness of the dollar, which made purchase of cotton itself an unduly risky affair and led both yarn and cloth buyers to wait for greater stability in values before embarking on bulk buying again. At the same time industrial reports gave very little ground for optimism. There had iudeed been some evidence that the textile industry of the world, taken as a whole, was achieving some moderate progress toward recovery, especially in the United States of America, where as a result of the inflationary impetus boom conditions had prevailed. But reports from Lancashire gave no indications of any improvement in the outlook for trade. There spinners seemed to have special difficulties, and such sectional measures as they could take, although not unaccompanied with some measure of success, for standardization only led to dearer yarn which in its turn made for dearer cloth. In the case of Japan, indications were not indeed wanting to show that some re-adjustment of internal prices and production costs had already set in, but apparently in many cases the hardening effect of the rise in prime costs was resisted by producers through a deliberate reduction of margins. This was in some respect inevitable, for in Japan the textile industry has already outgrown the needs of the markets of the country. Already in 1932-33, the peak year for her exports, Japan had projected herself into the industrial economy of India in a manner sufficiently demonstrative to constitute her an apparent source of menace to normal trading conditions in India. The tariff increase of 1932, which had been designed in the hope of putting an end to this regime of uneconomic competition, failed to subserve its purpose completely, oving to a farther depreciation of the yen. In the interest of the national industry in India the tariff on cotton piecegoods had to be further raised in June, 1933 to $6 \frac{3}{3}$ as. per lb . or 75 per cent. ad valorem or whichever is higher in the caso of plain greys and to 75 per cent. ad valorem in the case of others.

The quantity of sewing thread imported in the year under review amounted to $1,869,000 \mathrm{lbs}$. valued at R 51 lakhs as compared with $2,073,000 \mathrm{lbs}$. valued Sowing thread (R51 lakhs). at $\mathbf{~} 556$ lakhs in the preceding year. As usual, the United Kingdom supplied the major portion, totalling $1,629,000 \mathrm{lbs}$. valued at R44t lakhs.

The total value of the imports of hosiery advanced from 767 lakhs in 1932-33 to P 77 lakhs in 1933-34. Japan, which had the largest share in the trade, increased her contribution from f61 lakhs to $\mathrm{Z72}$ lakhs.

## Imports.

The imports of haberdashery and millinery declined from R68 lakhs to R55 lakhs or by R13 lakhs. The decline was shared by almost all the supplying

> Haberdashery and Millinery (R55 lakhs). countries. Arrivals from the United Kingdom feli slightly from R14 lakhs to R13 lakhs. Imports from Germany were valued at R10 lakhs as against R13 lakhs in the year preceding. Supplies fiom Japan were valued at fl 17 lakhs as compared with RI8 lakhs in 1932-33.

Silk, raw and manufactured (R3,59 lakhs).-The imports under this head showed an appreciable diminution, the total supplies received during the year being valued at $\mathrm{f} 3,59$ lakhs as against $\mathrm{f} 4,33$ lakhs in 1932-33. The imports of 1933-34, however, were still in advance of the figure for 1931-32 by R 85 lakhs. Imports of raw silk declined from $3 \cdot 2$ million lbs, valued at R1,17 lakhs to 2.4 million lbs. valued at R72 lakhs, more than 88 per cent. of the supplies coming from China (including Hongkong) which sent $2 \cdot 1$ milLion lbs. as against $2 \cdot 9$ million lbs., or 92 per cent. of the supplies in 1932-33. Imports from Japan, however, advanced from $165,000 \mathrm{lbs}$. to $220,000 \mathrm{lbs}$. Imports of yarns, noils and warps recorded a decrease from 3 million lbs. (R88 lakhs) to 2 million lbs. (R4 4 lakhs). Japan, which had made a conspicuous advance in the preceding year by sending $1,187,000 \mathrm{lbs}$. (R40 lakhs) was able to send only 814,000 lbs. (R22 lakhs) in 1933-34. Iroports from Italy, which came second in order of importance in 1932-33, were reduced from $862,000 \mathrm{lbs}$. to $249,000 \mathrm{lbs}$. while China advanced her share from $418,000 \mathrm{lbs}$. (R11 lakhs) to 615,000 lbs. ( F 15 lakhs). Switzerland which had contributed $289,000 \mathrm{lbs}$. in 1931-32 and $96,000 \mathrm{lbs}$. in 1932-33 altogether disappeared from this line in the year under review. Imports of silk piecegoods showed a further increase of 6 million yards, vie, from 35 million yards to 41 million yards. But the value of the consignments which was returned at $\mathbb{Z 1}, 82$ lakhs in 193334 showed only an inappreciable gain of RI lakh in comparison with 1932-33. The outstanding feature in this line of trade was a further significant increase in the share of Japan from 26.8 million fards valued at $\mathrm{P} 1,33$ lakhs to $34 \cdot 3$ million yards valued at R1,47 lakhs. China (including Hongkong), the only other competitor of any importance, was able to send only 6.7 million yards (R32 lakhs) as compared with 7.9 million yards (R45 lakhs) in the preceding year. The shares of other countries generally showed decreases. The import trade in goods of silk mixed with other materials exhibited no remarkable variation as regards the quantity received, for as against 10.1 million yards imported in the preceding year, the returns of $1933-34$ showed a receipt of 9.8 million yards. But the value of the consignments advanced by a considerable margin from R43 lakhs in 1932-33 to $\mathbf{R 5 5}$ lakhs in 1933-34. Here also the predominant share in the imports went to Japan, supplies from which source amiounted to 8.0 million yards as compared with 8.4 million yards in 1932-33; judged by value however Japan made a considerable headway having improved her account from R28 lakhs to R 41 lakhs and this suggests not only better prices, but an improvement in the quality of the supplies as well. limports from other countries decreased considerably. The United Kingdom and Germany reduced their contributions from 250,000 and 258,000 yards to 132,000 and 243,000 yards respectively and Italy and France from 85,000 and 47,000 yards to 65,000 and 36,000 yards.

Artificial silk ( $\mathrm{P} 2,74$ lakhs). -There was a considerable reduction in the trade under this head, the total value of the imports amounting to $\mathrm{R} 2,74$

## Wool.

lakhs as agginst R4,16 lakhs in the year preceding. Piecegoods suffered most, but decreases also appeared under yarn. The total imports of artificial silk yarn were returned at 10 million lbs. valued at f 82 lakhs as compared with 11 million lbs. valued at f 93 lakhs in 1932-33. Italy which is the largest supplier had her share reduced from 5.6 million lbs. to 4.3 million lbs. A portion of the ground lost by her was captured by Japan, imports from which source advanced from 1.8 million lbs. to 2.5 million lbs. The United Kingdom was barely able to hold her own, her share declining from 1.7 million lbs. to 1.6 million lbs. Imports from the Netherlands and Switzerland declined but those from Germany and France showed considerable improvement. Artificial silk piecegoods suffered a sharp decline, the imports amounting only to 40 million yards valued at R1,08 lakhs as compared with 113 million yards valued at $\mathrm{R} 2,53$ lakhs in the preceding year. Japan occupies a position of predominance in this line, and the decline in trade therefore affected her most. Imports from that country fell from 111.7 million yards to 39.6 million yards. In this connection it may be mentioned that in the year under review, the basis of assessment of duty on artificial silk piecegoods was changed from 50 per cent. ad valorem to 50 per cent. ad valorem or 4 as. per square yard, whichever is higher. The average declared value of artificial silk piecegoods of Japanese origin was 4 as. $2 p$. per yard.

Imports of piecegoods of cotton and artificial silk mixed totalling abour 14 million yards valued at R 49 lakhs showed an increase of 2 million yards in quantity combined with a decrease of $\not 78$ lakhs in value. The increase in quantity was due entirely to a broadening demand for the cheaper grades from Japan in preference to the more costly grades from other countries. Imports from that source amounted to 9 million yards as against 3 million yards in 1932-33. Italy which had been the foremost supplier in the preceding year with 4.4 million yards to her credit had to reduce her contribution to 3 million yards. Supplies from the United Kingdom were also reduced from 3 million yards to 2 million yards. Switzerland which had supplied about 1.0 million yards in 1932-33 cut down her share to 0.2 million yards only. The declared value per yard of the imports of piecegoods of cotton and artificial silk mixed from Japan was 3 as. $11 p$. in the year under review as compared with 3 as. $7 p$. in the preceding year. The declared value of the imports from Italy was 7 as. $3 p$. in 1933-34 as against 7 as. 9 p . in the preceding year. The average recorded value of the imports from the United Kingdom was 7 as. $10 p$. in the year under review as compared with 6 as. $10 p$. in the preceding year. It will be seen that Japanese prices are the lowest. The decline in the total value of imports is therefore mainly due to the extension of Japanese interests in this trade.

Wool, raw and manutactured (R2,55 lakhs).-Imports under this head were valued at $\mathbf{7 2} 2,55$ lakhs as compared with $\mathrm{R} 2,96$ lakhs in the preceding year. The decrease was fairly general and was shared by all the subheads in the group, except blankets and rugs other than floor rugs, and hosiery. Imports of raw wool decreased arom $7 \cdot 2$ million lbs. valued at f 42 lakhs to $5 \cdot 1$ million lbs. valued at R 34 lakhs. Australia with her contribution of $2 \cdot 8$ million lbs. valued at $\mathrm{Z18}$ lakhs still remained the largest supplier, although this quantity was less by 0.2 million lbs. as compared with imports from that country in 1932-33. She, however, realised a comparatively better value on

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her consignment in 1933-34. Imports from the United Kingdom receded from 2 .l million Ibs. valued at R18 lakhs in $1933-33$ to 1.5 million lbs. valued at R14 lakhs in 1933-34. The share of Persia amounted only to 0.6 million lbs. valued at $\mathrm{R} 1 \frac{1}{2}$ lakhs as compared with nearly $1 \cdot 3$ million lbs. valued at f 3 lakhs in the preceding year. Imports of worsted yarn for weaving decreased from $912,000 \mathrm{lbs}$. valued at Rl5 lakhs in $1932-33$ to $886,000 \mathrm{lbs}$. valued at R12 lakhs. Imports of knitting wool also declined from 996,000 lbs. valued at F 18 lakhs to $810,000 \mathrm{lbs}$. valued at Z 13 lakhs.

Imports of woollen piecegoods in 1933-34 were smaller by over 2 million gards in comparison with the imports of the preceding year, the total supplies

## Woollen piecegoods.

 entered in the year under review amounting to 11.5 million yards valued at $\mathrm{R} 1,30$ lakhs as against 13.9 million yards valued at $\mathrm{Al}, 61$ lakhs in the preceding year. There was a falling off in the trade with the Continental countries all of which excepting Belgium, had to cut down their contributions. Japan and the United Kingdom increased their respective shares to $2 \cdot 1$ million yards (ft15 lakhs) and $3 \cdot 2$ million fards (R57 lakhs) from 1.4 million yards ( f 8 lakhs) and 2.8 million yards (R52 lakhs) in 1932-33. The average declared value per yard of the French, Italian and Japanese supplies were R0-10-2, R1-1-1, and f0-11-10 whereas that of the imports from the United Kingdom was R1-12-11.The number of shawls imported in 1933-34 amounted to 332,000 pieces valued at fl 9 lakhs as compared with 338,000 pieces valued at R1I lakhs in the preceding year. The imports under this sub-head in 1929-30 were 658,000 pieces valued at f 27 lakhs. As usual, Germany was the largest single source of supply, but she had to her credit only 171,000 pieces as against 186,000 pieces in 1932-33. Imports from the United Kingdom decreased both in quantity and value while in the case of other countries taken together there was a slight increase in quantity combined with a decrease in value.

Imports of carpets and floor rugs continued to decline and registered only R2 lakhs in 1933-34 as compared with f 4 lakhs in 1932-33. The imports in

Carpets and rugs. 1929-30 were valued at R10 lakhs. The United Kingdom still held the predominant position, her supplies being valued at $\mathrm{Rl} \frac{1}{2}$ lakhs as compared with about f 2 lakhs in the preceding year. The trade by sea with Persia in this line was reduced to insignificant proportions, the imports being valued at only $\mathrm{R} 18,000$ as compared with $\mathrm{Z} 80,000$ in 1932-33.

Imports of blankets and rugs other than floor rugs, however, maintained the upward trend and were valued at R40 lakhs as compared with f 34 lakhs in 1932-33.

Imports of woollen hosiery increased from 266,000 lbs. valued at R7 Iakhs to 281,000 lbs. valued at R 9 lakhs, the increase being entirely due to larger supplies from Japan.

Metals and manufactures thereof ( $\mathrm{R} 9,49$ lakhs).-The imports under this head further declined by 1 per cent. in quantity, viz., from 395,000 tons to 392,000 tons and by 2 per cent. in value, viz., from R9, 73 lakhs to R9,43 lakhs. Iron and steel manufactures accounted for 323,000 tons valued at R5,51 lakhs as compared with 324,000 tons valued at R5, 29 lekhs in the preceding year. If such items as machinery and millwork hardware, cutlery,

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implements and instruments and vehicles are grouped together with metais and manufactures thereof under one head the total value of the group would aggregate P 35 crores. Generally, yarn and textile fabrics constitute the most important group among India's imports, but the imports thereof during the year under review were valued at only R26t crores.

Iron and steel (R5,52 lakhs).-The year witnessed a considerable expansion in the activity of the iron and steel industry of the world, taken as a whole. The world production of pig iron in 1933 was estimated at 48.4 million tons as against 39.3 million tons in 1932 and that of steel at 66.1 million tons as compared with 49.9 million tons in the preceding year. The production of pig iron in the United Kingdom advanced from 3.6 million tons to $4 \cdot 1$ million tons and of steel from $5 \cdot 3$ million tons to $7 \cdot 0$ million tons. The increase in the production of the United Kingdom thus amounted to 14 per cent. under pig iron and to 33 per cent. under steel as compared with increases of 23 and 32.5 per cent. respectively in world production.

Imports into India, of all classes of iron and steel, including pig and old iron or steel, in 1933-34 were returned at 329,000 tons as compared with 326,000 tons in the preceding year-an increase of about l per cent. only. The following tables show the monthly imports of pig iron and manufactured iron and steel into British India from the principal supplying countries :-

Pigiron.
(In tons.)


## Imports.

Manufactured iron and steel (excluding pig and old iron).
(In thousands of Rupees.)


Imports of pig iron further advanced from 750 tons in 1932-33 to 2,000 tons in 1933-34, the entire quantity imported having been received from the United Kingdom. The item is really unimportant.
Pig iron.
The imports of ferro-alloys increased from 500 tons to 1,300 tons, of which 890 tons were received from Italy, 170 tons from Germany and 160 tons from Japan.

Imports of manufactured iron and steel declined slightly and the total supplies received (excluding pig and old iron) amounted to 323,000 tons as compared with 324,000 tons in 1932-33, but the value of the consignments rose by 4 per cent., viz., from R5,29 lakhs to R55,50 lakhs.

The following table shows the quantities and values of the principal descriptions of iron and steel imported into British India during the past three years :-

|  | Quantity Ton (000) |  |  | Value (ks.) lakhs |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | 1081-32 | 1932-33 | 1988-34 | 1081-32 | 1832-33 | 1083-34 |
| Steel angle and tee . ${ }^{\text {a }}$ | $18 \cdot 4$ | 11.8 | 11.4 | $18 \cdot 9$ | $10 \cdot 2$ | 10.9 |
| Steel bars (other than cast steel) | $72 \cdot 5$ | 69.2 | $66 \cdot 1$ | $65 \cdot 1$ | 56.8 | 63.0 |
| Beams, channels, plilars, girders and bridgewort. | $38 \cdot 1$ | 15-7 | $19 \cdot 2$ | 89.7 | $15 \cdot 8$ | 21.0 |
| Bolts and nuts | $7 \cdot 0$ | 6.5 | $7 \cdot 6$ | 18.9 | 18.8 | $21 \cdot 1$ |
| Fencing materials (including fenclag wire). | $8 \cdot 5$ | 4-5 | 6.7 | $9 \cdot 4$ | 14.2 | 14.9 |
| Hoops and strips . . . . | 23.8 | 24.3 | 28.1 | 27.0 | $27 \cdot 6$ | 95.8 |
| Nails, rivets and washers. | $10 \cdot 9$ | $10 \cdot 6$ | 10.6 | 31.4 | $30 \cdot 7$ | 28.3 |
| Galvanlsed sheets and plates - | 84.0 | 72.7 | 60.8 | 1,65.9 | 1,23.4 | 1,13.4 |
| Tinned shects and plates ${ }^{\text {a }}$ - | $7 \cdot 6$ | 7.0 | 7.4 | 1, 19.9 | 1,28.5 | 21.8 |
| Sheets and plates not galvanised or tinned. | 28.1 | $22 \cdot 1$ | 28.7 | 88.5 | $27 \cdot 1$ | $80 \cdot 6$ |
| Rails, chairs and flehplates | $4 \cdot 6$ | 17 | 3.0 | 9.8 | 4.4 | $5 \cdot 0$ |
| Tubes, pipes and fittings, wrought | 23-8 | $\begin{array}{r}23 \cdot 5 \\ \hline 13.2\end{array}$ | 29.0 | 71.8 | $61 \cdot 7$ | 71.6 |
| $\begin{aligned} & \text { Wire nails } \\ & \text { Wire rope }\end{aligned} \quad . \quad . \quad . \quad$. | 9.5 2.7 | $13 \cdot 2$ | 11.9 | 14.8 | 23.3 | 20.0 |
|  | 2.7 1.7 | 2.0 2.1 | 2.3 3.4 | 14.2 | 10.7 | 11.5 |
| Cast pipes and fittings <br> sleepers and keys of steel or iron for | 1.7 5.6 | 2.1 8.4 | 3.4 2.9 | 6.4 8.8 | 6.0 4.8 | 7.6 4.2 |
| leepers and keys of steel or iron for Rallways. | 5.6 | $8 \cdot 4$ | $2 \cdot 9$ | $8 \cdot 8$ | 4.8 | $4 \cdot 2$ |

## Iron and steel.

Imports of galvanized sheets which accounted for 21 per cent. of the total value of manufactured iron and steel imported in 1933-34 declined from 73,000

Galvanised sheets. tons valued at $\mathrm{R} 1,23$ lakhs to 61,000 tons valued at R1, 13 lakhs. Of the total imports in 1933-34, 52,000 tons or 85 per cent. came from the United Kingdom as compared with 50,000 tons or 69 per cent. in 1932-33. The contribution of Belgium declined to 6,000 tons ( 10 per cent) from 21,000 tons ( 29 per cent) in 1932-33. Imports

Tin plates. of tin plates improved from 7,000 tons valued at R19 $\frac{1}{2}$ lakhs to 7,200 tons valued at R21 $\frac{1}{2}$ lakhs. The bulk of the imports, as in 1932-33, came from the United Kingdom, but supplies from this source fell off from 6,900 tons (fl9 lakhs) to 5,000 tons (R15 lakhs), as a result of competition from Germany. Imports from the latter country advanced from 71 tons in 1932-33 to 1,900 tons in 1933-34. The United States of America which had lost its market in 1932-33 as a result of the high dollar rates reappeared towards the end of the year under review, her total supplies,for the year amounting to a little more than 200 tons only.

Imports of sheets and plates, not galvanised or tinned advanced from 22,100 tons valued at R 27 lakhs to 23,800 tons valued at R31 lakhs, thus showing an

Sheets and plates not galvanised. increase of 8 per cent. in quantity and of 14 per cent. in value. The United Kingdom continued to improve her trade, the supplies from that source amounting in the aggregate to 20,300 tons compared with 19,000 tons in 1932-33. But there was concurrently a slight increase in the share of Belgium from 2,700 tons to 3,100 tons. Imports of bars of steel other than cast steel were further reduced from 69,200 tons to 66,100 tons, but the value of the consignments improved from R 57 lakhs to R 63 lakhs. Belgium and Luxemberg which together constitute the main source of supply in this line cut down their combined share from 49,000 tons to 40,000 tons, but the value of the consignments remained unchanged at P33 lakhs. Part of the ground lost by them was recovered by the United Kingdom which advanced her share from 11,500 tons to $\mathrm{I} 5,000$ tons in quantity and from fl 15 lakhs to R 20 lakhs in value. There was a concurrent increase in the share of France from 4,800 tons to 5,500 tons and in that of Germany from 2,800 tons to 3,100 tons. Japan entered the field as a new competitor with a contribution of a little more than 1,000 tons. Under iron bars and channels there was a slight im-
Bars and channels. provement from 1,200 tons to 1,300 tons. Sweden, the principal source of supply, contributed 700 tons as compared with 600 tons in 1932-33, but an increase in the share of the United Kingdom from 350 to 420 tons was more or less balanced by a decline in that of Belgium from 230 tons to 140 tons. Imports of beams, channels, pillars, girders and bridgework which had suffered a serious setback in 1932-33

> Beams, channels, pillars, girders and bridgework. showed a moderate rally, the total consignments received having amounted to 19,000 tons valued at R21 lakhs as compared with 16,000 tons valued at R15 lakhs in the preceding year. The increase has to be attributed mainly to larger supplies from the United Kingdom, amounting in the aggregate to 9,000 tons as against 6,000 tons in 1932-33. Imports from Germany also showed an increase from 1,000 tons to 2,000 tons. But supplies from Belgium and France fell off from 6,000

## Imports.

and 3,000 tons to 5,000 and 2,000 tons. Imports of wrought tubes, pipes and fittings advanced in quantity from 23,500 tons valued at R62 lakhs to 29,000 tons valued at R72 lakhs. There was a considerable recovery made by the United Kingdom which advanced her share from 10,000 tons to 13,000 tons. There were concurrent increases in the contributions of Poland and France from 3,600 and 300 tons to 4,500 and 1,200 tons respectively. Supplies from other Continental countries, notably Germany and the Netherlands, fell off, the imports from these two sources amounting to 3,500 and 900 tons as against 4,400 and 1,300 tons respectively in 1932-33. Japan supplied 1,000 tons or double the quantity received in 1932-33. Imports of cast iron pipes and fittings also increased from 2,100 tons to 3,400 tons. The supplies from the United Kingdom amounted to 1,800 tons as compared with 1,200 tons in 193233 and those from Japan to 1,500 tons as against 700 tons in the preceding year. Under hoops and strips the imports showed an increase from 24,000 tons valued at f 28 lakhs to 28,000 tons valued at R 36 lakhs. This improvement was mainly attributable to the United Kingdom which increased her contribution from 8,000 tons to 13,000 tons; and, in a smaller measure, to Germany which sent 3,500 tons as against 2,000 tons in 1932-33. Part of this increase was set off by a reduction in the consignments from Belgium from 10,000 tons to 7,700 tons. There were also larger imports of bolts and nuts which amounted in the aggregate to

Bolts and nats. 7,600 tons as compared with 6,500 tons in 1932-33. Belgium contributed 3,500 tons and the United Kingdom 1,400 tons as compared with 3,300 and 1,000 tons in the preceding year.

Imports of nails, rivets and washers (other than wire nails) showed a slight increase in quantity from 10,500 tons to 10,600 tons but the value declined from R21 lakhs to R 28 lakhs. The share of the Nails, rivets and washers. United Kingdom advanced from 3,000 tons (R8 lakhs) to 4,000 tons (R9 lakhs), while supplies from Belgium were reduced from 2,600 tons (fi5 $\frac{1}{2}$ lakhs) to 2,200 tons (fil lakhs).

Imports of rails, chairs and fishplates which had fallen off to 1,700 tons (fly lakhs) in 1932-33 improved to 3,000 tons (R5 lakhs), the increase being Rails, chairs and fibhmainly due to arrivals on a larger scale from the United Kingdom. Imports of sleepers and keys of iron or steel, however, declined from 3,400 tons to 2,900 tons, the United Kingdom supplying 2,500 tons, or 500 tons more than in the preceding year.

Among other items, fencing materials and wire ropes showed increases while wire nails, iron angle, tee, bolt and rod and wire other than fencing wire decreased.

Table No. 19 shows the details of the imports and declared values of the different descriptions of iron and steel and Table 20 the principal sources of supply. The following table shows the chief sources of supply of iron and

## Other metals.

steel (including pig and old iron) with the percentage share of each principal country:-

| - | United Klngdom |  | Germany |  | Belglum | France |  | United States |  | Other Countrles |  | TOTAL |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Tons (thotssand). | Share per cent. | Tons (tho: asad) | Share per cont. | Tons Share (thou- per sand). cent. | Tons (thou(and). | Share per cent. | Tens (thou gand). | Share per cent. | Tons (thon gand). | Share per cent. | Tons (thouBand). |
| 1020-21 | 498 | 70.0 | 15 | $2 \cdot 1$ | 69 97 | 2 | $\cdot 3$ | 113 | 15.9 | 15 | $2 \cdot 0$ | 712 |
| 1021-22 | 280 | 45.7 | 60 | $9 \cdot 8$ | $160: 261$ | 0 | 1.5 | 84 | 13.7 | 20 | 3.2 | 013 |
| 1922-23 | 359 | 48.1 | 90 | $12 \cdot 1$ | 229 ${ }^{\text {\% }} \mathbf{3 0 \cdot 7}$ | 7 | $1 \cdot 0$ | 38 | 5.1 | 23 | $3 \cdot 0$ | 746 |
| 1923-24 | 429 | 50.7 | 61 | 8.0 | 217 28.7 | 5 | -5 | 18 | 2.4 | 26 | 3.7 | :66 |
| 1924-25 | 439 | 50.5 | 88 | $10 \cdot 1$ | 273 31.4 | 16 | $1 \cdot 8$ | 17 | 2.0 | 86 | $4 \cdot 2$ | 860 |
| 1925-26 | 489 | 55.3 | 69 | $7 \cdot 8$ | 220 25.9 | 45 | 5.1 | 23 | $2 \cdot 6$ | 29 | $3 \cdot 3$ | 884 |
| 1920-27 | 406 | 48.1 | 79 | $9 \cdot 3$ | $\mathbf{2 5 7}$ : $30 \cdot 4$ | 33 | $3 \cdot 9$ | 29 | 3.4 | 41 | $4 \cdot 9$ | 845 |
| 1927-28 | 685 | 57.2 | 79 | $8 \cdot 6$ | 316 26.4 | 48 | $4 \cdot 0$ | 16 | 1.4 | 53 | 4.4 | 1,197 |
| 1928-20 | 850 | 55.5 | 70 | $6 \cdot 0$ | 338, 28.5 | 64 | $4 \cdot 6$ | 18 | 1.5 | 45 | 3.9 | 1,170 |
| 1920-30 | 486 | 49.9 | 58 | $0 \cdot 0$ | 312, $32 \cdot 1$ | 35 | $3 \cdot 6$ | 16 | $1 \cdot 6$ | 60 | 6.8 | 973 |
| 1090-31 | 280 | 43.8 | 44 | $7 \cdot 2$ | 207 $33 \cdot 7$ | 29 | 4.7 | 15 | 2.4 | 50 | $8 \cdot 2$ | 614 |
| 1931-35 | 164 | 44.2 | 26 | $7 \cdot 0$ | 118:81.8 | 10 | $4 \cdot 3$ | 5 | 1.4 | 42 | $11 \cdot 3$ | 371 |
| 1032-83 | 140 | 48.0 | 22 | 6.7 | 104, 31.9 | 12 | $3 \cdot 7$ | 2 | 0.6 | 46 | $14 \cdot 1$ | 326 |
| 1033-34 | 186 | 50.5 | 23 | $7 \cdot 0$ | 72 21.9 | 13 | 40 | 2 | $0 \cdot 0$ | 53 | 16\%0 | 329 |

It will be seen from the above that while, relatively to 1932-33, the total imports of iron and steel improved by 3,000 tons only, the actual imports from the United Kingdom were larger by as much as 26,000 tons. Consequently, her percentage share increased from 43.0 per cent in 1932-33 to 50.5 per cent, which is the highest figure on record since 1928-29. The Ottawa Agreement had extended preferences to non-protected items of iron and steel. It may also be noticed that there was a slight increase in the percentage share of Germany and a considerable decline in that of Belgium. There was also an increase in the combined percentage share of unspecified countries, and this really reflects the larger velume of business put through by Japan, the total imports from that country having advanced from 8,000 tons in 1932-33 to 16,000 tons in 1933-34.

Other metals ( $\mathrm{R} 3,95$ lakhs). -Imports of metals, other than iron and steel, declined from 69,000 tons valued at R4,42 lakhs in 1932-33 to 62,000 tons valued at $\mathrm{A} 3,95$ lakhs in 1933-34. Almost all descriptions of non-ferrous metals with the exception of aluminium and lead showed decreases. The downward trend in the demand for aluminium which had been in evidence over the preceding few years was checked during the year under review, the imports rising from $24,600 \mathrm{cwts}$. valued at R 22 lakhs to $39,500 \mathrm{cwts}$. valued at R32 $\frac{1}{2}$ lakhs. Wrought circles, which form the bulk of the imports under

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 this sub-head, recorded an inerease from 16,900 cwts. valued at R14 lakhs in 1932-33 to 30,900 cwts. valued at $\not \approx 23 \frac{2}{3}$ lakhs. Of the total quantity imported in 1933-34, 17,000 cwts. came from the United Kingdom as compared with 9,000 cwts. and $23,000 \mathrm{cwts}$. in 1932-33 and 1931-32 respectively. The consignments from Canada which had fallen off to below $\mathbf{3 0 0} \mathrm{cwts}$. in 1932-33 rose to $3,000 \mathrm{cwts}$.
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in the year under review. The United States of America whose share in the trade has suffered from the competition offered by the European aluminium cartel still remained in the background, although imports from that source, amounting to a little under 700 cwts., showed a slight improvement relatively to 1932-33. Imports from Japan decreased to 5,000 cwts. from $6,700 \mathrm{cwts}$. in 1932-33. Wrought sheets, iniported chiefly from the United Kingdom, recorded an increase from $1,500 \mathrm{cwts}$. to $1,700 \mathrm{cwts}$. while other manufactures, consisting chiefly of wire and utensils, advanced from 5,900 cwts. valued at $\mathrm{f} 6 \frac{3}{3}$ lakhs to $6,700 \mathrm{cwts}$. valued at $\mathrm{R} 7 \frac{1}{2}$ lakhs. Imports of unwrought aluminium amounted to only 125 cwts. valued at $\mathrm{A} 9,600$ in 1933-34.

Imports of brass declined from 571,000 cwts. to $471,000 \mathrm{cwts}$. in quantity and from R1,80 lakhs to R1,38 lakhs in value. Mixed or yellow metal for

Brass. sheathing which accounted for 90 per cent of the total quantity of brass imported in 1933-34 recorded a decrease from 483,000 cwts. valued at $\mathrm{Pl} 1,49$ lakhs to $422,000 \mathrm{cwts}$. valued at R1,19 lakhs. Germany continued to be the principal source of supply, but consignments from this source fell from 237,000 cwts. to 170,000 cwts. Imports from the United Kingdom advanced from 150,000 cwts. to 156,000 cwts. while those from Japan declined from 96,000 cwts. to 95,000 cwts. Imports, collectively, of other brass manufactures slumped from 85,000 cwts. valued at R 30 lakhs to $48,000 \mathrm{cwts}$. valued at R19 lakhs, the decline being attributable to smaller receipts of rods, tubes, wire and sheets. Unwrought brass formed a relatively unimportant item, the imports under this sub-head being returned at $\mathrm{F} 9,000$ in 1933-34.

Imports of copper which had improved steadily from 204,000 cwts. valued at f 85 lakhs in 1931-32 to 325,000 cwts. valued at $\mathrm{Rl} 1,15$ lakhs in 1932-33 fell off in 1933-34 and amounted only to 279,000 Copper. cwts. valued at R88 lakhs. Wrought copper consisting chiefly of sheets, rods, tubes and wire recorded a decrease from 316,000 cwts. to $263,000 \mathrm{cwts}$. while unwrought copper in the form of ingots, blocks, etc., showed an increase from $5,600 \mathrm{cwts}$ to $14,100 \mathrm{cwts}$. Of the total quantity of wrought copper imported in 1933-34 Germany supplied $104,000 \mathrm{cwts}$. and the United Kingdom $113,000 \mathrm{cwts}$. as compared with 192,000 and 72,000 cwts. respectively in 1932-33. Imports from France and the United States of America declined from $3,000 \mathrm{cwts}$. and $13,000 \mathrm{cwts}$. to 356 cwts . and 11,000 cwts. respectively. Japan's supplies increased to 31,000 ewts. as against 22,000 cwts. in $1932-33$ and $10,000 \mathrm{cwts}$. in 1931-32. As regards unwrought copper both the United Kingdom and the United States of America enlarged their supplies, their respective contributions in 1933-34 being 5,100 ewts. and 4,900 cwts. as against 500 cwts . and $4,800 \mathrm{cwts}$. in the preceding year.

Imports of lead increased from $27,000 \mathrm{cwts}$. valued at ft 4 lakhs to 28,000 civts. valued at $\mathrm{f} 5 \frac{1}{2}$ lakhs. Wrought sheets and pipes and tubes met with a Lead. larger demand in the year under review, the imports amounting to 10,000 cwts. and 8,000 cwts. in 1933-34 as compared with 8,000 cwts. and 7,000 cwts. respectively in the preceding year. Imports of lead sheets for tea chests, however, continued to be small amounting, as they did, to only a little above 800 cwts. or almost the same as in 1932-33.

## Machinery and millwork.

Imports of tin, consisting mainly of blocks, ingots, etc., which bad improved to $48,400 \mathrm{cwts}$. in $1932-33$ were returned only at $38,700 \mathrm{cwts}$., although

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owing to high prices resulting from the restriction of output by the International Tin Pool the declared value advanced from F 47 lakbs to R 55 lakhs. The imports were, as usual, drawn mostly from the Straits Settlements.

Imports of unwrought zine which have been steadily increasing in recent years and which had amounted to 299,000 cwts. in 1932-33 declined by a

Zinc. small margin to $284,000 \mathrm{cwts}$; but notwithstanding this quantitative decline, the value of the imports was well maintained mainly as a result of the regulation of production and the total value returned, R32 lakhs, showed a very slight increase in comparison with the imports of 1932-33. The United States of America and Germany had their shares reduced from 57,000 and $27,000 \mathrm{cwts}$. to 33,000 and 17,000 cwts. There was also a small reduction in the imports from the United Kingdom. But Austria succeeded in enlarging her contribution by a fairly large margin from $75,000 \mathrm{cwts}$. to $112,000 \mathrm{cwts}$. Imports of wrought zinc improved from $27,000 \mathrm{cwts}$. to $34,000 \mathrm{cwts}$.

German silver, including nickel silver, was unable to maintain the improvement recorded in the preceding year and the imports fell from 17,500 cwts. (Rl3 lakhs) in 1932-33 to 17,200 cwts. ( Fl 12
lakhs) in the year under review. The chief sources of supply were Italy (R4 lakhs), the United Kingdom (R3 lakhs) and Austria (R2 lalkhs).

Mashinery and millwork ( $\mathrm{f1} 12,7$ lakhs). The following table analyses the imports of machinery according to classes during the past five years:-

| - | $\begin{gathered} \text { 1929-30 } \\ \text { F (lakh } 8 \text { ) } \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 1930-31 \\ & \mathrm{E} \text { (lakhs) } \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{gathered} 1031-32 \\ \text { f (lakhas }) \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} 1939-33 \\ \mathrm{R} \text { (lakhs) } \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} \text { 1933-34 } \\ \mathrm{Z}(\mathrm{lakhs}) \end{gathered}$ |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Prime-movers | 4,12 | 2,74 | 1,56 | 1,00 | 1,21 |
| Electrioal | 2,41 | 2,39 | 2,16 | 1,54 | 1,27 |
| Boilers . . - . . | 1,10 | 97 | 56 | 45 | 66 |
| Matal working (ehiefly machine tools) | 36 | 30 | 19 | 15 | 16 |
| Mining - . - | 61 | 74 | 68 | 38 | 32 |
| Oil crushing and refining . | 43 | 40 | 35 | 19 | 27 |
| Paper mill . - . | 7 | 7 | 6 | 5 | 11 |
| Refrigerating .i. - | 20 | 22 | 10 | 9 | 9 |
| Rice and flour mill . . | 24 | 22 | 10 | 9 | 7 |
| Saw mill : | 9 | 7 | 3 | 3 | 3 |
| Sewing and knitting - . | 85 | 69 | 51 | 45 | 50 |
| Siggar machinery - . | $\theta$ | 14 | 30 | 1,63 | 3,36 |
| Tea machinery . - . | 28 | 17 | 11 | 21 | 12 |
| Cotton machinery | 2,10 | 1,78 | 1,93 | 2,04 | 2,03 |
| Jute mill machinery . . - | 1,44 | 81 | 32 | 30 | 32 |
| Wool mavinery . | ${ }^{6}$ | 1 | 1 | 3 | 3 10 |
| Iypewriters, including parts and accessories. | 26 | 25 | 13 | 7 | 10 |
| Printing and lithographing presses | 23 | 14 | 15 | 9 | 15 |
| Beltiug for machiuery . . . | 60 | 64 | 50 | 63 | 46 |

Taking the imports of the different descriptions of machincry and millwork together there was an improvement to the extent of $\mathrm{Z} 2,23$ lakhs, the

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value recorded having advanced from R10,54 lakhs in 1932-33 to $\mathrm{Al} 12,77$ lakhs. The sugar industry was mainly responsible for this increase. If sugar machinery is left out of account, there is a net increase of only f 40 lakhs over the preceding year. Demand for specialised machinery for the older industries such as cotton, jute, tea and mining actually fell off as compared with the preceding year.

The value of the imports of prime-movers advanced by F 21 lakhs to R1,21 lakhs. This improvement was principally due to an increase of $\mathrm{Fl11}$ lakhs under railway locomotive engines, and of $\mathfrak{7 4}$ lakhs under oil engines, including parts. Inports under these two heads were valued at R43 lakhs and R53 lakhs respectively in 1933-34. Imports of electrical machinery receded from $\mathrm{Fl} 1,56$ lakhs to $\mathrm{R1}, 27$ lakhs. There was a
Blectrical machinery. shrinkage of demand for all descriptions of electrical machinery, except motors. The value of the total supplies of electrical machinery from the United Kingdom amounted to R86 lakhs, of those from the United States of America to R17 lakhs and from Germany to R1l lakhs, as against $\mathrm{Rl}, 21$ lakhs, R 16 lakhs and R10 lakhs respectively in 1932-33.

Textile machinery. The import trade in textile machinery did not maintain the improvement noticed in 1939-33, the total value receding from $\mathrm{R} 2,68$ lakhs to $\mathrm{R} 2,61$ lakhs. Under cotton machinery there was a decrease from $\mathrm{P} 2,08$ lakhs to $\mathrm{R} 2,03$ lakhs. The contribution of the United Kingdom amounted in value to $\mathrm{R} 1,65$ lakhs or 81 per cent as compared with $\mathrm{f} 1,84$ lakhs or 88 per cent in 1932-33. Imports of jute machinery fell off from 736 lakhs to R 32 lakhs, but the imports of wool machinery showed a slight increase, the value of the imports being returned at R2 $\ddagger$ lakhs. Imports of sugar machinery were valued at
sughax msohinery. R3,36 lakhs in 1933-34 as compared with $\mathrm{R} 1,53$ lakhs in the preceding year and R30 lakhs in 1931-32. Imports from the United Kingdom were valued at R1,96 lakhs as against R91 $\frac{1}{2}$ lakhs in 1932-33. The percentage share of United Kingdom in 1933-34 amounted to 58 per cent of the total value recorded, the balance being made up mainly of imports from the Netherlands, Belgium and Germany. The share of the Netherlands showed a remarkable increase from P11 lakhs to 761 lakhs. The impetus given to Indian sugar production by the passing of the Sugar Industry (Protection) Act, 1932, is reflected in the number of new factories erected during the year under review, viz., 64 with an estimated annual output of 160,000 tons. Imports of tea machinery again declined and were valued at only R12 lakhs in the year under review as against $\not$ f21 $\frac{1}{2}$ lakhs in 1932-33. Imports of mining machinery and rice and flour nill machinery decreased from R238 lakhs and R9 lakhs to R32 lakhs and R7 lakhs respectively in 1933-34. Increases were, however, recorded under some of the other descriptions of machinery. Imports of boilers increased to P66 lakhs, those of metal working machinery (chiefly machine tools) from Pl 15 lakhs to R16 lakhs, and of oil crushing and refining machinery from R 19 lakhs to F 27 lakhs. Imports of sewing and knitting machines, received chiefly from the United Kingdom and Germany, increased from 39,100 to 54,900 in number and from R 41 lakhs to R 44 lakhs in value. The consignments of typewriters received in 1933-34 also advanced and amounted to 6,600 valued at $\mathrm{R} 7 \frac{1}{2}$ lakhs as against 3,900 valued at $\mathrm{R} 5 \frac{2}{3}$ lakhs in 1932-33. The increase in the value of agricultural machinery imported,

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from nearly R 7 lakhs to over R 10 lakhs, is also of interest, the most important single item in the imports being tractors and parts thereof.

Imports of belting of all descriptions declined by P7 lakhs to R46 lakhs. The share of the United Kingdom in this particular line of trade decreased

Melling for machinery. from R35 lakhs to R31 lakhs in 1933-34, and her percentage share from 67 per cent to 66 per cent. The following table shows the relative shares of the principal countries in the total import trade in machinery and mill-work :-

Imports of machinery and mill-work including belting for machinery and printing machinery.

|  | $\begin{gathered} \text { 1918-14 } \\ \text { (pre-war year) } \end{gathered}$ |  | 1080-81 |  | 1931-32 |  | 1932-83 |  | 1938-84 |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Unlted King- |  | Per cent 00 | $\begin{aligned} & \text { (1akhs) } \\ & 11,21 \end{aligned}$ | Par cent 74.4 | $\begin{array}{\|} \hline \mathbf{B} \\ (\mathbf{t a k h}) \\ \mathbf{8 , 1 9} \end{array}$ | Per cent 70.2 | $\begin{gathered} \mathrm{f} \\ \hline(\mathbf{1 a k h s}, \\ \mathbf{8 , 2 3} \end{gathered}$ | Per ceat $73 \cdot 7$ | $\begin{gathered} \mathrm{R} \\ \text { (lakhs) } \\ 0,11 \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} \text { Pat } \\ \text { oent } \\ 68.1 \end{gathered}$ |
| Uoited States. | 27 | 8 | 1,78 | 11.6 | 1,37 | $11 \cdot 8$ | 90 | 8.1 | 94 | 7.0 |
| Gormany | 46 | 6 | 1,26 | 8.2 | 1,18 | $10 \cdot 2$ | 1.04 | $0 \cdot 3$ | 1,76 | 10.2 |
| Belplum |  | - | 17 | $1 \cdot 1$ | 27 | $2 \cdot 3$ | 39 | $3 \cdot 6$ | 43 | 8.8 |
| Other Coun- | 12 | 1 | 75 | $4 \cdot 7$ | 63 | 5.5 | 80 | 6.4 | 1,54 | 11.5 |
| Totar. | 8,2 ${ }^{\text {a }}$ | 10.1 | 15.13 | $10 n$ | 11,57 | 100 | 11,18 | $100^{\prime}$ | 1?, 38 | 101 |

It will be seen from the table above that the combined percentage share of ' other countries 'increased at the expense of the United Kingdom, the larger imports of sugar machinery from the Netherlands and of textile machinery from Japan contributing to this result.

Motor vehicles (R3,19 lakhs).—The import trade in motor vehicles had been for some time on a downward grade : the year under review, however, saw the first sign of an improvement and the value of the imports of all classes of motor vehicles increased from R2,43 lakhs in 1932-33 to R3,19 lakhs in 1933-34. The increase was not entirely due to a normal annua demand, but is accounted for, partly at least, by the subnormal importations of the preceding few years which evidently had tailed to keep pace with the normal deterioration, through wear and tear, of the vehicles already on the road, making early replacement of running units necessary. The increase in imports, in the case of motor cars, was one of 3,558 in number and f748 lakhs in value, the aggregate consignments received during the year having been returned at 9,759 valued at R1,77 lakhs as against 6,201 cars valned at R1,29 lakhs in 1932-33. These imports, however, were still far behind the average annual takings of the pre-depression years and even offered a poor comparison with the imports of 1930-31 which had stood at 12,601 cars valued at R2,58 lakhs. Such increases, however, as occurred during the year under review brought in their train relatively larger changes in the geographical distribution of the imports. Imports from the United Kingdom amounted in 1933-34 to 5,348 cars valued at $\mathrm{Rl}, 06$ lakhs as compared with 3,958 cars valued at R 80 lakhs in 1932-33 and 2,178 cais valued at f50 $\frac{1}{3}$ lakhs in 1931-32. Imports from the United States of America numbered 2,227 valued nt R36 lakhs as compared with 1,201 valued at $\mathrm{F} 28 \frac{1}{2}$ lakhs in 1932-33 and 3,368 valued at f65 lakhs in 1931-32. Concurrently, imports $f_{2}$ om Canada which had fallen away from 676 cars valued at $\mathbb{R} 101$ lakhs to 296 cars valued at $\mathbb{R} 6$ lakhs in 1932-33, stepped up once again to 1,715 cars valued at Z 26 lakbs in the year under review. The number of cars imported from Germany, Italy

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and Frauce dropped from 146,226 and 84 to 106,221 and 62 respectively. Arrivals in 1933-34 also included 26 cars from the Straits Settlenients, 21 from Ceylon, 7 from Aden and Dependencies, 5 from Sweden and 3 each from Java, Belgium and Egypt. The average declared value of motor cars imported from the United Kingdom in 1933-34 was R11,985, of those from the U.S.A. R1,631 and from Canada $\mathrm{R} 1,488$ as against $\mathrm{R} 2,023, \mathrm{R} 2,374$ and $\mathrm{R} 2,080$ for the respective imports in the preceding year. Taking the annual figures of imports for 1932-33 and 1933-34, the United Kingdom still retained the predominant position which she had wrested from the United States of America in 1932-33, but there were at the same time relatively larger increases in the shares of the United States and Canada. This is evidenced by the fact that the percentage share of the United Kingdom which had amounted to 64 per cent in 1932-33 came down to 55 per cent in the year under review. Simultaneously, the combined participation of the United States and Canada, which worked out at 24 per cent in 1932-33, had advanced to 40 per cent in 1933-34. At the same time it has to be mentioned that the rise in the percentage figure for the United Kingdom in 1032-33 had been the result of certain special forces. In that year the United Kingdon had been in possession of a differential advantage over America due to the depreciation of the sterling and at the same time to the conditions under which the motor industry was operating at that time in the United States of Anerica. Exportaole stocks in America had fallen to a low ebb in 1932-33. During the year under review the advantage to the United Kingdom due to the exchange was neutralised by the depreciation of the dollar. It is true that to some considerable extent the effect of the depreciation of the dollar has been circumvented by the promulgation of the "Codes" in the United States which in effect seek to raise the level of production costs in that country. But it seems probade that the portion of the United States trade which might have been forced back fiom that country by the rise in basic prices was diverted more particularly to Canada. This circumstance may be taken as accounting for the much higher rate of progress for Canada than for the United States on the basis of the imports from the two countries in 1932-33. The United Kingdom, however, still retained some of her differential advantage owing to the operation of the preference of $7 \frac{1}{2}$ per cent granted to her in the Indian tariff. It is important that compared with the imports of 1931.32, the United Kingdom showed an increase of 146 per cent $v i s-\dot{\alpha}-\dot{-}$ vis an actual decline of 3 per ceat in the combined share of the United States and Canada. This position is due, partly at least, to the outstanding achievement of the British motor car industry, which in recent years has developed car types, providing improved chassis design and coach work perfection, and offering to the market a wide range of engine power. These special features have built up for the British industry a competitive power which both the American and Canadian exporters find difficult to meet. The conclusions which may be drawn from the import figures just given have to be modified in the sense that the import trends they represent have been disguised to the extent that cars which previously used to be received as complete units are being increasingly brought over in "knocked down" condition for subsequent re-assembly in local factories. Further, orders for American and Canadian models can now be filled by subsidiaries of American and Canadian factories operating from the United Kingdom to gain advantage of the preferential tarift.

Motor vehicles.
The following table shows the imports of motor cars during each year from 1920-21 compared with those for the pre-War and War-time averages:-

Number of motor cars imported.

| - | United Kingdom | United States(a) | Coniads | France | Italy | Other Countries | Total |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Year 1913-14 (proWar). | 1,669 | 868 | . | 111 | 7 | 225 | 2,880 |
| War average (191415 to 1918-19). | 537 | 1,081 | $\cdots$ | 49 | 28 | 22 | 2,317 |
| Year 1920-21 . | 2,541 | 10,120 | 1,938 | 102 | 218 | 423 | 15,432 |
| \% 1921-22 | 790 | 802 | 578 | 168 | 223 | 347 | 2,805 |
| (2 1929 23 | 449 | 1,386 | 1,846 | 61 | 131 | 450 | 4,323 |
| \% 1923-24 | 1,005 | 2,865 | 3,290 | 153 | 370 | 301 | 7,984 |
| " 192t-25 | 1,682 | 3,108 | 3,950 | 215 | 235 | 186 | 9,380 |
| $\because 1925-26$ | 2,309 | 4,143 | 4,775 | 367 | 860 | 213 | 12,757 |
| - 1926-27 | 2,516 | 4,030 | 4,476 | 607 | 1,416 | 122 | 13,197 |
| - 1927-28 | 3,600 | 6,031 | 3,400 | 638 | 1,367 | 186 | 15,122 |
| \% 1!128-29 | 3,645 | 10,145 | 4,366 | 277 | 987 | 167 | 19,567 |
| -1924-30 | 3,758 | 0,620 | 2,318 | 364 | 1,150 | 189 | 17,309 |
| \% 1930-31 | 2,885 | 8,098 | 3,260 | 26 L | 917 | 190 | 12,601 |
| \% 1931-32 | 2,178 | 3,368 | 678 | 161 | 510 | 327 | 7,220 |
| - 1932.33 | 3,953 | 1,201 | 296 | 84 | 228 | 430 | 6,201 |
| , 1933-34 | 5,348 | 2,227 | 1,715 | 62 | 221 | 186 | 9,758 |

(a) The country of origin of many of the cars imported from the United States of America duriag the years previous to 1920-21 is Canada.

Of the total number of cars imported during the year 4,739 cars were received in Bombay, 2,371 in Bengal, 1,342 in Madras, 781 in Sind and 526 in Burma as against 2,525, 1,634, 1,004, 642 and 396 respectively in the preceding year.

The number of motor omnibuses, vans and loriies, etc., imported amounted to 5,496 valued at f 66 lakhs. This constituted a remarkable improvement indeed on the trade of 1932-33 for which year the imports had been returned at 2,676 valued at P 41 lakhs. Compared with the imports of 1931-32, the imports of 1933-34 were quantitatively larger to the extent of 1,194 cars. In spite of this gain in the turnover there was a recession in the value from R67 lakhs to R66 lakbs. Fven in the annual comparison between 1932-33 and 1933-34 the value had advanced in a much smaller ratio than the number of cars imported, the increase in the two cases having been 61 and 105 per cent respectively. As regards the distribution of the trade of 1933-34 the outstanding feature has been the recapture of the trade by the United States and Canada. Imports from these two sources taken together increased from 80 per cent in 1932-33 to 90 per cent in 1933-34. This figure was slightly in excess of the corresponding percentage of 89 for 1931-32. Imports from the United States amounted to 3,692 valued at R36 lakhs as against 1,793 valued at IR25 lakhs in 1932-33, and those from Canada showed a concurrent increase from 338 valued at f 6 lakhs to 1,243 valued at R16 lakhs. The United Kingdom sent out 528 cars valued at R 12 lakhs as against 517 valued at Pl 10 lakhs in 1932-33. The increase in the case of the United Kingdom was thus a nominal one but this is largely accounted for by the relative movement of the unit

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values of vehicles imported frow the three sources. The average declared value of chassis imported from the United Kingdom in 1933-34 was R2,020 as against Al,984 in 1932-33, while for the same period the unit value of American makes had declined from R1,381 to f 977 and of the Canadian makes from R1,728 to $\not \approx 1,338$. Of the total number of vehicles imported 5,077 or 93 per cent represented chassis as against 2,484 in the preceding year. The total value of chassis imported amounted to R59 lakhs as against R38 lakhs in the preceding year,

Imports of motor cycles continued to decline-the number imported in 1933-34 amounting to 700 against 782 in 1932-33 and 926 in 1931-32. The preponderance of imports from the United Kingdom in this line of trade, however, remained unassailed although relatively to $1933-34$ there was a' slight recession in her percentage share which is accounted for by an increase in the imports from the United States of America from only 1 in 1932-33 to 12 in 1933-34 and in those from Germany from 47 to 55 . Imports from the United Kingdom amounted to 612 or 87 per cent as against 699 or 89 per cent in 1932-33.

The following table shows the number, of all classes, of motor vehicles registered in the different provinces of British India up to the end of March, 1934 :-

Number of motor vehicles registered in British India up to 31st March, 1934.

| Provinces. | Motor cars, including taxi cabs. | Motor cycles, ineluding scooters and autowheels. | Heary motor vehicles (lorries, buses, etc.). | Total |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Bengal including Calcutta | 39,005 | 5,312 | 5,060 | 49,377 |
| Bombay City (a) . | 9,930 | 516 | 949 | 11,395 |
| Bombay Presidency (excluding Bombay City and Sind) (a). | 10,827 | 776 | 39 | 11,642 |
| Madras City . . . . . | 14,374 | 3,196 | 2,171 | 19,741 |
| Madras Presidency (excluding Madras City) (a). | 7,617 | 1,382 | 5,676 | 14,67o |
| United Provinces ( $b$ ) . . | 12,806 | 1,792 | 4,447 | 19,045 |
| Punjab. - . | 6,253 | 1,226 | 5,404 | 12,883 |
| Burma (a) - | 9,881 | 1,077 | 5,296 | 16,264 |
| Bibar and Orissa | 10,263 | 1,393 | 2,483 | 14,139 |
| Central Provinces (c) | 3.411 | 632 | 1,724 | 5,787 |
| Sind - | 1,815 | 412 | 520 | 2,747 |
| Delhi (c). ${ }^{\text {a }}$. | 8,609 | 1,495 | 2,104 | 12,208 |
| North-West Frontier Province | 3,972 | 1,552 | 2,940 | 8,514 |
| Ajmer-Merwara | 866 | 204 | 244 | 1,314 |
| Assam (b) * . | 1,786 | 153 | 1,320 | 3,259 |
| Total | 141,415 | 21,118 | 40,427 | 202,960 |

(a) Actually running. (b) Figures relate to the year ending December, 1933.
(c) Represent number of vebicles re-registered during the year.

The chart on the opposite page illustrates the imports of motor vehicles together with the course of prices and the estimated consumption of petrol during each year from $1924-25$. It will be seen that in comparison with the

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imports of the peak year 1929-30 there is still a good desl of leeway to "be made up despite the increased importations of 1933-34.

The larger importation of motor vehicles in 1933-34 was indeed expected in its turn to induce a sympathetic increase in the imports of rubber mann-

Rubbor manufactires. factures in India. Quantitatively, imports under all classifications of rubber manufactures were higher in 1933-34 than in the preceding year, but the aggregate value of the imports declined from $\mathrm{R1}, 98$ lakhs in 1932-33 to a further low level of $\mathrm{R1}, 88$ lakhs. The following table shows the imports of the principal descriptions of rubber manufactures during the past 3 years:-

Imports of rubber manufactures.
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| Paeumatio moter cover copera oyclePosumatise cycle covert | 1981-32 |  | 1032-33 |  | 1933-8: |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Number | f | Number | 號 | Number | f |
|  | 848 | 1,84,8\% | 288 | 1,25,73 | 311 | 1,13,38 |
|  | 1,684 | 24,73 | 1.809 | \% $\begin{array}{r}81 \\ 18,81\end{array}$ | 1,772 | 21.88 |
|  | 859 | 20.18 | 275 | 17,03 | 285 | 16,36 |
|  | 1,731 | 18,84 | 1,770 | 28 0,60 | $8.071{ }^{9}$ | 10,70 |
| Solld rubher tyres for motor venicled. | 3 | 8,76 | 8 | 8,14 | 8 | 3,80 |

Pneumatic motor covers representing about 60 per cent of the aggregate value of the imports under this bead increased from 292,000 to 311,000 in number but the declared value dropped by 10 per cent from R1,20 lakhs to P1,13 lakbs. The United Kingdom which had greatly improved ber position in 1932-33 under the stimulus of the high dollar rates in 1932-33 was not only able to maintain her progress but also accelerated her rate by virtue of the 10 per cent preference granted to her by India. Imports from the United Kingdom rose in number from 108,000 to 197,000 with an increase in value from P 45 lakhs to F 71 lakhs. Imports from the United States of America on the other hand fell off trom 87,000 to 37,000 . Part of the trade thus lost by the U.S. A. was, however, taken over by Canada which showed an increase from 12,000 to 22,000 in number and from $\mathrm{R5}$ lakhs to P 7 lakhs in value. Among the other sources of supply Germany, France and Italy had smaller shares, imports falling from $16,000,15,000$ and 32,000 to $10,000,7,000$ and 11,000 in 1033-34.

There was a concomitant increase in the number of motor tubes imported; from 275,000 to 285,000 in number accompanied by a decline in value from ¥18 lakhs to R15 lakhs. Consignments from the United Kingdom increased from 107,000 to 206,000 , while those from Japan and Canada advanced from 9,600 and 11,400 to 14,900 and 14,300 respectively. But supplies from other sources showed reductions.

Under pneumatic motor cycle covers imports numbered 5,100 and showed a nominal decline on the imports in 1932-33 at 5,300. The United Kingdom was able to enlarge her supplies slightly from 3,200 to 3,800 but this increase was counterbalanced by smaller receipts from the United States of America, Italy and Canada imports from which sources, however, constitute relatively

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minor proportions of the total imports under this head. There was a further falling off in the demand for pneumatio motor cycle tubes, the imports in 193334 having amounted to only 9,000 as against 10,000 in 1932-33. The decline was due almost wholly to smaller receipts from the United States of America aggregating 400 ( 5 per cent) as compared with 1,500 ( 15 per cent) in 1932-33. The share of the United Kingdom, however, advanced from 5,400 (52 per cent) to 7,400 ( 84 per cent). Imports of paeumatic cycle covers increased in number from $1,369,000$ to $1,772,000$. The United Kingdom supplied $1,117,000$ as against 774,000 in 1932-33, while Japan increased her share from 367,000 to 436,000 and France from 86,000 to 97,000 . In pneumatic cycle tubes there was an increase in the imports from 1,779,000 (R10 lakhs) to $2,071,000$ (R11 lakhs). The share of the United Kingdom rose to 948,000 or 46 per cent in 1933-34 from 685,000 or 39 per cent in 1932-33. At the same time imports from Germany and France advanced from 30,000 and 75,000 to 55,000 and 150,000 respectively. These increases, however, were set off in part by a slight recession in the share of Japan from 858,000 ( 48 per cent) to 844,000 ( 41 per cent). The number of solid tyres for motor vehicles imported showed a slight advance from 2,900 to 3,200 . The United Kingdom and Germany supplied 2,400 and 500 as compared with 1,800 and 300 respectively in $1932-33$, whereas consignments from the United States of America fell away from 778 to 243.

Hardware ( $\mathrm{R} 2,88$ lakhs). -The improvement in this line noticed in the preceding year 1932-33 was not maintained in the year under review. After a sharp decline by R 99 lakhs to $\mathrm{R} 2,61$ lakhs in 1931-32, imports had rallied and reached $\mathrm{R} 2,99$ lakhs in 1932-33, but in the year under review, total imports under this head aggregated $\mathrm{R} 2,88$ lakhs only. The following table compares the values of the different classes of hardware imported during the last five years :-

| —— | 1929-30 | 1980-31 | 1951-32 | 1932-33 | 1983-34 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | P (lakbs) | 事 (akhs) | A (lakha) | A (akhs) | 72 (lakha) |
| Artimitaral fraplements Other tanplements and tools (except | 14 | 9 49 | $8{ }_{8}^{6}$ | 85 | 6 98 |
| Other tiaplements and tools (except machine tonls). | 71 | 49 | 85 | 85 | 89 |
| Buhlders harduare - | 40 | 33 | 25 | 27 | 21 |
| Dimestic hardwaze | 13 | 10 | 8 | 0 | 8 |
| Enamelled Ironware | 32 | 24 | 16 | 23 | 22 |
| Metailamps * | 78 | 58 | 81 | 41 | 40 |
| Sietal lampa, parts : | 111 10 | 5 6 | 6 | 6 | 4 |
|  | 10 2 | ${ }^{6}$ | .$^{6}$ | 4 | . |
| liag mantles Other sorts | 8 2,29 | 6 1,65 | 1,27 | $\begin{array}{r} 9 \\ 1,40 \end{array}$ | 1,39 |

Among the items separately recorded above, implements and tools (other than agricultural implements and machine tools) alone recorded an advance. Metal lamps, the most important single item in the list, registered an increase in number, imports advancing from $3,083,000$ to a little over $3,743,000$; but the value declined from R41 lakhs to R40 lakhs. Imports from Germany, the principal supplier to India of this article, fell off from $2,787,000$ valued at f36 lakhs in 1932-33 to 2,579,000 valued at $\mathbb{7 2 8}$ lakhs. Other countries interested in this item are Austria, Sweden, the United Kingdom, Japan and the Uuited States of America each of which, with the exception of Austria,

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increased its supplies in the year under review. The value of parts of metal lamps, imported mainly from Germany, declined from P 5 lakhs to fl 4 lakhs. Imports of agricultural implements, consigned mostly from the United Kingdom, remained unchanged at P 6 lakhs, but those of other implements and tools advanced from R35 lakhs in 1932-33 to R39 lakhs in 1933-34, the United Kingdom accounting for R19 lakhs, Germany for R 9 lakhs and the United States of America for R7 lakhs. Imports of enamelled ironware, which had improved from 715 lakhs in 1931-32 to 723 lakhs in 1932-33, fell off by Rl lakh in the year under review. Supplies from Japan were valued at R15 lakhs as against R16 lakhs in 1932-33 and R9 lakhs in 1931-32. Imports from Germany and the United Kingdom were small, being valued at a little over Al lakh in each case. Domestic hardware (other than enamelled ironware), which is imported chiefly from Germany and the United Kingdom, showed a decrease from a little below R 9 lakhs to R 8 lakhs. In builders' hardware there was a noticeable decrease, imports declining by filakhs to f 21 lakhs. The supplies were mainly drawn from Germany ( 57 per cent) and Sweden and the United Kingdom (19 per cent each). Among other articles included in this group the decline in the imports of gas mantles (chiefly drawn from Germany, the United States of America and the United Kingdom) from P9 lakhs to P5 lakhs is worth mentioning. The following table shows the percentage shares of the principal countries participating in the import trade in hardware:-

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| - | $\begin{gathered} 1913-14 \\ (\text { prowar } \\ \text { ywar) } \end{gathered}$ | 1928-20 | 1929-30 | 1030-81 | 1931-32 | 1932-98 | 1938-34 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Per cent | Porcent | Per cent | Per cent | Per cent | Per cent | Percent |
| United Klagdom | 57 | 88 | 95 | 86 | 37 | 82 | 34 |
| Germany . . | 18 | 88 | 88 | 80 | 20 | 36 | 30 |
| Unlted States . | 10 | 12 | 12 | 12 | 10 | 6 | 9 |
| Japan . . . | 1 | 5 | 6 | 6 | 6 | 10 | I2 |
| Other conntries | 14 | 15 | 15 | 16 | 18 | 16 | 16 |
| Totas | 100 | 100 | 100 | 100 | 100 | 100 | 100 |

It will be noticed that the set-back in the German share ( 6 per cent) was taken advantage of by the United Kingdom, Japan and the United States of America in equal proportions.

The value of cutlery imported amounted to just over R25 lakhs as against ¥24 lakhs in 1932-33 and f 21 lakhs in 1931-32. The United Kingdom's

Cutlery (R25 lakhs). share in the trade increased by Zll lakh to ZR 8 lakhs share of Germany which fell from nearly $\mathrm{Zl} 14 \frac{1}{2}$ lakhs to $\mathrm{Zl} 3 \frac{3}{4}$ lakhs.

The value of electroplated ware, which is chiefly indented from the United Flectroplated ware ( f 3 Kingdom , rose from R2 lakhs in 1932-33 to f 3 lakhs lakhs). in the year under review.
Mineral oils (ft5,83 lakhs).-The market for imported mineral oils continued dull and in fact suffered some slight contraction during the year under review, imports having declined from 188 million gallons valued at

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P6,70 lakhs in 1932-33 to 186 million gallons valued at R5, 83 lakhs in 1933-34 or by 1 per cent in quantity and 13 per cent in value. Relatively to 1932-33 imports of kerosene amounting to 58 million gallons valued at $\mathbb{2} 2,26 \frac{3}{4}$ lakhs showed a falling off by one million gallons the effect of this fall being further supplemented by a small drop of 0.2 million gallons under other classifications of mineral oils. In the case of the latter namely, mineral oils, other than kerosene, there were increases of I million gallons under lubricating oils and of 0.3 million gallons under fuel oils; there were similar increases under certain unspecified descriptions, but these increases were set off in part by a deficiency of 3.5 million gallons under petroleum. As far as kerosene is concerned, the decline in the foreign imports synchronised with a falling off in the local production in India from 159.7 million gallons in the preceding year to 156.9 million gallons in the current year. In the case of petrol the decline in the import trade has to be set off against a larger production at home, the local refineries having produced $72 \cdot 6$ million gallons against 68.0 million gallons in 1932-33.

The following table shows the imports of each description of mineral oils by sea from abroad into British India :-

Imports of mineral oils into India by sea from foreign countries.

|  | $\begin{gathered} 1913.14 \\ \text { (pre-war } \\ \text { year) } \end{gathered}$ | 1929.30 | 1930-31 | 1931-32 | 1832-33 | 1933-34 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | $\begin{gathered} \text { Gals. } \\ (1,000) \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Gals. } \\ & (1,000) \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{gathered} \text { Gals. } \\ (1,000) \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} \text { Gals. } \\ (1,000) \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Gald }_{\mathrm{a}}, \\ & (1,000) \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{gathered} \text { Gals. } \\ (1,000) \end{gathered}$ |
| Fuel oil | 7,786 | 110,203 | 106,350) | 100,820 | 104,028 | 104,837 |
| Kerosene- |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| In bulk | 52,976 | 101,756 | 88,745 | 77,081 | 68,263 | 56,628 |
| Inting - | 15,874 | 4,701 | 10,148 | 8,609 | 1,231 | 1,51日 |
| Total Keroszne | 68,850 | 108,457 | 88,893 | 85,690 | 50,494 | 58,147 |
| Lubricating oils | 14,953 | 26,700 | 25,681 | 16,047 | 17,274 | 18,166 |
| Benzine, densol, petroi, ets. | 37 | 4,655 | 8,836 | 12,742 | 5,117 | 1,606 |
| Paints, solutions and oompositions. | 1 | 27 | 18 | 34 | 36 | 80 |
| Other kinds . . | 3,416 | 4,728 | 2,711 | 1,289 | 1,335 | 3,386 |
| Turaz Mineral Oils | 95,023 | 252,768 | 242,489 | 216,631 | 187,784 | 186,222 |

Imports of kerosene amounted to 58 million gallons valued at $\mathrm{R} 2,27$ lakhs as against 59 million gallons valued a R2,54 lakhs in 1932-33, thus showing

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a decrease of 2 per cent in quantity and of 11 per cent in value. In the table below will be found details regarding imports. The U.S.S. R. which now holds a predominant place in this line of trade in the Indian market cut down her share from 69 per cent of the entire import trade to 66 per cent, her actual

| Imports of lighoskneOil. | 1918.14 |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | $\begin{aligned} & \text { year.) } \\ & \text { Gals. } \\ & (1.0000 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{gathered} \text { Gals. } \\ (1,000) \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Gals. } \\ & (1,000) \end{aligned}$ | Gals. <br> (1,000) |
|  |  |  |  |  |
| United States of America | 42,311 | 20,802 | 3,675 | 2,205 |
| Union of Soclalist Soviet |  |  |  |  |
| Republles | 1,070 | 41,461 | 40,804 | 98,254 |
| Persia - ${ }^{\text {a }}$ | 2,303 | 18,652 | 6,650 | 202 |
| Borneo, Sumatrs and Celebes | 20,815 | 4,417 | 2,070 | 1,608 |
| Straits Settlements | 2,240 | 15 |  |  |
| Other countries | 2 | 883 | 6,287 | 15,658 |
| TOTAL | 08,850 | 85,600 | 59,404 | 68,147 | deliveries aggregating at $38 \mathrm{mil}-$ lion gallons or 3 million gallons less than the shipments received in 1932-33. Deliveries from Persia showed a heavy decline from 6.6 million gallons in 193233 to 0.3 million gallons in 193334. There was further diminution in the share of the United States of America. The 20 million and odd gallons which this country exported to India during 1931-32 had already fallen to 3.7 million gallons in the following year. This share was further reduced to 2.3 million gallons in the year under review. The Celebes which had supplied 1.3 million gallons in 1932-33 disappeared altogether as a supplier to India. Part of the deficit thus caused in the foreign supplies was, however, made good by importation from Java, hitherto an unknown source, to the extent of $4 \cdot 2$ million gallons. The gap was otherwise filled up by an increase in the shipments from Sumatra from 0.8 million gallons to 1.7 million gallons and, to a larger extent, by an enlargement of indents on Roumania which country left untramelled by export restrictions since June, 1933, was able to improve her account by an advance from 6 million gallons to 10 million gallons. The exports from this country were apparently made at cut prices as is evidenced by the decline in the average declared value for her consignments from 5as. 11p. per gallon to 4as. 6p. per gallon, the latter rate being only 72 per cent of the average value for imports from all other sources taken together. The coastwise imports of kerosene from Burma into India proper declined from 128 million gallons in 1932-33 to 110 million galions in the year under review.

Imports under the specification " petroleum dangerous flashing below $76^{\circ} \mathrm{F}^{\prime \prime}$ dwindled down from 5 million gallons valued at Z 37 lakhs in 1932-33 to 1.6 million gallons valued at f 6 lakhs. The Netherlauds India which had been a prominent supplier in 1932-33, with a contribution amounting to a little above 2 million gallons, almost disappeared from the Indian market and the predominance in this line of trade went to U.S.S. R. which was able to advance her share from 0.8 million gallons to 1.3 million gallons or 81 per cent of the total imports of the year. Supplies from Persia at 293,000 gallons showed an increase of 87,000 gallons in comparison with the volume of the shipments from the same source during the preceding year. Calculated on the smaller volume of the total trade offered, the percentage participation of Persia showed a large increase, viz., to 18 per cent from 4 per cent in the preceding year.

The imports of fuel oils showed a slight improvement from 104.5 million gallons to $104 \cdot 8$ million gallons in quantity although there was a decline in value from $\AA 2,03$ lakhs to $\mathrm{Rl}, 96$ lakhs as a
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increase in the total quantity imported is due to larger shipments from Roumania and Borneo. The former country indeed doubled her share with a turnover of 9.5 million gallons as against $5 \cdot 1$ million gallons in the preceding year, while Borneo increased her contribution from 25.9 million gallons to 29.5 million gallons. The increased competition of these two countries naturally affected the share of Persia which fell from 65.6 million gallons to 62.3 million gallons. The decrease in Persian supplies was, however, further supplemented by a falling off in the contributions of Sumatra and U. S. S. R.

Under lubricating oils, batching oils were unable to maintain the improvement noticed in 1932-33. Imports under this head dropped from 8.8 million

Lubricating oils. gallons to $7 \cdot 4$ million gallons in quantity and from f50 lakhs to f 35 lakhs in value. The trade, as usual, was practically divided between the United States of America and Borneo, but the share of Borneo slumped heavily from 3.4 million gallons to 1.4 million gallons, part of the trade lost by her having been passed on to the United States which sent 5.8 million gallons as against. $5 \cdot 3$ million gallons in the preceding year. Imports of other lubricating oils advanced from 8.5 million gallons to 10.8 million gallons in quantity but declined in value from $\mathrm{Rl}, 10$ lakhs to $\mathrm{Rl}, 02$ lakhs. The United Kingdom was able to improve her share from $1 \cdot 6$ million gallons to 2.3 million gallons. There was a concurrent improvement in the trade of the United States of America which amounted to 8 million gallons or 74 per cent as compared with 6 million gallons or 72 per cent in 1932-33.

Provisions ( $\mathrm{R} 2,72$ lakhs).-Imports under this head showed a further decline of ft 21 lakhs, the total value amounting to $\mathrm{R} 2,72$ lakhs as compared with f22,93 lakhs in 1932-33. In spite of this decline, however, there were noticeable increases under a number of individual subheads and the decrease in the total value of the imports is due mainly to the heavy decline in imports of canned and bottled provisions, and of certain unspecified descriptions. The total imports of canned and bottled provisions were valued at R 55 lakhs only as compared with A 82 lakhs in the preceding year. A feature of note, so far as this particular group is concerned, is the further heavy reduction under vegetable products (vegetable ghee, etc.), the imports of which dwindled to 3,000 cowts. valued at R1 lakh from 37,000 cwts. valued at R13 lakhs in 1932-33. These figures indicate the extent to which the local industry has been able to meet the demand for these products. Canned and bottled provisions, unspecified, also recorded a large decrease, imports declining by 37,000 ewts. in quantity and fl 16 lakhs in value to $82,000 \mathrm{cwts}$. valued at f36 lakhs. Under the same group canned and bottled fruits made considerable headway, imports being $38,000 \mathrm{cwts}$. valued at Zl 10 lakhs as compared with 27,000 ewts. valued at 78 lakhs in the year preceding. Imports of tinned fish also increased in quantity from $24,000 \mathrm{cwts}$. to 27,000 cwts., but the value recorded a slight easing off from $\mathbf{f 8} 8$ lakhs to $\mathrm{f} 8 \frac{1}{2}$ lakhs. Under farinaceous and patent foods, there was a falling off in quantity from 343,000 cwts. to 338,000 cwts. accompanied by an increase in value by P 4 lakhs to R67 lakhs. Of the total quantity of farinaceous and patent foods imported, by far the largest proportion consisted of farinaceous foods in bulk (chiefly sago, tapioca, etc., despatched from the Straits Settlements and to a relatively small extent from Hongkong and Java). The imports of these decreased from 306,000 cwts. to 286,000 cwts. in quantity and from R 26 lakhs to R24

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$l_{a k h s}$ in value. On the other hand milk foods for infants and invalids, imported mostly from the United Kingdom, recorded an increase in quantity from 10,000 cwts. to 12,000 cwts., though again the value fell from $\mp 19$ lakhs to R16 lakhs. Other kinds of farinaceous and patent foods showed increases both in quantity and value; the imports in the year under review amounting to 40,200 cwts. valued at over R26 lakhs. Imports of condensed milk amounting to $172,000 \mathrm{cwts}$. were on nearly the same level as in $1932-33$ while the import value declined from R449 lakhe to R46 lakhs. Arrivals during the jear included $84,000 \mathrm{cwts}$. from the Netherlands and 39,000 cwts. from the United Kingdom as against $72,000 \mathrm{cwts}$. and $21,000 \mathrm{cwts}$. respectively in 1932-33. Other principal sources of supply were Australia ( 16,000 cwts.), Ftaly ( 16,500 cwts.) and Denmark ( 11,500 cwts.). Imports of biscuits and cakes amounting to $39,000 \mathrm{cwts}$. valued at R30 lakhs and those of confectionery amounting to $23,000 \mathrm{cwts}$. valued at R17 lakhs recorded slight increases both in quantity and value. The variations in the trade in some of the more important articles under " provisions" are indicated in the table below :-

| Articles. | 1831-32 |  | 1832-33 |  | 1933-34 |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Cwts. (000) | $\underset{\text { (lakhs) }}{\mathbf{R}}$ | Cwts. <br> (000) | $\underset{(\mathrm{lakhs})}{\mathbf{R}}$ | Cwts. (000) | $\begin{gathered} \text { fl } \\ \text { (lakhs) } \end{gathered}$ |
| Bacons and hams . | 11 | 10 | 12 | 9 | 15 | 12 |
| Cheese . . . . | 7 | 6 | 9 | 8 | 10 | 8 |
| Cocoa and chocolate . . | 4 | 3 | 3 | 3 | 4 | 3 |
| Butter - . . . | 4 | 5 | 4 | 5 | 5 | 6 |
| Jams and Jollies . . . . | 9 | 4 | 12 | 4 | 17 | 6 |
| Pickles, chutneys, sauces and condiments. | 5 | 4. | 6 | 4 | 9 | 7 |
| Other sorts . . . . . | - | 21 | - | 22 | - | 15 |

The share of the United Kingdom in the trade advanced from 48 per cent in 1932-33 to 56 per cent in 1933-34, the value of her imports rising from R1,40 lakhs to $\mathrm{R} 1,51$ lakhs. Imports from the Netherlands shrank from R35 lakhs to R224 lakhs and there was a corresponding decrease in her relative share from 12 per cent to 9 per cent. Imports from the Straits Settlements, consisting largely of farinaceous foods and to a less extent of goods in transit from Australia, remained practically unchanged at R 20 lakhs while direct supplies from Australia fell away from R18 lakhs to Zl 16 lakhs. Imports from the United States of America were valued at R14 lakhs as compared with R18 lakhs in 1932-33. Supplies from Japan increased and were valued at f 6 lakhs as compared with Ft 4 lakhs in the preceding year.

Sugar (R2,71 lakins).-The first point of importance to the world sugar industry during the year under review arose from the consequences of the inflationary policy of the United States of America. But hardly less significant were the attempts to form marketing agreements whereby sugar deliveries from the United States could be better adjusted to the requirements of the consuming centres. Further, there was the bewildering position in Cuba where, for some time after President Machado's downfall, grave doubts had arisen as to Cuba's continued adherence to the Chadbourne Scheme.

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Actually, however, the change of regime has made no difference and Cuba has continued to operate under the restrietion plan. For some time, however, there was a great deal of uncertainty regarding the ultimate size of the 1933-34 crop in Cuba.

The world production of sugar in 1932-33 was considerably smaller than in 1931-32, so that, whereas the estimated figure of world stocks had stood at 7 million tons on the 30th September, 1932, it went down to 6.4 million tons exactly one year later. The reduction in production was due mainly to conditions in Cuba and Java. There was an increase in some other countries, but the movement of sugar has been considerably hampered by protective tariffs. Among the countries having direct influence on the Indian market, Africa, in particular, showed an increase in output from 780,000 metric tons in 1931-32 to 954,000 tons in 1932-33. Naturally, there was inherent in these increases a danger to the stability of the Restriction Scheme; and during the year, efforts were made to get the principles of the pact extended to sugar producing countries of the world not already included in it. In Java, as remarked above, production had fallen considerably in 1933. But the surplus stocks on the 1st April, 1933 amounted to 2.3 million metric tons as compared with 1.4 million metric tons on the Ist April, 1932. As the export quota for Java has been fixed under the provisions of the Chadbourne Agreement, these stock figures have not had the same stitistical importance as they used to have in the pre-Agreement days ; but, nevertheless, a heavy statistical position in Java is bound to have a disturbing effect on the course of prices for sugar.

The cumulative effect of the forces enumerated above would no doubt have caused very scrious dislocation in the Indian market, but this market has, for some time past, been less responsive to influences abroad. The demand for imported sugar in the Indian markets has undergone a remarkable change since the grant of protection to the sugar industry in India. Sheltered behind a protective tariff, the industry has developed its production with considerable speed and success. The following table shows the production of sugar in India direct from cane and gur in recent years:-

Production of Sugar from Cane and Gur.

(a) Estimated.

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The outstanding feature of this table is the continuous trend since 1928-29. The estimate for 1933-34 given above is, however, liable to be affected to some extent as a result of the earthquake in Bihar which interfered with production in the areas affected.

The increase in local production naturally affected the volume of the import trade. The downward trend in the imports of sugar into India in recent years has been touched upon in previous issues of this Review. That downward movement continued at an increased rate in the year under report, the imports of sugar, all sorts, including molasses in 1933-34 having amounted to 264,000 tons as against 402,000 tons in 1932-33. Going back to earlier years, the figures of imports had been returned at $1,003,000$ tons in 1930-31 and at 556,000 tons in 1931-32. The probable requirements for consumption in India in 1933-34 were estimated at 880,000 tons. This could have been met to the extent of 645,000 tons by the home production, so that this would have had left approximately a margin of 235,000 tons for imports. As against this the actual imports of sugar including molasses in 1933-34 amounted to 264,000 tons. It is true that production in India was latterly expected to have received a slight check owing to the reason already mentioned and this should normally have led to a broadening of the expectation of trade for the importers in 1933-34. Actually, however, the imports showed a further heavy recession during the year under review in comparison with the trade results of 1932-33. The large difference between the import figures for these two years was indeed, to some slight extent, reduced by the larger importations into the non-British ports in Kathiawar, amounting in the aggregate to 73,000 tons in 1933-34 as against 64,000 tons in the preceding year. Otherwise, the deficit resulting from the very low imports was met largely perhaps by variations in stocks from year to year. No reliable data from which to calculate the stocks in the various consuming markets in India can be procured, but a reduction of stocks is more than probable as market reports indicate that there were large accumalations of stocks in some parts of the season, especially at the beginning of the year.

In the Bombay sugar market Java, white granulated, T. M. O. quality, started off with a quotation of R14-11-0 per ewt. recorded on the 7th April. Large arrivals from Java tended to depress the level of prices, but the market was irregular owing to a number of local disturbances and, on balance, the rates dropped only an anna per cwt. by the 28th of the month. Java supplies slackened off by the beginning of May and, as stocks were firmly held, the rates advanced up to $715-1-6$ by the 23 rd June. Thereafter, as Java arrivals increased, spot values eased off. The market recorded a slight drop to R15-1-0 on the 30th and then heavy liquidacions, induced by panicky reports regarding the Dutch forin, forced the rates down to R14-13-6 by the 14th July. In the meanwhile, Java reduced her limits to meet the competition from Mozambique and the downward movement continued further till the market touched R14-10-0 on the 18th August. The trend was reversed through a sharp appreciation of the flerin which by cutting down the volume of Java supplies ruised the quotation to R14-10-6 on the 23rd of the month. Subsequently, the dealers were reported to have come to an understanding regarding the fixation of prices and thenceforth the market became much more orderly. Rates continued steady at R14-10-6 till the 8th September and thereafter, rising with the Java limits, ruled at about R14-11-6 till the 27th October,

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November witnessed a further firming up of the spot situation which led to 8 gradual appreciation to $\mathrm{R15} 5-0$ by the 17 th of the month ; but reaction quickly followed on a fall of the rupee exchange rate for guilders and, as offerings of forward shipments broadened, a downward course was followed with fluctuations till about the 12th of January when R13-9-0 was quoted. In the following week an upward tendency was intiated by a rise in the rupee exchange rate for guilders and by the 23rd February the quotation had returned to $\mathrm{Zl} 14-3-6$. This was followed by a further sharp rise to $\operatorname{FR14-8-0}$ at the end of the following week, due to the announcement of the excise duty on sugar in the Indian budget. This rise, however, was wiped off later, as prices were again forced downward by disorderly liquidation. The closing quotation of the year was R14-3.0 quoted on the 23rd March.

At Calcutta the price of Java, white, D. S. 25 and above was quoted at R10-4-9 per mautd on the 7th April. As at Bombay, the market tended to weaken and eased off to $\mathrm{Zl} 10-3-0$ by the 28 th April. Thereafter for two weeks Calcutta refused to follow the rise at Bombay; but the upward movement began to assert itself from the 19th May with the rates at R10-4-6. By the 2nd of June the market had advanced to R10-7-3; but later the rates eased off once again and remained steady at R10-6-6 till the 7th July. In the meanwhile the stock position had improved considerably and prices were once again marked up, touching R10-9-6 in the first two weeks of August. Stocks having been replenished by that time, there was an easier feeling and about the middle of that month the market steadied at $\mathrm{P} 10-8-6$ and generally remained so for the next five weeks. Thereafter the level was slightly lower till the 20th October. Subsequently, with low stocks in the market, prices tended to firm up but a firm tone could not be maintained in the face of near offers of Indian sugar at attiactive rates. The quotsition, therefore, moved downward but with fluctuations till it touched R10-7-0 on the 1st December. The sagging tendency continued further under the influence of large offers of spot supplies of up-country sugar at low prices and by the 12th January the market had moved down to R9-13-0. Latterly the rates improved slightly owing to the repercussions of the earthquake in Bibar, the market ruling at (210-2-0 over the first three weeks of March. At the end of the year, however, a slight weakness appeared, the rates quoted for the 23rd March being R10-1-0.

In the chart on the opposite page the price of Cuban raw sugar at New York and the course of prices at Calcutta of sugar, Java white, 25 D. S. and/or higher, are compared. Cuban raw stood at 1.05 cents on the 6th April. Thereafter it steadily advanced with a few fluctuations up to 1.40 cents by the 4th May. Then it eased olf, declining to 1.30 cents by the 25 th of that month. June opened with an upward movement which continucd, with a set-back about the middle of the month, the rates touching 1.65 cents by the 13 th July. Thereafter, the rates moved back to 1.44 cents by the 17 th August only to return to $1 \cdot 65$ cents by the 7 th of the next month. Weakness set in once again from the 28 th of the month, forcing back the rates to 1.20 cents by the 19th October. In November a feeble hardening re-appeared but the movement was quickly checked, the quotation thereafter stepping down gradually to $1 \cdot 15$ cents by the 23 rd or the month. Throughout the next three months the basis fluctuated heavily; it rose to $1-30$ cents on the 7 th December, fell back to 1.17 cents on the 11 th January and then, firming up to 1.42 cents

Chart showing the average monthly prices of Cuban raw sugar at New York an of sugar Java white 25 D. S. and/or higher at Calcutta from January, 1933 March, 1934.


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by the 8th February, returned to $1-27$ cents by the 21st. In March, however, the rates held fairly well, closing with 1.42 cents on the 29th March.

Imports of sugar all sorts, excluding molasses, showed a further decrease from 370,000 tons in 1932-33 to a Little above 261,000 tons in 1933-34, a decline of 29 per cent. The corresponding decline in value was one of R1,42 lakhs or 34 per cent., wiz., from R4,12 lakhs to R2,70 lakhs. The bulk of the imports consisted of sugar 23 D . S. and above, the total consignment of which amounted to 231,000 tons (R2,39 lakhs) as compared with 327,000 tons ( $\mathrm{R} 3,67$ lakhs) in 1932-33. Portuguese Fast Africa, which appeared in the market as one of the major competitors in 1932-33 with 13,000 tons (R13 lakhs), further advanced her share to 18,000 tons (R18 lakhs). As was to be expected the further recession in the total imports mainly affected Java, her supplies amounting in the aggregate to 194,000 tons as against 295,000 tons in 1932-33. The United Kingdom seat out 12,000 tons as in the preceding year.

Imports of Java sugar into the different maritime provinces during 1933-34 were as follows :-

| Bengal. |  |  |  |  | 23,000 | tons | 86,000 |  | or 12 | cent. |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Bombry | - |  | * |  | 74,000 | " | (87,000 | " | ) or 38 | " |
| Sind |  |  | - |  | 34,000 | * | (57,000 | " | ) or 18 | " |
| Mudras |  |  |  |  | 44,000 | " | (41,000 | " | ) or 22 | " |
| Burma |  |  |  |  | 19,000 |  | (24,000 |  | ) or 10 |  |

The corresponding figures for the previous year are shown in brackets.
The total amount of beet sugar imported during the year amounted to 28,000 tons valued at R28 lakhs as compared with 41,000 tons valued at R42 lakhs in the preceding year. The bulk of these imports came from the United Kingdom, supplies from that source showing a further small advance from 23,000 tons valued at R24 lakhs in 1939-33 to 25,000 tons valued at f 25 lakhs. The U. S. S. R., which had cut down her share from 68,000 tons to 9,000 tons in 1932-33, almost disappeared from the Indian market. The consignments of 1933-34 also included 1,000 tons from the Netherlands and 2,000 tons from Hungary. Supplies from Germany were reduced to very meagre proportions. The imports of beet sugar were received exclusively in Sind and Bombay.

The following table gives the imports of sugar from the principal sources for a number of years:-

Imports of sugar, all kinds (excluding molasses).


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The imports of molasses fell away to about 2,500 tons only from 32,000 tons ( $\mathrm{Pl1}$ lakhs) in 1932-33.

The re-exports of sugar from India showed an increase, baving gone up from 4,000 tons (f5 lakhs) in $1932-33$ to 11,500 tons (R7 lakhs). Of the total quantity re-exported, the bulk amounting to 8,500 tons was received by the United States. Of the remainder Arabia took 1,500 tons and Persia 500 tons. Shipments to Kenya Colony, including Zanzibar and Pemba were reduced to 100 tons only from 400 tons in 1932-33.

The total area under sugarcane in India was $3,305,000$ acres in 1933-34, as against $3,321,000$ acres in 1932-33 or a decrease of 0.5 per cent. The total production of raw sugar (gur) was estimated at $5,067,000$ tons as compared with $4,684,000$ tons in $1932-33$ or an increase of 8 per cent. The production of sugar by modern factories and refineries in the season 1932-33 amounted to 370,300 tons as compared with 228,000 tons in 1931-32. Exports of Indian sugar during the year under review slightly increased as compared with the preceding year and amounted to 1,630 tons as compared with 1,260 tons in the preceding year. This included 425 tons of sugar, below 23 Dutch Standard. There was a further increase in the exports of molasses (including palmyra and cane jaggery) from 820 tons to 1,200 tons. Of the total quantity of molasses exported, 93 per cent was despatched from Madras. Shipments to Ceylon amounted to 900 tons.

Chemicals (R2,70 lakhs).-Relatively to $1932-33$, there was a slight decline of R1 lakh in the imports of chemicals, the total value of the consignments received being returned at R2,70 lakhs as against R2,71 lakhs in the preceding year. This decline is to be attributed mainly to a fall in prices, for quantitatively, the imports were larger for most of the items under this head.

Sodium compounds, which in volume constituted 47 per cent of the total imports of chemicals, showed an increase from $1,639,000$ cwts. to $1,697,000$ cwts. in quantity, but this improvement was not reflected in the value, which remained unchanged
Sodinm compounds. at $\mathrm{Pl}, 28$ lakhs. The bulk of sodium compounds imported consisted of sodium carbonate, which recorded an improvement from $1,103,000$ cwts. to $1,131,000$ cwts. combined with a decrease in value from f 65 lakhs to R64 lakhs. The chier source of supply was, as usual, the United Kingdom. Imports of caustic soda showed an increase from 285,000 cwts. ( R 34 lakhs) to 308,000 cwts. (R36 lakhs), supplies being drawn mainly from the United Kingdom and the United States of America. Appreciably large quantities were, however, also received from Japan. Sodium bicarbonate, bichromate and silicate also showed increases but there were decreases under sodium cyanide and sulphide and under borax.

The total imports of acids were returned at $32,000 \mathrm{cwts}$. which meant an increase of $6,000 \mathrm{cwts}$. over the imports of the preceding year, but the value of the consignments were nearly the same as in the
Acids. preceding year, viz., R8 lakhs. Imports of acetic and nitric acids advanced from 2,800 and $2,500 \mathrm{cwts}$. to 4,000 and 4,100 cwts. respectively and of oxalic acid from 2,100 to 2,900 cwts. But imports of sulphuric and tartaric acids fell away from 6,800 and $2,300 \mathrm{cwts}$. to 4,000 and $1,200 \mathrm{cwts}$. respectively.

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Imports of ammonia and salts thereof declined by 1,000 cwts. to 40,000 cwts. The imports of bleaching materials maintained the upward trend, being

Ammonia and ammonium salts. returned at 152,000 cwts. as compared with 151,000 cwts. in. 1932-33, although in value there was a decline of about R1 lakh. In the case of alum and aluminous sulphates the downward trend continued, the total supplies amounting to 13,700 and 25,500 cwts. as against 21,000 and $29,400 \mathrm{cwts}$. respectively in the preceding year, and 26,100 and 48,700 cwts. in 1931-32.

Consignments of sulphur received during the year amounted to 444,000 cwts. valued at P 21 lakhs as against 364,000 cwts. valued at Z 20 lakhs in Others. 1932-33. Supplies from Italy rose from 206,000 cwts. to 245,000 cwts. but those from Germany fell off from 38,000 cwts. to 32,000 cwts. There was an increase under glycerine imports rising from $10,000 \mathrm{cwts}$. valued at f 3 lakhs to $12,000 \mathrm{cwts}$. valued at P4 lakhs in 1933-34. Imports of copper sulphate and magnesium compounds, lead compounds and potassium compounds showed increases in quantity, while copperas and calcium carbide showed decreases. The following table gives the percentage shares of the principal countries in the total imports of chemicals :-

Percentage shares of principal countries in the total value of chemicals imported.

| - | $\begin{gathered} 1913-14 \\ \text { (pre-war } \\ \text { year) } \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} 1914-19 \\ \text { (war } \\ \text { average) } \end{gathered}$ | 1928-29 | 1929-30 | 1930-31 | 1931-32 | 1032-33 | 1933-34 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Unit | Per cent 74.7 | Per cont | Per cent <br> $59 \cdot 4$ | Per cent $57 \cdot 2$ | Per cent 54.0 | Per cent $54 \cdot 8$ | Por cent $51 \cdot 6$ | Per cent $55 \cdot 2$ |
| Germany . . | 12.4 | $\cdot 7$ | 16.7 | 15.7 | 18.3 | 18.1 | 14.9 | 12.7 |
| United States | $\cdot 3$ | $5 \cdot 5$ | 4.7 | $4 \cdot 2$ | $5 \cdot 2$ | $4 \cdot 6$ | $5 \cdot 4$ | $5 \cdot 8$ |
| Italy . | $5 \cdot 2$ | 2.8 | $5 \cdot 8$ | $7 \cdot 6$ | $7 \cdot 3$ | 5.9 | $5 \cdot 6$ | 5.7 |
| Kenya Colony |  | $\cdot 3$ | 2.5 | $2 \cdot 6$ | $2 \cdot 3$ | 1.5 | 1.6 | $1 \cdot 7$ |
| Norwsy . | 5 | $\cdot 5$ | 1.7 | 2.0 | 1.6 | -8. | $\cdot 3$ | $\cdot 3$ |
| Japan . | 1.5 | 16.7 | $1 \cdot 4$ | 1.9 | 1.7 | 9.3 | $4 \cdot 9$ | $8 \cdot 4$ |
| Other countries | $5 \cdot 4$ | 3-1 | $7 \cdot 8$ | 8.8 | $9 \cdot 6$ | 12.0 | 15.7 | $10 \cdot 2$ |
| Total | 100 | 100 | 100 | 100 | 100 | 100 | 100 | 100 |

The recovery of the United Kingdom's share and the advance made by Japan are worthy of note. The chief items in which the former extended her trade were sodium compouuds, especially caustic soda and sodium carbonate. The increase in Japan's share is due to larger supplies of caustic soda, sodium bicarbonate and potassium compounds.

Drugs and medicines ( $\mathrm{R} 1,98$ lakhs).--The imports under this head were valued at $\mathrm{Rl}, 93$ lakhs which meant an jacrease of 4 per cent on the imports of the preceding year ( $R 1,86$ lakhs). The increase was due mainly to larger importations of unspecified descriptions the combined value of which advanced from R91 lakhs to $\mathrm{Pl} 1,03$ lakhs. Imports of quinine salts increased

Quinine salts. from $102,700 \mathrm{lbs}$. valued at P 26 lakhs to $127,600 \mathrm{lbs}$. valued at a little below R 32 lakhs. The increase in the value of the imports under this sub-head, however, was more than counter-balanced by a decrease under proprietacy and patent medicines the

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value of which contracted further from R38 lakhs to R31 lakhs. In spite

Proprietary and patent medicines. of this decrease in the total the United Kingdom had a slightly better showing, her supplies being valued at R16 lakhs as compared with R15 lakhs in the preceding year. But imports from other sources declined considerably, Germany being credited with R6 lakhs, France with R2 lakhs and the U. S. A. with R 4 lakhs as compared with R 7 lakhs, R 6 lakhs and P 5 lakhs respectively in the preceding year. Imports of camphor rose from $1,753,000$ lhs. to

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 1,786,000 lbs. in quantity, while the recorded value receded from R 25 lakhs to R23 lakhs. German supplies amounted to $563,000 \mathrm{lbs}$. valued at R7丷ㅣㄴ lakhs as compared with 452,000 lbs. valued at $\mathrm{P} 6 \frac{1}{3}$ lakhs in 1932-33. Imports from Switzerland fell away from $154,000 \mathrm{lbs}$. to $1,000 \mathrm{lbs}$. The share of Italy also fell from 378,000 lbs. to 186,000 lhs. There was a further expansion of Japanese imports, which amounted to $1,034,000 \mathrm{lbs}$. valued at $\mathrm{P} 13 \frac{1}{2}$ lakhs as compared with 748,000 lbs. valued at R11 ${ }^{3}$ lakhs in 1932-33. Árrivals in 1933-34 also included $1,000 \mathrm{lbs}$. from the Straits Settlements and 1,300 lbs. from the United Kingdom. Imports of codliver oil declined from 128,000 lbs. in 1932-33 to $116,000 \mathrm{lbs}$. during the year under review. The United Kingdom supplied 521 ounces of cocaine out of a total of 1,119 ounces and 663 ounces of morphia out of a total of 790 ounces received, the remainder coming mostly from Germany. Preparations of opium and morphia, imported chiefly from the United Kingdom, were valued at $\mathbb{R} 80,000$ as compared with $\mathrm{R} 93,000$ in the preceding year.Paper and pasteboard (R2,63 lakhs). -The imports of paper and pasteboard combined receded from $2,640,000$ cwts. valued at $\mathrm{R} 2,86$ lakhs in 1932-33 to $2,564,000 \mathrm{cwts}$. valued at $\mathrm{P} 2,63$ lakhs in 1933-34. Paper, all kinds, accounted for $2,247,000 \mathrm{cwts}$. as against $2,220,000 \mathrm{cwts}$. in the preceding year but the improved demand was accompanied by a fall in value from $\mathrm{R} 2,49$ lakhs to $\mathrm{R} 2,35$ lakhs. Imports of printing paper amounted to $771,000 \mathrm{cwts}$.

Printing paper. valued at R 84 lakhs as compared with $679,000 \mathrm{cwts}$. valued at P 83 lakhs in 1932-33. Newsprint recorded an increase from $457,000 \mathrm{cwts}$. to 511,000 cwts. in quantity consbined with a decrease in value from R48 lakhs to P 46 lakhs, while other kinds of paper showed an improvement from 223,000 cwts. valued at R36 lakhs to 259,000 cwts. valued at R38 lakhs. Norway retained her predominant position in the trade and her total supplies of printing paper increased from 230,000 cwts. to $249,000 \mathrm{cwts}$., although the import value receded slightly from R24 lakhs to f 23 lakhs. Austria reduced her contribution from $152,000 \mathrm{cwts}$. (R17 lakhs) to $147,000 \mathrm{cwts}$. (\#15 lakhs). The share of the U. K. rose from 45,000 cwts. to $46,000 \mathrm{cwts}$. but the value of her supplies in 1932-33 and 1933-34 remained practically at the same level, viz. ¥9 lakhs. Consignments from Germany, the Netherlands and Belgium aggregating 109,000 cwts. in 1933-34 were larger by 7,000 cwts. in relation to the imports of 1932-33. There were also increases in the supplies from Sweden, Finland and Japan, the imports from these sources amounting to $75,000,101,000$ and 8,000 owts. respectively as compared with $62,000,66,000$ and $3,000 \mathrm{cwts}$. in 1932-33. Imports of writing paper and envelopes improved slightly in quantity from

Writing paper. $150,000 \mathrm{cwts}$. to $151,000 \mathrm{cwts}$. but the value of the consignments declined from R39 lakhs to F 36 lakhs.

## Paper and pasteboard.

The quantity supplied by the United Kingdom, Norway and Siveden, advanced from $33,000,39,000$ and $11,000 \mathrm{cwts}$ to $35,000,49,000$ and 15,000 cwts. respectively. On the other hand supplies from Germany, the Netherlands and Japan fell off from $11,000,12,000$ and 12,000 cwts. to $6,000,9,000$ and 11,000

> Packing paper. $\quad$ cwts. respectively. Imports of packing paper declined from 325.000 evts to 250 pol from $325,000 \mathrm{ewts}$. to 250,000 ewts. in quantity and from f45 lakhs to R32 lakhs in value. Sweden, as usual, was the principal supplier, although imports from that country fell off from 173,000 cwts. valued at R23 lakhs to $132,000 \mathrm{cwts}$. valued at R16 lakhs. Imports from Germany and the Netherlands together amounted to 21,000 cwts. and those from the United Kingdom to 14,000 cwts. as compared with 42,000 cwts. and 19,000 cwts. respectively in 1932-33. Norway which made considerable headway in the preceding year and supplied $26,000 \mathrm{cwts}$. increased her consignments to 27,000 cwts. There was also an increase in the supplies from Austria her share amounting to $31,000 \mathrm{cwts}$ as against 21,000 cwts. in 1932-33, while Czechoslovakia curtailed her consignments from $22,000 \mathrm{cwts}$. to $13,000 \mathrm{cwts}$.

Imports of old newspapers stood at 947,000 ewts. as in 1932-33. The United Kingdom supplied $851,000 \mathrm{cwts}$. as against $824,000 \mathrm{cwts}$. in 1932-33.

Old nowspapers, otc. Supplies from the United States of Amerioa fell off share of the United Kingdom in the trade rose from 87 to 90 , while that of the United States of America receded from 13 to 10.

Imports of paper manufactures rose from 25,000 cwts. valued at Rll lakhs to 31,000 cwts. valued at R 13 lakhs. The United Kingdom, as usual, was the principal supplier, consignment from that source aggregating in value to $\mathbb{7 7}$ lakhs. Imports of pasteboard, millboard and cardboard of all kinds decreased from 420,000 owts. valued at f 37 lakhs to $317,000 \mathrm{cwts}$. valued at P 28 lakhs. Of these strawboard accounted for $194,000 \mathrm{cwts}$. valued at f 9 를 lakhs.

The following table shows the percentage shares of the principal countries in the total value of paper and pasteboard imported into British India :--
Percentage shares of principal countries in the total imports of paper and
pasteboard.


The principal feature in the above table is the recovery of the percentage share of the United Kingdom in 1933-34. Norway also made a further advance relatively to $1932-33$, but the share of Sweden receded from 14.5 to 12.7 per cent. It may also be noted that Germany, Austria and Japan were unable to maintain the advance made in the preceding year.

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In 1933 there were altogether ten paper mills in India, wiz., four in Bengal, three in Bombay and one each in the United Provinces, Madras and Travancore.

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The aggregate production of the Indian mills in 1933 amounted to 43,143 tons as compared with 40,606 tons in 1932 and 40,714 tons in 1931. Imports of wood pulp, mostly for the use of Indian paper mills amounted in 1933-34 to 20,300 tons valued at R 27 lakhs as compared with 15,600 tons valued at R22 lakhs in 1932-33. Norway and Sweden together accounted for 15,800 tons as against 10,700 tons in 1932-33. the remainder coming chiefly from the United States of America, Germany and Finland.

Liquors (R2,27 lakhs). -The total imports were returned at 4.9 million gallons valued at R2,27 lakhs as against $5 \cdot 4$ million gallons valued at R2,26 lakhs in 1932-33. The decline in quantity was due to the falling off in the imports of denatured spirit which is included under this head in the trade returns; almost all the other items showed increases. As in the preceding year, the largest share in the imports went to Bombay which received 1.7 million gallons valued at R72 lakhs; Bengal came next with 1.2 million gallons valued at 761 laklis. Imports into Siod, Madras and Burma were, as usual, relatively smaller, being valued at R 43 lakhs, R 25 lakhs and R 26 lakhs respectivoly.

Of the total quautity of liquors imported, ale, beer and porter accounted for 71 per cent, spirit for 25 per cent and wines for 4 per cent, as compared with 69,28 and 3 per cent respectively in 1932-33. The actual imports of ale, beer and porter declined from $3,718,000$ gallons to $3,456,000$ gallons. Ale and beer imported in bulk amounted to 952,000 gallons as against 1,189,000 gallons in 1932-33. While ale and beer in bottles amounted $2,390,000$ gallons as compared with $2,403,000$ gallons imported in the preceding year. Supplies were, as usual, drawn mainly from the United Kingdom, which accounted for 98 per cent ot the imports in bulk. Of the imports in bottles, 48 per cent came from the United Kingdom, the rest coming mainly from Japan ( 22 per cent), Germany and the Netherlands (16 and 13 per cent respectively). Imports of stout and porter amounted to 114,000 gallons and consisted mainly of consignments from the United Kingdom. Imports of spirit, all sorts, amounted to $1,213,000$ gallons valued at R1,39 lakhs as compared with $1,524,000$ gallons valued at R1,33 lakhs in 1932-33. The details of spirits imported are shown below:-


In the case of whisky, the most important item, the imports were, as usual mainly from the United Kingdom, which also supplied the bulk of the gin im ported. The Netherlands also shared to some extent in the imports of gin

## Salt.

In the case of brandy, inports were, almost entirely from France, except for small quantities received from the United Kingdom and Germany. The share of the United Kingdom in the total imports of spirit rose from 476,000 gallons valued at F 84 lakhs to 493,000 gallons valued at R89 lakhs in 1933-34. Supplies from France also showed a concurrent improvement from 122,000 gallons to 128,000 gallons in quantity and from R21 lakhs to P 22 lakls in value. Imports from Java consisting largely of denatured spirit amounted only to 521,000 gallons valued at R 7 lakhs against 857,000 gallons valued at R 8 lakhs in 1932-33. The receipts from the United States of America showed a similar reduction from 48,000 gallons valued at Pl 16 lakhs in the preceding year to 45,000 gallons valued at Rl 4 lakhs. Supplies from Germany rose slightly from 11,000 gallons to 12,000 gallons. Under wines the imports recorded an increase from 165,000 gallons valued at R16 lakhs to 177,000 gallons worth R19 lakhs. As usual, the supplies came mainly from France ( 57,000 gallons valued at R7 lakhs), the United Kingdom ( 51,000 gallons valued at R6i $\frac{i}{2}$ lakhs) and Italy ( 26,000 gallons valued at f 2 lakhs).

Salt (fary lakhs).-Relatively to 1932-33 there was a decline of 36 per cent in quantity and of 40 per cent in value in the imports of foreign salt. The total supplies received in 1933-34 were returned at 349,000 tons valued at 747 lakhs as against 544,000 tons valued at R79 lakhs in 1932-33. Stocks of salt in bond at Customs houses at the end of March, 1933 were, however, much larger than usual, being 164,500 tons as compared with nearly 92,000 tons at the end of March, 1932. There were reductions in the imports from all the principal sources of supply. Aden and Dependencies which are the principal suppliers of foreign salt to the Indian market sent 272,000 tons as compared with 285,000 tons in 1932-33, though their percentage share in the imports advanced from $52 \cdot \frac{1}{2}$ to 77.9 . Though Germany also showed an im. provement in her relative share, the actual imports from that country were reduced from 57,000 tons to 54,000 tons. There were larger reductions in the case of other countries. Italian East Africa which had supplied 103,000 tons in 1932-33 supplied only 9,000 tons in the year under review. The shares of Egypt and Spain were curtailed from 40,000 and 28,000 tons to 11,000 and 2,000 tons, while the United Kingdom which had sent 25,000 tons in 1932-33 was able to supply only 500 tons in the year under review. The following table shows the percentage shares of the principal countries of consignment :-

Percentage shares of principal countries in the imports of salt.

| $\square$ | $\begin{gathered} 1813-14 \\ \text { (pre-war } \\ \text { year) } \end{gathered}$ | 1929-30 | 1930-31 | 1931-32 | 1932-33 | 1933-34 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Aden and Dependencies | Per cent | Per cent <br> 30.0 <br> 300 | Per cent ${ }_{20 \cdot 8}$ | Per cent 69.5 | Per cent <br> 52.4 | $\begin{gathered} \text { Per oent } \\ 77.9 \end{gathered}$ |
| Egypt . . . | 13.9 | $16 \cdot 3$ | $19 \cdot 1$ | $3 \cdot 4$ | $7 \cdot 3$ | $3 \cdot 1$ |
| United Kingdom. | 22.5 | $12 \cdot 9$ | $5 \cdot 9$ | 5.7 | 4.5 | 3 |
| Spain . . | $15 \cdot 0$ | 10.8 | $9 \cdot 1$ | -8 | $5 \cdot 1$ | -6 |
| Germany . . | $8 \cdot 8$ | 98 | $13 \cdot 8$ | $5 \cdot 7$ | $10 \cdot 5$ | $15 \cdot 5$ |
| Itaiian East Africa | $8 \cdot 1$ | 10.6 | 21.9 | 14.9 | 19.0 | $2 \cdot 6$ |
| Uther countries | $12 \cdot 6$ | $3 \cdot 6$ | $3 \cdot 4$ | . | $1 \cdot 2$ | $\cdots$ |
| 'Total | 100 | 100 | 100 | 100 | 100 | 100 |
| Total goantity imported (in tons) | $\overline{607,300}$ | 643,850 | 703,640 | 451,080 | 544,124 | 349,246 |

## Imports.

Bengal and Burma, which constitute the principal consumers of foreign salt, received 310,000 tons ( 89 per cent) and 39,000 tons ( 11 per cent) as compared with 462,000 tons ( 85 per cent) and 82,000 tons ( 15 per cent) respectively in 1932-33. The coastrise imports of Indian salt into Calcutta, chiefly from Bombay and Karachi, in 1933-34 amounted to 122,900 tons as compared with 115,300 tons in the preceding year. The following table shows the prices per 100 maunds of Liverpool, Rashafun (Italian East Africa), Aden and Indian salt for 1933-34, month by month, at Calcutta.

|  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  |  |  |  |

(a) Ex-golah prive.

Otber articles.-The table below shows the important items comprised in this group :-

| $\cdots$ | $\left\lvert\, \begin{gathered} 1913-14 \\ \text { (pre-war } \\ \text { year }) \end{gathered}\right.$ | 1929-30 | 1930-31 | 1931-32 | 1932-33 | 1833-34 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | f(lakha) | 7 (Ialchs) | 7t (lashas) | 7 (lashs) | 7(lalchs) | 7 (lakhs) |
| Instrumente, apparatus, etc. | 1.82 | 5,38 | 4,77 | 3,69 | 3,85 | 4,02 |
| Dyeing and tanning substances | 1,41 | 2,43 | 2,59 | 2,88 | 2,50 | 2.46 |
| Apices . . . . | 1,73 | 3,26 | 2.65 | 2,08 | 1,72 | 1,58 |
| Ulass and glasaware - | 1,95 | 2,52 | 1,65 | 1,22 | 1,42 | 1,22 |
| Precious stones and pesils, unset | 1,07 | 1,10 | 60 | 45 | 84 | 75 |
| Tobacco . . | 75 | 2,70 | 1,51 | 94 | 97 | 72 |
| Cement - | 66 | 64 | 55 | 41 | 29 | 22 |
| Coal and coke . . | 11 | 46 | 35 | 14 | 10 | 14 |

There was a further improvement recorded under instruments and apparatus, the total value of the imports under this head rising from R3,85

Instruments and appa. ratus ( $\mathbf{B 4 , 0 2}$ lakhe.) lakhs to $\mathrm{P} 4,02$ lakhs. The principal item in this group, viz., electrical instruments and apparatus, however, showed a small set back. The value of these

## Other articles.

imports amounted to $\mathrm{R} 2,31$ lakhs as compared with $\mathrm{R} 2,34$ lakhs in 1932-33. Nevertheless, the United Kingdom, the principal source of supply in this particular line, was able to advance her share from $\mathrm{Rl}, 22$ lakhs to $\mathrm{Rl}, 31$ lakhs. This increase was nore than counterbalanced by reductions in the imports from Germany, the United States of America and Japan, the value of the consignments from these countries falling off from R34 lakhs, R27 lakhs and R17 lakhs to R25 lakhs, R24 lakhs and H 15 lakhs respectively. Imports from Belgium, Italy and the Netherlands remained stationary at about ft: lakhs, A 6 lakhs and PI1 lakhs respectively. The following table shows the value of the different classes of electrical apparatus imported during the past three years :-

| - | 1931-32 | 1932-33 | 1933.34 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | f (lakhs) | R (lakhs) | E (lakha) |
| Electrio fans and parts theroof ., wires and cables | ${ }_{60}^{19}$ | 22 59 | 20 83 |
| Telegraph and telephone instruments | 5 | 5 | ${ }_{13}$ |
| Electric lamps and parts thereof. | 54 | 55 | 54 |
| Batteries . . . . . | 11 | 13 | 14 |
| ${ }_{\text {Acoumulators }}^{\text {Carbons eleat }}$. . . . | 3 | 3 | 8 |
| Eleotrio lighting accessories ${ }^{\circ}$ and fitting, includ- | 8 | 9 8 | 8 7 |
| ing switohes. |  |  |  |
|  | 7 3 | 10 3 | 8 3 |
|  | 3 | 2 |  |
| Unenumerated . . . . . . | 41 | 45 | 35 |
| Total | 2,23 | 2,34 | 2,31 |

All the other important descriptions of instruments and apparatus, excepting surgical instruments, photographic appliances and wireless apparatus, showed increases. Musical instruments recorded a further improvement from R24 lakhs to f 30 lakhs. Imports of optical instruments were valued at R8 lakhs as against $\mathbb{R} 7$ lakhs in the preceding year. Cinematographic films, both raw and exposed, showed increases. Imports of raw films (i.e., those on which no pictures have been impressed) totalled 36.9 million feet (R15 lakhs) as compared with $25 \cdot 6$ million feet ( X 11 lakhs) in 1932-33. Imports of exposed films amounted in the aggregate to 10.8 million feet valued at 828 laklss as compared with 9.5 million feet valued at Z 19 lakhs in 1932-33. The imports of photographic appliances, however, contracted in value from R31 lakhs to R29 lakhs. Imports of surgical instruments showed a decline of R1 lakh and stood at R13 lakhs. Imports of wireless apparatus, mainly from the United Kingdom were valued at fl 10 lakhs, or almost the same as in the preceding year. The value of scientific instruments imported also remained almost unchanged at about f 15 lakhs.

The share of the United Kingdom in the total trade in instruments and apparatus in 1933-34 was $\mathrm{Z} 2,06$ lakhs as compared with $\mathrm{Zl}, 94$ lakhs in 1932-33

## Imports.

and her percentage share correspondingly improved from 50 to 51 . Imports from the United States of America increased from ft53 lakhs to R57 lakhs, but her share remained unchanged at 14 per cent. Germany, on the other hand, had her share reduced from P 65 lakhs to P 56 lakhs, her percentage share declining from 17 to 14 .

Imports of dyeing and tanning substances showed a further small decline of F 4 lakhs. The total value of the imports was returned at $\mathrm{R} 2,46$ lakhs as compared with R2,50 lakhs in 1932-33. Coal-tar dyes registered a decline of f 6 lakhs and were valued at R2, 11 lakhs. But in quantity, the imports of coaltar dyes showed an increase from nearly 13 million lbs. to about 14 million lbs. Though imports of alizarine dyes rose both in quantity and value from 2.3 million lbs. valued at $\mathfrak{f l} 18$ lakhs to 2.6 million lbs. valued at F 20 lakhs, imports of other coal-tar dyes registered a fall of A 9 lakhs, in value, though in quantity the receipts aggregated 11.3 milliou lbs. or an increase of 0.7 million lbs. as compared with the preceding year. The following table shows the details of the imports of coal-tar dyes during the past three years :-

|  | Quantity in thousands or Les. |  |  | Value in laefo of Roperg. |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | 1931-32 | 1932-33 | 1033-34 | 1831-32 | 1932-33 | 1033-34 |
| Imports of Alizarine Dyes- |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| From United Kingdom | 858 | 535 | 735 | 5 | 5 | 7 |
| " Germany | 2,354 | 1,728 | 1,680 | 13 | 13 | 12 |
| " United States . | . | . | 3 | . | $\cdots$ | $\cdots$ |
| " Switzerland . | - | 34 | 54 | $\cdots$ | . | . |
| " Other oountries. | . | 5 | 106 | . | . | 1 |
| Toial | 3,212 | 2,302 | 2,578 | 18 | 18 | 20 |
| Imports of other Coal.tar Dyes- |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| From Onited Kingdom | 1,587 | 1,665 | 1,225 | 20 | 23 | 23 |
| - Germany | 10,741 | 8,831 | 7,098 | 1,57 | 1,23 | 1,23 |
| " United States | 985 | 697 | 1,069 | 11 | 8 | 11 |
| , Belgium . | 138 | 49 | 79 | 2 | 1 | 2 |
| " Netherlands | 57 | 60 | 47 | 1 | 1 | 1 |
| " Switzorland . | 617 | 576 | 509 | 12 | 17 | 15 |
| \% Other countrieg. | 539 | 877 | 1,297 | 8 | 21 | 15 |
| Total | 14,664 | 10,635 | 11,324 | 2,15 | 1,99 | 1,90 |

There were larger receipts of alizarine dyes from the United Kingdom, Czechoslovakia and Switzerland. The share of the United Kingdom rose from

## Glass and glassware.

$535,000 \mathrm{lbs}$. to $735,000 \mathrm{lbs}$. Czechoslovakia sent $107,000 \mathrm{lbs}$. as against $4,000 \mathrm{lbs}$. and Switzerland $54,000 \mathrm{lbs}$. as against $34,000 \mathrm{lbs}$. in the preceding year. Supplies from Germany, however, were reduced from $1,728,000 \mathrm{lbs}$. to $1,680,000 \mathrm{lbs}$. Under dyes, other than alizarine, there was a small increase in the receipts from Germany, the shipments from that source amounting to $7,098,000 \mathrm{lbs}$. as compared with $6,831,000 \mathrm{lbs}$. in 1932-33. But the value of the consignments remained unchanged at Pl 123 lakhs. The United States of America enlarged her share from $697,000 \mathrm{lbs}$. valued at f 8 lakhs to $1,069,000 \mathrm{lbs}$. valued at fll lakhs. Imports from the United Kingdom showed a decline from $1,565,000 \mathrm{lbs}$. to $1,225,000 \mathrm{lbs}$. in quantity and from R28 lakhs to R 23 lakhs in value. Switzerland supplied $509,000 \mathrm{lbs}$. valued at R15 lakhs as against $576,000 \mathrm{lbs}$. valued at R17 lakhs in 1932-33.

There was a further considerable increase in the imports of spices, the quantity of which amounted to $1,365,000 \mathrm{cwts}$. as against $1,272,000 \mathrm{cwts}$. in 1932-33. The value, however, continued to decline,

> Spices (R1,56 lakhs). reaching $\mathrm{Rl}, 56$ lakhs as against $\mathrm{Zl}, 72$ lakhs in 1932-33. Betelnuts showed an increase in quantity from $1,117,000$ cwts. to $1,194,000$ cwts. but the value fell off from R1,19 lakhs to $\mathrm{Pl} 1,05$ lakhs. Receipts of betel nuts from the Straits Settlements amounted to $1,071,000$ cowts. and those from Ceylon to $87,000 \mathrm{cwts}$. as compared with 995,000 and $100,000 \mathrm{cwts}$. respectively in 1932-33. Imports of pepper declined from 13,000 cwts. to $12,000 \mathrm{cwts}$. in quantity, and from R6 lakhs to $\mathrm{F} 3 \frac{1}{2}$ lakhs in value, the, Straits Settlements contributing 8,000 ewts. ( f 2 lakhs). The imports of cloves advanced from 69,000 ewts. to 77,000 ewts. without any corresponding gain in value which remained almost unchanged at f 34 lakbs. Of the total imports of cloves Kenya Colony, Zanzibar and Pemba, together supplied $70,000 \mathrm{cwts}$. as against $61,000 \mathrm{cwts}$. in 1932-33.

The total value of the imports of glass and glassware amounted to $\mathrm{Zl}, 22$ lakhs as compared with $\mathrm{P} 1,42$ lakhs in 1933-33. Almost all the important

> Glass and glassware ( $\mathrm{A} 1,22$ lakhs). descriptions under this head recorded decreases. Japan still retained the foremost position although the value of her supplies shrank to 757 lakhs from f265 lakhs in 1932-33. Belgium also experienced a similar set-back, her share, measured in value, being reduced from RI5 lakhs to R11 lakhs. Consignments from the United Kingdom, Germany and Czechoslovalia were valued at $\mathrm{R} 11, \mathrm{Z} 13$ and R 20 lakhs as compared with R 12 , R 18 and f 23 lakhs respectively in 1932-33. Austria and Italy maintained their respective levels fairly well, the share of the former being about $\mathrm{A} 1 \frac{1}{2}$ lakhs and that of the latter a little over R2 lakhs. Turning to the different descriptions of glassware imported, glass bangles showed a decrease from f40 lakhs to f27 lakhs. Beads and false pearls recorded an increase in value from Zl 12 lakhs to F 13 lakhs although the quantity received fell away from $22,700 \mathrm{owts}$. to $21,600 \mathrm{cwts}$. The principal sources of supply for both these classes of articles, as usual, were Czechoslovakia and Japan, the shares of the two countries being $\mathrm{A13}$ and fa5 lakhs respectively for both items together. Imports of soda water bottles representing chiefly, consignments from Germany and the United Kingdom numbered 18,000 gross ( R 4 lakhs) as compared with 29,000 gross ( R 6 lakhs) in 1932-33. Bottles of other descriptions imported amounted to 768,000 gross ( R 17 lakhs) as against 781,000 gross ( R 18 lakhs) in the preceding year.

## Imports.

Imports of glass sheet and plate amounted to $19 \frac{1}{2}$ million square feet as compared with 19 million square feet in 1932-33 but the value fell off from f 23 lakhs to R21 lakhs. Supplies from Belgium, consisting largely of cheap window glass, were valued at F10 lakhs as against R14 lakhs in the preceding year, but those from the United Kingdom, representing mostly the finer qualities remained almost stationary, being valued at R3 lakhs. Among other descriptions included in this category, mention may be made of tableware, funnels, globes, etc., each of which recorded a decrease.

The trade in precious stones and pearls was unable to maintain the expansion noticed in the preceding year and the value of the consignments fell

## Precious stones and pearls (R75 lakhs.)

 off from R84 lakhs in 1932-33 to R75 lakhs. This decrease was due to smaller receipts of diamonds which accounted for 759 lakhs as compared with 771 lakhs in 1932-33. Imports of pearls, unset, however, advanced from R10 $\frac{1}{2}$ lakhs to Rl4 lakhs. The imports of other kinds of precious stones were well maintained, being valued at nearly $\mathrm{f} 2 \frac{1}{2}$ lakhs in 1933-34 as against $\mathrm{R} 2 \frac{1}{3}$ lakhs in the preceding year. Belgium, as usual, constituted the principal source of supply for precious stones, but her contribution was reduced from 769 lakhs to P55 lakhs. Supplies from the Netherlands which already in 1932-33 had shrunk to a little below fll lakh fell off to very negligible proportions. The United Kingdom which had f 2 lakhs to her credit in each of the two preceding years was able to maintain the same level in 1933-34. But the value of the consignments from the Bahrein Islands, consisting mainly of pearls, increased to $\mathrm{R} 6 \frac{2}{3}$ lakhs and of those from Arabia to R7 lakhs from $\mathrm{R} 5 \frac{1}{2}$ lakhs and $\mathrm{R5}$ lakhs respectively in 1932-33.Imports of unmanufactured tobacco which had reached $5 \cdot 1$ million lbs. in 1932-33 fell off to 4.2 million lbs. in the year under review. Supplies from

> Tobacco (R72 lakhs). the United States of America which accounted for 50 per cent of the total quantity imported in 1933-34 as against 91 per cent in the preceding year amounted in the aggregate to $2 \cdot 1$ mullion lbs. as compared with 4.7 million lbs. in 1932-33. Part of this recession was made good by larger imports from the United Kingdom amounting to 2.0 million lbs. ( 48 per cent) as compared with 0.3 million lbs. in 1932-33. Imports of foreign cigarettes continued to fall off, the receipts in 1933-34 amounting to 0.6 million lbs. valued at R 19 lakhs as against 0.8 million lbs. valued at f 29 lakhs in 1932-33. As usual, the United Kingdom was the

## Cigarettes.

 largest supplier but imports from that country declined further to $475,000 \mathrm{lbs}$. from $721,000 \mathrm{lbs}$. in 193233 and 1,190,000 lbs. in 1931-32. Receipts from China also fell away from $57,000 \mathrm{lbs}$. to $23,000 \mathrm{lbs}$. but those from the United States of America rose from $12,000 \mathrm{lbs}$. to $13,000 \mathrm{lbs}$. Among other description of tobacco, cigars as well as tobacco for pipes and cigarettes recorded increases from $15,000 \mathrm{lbs}$. and 49,000 lbs. to 17,000 and $50,000 \mathrm{lb}$ s. respectively.Imports of cement showed a further decline from 83,000 tons to 66,000 tons in quantity and from $\mathbb{R 2 9}$ lakhs to $\mathbb{R 2 2}$ lakhs in value. The Madras

[^3] reduction from 29,300 tons to 23,700 tons. Burma reduced her off-take from 22,000 tons to 16,400 tons. The bulk of the consignments during the year

## Coal.

came from the United Kingdom, supplies from which source amounted to 32,000 tons (R14 lakhs) as against 34,000 tons ( $\mathrm{Fl7}$ lakhs) in 1932-33. Japan sent only 27,000 tons valued at Rl 6 lakhs as compared with 39,000 tons valued at R8 lakhs in 1932-33. Among other countries Denmark, Jugo-Slavia and Germany also showed noticeable decreases. The following table gives the details for the past three years:-

|  | Qdantity. |  |  | Valur. |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | 1931-32 | 1932-33 | 1933-34 | 1931-32 | 1932-33 | 1033-34 |
|  | Tons | Tons | Tons | f(lakbs) | ft (lakhs) | R (lakhs) |
| United Kingdom | 45,200 | 34,300 | 32,100 | 25 | 17 | 14 |
| Germany - | 1,300 | 900 | 200 | 1 |  | .. |
| Belgium . | 800 | 200 | 100 |  | . | .. |
| Italy | 1,400 | 100 | 200 | 1 | . |  |
| Jugo-Slavia | 6,600 | 4,700 | 3,900 | 2 | 1 | 1 |
| Denmark . | 2,100 | 1,800 | 800 | 1 | 1 |  |
| Japan . . | 29,000 | 39,300 | 27,500 | 9 | 8 | 6 |
| Other countries | 1,400 | 1,400 | 1,200 | 2 | 2 | 1 |
| Total | 87,800 | 82,500 | 68,000 | 41 | 29 | 22 |

Imports of foreign coal increased by 60 per cent in guantity from 35,000 tons in 1932-33 to 56,000 tons in 1933-34 and by 42 per cent in value from f6t lakhs to R9 lakhs. Bombay enlarged her indents from 11,000 tons to 14,000 tons and Sind and Madras enhanced theirs from 12,000 tons and 3,000 tons in 1932-33 to 26,000 tons and 4,000 tons respectively in 1933-34. Imports into Burma increased from 8,000 tons to 12,000 tons. The following table shows the sources of the imports of foreign coal during the past five years :-

|  | 1829.30 | 1930-31 | 1931-32 | 1032-33 | 1933-34 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| United Kingdom | Tons $19,000$ | Tons 23,000 | Tons $24,000$ | Tons $16,000$ | Tous $10,000$ |
| Union of South Afrioa (mainly Natal). | 197,000 | 122,000 | 23,000 | 14,000 | 36,000 |
| Japan . . | 1,000 | 1,000 | 1,000 | $\cdots$ | 300 |
| Portuguese East Africs. | $\cdots$ | 5,000 | " | $\cdots$ | - |
| Australia | 2,000 | 1,000 | 4,000 | 3,000 | 0,000 |

As will be seen from the above table, the imports from the Union of South Africa (maiuly Natal) showed some recovery while those from the United Kingdom suffered in competition. It is also interesting to note that Australia which had 3,000 tons to her credit in 1932-33 doubled her contribution in 1933-34.

## CHAPTER III.

## Exports of Merchandise.

The following talle shows the comparative importance of the principal articles exported from British India :-

Exports.
(In thousands of Rupecs)

| - | 1029-30 | 1030-31 | 1081-32 | 1039-38 | 1033.94 | Percentage on total exports of merchandiae ia 1033-34 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| SJute, ravi * * | 27,17,98 | 13,88, 47 | 11,18,81 | 9,73,09 | 10,03,37 | 7-47 |
| 'Jute manafactures | 81,98,68 | 31,80,44 | 21.92,48 | 21,71,18 | 21,47,49 | $14 \cdot 6$ |
| Cotton, raw and waste | 66,60,35 | 46,72,06 | 93,78,19 | 20,60,05 | 28,97,67 | $18 \cdot 14$ |
| Cotton manufactires | 7.18,67 | 5,31.64 | 4,81.63 | 3,20,11 | 3,72,63 | $1 \cdot 6$ |
| 7 ma - | 30,00,64 | 23,55,93 | 10,43,74 | 17,15,28 | 10,84,02 | 18.56 |
| Sceds - | $20.40,76$ | 17,88,18 | 14,69,83 | 11,30,08 | 13,66,15 | 9,38 |
| Grain, pulse and flour | \$4,79,16 | 29,88,19 | 30,37,18 | 16,07,69 | 11,74,79 | 8.03 |
| Metals and ores. | 10,33,06 | 7,94,04 | 5,47,10 | 4,68,18 | 6,48,73 | 3.75 |
| Leatber | 8,18,93 | 0,30,11 | 5,35,20 | 4,76.49 | 5,3e,98 | $3 \cdot 1$ |
| Hides and akins, raw | 7,08, 77 | 5,48,63 | 3,65,71 | 9,76,67 | 4,25,83 | $2 \cdot 91$ |
| Wool, raw and msuufactares | 5,33,54 | 3,23,25 | 3,36,78 | 1,91,10 | 2,72,48 | $1 \cdot 86$ |
| Lao. . | 6,90,73 | 3,13,74 | 1,83,04 | 1,34,24 | 2,46,44 | 1.08 |
| Parafin wax | 3,17,69 | 2,81,83 | 2,91,74 | 3,01,88 | 3,38,01 | 1.67 |
| Oilcakes | 3,11,92 | 9,08,05 | 2,00,68 | 1,06,61 | 1,64,72 | $1 \cdot 12$ |
| Conter - | 1,45,40 | 1,91,86 | 94.80 | 1,00,81 | 1,02,45 | ${ }^{7}$ |
| Froits and vegetables | 90,69 | 79,75 | 90,32 | 69,53 | 09,00 | -8 |
| Tobaceo ${ }^{\text {P }}$ | 1,06,43 | 1,09,65 | 88,43 | 77,11 | 93.80 | -64 |
| Waod and timber . | 1,80,07 | 1,40,47 | 78,47 | 56,18 | 84,34 | -58 |
| byoing and tanning substances | 2,11,57 | 1,08,23 | 85,94 | 75,48 | 78,69 | . 54 |
| Cilr - . . . . | 1,04,08 | 88.86 | 75,68 | c0, 34 | 78,06 | [68 |
| Oplom . | 1,49,00 | 1.92,07 | 80.03 | 11,25 | 72,64 | $\checkmark$ |
| Spicea - * | 1,08,39 | 1,27,19 | 97,25 | 72,33 | 72,20 | 48 |
| Otla ${ }^{\text {Pran }}$ a ${ }^{\text {a }}$ | 73,33 | 47,24 | 57.23 | 68,79 | 67,24 | '39 |
| Podder, bran and pollards | 1,18,08 | 76,76 | 75,14 | 70,29 | 46,64 | -32 |
| Fish (excluding anned firh) | 73,81 | 68,38 | 54,24 | 45,71 | 44,87 | -81 |
| Mien ${ }^{\text {Min }}$ - | 1,03,08 | 67,60 | 39,36 | 31,69 | 44,74 | $\cdot 31$ |
| Coal and cote - | 73.06 | 49,35 | 54,91 | 44,19 | 97,53 | -36 |
| Memp, ravy . - . | 68,39 | 39,30 | 20,90 | 32,10 | 30,09 | -34 |
| Rubber, raw | 1,78,88 | 1,29,76 | 44,59 | 8,78 | 31,18 | -21 |
| Provisions and oilman's stores | 00,40 | 49,95 | 39,56 | 33,09 | 28,18 | '19 |
| Manures ${ }^{\text {P }}$ - | 40,68 | 51,30 | 38,30 | 20,30 | 25,45 | $\cdot 17$ |
| Bones for manafaotaring parproks | 75,27 | 71,25 | 4,14 | $\mathbf{8 4 . 8 9}$ | 24.98 | 17 |
| Dragsand medicines . | 48,45 | 20,92 | 33,10 | 31,26 | 23,81 | $\cdot 16$ |
| Fibre for braches and brooms | 28,15 | 25,51 | 20,49 | 34,02 | 83,02 | -16 |
| Bristles - * . . | 14,80 | 10,98 | 11,60 | 13,65 | 17,47 | -12 |
| Saltpetre . . . . | 8,87 | 7.52 | 10,58 | 13,20 | 15,26 | '1 |
| Apparel ${ }^{\text {a }}$ - . . | 34,62 | 10,12 | 10.33 | 8,08 | 11,14 | ${ }^{\circ} 08$ |
| Animals, living ${ }^{\text {a }}$ | 36,80 | 26,00 | 14,90 | 10,10 | 0,80. | $\cdot 00$ |
| Building and Engineering materafs other than of iron, ifteel or wood |  |  |  | 0.34 |  |  |
| cormaod and rope : $\quad$. | 14,09 14,10 | 10,30 10,45 | 7,47 | 9,34 7,75 | 9,84 6,56 | -03 |
| Caudles - | 10,91 | 6,48 | 4,05 | 4,74 | -1,83 | . 04 |
| Horni, tips, etc. - | 7,53 | 3,54 | 1,30 | 2,48 | 5,32 | .04 |
| Sills, raw and manufactures | 32,31 | 10,06 | 3,93 | 3,18 | 3,30 | . 02 |
| Sugar abarine and *ax* | 8,68 | 2,51 | 1,82 | 3,10 | 2,38 | '02 |
| Tallow, etearine avd wax All other articles | 7,95 $4,64,43$ | 8,71,77 | 9,79 2,04,36 | 1 $\begin{array}{r}1,07 \\ \hline, 70,65\end{array}$ | 1,98 | 01 |
| All other articles . | 4,64,4,3 | 3,71,77 | 2,04,36 | 2,70,65 | 8,00,03 | 204 |
| Total Valde on Expuets | 3,10,80,80 | 2,20,40,26 | 1,66,88,86 | 1,32,40,67 | 1,46,31,66 | 100 |

Jute and jute manufactures ( $\mathrm{R} 32,31$ lakhs). - The total area under jute in 1933 was estimated at $2,517,000$ acres as compared with $2,143,000$ acres in 1932 and $1,862,000$ acres in 1931. The yield for the 1933 crop was estimated to be $8,012,000$ bales of 400 lls . each as against an estimate of $7,097,000$ bales in 1932 and $5,567,000$ bales in 1931. The crop of 1932 which formed the basis of trade transactions during the earlier part of the year had already shown an increase of $1,530,000$. bales or of 27 per cent over the

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previous year's crop. The 1933 season saw still further improvement and this year's crop again exceeded the previous year's output by as much as 915,000 bales. This exceptionally heavy yield was in part due to the large additions that were made to the acreage under jute during the year. It has also to be borne in mind that the efforts made by propaganda to restrict cultivation voluntarily did not affect the acreage used. To a certain extent, the prevailing prices giving some faint promise of a rise and favourable weather at sowing time influenced the acreage. The large crops of the two successive years were thus bound to have important repercussions on the jute trade of the year. At the beginning of the year under review, the impact of the heavy crop of 1932 was indeed beginning to lighten. Already about the end of March, 1933 there were indications of a hardening price movement in the jute market in India, and in the following month and, specially during its latter half, there was ample evidence of renewed and considerable activity in the trade. By May the Calcutta market had come fully under the sway of a wave of sharply advancing prices. Large purchases and advancing rates ruled the market for some time. But the upward movement was quickly checked in June. New low levels were again reached and although the trade always had the expectation of a sharp recovery, the market was gradually carried downward over the greater part of the year. Taking the year as a whole, therefore, conditions in the jute market cannot be said to have assumed any healthier tone. At the end of the jute season in July 1933, the old crop was indeed reported to have left very little stock to be carried over into the new season in the primary markets, but stock at Calcutta from the old crop was said to have been particularly heavy being fully 30 per cent larger than the carry-over at the beginning of the 1932-33 jute season. The exceptionally heavy crop of 1933 was, therefore, expected tc bring a further heavy pressure on the trade and on the course of prices for jute.

While examining jute prices, it is perhaps necessary to bear in mind that there is hardly any other commodity of commercial transactions the prosperity of which depends in such an extraordinarily large measure on the fortunes of other commodities. The depression elsewhere has thus its adverse effects on jute and it was inevitable that with the rapid deterioration of the usual channels of demand for jute, on the one hand, and the steady increase of supplies of the fibre, on the other, prices would continue to fall to lower levels. The prices of jute "Firsts" per bale of 400 lbs . at Calcutta were quoted on the 4th April at 725-4. Throughout April prices were rising owing to reports of scarcity of rain interfering with sowing. On the 18th of April the rates were quoted at R26 and in the next week, following on the abandonment of the gold standard by the United States of America, the rates spurted up to R 29 on the 25 th of the month. In May, the market was carried upward by a wave of speculative buying and gradually advanced to $\mathrm{P} 31-4$ on the 16th May. As offers even at this high price were scarce, the rates adjusted themselves upward to P 37 on the 20th of the month. This was followed by a reaction to R34-4 on the 23 rd, but the fact that the mills were buying at advancing rates against heavy clearances for their goods helped to sustain the market and prices rallied to P 35 on the 30th of the month. In June, there was a gradual decline due to the favourable weather and bearish crop reports, the quotation reaching 2729-4 on the 27th June. In course of the next week the market

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improved with an addition of 8 as. per bale in the rates, but the forecast that had been issued meanwhile on the 4th July indicated a large increase in the acreage, and prices again depreciated to R 29 on the 11th. Subsequently the rates recovered owing to the reserved attitude of sellers and on the 18th the old crop was quoted at R30-4 with a premium of R1-12 per bale for the new crop. But, fundamentally, the tone of the market was weak and influenced by the conditions in America, the rates eased off to R28-12 on the 1st August. Subsequently, however, a bullish view prevailed owing to reports of searcity of water for retting and the quotation spurted up to R30-8 on the 8th August. Later, as the crop movement enlarged and selling pressure increased, the gain in prices was wiped off by a slump to R27-12 at the end of the next week. The market, however, recovered and touched R28-12 on the 29th, the improvement being due mainly to reports that weather conditions had interfered with the movement of the crop. In the first week of September the rates again showed a faint drop, being quoted at R28, but with the issue, on the 5th September, of the final jute forecast which confirmed a large orop, sellers' ideas underwent a further drastic change. The rates slumped to Z 26 on the 12 th and still further down to f 25 on the 19th. The downward movement continued owing to prolonged absence of demand from buyers until the market was carried down to P24 on the 7th November. As by then sellers had already begun to evince steadiness, the rates remained almost unchanged at R 24 throughout November and up to the middle of December. Thereafter, better conditions in the hessian trade reacted on the market for the raw material and gradually as the mills began to show greater interest for covering, the rates improved and touched $7229-8$ on the 23rd January. The upward movement received a temporary check in the last week of the month owing mainly to reactions produced by the uncertainty of the American dollar; and the rates sagged to R28 on the 30th January. Subsequently, as the firmness of the upcountry markets began to prevail the rates recovered to $\not 228-8$ on the 6 th February and thereafter, despite occasional spurts upward. remained steady about this level till the 27th February. On the 6th March the rates hardened once again to R29-4. The market indeed subsequently showed a tendency to go down in sympathy with hessian prices, but as the mills were buying on the decline, the rates latterly began to harden once again, the quotation rising in one week from $\mathrm{R} 27-12$ to R28-4 on the 27th March.

The prices for " First Marks" at London per ton, c. i. f., stood at £14-12-6 on the 7th April. As offers at these rates at Calcutta were few, prices were marked up, reaching $£ 15-5-0$ on the 17 th. Thereafter, in sympathy with the Calcutta market, the quotation advanced to $£ 19-5-0$ by the 26 th May. In June, a downward movement set in concurrently with the trend in the Calcutta market, the rates touching £16-5-0 by the 7th July. Later, the market behaved erratically owing to the reactions produced by the preliminary jute forecast issued at Calcutta and the reserved attitude of the operators in India. On balance, however, the rates slightly improved, reaching £16-7-6 on the 25th August. By the 8th September the quotation dropped to £15-6-3 and thenceforth the market followed the decline in the Calcutta market until f14-2-6 was quoted on the 8th December. In the next week prices spurted up to $£ 14-12-6$ and as in Calcutta, the rise was well maintained

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ill the 19th January on which date $£ 17-2-6$ was quoted. The upward trend ras disturbed over some weeks as a result of the reports of strikes in the linoeum industry in the United Kingdom and the rates dropped to $£ 15-17-6$ in the 2nd February. But beginning from the 9th of the month, the market it London was again advancing in sympathy with the Calcutta market, the ates being marked up to $£ 16-17-6$ by the 2 nd March. As at Calcutta, the ates subsequently eased slightly, falling to $£ 16-2-6$ on the 16 th March. The losing quotation of the year was $£ 16-7-6$ recorded on the 23 rd.

Arrivals of raw jute in Calcutta and the neighbouring mill area during he year under review amounted to $10 \cdot 4$ million bales as compared with $7 \cdot 7$ aillion bales in the preceding year. Exports of raw jute abroad from Calcutta .uring 1933-34 amounted to $3,931,000$ bales. Arrivals during the period from st July, 1933, to 30th June, 1934, totalled 8.9 million bales as compared with $\cdot 6$ million bales during the corresponding period of the preceding year.
On a general survey, it would appear that conditions in the jute mill adustry were, on the whole, less perplexing than they had been in the receding year. The internal competition in the industry was as a matter of act considerably reduced, thanks to the agreement for restriction of outut which was in force throughout the year. This involved the Association aills continuing to work 40 hours per week with 15 per cent of the hessian ooms sealed. The principal non-Association mills, however, worked 54 hours a veek with their normal complement of machinery. The production of jute nanufactures, including canvas, rope and twine, in India showed a slight inrease and amounted to 906,000 tons in 1933-34 as against 903,000 tons in the receding year. The net increase in 1933-34 relatively to the production n 1932-33 was thus one of 3,000 tons. Despite this larger production of the 'ear, the stocks of hessian cloth and bags with the jute mills at Calcutta were ower during the year than in 1932-33 and were, as a matter of fact, below he normal for recent years. The effect of this was no doubt modified to a onsiderable extent by the stock position for sacking cloth and bags which howed enormous increases, especially up to the end of August.

The monthly production of jute manufactures in the Indian mills is hown in the table below :-
(In millions)

| $\cdots$ | Hessian |  |  |  | Saching |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Cioth |  | bags |  | Cloth |  | Pags |  |
|  | $\xrightarrow{1932.33}$ | 1933-34 | 1192-33 | 11333-34 | 193:3.33 | 1!33-34 | $\xrightarrow{1432 \cdot 33}$ | 1933-34 |
| 4 Tril | Yds. 79 | Y 73 s. | No. 7 | No. 6 | - Y ds | Yils. | No. 40 | No. 38 |
| Hay | 83 | 95 | 6 | 8 | 7 | 5 | 40 | 44 |
| lune | 88 | 88 | 7 | 8 | 8 | 4 | 42 | 41 |
| Iuly . | 74 | 85 | 9 | 7 | 3 | 4 | 42 | 39 |
| lugust. | 85 | 98 | 7 | 8 | 3 | 3 | 44 | 45 |
| jeptember | 83 | 84 | 6 | 6 | 2 | 4 | 45 | 37 |
| Jetober | 75 | 96 | 5 | 6 | 3 | 4 | 40 | 42 |
| Sovember | 85 | 95 | 6 | 8 | 3 | 5 | 45 | 42 |
| Jeceniber | 84 | 86 | 6 | 8 | 4 | 5 | 46 | 39 |
| lanuary | 84 | 94 | 7 | 8 | 8 | 0 | 47 | 43 |
| iebruary | 76 | 86 | 6 | 8 | 4 | 4 | 44 | 39 |
| harch . | 86 | 88 | 7 | 9 | 4 | 5 | 47 | 40 |
| Total | 982 | 1,080 | 79 | 90 | 49 | 53 | 522 | 488 |

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The monthly stocks of jute manufactures with mills are shown in the table below :-
[ In million yards]


* Figures are for mills in the membership of the Indian Jute Mills Association.

The stock position, therefore, shows considerable improvement over 193\%-33 in so far as hessian cloth and bags are concerned. In the case of sacking oloth and bags, however, stocks at the end of August still amounted to as much as 188 million yards which exceeded the stocks at the corresponding date of 1932-33 by 65 million yards and were actually in excess of the highest figure for the past three jute seasons by nearly 38 per cent. But these stocks subsequently underwent some reduction and stood at 94 million yards at the end of March, 1934, against 105 million yards at the same date in the preceding year. This improvement in the stock position in 1933-34 in regard to hessian cloth and bags was made possible entirely by the restriction of production undertaken by the Calcutta mills. This programme of restriction was, however, a double-edged weapon : it is true that it helped to inflate prices of jute manufactures, but simultaneously it also enabled the jute industry abroad to take advantage of the higher prices of Calcutta goods. This, it might be argued, is a defect common to most sehemes of production control, bit in the case of jute, its effect has been aggravated particularly by the circumstance that most of the foreign jute manufacturing countries have, by raising tariffs on jute goods from India, created sheltered markets within their own borders for the bulk of their home products. So far, however, as the year under review is concerned, the market in India; on the whole, was well supported by the wave of demand from North and South America, resulting from the "boomlet" which followed the abandonment of the gold standard in the United States of America. Apart from this bright spot, demand from abroad for jute goods remained as depressed as ever. The Argentine, one of the most important outlets for jute products from India, had her own difficulties, and there the tightening of the control by the Exchange Control Board had important repercussions on the demand for jute goods. Even in America, conditions were unsettled and in the matter of her demand for jute goods uncertainties regarding the progress and the probable incidence of the proposed processing tax on jute goods for long continued to be a vexing problem to the trade.

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The total weight of raw and manufactured jute exported during the year amounted to $1,420,000$ tons and was in excess of the corresponding exports for $1932-33$ by 177,000 tons. The total value of the shipments also increased from $\mathrm{A} 31 \frac{1}{2}$ crores to $\mathrm{P} 32 \frac{1}{3}$ crores. Raw jute accounted for 34 per cent of the total value of the shipments in 1933-34 and jute manufactures for 66 per cent as compared with 31 and 69 per cent respectively in the preceding year. The following statement compares the exports of jute raw and manufactured, during the year 1913-14 and each of the past three years :-


The quantity of raw jute exported, as shown in the table above, exceeded the quantity shipped in 1932-33 by 33 per cent and was in fact only 3 per cent less than the shipments of the pre-War year, 1913-14. The exports of gunny bags decreased in number by 13 millions whereas the total quantity of the cloth exported showed an increase of 41 million yards. The production and mill consumption in India with the corresponding exports abroad of raw jute for the last 20 years are given in table No. 29, and the detailed figures of exports of jute manufactures are shown in tables Nos. 30-A and 30-B appended to this Review. The total exports of raw jute increased from

Raviv jute. 563,000 tons to 748,000 tons in quantity and the corresponding increase in value was one of Zl crore, namely from $\mathbb{7 1 0}$ crores in 1932-33 to Zll crores in 1933-34. The increase in the export of raw jute was thus considerable and, on the whole, the export trade in raw jute may be said to have emerged reasonably well from the iow point of depression which had been reached in 1932-33. The United Kingdom and Germany, normally the two most important consumers for raw jute, considerably increased their requirements. The United Kingdom received 177,000 tons (R2,55 lakhs) as compared with 130,000 tons (R2,24 lakhs) in the preceding year, whereas demand from Germany enlarged from 122,000 tons (R2,12 lakhs) to 165,000 tons (R2,42 lakhs). Exports to the Netherlands, Belgium and France also showed concurrent increases from 22,000 tons (R37 lakhs), 41,000 tons (R71 lakhs) and 69,000 tons (RI,16 lakhs) to 33,000 tons ( f 48 lakhs), 56,000 tons (R83 lakhs) and 84,000 tons ( $\mathrm{fl}, 25$ lakhs) respectively. Italy received 65,000 tons valued at R96 lakhs as compared with 37,000 tons valued at R 66 lakhs in 1932-33. The intake of the United States of America amounted to 52,000 tons valued at P 75 lakhs as against. 36,000 tons valued at R 69 lakhs in the preceding year. Japan and Brazil also showed considerable increases, the former taking 17,000 tons and the latter 19,000 tons as against 14,000 tons and 13,000 tons respectively in 1932-33. Spain alone among the important outlets for raw jute had reduced her takings, her demand having fallen off from 42,000 tons to 36,000 tons.

The total exports of gunny bags decreased in number from 415 millions to 402 millions, and correspondingly in value from $\mathrm{fll}, 16$ lakhs to R9,72 lakhs. The decline was due entirely to a falling off
Gauny bage. in the demand for sacking gunny bags, the exports of which shrank from 326 millions to 308 millions in quantity and from $\mathrm{P} 9,53$

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lakhs to $\mathrm{F} 8,03$ lakhs in value. Hessian gunny bags, however, showed a considerable improvement and amounted to 93 millions valued at $\not 71,69$ lakhs as compared with 89 millions valued at $\nexists 1,63$ lakhs in the preceding year. In the case of sacking gunny bags Australia, individually the most important source of demand for the Indian market, cut down her requirements from 91 millions to 71 millions. At the same time the offtake of Hongkong was reduced from 24 millions to 18 millions. Similar declines were also noticed in the case of the United Kingdom, the Union of South Africa and the Straits Settlements, their respective shares being 18 millions, 14 millions and 14 millions as compared with 20 millions, 17 millions and 15 millions in the preceding year. Demand from the West Indies and Java remained almost stationary at about 10 millions and 13 millions respectively. Belgium and Siam showed increases, their respective requirements having risen from 7 millions and 12 millions to 9 millions and 13 millions. The increase in the case of hessian gunny bags is to a great extent accounted for by larger takings by the United Kingdom, the Pbilippine Islands and Egypt which received respectively 27 millions, 6 millions and 8 millions as compared with 26 millions, 5 millions and 7 millions in the preceding year. Against these increases has to be set a considerable falling off in the purchases of the United States of America which amounted to 7 millions only as compared with 12 millions in the preceding year. There was also a concurrent dearease in the offtake of Hawaii which received 17 millions only as against 18 millions in 1932-33. The decreases accounted for by these countries were, however, counterbalanced by increases in the offtake of Turkey, European, which took 1.2 millions as against 0.4 million in the preceding year.

The exports of gunny cleth increased from 1,012 million yards in 1932-33 to 1,053 million yards in 1933-34 and in value from R10,24 lakhs to R11,38

Gunny cloth. lakhs. The bulk of this improvement has to be attributed to hessian gunny cloth the consignment of which advanced from 986 million yards valued at $\mathrm{R} 9,86$ lakhs to 1,018 million yards valued at R10,92 lakhs. Exports of sacking gunny cloth also spurted up from a little above 25 million yards valued at A 38 lakhs to slightly below 35 million yards valued at R46 lakhs. Expressed in percentage the increase in the case of hessian gunny cloth relatively to the exports of the preceding year was one of 3 per cent and that in the case of sacking gunny cloth 37 per cent. The increase in the exports of hessian gunny cloth is accounted for almost entirely by larger takings of Canada and the United States of America. The total demand from Canada amounted to 80 million yards valued at A 87 lakhs as compared with 65 million yards valued at R6,43 lakhs and the purchases by the United States of America totalled at 643 million yards valued at $\mathfrak{¥ 6} 6,53$ lakhs as against 546 million yards valued at $\mathrm{F} 5,06$ lakhs. These two countries, therefore, between them were responsible for an increase of 112 million yards. Part of this increase, however, was counterbalanced by a falling off in the shipments to other countries most of which took considerably less than in the previous year. The Argentine Republic cut down her requirements from 232 million yards valued at $\mathrm{R} 2,38$ lakhs to 161 million yards valued at R1, 84 lakhs. The offtake of the United Kingdom at 48 million yards valued at R52 lakhs was smaller than her purchases in 1932-33 by 6 million fards in quantity and by fl 6 lakhs in value. The

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Philippine Islands received 18 million yards as agaiust 21 million yards in the 'preseding year. Supplies to Australia amounted to 18 million yards, or 2 million yards less than in 1932-33. Uruguay, Peru and the Union of South Afrea showed slight increases, their respective requirements representing relatively much smaller proportion of the total shipments recorded under this head. Under sacking gumny cloth there was a remarkable improvement in the indents from the Argentine Republic which amounted in the total to 9 million yards as compared with 6 million yards in 1932-33. Consignments to the United Kingdom increased from 3 million yards to 4 million yards and those to the United States of America and Egypt from 3 million yards and 4 million yards to 4 million yards and 7 million yards respectively. Simultaneously the demand from Australia had shrunk considerably, her total takings aggregating at a little below 2 million yards as against a little below 5 million yards in the preceding year. The decline in the case of Australia was, however, more than counterbalanced by the increase in the offtake of Norway which received 7 million yards as against 3 million yards in the preceding year.

The following table shows the prices of a typical grade of bags and of two of the more important grades of hessians :-

Prices of jute manufactures during 1933-34.


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| - Date | B. Twills |  | Hessians, $40^{\circ} \times 8$ oz. |  | Hessians, $40^{\circ} \times 10 \frac{1}{2}$ oz. |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Near | Forward | Near | Forward | Near | Forvard |
|  | Rs. A. | Rs. A. | Re. A. | Rs. 4 . | R8. A. | Rs. A. |
| 1933- <br> Dacembor 20 . 1934- | 232 | 234 | 910 | $\left\{\begin{array}{lll}9 & 10 \\ \text { to } \\ 9 & 4\end{array}\right\}$ | 1114 | $\left\{\begin{array}{cc}11 & 12 \\ \text { to } \\ 11 & 10\end{array}\right\}$ |
| January 31 | 2312 | 240 | 912 | 912 | 128 | 128 |
| February 28 | 2412 | 2412 | 102 | 103 | $13 \quad 3$ | $13 \quad 2$ |
| March 14 | 248 | 248 | 910 | 912 | 1211 | 1210 |

Cotton (R26,59 lakhs).*-The Indian cotton crop of the season was estimated at $4,970,000$ bales of 400 lbs. each as compared with $4,656,000$ bales in the preceding year. The American crop of 1933 was similarly estimated at $13,047,000$ bales of 500 lbs . gross weight (equivalent to $16,309,000$ bales of 400 lbs . each) as compared with $13,002,000$ bales of 500 lbs . for 1932 while the production of Egyptian cotton for 1933-34 was 2,123,000 bales of 400 lbs . each as compared with $1,227,000$ bales in 1932-33.

The most striking feature of the recent history of cotton trade has been the elaborate propaganda carried on in the United States of America in favour of a policy of restricting production. The crop of 1932 was below normal, but eflorts at further reduction were made in 1933 and the Agricultural Adjustment Administration eventually succeeded in securing the abandonment of about 10.8 million acres out of a total of 408 million acres. A heavy reduction in the 1933 crop was, therefore, expected. On the other hand, there was an upward swing in the world demand for American cotton when the year under review opened. Speaking on the basis of available statistics, the position of American cotton was indeed showing considerable strength at the beginning of the year under review. Supply had been deliberately curtailed on the one hand and there was renewed demand on the other. Since the Banking crisis of March, 1933, the United States commodity markets have been largely influenced by the hopes and fears of inflation. Tbere was in particular an increased activity in the American mills as a result of the speculative boom in the industrial conditions in that country which was induced by an anticipation of the effects of the " Codes "introduced under the National Recovery Act. The higher rate of clearance for American cotton resulted in a notable reduction of the balance to be carricd over at the end of the cotton season in July, 1933. At the same time the crop of 1933 was $13,047,000$ bales, which, despite a nominal increase of 45,000 bales over the previous crop, was appreciably below the average production of the preceding five yegrs. Further, the exigencies of the financial situation in the United States of America which had resulted from the crisis of March, 1933, intensified the demand for a further measure of farm relief in that country, and

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throughout the year it was known that Government was undertaking a vast scheme of compulsory limitation of the crop backed by control of production at the gins. The specific provisious of the measure of relicf contemplated could not be decided upon till after the end of the year. It was, however, understood that, in so far as the 1934 crop was concerned, the Government, by persuading farmers to agree to a reduction of 40 per cent, were asking for an acreage of not more than 25 millions with the possibility of a crop in the neighbourhood of 9 million bales.

So far then the position appears to be that, at the beginning of the year under review, the general position in the world markets was tending to become particularly favourable to the price outlook for American cotton. In actual practice, however, owing to the complexities of the financial situation both in America and Europe, the statistical position had, relatively speaking, a much smaller influence on the price position for American cotton. From about the 4th March, 1933, when the American banking crisis came to a head, the commodity markets in the United States of America gave distinct signs of being affected by prospects of inflationary legislation in that country. By the time the United States officially went oft the gold standard, the New York market had already begun to feel the full effects of the inflationary tendencies; by July, 1933, prices had been carried up to $11 \cdot 75$ cents. In the Liverpool market the rise in New York prices was counterbalanced by a rise in the dollar exchange. Left behind on the rise, Liverpool was unable to take the full benefit of the price advances in New York. But even then the first burst of the inflation in the United States had raised Liverpool prices by about $1 d$. per lb. The subsequent history of the Liverpool prices for American cotton may be divided into two distinct periods. Till about the beginning of August, bullish apprehensions regarding reduction in acreage had kept prices bigh. With the announcement, however, of the first crop estimate, it was seen that these apprehensions were unwarranted and with the assurance of plentiful supplies prices began to adjust themselves downward till by November the rise in the Liverpool markets between April and July had almost been wiped off. From the beginning of December an upward movement was again under way. This movement gained in strength gradually as legislation in favour of further restriction progressed; another important factor was the proposal for the devaluation of the dollar.

Coming to a detailed discussion of the movement of prices in the Liverpool market, the quotation for middling American on the 7th April was 5. $28 d$. Speculative enterprise having been strengthened by the Washington developmeuts regarding inflation in the United States, the rates adjusted themselves upward till $5 \cdot 53 d$. was touched on the 28 th April. The sentiment in the market having continued to be bullish owing to unfavourable weather reports from America and the rumours of possibility of action being taken under the Farm Relief Bill which was signed in the first week of May, 1933, the market was carried upward to 6.19 d . on the 12th May. Subsequently, there was a reaction from these levels, owing to bearish reports of an increase in the American acreage for cotton, but speculative support having been well maintained, the quotation recovered, after a slump to $5.96 d$. on the 19 th, to $6.07 d$. on the 26 th May. The market was lifted further to $6.37 d$. in course of the next week

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owing to financial developments in the United States of America. There was a strong reaction from this level owing to realising by operators and in fact prices remained steady at a lower level of $6 \cdot 18 d$. till the 23rd June. But then, following on the announcement made on the 12th June by the American Department of $\Lambda$ griculture of its scheme for loun to cotton planters, the market again relapsed into bullish control. By the 30th June the quotation was carried upward to $638 \%$, and it rose furtber by 2 points in the succeeding week on receipt of reports of the acreage reduction programme of Government having received the support of American farmers. Strong reactions followed over the two following weebs as a result of fluctuations in the inflationary movements in the Uaited States and, despite a rally to 6.47 d . on the 28th July, the downward curve of prices continutd under tho influence of a further bearish Burean report, till $5 \cdot 53 d$. was quuted on the 25th August. Part of this decline had been due to hedge sclling and liquidation of contracts and there was a reaction to 560 d . on the 1st September. Thereafter, throughout the month the market iemained exposed to various disturbing factors, including a bearish Bureau report, an erratic movement of the dollar sterling rate and unsettled condition of the American stock markets in general. But even then such fluctuations as occurred during this period were, on the whole, moderate and on balance by the last week of September the quotation had moved back to where it had been in the first week of the month. Fundamentally, bowever, the undertone in the market remained weak owing to the Bureau report, issued on the 9th October, which confirmed the large crop estimates of the previous munth. but as the announcement at the end of September of the United States Government's crop loan plans for a reduction of the acreage for 19.34 crops had already begun to strengthen the holding movement in the South, cotton prices remained comparatively stable with a feeble upturn visible toward the end of the month when a quotation of $\overline{5} 54 d$. was returned on the 27th. At the beginning of November a fresh feature was added by speculations regarding the possible reactions of the gold programme of the U.S. Government. Starting with a quotation of $5 \cdot 43 \mathrm{~d}$. on the 3rd November the price curve continued downward until $5 \cdot 09 \mathrm{~d}$. was touched on the 24 th of the month. Meanwhile, the peak of the crop novement in tho United States was passed and with the tightness of the spot situation in the South becoming accentuated, the trend of prices was reversed. These bullis! features, indeed, took some time to gain complete control over the market owing to the fluctuations in the value of the dollar and the weakening of buying interest in the terminal markets. On balance, between the lst and the 29th December the quotation gained only 18 points but later as the prospect of acreage reduction in the United States of America became more assured the rate of advance was accelerated with the quotation swinging up from $5 \cdot 64 d$. on the 5 th Januairy to $5.07 d$. on the 26 th. The financial announcements relating to the dollar at the end of January gave a further inpetus to the upvard movement, the rates spurting up to 6.29 d . on the 2nd February and advancing further by 51 points to 0.80 d . by the end of next week. Due to profit-taling there was a fall of 12 points in course of the next week and later the bujlish incentives gradually weakened as a result of the uncertainties regarding the progress of the Banklead Bill for compulsory reduction of the acreage ; bat despite this, the basis for actual spot cotton in the South having remained

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exceedingly stiff, the downward curve was followed only with moderate fluctuations. The quotation for the last week of the year recorded on the 30th March was $63 \overline{5} d$. which was fully 20 points below the rate quoted on the 2 nd of the month.

The comparatively higher basis for American cotton automatically led to a gradual change in the relative price position for Indian and American cotton in the world markets. The following table compares the prices at Liyerpool for Middling American and Fine Broach and gives the percentage parity of Broach as compared with American cotton :-

Prices of Indian and American cotton at Liverpool with parities (per cent of Indian on American).

| - | Prict per lb. |  | PARITIES (pue ant or Indian ou Aluerican) |  | Peice prita. |  | PARITIES <br> (per cent of tutian on Acurtican) |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Middling Aubrican | $\begin{gathered} \text { Fine } \\ \text { Drouch } \end{gathered}$ |  |  | siddling American | $\underset{\text { Broach }}{\text { Fine }}$ |  |
| 1933- | $d$. | $d$. |  | 1933 | $d$. | d. |  |
| April 7 | $5 \cdot 23$ | 4.61 | 87.3 | October 6 | $5 \cdot 44$ | 4.56 | 83.8 |
| " 14 | $5 \cdot 37$ | $4 \cdot 70$ | 87.5 | 13 | 5-44 | 4. $\mathbf{3} 4$ | $83 \cdot 5$ |
| 21 | $5 \cdot 30$ | $4 \cdot 64$ | 87.5 | 20 | $5-51$ | 4.55 | 89.6 |
| 28 | 5.53 | $4 \cdot 80$ | 86.8 | 27 | $5 \cdot 64$ | 4.55 | $82 \cdot 1$ |
|  |  |  |  | November 3 | $5 \cdot 43$ | 4.43 | 81.6 |
| May $\quad 5$ | $5 \cdot 89$ | $5 \cdot 20$ | 88.3 | \% 10 | $5 \cdot 31$ | $4 \cdot 38$ | 82.5 |
| .. 12 | $6 \cdot 19$ | $5 \cdot 47$ | 88.4 | ", 17 | $5 \cdot 13$ | 4-23 | 82.5 |
| 19 | 5.93 | $5 \cdot 23$ | 87.8 | , 24 | 5.09 | 4.14 | 81.3 |
| 26 | $6 \cdot 47$ | $5 \cdot 22$ | 83.0 | December 1 | 6.15 | $4 \cdot 17$ | 81.0 |
| June 2 | 6.37 | 5.54 | 87.0 | " 8 | $5 \cdot 25$ | $4 \cdot 16$ | 79.2 |
| " 9 | $6 \cdot 12$ | 5.29 | 86.4 | 15 | $5 \cdot 25$ | 4.07 | 77.5 |
| ", 16 | $6 \cdot 18$ | $5 \cdot 33$ | 86.7 | " 22 | $5 \cdot 25$ | 4.08 | 77.7 |
| $\cdots$ | 6.18 | $5 \cdot 37$ | 86.9 | " 29 | 5-33 | $4 \cdot 16$ | 78.0 |
| " 30 | 6.38 | 5.54 | 86.2 | 1934- |  |  |  |
| July 7 | $6 \cdot 40$ | $5 \cdot 50$ | 85.9 | January 5 | $5 \cdot 64$ | 4.41 | 78.2 |
| " 14 | $6 \cdot 33$ | 5.52 | 87.2 | 12 | 5.88 | $4 \cdot 65$ | 78.1 |
| $\cdots 21$ | $6 \cdot 23$ | $5 \cdot 43$ | $87 \cdot 2$ | \% 19 | 6.05 | 4.71 | 77.9 |
| 28 | $6 \cdot 47$ | $5 \cdot 60$ | 86.6 | 1) 26 | 6.07 | $4 \cdot 67$ | 76.9 |
| August 4 | 6.2 .5 | $5 \cdot 32$ | 85.1 | February 2 | 6.29 | 4.84 | 76.9 |
| " 11 | $5 \cdot 90$ | $5 \cdot 02$ | $85 \cdot 1$ | $\cdots \quad 9$ | 6.80 | 6.13 | $75 \cdot 4$ |
| " 18 | $5 \cdot 66$ | 4.83 | $85 \cdot 3$ | " 16 | $6 \cdot 68$ | $5 \cdot 12$ | 76.6 |
| 25 | $5 \cdot 53$ | 4-59 | 83.0 | $\cdots 23$ | 6.67 | $5 \cdot 15$ | $77 \cdot 2$ |
| September 1 | 5.60 | $4 \cdot 63$ | 82.7 | March 2 | ${ }^{6.55}$ | 4.99 | 76.2 |
| ", 8 | $5 \cdot 38$ | 4.47 | 83.1 | ${ }_{9}^{9}$ | 6.65 6.60 | $5 \cdot 04$ | 75.8 |
| $\because 15$ | $5 \cdot 47$ | 4.58 | 83.7 | 16 | ${ }_{6}^{6.62}$ | 4.67 4.67 | $75 \cdot 1$ |
| " 22 | $5 \cdot 42$ | $4 \cdot 63$ | 85.4 | 23 | 6.46 6.35 | 4.87 4.72 | 75.4 74.3 |
| " 29 | $5 \cdot 60$ | 4.73 | 84.6 | 30 | $6 \cdot 35$ | 472 | 74.3 |

The rates for Broach cotton at Liverpool were 87.3 per cent of the prices for Middling American in the same market on the 7th April, 1933. After rising to 88.4 on the 12th May the parity fell back to 85.9 by the 7 th July and rallying to $87 \cdot 2$ over the two subsequent weeks, it receded to $82 \cdot 7$ by the 1 st September. Thercafter there was an upturn lasting for 3 weeks and then the parity index started of for a lower level, reaching 81.6 by the 3rd November and subject to occasional short breaks, it continued on the .downward course till it touched $75 \cdot 1$ on the 16th March. Subsequently, the parity improved slightly in course of the next week, but it tailed off again and a low figure of 74.3 was recorded on the 30th of the month.

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The comparatively lower parity for Indian cotton was, in the first place, due to a reaction from the abnormal position of the preceding two or three years when higher rates for Indian cotton had ruled on account of a succession of several short crops in India. At the same time, the parity for Indian cotton, it must be recognised, would not have fallen so lovexcept for the technical position in the Indian markets over a considerable portion of the year. Fundamentally, the demand position for Indian cotton was ${ }_{\lambda}^{7}$ stronger than in the preceding season. The basic feature of the raw cotton trade in 1932-33 had been a heavy offtake of American cotton in the markets of the East. The Eastern demand represented mainly purchases on Japan's account. The comparatively higher basis for American cotton in the year under review should normally have led to Japan switching over to Indian cotton. A tendency in this direction had already become pronounced during the last three months of the preceding year, but the upward trend came to an abrupt halt owing to the suspension of purchases of Indian cotton by Japan from June, 1933. The boycott was essentially an act of reprisal prompted by the announcement of the decision of the Government of India to abrogate the trade convention of 1904 with Japan, but the agreement between the Japanese spinners and raw cotton dealers not to accept Indian cotton was not definitely reached until after the promulgation in India of the tariff changes of June, 1933, which prescribed higher rates of duty on foreign (including Japanese) cotton piecegoods. The boycott was withdrawu by the Japan Cotton Spinners' Association early in January, 1934. As the boycott had practically no retrospective effect on existing contracts, its actual incidence could not be felt until in August and the reappearance of Japanese demand on anything like a normal scale could not be envisaged until February, 1934. The boycott was thus operative at least for a period of six months of the year during which period the rate of turnover for Japanese shippers in the Indian market was reduced to an average of 2,300 tons per month against the monthly average of 14,900 tons for the corresponding period of the preceding year. As Japan normally constitutes the most important single outlet for raw cotton exports from India-being responsible, on an average, for more than 50 per cent of the total ontward shipments of raw cotton from this country -a recession of such a heavy magnitude was bound to have important repercussions on the stock position as well as the price level of Indian raw cotton. Actually, however, the lower rate of consumption due to the boycott had to a great extent been compensated by an abnormally heavy intake of Japan during the three preboycott months of the year under review, her average takings during that period having been 26,000 tons as against 8,000 tons for the corresponding period of 1932-33. On the contrary, such reduction as had occurred on balance in the exports to Japan was actually more than set off by increased shipments to China, representing mostly indents by Japanese mills in that country to countervail the decrease in direct shipments to Japan. Despite this, the first large reactions set up by the boycott had been sufficient to cause a setback in the price outlook for Indian cotton and prices in fact remained depressed, not only actually but also relatively to American cotton, over the greater portion of the year.

The year opened with an easy feeling in the Bombay cotton market owing mainly to heavy tenders against the Broach contract. The opening rate of

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the year was $\mathrm{Al75-0-0}$ quoted on the 7th April, 1933. But cotton was reported to have been firmly held by merchants and shippers, mostly on an investment basis, and as tenders against the Broach contract continued to fall off, the rates were hardening up, the quotation being marked up to R204-8-0 by the 12th May. During the remaining weeks of May prices tossed up and down under the influence of alternating bedge selling and covering purchases, induced by the rapid fluctuations in the dollar exchange; but on balance the quotation recovered to R204-12-0 by the end of May. June opened with a spurt to $\mathrm{R} 220-4-0$, quoted on the 2nd, under the spell of bullish advices from the United States which led to covering demands hy shippers. This trend was quickly reversed, however, by the announcement of the boycott by the cotton spinners in Japan. The immediate effect of the announcement was an unloading by long interests in the Bombay market on rather a heavy scale which resulted in the rates falling precipitously to Z 210 on the 9th June. From then on the rates continued to adjust themselves to a lower level until fl80-12-0 was tonched by the 18th August. The downward trend was broken in the last week of August, when following on an appreciation of the dollar exchange the prices seacted to R186 on the 23rd. Thereafter, backed by a good covering demand, the market was pitched up to $\mathrm{F} 203-8-0$ for April-May contracts, only to fall back to $\not 2193$ by the end of the next week. With the approach of the Indo-Japanese conference the market buoyed up a little and remained steady within a range of R 198 to fl 199 for three weeks till the 29th September. From the beginning of October a further spell of weakness commenced owing partly to the repercussions of the reported difficulties of an important group of mills at Bombay and the rates reacted downward, reaching fll84-8-0 by the 17th October. At this stage speculation regarding an early termination of the Japanese boycott again created a buoyant feeling in the market, but a fresh reaction began on renewed liquidation, following disappointment at the slow progress of the Indo-Japanese discussions. These factors sent the quotation down to 7178-8-0 on the 24th November. Thereafter, the market remained featureless except for occasional spurts due to rush of shorts for covering with bullish turns in the treaty discussions at Simla. On balance the rates improved by about a couple of rupees by the 29th December. Agreement having been reached with the Japanese delegates on the 5th January, Japanese shippers were encouraged to resume buying of contracts on a heavy scale and backed by the export demand, the market rapidly advanced, reaching R215-12-0 by the 9th February. Part of this appreciation was attributable to the unseasonaole spell of cold weather which damaged the cotton crop in some parts of India. But as the crop movernent had already set in fully the rates gradually receded, the quotation on record for the 23rd March being R196-12-0.

One result of the comparatively low parity for Indian cotton, as set out in the preceding paragraph, was to encourage a larger absorption of Indian cotton in markets other than Japan. The world consumption of Indian cotton for the six months ending July 31, 1933, had indeed proved to have been rather short of the normal rate of consumption in recent years. But consumption during the six months ending January 31, 1934, showed a notable increase in relation to the consumption of the preceding six months. Spinners' takings in both these half-yearly periods had shown notable

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increases, as is evidenced by the world's cotton mill stocks. The mill stocks of Indian cotton outside India, on the 31st July. 1933, and the 31st January, 1934, were estimated by the International Federation of Master Cotton Spinners' and Manufacturess' Association at 636,000 bales and 409,000 bales as compared with 375,000 bales and 241,000 bales respectively on the corresponding dates of the preceding year. Exports of Indian cotton, therefore, naturally increased in spite of the reduction in Japanese demand in consequence of the boycott. The total outward shipments of Indian cotton during 1933-34 amounted to $2,740,000$ bales as compared with $2,063,000$ bales in 1933-33, and $2,369,000$ bales in 1930-31. The value of the exports amounted to $\mathrm{R} 26,59$ lakhs as compared with $\mathrm{R} 20,37$ lakhs in the preceding year. The volume of the exports thus increased. relatively to $1932-33$, by 33 per cent and the value thereof by 31 per cent. Japan indeed still remained the largest single market for Indian cotton, although her share decreased slightly from 1,085,000 bales valued at R11,12 lakhs in 1932-33 to 1,022,000 bales valued at R10,53 lakhs in 1933-34. This decline, however, was more than counterbalanced by an increase in the offtake of China from 134,000 bales valued at $\mathrm{Al}, 33$ lakhs to 337,000 bales valued at $\mathrm{F} 3,22$ lakhs. The United Kinglom increased her takings from 167,000 bales valued at $\mathrm{fl1,61}$ lakhs to 342,000 bales valued at R3,27 lakhs. Exports to Italy advanced from 150,000 bales valued at R1, 44 lakhs to 261,000 bales valued at R2,39 lakbs. There was concurrently a notable expansion in the demand of Germany, Fradee and Belgium, which were responsible for 247,000 bales, 163,000 bales and 144,000 bales or considerably larger quantities than their respective shares of 1933-33 at 153,000 bales, 124,000 bales and 128,000 bales. There were similar variations in the exports to Spain and the Netherlands, their respective requirements having enlarged from 52,000 bales and 38,000 bales to 61,000 bales and 65,000 bales.

The following statement gives the monthly exports of Indian cotton during the last 5 years together with the pre-War average :-

Exports of Indian cotion in bales of 400 lbs .

|  |  |  | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Pro- War } \\ & \text { average } \\ & 1909.14 \end{aligned}$ | 1929.30 | 1930-31 | 1931.32 | 1932-33 | 1933-34 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| April |  | - | 303, 600 | 386,300 | 424,700 | 307,300 | 05,0u | 240,010 |
| May |  | - | 248,800 | 404,900 | 341,700 | 283,400 | 135,400 | 239,100 |
| June |  |  | 218,900 | 382,200 | 244,500 | 260,600 | 121,800 | 308,200 |
| July |  | - | 190,100 | 318,700 | 258,900 | 212,300 | 100,400 | 213,700 |
| Auguas |  | - | 110,300 | 231,300 | 250,700 | 259,000 | 83,300 | 170,400 |
| Sepember |  | , | 75,300 | 211,400 | 286,800 | 111,200 | 163,100 | 69,300 |
| October |  | . | 68,800 | 176,100 | 223,700 | 111,300 | 120,000 | 84,700 |
| November. |  | . | 101,400 | 207,200 | 226,000 | 135,900 | 121,600 | 124,100 |
| December |  | - | 158,200 | 247,600 | 257,000 | 191,400 | 164,600 | 162,700 |
| January |  | . | 318,800 | 452,700 | 438,900 | 168,000 | 207,200 | 243,100 |
| February |  | . | 318,300 | 493,500 | 433,300 | 159,700 | 373,860 | 311,900 |
| March |  |  | 205,800 | 508,500 | 438,900 | 168,200 | 316,000 | 499,800 |
|  | Total | , | 2.407,300 | 4,070,400 | 3,926,000 | 2,369,200 | 2,082.600 | 2,740,000 |

Exports from Bombay amounted to 48 per cent of the total quantity of raw cotton exported from India, those from Karachi were 41 per cent and those from Madras 4 per cent as compared with 56,35 and 3 per cent respectively in the preceding year. Viewed in retrospect, the export trade in Indiun cotton during the year 1933-34 showed awift and violent fluctuations

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in demand. To a certain extent, this was inevitable, since Japan fills such a large part of the canvas in this particular line of trade in India that anything that modifies or checks the demand from this particular source is bound to produce important reactions on the market in India. It has, however, to be borne in mind that the withdrawal of the Japanese demand was at most operative for barely six months of the year. Apart from the question whether Japan could, for any length of time, keep out of the Indian market, the fact remains that the boycott was, to a great extent, made possible by large supplies which had been secured and held by the country in advance. The withdrawal of Japan from the market in India even for a short period, however, forced the Indian grower to male large sacrifices in prices and to surrender a good part of the monetary compensation which could have been his but for the boycott. It is true that the edge was taken out of the full force of the Japanese boycott owing to supplies going elsewhere in large consignments. This was by no means a mere fortuitous concurrence of forces unconnected with ordinary cause and effect, for Indian cotton holds an important position as a safety valve against any abrupt and erratic conduct on the part of American cotton. It is, however, gratifying to note that cousiderable progress has been achieved during the year in the direction of developing more secure miarkets for Indian cotton within the Empire. In this respect an important beginning has been made by the inauguration of the Indian Cotton Enquiry Committee in Lancashire under the chairmanship of Sir Richard Jackson to explore and demonstrate the suitaisility of Indian cotton from the point of view of the cotton industry in Lancashire. The formation of this Committee, which provides a very useful and practical liaison between Lancashire and India, has been in fulfilment of a programme to which the United Kingdom has already been committed by the undertaking given by the British Government in the Ottawa Agreement to co-operate in any practicable scheme for investigating whether, by research, propaganda or improved marketing, greater use could be made of Indian cotion in Lancashire.

Imports of raw cottou into India during 1933-34 showed a heavy decline in comparison with the imports of the preceding year. In $1933-34$ these amounted to 43,000 tons valued at R3,55 lakhs as compared with 85,000 tons valued at $\mathrm{R} 7,26$ lakhs in 1932-33. The decrease is accounted for by smaller impoits from the United States of America as a result of the higher levels of cotton prices ruling in that country. Sbipments from the United States amounted to $8,0,0$ tons valued at R64 lakhs as against 46,000 tons valued at R3,85 lakhs in the preceding year. Cowsignments from Kenya Colony, representing mostly Uganda cotton, however, showed an improvement from 21,000 tons to 24,000 tons, but arrivals of Egyptian cotton fell off from 9,000 tons to 6,000 tons. The quantity of foreign cotton reexported from the Presidency of Bombay, including Sind, during the last 5 years is shown in the following statement:-


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The re-exports of foreign cotton, it will be seen from the above, amounted to 5,000 bales as compared with 667 bales in the preceding year and 790 bales in 1931-32.

During the cotton season 1933-34 in the aggregate 2,405,000 bales of raw cotton were received in Bombay up to the end of July, 1934, as against $2,478,000$ bales in the corresponding period of the preceding year. The estinated stock of raw cotton held by exporters, dealers and mills in Bombay on the 31st August, 1933, was 713,000 bales as compared with 698,000 bales on the corresponding date of 1932. Stocks on the 26th April, 1934, were $1,216,000$ bales as compared with 924,000 bales a year ago. According to the Indian Central Cotton Committee the mill consumption of Indian cotton during the past four fiscal years was as follows :-

Consumption of Indian raw cotton in Indian mills. (In bales of 400 lbs .)

(a) Part caloulated from yarn production, rest aotual raw ootton coneumption reported.

Cotton manufactures (R2,73 lakhs).-In 1932-33 the Indian mill industry had been through a period of intense competition from Japan, This

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competition was not only organized with remarkable efficiency but it was also conducted along such thorough lines that Indian mills were already finding it difficult in 1932-33 to carry on even in their own homs markets. Soms mills had been forced to reduce their margin of profit considerably, while a number of them, at any rate, curtailed output. The depreciation of the yen further aggravated the competition and the whole question formed the subject of a summary enquiry by the Tariff Board, on whose recommendations the Government of India raised the duties on cotton piecegoods, not of British manufacture, to $5 \ddagger$ as. per pound or 50 per cent ad valorem whichever is higher, for plain grey goods and to 50 per cent al valorem for "others". These rates, which came into effect from the 30th August, 1932, had been calculated on the basis of a rate of $\mathrm{Al} 106=100$ yen exchange. The exchange value of the yen, however, subsequently decined and at the beginning of the year under review stood at about $\mathrm{R} 83=100$ yen. Largely because of this further depreciation of the yen, the imports of Japanese goods still continued on a large scale and at prices which Indian mills could not meet or could only meet with difficulty. Government accordingly decided to make yet another tariff revision and the rates were raised to $6 \frac{3}{4}$ as. per lb . or 75 per cent ad valorem, whichever is higher, for plain greys and to 75 per cent $u d$ valorem for "others". These rates came into force in June, 1933, and remained operative until as a result of the successful negotiations with the Japanese Delegation in connection with the rcrewal of the commercial treaty between India and Japan, the rates were reduced with effect from the 8th January, 1934, to 5 a as. per lb. or 50 per cent ad valorem, whichever is higher, for plain greys and 50 per cent for others, being the rates which had been in force prior to the promulgation of the revised rates in June, 1933. The tariff revision effected in June, 1933, had been forestalled to some extent and the resulting large stocks of Japanese goods held in India further reduced demand for the products of the Indian mills. At the beginning of the year the stock situation in the Indian mills had already become sufficiently serious, the stocks with the mills on the 1st April, 1933, amounting to as much as 601 million yards as compared with 382 million yards on the same date in the preceding year. In the year under review prices fell to new and lower levels and as some of the mills in India found it unprofitable to operate at such prices, total production naturally was curtailed. The annual production for $1933-34$ was thus much smaller than that of 1932-33. And this made it possible for the mills in India to effect a considerable reduction in the stocks which stood at 421 million yards on the 1st April, 1934. The following table shows the production of piecegoods in the Indian mills, month by month, from April, 1930 :-
(In tlousand yards)

| Month |  |  | Total hidian l'roduction |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  |  | 19.3U-31 | 1ゾ31-3: | 1452-53 | 1933.dt |
| pril | - . | - | 213,077 | 234,048 | 257,864 | 214,661 |
| May | . . | . | 213,220 | 240,003 | 941,380 | 236,181 |
| June | . . | . | 215,162 | - 46,837 | 253,382 | 237,366 |
| Juiy | . . |  | 211,127 | 246,349 | 263,301 | 245,588 |
| August | - - | - | 187,111 | 233,031 | 283,871 | 246,511 |

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| Month |  | Totnl Indion Pruduction |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  | 1030.31 | 1931.32 | 1932-33 | 1833.34 |
| September | - - | 103.018 | 268,587 | 277,293 | 241,397 |
| October | . . | 191,429 | 233,846 | 268,350 | 245,392 |
| November | . . | 208,130 | 227,729 | 281,588 | 251,055 |
| December | . | 236,604 | 276,797 | 2494,970 | 277,429 |
| January | - $\cdot$ | 240,153 | 249,206 | 263,542 | 243,197 |
| February | . . | 225, 834 | 261,181 | 236,087 | 247,003 |
| March | . . | 226,208 | 271,277 | 248,271 | 250,272 |
|  | Toral | 2,561,133 | 2,989,891 | 3,169,809 | 2,945,052 |

It will be seen that production in India in 193334 has been reduced by 225 million yards. This reduction has been mainly due to a falling off in the outturn of the mills in tbe Bombay Island. From the beginning of April, 1933, till the close of the year about seventeen mills were reported to have closed down, or suspended working temporarily orwing to financial complications. Though this was unfortunate for the individual mills concerned, the net result was beneficial to the stock position in the Bombay Island. Stocks were thus cleared earlier than would otherwise havo been the case and towards the latter part of the year under review renewed spindle and loom activity was beginning to manifest itself again. Outside the City conditions were somewhat slack about the end of the year, the demand for Ahmedabad goods, in particular, in the up-country consuming markets sbowing a serious falling off. Elsewhere in the Bombay Presidency also labour troubles seriously affected the production of the mills.

The table given below shows the production of cotton piecegoods for Bombay Island, Abmedabad and the rest of India separately :-


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It will appear from the figures given above that taking the year as a whole, ihe decline in the production was confined to the Bombay Island, where the sutput of the mills had been low from November. But it is also interesting that, on the basis of the monthly analysis given above, the rate of production slsewhere was initially a little worse in comparison with the rate for the cor:esponding months of the previous year.

The production of yarn in the mills in India amounted to 921 million lhs. is compared with 1,016 million lbs. in 1932-33 and 966 million lbs. in 1931-32. The details of production by counts are given below in millions of lbs. :-

| Counts | 1913.14 | 1927.28 | 1928-29 | 1929-30 | 1030-3I | 1931-32 | 1732.33 | 1933-34 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Nos. 1-10 | 131 | 106 | 79 | 106 | 113 | 117 | 115 | 107 |
| , 11-20 | 262 | 389 | 303 | 388 | 400 | 445 | 434 | 440 |
| , 21-30 | 167 | 263 | 213 | 272 | 260 | 294 | 297 | 255 |
| , 31-40 | 20 | 34 | 37 | 46 | 61 | 71 | 77 | 76 |
| Above 40 | 3 | 11 | 10 | 15 | 27 | 34 | 37 | 37 |
| Wastes . | $\cdots$ | 6 | 6 | 7 | 6 | 5 | 6 | fi |

It will be noticed from the above table that the slackening of the rate of production in 1933-34 has been confincd almost exclusively to the three classifications covering 30 s and below. In the case of counts 31.40 there bas been an almost negligible decline of 1 million lb . on a total of 77 milion ibs., while other classifications exhibit no variation relatively to the corresponding figures for 1932-33.

The exports of twist and yarn amounted to 16 million lbs. as compared with 15 million lbs. in 1932-33 and an average annual of 82 million lbs. for the postWar quinquennium. The total value of the exports in 1933-34 amounted to R 82 lakhs as compared with H79 lakhs in the preceding year. The increase in the volume of the exports in 1933-34 is attributable mainly to enlargement of demand in Syria and Persia, the former taking off 2.8 million lbs. as against 2.3 million lbs. in 1932-33, and the latter 4.3 million lbs. against 3.7 million lbs. Part of the increase accounted for by these two countries was, however, counteibalanced by a reduction in the offtake for Iraq which fell from 1.1 million to 0.8 million los. and in that for French Somaliland which went down from 1.8 million to 1.5 million lbs. Consignments to Aden and Dependencies at 2.1 million lbs. practically remained unchanged in relation to the shipments of 1932-33.

The proportion of exports of cotton piecegoods to the total production in India in 1933-34 was 1-9 per cent as compared with $2 \cdot 1$ per cent in 1932-33 and 3.5 per cent in 1931-32. The actual quantity of cotton piccegoods exported showed a further decline from 66 million yards in $1932-53$ to 56 million yards in 1933-34, the corresponding decline in value bemg from R2,09 lakhs to $\mathrm{fl}, 66$ lakhs. The following table sets forth the quantities of piece-

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goods grey, white and coloured exported from 1926-27 onward with the average exports during the War period.

| - | (In thousand yarde) |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | War average | 1026-27 | 1027-28 | 1928-29 | 1029-30 | 1930-81 | 1931-32 | 1032-33 | 1933-34 |
| Cotton plecegoods- |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  | 74,676 | 19,949 | 17,089 | 16,385 | 16,043 | 0,793 | 8,685 | 4,682 | 4,165 |
| White : | 1,475 | 1,650 | 1,356 | 1,379 | 1,109 | 999 | 267 | , 358 | 292 |
| Coloured : | 80,377 | 175,902 | 149,280 | 131,455 | 117,184 | 87,680 | 95,784 | 61,402 | 52.004 |
| Totat | 150,428 | 107,401 | 188,624 | 149,219 | 133,426 | 07,715 | 104,036 | 60,442 | 50,461 |

Under colouied goods, which constitute by far the most important item of export, the shipments amounted to 52 million yards as against 61 million yards in the preceding year. The exports of grey goods amounted to only 4 million yards and were slightly below the exports of the preceding year, which had stood at 5 million yards. The consignments of white goods sent out also fell back from 0.4 million yards to 0.3 million yards. Of the total value of piecegoods exported, amounting to R1,66 lakhs, grey goods accounted for RIl lakhs, white goods for a littl b below Rl lakh and coloured goods for 71,55 lakhs.

The detailed figures of production and exports under the different classifications of cotton piecegoods for the past three years and for 1913-14 are given below :-

Production in Indian mills.

| - | $\begin{gathered} \text { 1913-14 } \\ \text { (pre-War year) } \end{gathered}$ | 1931-32 | 1932-33 | 1933-34 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Grey and bleaohed piecegoods- | Million yards | Million yards | Million yards | Million yards |
| Shirtings and longoloth . . | 292.5 | 790.9 | 748.0 | $725 \cdot 8$ |
| Chadars . . . . . | 68.9 | $55 \cdot 7$ | $58 \cdot 6$ | 56.1 |
| Dhutis . - . | 284.8 | 964.6 | 1,096.8 | 978.5 |
| T. cloth, domestics and sheetings. | 128.9 | $154 \cdot 4$ | $143 \cdot 7$ | $137 \cdot 0$ |
| Drills and jeans - - | 27.8 | 103.2 | $112 \cdot 9$ | 104.3 |
| Other sorts . . . | 68.5 | 242.3 | 203.0 | $263 \cdot 3$ |
| Total | $872 \cdot 4$ | 2,311•1 | 2,423.0 | 2,265.0 |
| Coloured piecegoods . . . . | 291.9 | 678.8 | 746.9 | 680.0 |
| Total piegegoods | 1,164•3 | 2,989•9 | 3,169.9 | 2,945.0 |

Chart showing the production, imports and exports of cotton piecegoods during the years $1924-25$ to $1933-34$ as compared with the averages of the pre-war, war and post-war periods.


Cotton manufactures.
Exports.

| - | $\begin{gathered} \text { 1913-14 } \\ \text { (pre-War } \\ \text { yeax) } \end{gathered}$ | 1031-32 | 1032-33 | 1933-34 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Qtey and bleanhed piecagoods- | Million yards | Milfion yards | Million yards | Million yards |
| Shirtings . | $2 \cdot 2$ | $4 \cdot 1$ | $1 \cdot 7$ | . 8 |
| Chadurs and dhuties . | 76 | $2 \cdot 3$ | $1 \cdot 9$ | $1 \cdot 6$ |
| T. cloth and domedtics . . | 21.6 | $\cdot 8$ | $\cdot 4$ | ${ }^{4}$ |
| Drilla and jeans - . | ${ }^{-6}$ | 11 | $\cdot 2$ | $\cdot 4$ |
| Other sorte. | $12 \cdot 2$ | 17 | -8 | 1.2 |
| Total | $44 \cdot 2$ | $8 \cdot 8$ | $5 \cdot 0$ | $4 \cdot 4$ |
| Coloured piecegoods. | 45.0 | 95.8 | 01.4 | 52.0 |
| Total fiegrgoods | $80 \cdot 2$ | 104.6 | 66.4 | 56.4 |

Of the total quantity of piecegoods exported in 1933-34, Ceylon took 13 million yards or practically the same as had been taken by her in 1932-33. There was a pronounced fall in supplies to the Straits Settlements which went down from 8 million yards to 5 million yards; export to Portuguese Africa and Tanganyika territory also suffered a diminution from 6 million yards to 3 million yards. Kenya Colony and Zanzibar and Pemba together took 3 million yards as against 4 million yards in 1932-33. The decline in the shares of these countries was partly counterbalanced by slight increases in the offtake of Persia (from 8 million yards to 9 million yards), and of the Anglo-Egyptian Sudan (from a little below 2 million yards to just above 2 million yards). Demand from Iraq, Arabia, and the Bahrein island practically remained unchanged at 5 million, 4 million and 3 million yards respectively.

The following table shows the average declared values per yard of the different classes of exported piecegoods compared with the corresponding values for the imported goods in 1913-14 and the last five years :-

Imported piecegoods.


Indian piecegoods exported.


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From the above tables it will be seen that although the declared values of exported piecegoods feli away between the two years 1932-33 and 1933-34 under all the three classifications, they were still on higher levels relatively to the corresponding values of the imported piecegoods. This fact indicates the principal cause of the retrogression of the Indian piece-goods trade in the overseas markets in recent years. The main reason for the greater fall in the declared value in the case of imports was the intensity of competition from Japan. But the same factor has been operating also in the markets for cotton piecegoods abroad, where prices were subjected to an unusual amount of strain, to the detriment alike of India and other countries competing with Japan in the respective markets involved. This was inevitable on account of the phenomenal pressure of Japanese exports of cotton piecegoods in recent years. Not only has the volume of her export trade increased, but the great bulk of her goods has been sold at what appears to be cut prices. India can hardly hope to retain her export trade in cotton piecegoods in markets where she enjoys no special advantages against Japan when she requires a considerable measure of protection in her home markets. A continued decrease of exports seems, therefore, most probable.

In the following table a rough estimate is made of the quantity of mill made cloth which was available for consumption in India during the year 1913-14 and the last five years. Stocks at the beginning and end of each year cannot be taken into account owing to the absence of complete data regarding these.

| - | $\begin{gathered} 1913-14 \\ \text { (pre-War } \\ \text { year) } \end{gathered}$ | 1929-30 | 1930-31 | 1931-32 | 1932 -33 | 1933-34 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Indisn mill production | Million yards $1,164 \cdot 3$ | Million yards 2,419:0 | Milion yards 2,561-1 | Million yards 2,989.9 | Million yards 3,169.0 | Million yards 2,945•0 |
| Imported goods . | 3,197-1 | 1,919•3 | $890 \cdot 0$ | $775 \cdot 6$ | 1,225.3 | 795.7 |
| $\begin{aligned} & \text { TOTAL PRODUCTION } \\ & \text { aND Imports - } \end{aligned}$ | 4,361•4 | 4,338-3 | 3,451-1 | 3,765-5 | 4,395•2 | 3,740•7 |
| Exported, Indisn " Foreign | 89.2 $62 \cdot 1$ | 133.4 22.2 | 97.7 17.4 | $104 \cdot 6$ 15.7 | $66 \cdot 4$ 21.6 | 56.5 24.8 |
| Total Exports | 151.3 | $155 \cdot 6$ | $115 \cdot 1$ | $120 \cdot 3$ | 88.0 | 81.3 |
| Handloow production (estimated). | 1,068.0 | 1,404'0 | 1,384*0 | 1,500.0 | 1,700.0 | 1,436.0 |
| Hamanor avarlable | 5,278.1 | 5,586.7 | 4,720.0 | 5,145.2 | 6,007•2 | 5,085•4 |

Tea (R19,85 lakbs).-The International Scheme for the Regulation of Exports of tea, was announced in May, 1933 with retrospective effect from the beginning of April, so that at the end of the year under review the tea industry had just completed one year of this scheme. Generally, the restriction scheme has enabled the industry to meet, what have undoubtedly been, very disturbing conditions. Production in the year under consideration has gone down from 434 million pounds in 1932-33 to 381 million pounds in 1933-34, so that the London warehouses which had 276 million pounds in hand at the

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end of March, 1933 were able to reduce stocks to 251 million pounds by the end of the year under review. As regards Indian tea specifically, the stocks at London fell from 187 million pounds to 166 million pounds during the same period. It is true that the stocks at the end of the year under review were still somewhat heavy, but each of the three countries, namely, India, Ceylon and Netherlands India, has been assigned a definite quota under the restriction scheme and the complete elimination of the surplus stocks will, it is hoped, be only a matter of time. It can be said that the hopes engendered by the regulation scheme bave, to a considerable extent, been justified; this is found by the relative levels of average prices realised for tea. The average declared value per lb . of tea exported from India in 1933-34 amounted to 10 as. compared with 7 as. $3 \boldsymbol{p}$. for the exports of 1932-33. At the same time, the average prices realised at the auction at London for all kinds of tea, advanced from $9 \cdot 45 \mathrm{~d}$. per lb. in 1932 to $11 \cdot 70 \mathrm{~d}$. per lb. in 1933.

Under the restriction scheme the quota for overseas shipments of tea from India for 1933-34 had been fixed at 321 million lbs. The International Committee has since permitted an addition of $2 \frac{1}{2}$ per cent of the agreed "standard export" to the quota effective in 1933-34 to arrive at the permissible limit for the exports of 1934-35.

The total outturn of tea in India in 1933-34 amounted to 381 million lbs. as compared with 434 million lbs. in 1932-33 and 394 million lbs. in 1931-32, The decline of 1933-34 in relation to the outturn of the previous season was thus one of 53 million lbs. A number of circumstances account for this fall in outturn. As exportable rights had been strictly limited to assigned quotas under the scheme of license in connection with the International Regulation of exports, the individual grower had not much inducement to turn out additional supplies, the bulk of which might very well be left on his hands at the end of the season ; and, accordingly, the majority of growers in India had joined in a scheme, as yet on a voluntary basis, to restrict production at the very source within predetermined limits. Another factor contributing to lower the yield this year was the fact that in some of the districts, at any rate, the season did not prove favourable to a high yield on account of the recurrence at intervals of drought and flood. The unsatisfactory production in the first three months of the year was thus due to drought in some of the districts. August witnessed another drought followed later by a spell of wet cold weather. In September the distribution of rainfall continued to be uneven. Taking the season as a whole, the bulk of the reduction in the crop occurred in August and November. The August reduction was due partially to weather conditions and partially to the anxiety of growers to eliminate the poor quality pluckings common to this part of the season. By October, the permissible quota of production had been completed in several gardens and pickings had to be suspended in November in several cases owing to the necessity of adjusting the season's production with the quota figures. Geaerally, the restriction plan resulted in an elimination of coarse plucking and the reduction of pluckings in August, in particular, had the effect of raising the general standard of quality for the year. The early teas, except in Cachar and Sylhet, were reported to have been up to the average and, in some places, exceptionaliy good. Autumnal teas mostly proved to be of no special merit, although limited quantities of teas above the average standard were produced.

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The season, as a whole, thus proved to have been a good average year for quality in spite of the vagaries of the weather.

Of the total production of 1933 the largest share, as usual, was contributed by Assam which produced 219 million lbs. or 58 per cent. Production in the rest of Northern India amounted to 104 million lbs. or 27 per cent and that in Southern India to 58 million lbs. or 15 per cent. The net reduction in the crop yield of India on the basis of the production of 1932 amounted to 53 million lbs. and was brought about by a decline of 38 million lbs. in Assam, of 10 million lbs. in the rest of Northern India and 5 million lbs. in Southern India. The total area under tea in India was 813,900 acres in 1933 as compared with 809,100 acres in the preceding year. The acreage and production for a number of years are shown in the following tables:-

Aoreage.

| - | 1906 | 1915 | 1928 | 1929 | 1930 | 1031 | 1932 | 1933* |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Acres | Acres | Aores | Acres | Acres | Acres | Acres | Acres |
| Absam | 339,200 | 3 2,800 | 427,200 | 489,500 | 432,900 | 430,900 | 428,400 | 430,300 |
| Reat of Northern India | 153,900 | 181,300 | 220,900 | 222,810 | 227,200 | 226,600 | 227,600 | 2:9,400 |
| Sonthern India | 37,600 | 68,000 | 127,800 | 135,700 | 143.400 | 149,300 | 153,100 | 154,200 |
| Total | 530,500 | 632,100 | 775,900 | 788,000 | 803,500 | 806,800 | 809,100 | 819,900 |

- Subject to rerision.

Production.

| - | 1906 | 1915 | 1928 | 1929 | 1930 | 1931 | 1832 | 1933* |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | 1b*. | 1 be . | lbs. | lbs. | 1 lbs. | 1bs. | lba. | libe. |
|  | $(1,000)$ | $(1,000)$ | $(1,000)$ | (1,000) | (1,000 | (1,000) | $(1,000)$ | (1,000) |
| Asbam | 162,468 | 245,752 | 216,018 | 258,941 | 233,416 | 243,229 | 267,058 | 219,341 |
| Rest of Northern Iudia | 64,216 | 94.695 | 100,864 | 115,628 | 102,769 | 94,252 | 1:8,847 | 103,380 |
| Southern India | 14,281 | 31,610 | 57,271 | 58, 473 | 54,896 | 56,603 | 62,764 | 57,901 |
| Total | 240,965 | 372,057 | 404, 1:3 | 132,842 | 391,081 | 394,084 | +33,669 | 380,622 |

[^5]Chart 3 howing the weakly district average prices of tea realised at the auction sales in Calcutta.


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The variations in the exports for the corresponding official years are indicated by the following figures:-

Exports of tea by sea to foreign countries.

|  | 1906-07 | 1915-16 | 1928-29 | $1920 \cdot 30$ | 1930-31 | 1981-32 | 1932-33 | 1933-3\% |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | $\begin{gathered} \text { lbs. } \\ (1,000) \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} \mathrm{lbs} \\ (1,000) \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} \text { lbs. } \\ (1,000) \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} \text { lbs. } \\ (1,000) \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} \text { lbs. } \\ (1, \stackrel{v}{ } 00) \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} \text { lbs. } \\ (1,000) \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} \text { lbs. } \\ (1,000) \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} \text { lbe. } \\ (1,000) \end{gathered}$ |
| From Northern India (Calcatta and Chitta- | 217,931 | 301,403 | 309,845 | 326,363 | 307,147 | 295,294 | 323,895 | 270,822 |
| From Sonthern India (Madras ports). | 13,980 | 25,840 | 49,321 | 49,671 | 48,575 | 45,901 | 54,887 | 46.825 |
| From Bombay, Sind and Barma. | 1,743 | 11,227 | 436 | 600 | 517 | 323 | 175 | 195 |
| Total | 233,654 | 338,470 | 359,602 | 376,63.4 | 356,239 | 341,518 | 378,897 | 317,542 |

In 1933-34, 83 per cent of the total quantity of tea produced was exported overseas, the balance amounting to 63 million lbs. was left for the home market.

The scheme of license for exports of tea made it necessary in the procedure relating to the auction sales for tea at Calcutta, to offer the invoices with export rights and those for internal consumption in separate lots and on different dates in each auction week. The number of packages of tea for internal consumption excluding second-hand tea, damaged tea and dust) sold during the season 1933-34 amounted to 267,635 and they fetched an average price of $4 a s .10 p$ per lb . The number of packages with export rights sold during the season was 575,709 with an average price of 9 as. $7 p$. The total number of packages (excluding second-hand tea, damaged tea and dust) of either description sold thus amounted to 843,344 against 772,843 packages sold in the preceding season, the prices realised averaging at 8 as .1 p . in the season 1933-34 against 5 as. $2 p$. in the 1932-33 season. The number of packages of dust sold during the season 1933-34 amounted to 212,778 as against the record figure of 262,979 for 1932-33, the average price being 5 as. 7 p. against 4 as. 1 p. in 1932-33. The auction sales of tea opened at Calcutta on the 5th June, 1933 and altogether there were 37 sales for invoices with export rights and 38 sales for those for internal consumption.

The average weekly prices per lb. realised for tea at the auction sales in Calcutta during the 1933-34 tea season are graphed in chart No. 9 appended to this Review and also in the chart on the opposite page where the district weekly averages are exhibited along with the general average.

The average price realised for invoices with export rights in the first sale of the season held on the 5 th-6th June was 9 as. per lb. During the early weeks of the season the market was irregular, the average having, on balance, lost a little more than one anna per lb. by the 26th June. July opened with a healthier outlook owing to revival of demand and as the average quality of the invoices offered improved, the rates tended to harden, touching 10 as. 7 p . on the 31st July. But demand having been checked about the middle of that month, prices were again receding until the average realised bad sagged to

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8 as. 4 p. by the 11 th September. In October there was a moderate recovery during the earlier weeks with the rates marked up to 9 as. $2 p$. by the 9 th of the month. But subsequently the usual seasonal decline in prices set in and by the first week of November the average returned to 8 as .9 p . Thereafter, with the onset of the seasonal improvement in quality an upward movement got under way, culminating in an average of $9 a s .2 p$. returned on the 20th21st of the month. December witnessed a wave of speculative buying and immediately after the release of the announcement of the international committee regarding the revised export quotas for 1934-35 there was a spurt to 9 as. $7 p$. on the 4 th-5th December which was followed by further rapid advances leading up to an average of 11 as. 9 p . about the middle of January. Subsequently, prices tended to ease off and as sellers' offers increased in view of the approaching end of the season, the rates continued to fall away, the average realised at the last sale of the season being 10 as. 4 p .

The total exports of tea in 1933-34 amounted to 318 million lbs. valued at R19,85 lakhs as compared with 379 million lbs. valued at $\mathrm{R} 17,15$ lakhs in 1932-33. Relatively to the exports of 1932-33, there was thus a decrease of 16 per cent in quantity and an increase of 16 per cent in value. The relative movements in the volume and value of the exports are reflected in the average declared value per lb. of tea exported, which, as already indicated, amounted to 10 as. in 1933-34 as against 7 as. $3 \quad p$. in the preceding year. Except for 24 lbs . of green tea exported in the whole course of the year, the consignments sent out in 1933-34 represented exclusively black tea. Of the total outward shipments 87 per cent was taken by the United Kingdom or much the same as in 1932-33. Exports to that country amounted to 276 million lios. as compared with 331 million lbs. in the preceding year. The value of the consignments, however, increased from fl4,78 lakhs to $\mathrm{f} 17,57$ lakhs. Direct shipments to the United States of America fell off from 11 million lbs. to 8 million lbs. and those to Canada from 17 million lbs. to 15 million lbs. Direct consignments to the U. S. S. R. showed a heavy decline from 3.5 million lbs. to 0.7 million lbs. But part of this decline was made up for by increases in the offtake of Australia and New Zealand which received respectively 2.0 million and 2.5 million lbs. as against 1.6 and $1 \cdot 1$ million lbs. in the preceding year. There was a notable set-back in the exports to Egypt, which took ofi 1.3 million lbs. as against 2.0 million lbs. in 1932-33. Ceylon with an offtake of 3.2 million lbs. showed a faint drop in relation to her takings of the previous year at 3.5 million lbs. Arabia cut down her share from 1.7 million lbs. to 0.6 million lbs. while Persia received 1.1 million lbs. or very little less than her intake of 1.5 million lbs. in 1932-33. China practically held aloof as she had done in the previous year.

Re-exports of Indian tea from the United Kingdom amounted to 38 million lbs. in 1933 as compared with 42 million lbs. in 1932. Stocks of Iudian tea in London warehouses at the end of the year were 166 million lbs. as against 187 million lbs. and 139 million lbs. respectively at the corresponding date of 1932-33 and 1931-32. Re-exports of Indian tea from the United Kingdom to Russia (European) declined from 5.5 million lbs. in 1932 to $3 \cdot 2$ million lbs. in 1933 and those to the United States of America from 6.8 million lbs. to $5 \cdot 7$ million lbs. Re-exports to Central and South America remained practically

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unchanged at about 1 million lbs. But re-exports to Canada and Newfoundland showed a slight improvement from $4 \cdot 1$ million lbs, to $4 \cdot 2$ million lbs. and those to the Irish Free State from $15 \cdot 1$ million lbs. to $15 \cdot 4$ million lbs.

The share of Calcutta in the total exports was 62 per cent, of Chittagong 23 per cent and of Madras 15 per cent. Shipments from Chittagong amounted to 74 million lbs. and those from Madras to 47 million lbs. The coastwise exports of tea from Bengal amounted to 13 million lbs. as compared with 2] million lbs. in the preceding year.

The following table shows (in millions of lbs.) the exports of tea from the principal tea-growing centres during the past five years:-

- (In millions of lbs.)

| - | 1929 | 1930 | 1931 | 1932 | 1933 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Northern India | 320 | 309 | 296 | 313 | 277 |
| Southern India | 54 | 48 | 47 | 55 | 47 |
| Ceylon . | 251 | 241 | 247 | 253 | 216 |
| Java. | 137 | 135 | 145 | 141 | 131 |
| Sumatra | 23 | 23 | 27 | 32 | 27 |
| Chins | 126 | 91 | 96 | 87 | 92 |
| Japan | 24 | 20 | 25 | 30 | 30 |
| Formosa | 18 | 19 | 18 | 15 | 18 |
| Total | 959 | 886 | 901 | 926 | 838 |

Imports of tea into the principal consuming countries from India, Ceylon, China, Japan and Java, as far as information is available, are shown in table No. 61 appended to this Review. A reference to this table will show that the contribution of India to the total imports of tea into the United Kingdom during 1933 was $55 \cdot 3$ per cent as compared with $55 \cdot 1$ per cent in 1932. The actual quantity of Indian tea imported, however, fell from 312 million lbs. to 279 million lbs. Imports of Ceylon tea into the United Kingdom also contracted from 172 million lbs. to 148 million lbs. and those of Java tea from 73 million lbs. to 63 million lbs. Arrivals of China-tea, on the other hand, recorded an improvement from 5 million lbs. to 8 million lbs. In the case of the United States of America, the quantity of Indian tea imported showed a small decline from 18 million lbs. to 17 million lbs., the percentage share of India amounting to $17 \cdot 4$ as against $19 \cdot 1$ in the year preceding. In Canada the demand for Indian tea weakened, the imports falling from 27 million lbs. ( 66.1 per cent) to 24 million lbs. ( 60.9 per cent). In the case of Australia imports of Indian tea showed an improvement from 2 million lbs. ( $4 \cdot 2$ per cent) to $2: 5$ million lbs. ( $5 \cdot 2$ per cent).

Oilseeds (R13,66 lakhs).-The total exports of Indian oilseeds of all kinds improved in quantity from 733,000 tons in 1932-33 to $1,124,000$ tons in the year under review and from $\mathrm{Z11}, 31$ lakhs to $\mathrm{R} 13,66$ lakhs in value. Relatively to 1932-33, therefore, there was an improvement of 53 per cent in quantity and 21 per cent in value. In quantity,

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the exports in 1933-34 reached a record level for recent years, this expansion being mainly due to the recovery

Pre-war 19S1-S2 1032-33 1933-S4 a verage

|  | Pre-war 1031-92 1032-33average(Thousands of tons) |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Linseed | 379 | 120 | 72 | 379 |
| Rapeseed | 278 | 54 | 115 | 73 |
| Groundnuta | 212 | 672 | 433 | 647 |
| Castor | 114 | 104 | N0 | 82 |
| Cotton | 240 | 12 | 2 | 6 |
| Sesamum | 119 | 12 | 10 | 16 |
| Oopra |  | i4 |  | 22 |
| Others | 85 | 14 | 16 | 22 |
| Tosal | 1,453 | 888 | 733 | 1,124 | made by Indian linseed. Exports of linseed in the year under review attained the pre-war level. There was also an improved demand for groundnuts as compared with the preceding year, but this improvement was accompanied by a fall in value. Excluding linseed and groundnuts, other kinds of oilseeds taken together declined from 228,000 tons to 198,000 tons in quantity and from $\mathrm{R} 3,28$ lakhs to $\mathrm{R} 2,45$ lakhs in value, rapeseed being largely responsible for this result, the demand for it falling off by about 37 per cent. The table in the margin compares the quantilies of the different kinds of oilseeds exported during the last 3 years with the pre-war averages.

Exports of linseed in the year under review totalled 379,000 tons valued at n4,58 lakhs, and as compared with the preceding year showed an increase of

Linseed. 307,000 tons in quantity and $\mathrm{R} 3,66$ lakhs in value. This result was largely due to the combined effect of the Ottawa preference in the United Kingdom and the relative scarcity of available supplies in international markets. The Argentine crop of 1933 suffered a serious shortage and was estimated at only 1.4 million tons as compared with $2 \cdot 2$ million tons in the preceding year. The Indian crop, on the other hand, was very much the same as in the previous year, the estimated production in 1933 being 406,000 tons as against 416,000 tons in 1932. The Indian linsecd export trade was also assisted by the preference given on it in the United Kingdom market. The 10 per cent import duty placed Plate linseed, for a time, out of line with Indian, and United Kingdom purchasers bought freely with the result that there was an increase of 162,000 tons in the offtake of the United Kingdom alone. In the preceding year she had imported only 14,000 tons of Indian linseed. Another notable expansion took place in the American market, exports to the United States of America amounting to 84,000 tons as compared with 200 tons in the preceding year. This expansion was due to the failure of tho crops in the United States of America coupled with the short crops in the Argentine. The principal countries in Europe also increased their demands. Exports to France and Italy were 43,000 and 22,000 tons as against 22,000 and 11,000 tons respectively in the preceding year. Germany and Australia, each of which had taken 9,000 tons in 1932-33, advanced their respective shares to 10,000 and 12,000 tons. Shipments in 1933-34 also included 10,000 tons consigned to Belgium, 6,000 tons to Greece and 4,000 tons to the Netherlands, their respective intake in the preceding year having been $300,3,000$ and 200 tons only. Japan, which had practically withdrawn from the Indian market in 1932-33, took a little less than 1,500 tons in 1933-34, but even this amount was less than a quarter of her actual takings in 1931-32. More than 46 per cent of the total shipments in 1933-34 was consigned to the United Kingdom as against 20 per cent in the preceding year. The trade in linseed was divided between the ports of Bengal and Bombay in the proportion of 50 and 48 per cent as compared with

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65 and 35 per cent for the respective provinces in 1932-33. With the commencement of exports from Vizagapatam, Madras came into the trade for the first time in 1933-34 with a share of 2 per cent of the total.
'The price of linseed, bold, was quoted at R4-15-6 per cwt. on the 7th April, 1933. The market was weak at the beginning of the year as a result of shippers at this end pressing for business. During the succeeding week there was a firmer tendency as a result of covering operations ensouraged by the firming up of the Argentine options. With the emergence of the United States as a buyer in the Indian market, the rates gradually advanced, reaching $76-0-0$ by the 12 th May. For the two subsequent weeks, the market ruled steady at a slightly lower level owing to option selling, but with Plate supplies falling off, the market continued to advance and in sympathy with the general trend in the American commodity markets, the upward movement was carried further till $\not \mathrm{7} 7-0-0$ was quoted on the 21 st July. This impetus, however, worked itself off during the end of July as a result of the reaction in the American commodity markets and, in common with other commodities, linseed was adjusting itself to a lower level, prices reaching down to $\mathrm{R} 6-8-0$ by the 11th August. But owing to speculative influences in Argentina and alarmist reports regarding the new crop from that country the market maintained itself at a slightly higher level till about the beginning of September. Thereafter, on receipt of further reports of improvement in the Argentine crop conditions, prices eased off to $\mathrm{t} 6-7-6$ on the 15th September from 176-11-0 in the previous week. From that date, with a gradual lowering of the Argentine options, selling pressure in the Indian market increased and rates declined till f5-9-0 was quoted on the 17th October. Subsequently, speculative interest increased owing to bullish advices from the Argentine and prices rose once again to P5-14-0 on the 27 th October and to $\mathrm{Pl6-3-6}$ at the end of the next week. But with trade demand gradually relapsing to routine buying and with crop prospects in the Argentine continuing to remain uncertain, the market for Indian linseed dragged on till about the end of November, prices, on balance, having shown a small depreciation from 776-3-6 on the 3rd November to $\mathrm{P5} 5$-15-0 on the 24th of the month. On the 29th November, when the Argentine Government fixed the minimum price for linseed the market showed an immediate rally to R6-2-0 on the 1st December, but the higher rates in the Argentine having been counteracted by alterations in the exchange rate of that country, the Indian market failed to maintain the rise, and the rates gradually moved down to R5-11-6 by the 29th December. The last three months of the year, however, witnessed a fresh hardening of the spot position for Indian linseed owing to stocks being firmly held in anticipation of further short crops both in India and the Argentine. The rates rose to R5-12-0 by the 12th January and, later, owing to the damage done by the earthquake in Bihar and Orissa to the growing crops, firmed up still further, reaching $\mathrm{f} 6-4-0$ by the 9 th February. Subsequently, the market became easier, but the rates never dropped below $\mathrm{fl} 6-0-0$ till the end of the year.

The production of groundnuts in India in 1932-33 was estimated at 3,007,000 tons as against $2,276,000$ tons in 1931-32, an increase of 32 per cent over the Groundnuts (R6,63 lakhs). Yield of the previous crop. The crop of 1933-34 is, according to the latest report, estimated at $3,252,000$ tons. Supplies of groundnuts in 1933-34, therefore, proved to be abundant

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and exports also recovered from the low level of 433,000 tons in 1932-33 and rose to 547,000 tons in 1933-34. But prices in the world markets were far from satisfactory throughout the year and the total value realised declined still further from $\mathrm{A} 7,12$ lakhs in 1932-33 to $\mathrm{f6} 63$ lakhs in 1933-34. France has proved in recent years to be the most important single market for groundnuts exported from India, but in August, 1933 a decree was passed under which an import duty is levied on grounduuts other than those grown in the French colonies. This restriction of the market had also a disastrous effect on prices. Exports to France during 1933-34 amounted to 188,000 tons only as against 219,000 tons in the preceding year, or a decline of 14 per cent. This decline was, however, more than counter balanced by increased demands from the United Kingdom which took 53,000 tons and the Netherlands which took 101,000 tons as against 32,000 and 87,000 tons respectively in the preceding year. Other European countries also showed greater interest. Purchases by Germany amounted to 97,000 tons as compared with 48,000 tons in the preceding year, while Italy received 72,000 tons against 28,000 tons in 1932-33. There were smaller increases in the exports to Belgium and Denmark, their respective shares being 13,000 tons and 7,000 tons as against 9,000 tons and 1,500 tons in the preceding year. About 83 per cent of the total quantities exported in 1933-34 was shipped from the Madras Presidency, as compared with 81 per cent in 1932-33. The remainder was despatched almost entirely from Bombay.

The price of groundnuts (machine decorticated) at Madras was quoted at $\mathrm{F} 23-9-0$ per candy of 500 lbs . on the 7th April. Thereafter prices tended to harden in sympathy with the world commodity markets and reached f27-13-3 by the l6th June. Then followed a period of sharp fluctuations but on balance the market had gone down by a little less than a rupee by the 28th July. From August there was a continued decline till the end of the year, each month in fact establishing a new low level. The lowest quotation for August was $\mathrm{P} 24-0-0$; in October it dropped to $\mathrm{F} 21-11-0$. By the 8th December rates had fallen to $\mathrm{f} 20-0-0$ while in January f 19 was touched. On the 23rd February the rate quoted was R18-0-0. The downward movement was arrested for a time in March, the quotation firming up to R18-8-0 on the 15th of that month; but subsequently a fresh relapse occurred and on the 29th March $717-8-0$ was reached.

The production of rape and mustard in India in 1932-33 was estimated at $1,046,000$ tons as against $1,025,000$ tons in the preceding year, thus showing
Rapeseed ( $\mathbf{\# 8 1}$ lakhs). an increase of 2 per cent on the crop yield of 1931-32. The crop of $1933-34$ was, according to the latest report, estimated to yield 952,000 tons or a decrease of 94,000 tons in comparison with the crop of 1932-33. The export trade in rapeseed during the year experienced a sharp set-back, the total shipments being returned at 73,000 tons as compared with 115,000 tons in 1932-33. The decline thus amounted to 42,000 tons and it was almost wholly accounted for by a falling off in the demand of Italy which took only 10,000 tous as against 68,000 tons in the preceding year. Exports to the other consuming markets showed more or less appreciable increases. The United Kingdom took 20,000 tons as againsi 11,000 tons in 1932-33 while France and the Netherlands increased their respective shares from 8,000 tons and 12,000 tons to 11,000 tons and 15,000

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tons. Purchases by Belgium amounted to 4,000 tons as against 3,000 tons in 1932-33, while German demands slightly increased from 9,100 tons in 1932-33 to 9,800 tons in 1933-34. Out of the total quantity exported from India in the year under review 72,000 tons or 98 per cent was shipped from Karachi.

The production of castorseed showed a small increase from 146,000 tons in 1931-32 to 151,000 tons in 1932-33. The exports, however, experienced

The production of sesamum in 1932-33 was estimated at 551,000 tons as compared with 476,000 tons in 1931-32. Concurrently with this increase in
Sesamum (f22 Iakhs). the yield of the crop there was also an expansion in the export trade, which in volume amounted to 15,000 tons as compared with 10,000 tons in the preceding year, due in great part to increase in Italian purchases which rose from 4,600 tons to 8,500 tons. The Netherlands which had received 600 tons in 1932-33 was altogether out of the market in 1933-34.

Cottonseed had fared badly in the preceding year, with exports totalling only about 2,400 tons as compared with 11,700 tons in 1931-32. In spite of Cottonseed (R3 lakhs). abundant world supplies, the trade returns showed some improvement during the year under review and exports amounted to 5,600 tons. Most of the consignments were shipped to the United Kingdom which received 3,300 tons as compared with 1,500 tons in the preceding year. The remainder went mainly to Ceylon and Egypt which together took 2,200 tons as against 700 tons in the preceding year.

Foodgrains and flour ( $\mathrm{Fl1}, 75$ lakhs.). -The slump in the export trade in foodgrains intensified further during the year 1933-34 and the shipments fell from $2,056,000$ tons to $1,870,000$ tons or by 9 per cent in quantity and from R16,08 lakhs to $\mathrm{R11}, 75$ lakhs or by 27 per cent in value. Under rice, which constitutes the most important head in this class, there was a further recession from $1,887,000$ tons to $1,744,000$ tons. Consignments of pulse similarly declined from 111,000 tons to 104,000 tons. Declines were also noticeable under wheat-flour, jowar and bajra and barley. In the year under review the last named cereal was virtually climinated from the export trade of India, the shipments for the entire year amounting to 142 tons only as against a total of 16,600 tons in 1932-33. A somewhat similar phenomenon was witnessed in 1932-33 in connection with wheat, exports of which had already dwindled considerably in that year. The year now being reviewed saw no improvement and the export figure was maintained at about 2,000 tons. Among the comparatively unimportant sub-heads, maize and oat have to be noticed as showing some improvement compared with the trade of 1932-33.

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The detailed exports during the past five years compared with the average exports under each head in the pre-War quinquennium are given below :-

| - | Pre-war average | 1029-30 | 1930-31 | 1931-32 | 1932-33 | 1933-34 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Tons (000) | Tons (000) | Tone (000) | Tons (000: | Tuns (000) | Tons (000) |
| Rice not in the husk . | 2,398 | 2,298 | 2,254 | 2,301 | 1,828 | 1,733 |
| " in the huak . . | 42 | 28 | 25 | 70 | 59 | 11 |
| Wheat . . . | 1,308 | 13 | 197 | 20 | 2 | 2 |
| " flour . . . | 55 | 51 | 47 | 43 | 21 | 13 |
| Prise - . - | 291. | 97 | 82 | 93 | 111 | 104 |
| Barley - . - | 227 | 6 | 1 | 27 | 17 | $\cdots$ |
| Jowar and bajra . . | 41 | 15 | 7 | 59 | 16 | 5 |
| Maize - - | f | -* | $\cdots$ | ** | $\cdots$ | $\cdots$ |
| Othar sorts . | , | 2 | 1 | 1 | 2 | 2 |
| Total . Tons (000) | 4,411 | 2,510 | 2,614 | 2,614 | 2,056 | 1,870 |
| Valob f(lakhe) | 45,81 | 34,79 | 29,88 | 20,37 | 16,08 | 11,75 |

Rice thus accounted for $93 \cdot 3$ per cent of the total quantity of foodgrains and flowr exported as compared with 91.8 per cent in the preceding year. Pulse recorded a small increase in the percentage, the total exports having amounted to $5 \cdot 4$ per cent in $1932-33$ as compared with $5 \cdot 6$ per cent in the current year.

The statement below shows the production and exports of rice from India proper and Burma during the past 5 years together with the corresponding figure for the nearest pre-War year :-
Tóal outturn of rice in India and Burma and total exports by sea to foreign countries.
[In thousand tons]

|  |  |  | Production |  | Exporis |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  |  | Cleaned rice |  | Rioe |  | Paddy |  |
|  |  |  | India proper | Burms | $\begin{aligned} & \text { India } \\ & \text { proper } \\ & \hline \end{aligned}$ | Burma | $\begin{aligned} & \text { India } \\ & \text { proper } \end{aligned}$ | Burma |
| 1913-14 | - | - - | 24,782 | 4,037 | 585 | 1,835 | 10 | 20 |
| 1929-30 | - | - | 26,146 | 4,986 | 273 | 2,025 | 5 | 23 |
| 1930-31 | - | - | 27,055 | 5,143 | 279 | 1,975 | 4 | 21 |
| 1031-32 | - | - | 28,799 | 4,202 | 235 | 2,066 | 2 | 68 |
| 1932-33 | - | - . | 26,176 | 4,913 | 226 | 1,602 | 4 | 55 |
| 1933-34 | ; | - | 25,168* | 5,185* | 216 | 1,517 | 1 | 10 |

[^6]Rice.
The production of cleaned rice in India and Burma had already shown a small decline in 1932-33 over the preceding year's figure. This fall in pro-
Rice (f10,57 lokhs). duction has been maintained in the current year, the total estimated production this year being $30,353,000$ tons or 736,000 tons less than in 1932-33. The decline in the erop outturn as revealed by these figures was, however, confined to India proper, Burma showing in 1933-34 an increase of 5 per cent over her previous years' crop of $4,913,000$ tons. Exports of rice and paddy from British India (including Burma) amounted to $1,744,000$ tons as compared with $1,887,000$ tons in 1932-33-a decline of 143,000 tons. Burma which was responsible for 88 per cent of the total shipment in 1932-33 maintained her lead without any appreciable fall in her percentage share, while Bengal and Madras contributed 6 and 4 per cent respectively. Both in point of turnover and value, the year under review witnessed still further depressed conditions in the rice market. New low levels in prices have been recorded and the usual seasonal improvements have been of a sporadic character, leaving no prospect of immediate improvement. Prices, however, appear to have steadied at a new low level much below the normal of the pre-depression years.

Among the rice-growing provinces in India, Burma occupies a special position, in that it alone has a cousiderable exportable surplus. During the year under review, however, Burma recorded a further reduction in her foreign exports, the total shipments of rice including rice in the husk having amounted to $1,527,000$ tons as against $1,657,000$ tons in the preceding yeara decline of 8 per cent. In itself, perhaps, this decline is not very important, specially in view of the fact that against it has to be set the very large increase in exports to India proper which improved by 71 per cent, the relevant figures being $1,046,000$ tons in $1932-33$ and $1,789,000$ tons in 1933-34.

Coming to details, the year began with one of the lowest opening rates on record. The one dominating feature of the rice market in Burme was the feeling of uncertainty induced by the bumper crop of 1932-33. It was estimated that the exportable surplus of Burma would be $3,450,000$ tons of rice and rice products or 750,000 tons in excess of the preceding year's figure. The combined exportable surpluses of Burma, Siam and Saigon were estimated by the trade at 6.2 million tons, which, compared with the corresponding figure for the previous year, showed an increase of a little less than one million tons. The reaction produced in the market by these large crop surpluses was further aggravated by a gradually narrowing demand in the world market for rice. It is true that consumption in some parts of the East at any rate was showing signs of improvement. due, in some measure, to a better outlook for such commodities as rubber, tea and tin. The effect of this improved demand was, however, hardly noticeable in view of a counter-balancing factor of greater importance, namely, the deliberate and intensive development of certain tracts which instead of importing their requirements of rice from outside, endeavoured to grow the crop themselves. Restrictions on imports, by legislation and other

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measures, in some foreign countries had also their effect on the rice trade of India. Some instances of such restrictions are mentioned below.

In Netherlands India, for instance, where a drastic reduction in the cultivation of sugarcane was producing a steady change over to rice, it was found necessary to restrict imports of rice in order to conserve the home market for the local production. Also the Federated Malay States have recently imposed an import duty on rice with a more or less similar object. Further Japan has inaugurated elaborate measures for rice control and the change in her status from an importing to an exporting country is important to India. Concurrently, China has decided to protect herself by the imposition of a small import tariff on rice coming from abroad. All these factors were bound to have considerable reactions on the rice export trade of Burma. Even in those markets where rice is capable of being sold on a strictly price basis in competition with other foodstuffs, the inability to provide in sufficient quantities the quality of rice demanded by the consumer, had had a restrictive effect on the export trade.

A detailed examination of the Burma market over the year reveals an interesting position. In the earlier months of the year, the general outlook was by no means unhopeful. As it was, Burma prices were considerably below parity in relation to both Siam and Saigon and this gave the Burma dealer a basis for adjustment, should prices fall abroad. Concurrently with this, livelier conditions began to rule in the American commodity markets owing to the depreciation of the dollar. For some time there was in evidence a rising tide of optimism in the rice market, strengthened by improvement in the silver market which under the stimulas of advancing prices, raised hopes of better rice trade in the Eastern markets. The impending World Economic Conference was also expected to improve world conditions. In Burma itself, stocks on hand showed a gratifying velocity of movement.

The brighter prospects, however, soon began to disappear. The first sign of change came with the news that both Siam and Indo-China had shipped heavily during the early part of the year, so that the increased export demand had, to a certain extent, already been met and satisfied in anticipation. By the end of July the basic factors supporting the market during the first few months of the year had all disappeared. One of the main reason for this reaction was the decrease in activity in the United States commodity markets toward the end of July. Further, the results of the World Economic Conference were such as to cause a reaction in almost all commodity markets, including the rice market. By the end of October it was believed that Burma had still about 1.6 million tons to sell against a balance of $1-3$ million tons at the same date in the preceding year. This unusually large balance had to le worked off before the end of the season. By the end of October, it had become slear that the Burma surplus would have great difficulty in finding an outlet. Although the crop in India proper turned out to be 4 per cent smaller than that of the preceding year, this decrease was discounted by a record production in Burma, which at a figure of 5,185,000 tons showed an increase of 272,000 tons over the previous crop. There was no failure of production in other countries to set off against (this larger) Burma surplus. Indo-China indeed had little or no balance left to be carried over into the

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new season, but there also the new crop turned out to be at least as high as in 1932-33. In Siam the carry over at the end of the season proved to be one of exceptional magnitude and although the new crop was small in relation to the 1932-33 crop, it was well above the mean production for the preceding five years. Japan with another record crop to her credit was expected to continue her operations as an exporter of rice.

Prices of Big Mills specials (per hundred baskets of 75 lbs . each) at Rangoon were quoted at R147-8 on the 5th April, 1933, and with paddy firmly held by stockholders, the quotation advanced to R 150 in course of the next week. Thereafter, owing to the abandonment of gold by the United States of America and the consequent speculation in silver the market for rice became extremely sensitive to silver price fluctuations. Following a slump to R147-8 on the 19th April, the price position was immediately retrieved by an advance toR162-8 on the 26th. This was largely due to a buying demand for China. With the withdrawal of China as a buyer there was a sharp break to R157-8 on the 3rd May ; and under the influence of alternating speculative buying and forced selling induced by the condition of the silver market the rates rose to $\mathrm{R} 165-0$ by the l0th May, only to return to R157-8 at the end of the next week. Subsequently, there were some advances, but on balance for the month the price remained at R162-8, where it had been about a month earlier. The offtake in May having been abnormally heavy, a higher basis of prices was established for the subsequent weeks, and supported by buying from China and bullish advices regarding the rice crop of South China, the prices adjusted themselves upward to R170-0 by the 14th June. Later, the market weakened on receipt of unconfirmed reports of sale of old stock rice by Japan in Bombay and prices showed a distinctly sagging tendency which took the quotation down to R165-0 on the 28th June; the market, however, firmed up once again on receipt of reports about drought in Guzrat and rumours of floods in China. Prices remained steady at a slightly higher level, namely, R167-8-0, till the 12th July and were even marked up to R172-8-0 on the 19th, but a fresh weakness developed as weather reports from Bombay improved, and the rate fell to $\mathrm{R} 160-0-0$ in course of the following week. A part of this decline was probably due to the break down of the World Economic Conference. As paddy prices now turned out to be above the cleaned rice parity, the rates for the latter took an upward turn once again, reaching $\mathrm{R} 165-0-0$ on the 9 th August, but settling down at R162-8-0 for two weeks about the middle of August owing to the absence of buying interest from abroad. Thereafter, a downward reaction set in, brought about by favourable weather reports from India and Burma. The quotation on the 30 th of the month was returned at R150. Except for a rise to R152-8-0 on the 6th September, the market remained featureless for two weeks till the 20 th on which date the rates dropped rapidly to R140 in anticipation of further sales of Japanese rice to India. The situation was immediately relicved, however, by a further spell of speculative buying by Hongkong shippers against reports of drought in South China which took the quotation up to R145 on the 27 th September. Later, the withdrawal of Japanese offers led to a further firming up of prices and gradually the quotation touched $\mathbb{} \mathbf{1} 55$ by the 25 th October. Throughout November, the market remained at a higher level on account of speculative purchases in

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auticipation of the proposed Chinese tariff against foreign rice. The peak of the movement was reached on the $22 n d$ November with the rates quoted at R189-8-0. In anticipation of a larger crop in the new season prices broke to R175-0-0 on the 29th November, and subsequently the rates tended to fall away rapidly, the old crop having been quoted, at $\mathrm{P} 162-8-0$ on the 13th December. In the subsequent week the market quoted on the basis of the new crop, at R147-8-0; but even this abnormally low quotation falled to attract purchasers. However, as paddy was firmly held in anticipation of an improvement of distant positions, the downward course of prices was resisted up till the end of January. Subsequently, however, with demand failing to react and speculative interest ceasing on account of the uncertain course of demand in the markets of the West, the rates continued to sag and the year closed with an abnormally low quotation of $\mathrm{Rl} 127-8-0$ recorded on the 28th March.

Exports of rice not in the husk suffered a further heavy reduction during the year, the total quantity shipped amounting to $1,733,000$ tons as against $1,828,000$ tons in 1932-33. The main increases and decreases in the shipments to the different foreign countries are shown in the table below :-

Exports of rice not in the husk to foreign countries.


A reference to the above table will show that the bulk of the decline recurded in 1933-34 was due to a falling off in the requirements of the consuming markets in Asia. Exports to the European markets, taken as a whole,

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remained more or less stationary as compared with 1932-33, although supplies to these markets from the Burma ports had to some extent improved in volume over the same period. Shipments to Africa and a few other countries actually showed some improvement. It was only in the Asiatic zone, that there was any substantial falling off. China, the most important market in that area, bad already shown signs of weakness in the preceding year. In the year under review purchases on China account were still further reduced, although the rate of reduction was not as pronounced as in 1932-33. The effect of this decline in the Chinese demand was further aggravated by the disappearance of exports to Japan and a falling off in the takings of Java and Malaya; although the decrease due to these was to a certain extent set off by improved shipments to Ceylon, the Straits Scttlements and Sumatra and Arabia the net result was far from satisfactory. As regards European demand, the most striking factors here were increased exports to the United Kingdom and Belgium; but these were almost exactly counter-balanced by a corresponding reduction in exports to the Netherlands. Reductions, although of a relatively smaller magnitude, were also noticeable in the shipments to Germany and Italy and Fiume. In the African zone, the increase in exports was mainly due to larger shipments to Egypt. But all these shipments do not represent the bonâ fide requirements of the Egyptian market as the bulk of these finally went to other countries. There were better shipments to Cuba and the West Indies also; but this may be due to the changed practice of purchasers who formerly registered their orders through the United Kingdom but now buy direct from the Indian market. The detailed figures of exports to the different countries during 1932-33 and 1933-34 have already been given in the table above. The coastwise exports of rice not in the husk from Burma to India proper during 1933-34 amounted to $1,628,000$ tons as compared with 936,000 tons in the preceding year, thus showing a large increase of 692,000 tons.

The year also witnessed an increase in the imports of rice from abroad, the total quantity received amounting to 84,000 tons ( R 49 lakhs) as compared with 36,000 tons ( f 31 lakhs) in 1932-33. The total imports of 1933-34 comprised of 54,000 tons received from Siam, 25,000 tons from Indo-China and 5,000 tons from Japan, the respective contributions of these countries during 1932-33 having been 15,000 tons, 21,000 tons, and 100 tons only. Of the total imports of $1933-34,78,000$ tons were received into the Madras Presidency and the remainder into Bombay. This position of increased imports into India concurrently with a record harvest in Burma appears at first sight unusual; but to some extent it can be explained by the fact that the declining prices gave an inducement to foreign growers to get rid of their stock as quickly as possible. Another important factor is the fact that normally at the beginning of the season Siam-which sent the largest portion of the 84,000 tons of imported rice-has an initial advantage over other growers owing to the earlier harvesting of the crop in that country.

For the third year in succession India remained aloof from the international market as an exporter of wheat. The export shipments during the year under review amounted to 2,060 tons valued at f 3

[^7] lakhs and were slightly below the already low record of 1932-33, for which year the total exports had been returned at 2,200

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tons valued at a little below R 4 lakhs. This virtual isolation of India from the world markets was due in the main to the same forces which had been in operation during 1932-33. Sheltered against the full shock of competition from abroad, prices in India were left to pursue their own course independently of the basio trends in the wheat markets of the world. Prices in India were indeed falling, but despite such price declines as were recorded, Indian wheat was still well above the export price parity during the whole year.

Prices in the world wheat markets were already low at the end of 1932-33. It is estimated that the unshipped balance of the world's exportable stocks of wheat about the beginning of the year under review was far in excess of the corresponding balance at the beginning of the preceding year. In the beginning of 1933-34, the world exportable stocks were believed to be in the neighbourhood of 700 million bushels. This represents one of the heaviest accumulation of stocks ever recorded, though its effects were to some extent counter-balanced by a remarkable drop in the world production of wheat during the 1933-34 wheat season. This production was estimated at 3,550 million bushels, one of the lowest figures on record for recent years. But any advantage that might have accrued from this lower production was largely negatived in advance by the peculiar geographical distribution of the harvests. The low production, it is of importance to mention, was due entirely to a reduction in the crop outturn of the principal exporting countries which, taken together, produced one of the sbortest crops on record for many years past. At the same time the production of the importing countries was one of the highest recorded since the War. The principal outlet for the wheat surpluses of the exporting countries is Europe. But Europe had another record crop amounting to 1,734 million bushels, which even exceeded the record harvest of $1932-33$ by 16 per cent. Europe on an average consumes 70 to 80 per cent of the world's exportable surplus of wheat and the heavy yield of the European wheat barvests had the cffect of cutting down the import requirements of the deficit wheat-producing countries of Europe. The probable demand of the European markets was estimated by the International Institute of Agriculture at Rome at 375 million bushels. But as out of this about 100 million bushels could be drawn from the exportable surpluses of Europe and North Africa, the probable demand for wheat from other exporting markets was reduced to about 275 million bushels. As against this the exportable surpluses of the four great exporting countries, namely, Canada, the United States, Australia, and the Argentine were estimated at 942 million bushels. In the face of a narrowing import demand for wheat, prices tended to deoline, and as the European markets adopted protective measures to maintain internal prices, by raising the tariff and tightening up their quotas, prices in these markets were maintained at artificial levels which in turn served only to restrict the potential demand for wheat. Competition in a narrowing market became all the keener and measured in gold, wheat prices in the free markets fluctuated around a new low average level.

In the Liverpool market prices for Manitoba No. 3 per quarter of 480 ibs . were quoted at 23 s . $10 \frac{1}{2} \mathrm{~d}$. on the 7th April and were about 2 s .8 d . below the opening quotation in the same market at the beginning of the preceding year.

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During April the rates rose in sympathy with the American markets where important advances had taken place in anticipation of inflationary legislation in the United States of America. During May, initially, Manitoba wheat got somewhat out of line owing to a further sharp advance in the Winnipeg futures as a result of the forecast of a considerable reduction of the acreage in Canada. Jume witnessed widespread speculative buying, following on reports of severe crop deterioration in the Spring Wheat belts of the United States of America and Canada, and the market was lifted to $27 s .4 \frac{1}{2} d$. on the 30th June. In July speculative interest was further intensified and buying against rumours of an agreement having been reached among the wheat growing countries resulted in violent movements which carried prices to unjustified levels, culminating in a quotation of $31 s .6 d .{ }^{*}$ on the 28 th July. This movement subsided in August under pressure of Russian and other Continental offers and the market fell back to $24 s$. $10 \frac{1}{2} d$. on the 25th August. This was followed by a temporary hardening due to the Wheat Agreement in London; but owing to hedge pressure and lack of support, rates returned to $23 s .1 \frac{1}{2} d$. on the 29th September. The downward course prevailed for some weeks owing to offers of European wheat at exceptionally low prices, and the rates reached $22 s .3 d$. on the 20th October. Subsequently, this downward trend was arrested and prices kept within a narrow range around 23s. till the middle of January, 1934, mainly as a result of the limitation of exports under the London Agreement and the weakening of the Argentine competition, following the fixation of minimum prices by the Argentine government. During the middle of January a higher level of prices prevailed owing to strong government holding in Canada. The prices of No. 3 Manitoba at Liverpool at the beginning of each month during 1933-34 are shown in the following table:-

Prices of theat, c.i.f. Liverpool and London.


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In the Indian wheat market prices had been suojected to an abnormal strain during the latter part of 1932-33. The rates in the Karachi market per candy of 656 lhs. were quoted at P29-6-0 on the 7 th April, 1933 and gradually, as the market settled down, the lower level of R24-2-0 was reached by the 28th of the month. During May prices were again marked up, following unfavourable weather reports from the producing centres up-country and the rates touched R26-6-0 by the 26th May. Gradually, as the crop movement in the Punjab broadened, prices began to sag, and, except for occasional fluctuations, tended toward a lower level, adjusting themselves to R25-8-0 by the 23rd June. From the beginning of July, there was a strong upward movement which carried prices to $\mathrm{f} 27-13-0$ on the 14th July. But the movement was abruptly checked as a result of favourable monsoon in the Punjab. Starting with a rate of 227-3-0, quoted on the 21st July, the market gradually fell back reaching R24-12-0 by the 11th August. The Indian wheat forecast, issued about this time, proved a bear factor, and the rates continued to fall, settling down to f223-7-0 during the last three weeks of September. On the 6th October prices fell further by 4 as., and broke to R21-2-0 in course of the following week. Subsequently, the market rallied and touched R23-13-0 by the 10th November. This increase, however, could not be maintained on account of the heavy stock position in the up-country markets and the rates stepped back to R22-6-0 by the 8th December. Thereafter prices moved erratically, but throughout the remaining months of the year the fluctuations were confined within a very narrow range around R 22 till the end of the year.

The total area under wheat in India during 1932-33 was 33.0 million acres as compared with 33.8 million acres in the preceding year. The yield of the 1932-33 wheat crop was estimated at $9 \cdot 4$ million tons as against 9.0 million tons, the crop of the preceding year. The following table shows the balance of wheat available for consumption in India for a number of years. In calculating net imports and exports the equivalent in wheat of flour imported or exported has been taken into account.


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## Wheat flour.

It will be seen that the balance available for consumption increased in 1933-34 as compared with the preceding year by nearly 4 million tons. In the following table the production and exports of wheat during the past five years and in the pre-war year 1913-14 are set forth :-

Total production of wheat and total exports by sea to foreign countries.

$\ddagger$ Subject to revision.
The imports of wheat into India during the year amounted to 18,300 tons valued at R12 $\frac{1}{2}$ lakhs as compared with 33,500 tons valued at R291 lakhs in the year preceding. Out of the total quantity received in India during the year a little less than 8,800 tons was received into Bengal during the first two months of the year and about 4,600 tons into Bombay during June, these shipments having apparently been made in fulfilment of contracts entered into during the later months of the preceding year. Further, consignments amounting to about 4,400 tons in the aggregate were subsequently imported into Bombay during November; but there was no particular significance attaching to these consignments, as the imports were presumably made for milling for re-export out of India under claims of drawback.

The shipments of wheat flour further contracted from 21,000 tons valued at R28 lakhs in 1932-33 to 13,000 tons valued at R16 lakhs in 1933-34. Arabia which in recent years has constituted the largest single market for wheat flour from India was able to
as compared with 7,000 tons in $1932-33$ and 14,000
Wheat flour (Re. 16 lakhs). absorb only 4,000 tons as compared with 7,000 tons in 1932-33 and 14,000 tons in 1931-32. The Anglo-Egyptian Sudan which had received 2,000 tons in 1932-33 practically suspended her purchases in the Indian market, while Aden and Dependencies, Kenya Colony and Zanzibar and Pemba, which among themselves had taken a little below 7,000 tons in 1932-33, cut down their requirements to a little below 5,000 tons.

The quantity of other food grains exported declined from 146,000 tons valued at R1,30 lakhs to 112,000 tons valued at f 98 lakhs. Exports of barley Other food-grains (Rs. 98 lukhs). which had amounted to 17,000 tons valued at fll lakhs in 1932-33 were reduced to insignificance and amounted only to 140 tons valued at R11,000. Shipments of jowar and bajra declined from 16,000 tons valued at Pl 13 lakhs to 5,000 tons valued at f 5 lakhs. Exports of pulse declined from 111,000 tons valued at $\mathrm{R} 1,04$ larrhs to 104,000 tons valued at R91 lakhs. Quantitatively the most important single item responsible for this decline was beans, the exports of which fell off from 31,000 tons to 26,000 tons. Exports of gram which had spurted up from 16,000 to 30,000 tons in $1932-33$

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declined to 29,000 tons in 1933-34. Exports of lentils remained stationary at 11,500 tons while exports of other sorts of pulse showed a slight drop from 38,600 tons to 38,200 tons. With regard to value, so far as pulses are concerned, the heaviest decline occurred under unspecified descriptions, the declared value for 1933-34 showing a decline of about A5 lakhs in comparison with 1932-33. This was supplemented by a drop of R 4 lakhs under beans, R3 lakhs under gram and of about fle lakh under lentils. Exports of oats and maize, involving comparatively smaller magnitude, showed small increases.

Hides and skins. (R9,90 lakhs).-There was a welcome change during the year under review from diminishing demand and falling prices that had characterised the hides and skins trade in India in the years preceding. This improvement was due to the interplay of numerous economic forces, the most important of which was the reaction set up by the depreciation of the American dollar. There was thus a larger demand for supplies from India and this demand was abundantly reflected in the total figure of exports which advanced from 42,000 tons to 61,000 tons in quantity and from R7,43 lakhs to 79,90 lakhs in value. The average declared value for raw hides and skins rose from 7as. 3p. to 7as. 4 p. out that for tanned hides and skins fell from R1-6-1l to R1-4-5 per lb . The total exports of raw hides and skins during the year amounted to 41,600 tons valued at $\mathrm{R} 4,25$ lakhs as compared with 27,300 tons valued at $\mathrm{R} 2,77$ lakhs in the preceding year. Exports of raw hides increased from 13,300 tons valued at f 63 lakhs to 20,300 tons valued at $\mathrm{Rl}, 01$ lakhs. Simultaneously, shipments of raw skins advanced from 13,300 tons to 19,900 tons with a corresponding increase in value from $\mathrm{P} 2,14$ lakhs to $\mathrm{R} 3,23$ lakhs. There were also similar increases in the case of tanned or dressed hides or skins. Exports of tanned hides improved from 9,000 tons valued at $\mathrm{Fl} 1,62$ lakhs to 13,200 tons valued at R2,41 lakhs and of those of tanned skins from 5,500 tons valued at A3,04 lakhs to 6,500 tons valued at R3, 24 lakhs, so that the aggregate increase under tanned or dressed hides or skins amounted to one of 5,200 tons in quantity and of $\mathbf{R} 99$ lakhs in value.

The quantities and values of raw hides and skins of different descriptions exported in 1913-14 and each of the past three years are set forth in the following table :-

|  | Quantiti |  |  |  | Valos |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| $\rightarrow$ | 1918-14 | 1981-82 | 1932-38 | 1833-84 | 1918-14 | 1981-32 | 1082-38 | 1033-34 |
| Rave cow hides - | Tons | 'TU14\% | '「ons | Tons | $\underset{\substack{\text { Higkbi } \\ 6,91}}{ }$ | t (1akh9) 76 | 2t(lakh9) | H(takh 9$)$ 87 |
| ,\% buffalo hides : | -37,200 | 18,600 8,700 | 11,400 1,600 | 16,900 2,000 | 6,91 $\mathbf{2 , 2 0}$ | 76 13 | [ 64 | $\begin{aligned} & 87 \\ & 12 \end{aligned}$ |
| " other hides * | 1,300 | 15,400 | 1,800 18.200 | 1800 | - 19 | $\begin{array}{r}18 \\ \hline 8\end{array}$ | $2$ | 12 8 |
| "\% goat bkins * : | 22,700 1,600 | 16,600 600 | 18.200 600 | 18,200 | -8,19 | 2,58 | 1,79 | 2,77 |
| "\% sheep skins ether sklns : | 1,600 | 500 800 |  | 1,200 500 | 26 | ${ }^{10}$ | $\begin{array}{r}6 \\ 30 \\ \hline\end{array}$ | 11 35 |
| Toraf Hideg and Sgixs, Raty (excluding cutthogs) | 80.100 | 33,100 | 26,000 | 40.200 | 11,60 | 3,65 | 2.76 | , 26 |

Of the total shipments of raw hides amounting to 20,300 tons as much as 5,600 tons valued at R34 lalkhs was taken by Germany which in 1932-33 had reeeived 3,700 tons valued at A 20 lakhs. This indicates an increase of 51 per cent in quantity and of 70 per cent in value. Of the other countries, Italy received 3,900 tons valued at R17 lakhs as compared with 2,900 tons valued at R12 lakhs in 1932-33. The United Kingdom which had taken only

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1,400 tons valued at 744 lakhs in 1932-33 improved its takings to 2,900 tons valued at R10 lakhs. The United States of America, which had earlier withdrawn from the Indian market, re-appeared in the year as a buyer with indents totalling to about 350 tons or so.

The detailed figures of the exports of raw hides are given below :--

| - | Quantity (tons) |  |  |  | Vaide P (lakhs) |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | 1018-14 | 1931-32 | 1932-33 | 1038-34 | 1013-14 | 1931-32 | 1932-33 | 1033-34 |
| Buffalo hidea. | 17,300 | 2,700 | 1,600 | 2,000 | 2,20 | 13 | 6 | 12 |
| Conv hldes | 37,200 | 13,000 | 11,400 | 10,900 | 5.01 | 76 | 64 | 87 |
| Calp hides | 1,300 | 300 | 300 | 500 | 18 | 2 | 2 | 2 |
| Other hides | .. | . | . | .. | .. | . | . | . |
|  | 55,800 | 16,000 | 13,300 | 20,300 | 8,20 | 91 | 68 | 1,01 |

A reference to the above tahle will show that the most important category for raw hides exported was cow hide. Of the total shipments under this head, which amounted to 17,000 tons, 5,100 tons valued at P 31 lakhs were consigned to Germany, indicating an increase of 1,700 tons in quantity and of R13 lakhs in value in comparison with the figures for 1932-33. Italy came a close second with her total purchases amounting to 3,600 tons ( Rl 16 lakhs) as compared with 2,700 tons (R12 lakhs) in the preceding year. Purchases on the United Kingdom account amounted to 2,600 tons valued at f 9 lakhs as against 1,200 tons valued at R 4 lakhs in 1932-33. Among other markets of relatively smaller importance Greece received 800 tons, Finland 700 tons and Spain, Sweden and Norway 500 tons each. The shipments of cow hides were, as usual, made chiefly from Bengal which had a share of 64 per cent against 23 per cent for Burma. Sind and Bombay claimed 8 and 5 per cent respectively of the total trade. Under buffalo hides which came next in importance to cow hides the exports advanced from 1,600 tons to 2,900 tons in quantity and from F 6 lakhs to R 12 lakhs in value. The total shipments of 1933-34 included 800 tons for Greece, 500 tons for Germany, 200 tons severally for the United Kingdom, Italy and Bulgaria. The remainder was made up principally of shipments to European Turkey and Egypt.

Exports of raw skins advanced from 13,300 tons valued at $\mathbb{Z 2} 214$ lakhs to 19,900 tons valued at R3,23 lakhs. The detailed exports for 1913-14 and each of the past three years are shown in the following table:-

| - | Quantity |  |  |  | Vaius |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | 1018-14 | 1931-32 | 1932-83 | 1033-84 | 1813-14 | 1031-32 | 1932-33 | 1033-34 |
|  | Tons | Tons | Tons | Tons | R(lakhs) | H(lakhs) | f(lakhs) | f(lakhs) |
| Goat skins | 22,700 | 15,600 | 12,200 | 18,200 | 3,13 | 2,58 | 1,70 | 2,77 |
| Sheep ekcios . | 1,000 | 500 | 600 | 1,200 | 20 | 6 | 5 | 11 |
| Other skins | $\cdots$ | 400 | 500 | 500 | - | 10 | 80 | 35 |
| TOTAL SEINS, RAW. | 24,300 | 16,600 | 13,300 | 19,900 | 8,39 | 2,74 | 2,14 | 3,23 |

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Exports of goat skins, the most important sub-head in the above ta ble, amounted to 18,200 tons valued at $\mathrm{F} 2,77$ lakhs as compared with 12,200 tons valued at R1,79 lakhs in 1932-33. As usual, the bulk of the shipments went to the United States of America which received 11,600 tons valued at R1,52 lakhs,-thus showing an increase of 4,000 tons in quantity and of R65 lakhs in value in comparison with the exports of the preceding year. The offtake of the United Kingdom also showed a concurrent increase from 2,600 tons valued at R50 lakhs to 4,200 tons valued at R 77 lakhs. Among the other important markets the Netherlands improved their share from 500 tons in 1932-33 to 1,000 tons in the year under review. In the minor ranks Germany and France showed relatively smaller improvement but demand from Belgium and Australia showed a remarkable shrinkage. Of the total shipments of $1933-34,52$ per cent was exported from Bengal, 17 per cent from Bombay, 26 per cent from Sind and 5 per cent from Madras. Their respective shares in the preceding year were, $53,13,28$ and 6 per cent.

The exports of hides and skins, tanned or dressed, amounted to 19,700 tons valued at $\mathbb{7 5}, 65$ lakhs as compared with 14,500 tons valued at $\mathrm{R} 4,66$ lakhs in 1932-33. The detailed figures of the exports are given below :-

|  | Quantity |  |  |  | Valut |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | 1913-14 | 1931-82 | 1032-33 | 1983-34 | 1013-14 | 1981-32 | 2032-33 | 1033-34 |
|  | Tons | Tons | Tons | Tons | IR(lakhs) | 7(lakh3) | H(lakhk) | A(Iakha) |
| Tanned cow hides | 7,600 | 8,800 | 7,900 | 11,400 | 1,47 | 1,83 | 1,40 | 2,08 |
| 3 buffalo hildes - . . | 800 | 600 | 400 | 8.116 | 11 | 11 | $1{ }^{6}$ | $12$ |
| * other indes |  | 8800 | 700 | 1,000 | $\because$ | $19$ | 16 1.69 | 421 |
| * goas skins | 3,700 | 2,800 0,700 | 2.900 | 3.500 2.4100 | 1,61 | $1,68$ | 1.69 | 1,73 |
|  | 2,500 300 | 2,700 $\mathbf{1 0 0}$ | 2,500 100 | 2,430 | 91 7 | 1,36 | 1,20 15 | 1,36 16 |
| Total Hides and SEINs, Takned | 15,204 | 15,700 | 14,503 | 19,700 | 3,22 | 5,26 | 4.06 | 5,65 |

It will be seen from the above table that the sbipments of tanned cow hides showed an advance of 3,500 tons and those of tanned buffalo hides one of 330 tons in comparison with 1932-33. The bulk of the shipments under tanned hides as usual consisted of consignments to the United Kingdom, that country having received 11,300 tons of cow hides ( $\mathrm{F} 2,06$ lakhs) and 700 tons of buffalo hides (R11 lakhs) and 1,000 tons of calf skins (R21 lakins) or a total of 13,000 tons (R2,38 lakhs) as against 7,700 tons (R1,38 lakhs), 375 tons ( 75 lakhs), and 730 tons (R16 lakhs), under the respective heads yielding a total of 8,800 tons (R1,59 lakhs) in 1932-33. The United States of America which had as remarked earlier ceased to show any interest in the tanned or dressed descriptions from the Indian market re-appeared with a very modest demand of 40 tons valued at $\mathrm{P} 72,000$.

Of the total quantity of tanned skins exported the United Kingdom took 88 per cent and Japan 8 per cent as in the preceding year. Exports of tanned goat skins to the United Kingdom amounted to 3,400 tons as compared with 2,900 tons in the preceding year, but there was a decline in value from $\mathrm{R} 1,68$ lakhs to Fl, 65 lakhs. The United States of America received 90 tons against 7 tons in the preceding year. In the case of the sheep skins, exports to the United Kingdom aggregated 2,300 tons valued at R1,11 lakhs as compared with 1,900 tons valued at R 95 lakhs in the preceding year. Japan received 520 tons as against 460 tons in 1932-33.

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Lac. (R2,46 lakhs).-The year under review was one of unexpected improvement in the export trade of lac, shipments having increased from $418,000 \mathrm{cwts}$. valued at $\mathrm{R} 1,24$ lakhs in $1932-33$ to $731,000 \mathrm{cwts}$. valued at R2,46 lakhs in this year. Expressed in percentages, the increase in volume relatively to the exports of 1932-33 was thus one of 75 per cent and that in value, of 98 per cent. The following table shows the details of the exports during the past two years as compared with the pre-war, war, and post-war averages:-

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| - | Pro-war avorage |  | $\begin{aligned} & \text { War } \\ & \text { average } \end{aligned}$ |  | Post-mar average |  | 1032-33 |  | 1939-34 |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Cwts. | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Per } \\ & \text { cent } \end{aligned}$ | Owts. | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Per } \\ & \text { cent } \end{aligned}$ | Cwts. | Per cent | Cwts. | $\begin{gathered} \text { Por } \\ \text { rent } \end{gathered}$ | Cwis. | Per cent |
| Shellac and button lac. Stick lac and seed lac. | 301,100 15,100 | 0 4 4 | 310,200 18,100 | ${ }_{0} 9$ | 870,000 7,300 | 88 2 | 279,200 2,55000 1 | 67 30 | $548,20 n$ 159,100 | 75 28 |
| 0tbers . . | 28,100 | 6 | 16,800 | 5 | 38,000 | 10 | 14,100 | 9 | 23,700 | 8 |
| Totad . | 484,300 | 100 | 345,400 | 100 | 418,300 | , 100 | 118,300 | 100 | 731,000 | 100 |

The bulk of the improvement was necessarily appropriated by shellac which represented 72 per cent of the total quantity and 79 per cent of the total value recorded under lac. The outgoing shipments of shellac in 1933-34 amounted to $529,000 \mathrm{cwts}$. valued at $\mathrm{Z} 1,94$ lakhs as compared with 262,000 owts. valued at $\ddagger 83$ lakhs. The figures represented an increase of $267,000 \mathrm{cwts}$. or of 102 per cent in volume and of $\mathrm{Pl} 1,11$ lakhs or 134 per cent in value. This is no doubt a very impressive record but it is due to causes other than the intrinsic position of the commodity as revealed by the statistics of stocks in the world markets. The actual demand for this commodity in the terminal markets continued in fact at a low level owing to the reduced state of the main consuming industries. The rate of deliveries from the London Warehouses was also distressingly slow : this was inevitable to a certain extent as the gramophone record industry, which constitutes one of the main consumers of shellac, continued to be in a depressed condition, although the outlook for radio-gramophones was not so black. The most important single factor determining the statistical position of shellac in recent years has been the consumption in the United States of America. For about three years American consumption had remained uausually depressed. As a result, shellac was, up to the end of 1932-33, fetching disappointingly low prices in the world markets and it was becoming increasingly difficult to maintain the market at anything above a low level. But the American surplus stocks having already dropped to very low dimensions, certain sections of the trade were encouraged to believe that the stocks in that country would have to be replenished to cope with the spring requirements. Actually, however, the American demand re-appeared about the beginning of the year under review and for some time clearances from Calcutta for the American markets continued at an accelerating rate. Part of this apparent recovery in demand was no doubt due to an anticipation or the inflationary impetus in that country, but it was sufficient in itself to initiate a wave of speculative buying in the United Kingdom. By the time that the United States demand appeared, the technical position in the London market had already grown healthier, with some

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of the dealers rather short against sales effected to consumers. At the same time, the increase in the American takings having coincided with a competitive demand from Europe, shippers in India grew more reserved in their attitude and the United Kingdom shippers, anxious not to be left behind on the rise, started large scale operations, involving transfer of stocks from Calcutta to the London market. The buying movement in the United Kingdom became pronounced from October onwards and did not show any sign of drooping even at the end of the year. Within this brief period large quantities were turned over which had no reference to the needs of the technical position, but were connected only with large scale financing operations backed by strong syndicated interests in London. As deliveries in the London market continued to be on a small scale, the transference of stocks from India to the United Kingdom had the effect of making large additions to the already heavy accumulation of warehousing stocks in London. These stocks were at one time calculated to be about equal to one year's requirements on the basis of the reduced rate of absorption in the consuming industries, and were apparently held mostly on an investment basis against expectation of improved outlets being secured in the consuming markets at a later date.

Prices of T. N. shellac vere quoted at Calcutta at R18 per maund on the 7 th April, 1933. The market remained fairly quiet about this relatively low level all through April; May-June, however, witnessed some improvement due to the buying movement from the United States and, as a result of the increased speculative activity, prices were beginning to adjust themselves upward, reaching $\mathrm{R} 25-0$ on the 7 th July. But there was a subsequent relapse as a result of the growing uncertainties regarding a probable expansion of demand in the United States of America and gradually the weekly quotations were forced back to $721-8$ by the 15th September. From this day onward till the beginning of December the rates fluctuated either way in an unsettled market, the fluctuations being generally confined between R22-0 and R23-0. Prices, however, made a recovery on balance owing to the soundness of the technical position in the local market. But the large transfers that were now taking place to the London warehouses resulted in a gradual decline of spot and near-at-hand supplies which exposed the market to a good deal of manipulation. Beginning with a spurt to $\mathbb{Z 2 4}$ on the 8th December prices were pushed up gradually to R44-0 by the 12th January. Although subsequently there was a relapse from this high level, the quotation remained within f39-0 up to the end of the year, this lower level having been passed only once on the 9th March when R37-0 was quoted. Since the close of the year further transfers have taken place from Calcutta to London and a position seems to have been deliberately brought about by speculators to get up a regular crop scare. Stocks at Calcutta were thus reduced to an abnormally low level, the bulk of them having already been sold by the end of April.

The exports of shellac to the United Kingdom amounted to 309,000 cwts. as compared with $81,000 \mathrm{cwts}$. in 1932-33. Shipments to the United States of America also showed a concurrent increase from $66,000 \mathrm{cwts}$. to $94,000 \mathrm{cwts}$. Simultaneously, Germany, France and Italy increased their purchases from $34,000,11,000$, and $5,000 \mathrm{cwts}$. to $40,000,12,000$ and $6,000 \mathrm{cwts}$. respectively. The share of Japan in the total exports amounted to $31,000 \mathrm{cwts}$ as against 27,000 cwts. in 1932-33. A part only of these increases was set off by a decline

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in the requirements of Belgium and Australia from 4,000 cwts. to 3,000 ewts. in either case.

Exports of button lac increased from 17,000 cwts. to 19,000 cwts., but, as a result of lower prices, the total value remained stationary at R7 lakhs. Of the total quantity exported in 1933-34 the United Kingdom took 13,000 ewts. as compared with 12,000 cwts. in the preceding year. The United States of America received a little more than 1,000 cwts. which was nearly double the amount taken by her in 1932-33. Exports to Germany and France fell slightly in comparison with the shipments of $1932-33$ and amounted to $1,000 \mathrm{cwts}$. or a little more or less.

Exports of stick lac advanced from 4,200 cwts. to 6,900 cwts. Out of the total shipments 4,300 cwts. or 62 per cent was consigned to Belgium which in 1932-33 had received only 300 cwts. - Germany accounted for about 1,800 owts. against 1,400 ewts. in the preceding year. The following table shows the exports of stick lac from Bangkok and Singapore during the past four years.

Exports, in cwts., of stick lac from Bangkok and Singapore.

| - | 1830 | 1931 | 1932 | 1933 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| To United States of America | 2,878 | 1,852 |  | 5 |
| , Germany . . | 4,176 | 1,750 | 992 | 201 |
| "United Kingdom | 2,426 | 128 | 40 | 120 |
| "India | 37,611 | 11,277 | 4,711 | 9,965 |
| Total (all coontries) | 49,322 | 15,591 | 5,863 | 11,524 |

Shipment of seed lac in 1933-34 amounted to 152,000 cwts. valued at R 42 lakhs as compared with 121,000 cwts. valued at R32 lakhs in the preceding year. The principal market for the particular variety, as usual, was the United States of America and shipments to that country amounted to 118,000 cwts. against 84,000 cwts. in 1932-33. Belgium received about 13,000 cwts., thus showing an increase of $10,000 \mathrm{cwts}$. on her offtake of the preceding year. The demand of the United Kingdom remained stationary at $12,000 \mathrm{cwts}$, while the Netherlands which had re-appeared in the Indian market in 1932-33 with a share of 12,000 ewts. cut down her requirements to 700 cwts. only.

Exports of other kinds of lac, representing mostly refuse lac, advanced from 14,000 cwts. to 24,000 cwts. of which Germany took 8,000 cwts. and Belgium $13,000 \mathrm{cwts}$. against $10,000 \mathrm{cwts}$. and $1,000 \mathrm{cwts}$. respectively in 1932-33.

The outstanding feature of the export trade in lac, as already stated, has been the uncertainty regarding the demand for shellac. The heights which prices for shellac reached during December and January had hitherto been unscaled in the recent history of shellac, except during the days following the outburst of War. Being altogether unconnected with any broadening of the technical outlook in the consuming markets, this singular rise has to be explained, partially at any rate, by reference to the unsystematic methods of collection entailing disorganised and irregular supplies. The trade on this side in India apparently did not tail to take the fullest advantage of the situation. It has been reported that large quantities were turned over,

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representing grades that were either not suitable or were not of the kind tendered earlier. But in the case of a commodity for which demand is so variable and so precariously elastic, any uncontrolled orgy of inflation can but lead to one result-the increased concentration on the development and use of syntbetic substitutes. Taking a long view of the past, shellac which was intensively sought after as a raw material in the manufacture of paints and varuishes is now being displaced from its position of pre-eminence through the rise of cellulose finishes. Even in the electric and plastics industries where newer uses were found for the natural product, a large part of the field is being increasingly appropriated by thermosetting plastics and similar synthetic resins. With the intensive research in new synthetic compositions it is doubtful if the consuming interests will tolerate for long a position in which they are at the mercy of an uncertain supply.

Raw wool. (R1,98 lakhs). -The trade in raw wool trom India met with exceptionally good prospects during the year under review. During 1932-33 the world production of wool was 2 per cent below the output of the preceding season. Furthermore, the prospects for the $1933-34$ season were all on the side of a smaller supply in view of droughty conditions in parts of Australia and South Africa. One result of all these factors was an increased demand on India and during the year the exports advanced from 32 million lbs. to 56 million lbs., or by 75 per cent. Of the total quantities shipped the United Kingdom took 43 million lbs. or 77 per cent as compared with 28 million lbs. or 87 per cent in 1932-33. Of the remainder, $7-6$ million lbs. were consigned to the United States of America and an interesting fact to be noted in this connection is that this purchaser more than trebled her share in comparison with the recorded purchases of $1932-33$-about 2.5 million lbs. Belgium received 2.7 million lbs. or a little more than double of what she had taken in 1932-33. Considerable increases were also registered in the takings of France, Germany and the Netherlands.

In addition to the exports of wool of Indian origin, fairly large quantities of foreign wool, mostly of Tibetan and Central Asian origin imported across the frontier, are ordinarily re-exported from the Indian ports. The following table shows the exports of raw wool of Indian origin together with the imports of foreign wool by land into India and the corresponding re-exports by sea :-

(a) Railborne trade at statione adjacent to land frontiar rontes.

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The re-exports of wool advanced from 4 million lbs. valued at R13 lakhs to 11 million lbs. valued at R31 lakhs. As usual the principal customers for raw wool re-exported from India were the United Kingdom and the United States of America whose respective shares in 1933-34 were 2.6 million and 7.6 million lbs. as against 2.2 and 1.7 million lbs. in the preceding year. The export trade in Indian raw wool was divided between Sind and Bombay in the proportion of something like 62 and 36 . Of the re-exports Sind had 49 per cent and Bengal 50 per cent against 66 and 33 per cent respectively in the preceding year. Bombay had a little less than 1 per cent of the total re-export trade in 1933-34.

The following table shows, for purposes of comparison, the quantity of raw wool imported into the United Kingdom from India and other countries.

Imports of sheep's and lamb's wool into the United Kinglom (excluding goat hair).
(In million lbs.)


Exports of carpets and rugs rose from 6 million lbs . to 8.5 million lbs. in quantity and from f 64 lakhs to F 73 lakhs in value. Of the total exports, the share creditable to the United Kingdom amounted to 6.7 million lbs. (R56 lakhs) as compared with 4.3 million lbs. (R45 lakhs) in 1932-33. There was a reduction in the purchases of the United States of America from $928,000 \mathrm{lbs}$. to $775,000 \mathrm{lbs}$. But this was set off by larger shipments to Canada, Java and Ceylon; the respective shares of the rirst two of the above mentioned countries were 167,000 and $108,000 \mathrm{lbs}$. as against 55,000 and $81,000 \mathrm{lbs}$. in 1932-33, while that of the third, namely, Ceylon went up from $468,000 \mathrm{lbs}$. in the preceding year to $519,000 \mathrm{lbs}$. in the year under consideration.

Oils. (R57 lakhs).-The total exports of oils in 1933-34 were valued at R57 lakhs which meant an increase of $£ 3$ lakhs in value in comparison with the exports of 1932-33. The bulk of the shipments consisted, as usual, of vegetable non-essential oils, the consignments of which increased from $2,444,000$ gallons to $2,915,000$ gallons in quantity. Larger quantities, however, did not mean higher values, which in this case remained unchanged at f38 lakhs.

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The details showing the exports of vegetable non-essential oils are given in the table in the margin. As usual

Imports of exgetable non-essondial oilh.
[In thousand gallons.]
1013-14 1031-32 1032-33 1033-34 Prowar

| Castor oll | 1,007 | 932 | 1,125 | 1,335 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Groundnnt oll | 288 | 455 | 017 | 710 |
| Coconut oil | 1,091 | 36 | 29 | 32 |
| Mustard oll | 407 | 250 | 226 | 263 |
| Other sorts | 449 | 177 | 147 | 669 |
| Totas | 3,242 | 1,900 | 2,444 | 2,015 | the most important single item under this head was castor oil, exports of which showed a further increase from $1,125,000$ gallons valued at R17 lakhs to $1,335,000$ gallons valued at A 18 lakhs. More than 50 per cent of the total quantity exported was shipped to the United Kingdom which took 753,000 gallons, or 14,000 gallons less than what she had received in 1932-33. But the decline in the intake of the United Kingdom was balanced by larger shipments to Germany which received 240,000 gallons as compared with 159,000 gallons in 1932-33. The Netherlands, Sweden, Belgium and the Union of South Africa showed considerable increases, namely, from $6,000,2,000,16,000$, and 27,000 gallons to $53,000,12,000,23,000$, and 43,000 gallons. Italy, which had been indifferent to the Indian market in 1932-33, re-appeared with a demand for 20,000 gallons. Denmark and New Zealand took less than in the preceding year. Exports of groundnut oils amounting in the total to 716,000 gallons showed a decline of 201,000 gallons in comparison with the exports of the preceding year. Supplies to the United Kingdom amounted to 507,000 gallons or 71 per cent of the total as compared with 664,000 gallons or 72 per cent in 1932-33. The remainder went mainly to the Straits Settlements ( 43,000 gallons), Mauritius ( 34,000 gallons), Federated Malay States ( 32,000 gallons), CeyIon ( 17,000 gallons) and Arabia ( 11,000 gallons). Consignments to Egypt representing mostly shipments " for orders" amounted to 37,000 gallons. The shipments of coconut oil were returned at 32,000 gallons and were in excess of the quantities exported in 1932-33 by 3,000 gallons. The United Kingdom and the Ne therlands took 12,000 gallons and 4,000 gallons respectively, which are almost on par with their respective takings in the preceding year. Exports of mustard or rape seed oil amounted to 263,000 gallons against 226,000 gallons in the preceding year. The principal destinations were Mauritius ( 162,000 gallons), Fiji Islands ( 51,000 gallons), the United Kingdom ( 16,000 gallons) and the Straits Settlements ( 9,000 gallons). Shipments of sesamum oil showed a considerakle increase and amounted to 104,000 gallons as compared with 75,000 gallons in the preceding year. The exports of 1933-34 included 53,000 gallons consigned to Arabia, 23,000 gallons to Aden and Dependencies, 13,000 gallons to Mauritius and 2,000 gallons to French Somaliland. There was also a further increase in the shipments of linseed oil which in the aggregate amounted to 67,000 gallons against 44,000 gallons in 1932-33. The bulk of the shipments was made up of supplies to the Straits Settlements and the Philippine Islands, their respective shares amounting to 19,000 and 24,000 gallons. Hongkong which had disappeared from the Indian market as a buyer in 1932-33 re-appeared with a demand for 9,000 gallons. The consiguments of 1933-34 also included 6,000 gallons despatched to Ceylon.

Under essential oils, sandalwood oil recorded an increase from $56,000 \mathrm{lbs}$. valued at Z 7 lakhs to $74,000 \mathrm{lbs}$. valued at f 9 lakhs. The United Kingdom received $47,000 \mathrm{lbs}$. against $27,000 \mathrm{lbs}$. in 1932-33, but purchases on Japan's

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account fell off from $23,000 \mathrm{lbs}$. to $21,000 \mathrm{lbs}$. As in 1932-33, France remained aloof as a direct buyer in the Indian market. Exports of lemon grass oil amounting to 45,000 gallons showed an increase of 2,000 gallons. The principal destinations of the consignments were the United Kingdom ( 14,000 gallons), the United States of America ( 19,000 gallons) and France ( 5,000 gallons).

Other articles.-The following is a summary of the more important of the remaining articles of export:-

| - | 1913-14 (pre-war year) | 1929-30 | 1030-31 | 1731-32 | 1832-33 | 1933-34 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | R (lakhas) | ff (lakhs) | 7 (lakhs) | R (lakhs) | F (lakhe) | f (lakha) |
| Metals and oresPig lead. | 9 | 2,45 | 2,17 | 1,73 | 1,47 | 1,52 |
| Pigiron. | 42 | 2,59 | 1,70 | 1,23 | 74 | 85 |
| Manganase ore | 1,21 | 2,29 | 1,39 | 67 | 48 | 51 |
| Others . | 47 | 3,01 | 2,68 | 1,94 | 1,98 | 2,61 |
| Parafin wax | 67 | 3,18 | 2,82 | 2,32 | 2,02 | 2,29 |
| Oiloskes | 1,38 | 3,12 | 2,08 | 2,01 | 1,96 | 1,65 |
| Coffee | 1,54 | 1,45 | 1,82 | 05 | 1,10 | 1,02 |
| Tobacco | 48 | 1,08 | 1,04 | 85 | 77 | 94 |
| Dye stuffs . | 1,04 | 1,12 | 1,08 | 87 | 75 | 79 |
| Coir manufaotares | 89 | 1,04 | 89 | 76 | 80 | 77 |
| Opium - | 3,42 | 1,42 | 1,22 | 87 | 11 | 73 |
| Spices - | 01 | 1,08 | 1,27 | 87 | 72 | 72 |
| Teakwood. | 78 | 1,48 | 1,17 | 57 | 40 | 61 |
| Fodder, bran and pollards. | 77 | 1,19 | 77 | 75 | 70 | 47 |
| Mica. . . | 45 | 1,03 | 68 | 39 | 32 | 45 |
| Coal and coke | 69 | 72 | 49 | 55 | 44 | 37 |
| Hemp, raw . | 1,02 | 68 | 39 | 27 | 32 | 36 |
| Rubber . . | 179 | 1,79 | 1,30 | 45 | 9 | 31 |
| Manures . . . | (a) 94 | 50 | 51 | 38 | 20 | 25 |
| Saltpetre . . . | 31 | 9 | 8 | 11 | 12 | 15 |

(a) Inoludes crushed bones which are ohielly required fir industrial porposes.

Metals and ores. (R5,49 lakhs).-The total exports of ores in 1933-34 amounted to 305,000 tons valued at $\mathbf{R 1 , 8 4}$ lakhs as compared with 227,000 tons valued at R1,36 lakhs in 1932-33. Exports

Manganese ore (R5l lakhs). of manganese ore, which represented about 87 per cent of the total quantity of ores exported, totalled 266,000 tons as compared with 198,000 tons in $1932-33$ and 212,000 tons in 1931-32. France which was the largest purchaser in the Indian market in 1932-33 limited her requirements to 61,000 tons only as against 75,000 tons in the preceding year. The United Kingdom however offered an improved market and took 117,000 tons in 1933-34 as agairst 55,000 tons in 1932-33. Belgium reduced her demand from 32,000 tous to 19,000 tons. Japan, which is becoming an important market almost doubled its requirements and took 62,000 tons in the year under review. The shipments to Germany and the Netherlands amounted to 3,000 tons each. The United States of America which prior to 1932-33 was one of the principal purchasers of Indian manganese

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ore still remained in the background. The export trade in manganese ore was confined to Bengal, Bombay and Madras, which accounted for 50 per cent, 23 per cent and 27 per cent of the total exports as compared with 69 per cent, 23 per cent and 8 per cent respectively in the preceding year. As in the preceding year there were no exports of ferro-manganese and ferruginous manganese ore during 1933-34.

Exports of pig iron advanced by 73 per cent in quantity from 218,000 tons in 1932-33 to 378,000 tons in 1933-34 and by 15 per cent in value from

Pig iron (R85 lakhs). R74 lakhs to R85 lakhs. The bulk of this improvement has to be attributed to the rehabilitation of demand from Japan which country had cut down her requirements from 188,000 tons in 1931-32 to 71,000 tons in 1932-33. Exports to Japan in 1933-34 almost regained the level of 1931-32 and amounted to 184,000 tons, or only 4,000 tons less than in 1931-32. Exports to the United States of America advanced from 33,000 tons in 1932-33 to 61,000 tons in 1933-34. Shipments to the United Kingdom amounted to 93,000 tons as against 76,000 tons in the preceding year. Exports to China also showed an advance from 13,000 tons to 19,000 tons, but those to Germany declined further from 8,000 tons to 7,000 tons.

The following table shows the production of pig iron and steel in India during the past three years:-
(In thousand tons)

| - |  | 1831-32 | 1832.33 | 1933-34 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Yrudaction of pigiron - <br> $" \quad$, ateel (ingots) $" \quad$, finished stee | - • - | 1,070 | 880 | 1,109 |
|  | - • - | 602 | 591 | 721 |
|  | - - | 450 | 442 | 551 |

Exports of wolfram showed an improvement and amounted to 4,200 tons valued at R 64 lakhs as compared with 3,400 tons valued at R51 lakhs in Wolfram ore (R64 lakhs). 1932-33. As usual, the shipments were entirely from Burma and were chiefly consigned to the United Kingdom and, to a small extent, to Germany, both the countries having increased their takings from 3,100 tons and 150 tons in 1932-33 to 3,800 tons and 240 tons respectively.

Shipments of pig lead advanced from $1,217,000 \mathrm{cwts}$. valued at R1,48 lakhs in 1932-33 to $1,302,000$ cwts. valued at $\mathrm{R} 1,52$ lakhs. Exports to the

Pig lead ( $\mathrm{fl} 1,52$ lakhs). United Kingdom rose from $964,000 \mathrm{cwts}$. to $1,090,000$ cwts., an increase of 13 per cent over the preceding year. On the other hand, Japan curtailed her requirements from 179,000 cwts. to 151,000 cwts., Ceylon from 33,000 cwts. to 31,000 cwts. and Hongkong riom 18,000 cwts. to 13,000 cwts. Italy which had $12,000 \mathrm{cwts}$. to her credit in 1932-33 had no share in the exports during the year under review. The withdrawal of Italy is of some importance in view of the fact that the other European countries who were the principal customers for Indian pig lead, viz., Germany and Belgium, have, since 1932-33, taken no interest in this trade.

## Oilcakes.

Exports of chromite or chrome iron ore succeeded in maintaining the improvement recorded, in 1933-34, the total shipments having advanced to

Chromite (R6 lakhs). 20,000 tons from 18,000 tons in 1932-33. The United Kingdom and Norway increased their respective takings from 6,300 and 3,000 tons to 7,300 and 7,500 tons in the year under review while Germany and France took 1,200 and 1,100 tons as compared with 3,100 and 1,400 tons respectively in 1932-33. The United States of America cut down her requirements from 1,100 tons to 500 tons only.

Exports of paraffin wax advanced from 45,000 tons valued at $\mathbf{K 2}, 02$ lakhs to 54,000 tons valued at $\nexists 2,29$ lakhs in 1933-34. Shipments to the United Kingdom and the United States of America

Paraffin wax (R2,29
lakhs). amounted to 13,000 tons and 6,000 tons as against 8,000 tons and 3,000 tons respectively in 1932-33. Continental countries also made larger purchases, the Netherlands increasing her share from 5,500 tons to 6,900 tons, Belgium from 4,200 tons to 4,300 tons, Italy from 4,500 tons to 4,700 tons and Germany from 1,400 tons to 5,000 tons. Exports to China fell away from 3,000 tons to 1,100 tons, while Japan which had taken 1,400 tons in 1932-33 made no demands in the year under review. Mexico also took 650 tons only in 1933-34 as against 3,200 tons a year ago. On the other hand, Canada's demands increased by 700 tons to 2,100 tons in 1933-34.

In quantity, exports of oilcakes showed a very slight increase from 286,700 tons to 287,000 tons in 1933-34 but the value recorded fell away from R1,97

Oilcakes ( $\mathrm{fl} 1,65$ lakhs). lakhs to RI,65 lakhs. Groundnut cake which represented 66 per cent of the total quantity of olicakes exported in 1933-34 showed an increase from 159,000 tons to 190,000 tons in quantity, although the value at $R 1,08$ lakhs recorded a small decrease of $\mathbf{Z 2}$ lakhs relatively to 1932-33. Both the United Kingdom and Ceylon increased their purchases from 43,000 and 8,000 tons to 109,000 and 10,000 tons respectively, while Germany's requirements diminished to 25,000 tons as against 66,000 tons in 1932-33. Exports to Belgium dropped from 12,000 tons to 11,000 tons; but shipments to the Netherlands showed a slight improvement from 26,000 tons to 27,000 tons. There was a noticeable decrease under linseed cake, the exports of which amounted to 51,000 tons valued at R34 lakhs as compared with 82,000 tons valued at R59 lakhs in 1932-33. Of the total exports of 1933-34 the United Kingdom took 39,000 tons as against 55,000 tons in the preceding year and Belgium and the Netherlands 4,000 tons and 6,000 tons respectively as against 11,000 tons each in 1932-33. Shipments of rape and sesamum cakes declined from 35,000 tons in 1932-33 to 33,000 tons in 1933-34, of which Japan and Ceylon, usually the two best customers, received 21,000 tons and 11,000 tons as compared with 20,000 tons and 12,000 tons respectively in the preceding year. Among other descriptions of oilcakes, cotton cake accounted for 6,400 tons as against 4,900 tons in 1932-33, the consignment being received almost entirely by the United Kingdom. Exports of coconut cake amounted to nearly 3,000 tons as in the preceding year, almost the entire quantity being taken by Belgium. Despatches of castor cake representing shipments entirely to Ceylon amounted to 2,400 tons as against 800 tons in 1932-33.

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The total reported production of cured coffee in India during the season 1932-33 amounted to 32.5 million lbs. as compared with 33.6 million

Coffee ( $\mathrm{f} 1,02 \mathrm{lakh}$ ). lbs. in the previous season. The total quantity exported showed a further increase from 173,000 cwts. in $1932-33$ to 186,000 cwts. in the year under review. The value of the shipments, however, fell from $\mathrm{R} 1,10$ lakhs to R1, 02 lakhs, mainly due to the depressing effect on prices of the heavy Brazilian crop of 1933-34. The principal markets for Indian coffee, as usual, were the United Kingdom and France. The share of the United Kingdom dropped from 52,000 cwts. to 50,000 ewts. but France took 57,000 owts. as compared with 54,000 cwts. in 1932-33. Germany and Italy received 17,000 and 9,000 cwts. as against 13,000 and 5,000 cwts. respectively in the preceding year. There was a concurrent increase in Belgian demands which rose from 7,000 to $15,000 \mathrm{cwts}$. A part of these increases was however offset by the decline in the shipments to Norway which fell from 17,000 cwts. to 15,000 cwts. and those to Iraq and Australia which fell by 1,000 owts. in each case to 5,000 ewts. The Netherlands also received only 8,000 ewts. as against 9,000 cwts. in 1932-33.

The shipments of unmanufactured tobacco rose from 21 million lbs. to 29 million lbs. in quantity and from P73 lakhs to F 90 lakhs in value,

T'obacco, unmanufactured (R90 lakhs). the percentage increases being 38 in the case of quantity and 23 in that of value. The most important outlet, for Indian tobacco was, as usual, the United Kingdom which took 13 million lbs. as compared with 9 million lbs. in 1932-33. Among the other important markets Aden and Dependencics took $5 \cdot 4$ million lbs. as against $4 \cdot 4$ million lbs., Japan $3 \cdot 3$ million lbs. as against $3 \cdot 1$ million lbs. and the Netherlands 3.5 million lbs. as against 1.7 million lbs. in 1932-33. Shipments to the Straits Settlements amounting to $\mathbf{1 . 2}$ million lbs. showed an increase of 0.4 million lbs. or of 50 per cent. There were also concurrent increases in the shipments to the Federated Malay States and Hongkong. Except for Hongkong, China practically withdrew from the market, her offtake amounting to only $2,000 \mathrm{lbs}$. as against $72,000 \mathrm{lbs}$. in 1932-33 and 216,000 lbs. in 1931-32.

The exports of dyeing and tanning substances advanced in quantity from $1,205,000 \mathrm{cwts}$. in 1932-33 to $1,421,000 \mathrm{cwts}$. and in value from P 75 lakhs to P79 lakhs. Although all the important items in-

> Dyeing and tanning substances ( $\mathbf{Z 7} 79$ lakhs). cluded under this head showed increases, the bulk of the improvement was in myrobalans, which formed about 87 per cent of the total quantity of dyeing and tanning materials exported in 1933-34 as compared with 85 per cent in the previous year.

Myrobalans ( P 56 lakhs). Exports of myrobalans increased in quantity from $1,033,000$ owts. to $1,237,000$ ewts. and in value from R54 lakhs to R56 lakhs. Both the United Kingdom and the United States of America improved their respective accounts from 483,000 cwts. and 191,000 cwts. to 598,000 cwts. and $238,000 \mathrm{cwts}$., while the Netherlands reduced her demands from 66,000 cwts. to 57,000 cwts. Shipments to Germany and France increased from 110,000 and 63,000 cwts. to 122,000 and $89,000 \mathrm{cwts}$. respectively, while those to Belgium fell from $41,000 \mathrm{cwts}$. to $40,000 \mathrm{cwts}$. There was, however, a decrease in the exports of myrobalan extracts, the total

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quantity shipped amounting to $33,000 \mathrm{cwts}$. as against $50,000 \mathrm{cwts}$. in 193233. The exports were consigned chiefly to the United Kingdom.

Shipments of cutch and gambier increased from $29,000 \mathrm{cwts}$ to 31,000 cwts. in quantity and from R 3 lakhs to P 4 lakhs in value. This improvement was due almost entirely to an expansion of

Cutch and gambier (R4 laklis). demand in the United Kingdom which took 15,000 cwts. as against 13,000 cwts. in 1932-33. Purchases by France fell off to a slight extent, evz., from $4,500 \mathrm{cwts}$. to $4,400 \mathrm{cwts}$.

Exports of turmeric advanced in quantity from $63,000 \mathrm{cwts}$. to 85,000 cwts. and in value from Fll lakhs to $\mathbf{F 1 1}$ lakhs. Ceylon remained the most
'Iurmeric (R1I lakhs). important single market and her purchases remained stationary at 12,000 cwts. The United Kingdom, Persia and the Straits Settlements took 7,000, 9,000 and $11,000 \mathrm{cwts}$. as compared with $6,000,4,000$ and $6,000 \mathrm{cwts}$. respectively in 1932-33. Germany and France also increased their respective shares, taking $1,400 \mathrm{cwts}$. and 8,300 cwts. in 1933-34.

Exports of natural indigo made a slight recovery and amounted to 500 cwts. as against 300 cwts. in 1932-33. Of the total exports in 1933 34, Greece

> Indigo (R1 lakl). took a little over 300 cwts . as against 200 cwts . in 1932-33. The remainder went chiefly to the United Kingdom and Egypt. The trade is insignificant.

Exports of coir manufactures other than rope from the British ports in India showed a considerable increase from 26,900 tons to 31,100 tons in

Coir manufactures (R77 lakhs). quantity and from R60 lakbs to P 77 lakhs in value. Of the total shipments in 1933-34, the United Kingdom took 6,000 tons as compared with 5,000 tons in 1932-33. Germany and Belgium enlarged their respective demands from 5,100 and 3,300 tons to 6,600 and 3,700 tons respectively in 1933-34. The purchases of the Netherlands and Italy remained almost stationary at 5,200 tons and 2,000 tons respectively. Shipments to France, on the other hand, showed a decline of 1,000 tons and amounted to 2,700 tons in 1933-34. The offtake of the United States of America is as yet relatively small, but shows a tendency to improve, the exports rising from 200 tons in 1932-33 to 900 tons in the year under review. The total trade returned under this head for 1933-34 consisted of 28,200 tons of coir yarn, 2,200 tons of coir mats and mattings and 700 tons of other descriptions of coir manufactures.

2,822 chests or 3,522 cwts. of opium were exported in 1933-34 as compared with 1,161 chests or 1,451 cwts. in the preceding year. Of these, 1,816 chests wero recorded under private merchandise as compared with only 281 chests in 1932-33. Siam received 1,216 chests, the rest being consigned to French Indo-China. Exports on Government account to Hongkong, the Straits Settlements and other East Indian Governments together also showed a concurrent increase from 880 chests to 1,006 chests. There were no exports through Government agency to any other country.

The total exports of spices amounted to 270,000 cwts. as compared with 299,000 cwts. in 1932-33 but despite the decline in quantity, the value of

[^10] the shipments remained unchanged at $\not 772$ lakhs. Chillies and pepper represented 55 and 22 per cent,

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respectively, of the total shipments in 1933-34 and the balance was made up chiefly of finger, betelnuts and cardamoms. Exports of chillies fell away from $170,000 \mathrm{cwts}$. to $148,000 \mathrm{cwts}$. due almost wholly to the diminished demand from Ceylon and the Straits Settlements exports to which countries fell from 151,000 and $12,000 \mathrm{cwts}$. to 135,000 and $7,000 \mathrm{cwts}$. respectively. Exports of pepper fell by $1,000 \mathrm{cwts}$. to $59,000 \mathrm{cwts}$. in quantity and by P 5 lakhs to R18 lakhs in value. Italy took 26,000 cwts., or 5,000 cwts. less than in the preceding year, but notwithstanding this curtailment of her share, she still remained the most important customer. Exports to the United Kingdom and the United States of America amounted to $7,000 \mathrm{cwts}$. and $10,000 \mathrm{cwts}$. respectively as against an offtake of 5,000 cwts. each in 1932-33. The demand for cardamoms further improved, the shipments amounting to $12,000 \mathrm{cwts}$. in 1933-34 as against 8,000 cwts. in the preceding year. Despatches of betelnuts recorded a slight increase from $3,300 \mathrm{cwts}$. to $3,400 \mathrm{cwts}$. But the export trade in ginger suffered a set-back, the shipments having fallen off from $57,000 \mathrm{cwts}$. to $47,000 \mathrm{cwts}$.

The steady decline in the demand for Indian teak-wood noticed in receut years was arrested in 1933-34 and the shipments advanced from 17,000 cubic tons valued at P 40 lakhs in 1939-33 to 27,000 cubic tons valued at R 61 lakhs
in 1933-34. About 17,000 cubic tons valued at f 39 lakhs were consigned to the United Kingdom as against 12,000 cubic tons valued at 728 lakhs in 1932-33. Exports to the Union of South Africa and Germany also improved from 700 and 200 cubic tons to 3,700 and 1,200 cubic tons respectively. There was concurrently an increase in the shipments to the United States of America from 200 cubic tons to 500 cubic tons. Ceylon, on the other hand, curtailed her requirements from 1,000 cubic tons to 600 cubic tons.

Though the exports of fodder, bran and pollards advanced in quantity from 225,000 tons in 1932-33 to 254,000 tons in 1933-34, the value of the consignments fell from P70 lakhs to R47 lakhs. Rice bran constituted about 97 per cent of the trade in 1933-34. The

Fodder, bran and pollards (R 47 lakhs). exports under this sub-head showed an increase from 216,000 tons to 247,000 tons in quantity, but the value fell off from 1265 lakhs to R42 lakhs. Other sorts of fodder, bran and pollards recorded a decrease from 8,500 tons to 7,400 tons in quantity and from A 5 lakhs to R 4 lakhs in value. The United Kingdom, the principal customer for rice bran, took 218,000 tons as against 178,000 tons in the year preceding. Germany, which had been an important purchaser with 21,000 tons to her credit in 1932-33 and 44,000 tons in 1931-32 took no interest in this line in the year of report. Exports to the Straits Settlements and the Federated Malay States advanced from 7,000 tons and 1,000 tons to 16,000 tons and 6,000 tons respectively. Ceylon took 2,000 tons or much the same quantity as in the preceding year.

The export trade in mica experienced a comparatively better year and the shipments, consisting largely of splittings, advanced to 66,000 cuts. valued at

Mics (R45 lakhs). R45 lakhs from 40,000 ewts. valued at R 32 lakhs in 1932-33. The United Kingdom and the United States of America, the two principal customers for Indian mica, increased their purchases from $18,000 \mathrm{cwts}$. and $8,000 \mathrm{cwts}$. to $24,000 \mathrm{cwts}$. and 27,000

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cwts. respectively. France and Germany also enlarged their purchases which aggregated $1,100 \mathrm{cwts}$. and $6,200 \mathrm{cwts}$. as compared with $1,000 \mathrm{cwts}$. and $6,000 \mathrm{cwts}$. respectively.

The overseas market for Indian coal underwent a further contraction, the total exports declining from 452,000 tons valued at R44 lakhs in 1932-33
Coal (fa37 laklis).
to 373,000 tons valued at F 37 lakhs, the figures representing a decrease of 17 per cent in quantity and of 16 per cent in value. While the Ceylon market made an encouraging response and absorbed 223,000 tons as compared with 169,000 tons in the preceding year, shipments to other destinations fell off. Exports to Hongkong declined considerably and totalled 99,000 tons only as against 189,000 tons in 1932-33. Both the Straits Settlements and the Philippines reduced their takings from 21,000 tons and 8,000 tons to 5,000 tons and 6,000 tons respectively in 1933-34. The total exports of 1933-34 also included 30,000 tons to the United Kingdom and 8,000 tons to China (exclusive of Hongkong and Macao). The figures given above exclude Indian coal shipped for the use of steamers engaged in the foreign trade. The shipments under this head amounted to 496,000 tons and were distributed as follows :-


The production of coal in India during 1933 was 19.8 million tons as compared with 20.2 million tons in the preceding year. The price of Desherghur coal at Calcutta was 73-12-0 per ton into wagon up to the end of April. The rate then fell by 4 as. per ton and remained steady at that level till the middle of November. Thereafter a slight improvement set in, the range of prices being from $\mathrm{R} 3-12-0$ to R4-0-0 up to the end of the year under review.

Indian hemp made a further advance in the world markets in the year under review assisted by the continued absence of Russian hemp from the
Hemp, raw (R36 lakhs). consuming markets and the relatively high prices for hemp in Europe. The exports in 1933-34 amounted to 388,000 cwts. valued at R 36 lakhs as compared with 281,000 cwts. valued at R32 lakhs in 1932-33, thus showing an increase of 38 per cent in quantity and of 12 per cent in value. The bulk of this increase was due to the larger intake of Belgium, exports to which country spurted up from $42,000 \mathrm{cwts}$. to 111,000 cwts., an increase of 164 per cent. The United Kingdom increased her purchases from 80,000 cwts. to $85,000 \mathrm{cwts}$. France also increased her takings from $10,000 \mathrm{cwts}$. to $20,000 \mathrm{cwts}$. Exports to Germany and Italy amounted to 67,000 and 30,000 cwts. as against 56,000 and 25,000 cwts. respectively in 1932-33. Shipments to the United States of America and Greece also showed concurrent improvement, the former taking $12,000 \mathrm{cwts}$. and the latter $36,000 \mathrm{cwts}$. as compared with 7,000 and $31,000 \mathrm{cwts}$. respectively in 1932-33.

The favourable influence of anticipations of a compulsory restriction of the rubber output and an improvement in the consumption of the raw material

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over 9 million lbs. in quantity and by about R22 lakhs in value from 7 million lbs. valued at about R 9 lakhs to 16 million lbs. valued at more than R 31 lakhs. There was a substantial increase in the offtake of the United Kingdom which received 3.3 million lbs. as against 1.2 million lbs. in 1932-33. Exports to the Straits Settlements and Ceylon also advanced from 4.6 million lbs. and 0.8 million lbs. to 7.8 million lbs. and 2.6 million lbs. respectively. The United States of America which had not figured as a direct purchaser in the Indian market in 1932-33, took $1-3$ million lbs. in 1933-34. The average declared value of the Indian shipments rose from 2 as. per lb. to 3 as. 1 p . per lb. in 1933-34. Burma and Madras shared the entire trade between them in the proportions of 64 per cent and 36 per cent as compared with 85 per cent and 15 per cent respectively in 1932-33.

Export of manures anounted to 41,000 tons valued at R25 lakhs as compared with 31,000 tons valued at f 20 lakhs in 1932-33. The figures, however,

Manures (R25 lakhs). are exclusive of oilcakes and saltpetre, which have been dealt with separately. Shipments of manurial bones, including bonemeal, representing about 61 per cent of the total quantity of manures exported in 1933-34, amounted to 25,000 tons valued at R14 lakhs as compared with 22,000 tons valued at R13 lakhs in the preceding year. Ceylon cut down her requirements from 10,000 tons to 8,000 tons, while the United Kingdom's absorption increased from 6,000 tons to 10,000 tons. There were larger shipments to the United States of Areerica and Belgium, amounting to 1,400 and 2,900 tons as against 500 and 900 tous respectively in 1932-33. The value of fish manures and guano exported rose from $\mathrm{R} 2 \frac{1}{2}$ lakhs to $\mathrm{Z} 4 \frac{3}{4}$ lakhs, the bulk of which, amounting in value to a little over R3 lakhs, represented consignments to Ceylon. Exports of hornmeal fell away from 1,400 tons to 700 tons. Shipments of sulphate of ammonia amounted to 2,100 tons as against 300 tons in 1932-33.

The export trade in saltpetre continued to expand and the shipments in 1933-34 amounted to $188,000 \mathrm{cwts}$. valued at R15 lakhs as compared with

Saltpetre (mis lakhs). 159,000 cwts. valued at f 12 lakhs in the preceding year. The shipments to Mauritius and Dependencies totalled 88,000 cwts. as against 48,000 cwis. in 1932-33. The Straits Settlements absorbed $4,000 \mathrm{cwts}$. in 1933-34 as compared with 3,000 cwts. in 1932-33. The United Kingdom and Ceylon took considerably less than in 1932-33, their purchases amounting to $57,000 \mathrm{cwts}$. and $21,000 \mathrm{cwts}$. respectively as against $64,000 \mathrm{cwts}$. and $24,000 \mathrm{cwts}$. in the year preceding.

## Postal Articles.

## Imports and Exports.

The value of the imports of " Postal articles not specified " declined further from A2,59 lakhs to R22,41 lakhs. Imports by post of (a) jewellery, (b) precious stones, (c) gold and silver thread, (d) cigarettes and (e) cinematograph films are not included in the above figures, these being recorded under the relevant heads in the import retuns. The share of the United Kingdom in the imports of postal articles fell from 61 per cent to 57 per cent. The share of Italy also declined from 13 per cent to 12 per cent while that of Germany and France

## Government Stores.

remained unchanged at 3 per cent each. The value of articles exported by post fell from $\mathrm{Fl} 1,59$ lakhs to $\mathrm{Fl}, 35$ lakhs, the principal destinations being the United Kingdom (R46 lakhs or 34 per cent), the Straits Settlements (R34 lakhs or 25 per cent), France 13 per cent, Ceylon 9 per cent and Hongkong aud $\operatorname{Iraq} 2$ per cent each.

## Re exports.

The re-export trade in foreign merchandise improved slightly from $\mathrm{R} 3,22$ lakhs to R3,42 lakhs. Re-exports of raw wool advanced from 4 million lbs. valued at Fl 13 lakhs to 11 million lbs. valued at R31 lakhs. The United Kingdom and the United States of America increased their respective require ments, viz., to 2.6 and 7.6 million lbs. from 2.2 and 1.7 million lbs. in the preceding year. Woollen manufactures, however, fell from R20 lakhs to P14 lakhs. Cotton piecegoods recorded an increase of 14 per cent in quantity and of 17 per cent in value, the re-exports amounting to 25 million yards valued at F 53 lakhs as against 22 million yards valued at f 46 lakhs in 1932-33. The increase was almost entirely due to larger shipments to Persia which totalled 9 million yards valued at R18 lakhs as compared with 6 million yards valued at $\mathrm{Fl2}$ lakhs in the preceding year. Aden, Arabia, Ceylon, the Straits Settlements and the Anglo-Egyptian Sudan also increased their respective purchases while the Babrein Islands, Iraq and Portuguese East Africa took less than in 1932-33. Shipments of foreign cotton advanced from 118 tons to 891 tons. Re-exports of foreign sugar increased from 4,000 tons ( R 5 lakhs) to 12,000 tons (R7 lakhs). Gums and resins advanced from $33,000 \mathrm{cwts}$. to 40,000 ewts. in quantity but the value fell from Ri7 lakhs to A 6 lakhs. Decreases were also noticeable under fruits and vegetables, rubber manufactures, hardware, instruments and apparatus, and spices, while there were increases under vehicles, metals and ores, and silk manufactures. The shares of the principal countries in the total re-export trade were: the United Kingdom 25 per cent, the United States of America and Ceylon 10 per cent each, Persia and Iraq 8 per cent each, Japan 5 per cent, Arabia 6 per cent, Kenya Colony and Germany 3 per cent each and Italy, France, the Bahrein Islands and the Straits Settlements 2 per cent each. As usual, the bulk of the trade passed through Bombay, which accounted for 63 per cent ; Karachi had 19 per cent and Bengal 10 per cent of the re-export trade.

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Under this head, imports showed a decrease of R48 lakhs over the preceding year's figure and amounted to $\mathrm{Rl}, 95$ lakhs in 1933-34. The noticeable decreases were under vehicles (-733 lakhs), arms, ammunitions and military stores (-R15 lakhs), wool manufactures (-R3 lakhs), instruments, apparatus and appliances (-R4 lakhs), hardware and cutlery (-R1 lakh). Increases were, however, recorded under machinery and millwork ( + fli3 lakhs) and metals and ores ( + R7 lakhs). Exports of Indian produce on Government account advanced from fitl lakhs to R 45 lakhs owing mainly to a rise of R5 lakhs in the exports of opium which were valued at Pl 40 lakhs in 1933-34. Re-exports on Government account amounted to R5 lakhs in 1933-34 as against P 4 lakhs in 1932-33.

## CHAPTER IV.

## The Direction of Overseas Trade.

The following tables illustrate the direction of India's trade in two different aspects. Tables A, B and C show the shares of the various foreign countries in India's total trade and Tables D and E analyse the trade in selected commodities or groups of commodities in order to indicate the shares of the countries chiefly interested in each. The values given in these tables are based on actual declared values which represent unadjusted money values, $i . e$. , values on which no allowance has been made for the changing price levels. An adjustrient of this nature has been carried out in respect of the total trade under imports and exports for $a$ number of years on the basis of the average declared values in 1913-14 and the results are exhibited in the table on page 16 of this Review. Similar computations, however, have not been worked out for trade with separate countries. The main features of these tables have also been illustrated in Chart No. 8 prefixed to this Review.

Table A.

|  | 1013-14 |  |  | 1931-32 |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Bxporta | Imports | Net Importe (-) ar Exports ( + ) | Exports | Improrts | Not Imparta Exports ( + |
|  | H(Crores) | P(Crorsa) | (tCrores) | \#(Crores) | f(Crotes) | In (taras) |
| United Kingdom Other British Possessions | ${ }_{88}^{68}$ | 117 | +59 +25 | 45 26 | 45 | $\because+14$ |
| Total Baitlif Eypigz | 94 | 128 | $\underline{34}$ | 71 | 67 | $\pm 14$ |
|  | 85 | 30 | +55 | 37 | 28 | +9 |
| United States of America : | 22 | 5 | $+17$ | 14 | 13 | $+1$ |
| Japan mereign Countries: | ${ }_{25}^{23}$ | 15 | +18 +10 | 14 | 13 | +1 +10 |
| Total Porigion Coumtriss | $\underline{155}$ | 15 | $+10$ | 25 | 15 | $+10$ |
| total forbien Couktrizs | 155 | 55 | +100 | 90 | 69 | +21 |
| GRAND TOTAL | 249 | 183 | $+60$ | 181 | 128 | +35 |


|  | 1032-38 |  |  | 1039,34 |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Exports | Imports |  | Exports | Imports | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Net Imports } \\ & \text { Exports ( }(+) \end{aligned}$ |
|  | 7(Croren) | R(Crorse) | (t(Crores) | P(Crores) | m(Crores) | R (Crores) |
| Unlted Kingiom Other Britigh Possesslong | $\begin{array}{r} 38 \\ 24 \\ \hline \end{array}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 49 \\ & 10 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{array}{r} +11 \\ +14 \\ \hline \end{array}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 48 \\ & 28 \end{aligned}$ | 48 | $\cdots$ |
| Total British Repira | 62 | 69 | +8 | 1 | 57 | $+13$ |
| Europe ${ }^{\text {United }}$ States of America | 32 10 | 29 | $\pm$ | 35 | 26 | $+10$ |
| Japan | 14 | 11 20 | - ${ }_{-1}$ | 14 | $1{ }^{7}$ | +7 |
| Other Forelma Countries:- | 18 | 13 | $+5$ | 18 | 18 10 | $+8$ |
| total foreion Countribs | 74 | 78 | +1 | 80 | 58 | +22 |
| Qrand total | 136 | 132 | +4 | 150 | 115 | $+35$ |

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Table B.
Imports.

| - | 1913-14 | 1830-31 | 1931-32 | 1932-33 | 1933-34 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Per cent | Per cent | Per cent | Per cent | Per cent |
| United Kingdom | $64 \cdot 1$ | $37 \cdot 2$ | $35 \cdot 5$ | 36.8 | $41 \cdot 3$ |
| Germany - | 6.9 | $7 \cdot 5$ | $8 \cdot 1$ | $7 \cdot 8$ | 7.7 |
| Jeva, - | $5 \cdot 8$ | 6.3 | $3 \cdot 8$ | $2 \cdot 8$ | $2 \cdot 1$ |
| Jopan . | $2 \cdot 6$ | $8 \cdot 8$ | $10 \cdot 6$ | $15 \cdot 4$ | 14.2 |
| Onited States of America | $2 \cdot 6$ | $9 \cdot 2$ | $10 \cdot 2$ | $8 \cdot 5$ | 6.2 |
| Belgium - . | $2 \cdot 3$ | $2 \cdot 8$ | $2 \cdot 4$ | $2 \cdot 6$ | $2 \cdot 3$ |
| Austria and Hungary | 2.3 | $\cdot 6$ | $\cdot 8$ | $\cdot 5$ | $\cdot 5$ |
| Straits Settlements | 1.8 | $2 \cdot 4$ | $2 \cdot 3$ | $2 \cdot 1$ | $2 \cdot 3$ |
| Persia, Arabia, Iraq, Asiatio Turkey, eto. | $1 \cdot 5$ | $2 \cdot 8$ | $3 \cdot 0$ | 2.0 | $1 \cdot 9$ |
| France . . . | 1.5 | 1.7 | $1 \cdot 7$ | $1 \cdot 5$ | $1 \cdot 3$ |
| Mauritius - | $1 \cdot 3$ |  | $\cdots$ |  |  |
| Italy - | $1 \cdot 2$ | $2 \cdot 7$ | 2.8 | $2 \cdot 0$ | 2.5 |
| Chins - | $\cdot 9$ | $2.0{ }^{\circ}$ | $2 \cdot 2$ | $2 \cdot 2$ | 1.9 |
| Netherlands | 8 | 1.9 | $1 \cdot 6$ | 1.3 | $1 \cdot 6$ |
| Australia - | $\cdot 5$ | 1.5 | $1 \cdot 2$ | $\cdot 8$ | .9 |
| Hongkong . | $\cdot 5$ | $\cdot 5$ | 4 | $\stackrel{4}{4}$ | $\cdot 4$ |
| Dutch Borneo | 4 | '3 | $\stackrel{5}{5}$ | $\cdot 3$ | -3 |
| Ceylon - | $\cdot 4$ | $\cdot 9$ | 1.1 | $1 \cdot 3$ | $1 \cdot 1$ |
| Switzerland . | $\stackrel{3}{ }$ | -8 | 1.0 | 1.0 | $\cdot 8$ |
| Kenya and Zanzibar | $\cdot 3$ | $1 \cdot 8$ | $2 \cdot 9$ | 1.7 | $2 \cdot 1$ |

Table C.
Exports.

|  | 1913-14 | 1930-31 | 1831-32 | 1932-33 | 1933-34 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Per cent | Per cent | Per cent | Per cent | Per cent |
| United Kingdom | $23 \cdot 4$ | $23 \cdot 8$ | 27.9 | 28.0 | $32 \cdot 2$ |
| Germany - | $10 \cdot 6$ | $6 \cdot 4$ | 6-3 | 6.5 | 6.5 |
| Japan . | $8 \cdot 1$ | $10 \cdot 6$ | $8 \cdot 7$ | 10.3 | $8 \cdot 5$ |
| United States of America | 8.7 | $9 \cdot 4$ | $8 \cdot 9$ | $7 \cdot 4$ | $9 \cdot 6$ |
| France | $7 \cdot 1$ | $4 \cdot 9$ | $4 \cdot 8$ | 6 -0 | $4 \cdot 9$ |
| Belgium . | $4 \cdot 8$ | $3 \cdot 4$ | $2 \cdot 8$ | $3 \cdot 0$ | $3 \cdot 0$ |
| Austria and Hungary | $4 \cdot 0$ | $5 \cdot 0$ | $5 \cdot 0$ | $5 \cdot 0$ |  |
| Ceylon - | 3.6 | $5 \cdot 0$ | $5 \cdot 0$ | 5.0 | 4.2 |
| Persia, Arabia, Iraq, Asiatic Turkey, stc. | 3.2 | $2 \cdot 2$ | $2 \cdot 1$ | $2 \cdot 2$ | 1.8 |
| Italy . | $3 \cdot 1$ | $3 \cdot 5$ | $3 \cdot 4$ | $3 \cdot 5$ | $3 \cdot 8$ |
| Hongrong . - | $3 \cdot 1$ | 9 | $1 \cdot 2$ | $1 \cdot 1$ | . 8 |
| Straits Settlements | $2 \cdot 7$ | $2 \cdot 8$ | $3 \cdot 0$ | $2 \cdot 7$ | $2 \cdot 3$ |
| China ${ }^{\text {a }}$ | $2 \times 3$ | $5 \cdot 9$ | $4 \cdot 9$ | $2 \cdot 6$ | $3 \cdot 0$ |
| Central and South America | 2.2 | $2 \cdot 3$ | $1 \cdot 5$ | 28 | $2 \cdot 2$ |
| Netherlands | $1 \cdot 7$ | $3 \cdot 4$ | $3 \cdot 0$ | $3 \cdot 0$ | $2 \cdot 7$ |
| Australia . | $1 \cdot 6$ | $2 \cdot 0$ | 1.8 | $2 \cdot 9$ | 2.0 |
| Kenye and Zanzibsr | $1 \cdot 0$ | $\cdot 5$ | $\cdot 5$ | $\cdot 5$ | $\cdot 5$ |
| Union of Socialist Soviet Republios | -9 | ${ }^{-1}$ | $\stackrel{3}{-8}$ | .3 1.0 | -1 |
|  | -88 | $1 \cdot 1$ 1.2 | -8 $1-1$ | $1 \cdot 0$ | -9 -3 |

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Table D.

Imports.

|  | Ibom and Strel |  |  | Machinfry |  |  | Hardwaby |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | ${ }_{14}^{1918}$ | $\begin{gathered} 1939- \\ 38 \end{gathered}$ | 1993- | $1013-$ | ${ }_{88}^{1932-}$ | $\int_{84}^{1939-}$ | $1913-$ | $\underset{\mathbf{3 s}}{1032}$ | $\begin{gathered} 1938 \\ 34 . \end{gathered}$ |
|  | $\begin{aligned} & \text { per } \\ & \text { cent } \end{aligned}$ |  | Por cent | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Per } \\ & \text { cent } \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Par } \\ & \text { Pent } \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Per } \\ & \text { cent } \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Per } \\ & \text { Pent } \end{aligned}$ | $\underset{c \in n^{\prime}}{\mathbf{P}_{\text {cr }}}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Pr } \\ & \text { cont } \end{aligned}$ |
| United Kinglom | 60.9 | 51.1 | 67.5 | $80 \cdot 8$ | 741 | 68.4 | 57.2 | 80.6 | 94.0 |
| United States of Americn . | 2.0 | 1.2 | $1 \cdot 1$ | $3 \cdot 3$ | 7.7 | 6.3 | 8.7 | 5.6 | 8.0 |
| Garmany . | 14.5 | 8.6 | $7 \cdot 6$ | $5 \cdot 6$ | 9.8 | 10.8 | 18.2 | 96.1 | $20 \cdot 9$ |
| Belgiam - . . . . | 11.5 | 23.2 | 15.2 | . | 8.7 | 8.4 | . | 1.1 | 1.0 |
| Japan | . | 2.6 | 5.0 | $\cdots$ | $\cdot 4$ | $\cdot 7$ | 1.5 | $10 \cdot 1$ | 12.1 |
| France and Luxembarg | $\cdots$ | 4.8 | $5 \cdot 0$ | -• | -3 | $\cdot 4$ | .. | 1.1 | $\cdot 7$ |
| Percentage of total trade represental countrles atiown | 98.5 | 01.6 | 91.4 | 88.7 | 05.6 | $89 \cdot 6$ | $80 . \mathrm{E}$ | 84.6 | 86.7 |
| Total falub of trade R (laghe) | 16,01 | 5,90 | 6,54 | 7,76 | 10,64 | 12,77 | 8,95 | 2,90 | 2,88 |


|  | MOTOR CARE, mOTOR OYOLRS, ETO. |  |  | ingtruabnts |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | ${ }_{14}^{1913-}$ | $\stackrel{1932-}{88}$ | $\begin{gathered} 1083- \\ 84 \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} 1918- \\ 14 \end{gathered}$ | $\underset{83}{1032-}$ | $\underset{\mathbf{3 4}}{\mathbf{1 9 8 3 -}}$ |
|  | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Per } \\ & \text { cont } \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{gathered} \text { Per } \\ \text { cent } \end{gathered}$ | Per cont | Por cent | Por cent | $\begin{gathered} \text { Per } \\ \text { cent } \end{gathered}$ |
| Unlted Kingdom . . . - - | 71.8 | $47 \cdot 6$ | 48.3 | 76.8 | 50.5 | 51.2 |
| United 8tates of America . . . . . | 16.1 | 30-5 | $80 \cdot 4$ | 8.0 | 18.0 | 14.1 |
| Cormany - . . . . . . | - | 8.0 | $1 \cdot 6$ | $8 \cdot 2$ | 16.9 | 18.9 |
| Netherlands . . . . . . | $\cdots$ | $\cdot 2$ | - | $\cdots$ | 8.1 | 8.2 |
| Belginm - . - . . - . | $4 \cdot 5$ | -8 | - | " | 1.6 | 17 |
| Japan - . . - . - | - | $\cdot 2$ | $\cdot 9$ | $\cdot 6$ | 5.9 | 7.5 |
| Pranos - . . . . . | $4 \cdot 5$ | 1.2 | $\cdot 6$ | $\cdots$ | -7 | 10 |
| Italy - . . . . . . | . | 3.2 | 2.5 | $2 \cdot 2$ | 1.9 | 1.7 |
| Oanada • . . . . . . | . 6 | 5.7 | 14.7 | $\cdots$ | - | - |
| Percentage of total trade represented by conntrles Hhown | 95.4 | $97 \cdot 0$ | 90.0 | 94,8 | 04.5 | 94'8 |
|  | 1,63 | 2,48 | 8,19 | 1,82 | 3,85 | 4,02 |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |

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Exports.

| $\sim$ | TBA |  |  | . Jute (RAW) |  |  | JUTR MANUPACTUKES |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | 1918-14 | 1932-38 | 1033-34 | 1918-14 | 1082-33 | 1983-34 | 1918-14 | 1032-33 | 1933-84 |
|  | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Per } \\ & \text { oent } \end{aligned}$ | Per cent | Per 0ent | Per cent | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Per } \\ & \text { cont } \end{aligned}$ | Per cent | Per cent | Per cent | Per cont |
| United Kingdom | 72.4 | 86.1 | 88.5 | 38.0 | 23.0 | $23 \cdot 3$ | 6.3 | 8.0 | 7.5 |
| Canada : Australla : | 4.8 3.1 | 9.6 $\cdot 4$ | 8.9 .6 | $\cdots$ | -. 8 | $\cdots+1$ | 10.6 | $3 \cdot 1$ $15 \cdot 3$ | 11.4 |
| Unfon of Soclallet Soviet Rrpublics | $11 \cdot 1$ | 1.6 | - 2 |  |  |  |  |  | $\cdot 1$ |
| Persia, Aralia, Asjatic |  |  |  | ** | -• | - | * | - |  |
| Turkey and Irna of | 1.2 | 1.0 | $\cdot 7$ | $\cdots$ | $\bullet$ | - | - | $\cdot 0$ | -0 |
| America. . | $\cdot 7$ | S. | $2 \cdot 3$ | 11.9 | $7 \cdot 1$ | $7 \cdot 0$ | 41.5 | 25.0 | $81 \cdot 2$ |
| Ceylon - . | $1 \cdot 6$ | $1 \cdot 3$ | $1 \cdot 0$ | $\cdots$ |  |  | .. | $\cdot 2$ | $\cdot 3$ |
| Germany - . - | . | * | $\cdot 1$ | 91.8 | 21.7 | $22 \cdot 1$ | . | -4 | $\cdot 2$ |
| France * - | . | 1 | -* | $9 \cdot 9$ | 11.8 | $11 \cdot 4$ | -. |  | $\cdot 2$ |
| Italy . . . . | . |  | $\cdots$ | $5 \cdot 6$ | 6.7 | $8 \cdot 8$ |  | . |  |
| Argentina . . . | . | $\because$ | - | . | 10 | $1 \cdot 0$ | 10.4 | 12.2 | $0 \cdot 0$ |
| Java - . - | . | . | $\because$ | . | - | - . | 2.5 | $1 \cdot 9$ | 17 |
| Japan - . - | . | . | . | - | $2 \cdot 3$ | 9 | $\cdot 5$ | $1 \cdot 1$ | $\cdot 7$ |
| Belgiam * ${ }^{*}$ totai | - | - | - | $\cdot 5$ | $7 \cdot 2$ | $7 \cdot 6$ | .. | $\cdot 6$ | - 9 |
| Yercentage of total by countrles shown | 94.4 | 08.4 | $97 \cdot 3$ | $87 \cdot 6$ | 81.1 | $83 \cdot 6$ | 71.8 | $68 \cdot 7$ | 69.1 |
| TRADE Z (LAKHS) | 14,08 | 17,15 | 19,85 | 80,83 | 9,73 | 10,98 | 28,27 | 21,71 | 21,37 |


|  | Cotton (baw) |  |  | Oilserds |  |  | Food Grains |  |  | Mides antrens (RAW AND TANNED) |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | 1913 - | 1038- | 1933. | 1918- | 1 1932- | $\begin{gathered} 1983 \\ 34 \end{gathered}$ | 1013- | $\begin{gathered} 1932- \\ \mathbf{3 S} \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} 1938- \\ 94 \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} 1018 \\ 14 \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} 1082- \\ 33 \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} 1983 \\ 34 \end{gathered}$ |
|  | Per cent | $\begin{gathered} \text { Per } \\ \text { cont } \end{gathered}$ | Per cent | Per cent | Per cent | Per cont | Per cent | Per cent | Per <br> cent | Per cent | Per <br> cent | Per cent |
| United Kingdom | 8.5 | $7 \cdot 8$ | $12 \cdot 6$ | $22 \cdot 2$ | 10.9 | 23.8 | 26.7 | 8.0 | 6.8 | $25 \cdot 0$ | 68.8 | 62-1 |
| Persia, Arabia, Asjatic Tarkey and Iraq . | * | ** | ** | - | $\cdot 1$ | '1 | 5.6 | 8.0 | $8 \cdot 8$ | $\cdots$ | $\cdots$ | - |
| Onited States of America | $\cdots$ | 's | $\cdot 9$ | 1-2 | $4 \cdot 1$ | 10'7 | -* | - | ** | $24 \cdot 3$ | 12.4 | $10 \cdot 6$ |
| Ceylon - | - | $\cdot 1$ | - | -* | -5 | $\bullet 7$ | 11.5 | 28.0 | $25 \cdot 3$ | $\cdots$ | $\cdot 1$ | - |
| Cermany . | $14 \cdot 6$ | 0.5 | 7.9 | 16.0 | $9 \cdot 5$ | 11.1 | $7 \cdot 8$ | $0 \cdot 1$ | 11.8 | $20 \cdot 3$ | 9.9 | $4 \cdot 8$ |
| France | -* | $6 \cdot 7$ | 5.7 | 81.4 | 38-1 | $28 \cdot 3$ | ** | $\cdot 0$ | 2.4 | $\cdots$ | $2 \cdot 9$ | $2 \cdot 1$ |
| [taly | $7 \cdot 7$ | $7 \cdot 6$ | $0 \cdot 0$ | 5.0 | 15.1 | 10.8 | - | -7 | $1 \cdot 2$ | $5 \cdot 3$ | $4 \cdot 4$ | 2.8 |
| Japan - . . | 47.8 | 64.6 | 89.6 | * | * 3 | $\cdot 1$ | 8.8 | $4 \cdot 4$ | $\cdot 6$ | $\cdots$ | 9.8 | $2 \cdot 3$ |
| Belgium , | $10 \cdot 3$ | $6 \cdot 8$ | $5 \cdot 4$ | 10.0 | 2.2 | $2 \cdot 4$ | - | 1.0 | 1.2 | - | -8 | -5 |
| Chins* | $1 \cdot 7$ | 6.5 | $12 \cdot 1$ | - | * | - | $\cdots$ | $12 \cdot 2$ | 10.8 | -* | $\cdot 2$ | - |
| Netherlands | * | $1 \cdot 6$ | $2 \cdot 0$ | $1 \cdot 0$ | 18.9 | $11 \cdot 1$ | 6.8 | 2.6 | 2.8 | $8 \cdot 8$ | $2 \cdot 6$ | $2 \cdot 7$ |
| Stralta Settlements - | * | * | - | - ${ }^{\circ}$ | $\cdot 4$ | -5 | 6.7 | 78 | $8 \cdot 6$ | - | -4 | -8 |
| Bpaln | - | $2 \cdot 8$ | $2 \cdot 4$ | - | $\cdot 6$ | 1.0 | - | * | $\cdots$ | $2 \cdot 8$ | $\cdot 6$ | -4 |
| Bumatra and Java | $\cdots$ | * | * | - | ** | * | $1 \cdot 0$ | $8 \cdot 4$ | $8 \cdot 7$ | * | -* | * |
| Percentage of total trade represented by countrles shown. | 85.0 | 90.8 | $9 \% 0$ | 92-8 | $95 \cdot 7$ | 96.6 | $60 \cdot 6$ | 77-0 | 76.8 | 81-9 | $05 \cdot 4$ | 98.8 |
| Toral falug of TAADE ft (LAKHG). | 41,04 | 20,87 | 26,59 | 85,65 | 11,81 | 18,66 | 45,14 | 16,08 | 11,76 | 15,95 | 7,48 | 9,89 |

* Includes Hongkong and Macto.


## Direction of Trade.

Tuble A shows the total overseas trade of British India in private merchandise in such a way as to indicate separately the balance of trade with the United Kingdom, other parts of the British Empire, Europe, the United States of America, Japan and other foreign countries. As will be seen from the table, the balance is usually against India in the case of trade with the United Kingdom. But the normal excess of imports over exports in the case of the United Kingdom was completely wiped out once again as in 1931-32, the imports and exports having exactly balanced each other in the year under reviers. Trade with other parts of the British Empire showed a balance in favour of India to the extent of $\mathrm{P13}$ crores as against R14 crores in the preceding year; and the balance, in the case of the British Empire taken as a whole, expanded from $\mathfrak{f 3}$ crores in 1932-33 to $\mathbb{f 1 3}$ crores in favour of India. Taking the foreign countries together, the balance which, as usual, was in favour of India, showed a heavy increase from Fl crore in 1932-33 to R22 crores, the year's transactions with Europe and America having resulted in much larger balance in favour of India while those with Japan yielded a balance adverse to her.

In Table B have been listed the principal countries supplying India's import requirements (arranged in order of their importance in 1913-14) with their respective percentage shares in the total import trade, while Table C shows the corresponding details in regard to exports. The share of the United Kingdom, as will appear from these tables, showed an improvement and rose from 36.8 per cent in 1932-33 to 41.3 per cent, in the case of imports, and from 28.0 per cent to $32 \cdot 2$ per cent, in the case of exports. The share of the British Empire, considered as a whole, advanced from 44.7 per cent to 50.0 per cent under imports and from 45.5 per cent to 46.4 per cent in the case of exports. Under imports, the United States of Anerica had her share reduced from 8.5 per cent in 1932-33 to 6.2 per cent, but she increased her participation in the export trade from $7 \cdot 4$ per cent to 9.6 per cent. Japan, on the other hand, lowered her position, both in the import and export trades, her contributions being 14.2 per cent in the former and 8.5 per cent in the latter as against $15 \cdot 4$ per cent and 10.3 per cent respectively in 1932-33; Germany's share amounted to 7.7 per cent under imports and 6.5 per cent under exports as compared with 7.8 per cent and 6.5 per cent respectively in 1932-33. On the import side, the other noticeable variations were a reduction from $2 \cdot 8$ per cent to 2.1 per cent in the case of Java and from 3.0 to 2.5 per cent in the case of Italy. The share of Kenya and Zanzibar, on the other hand, advanced from 1.7 per cent to $2 \cdot 1$ per cent. On the export side, mention may also be made of the increases in the shares of China (from 2.6 to 3.0 per cent) and of Italy (from 3.5 to 3.8 per cent) ; there were, however, noticeable decreases in the case of France (from 6.0 to 4.9 per cent), Ceylon (from 5.0 to 4.2 per cent) and Australia (from 2.9 to 2.0 per cent).

Turning to the main groups of commodities in the import trade (Table D), there are to be noted increases in the share of the United Kingdom under cotton manufactures, iron and steel, motor cars, instruments, mineral oils, sugar, hardware, liquors and paper. In the case of cotton manufactures, her share, which in 1932-33 had dropped to 53.0 per cent from 58.0 per cent in 1930-31, improved to 58.8 per cent in 1933-34, while the contribution of Japan under this head fell from 38.0 to 35.0 per cent. China (imports from which

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source consisted largely of twist and yarn), however, increased her share from 3.3 per cent to 3.8 per cent. Under machinery, the proportion coming from the United Kingdorn dropped from $74 \cdot 1$ per cent to 68.4 per cent, while Germany advanced her share from 9.3 to 10.3 per cent. The contribution of the United States of America showed a decrease from 7.7 to 6.3 per cent. In instruments, the United Kingdom which had 50.5 per cent of the trade in 1932-33 increased her share to 51.2 per cent; there was increased participation by the United States and Japan, but the contribution of Germany showed a decrease from 16.9 per cent to 13.9 per cent. Under iron and steel, there was a recovery in the percentage shares of the United Kingdom (from $51 \cdot 1$ to $57 \cdot 1$ ), and of France and Luxemburg (from 4.8 to $5 \cdot 0$ ), while those of the United States of America, Germany and Belgium came down from $1 \cdot 2$ to $1 \cdot 1,8 \cdot 6$ to 7.6 and 23.2 to $15 \cdot 2$ per cent respectively. Under motor vehicles, the proportion of the total imports credited to the United Kingdom further increased from 47.6 per cent in 1932-33 to 48.3 per cent at the expense of the United States of America and Italy, the respective shares of which dropped from 36.5 and 3.2 per cent to 30.4 and 2.5 per cent; but Canada improved her share considerably from 5.7 to 14.7 per cent. Under mineral oils, there were increases in the shares of the U.S.S. R. from $25 \cdot 8$ to $27 \cdot 3$ per cent, and of the United States of America from 19.6 to $20 \cdot 4$ per cent ; the share of the United Kingdom showed a slight improvement from $4 \cdot 1$ to $5 \cdot 1$ per cent, while those of Rorneo and Sumatra, etc., and Persia declined from 14.1 to 12.5 per cent and 24.9 to 20.9 per cent respectively. In liquors, the share of the United Kingdom further advanced from $62 \cdot 1$ to $62 \cdot 6$ per cent and that of France from 11.6 to 12.7 per cent. In silk manufactures, Japan continued to encroach on the share of China and absorbed 73.2 per cent of the trade. In paper, the United Kingdom which had 27.8 per cent of the trade in 1932-33 improved her share considerably to 33.9 per cent and Norway from 14.2 to 15.2 per cent at the expense of other countries. Under sugar, receipts from Java tormed 73.0 per cent of the total imports under this head as compared with $80 \cdot 6$ per cent in 1933-33.

On the export side (Table E) there was a drop in the proportion taken by the United Kingdom under hides and skins. Shipments of hides and skins to the United Kingdom amounted to $63 \cdot 1$ per cent of the total exports recorded under this head as against 66.3 per cent in 1932-33, but the share of the United States of America increased from $12 \cdot 4$ per cent to 16.6 per cent. In raw jute, the share of the United Kingdom changed but little from 23.0 per cent to $23 \cdot 3$ per cent and of Germany from $21 \cdot 7$ per cent to $22 \cdot 1$ per cent; but the share of France fell from 11.8 to 11.4 per cent. Italy showed an advance, in her share to $8 \cdot 8$ per cent as against 6.7 per cent in 1932-33. Of the exports ot tea 88.5 per cent went to the United Kingdom as comparel with 86.1 per cent in the preceding year. In jute manufactures, the proportion taken by the United States of America improved considerably from 25.0 per cent to $31 \cdot 2$ per cent but the shares of the Argentine and Australia declined from 12.2 and 15.3 to 9.9 and 11.4 per cent respectively. Under raw cotton, the United Kingdom further increased her share from 7.8 to 12.6 per cent while Japan, which absorbed $54-5$ per cent of the trade in 1932-33, reduced her share considerably to 39.6 per cent ; Chiua had her share increased from 6.5 to 12.1 per cent. Under oilseeds, there was an abrupt diop in the propor-

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tion received by France (from 38.1 to 23.3 per cent), but the United Kingdons expanded her trade under this head to a great extent (from 10.9 to 23.8 per cent); the Netherlands further reduced her share from 13.9 to 11.1 per sent. Italy's share showed a fail from 15.1 per cent to 10.8 per cent. In foodgrains, the only feature worth mentioning was an increase in the percentage shares of Ceylon and Germany.

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The imports from, and exports to, the United Kingdom and other British Possessions are shown in the following tables:-

Imports.

| Codntries | 1913-14 | 1930-31 | 1931-32 | 1932-33 | 1933-34 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | ft (lakhs) | 7 (Jakhs) | 2 (lakhs) | f (lakhs) | fi(lakhs) |
| United Kingdom | 1,17,58 | 61,29 | 44,81 | 48,80 | 47,63 |
| Ceylon - | 81 | 1,43 | 1,37 | 1,76 | 1,29 |
| Straits Settlements | 3,42 | 3,97 | 2,87 | 2,79 | 2,64 |
| Hongkong. | 98 | 87 | 53 | 52 | 45 |
| South Africa | 23 | 43 | 22 | 19 | 28 |
| Mauritius . . - | 2,53 |  |  |  |  |
| Kenya Colony, Zanzibar and Pemba | 30 | 3,36 | 3,68 | 2,22 | 2,43 |
| Canada . . . . . | 1 | 1,33 | 42 | 34 | 69 |
| Australia .- | 92 | 2,42 | 1,58 | 1,07 | 1,02 |
| New Zealand |  | 3 <br> 89 | 1, 4 | 3 186 | ${ }_{1} 2$ |
| Other countries | 1,20 | 89 | 1,15 | 1,66 | 1,21 |
| Total Brytish Emprar | 1,28,07 | 78,02 | 60,67 | 69,38 | 57,69 |

Exports.

| Countries | 1913-14 | 1930-31 | 1931-32 | 1032-33 | 1933-34 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | If (lakhs) | f(lakhs) | 7 (lakhs) | 7 (lakhs) | 2 (lakhs) |
| United Kingdom . | 58,35 | 53,97 | 44,30 | 37,94 | 48,20 |
| Ceylon . | 9.04 | 11,38 | 7,98 | 6,82 | 6,24 |
| Straits Settlements | 6,79 | 6,30 | 4,74 | 3,64 | 3,37 |
| Hongkong . | 7,82 | 1,09 | 1,88 | 1,48 | 1,12 |
| South Afrioa | 1,20 | 2,00 | 1,46 | 1,26 | 1,22 |
| Mauritius . . - | 1,26 | 1,12 | 90 | 78 | 68 |
| Kenya Colony, Zanzibar and Pemba | 1,02 | 1,16 | 87 | 73 | 69 |
| Canade . | 1,43 | 1,72 | 1,48 | 1,68 | 1,88 |
| Australia | 4,10 | 4,49 | 2,97 | 3,80 | 2,98 |
| New Zealand | 56 | 63 | 35 | 39 | 63 |
| Other Countries | 2,82 | 4,74 | 3,5\% | 3,03 | 2,63 |
| Total Britise Empira - | 94,39 | 89,10 | 70,98 | 61,56 | 69,54 |

United Kingdom (Imports $\mathrm{f} 47,63$ lakhs, Exports $\mathrm{R48,20}$ lakhs).-The value of the total trade of Indir with the United Kingdom amounted to fl95,83 lakhs, an increase of R9,09 lakhs in comparison with 1932-33. This improvement was due to un increase on the export side; the import trade, however, showed a decline. The development on the export side was one of R10,26 lakhs (from R37,94 lakhs to $\mathbf{R 4 8}, 20$ lakhs), while in the case of imports there Was a decline of $\mathbf{R 1}, 17$ lakhs (from $\mathbf{R 4 8 , 8 0}$ lakhs to $\mathbf{R 4 7 , 6 3}$ lakhs). Among

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the imported articles, cotton manufactures, forming 22 per cent (as against 29 per cent in 1932-33) of the total imports, showed the largest decrease, the recorded value for 1933-34 having been $\mathbf{7 1 0}, 43$ lakhs as compared with $\mathrm{R} 14,22$ lakhs in the preceding year. The bulk of the decrease under this head occurred under piecegoods, the receipis of wbich amounted to 426 million yards valued at R8,75 lakhs as against 597 million yards valued at $\mathrm{R} 12,10$ lakhs in 1932-33. Cotton twist and yarn showed s relatively small decrease, viz., from R1, 32 lakhs to R 9 G lakhs in value and from 13.4 million lbs. to 10 million lbs. in quantity. The decrease under piecegoods was noticeable under all the descriptions, viz., grey, white and coloured, imports of which dropped respectively from 111 million yards to 88 million yards, from 281 million yards to 184 million yards and from 194 million yards to 142 million yards. The main features of India's trade in cotton manufactures have been discussed in detail in Chapter II. In the case of other descriptions of textiles decreases were noticeable under goods of silk mixed with other materials, arificial silk yarn and piecegoods of cotton and artificial silk, while there was an improvement in the value of woollen manufactures. Imports of iron and steel from the United Kingdom rose from R2,71 lakhs to R3, 18 lakhs. Imports of machinery and millwork advanced from R7, 81 lakhs to R8,73 lakhs, owing mainly to improvement under sugar machinery. Imports of hardware were valued at R98 lakhs as against R91 lakbs in 1932-33. There was an increase of R38 lakhs (from R1, 15 lakhs to R1,54 lakhs) under motor vehicles. This increase was due mainly to larger importation of motor cars, the number of which amounted to 5,348 as against 3,958 imported in 1932-33; the number of omnibuses imported also rose from 517 to 528 . Imports of instruments and apparatus were valued at $\mathbb{R 2}, 06$ lakhs, an increase of $\mathbb{Z} 12$ lakhs in comparison with the preceding year. Imports of paper and pasteboard advanced from 962,000 cwts. valued at R 80 lakhs to $1,011,000$ cwts. valued at R 89 lakhs; and those of provisions by Rll lakhs to R21,51 lakhs. Imports of sugar increased by only 2,000 tous in quantity to 37,000 tons but the value remained on the same level at R38 lakhs as in 1932-33. Imports of tobacco advanced from 1 million lbs. valued at A 34 lakhs to $2 \frac{1}{2}$ million lbs. valued at f 41 lakhs.

The principal articles exported to the United Kingdom were, as usual, tea (R17,57 lakhs), hides and skins (R6,24 lakhs), jute raw and manufactured (R4, 16 lakhs), raw cotton ( $\mathrm{R} 3,37$ lakhs), foodgrains (R74 lakhs), seeds (R3,25 lakhs) and raw wool (R1, 46 lakhs). These articles, taken together, represented about 78 per cent of the total exports to the United Kingdom during 1933-34 as compared with 75 per cent in 1932-33. Exports of tea decreased from 331 million lbs. to 276 million lbs. in quantity but the value increased from R14,78 lakhs to R17,57 lakhs. The total weight of raw and manufactured jute exported increased by 44,000 tons in quantity and by P16 lakhs in value. Despatches of raw jute increased from 130,000 tons valued at $\mathrm{R} 2,24$ lakhs to 177,000 tons ralued at f22,55 lakhs and those of jute bags decreased from 46 millions to 45 millions in number and in value from R1,07 lakhs to R98 lukhs. The yardage recorded under gunny cloth also declined from 57 millions to 52 millions and the value from R63 lakhs to R57 lakhs. Under hides and skins, there was an increase in the exports of the tanned or dressed varieties from 13,700 tons valued at $\mathbb{R 4 , 3 6}$ lakhs to 18,800 tons valued at $\mathbb{P 5}, 30$ lakhs; the quantity of the raw descriptions also increased from 4,000 tons to 7,000 tons and the value from R57d lakhs to R94 lakhs. Exports of raw skins

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of non-Indian origin increased in quantity from 207 tons to 257 tons but the value thereof declined from R26 lakhs to $\mathbb{\text { R22 }}$ lakhs. Shipments of raw cotton advanced considerably from 29,800 tons ( 167,000 bales) valued at R1,61 lakhs to 61,000 tons ( 341,600 bales) valued at R3,37 lakhs. Despatches of raw wool advanced from 27.8 million lbs. valued at $\mathrm{Rl} 1,06$ lakhs to $43 \cdot 4$ million lbs. valued at R1,46 lakhs. Exports of oilseeds advanced from 82,000 tons valued at $R 1,24$ lakhs to 281,000 tons valued at f3,25 lakhs. The increase occurred mainly under linseed, shipments of which rose from 14,300 tons valued at R17 lakhs to 176,000 tons valued at R2 crores. The increase under this head was supplemented by larger exports under rape seed, of which the quantity shipped amounted to 19,700 tons as against 10,700 tons in 1932-33. Cotton seed also accounted for an increase of 1,800 tons, viz., from 1,500 tons to 3,300 tons. There were also increases in the exports of castor and groundnuts which advanced from 23,000 tons and 32,000 tons to 27,000 tons and 53,000 tons respectively. The total exports of foodgrains amounted to 122,000 tons as in 1932-33 but the value of the shipments fell off from R88 lakhs to P74 lakhs. There was, however, an increase under rice from 75,000 tons ( R 54 lakhs) to 100,000 tons ( R 57 lakhs). There were practically no exports of wheat during the year. Mention has to be made of an increase of 113,000 tons in quantity and $¥ 37$ lakhs in value under metals and ores. The increase was particularly noticeable under pig lead, the shipments of which advanced from 48,200 tons valued at R1,18 lakhs to 54,500 tons valued at $\mathrm{R} 1,28$ lakhs. Chromite (chrome iron ore) also showed an increase from 6,300 tons (R2 lakhs) to 7,300 tons (R2t lakhs) and pig iron from 76,000 tons ( R 26 lakhs) to 93,000 tons ( $\mathrm{f} 21 \frac{1}{2}$ lakhs). The quantity of manganese ore exported advanced from 55,000 tons to 117,000 tons and the value from RI4 lakhs to $¥ 25$ lakhs. There was an increase under wolfram ore from 3,100 tons (R50 lakhs) to 3,800 tons (R61 lakhs). Shipments of paraffin wax amounted to 13,000 tons valued at R55 lakhs as against 8,000 tons valued at R37 lakbs in 1932-33. Exports of lac rose from 105,000 cwts. (R33 lakhs) to 336,000 cwts. (R1,32 lakhs). Among other articles spices showed a decrease in quantity with an increase in value, while raw rubber, mica, teak wood, raw tobacco, woollen carpets and raw hemp showed increases.

Ceylon (Imports R1,29 lakhs, Exports R6,24 lakhs).-There was a further decline in the trade with Cerlon from A8,58 lakhs to R7,53 lalkhs. Under imports the decrease was from $\mathrm{Rl}, 76$ lakhs to $\mathrm{Rl}, 29$ lakhs and under exports from $\mathrm{R6}, 82$ lakhs to $\mathrm{R} 6,24$ lakhs. On the import side, decreases occurred mainly under cocoanut oil, the imports of which fell off from 6,619,000 gallons valued at R79 lakhs in 1932-33 to 4,528,000 gallons valued at f 43 lakhs. Tea recorded a decrease of $1 \cdot 1$ million lbs. i.e., from 2 million lbs. valued at R12 lakhs to about 1 million lbs. valued at R5 lakhs. Decreases were also noticeable under spices, jute gunny bags, and fresh fruits. Imports of copra, bowever, advanced from 12,600 tons (R23 lakhs) to 21,800 tons ( R 30 lakhs ). On the export side, the main item was rice, not in the husk, the shirments under this head expanded from 394,000 tons to 403,000 tons in quantity but the value showed a heavy decline ficm R3,40 lakhs to R2,70 lakhs. Exports of raw rubler expanded from 0.8 million lbs. valued at $\mathrm{P} 2 \frac{1}{2}$ lakhs to $2 \cdot 5$ million lbs. valued at A 9 Jakbs.

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Exports of fish (excluding canned fish) increased in quantity from 206,000 cwts. to 221,000 cwts. but the value remained stationary at A36 lakhs. There was also an increase of 5,000 tons in quantity and of R3 lakhs in value under manures, shipments of which amounted to 17,000 tons valued at R11 lakhs. Despatches of oilcakes advanced by 1,000 tons in quantity but the value declined by $\mathrm{A2} 2$ lakhs, exports amounting to 23,000 tons valued at \#15 lakhs. Exports of chillies amounted to 135,000 ewts. as against 151,000 crts. but the value rose from R 19 lakhs to x 20 lakhs. Shipments of coal advanced from 169,000 tons (R20 lakhs) to 223,000 tons (R26 lakhs). Exports of tea, on the other hand, decreased from 3.5 million lbs. valued at 1223 lakhs to 3.2 million lbs. valued at R20 lakhs. There were decreases under cotton manufactures, provisions, oilman's stores, fruits and vegetables and fodder, bran and pollaxds and increases under living animals, jute manufactures and oilseeds.

Straits Settlements (Imports R2,64 lakhs, Exports R3,37 lakhs).-The transactions with this country resulted in a further decline of fl 15 lakhs (from $\mathrm{FR} 2,79$ lakhs to $\mathrm{R} 2,64$ lakhs) under imports and of RZ30 lakhs (from ¥3,67 lakhs to $\mathrm{f} 3,37$ lakhs) under exports. On the import side, spices accounted for a decline of Pl 15 lakhs. Imports of betelnuts recorded an improvement in quantity from 995,000 cwts. to $1,071,000 \mathrm{cwts}$. but the value declined from $\mathrm{Rl}, 00$ lakhs to R 87 lakhs. Imports of other kinds of spices amounted to 19,000 cwts. valued at R 7 lakhs as against $20,000 \mathrm{cwts}$. valued at R10 lakhs. Receipts of tin unwrought dropped in quantity from 47,000 cwts. to 37,000 cwts. in the year under review but the value rose from P 46 lakhs to P 53 lakhs. Imports of mineral oils improved from 81,000 gallons ( $\mathbf{f 2 9} 2000$ ) to 174,000 gallons ( $\mathbf{R} 54,000$ ). Under this head consignments of fuel oils advanced from 77ं,000 gallons ( $\mathrm{Z} 21,000$ ) to 171,000 gallons ( $\mathrm{f} 48,000$ ) ; the import trade in kerosene oil disappeared altogether during the year. There were also smaller receipts of provisions, and fruits and vegetables, while lac, drugs and medicines and fish (chiefly salted) recorded increases. On the export side there was an increase in the shipnents of rice, not in the husk, from 156,000 tons to 160,000 tons but the value recorded a decrease of R 19 lakhs from R1,10 lakhs to R91 lakhs. Exports of cotton piecegoods (principally coloured) declined from 8 million yards to 5 million yards in quantity and from R40 lakhs to R26 lakhs in value. Shipments of gunny bags amounted to 14-1 millions valued at F 35 lakhs as compared with $14 \cdot 8$ millions valued at F 39 lakhs in 1932-33. Despatches of rubber, raw expanded in quantity from 4.6 million lbs. to 7.8 million lbs. and in value from R 4 lakhs to R 10 lakhs. There were smaller shipments of coal and provisions, while there were increases under tobacco and under fodder, bran and pollards. Exports of tin ore also increased from R 28 lakhs to R 55 lakhs.

Australia (Imports R1,02 lakhs, Exports f2,98 lakhs).-The total trade with Australia showed a decrease of $\not 797$ lakhs as compared with the value recorded in 1932-33. Inports showed a decline of $\mathbf{R 5}$ lakhs and exports a further decrease of R 92 lakhs. The decline in the imports was mainly due to a reduction under wheat from 33,000 tons valued at F 29 lakhs to 18,000 tons valued at R13 lakhs. Imports of horses improved considerably from R5 lakhs to R19 lakhs. Imports of tallow and stearine decreased from 113,000 cwts. valued at P 20 lakhs in 1932-33 to $93,000 \mathrm{cwts}$. valued at f 16 lakhs in 1933-34. Imports of raw wool fell from 3.0 million lbs. to 2.8 million lbs, but

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the value showed no variation and stood at Z 18 lakhs. Imports of provisions also declined from P18 lakhs to R16 lakhs. On the export side, the bulk of the decrease occurred under jute manufactures. Gunny bags dropped from 99 millions valued at $\mathrm{R} 2,96$ lakhs to 79 millions valued at $\mathrm{f} 2,13$ lakhs. Shipments of gunny cloth receded from 25 million yards to 20 million yards and in value from R36 lakhs to R29 lakhs. Shipments of tea advanced from $1 \cdot 6$ million lbs. valued at P 8 lakhs to 2.0 million lbs. valued at R1l lakhs. Exports of linseed also showed an increase from 9,000 tons valued at P 10 lakhs to 12,000 tons valued at R14 lakhs. There was a slight decrease under raw hides and skins (chiefly goat skins).

East Africa (Imports 72,78 lakhs, Exports 788 lakhs). -In this group of territories are included Kenya, Zanzibar and Pemba, Uganda Protectorate, Nyasaland Protectorate, Tanganyika Territory and British Somaliland. The total value of the trade with this group of territories amounted to $\mathrm{f} 3,59$ lakhs as compared with $\mathrm{R} 3,28$ lakhs in 1932-33. On the import side, there was an improvement to the extent of R 40 lakhs, viz., from $\mathrm{R} 2,33$ lakhs to $\mathrm{R} 2,73$ lakhs, and in the case of exports, the total value fell from R95 lakhs to R86 lakhs. The advance in the case of imports was due mainly to larger arrivals of raw cotton which totalled 26,800 tons valued at R2,25 lakhs in 1933-34 as compared with 21,700 tons valued at $\mathrm{R} 1,86$ lakhs in 1932-33. Imports of spices (mainly cloves) were valued at $\mathbb{R} 34$ lakhs as in the preceding year. Under exports, the shipments of jute gunny bags remained stationary at 6 millions but the value fell by R3 lakhs to R14 Iakhs. Exports of piecegoods fell from 10 million yards valued at R 2 I lakhs to 6 million yards valued at R13 lakhs, while those of foodgrains increased from 21,300 tons to 23,000 tons with a decrease in value from $\mathrm{Z26}$ lakhs to R 25 lakbs.

Canada (Imports R69 lakhs, Exports $\quad$ 1,88 lakhs).-Compared with the preceding year, imports from Canada increased by R35 lakhs to R69 lakhs. Exports also showed an improvement from $\mathrm{fl} 1,63$ lakhs to $\mathrm{P} 1,88$ lakhs. The improvement noticed on the import side was due to a sharp rise in imports of motor vehicles and of rubber manufactures. The total value of motor vehicles imported during the year amounted to R47 lakhs as compared with R14 lakhs in the preceding year. The number of motor cars imported rose from 296 valued at about R6 lakhs to 1,715 valued at 226 lakbs and that of motor omnibuses from 338 valued at R 6 lakhs to 1,243 valued at R 16 lakhs. Imports of rubber manutactures also increased from f6 lakhs to f8 lakhs. Coming to exports, the major item, as usual, was jute gunny cloth. Shipments under this head increased in quantity by 15 million yards to 80 million yards and in value by R22 lakhs to R28 lakhs. Despatches of tea direct to Canada amounted to 15 million lbs. valued at R77 lakbs as compared with 17 million lbs. valued at F 80 lakhs in 1932-33.

Hongkong (Imports R45 lakhs, Exports R1,12 lakhs).-Importa from this country showed a decline of R7 lakhs and amounted to R45 lakhs only and the exports fell off from R1,46 lakhs to $\mathrm{Rl}, 12$ lakhs. The number of gunny bags exported declined from 25 millions valued at R 64 lakhs to 19 millions valued at R44 lakhs. Exports of coal also decreased from 189,000 tons to 99,000 tons and the value fell from $\nsupseteq 14$ lakhs to $\mathrm{P} 6 \frac{1}{2}$ lakhs. There was also a noticeable decrease under drugs and medicines, the total

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value of which fell from RI4 lakhs in the previous year to flt lakhs in the year under review. Shipments of rice showed a sharp rise from 28,000 tons ( Z 16 lakhs) to 52,000 tons ( Z 27 lakhs).

Union of South Africa (Imports R26 lakhs, Exports R1,22 lakhs).-The total trade with the Union of South Africa rose, by R3 lakhs to R1,48 lakhs, imports showing an increase from R19 lakhs to R26 lakhs and exports a decrease from R1,26 lakhs to $\mathrm{R1}, 22$ lakhs. On the import side coal showed an advance from 14,000 tons valued at R2 lakhs to 35,000 tons valued at R5 lakhs. Imports of barks for tanning also rose in value from R12 lakhs to fl4 lakhs and in quantity from $193,000 \mathrm{cwts}$. to $266,000 \mathrm{cwts}$. Under exports shipments of rice advanced in quantity from 24,800 tons to 25,300 tons but there was a decline in value from R26 lakhs to P21 lakbs in 1933-34. Exports of vegetable oils and provisions showed slight increases.

## Fordign Countries.

The following tables show the imports from and exports to the principal European and other foreign countries:-

Imports.

| Countries | 1913-14 | 1931.32 | 183\%-33 | 19:3-34 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Europenn Countries- | R (lakhs) | f (lakhs) | R (lakhs) | n (latha) |
| Union of Socialist Soviet Republics | 6 | 95 | 37 | 1.64 |
| Sweden . . . . . | 52 | 87 | . 96 | 1.02 |
| Norway . - | 23 | 48 | 66 | 61 |
| Germany - . | 12,67 | 10,20 | 10,39 | 8,8; |
| Netherlands . | 1,55 | 2,04 | 1,69 | 1,82 |
| Beiguum - . | 4.26 | 3,02 | 3,42 | 2,66 |
| France | 8,69 | 2,17 | 2,04 | 1,51 |
| Spain | 19 | 19 | 25 | 21 |
| -witzerland. | 69 | 1,22 | 1,29 | 96 |
| Italy . | 2,20 | 3,59 | 3,95 | 2,91 |
| Austria - - |  | 71 | 65 | 52 |
| Hungary - . . | 4,29 ${ }^{\text {? }}$ | 3 | 5 | 11 |
| Turkey, European <br> Other Countries | $\begin{array}{r} 1 \\ 16 \end{array}$ | $\stackrel{72,99}{ }$ | $\cdots 3,11$ | $\stackrel{-2,28}{ }$ |
| Total Eubopean Countrims | 29,51 | 28,40 | 28,83 | 25,13 |
| Other Foreign Countries- |  |  |  |  |
| Egypt . | 30 | 1,47 | 98 | 63 |
| Turkey, Asiatic . - . | 57 |  |  | 1 |
| Iraq. - . . | - | 58 | $\cdots$ | 39 |
| Persia. - . | 71 | 2,76 | 1,93 | 1,45 |
| Java . | 10,75 | 4,85 | 3,74 | 2,39 |
| Chins . . . | 1,71 | 2,79 | 2,95 | 2,23 |
| Japan ${ }^{\text {United States of Amerios }}$ | 4,78 | 13,34 | 20.48 | 16,36 |
| United States of Amerios Argentina | 4,78 | 12,84 | 11,25 | 7,18 |
| $\xrightarrow[\text { Chile }]{\text { argentina : }}$ : | - | - | - |  |
| Other Countries . . | 2,08 | 2,61 | $\stackrel{\bullet}{2,63}$ | 1,92 |
| Total other Forbign Countries . | 25,67 | 41,24 | 44,37 | 32,51 |

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Exports.

| Countribs | 1913-14 | 1831-32 | 1932-33 | 1933-34 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| European Countries - <br> Union of Socialist Soviet Repablica | R (lakhs) | f (lakhs) ${ }_{5}$ | $\mathrm{Hf}_{\text {(lakins }}^{34}$ | R (lakhs ${ }_{8}$ |
| Sweden | 42 | 21 | 24 | 32 |
| Norway . . . . | 5 | 44 | 32 | 38 |
| Germany . . . | 26,42 | 10,35 | 8,66 | 9,82 |
| Netherlands | 4,42 | 5,13 | 4,16 | 4,15 |
| Belgiam . . - | 12,10 | 4,48 | 4,04 | 4,50 |
| France - | 17,72 | 7,72 | 8,13 | 7,43 |
| Spain . . . | 2,23 | 1,34 | 1,37 | 1,41 |
| Switzerland. . - | - | . | 1 | 1 |
| Italy . . . . | 7,80 | 5,51 | 4,73 | 5,82 |
| Austria . . |  | " | - | $\cdots$ |
| Hangary . . . | 10,01 $\{$ | . | $\cdots$ | . |
| Tarkey, European . | 11 | 16 | 18 | 20 |
| Other Countries | 73 | 1,47 | 98 | 1,24 |
| Total Europalar Countries | 84,57 | 37,37 | 33,16 | 35,36 |
| Other Foreiga CountriesEgypt | 2,27 | 1,95 | 1,12 | 1,32 |
| Turkey, Asiatio | 2,84 | 11 | 19 | 18 |
| Iraq . . | - | 1,15 | 79 | 68 |
| Persia . . . | 1,41 | 1,33 | 83 | 85 |
| Java . - . - | 1,95 | 1,75 | 74 | 47 |
| China . | 5,71 | 7,82 | 3,58 | 4,46 |
| Japan . . . . - | 22,69 | 14,03 | 14,05 | 12,78 |
| Onited States of Amerioa - | 21,85 | 14,29 | 9,99 | 14,41 |
| Caba . . . . . | 56 | 1,06 | 75 | 67 |
| Argentina . - | 3,14 | 1,54 | 2,83 | 2,28 |
| Chile . . . | 1,08 | 18 | 17 | 28 |
| Other Countries | 6,34 | 6,99 | 5,87 | 5,97 |
| Total other Forbian Countries . | 69,82 | 52,20 | 40,01 | 44,33 |

Japan (Imports $\mathrm{R} 16,36$ lakhs, Exports $\mathrm{F} 12,78$ lakhs). -The total trade with Japan showed a decrease of $\mathrm{P} 5,39$ lakhs as compared with the value recorded in 1932-33. The bulk of the decrease occurred under imports, the

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decrease in the cuse of exports having been one of $\mathrm{Z1}, 27$ lakhs as against fl4,12 lakhs under imports. On the import side, the principal items were cotton manufactures ( $\mathrm{P6} 6,19$ lakhs), artificial silk (R1,56 lakhs), silk manufactures (R2,11 lakhs), boots and shoes ( P 32 lakhs), glass and glassware ( P 57 lakhs), earthenware and porcelain (R26 lakhs), hardware (R35 lakhs) and mixed or yellow metal for sheathing (R26 lakhs). These together represented 71 per cent of the total imports from Japan as against 82 per cent in the preceding year. Imports of cotton manufactures decreased in value

|  | [In thoushnds of yards] |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | 1013-14 | 1930-31 | 1931-32 | 1932-88 | 1033-3 ${ }^{4}$ |
| Grey | 7,108 | 218,819 | 185,216 | 248,940 | 141,653 |
| White : | 58 | 28,105 | 69,820 | 120,354 | 75,177 |
| Coloured, etc. | 1,785 | 74,329 | 94,668 | 214,226 | 124,074 | from R10,19 lakhs to R6, 19 lakhs. It will be seen from the table on the margin that all the three descriptions of cotton piecegoods recorded considerable decreases.

Imports of twist and yarn fell from 18.1 million los. valued at $\mathrm{Rl}, 61$ lakhs to 11.7 million lbs. valued at 896 lakhs. There was an increase of R11 lakhs under cotton hosiery. Coming to the other descriptions of textiles, the value of the imports of silk manufactures showed a further advance from \#2,02 lakhs to $\mathrm{R} 2,11$ lakhs. Imports of artificial silk, however, dropped from A2,71 lakhs to $\mathrm{R} 1,56$ lakhs. Imports of piecegoods of cotton and artificial silk also receded from 114.5 million yards valued at $\mathrm{R} 2,52$ lakhs to 48.2 million yards valued at $\mathrm{fl}, 24$ lakhs. Imports of boots and shoes remained stationary at 7 million pairs valued at R32 lakhs. Imports of glass and glassware decreased from R65 lakhs to R57 lakhs and those of earthenware and porcelain from R32 lakhs to R 26 lakhs. There was an increase of f 5 lakhs under hardware, viz., from $\mathbb{Z} 30$ lakhs to Z 35 lakhs. Imports of mixed or yellow metal for sheathing decreased from $96,000 \mathrm{cwts}$. to $95,000 \mathrm{cwts}$. and in value from F 30 lakhs to R26 lakhs.

Of the articles exported to Japan, the most important is raw cotton, exports of which represented 83 per cent of the total exports to Japan in 1933-34 as against 80 per cent in 1932-33. The shipments recorded during the year under review amounted to 182,600 tons valued at $\notin 10,53$ lakhs as compared with 193,700 tons valued at R11,12 lakhs in the preceding year. Despatches of pig iron advanced from 71,400 tons (R24 lakhs) to 183,800 tons (R40 lakhs), while those of pig lead fell from $179,500 \mathrm{cwts}$. (R21 lakhs) to $150,600 \mathrm{cwts}$. (R17 lakhs). Raw jute increased from 14,000 tons to 17,000 tons but the value remained stationary at $\mathfrak{\text { R } 2 3 \text { lakhs. Oilcakes showed an increase from }}$ 19,500 tons to 21,000 tons with a decrease in value by P 4 lakhs to P 7 lakhs. There were no exports of paraffin wax in the year under review. Shipments of gunny bags decreased from 9.4 millions (R24 lakhs) to 6.2 millions (R14 lakhs). Decreases were also noticeable in the values of pulse (mainly beans), and manures (chiefly bonemeal). On the other hand, the exports of hides and skins, lac, tobacco and sandalwood showed increases.

United States of America (Imports R7,18 lakhs, Exports $\mathrm{E14,41}$ lakhs). The value of the total trade with this country showed a slight improvement of f 35 lakhs from $\mathrm{R} 21,24$ lakhs to $\mathrm{R} 21,59$ lakhs. The increase was mainly due to a rise of $\mathrm{R4} 4,4$ lakhs in the total value of exports from $\mathrm{R9} 9,99$ lakhs to R14,41 lakhs, while there was a heavy fall of $\mathrm{R4} 4,07$ lakhs in the case of imports. viz., from R11,25 lakhs to R7,18 lakhs. On the import side the

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outstanding event was a heavy fall in the imports of raw cotton which amounted to 8,000 tons valued at P 64 lakhs as against 45,800 tons valued at $\mathrm{R} 3,85$ lakhs in 1932-33. This decrease was further supplemented by a falling off of RI2 lakhs in the imports of mineral oils. Imports of kerosene oil decreased from 3.7 million gallons valued at $\mathfrak{Z 1 8}$ lakhs to 2.3 million gallons valued at R13 lakhs but those of lubricating oils increased from $11 \cdot 4$ million gallons to 13.8 million gallons with a decline in value of f 6 lakhs from $\mathrm{R} 1,06$ lakhs to fli, 00 lakhs. The imports of petrol which showed a heavy fall from 9.9 million gallons valued at R79 lakhs in 1931-32 to 40,000 gallons valued at R43,000 in 1932-33 disappeared altogether in 1933-34. The value of the imports of motor vehicles rose from R53 lakhs to P773 lakhs. The number of cars imported increased from 1,201 to 2,227 and that of omnibuses from 1,793 to 3,692 . Imports of machinery and millwork, however, remained stationary at R 81 lakhs. Receipts of tobacco leaf dropped from 4.7 million lbs. valued at R 56 lakhs to $2 \cdot 1$ million lbs. valued at R 26 lakhs. There was a decrease in the consignments of cotton piecegoods from 20.3 million yards valned at R33 lakhs to 16 million yards valued at P 17 lakhs. Imports of copper, wrought, fell away from 13,000 cwts. valued at $\not 74$ lakhs to 11,000 cwts. valued at R 2 lakhs, owing mainly to a falling off in the arrivals of rods. There was also a decrease in the value of the imports of rubber manufactures from R52 lakhs to R21 lakhs. There were noticeable increases under hardware, aluminium, instruments and chemicals while provisions and toilet requisites showed decreases.

On the export side the bulk of the increase occurred under jute manufactures, raw hides and skins and linseed. The value of jute manufactures amounted to $\mathbf{P 6} 6,77$ lakhs as against $\mathrm{f} 5,43$ lakhs in the preceding year. Shipments of jute cloth increased from 549 million yards valued at $\mathrm{P} 5,10$ lakhs to 647 million yards valued at $\nexists 6,59$ lakhs, but jute gunny bags showed a decrease from $12 \cdot 8$ millions valued at $\mathbf{\# 2 5}$ lakhs to $8 \cdot 1$ millions valued at $\mathbf{7 1 2}$ lakhs. Despatches of raw jute advanced from 36,000 tons valued at R66 lakhs to 52,000 tons valued at R75 lakhs. Exports of lac also increased from 151,000 cwts. valued at P 44 lakhs to 213,000 cwts. valued at F 63 lakhs, mainly as a result of an increase in the shipments of shellac and seed lac which rose from $66,000 \mathrm{cwts}$. and $84,000 \mathrm{cwts}$. to $94,000 \mathrm{cwts}$. and $118,000 \mathrm{cwts}$. respectively. Exports of linseed amounted to 85,000 tons valued at $\mathrm{R} 1,09$ lakhs as compared with 200 tons valued at $\not \approx 24,000$ in 1932-33. There was also a noticeable increase under raw hides and skins; despatches of goat skins, representing the bulk of the shipments, showed an increase from 7,600 tons ( F 87 lakhs) to 11,600 tons ( $\mathrm{f} 1,52$ lakhs). The shipments of tanned or dressed hides and skins also advanced from 15 tons ( $\mathrm{R} 57,000$ ) to 129 tons ( R 5 lakhs).

Germany (Imports R8,88 lakhs, Exports R9,82 Iakhs).-Imports from Germany decreased by R1,51 lakhs to 78,88 lakhs while exports thereto increased by $\mathrm{Zl} 1,16$ lakhs to $\mathrm{Z} 9,82$ lakhs. The extent of the transactions during the past four years as compared with the pre-war average is shown below:-

| - | Pre-War average | 1030-31 | 1031-32 | 1932-33 | 1033-34 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | \# (lakha) | f(lakhs) | \# (lakbs) | H (1akha) | स (Lakha) |
| Importe | 9,35 | 12,38 | 10,20 | 10,39 | 8,83 |
| Exports, inoluding re-exports | 22,36 | 14,42 | 10,35 | 3,68 | 9,82 |

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The trade in the principal articles imported from Germany is shown in the following table:-

'Two years' average only.

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The following table shows the principal articles exported to Germany :-

| - | Unita | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Rro. War al erage } \\ & \text { (1009-10 to } \\ & 1019.14) \end{aligned}$ | 1931-32 | 1932-33 | 1083-84 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| taw | Tons | 164,400 | 180,000 | 121,710 | 165,411 |
| Grain, pulse and flour- | \# $\begin{aligned} & \text { (000) } \\ & \text { Tons }\end{aligned}$ | $4,90,40$ 344,000 | $2,49,69$ 261,900 | 2,11,71 288,100 | $\mathbf{2 , 4 2 , 0 5}$ $\mathbf{2 2 8 , 2 0 0}$ |
| Hico • • - • | A (000) Tong | $3,41,37$ 16,300 | 1,78,10 | $1,54,97$ .. | 1,28,87 |
| Whoat | $\begin{aligned} & \text { 思 (000) } \\ & \text { Tong } \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{array}{r} 17,97 \\ 463,800 \end{array}$ | 308,200 | 214,500 | 234,000 |
| Toral (including other sorta) . | \% (000) | $4.43,30$ 62,600 | $2,00,95$ 29,600 | $\begin{array}{r} 1,47.17 \\ 27, S \cup 0 \end{array}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 1,83,66 \\ & 44,100 \end{aligned}$ |
| - • • - | R (000) Tons | $4,45,08$ 177,500 | $1,47,68$ 138,700 | $\begin{aligned} & 1,34,22 \\ & 70,800 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 2.09 .52 \\ & 126,700 \end{aligned}$ |
| Seeds | (fe(000) | $\begin{array}{r} \mathbf{3}, 45,60 \\ 18,600 \end{array}$ | $1,09,55$ 5,200 | $1,07,16$ 4,000 | $\begin{array}{r} 1,52.48 \\ 6,000 \end{array}$ |
| Hides and aklng, raw . - | ( R (000) | $\begin{array}{r} 2,53,97 \\ 83,200 \end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{r} 34,79 \\ \mathbf{1 , 7 0 0} \end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{r} 29,30 \\ 55,600 \end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{r} 47,22 \\ 58,600 \end{array}$ |
| La | 7(000) | $\begin{array}{r} 87,67 \\ 10,500 \end{array}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 20.72 \\ & 4,600 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 14,41 \\ & 6,100 \end{aligned}$ | 8, 6,505 |
| oir manofacturea . | $\begin{aligned} & \text { fl(000) } \\ & \text { Tona } \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{array}{r} 29,55 \\ 10,400^{*} \end{array}$ | 11,69 $\mathbf{2 , 7 0 0}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 10,81 \\ & 8,600 \end{aligned}$ | 12,75 3,100 |
| Bones (for manufacturlng purposes) | (f(000) | $\begin{gathered} 7,594 \\ 56,900 \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{array}{r} 2,72 \\ 15,000 \end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{r} \mathbf{8 , 0 7} \\ 58,500 \end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{r} 2,18 \\ 66,700 \end{array}$ |
| Hemp, taw - | ¥ ${ }^{(000)}$ | 8,48 | 1,70 | 6,08 | 6,08 |

- Represent inures for bones crushed, uncrushed and bonemeal.

Belgium (Imports $\mathbf{P 2 , 6 6}$ lakhs, Exports R4,50 lakhs). - The total value of India's trade with Belgium amounted to R7,16 lakhs as compared with R7,46 lakhs in the preceding year. The decline was due to a talling of in the value of imports from R3,42 lakhs to $\mathrm{R} 2,66$ lakhs, exports having shown a slight recovery from $\mathrm{R4}, 04$ lakhs to $\mathrm{R} 4,50$ lakhs. The variations under the principal articles imported from Belgium are shown in the following table:-


On the export side, raw jute showed an increase from 41,000 tons to 56,000 tons in quantity and from R71 lakhs to R 83 lakhs in value. Exports of raw cotton showed a further recovery, the shipments of the year amounting to 25,800 tons valued at $\mathrm{R} 1,43$ lakhs as against 22,800 tons valued at $\mathrm{Rl}, 29$ lakhs in 1932-33. Shipments of raw hemp also advanced rapidly from 42,000 cwts. valued at R5 lakhs to 111,000 cwts. valued at \#ll lakhs. Exports of rice not in the husk increased from 29,000 tons to 40,000 tons but there was a decrease in value from Z 16 lakhs to R15 lakhs. Increases were also noticeable under lac, and zinc or spelter while raw hides and skins declined slightly in comparison with the previous year.

France (Imports R1,51 lakhs, Exports Rry, 43 lakhs).-The trade with France fell from $\not \approx 10,17$ lakhs to $\nexists 8,94$ lakhs. The decline was due to a fall of $\mathrm{R70}$ lakhs in the value of exports from $\mathrm{R} 8,13$ lakhs to $\mathrm{R7}, 43$ lakhs and of R 53 lakhs in the case of imports, viz., from $\mathrm{Z} 2,04$ lakhs to $\mathrm{Z1}, 51$ lakhs.

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The principal articles imported from France were liquors, metals, rubber manufactures, woollen manufactures, drugs and medicines and dyeing and tanning substances. The variations in the trade under these heads are shown in the table below :-

| Liquors | - | - | $\begin{gathered} 1931-32 \\ \mathrm{R}(\underset{27}{(\text { lakhs })} \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} 1932-33 \\ \mathrm{f}\left(\begin{array}{c} \text { (lakhs }) \\ 28 \end{array}\right. \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} 1033 \cdot 34 \\ \mathrm{f} \text { (lakha) } \\ 29 \end{gathered}$ |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Metals | - |  | 35 | 15 | 16 |
| Rubber manufactures | * |  | 16 | 11 | 6 |
| Woollen manufactures | * |  | 20 | 43 | 18 |
| Drugs and medicines | - |  | 9 | 11 | 10 |
| Dyeing and tanning substanoes |  |  | 4 | 10 | 2 |

On the export side, the principal commodities were, as usual, coffee, groundnuts, linseed, raw cotton, raw jute, hides and skins and manganese ore. Exports of groundnuts declined from 219,000 tons to 188,000 tons and in value from $\mathrm{A} 3,68$ lakhs to $\mathrm{A} 2,33$ lakhs. Despatches or linseed rose from 22,000 tons valued at f 25 lakhs to 43,000 tons valued at R51 lakhs and those of raw cotton from 22,000 tons valued at R1,17 lakhs to 29,000 tons valued at R1,53 lakhs. Shipments of raw jute also increased from 69,000 tons valued at $\mathrm{R} 1,16$ lakhs to 84,000 tons valued at $\mathrm{Rl}, 25$ lakhs. Consignments of raw hides and skins were valued at R19 lakhs as against R21 lakhs in 1932-33. Shipments of coffee advanced from 54,000 cwts. to $57,000 \mathrm{cwts}$. but the value fell from R32 lakhs to F 31 lakhs. The quantity of manganese ore exported fell off from 75,000 tons to 61,000 tons and the value thereof from $\mathbf{R 1 7}$ lakhs to ¥11 lakhs. Increases were noticed under rice, not in tho husk, and essential oils, while there were decreases under manures and castor seed.

Italy (Imports R2,91 lakhs, Exports R5,82 lakhs). -The total value of the trade with Italy advanced from $\mathrm{R} 8,68$ lakhs to $\mathrm{R} 8,73$ lakhs. The imports showed a decline of R1,04 lakhs which was more than counterbalanced by an increase of $\mathrm{R} 1,09$ lakhs under exports. The value of woollen manufactures imported fell from \#75 lakhs to R61 lakhs. Imports of woollen blankets advanced to 5 million lbs. valued at R38 lakhs from 4 million lbs. valued at Z 31 lakhs in 1932-33 while those of woollen piecegoods fell to $2 \cdot 1$ million yards valued at R 23 lakhs from 3.6 million yards valued at f 42 lakhs in the preceding jear. Cotton manufactures showed a decline from R 22 lakhs to f 2 lakhs only. Imports under this head, as usual, consisted mainly of cotton piecegoods, coloured, printed or dyed, consignments of which declined from 7.8 million yards valued at R 21 lakhs to 5 million yards valued at $\mathrm{Al} \frac{1}{5}$ lakhs. Under artificial silk yarn, there was a decline of 144 million lbs. in quantity and of about R10 lakhs in value. Under piecegoods of cotton and artificial silk there was a reduction of 1 million yards in quantity and of R 6 lakhs in value. There were slight increases under fruits and vegetables and chemicals. On the export side there was an improvement of 20,000 tons (from 27,000 tons to 47,000 tons) under raw cotton, the corresponding increase in value having beeu one of R95 lakhs (from R1,44 lakbs to P2, 39 lakhs). Shipments of oilseeds advanced from 118,000 tons to 120,000 tons in quantity but the value of the consignments fell off from $\mathrm{Rl}, 71$ lakhs to $\mathrm{R1}, 47$ lakhs. Consignments of groundnuts totalled 72,000 tons (R84 lakhs) as against 28,000 tons (R44 lakhs) in 1932-33 and those of linseed amounted to 21,700 tons (R31 lakhs) as compared with 10,600 tons (R18 lakhs) in the preceding year.

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Exports of raw jute rose from 37,000 tons to 65,000 tons in quantity and in value from R66 lakhs to R 96 lakhs. Despatches of raw cow hides also advanced in quantity from 2,700 tons to 3,500 tons and in value from R12 lakhs to R16 lakhs. Shipments of rice, however, declined from 28,000 tons to 25,000 tons in quantity and in value from R19 lakhs to R14 lakhs. There were also larger shipments of coffee during the year which amounted to 8,800 tons (f4 $4 \frac{1}{3}$ lakhs) as against 4,500 tons (R3 lakhs) in the previous year.

Netherlands (Imports R1,82 lakhs, Exports R4,15 lakhs). -The total value of the trade with the Netherlands amounted to R5,97 lakhs in 1933-34 as compared with $\mathbb{7 5}, 85$ lakhs in the preceding year. Imports rose by R13 lakhs to $\mathrm{Rl}, 82$ lakhs and exports fell by R1 lakh to $\mathrm{R} 4,15$ lakhs. Imports of machinery (mainly sugar machinery) increased from R14 lakhs to R68 lakhs. The demand for provisions from this source continued to decline, imports during the year having been valued at R24 lakhs as against R35 lakhs in 1932-33. Imports of vegetable product receded from $79,000 \mathrm{cwts}$. valued at f 29 lakhs in 1931-32 and $25,000 \mathrm{cwts}$. valued at Z 10 lakhs in 1932-33 to 2,000 cwts. valued at $\mathrm{P} 67,000$ in 1933-34. Imports of cotton piecegoods declined from 5 million yards valued at P 14 lakhs to 2 million yards valued at R 5 lakhs. The receipts of precious stones were almost the same as in the preceding year, the imports having been valued at fil lakh. Imports of drugs and medicines showed an increase of A 3 lakhs. There was a reduction of F 3 lakhs under paper and pasteboard. On the export side, shipments of groundnuts advanced from 87,000 tons to 101,000 tons in quantity but the value declined from $\mathrm{R} 1,38$ lakhs to R1,22 lakhs. The quantity of rice exported fell from 95,600 tons to 62,400 tons and the value from R 61 lakhs to R35 lakhs. The value of the shipments of oilcakes declined by R4 lakhs to R24 lakhs and those of raw cotton and raw jute advanced by R21 lakhs and R10 lakhs to R54 lakhs and R47 lakhs respectively.

Java (Imports R2,39 lakhs, Exports f747 lakhs).-Compared with 1932-33 there was a decline of $\mathbb{R 1}, 35$ lakhs under imports and of R27 lakhs under exports during the year under review. As far as the import side is concerned, this recession was due to a falling off in receipts of sugar (which represented 83 per cent of the total imports) from 327,100 tons (fi3, 40 lakhs) to 197,000 tons ( $\mathrm{R} 1,99$ lakhs) of which 194,000 tons represented sugar 23 D. S. and above as against 295,100 tons in 1932-33. Imports of molasses declined from 32,000 tons to 2,000 tons. There were also smaller receipts of denatured spirit which were valued at A7 lakhs as against R8 lakhs in 1932-33. On the export side, the bulk of the decline occurred under jute gunny bags and rice. Despatches of jute gunny bags fell off from 14 millions ( R 41 lakhs) to 13 millions (A34 lakhs). Exports of opium on private account which had amounted to $\nexists 8$ lakhs in 1931-32 altogether disappeared since then. Shipments of rice further declined from 18,000 tons (R11 lakhs) to 4,000 tons (R2 lakhs).

China (Imports R2,23 lakhs, Exports 24,46 lakhs).-Imports from China decreased by R 72 lakhs to R2,23 lakhs, but exports advanced by R 87 lakhs to $\mathrm{f4}, 46$ lakhs. The decline on the import side was due principally to a decrease from R97 laklıs to R556 lakhs in the value of raw silk concurrently with a decrease in quantity from 2.6 million lbs. to 1.8 million lbs. Imports of silk yarn, noils and warps rose from $413,000 \mathrm{lbs}$. (R11 lakhs) to $615,000 \mathrm{lbs}$. ( Fl 7

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lakhs), while there was a heavy decline under sllk piecegoods which fell from 7.8 million yards to 5.8 million yards in quantity and from R44 lakhs to R29 lakhs in value. Imports of cotton twist and yarn also declined in quantity from 13.3 million lbs. to 10.2 million lbs., and in value from R 84 lakhs to R 65 lakhs. Cotton piecegoods (mainly grey) showed a decrease from 747,000 yards valued at R1 lalh to 160,000 yards valued at $\mathrm{R} 25,000$. The quantity of tea imported (principally green tea) remained stationary at 3.0 million lbs., but the value declined from R18 lakhs to R16 lakbs. On the export side, there was a reduction in the shipments of rice from 233,800 tons valued at $\mathrm{R} 1,80$ lakhs to 170,600 tons valued at R93 lakhs. Exports of raw cotton increased considerably from 23,900 tons valued at $R 1,33$ lakhs to 60,100 tons valued at $\mathrm{R} 3,22$ lakhs. There were also decreases of Z 10 lakhs under paraffin wax-and of $\mathrm{Rl} 17,000$ under raw jute. Shipments of gunny bags however increased from $\cdot 5$ nillion valued at R 1 lakh to $\cdot 6$ million valued at $\mathrm{fl} 1 \frac{1}{3}$ lakhs. Exports of gunny cloth receded in quantity from 3.7 million yards to 1.5 million rards.

Iraq (Imports R39 lakhs, Exports R66 lakhs).-The value of the imports from this country declined from P43 lakhs to P39 lakhs and that of the exports from R 79 lakhs to R 66 lakhs. The decline, in the case of imports, was due mainly to a falling off in the value of consignments of dates (from R33 lakhs to R20 lakls). This decline was somewhat counterbalanced by an increase in the importation of barley (R4 lakhs) and of pulse (R6 lakhs).

The principal commodities exported to Iraq are shown in the table below :-


South America (Imports R67,000, Exports R3.35 lakhs).-Due to the cessation of wheat imports from Argentine and the disappearance of the trade in nitrate of soda with Chile, South America had already in 1931-32 ceased to have much importance in the import trade of India. In the year 1932-33, however, imports from South America spurted up from R14,000 to R6 lakhs as a result of importations of 5,400 tons of beet-sugar valued at R5 lakhs from Ecuador. In the year under review the total value of the imports from South America amounted to $\mathrm{R} 67,000$ only. The principal articles of import were raw cotton 45 tons ( $\mathfrak{f} 37,000$ ) and canned provisions 462 cwts . (R18,000). With the exception of these shipments, there was hardly any feature worth mentioning on the import side of the trade with South America. On the export side the principal commodity shipped was, as usual, jute manufactures. Of the total shipments of gunny bags, the Argentine took 8.8 millions ( $3 \cdot 4$ millions), Chile 12.3 millions ( 4.4 millions) and Peru 6.6 millions ( $5 \cdot 4$ millions), the figures in brackets representing the corresponding exports for the preceding year. Under gunny cloth, total shipments to the Argentine amounted to 170 million yards and those to Peru to 3 million yards as compared with 237 million and 2 million yards respectively in 1932-33. Purchases of gunny cloth by Uruguay remained stationary at 10 million yards. Exports of raw jute to Brazil increased from 13,300 tons to 19,000 tons, and to the Argentine from 7,100 tons to 8,500 tons.

## CHAPTER V.

## Frontier and Indo-Burma Trade.

## I.-Frontier Trade.

India Proper.-Under the existing system of registration of land frontier trade of India (excluding Burma) the traffic in selected articles at certain railway stations adjacent to the more important trade routes across the frontier is recorded. It is estimated that the bulk of the inward traffic at these stations is intended to be transported beyond the frontier and the bulk of the outward traffic consists of goods which have come from beyond the frontier. It is impracticable, however, to specify the exact proportion of the actual frontier trade to the total trade registered at these stations. A reference is invited to table No. 57 for the details of the statistics of trade as recorded during the year 1933-34 compared with the two preceding years. The following table summarises the results:-

Imports.


Exports.


## Indo-Burma Trade.

Burma.-The principle followed in the registration of the land frontier trade of India, namely, that of registering only the traffic in selected commodities at the chief centres through which the bulk of the frontier trade passes, has also been extended to Burma. The stations selected for purposes of registration are (i) Bhamo in the north which catches the trade entirely river-borne as well as the trade despatched from or to the railhead Katha: (ii) the railheads Lashio, Heho and Shewenyaung in the Shan States and (iii) Thingannyinaung in the South through which the bulk of the trade with Siam passes. As the commodities selected for Burma differ in some respect from those recorded in the case of India proper, the figures of imports and exports of the selected articles as recorded under the new system during 1931-32, 1932-33 and 1933-34 are shown separately in table No. 58. The following table shows the imports and exports of certain principal articles into and from Burma during the past three years :-

Imports.


Exports.


[^11]
## Coasting Trade.

## II.-Coasting trade between Burma and the Provinces of India.

The trade in private merchandise between Burma and India proper for the past three years as compared with pre-war figures is shown in the table below:-

| Provinces | Importe into burma |  |  |  | Exports mrom buma |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Pre-mar average | 1931-32 | 1932-33 | 1039-34 | Pre-War average | 1931-32 | 1939-33 | 1933-34 |
|  | fl (lakha) | R (lakhs) | \# (lakhs) | R (lakhs) | \# (aklis) | R (lakhs) | 7 (lakhs) | E (lakhs) |
| Dengal . | B,02 | 6,37 | 5,90 | 5,60 | 6,00 | 7,08 | 7,02 | 0,17 |
| Bombay | 82 | 2,04 | 1,82 | 1,83 | 3,04 | 6,39 | 7,87 | 7,98 |
| Sind | 4 | 20 | 10 | 17 | 24 | 1,05 | 1,84 | 2,02 |
| Madras . | 1,48 | 1,04 | 1,47 | 1,44 | 3,40 | 7,90 | 8,29 | 8,60 |
| Total | 8,36 | 10,55 | 9,38 | 0,13 | 11,77 | 20,82 | 25,62 | 27,86 |

Imports into Burma.-The coastwise imports of coal into Burma showed a further decline from 341,000 tons in 1932-33 to 274,000 tons in 1933-34, the pre-war average being 413,000 tons. The imports of Indian piecegoods recorded an increase of 28 million yards from 43 million yards to 71 million yards in quantity and of R 43 lakhs in value from R1,12 lakhs to R1,55 lakhs. The imports of cotton twist and yarn from India proper showed a decrease of 1.1 million lbs. in quantity and of Fl 13 lakhs in value. The total quantity imported amounted to 11.5 million lbs. valued at R52 lakhs. Receipts of jute gunny bags rose from 41 millions to 57 millions, the value improving from $\mathrm{Rl}, 11$ lakhs to $\mathrm{R1}, 53$ lakhs.

Exports from Burma.-Exports of rice not in the husk increased from 936,000 tons in 1932-33 to $1,628,000$ tons in 1933-34. The despatches of kerosene oil from Burma to Indian ports declined from 126 million gallons in 1932-33 to 123 million gallons in 1933-34. Shipments of petroleum dangerous including petrol, benzine and benzol advanced by 1.4 million gallons to 48 million gallons in the year under review. The value of lac exported to India, consisting chiefly of stick lac shipped to Calcutta, also rose and amounted to Z 9 lakhs in 1933-34 as compared with F 2 lakhs in 1932-33. Shipments of both teak wood and other kinds of timber advanced, the former from 126,000 cubic tons valued at $\mathrm{R} 1,63$ lakhs to 132,000 cubic tons valued at $\mathrm{Zl} 1,64$ lakhs and the lattor from 17,000 cubic tons valued at R 16 lakhs to 23,000 cubic tons valued at R18 lakhs.

## CHAPTER VI.

## Balance of Trade and Movement of Treasure.

I.-Balance of Trade.

I'he total value of the exports of merchandise from India normally exceeds that of her imports. In the five pre-war years the average surplus of exports over imports of private merchandise amounted to P78 crores. In the five post-war years ended 1923-24 the surplus was R53 crores. In the next quinquennium, the balance again rose to $\mathrm{R} 1,13$ crores. In 1931-32, concurrently with the fall in the exports of merchandise, the favourable balance was very much reduced and amounted to F 35 crores which except for the two years 1920-21 and 1921-22 in both of which India was faced with an adverse balance, was the lowest for over 20 years. The position during 193233 was even worse. The exports declined further while the imports showed a slight improvement. As a result the balance fell to P3 crores only. The position in the year under review was better. The exports improved a little while the imports declined, the surplus of India's exports over imports of private merchandise thus rose to R35 crores as in 1931-32.

The following table shows the imports and exports of private merchandise and the balance of trade in merchandise during each month of the year 193334 :-

N.B.-Rallway storea imported by Stato Railwayb are not paid for in the ordinary way and do not affect the monthly balance of trado igures. The cont of these stores has, therefore, boen excluded from the import bide.

## Balance of Trade.

Throughout the year under review exports of private merchandise exceeded imports. From June the exports were up and in August the credit balance reached the highest figure in any individual month of the year, viz., R4t $\frac{1}{2}$ crores. During the next two months the credit balance fell reaching $\mathrm{f} 2 \frac{1}{8}$ crores in October. There was a slight recovery in November when the balance stood at R33 crores but in December there was a set-back again. In January a reduction in exports accompanied by an increase in imports produced the smallest export surplus namely RI crore but in each of the next two months the credit balance increased to R4 crores, thus resulting in a net favourable balance of 7 35 crores for the whole year.

As mentioned in the previous two years' Review, India, instead of importing gold and silver, has actually been exporting gold on a large scale. The movement which began in September, 1931 continued throughout the year under review. During 1933-34 the net exports of gold reached a total of P 57 crores as compared with $\mathrm{f} 65 \frac{1}{2}$ crores in 1932-33 and R58 crores in 1931-32. In the year under review the net imports of silver on private account amounted to $\mathrm{Fl} \frac{1}{3}$ lakhs as against 773 lakhs in 1932-33 and $\mathfrak{F 2} 2 \frac{3}{6}$ crores in 1931-32. Thus the transactions in private treasure resulted in a net export of nearly R574 crores during the year under review as compared with R65 crores in the preceding year. In the first quarter the net exports amounted to Rl 15 crores which narrowed down to $\mathrm{Rl} 12 \frac{3}{4}$ crores in the second and further to fl 8 crores in the third quarter. In the fourth quarter the net exports of treasure advanced to $\mathrm{R} 21 \frac{1}{2}$ crores. Chart No. 5 shows the net exports of treasure and also of gold and silver separately on private account during the past two years.

The visible balance of trade, as measured by the statistics of private merchandise and treasure, was in favour of India to the extent of 792 crores in the year under review as compared with Z 68 crores in 1932-33 and R90 crores in 1931-32. In the five pre-war years the visible balance of trade averaged at R 42 crores. The balance of remittances of funds in the year under review was minus $\mathrm{R} 60 \frac{1}{2}$ crores as compared with minus fl 49 crores in 1932-33.

These figures include the more important Government remittances, but do not take into account (a) net payment in India of British postal orders and of foreign money orders of countries which settle their accounts through London and (b) Government transfers on account of Iraq and Mauritius, which together amounted to Z 97 lakhs in 1933-34 as against $\mathrm{Fl}, 02$ lakhs in 193233. The following table shows the details:-

(a) Exclualve of the value of rallway materials imprted direct by 8tate sisilwaya working under company manarement, whleh wab not pald for in the ordinary way aud was nat, therefore, taken into uccount in arritig at tho badance of trade.

Movements of Treasure.
(In lakhs of Rapesa)


- Excludes trangactions which do not enter into the balance of trade.
(b) Includes 785 lakhs, beling the funds supfled by Government to finance wheat purchages.
(c) Figures for the jears prior to 1021-22 represent only Councll Bills and T. T. paid in India.

Notr. Thesign + means net export and the algn - net Itaport.
It should be noted that the "invisible" items that enter into India's balance of accounts, such as shipping services, private remittances and exports and imports of capital, insurances, tourists' expenditure, etc., are not included in the above table, as these cannot be estimated accurately.

## II.-Movements of Treasure.

The following table shows the transactions in gold and silver on private account during the last five years as compared with the averages for the preWar, War and post-War periods :-
(In !akhs of Rupees)

|  | Gold |  | SILPRR |  | Gold and Silver. Net importaNet exports + |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Imports | Exporte | Imports | Exports |  |
| A verage of pre-War period | 32,79 | 3.92 | 10,88 | 3,67 | -36,08 |
| ", War period. . . ${ }^{\text {. }}$ | 10,60 | 2,98 | 4,56 | 1,77 | $-10,40$ |
| " "post-War period (1910. 20 to 1923-24). | 21,57 | 9,03 | 14,18 | 2,68 | -24,06 |
| " ", five years 1924-25 to 1928-20. | 33,68 | 18 | 10,62 | 2,85 | -50,27 |
| 1929-30 | 14,23 | 1 | 13,36 | 1,47 | -26,11 |
| 1930-31 | 13,24 | 49 | 13,66 | 1,81 | -24,40 |
| 1931-32 | 2,80 | 60,78 | 13,42 | 1,83 | +65,39 |
| 1932-33 | 1,32 | 66,84 | 1,63 | 80 80 | +64,79 |
| 1933-34 | 1,10 | 58,15 | 81 | 80 | +57,04 |

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Imports of gold in 1933-34 were valued at fl crore only as compared
Gold. with $\mathrm{fl} 1 \frac{1}{3}$ crores in 1932-33, f 3 crores in 1931-32 and a pre-war average of R33 crores. Of the total imports in 1933-34 about 76 per cent or P 83 lakhs was in the form of bullion and R241 lakhs or 22 per cent represented sovereigns and other British gold coins. As in the previous year, the supplies came mostly from the neighbouring countries. Aden, Arabia and the Bahrein Islands together supplied to the value of Pr 47 lakhs as against P 60 lakhs in 1932-33. The imports from Ceylon remained practically unchanged at $\mathbb{Z} 50$ lakhs. The supplies from East Africa fell to $76 \frac{1}{2}$ lakhs from R8 $\frac{1}{2}$ lakhs in 1932-33. The consignments from the United Kingdom rose to R4 lakhs as against f4, 000 only in 1932-33. Heavy exportation of gold continued in the year under review and the total exports of gold during the year were valued at P58 crores as compared with R67 crores in $1932-33$ and R 61 crores in 1931-32. In February, 1934 the exports touched the phenomenally high level of fl 10 crores in sympathy with the gold market which recorded the highest price during the year under review. The United Kingdom took to the value of R46 crores and the United States of America R6 $\frac{1}{2}$ crores, as against R39 crores and R23 crores respectively in 1932-33. The consignments to the Netherlands and France were valued at $\mathrm{P} 2 \frac{1}{2}$ crores in each case, as compared with $\mathrm{R} 4 \frac{1}{3}$ crores and $\mathfrak{Z 3 3}$ lakhs respectively in 1932-33. As in the preceding three years, there were no transactions in gold on Government account.

Price of gold.-Following the movements in the gold currency exchange rates there were sharp fluctuations in the prices of gold throughout the year. The rates, however, were based on the London-Paris rates for a large part of the year. The price of ready gold at Bombay which was quoted at A29-13-6 at about the beginning of the year showed an upward tendency, touching f31-2-0 on the 2nd May. This rise was not, however, maintained and the quotations for the month as a whole averaged at $730-7-0$. Prices ruled slightly below this level in June but showed a distinct upward movement in July and August, till they touched $\mathrm{f} 32-4-0$ on the 29th August. In September initially, in spite of wide fluctuations, the upward trend was maintained and the price touched R33-1-6 on the 20th September. The rates subsequently moved down rather hesitatingly in the latter part of September, but prices firmed up again breaking the record of the previous month by the 4th October when the quotation stood at 733-7-0. Throughout the remainder of the month and during November and December the quotations moved within narrow limits. The rates improved again in January and reached the level of R34 in February owing to the devaluation of dollar in the United States of America. This level was maintained till the end of the year.

The imports of silver on private account were valued at f 81 lakhs as compared with 71,63 lakhs in 1932-33 and 74,42 lakhs in 1931-32. In the

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five pre-war years the imports of silver averaged at R10,88 lakhs. The principal sources of supply during the year under review were Iraq and the United Kingdom, their contributions being valued at $\mathrm{R} 29 \frac{1}{2}$ lakhs and Z 37 lakhs as compared with Z 71 lakhs and $\not 743$ lakhs respectively in 1932-33. The supplies from other countries also declined, the imports from Arabia being valued at $766 \frac{3}{3}$ lakhs, those from

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the Bahrein Islands at $\mathrm{f} 5 \frac{3}{4}$ lakhs and from Hongkong at Zl lakh. The value of Australian supplies declined from R16 lakhs in 1932-33 to \#9,000 only in the year under review. Imports on Government account were still very small, being valued at R57,000 as against $\mathrm{R} 8,000$ in 1932-33 and R74,000 in 1931-32.

Exports of silver on private account were valued at R 80 lakhs as against f90 lakhs in 1932-33 and $\mathbf{7 1 , 8 3}$ lakhs in 1931-32. The United Kingdom took 769 lakhs' worth and the Bahrein Islands to the tune of $\mathrm{f7}$ lakhs. Exports on Government account were valued at $76 \frac{1}{3}$ crores, of which R31 crores was accounted for by the United Kingdom and f73 crores by the United States of America.

Price of silver.-Events of general interest in the silver market resulted in speculative activities with consequent fluctuations of prices. The outstanding events which influenced the Indian market were:-(1) the World Economic Conference, (2) acceptance of payment of part of the War debt instalment in silver by the United States Government, and (3) the proposal of the Government of India to lower the duty on silver.

The speculative activity of the New York dealers in London following on the abandonment of the gold standard by the United States of America which had a dominating effect on the London Silver market became remarkably brisk in April, 1933. The opening rate for the year was $17 \frac{7}{\frac{7}{6}} d$. The quotation rapidly rose to $20_{\frac{7}{16}}^{i 6} d$. on the 25 th April but later after sharp fluctuations for a week it appreciated still further to 201 d d. on the 1st May. By the 19th May, prices declined to $18 \frac{1}{2} d$. and the month closed with a quotation of slightly over 19d. With the opening of the World Economic Conference in June prices improved and rose up to $19 \frac{9}{18} d$. on the 15th but the tendency became easier owing to liquidation of holdings by America. The Silver Agreement signed on the 22nd. July having but a temporary effect upon the rate, it was showing a tendency to depreciate and $17 \frac{3}{4} d$. was reached on the 2nd August. Thereafter the market became steadier and the movements were limited to the range of $17 \frac{3}{4} d$. to $185 d$. till the third week of December, the rates spurting up to $19 \frac{1}{16} d$. on the 22 nd December on the United States of America silver purchasing programme being announcerl. Uncertain reports from the United States of America with regard to the rehabilitation of silver influenced the silver market in the last month of the year and on the 12 th March the quotation reached $203{ }_{4}^{3} d$. which was the highest rate of the year.

Imports of currency notes on private account were valued at $\nexists 4 \frac{1}{2}$ lakhs almost the same as in 1932-33 while the exports advanced from R18 lakhs Currency Notes. to R24 lakhs in the year under review. There were no transactions in currency notes on Government account during 1933-34.

Simla;
The 6th August, 1934.
> D. B. MEEK, Director-General of Commercial

> Intelligence and Statistics.

## APPENDIX 1.

## Convention and Protocol regarding the Commercial relations between India and Japan.

[The Convention and Protocol regarding the Commercial Relations between Indin and Japan were signed in London on the 12th July, 1934 but the provisions relating to the regulation of imports of Japanese cotton piece-goods into India came into force on the 8th January, 1934.]

His Majesty the King of Great Britain, Ireland and the British Dominions beyond the Seas, Emperor of India, snd His Majesty the Emperor of Japan, desiring to facilitate trade and commerce between India and Japan, have decided to conclude a Convention for this purpose and have accordingly appointed as their Plenipotentiaries:-

## [ Here follow the names.]

Who, having communicated their full powers, found in good and due form, have agreed as follows :-

## Artiole 1.

The territories to which the present Convention applies are, on the part of His Majesty the King of Great Britain, Ireland and the British Dominions beyond the Seas, Emperor of India, British Indis, together with States in India which, by treaty with His Majesty the King or otherwise, may be entitled to be placed with regard to the stipulations of the present Convention on the same footing as British India (such territories being bereinafter referred to as India) ; and on the part of His Majesty the Emperor of Japan, all the territories and possessions belonging to or administered by His Majesty the Emperor (such territories being hereinafter referred to as Japan).

## Article 2.

Articles produced or manufactured in the territories of one of the High Contracting Partios, on importation into the territories of the other, from whatever place arriving, shall not be subjected to duties or charges other or higher than those imposed on like articles produced or manafactured in any other foreign country.

## Article 3.

Notwithstanding anything contained in the prosent Convention, the Government of India shall have the right of imposing or modifying from time to time special oustoms duties on the importation into India of articles produced or manufactured in Japan, other or higher than those imposerd on like articlos produced or manufactured in any other foreign country, at such ratos as tho Government of India may consider to be necessary to correct the effects of any variation of the oxchange value of the yen relative to the rupee subsequent to the 31st day of December, 1933: provided that no modification in any such rate shall be made until it has been in force for at least five weeks.

In imposing or modifying or on being requested by the Government of Japan to modify such special customs duties, the Government of India shall give full consideration to all rolovant factors whioh tend to raise the export prices of articles produced or manufactured in Japan, and shall limit the ratos of such dutios to what is necessary to correct the effects of any variation of the exchange value of the yen relative to the rupeo on the duty-paid value of articlos produced or manufactured in Japan and imported into India.

Reciprocally, the Government of Japan shall have the right of imposing or modifying from time to time speoial customs duties on the importation into Japan of articles produced or manufactured in India, other or highor than those imposed on like articles produced or manufactured in any other foreign cointry, at such rates as the Government of Japan may consider to be necessary to correct the effects of any variation of the exchange value of the rupee relative to the yen: provided that such right ahall not accrue to the Government of Japan so long as the exchange value of the rupee relative to the yen is not below the value of 0.732 yen, and that no modification of any such rate shall be made antil it has been in force for at least five weeks.

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In imposing or modifying or on being requested by the Government of Indis to modify such special customs dutios, the Government of Japan shall give full consideration to all rulevant factors which tend to raise the export prices of articles produced or manufactured in India, and shall limit the rates of such duties to what is nocessary to correct the effects of any variation of the exchange value of the rupee below 0.732 yen on the duty-paid value of articles produced or manufactured in India and imported into Japan.

## Abticle 4.

While reserving to the Government of India and to the Government of Japan the right to make such changes in their customs tariffs as may be necessary for the protection of their own interests, the High Contracting Parties agree that when any modification of its oustoms tariff by either country results in the trado interests of the other being adversely alfected in any appreciable maasure, the Governments of the two countries shall, upon the request of the Government of the country adversely affected, forthwith enter into negotiations with the object of reconciling as far as possible the interests of the two countries.

## Artiole 5.

The present Convention shall be ratified. The instruments of ratification shall be exchanged in London as soon as possible. The date on which the instrument of ratification of each of the High Contracting Parties has been completed will be communicated to the other through diplomatic channels and the present Convention shall enter into force in advance of the exchange of the instruments of ratification, as from the date on which the later of the two communications required under the present Article shall have been made.

## - Abticle 6.

The present Convention shall remain in foree until the 3lst day of March, 1937.
In case neither of the High Contracting Parties shall have given notice to the other six months before the said date of his intontion to terminate the Convention, it shall continue operative until the expiration of six months from the date on which either of the High Contracting Parties shall have given notice of termination to the other.

## PROTOCOL.

At the moment of proceeding this day to the aignature of the Convention regarding the Commercial Relations batween India and Japan, the undersigned Plonipotentiaries, being duly authorized to that effect, have agreed as follows regarding the importation of Japanese cotton piece-goods into India:-

## Abtiole 1.

For the purposes of the present Protocol :-
the expression " cotton year" means a year beginning on the lat day of January;
the expression "cotton piece-goods year" means a year boginning on the lst day of April; a cotton piece-goods year and the cotton year in which that cotton piece-goods year begina are referred to as "corresponding"; and the expression "yard" moans a linear yard.

## Abtiolis 2.

The oustoms duties to be imposed on importation into India of cotton piece-goods manufactured in Japan shall not exceed the following rates:-
(a) plain greys- 50 per centum ad valorem or $5 \backslash$ annas per pound, whiohever is higher ;
(b) others- 50 per centum ad valorem.

If hereafter the Government of India should decide to impose a speoific duty on cotton piece-goods other than plain greys, it will not impose on such pioce-goods, being the manufacture of Japan, a specific duty exceeding 54 annas per pound.

## Abtioles 3.

(1) If in any cotton year I million bales of raw Cotton are exported from India to Japan, the quantity of cotton pioce-goods which may be exported from Japan to India in the corresponding cotton piece-goods year shall be a basic allotment of 325 million yards.
(2) If the exports of raw cotton from India to Japan in any cotton year are less than 1 million bales, the allotment of cotton piece-goods for the corresponding cotton piece-goods year shall be the basio allotment diminished by 2 million yards for every 10,000 bales of the deficit or for any residual quantity thereof exceeding 5,000 bales.

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(3) If the exports of raw cotton from India to Japan in any cotton year exceed 1 million bales, the allotment of cotton piece-goods for the corresponding cotton piece-goods year shall be the basio allotment increased by $1 \frac{1}{2}$ million yards for every 10,000 bales of the excess or for any residual quantity thereof exceeding 5,000 bales:

Provided that the allotment of cotton piece-goods shall not in any aase oxcoed 400 million yards for any cotton piece-goods year.
(4) If the exports of raw cotton from India to Japan in any cotton year exceed $1 \frac{1}{2}$ million balos, the excess shall be added to the quantity of raw cotton exported from India to Japan in the following cotton year for the purpose of determining the allotment of cotton piece-goods for the cotton piece-goods year corresponding to such following cotton year.
(5) For the purposes of the calculations under the present Article and under Articles 4, 5, 6 and 7, any raw cotton or cotton piece-goods which have been imported and then re-exported shall be excluded.

## Artioles 4.

(1) The allotment of cotton piece-goods which may be exported from Japan to India during the first half of any cotton piece-goods year shall be 200 million yards

Provided that, if in the first half of any cotton piece-goods year the exports of cotton piecegoods from Japan to India exceed the allotment for the whole of that cotton piece-goods year, the allotment for the first half of the following cetton piece-goods ycar shall be 200 million yards less sach excess.
(2) The allotment of cotton piece-goods which may be exported from Japan to India during the second half of any cotton piece-goods yoar shall be the annual allotment for that year less 200 million yards:

Provided that, if the quantity exported from Japan to India in the first half of any cotton piece-goods year is loss than 200 million yards, as increased or diminished under Artiole 5, the allotment for the second half of that cotion piece-goods year shall inolude the quantity of the deficit up to a quantity not exceeding 20 million yards.

## Artiole 5.

Notwithstanding anything hereinbefore contained,
(a) If less than the allotment for any cotton piece-goods year is exported from Japan to India in that year, the quantity of the deficit up to a quantity not exceeding 20 million yards may be exported in the first half of the following cotton piece-goods year in addition to the allotment for that half-year; and
(b) A quantity not exceeding 20 million yards of cotton piece-goods may be exported from Japan to India in any cotton piece-goods year, other than the cotton piecegoods year in which the present Protocol terminetes, in addition to the allotment for that year ; but such excess shall be deducted from the allotment for the first half of the following cotton piece-goods year.

## Artiole 6.

If the present Protocol should come into effect at any time other than the beginning of a cotton piece-goods year, the first cotton year shall, for the purposes of the Protocol, be deomed to begin on the lst day of January, 1934, and the first cotton piece-goods year on the lat day of April, 1934.

## Artiole 7.

(1) For the purposes of the prosent Protocol ootton piece-goods ahall be divided into the four categorius of:-
(a) Plain greys,
(b) Bordered greys,
(c) Bleaohed (white) goods, and
(d) Coloured (printed, dyed or woven) goods;
and the allotment for any cotton piece-goods year shall be divided into sub-allotments among these four categories, consisting of portions of the allotment as follows :-


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and, seve as provided in paragraph (2), the export of cotton piece-goods in each ostegory in any cotton piece-goods year shalil be restricted to the said portions.
(2) Transfers may be made from one sub-allotment to another, subject to the following conditions:-
(a) The allotment for any cotton piece-goods year shall not thereby be increased;
(b) The amount transferred from a sub-allotment for bordered greys or from a sub-allotment for bleached (white) goods shall not exceed 20 per centum of the amount of such sub-allotment, and the amount transferred from any othor sub-allotment shall not exceed 10 per centum of the amount of such sub-allotmont; and
(c) A sub-allotment for bordered greys or a sub-allotment for bloached (white) goods shall not be inoreased by more than 20 per centum of the amount of suoh sub-allotment, and any other sub-allotment shall not be increased by more than 10 per centum of the amount of such sub-allotment.
(3) The principles of the present Article shall apply also to quantities of cotton piece-goods exported from Jspan to India under Artiole 5 in excess of the yearly allotments, as if such quantities were yearly allotments.

## Article 8.

Nothing contained in the present Protocol shall be deemed to affect the rights of either High Contracting Party under Article 2 or Article 3 of the
Relations between India and Japan of this day's date.

## Article 9.

The present Protocol shall come into force simultaneously with the Convention regarding the Commercial Relations between India and Japan of this day's date and shall remain in force until the 31st day of March, 1937.

## APPENDIX II.

## Bombzy-Lancashire Textile Agreement, 1933.*

Following the conferences between representatives of the Indian and British Cotton Textile Industries which opened in Bombay on 19th Septembor, 1933, an understanding has been reached to which the respective partios are the Millowners' Association, Bombey, and the British Textile Mission to India.

The parties wish to record their conviction that great benefit has been derived by all concerned from the full and frank exchange of views, the personal contacts which have been established and the greater understanding which both sides have secured of each other's position.

The parties are agreed that it would be in the best interests of the industrios they ropresent to mnintain and develop in the future the contacts which have been established, and it is hoped that it will become the practice for views to be exchanged whenever circumstances render it desirable.

The following headings of agreoment have been adopted on the assumption that the cotton duty is not increased above the prosent level of half an anna per pound :-
(1) It was agreed that the Indian Cotton Textile Industry is entitled, for its progressive development, to a reasonable measure of protection against the imports of United Kingdom yarns and piece-goods. It was also agreed that under present conditions, owing to lower costs and other factors operating in foreign countries, the industry required a higher level of protection against them than against the United Kingdom.
(2) As regards cotton piece-goods, it was agreed that if and when the revenue position of the country made it possible for the Government of Indis to remove the general surcharge on all imports iniposed in October, 1931, the Indian side would not niake fresh proposals with regard to the duties applicable to the United Kingdom imports.
(3) In the matter of cotton yerns, the present duties are bi per cent ad valorem or $1 \frac{7}{7}$ annas per pound. The Indian side has agreed that so far as imports from the United Kingdom are concerned, the duty may be 5 per cent ad valorem with a minimum apecific duty of $1 \ddagger$ annas per pound.
(4) So far as artificial silk piece-goods are concerned, the Indian side agreed that in the case of the United Kingdom, the duties may be as follows:-
30 per cent ad talorem or $2 \frac{1}{2}$ annas per aquare yard for hundred per cent artificial silk fabrics; and
30 per cent or 2 annas per square yard for mixture fabrics of cotton and artificial silk. The present duties on these classes of goods are:-

50 per cent ad ralorem or 4 annas per square yard on hundred per cent artificial silk fabrics; and
35 per cent or 2 annas 3 pies per square yard for mixture fabrics of cotton and artifiaial silk.
(5) In so far as the Empire and other overseas markets for piece-goods and yarns are concerned it is agreed that any advantages which might be arranged for British goods should be extended to Indian goods, and that India, in markets in which she has no independent quota, should participate in any quota which might be allocated to the United Kingdom. In respect of overseas markets in which Indian mills lack established connections, it is agreed that the Manchester Chamber of Commerce should use its good offices to bring about contacts between Indian manufacturers and British houses which are already established in those markets.
(6) In regard to raw cotton, the Indian side strongly emphasized the urgent necessity of further efforts being made in the United Kingdom to popularise and promote the use of the Indian raw material. They welcomed the undertaking theat the British Textile Mission would be prepared to recommend effeotive action being taken and keep the Indian side regularly in touch with developments. It was further agreed that other avenues of co-operation in this field should be exploned in the interests of the Indian cotton grower.
This onderstanding is limited in its duration to the period ending on 31st December, 1935.

> (Sd.) WILLIAM CLARE LEES,
> Chairman, British Textile Mission.

## Bombay,

(Sd.) H. P. MODY,
Chairman, Millowners' Association, Bombay.
Dated the 28th October, 1933.

* From the Roport of the Millowners' Association, Bombay, for the year 1033.


## PART II-TABLES.

NOTE-(1) The figures given in these tables are subject to revision as subsequent corrections are likely to be received from Custom Honses. The final figures will appear in the Annual Statement of the Seaborne Trade of British India which will issue towards the close of the year.


[^12]No. 2.-Valub of Merchandise and Treasure, and Gold separately, during the last five years with quinquennial averages for the past sixty-five years
(In lakhe of Rupees)


Nots.-Goverament transactlona are included In Table No. 2.
Not exports.

No. 3.-Montily Sea-borne Trade (private merchandise), Tmports and Exports in 1933-34, as compared with the preceding year 1932-33, and the pre-war, war and post-war averages, and excess of exports over imports dUring the same period


No. 4.-Value of Imports, Private Merchandise according to five main olasses and sub-divisions THEREOF
(In thousands of lifopee)



No. 5.-Value of Exportb, Prifata Merohandise, acoording to five main classeb and bub-divigions thereof



No. 6.- Quantity and value of the prinoteal artioles of Tmports, arbanged in the order of their Importance


*Average for two yeara 1912-18 and 1913-14
taverage for four yeara 1010-11 to 1918-14.

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(a) For igares prior to 1028-29 se0 under Rallway plant, eto.

- 4 verage for two years 1912-13 and 1928-14. (b) FIzures for 1913-14.

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|  | Quamtity（hioubel in thougands） |  |  |  |  | Vatur（in thoubands of rupers） |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| － | Pre－war average | $\begin{gathered} \text { War } \\ \text { average } \end{gathered}$ | Postowar avarage | 1082－38 | 1983－84 | Pre－war average | $\begin{gathered} \text { War } \\ \text { average } \end{gathered}$ | Post－wat avorage | 1032－33 | 1088－84 |
| Alachtnery and millwork Arms，ammundilion and miltary atorea $: ~: ~: ~: ~$ | 二 | 二 | 二 | 二 | － | 28,15 <br> 24,22 |  | $\begin{array}{r}1,11,38 \\ 54,88 \\ \hline\end{array}$ | 28,71 88,00 | 41,84 28,23 |
|  | 25 31 2 | 19 70 8 | 22 43 4 | 2 7 | 3 5 1 | 35,10 16,40 10,00 | 46,50 50.62 88,74 | 70,30 33,37 26,82 | 8,16 2,009 2,21 | 8,35 1,48 8,47 |
| Totak | 28 | 26 | 28 | 2 | 4 | 62，10 | 1，41，86 | 1，98，49 | 7，46 | 14，25 |
| Instruments，apparatus and applances | － | － | － | － | － | 18，10 | 37，75 | 68，00 | 16，51 | 12，21 |
| Textlles－ $\begin{gathered}\text { Cotton manufactures } \\ \text { Flax } \\ \text { Wool manutaotures }\end{gathered} \quad: \quad: \quad: \quad: ~$ | 二 | 二 | 二 | 二 | 二 | 4,78 4,00 8,56 | 51,34 48,64 $1,12,68$ | $\mathbf{2 3 , 9 8}$ 11 11,91 24,57 | 2,97 1,04 $\mathbf{7 , 3 5}$ | 2,33 69 4,24 |
| Totar | － | － | － | － | － | 15，48 | 2，07，81 | 80，41 | 11，88 | 7，16 |
| Hardware and cutiery ． | － | － | － | － | － | 20，59 | 64，48 | 82，03 | 6.16 |  |
|  | 二 | 二 | 二 | 二 | 二 | 3,36 7.08 7 | 22，30 | 10，33 | 4，62 | 4，83 |
| Carrlages and carts ：：：：： | 二 | 二 | 二 | － | － | 2，16 | 11，69 | 880,09 | ${ }^{3,68}$ | 8,14 1,36 |
|  | 二 | 二 | 二 | 二 | $\square$ | ${ }^{0.60}$ | 22， 22 | 40，00 | 1，44 | 96 |
| Ships，parts of（Including lanmehes and boats）：Tonis | ${ }^{71}$ | ${ }^{10}$ | 141 | $\cdots$ | $\cdots$ | 15，17 | 27,77 4,08 | ${ }_{58,92}^{12,87}$ | 4 4 | 12 |
| Telegraphs，materiais for oonstruction of ：$\quad: \quad: \quad$ all other articles |  |  |  | 二 | 二 | 11,82 71,78 | 17,96 $3,14,27$ | 3 43，51 $\mathbf{2 , 3 0 , 5 3}$ |  | 6 81,02 |
| Total vajue of Copremmext Storis | － | － | － | － | － | 5，82，28 | 11，45，13 | 13，00，27 | 2，43，33 | 1，94，75 |

No. 7.-Quantity and value of the Principal Articles of Exports, arranged in the order of their Importance

(a) Separately recorded from 1916-17 and wat average represents the averake for three years 1910-17 to 1918-19.
(b) Eeparately reoorded from December, 191\%.

No. 7-continuted


(a) Detalled fignree not avaliable.

No. 7-continued



No. 7 -concluded

(a) Inclades figuree for "' Fibre for brunhee and brooms."

No. 8.- Quan itty and value of the Principal Articles Re-exported, arranged in ter order of their Importance


No. 8-continved


No. 9.-Value of trade in merchandise only with tee British Empire and Foreign Countries



No. y-continued
(In lakhs of Rupees)


NOPB.-Exporta include re-exports.
(b) Egypt included In British Emplre from 1916-18 to ig22-28.
(c) Averogefor 8 yenra
(c) Averogr for 8 yen
(d) One year's Du ure.

No. 10.-Percentage share of the principal countries in the total Trade in merciandise only

| Countrizs | Pre-war aferage |  |  | Wab afrrage |  |  | Poit-war averatis |  |  | 1032.88 |  |  | 1038-84 |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Imports | Exports, <br> lnclud- <br> lng Re- <br> exports | TOTAL | Imports |  | Total | Imports | Exports, lncludexports | Total | Imports | Exports, Ing Reexporta | TOTA: | Imports | Exports inclad Ing Reo exports | TOTAL |
| Britigh FmpireUnited Kingdom. | 62.8 | $25 \cdot 1$ | 40-0 | 56.5 | $81 \cdot 1$ | 41.2 | $57 \cdot 6$ | 24.2 | 80.5 | 36.8 | 28.0 | 32.8 | 41.8 | 32.2 | 88.7 |
| Ceylon - | $\cdot 5$ | 8.7 | $2 \cdot 4$ | 1.1 | $4 \cdot 3$ | 8.0 | $\cdot 7$ | 4.8 | 2.5 | 1.8 | 6.0 | 8.2 | $2 \cdot 1$ | 4.2 | $2 \cdot 6$ |
| Straita Settlemonta . . | 2.1 | 8.4 | $2 \cdot 9$ | 8.0 | 2.7 | 2.8 | 1.9 | 2.7 | 2.3 | 2.1 | 2.7 | 2.4 | 2.8 | 2.8 | $\pm 3$ |
| Australie . . . | $\cdot 7$ | 1.4 | 1.1 | -8 | 2.2 | 1.7 | $1.8{ }^{-}$ | 1.7 | 1-5 | . 8 | $2 \cdot 0$ | 1.8 | $\cdot 9$ | 2.0 | 1-5 |
| Hongkong . . . | $\cdot 7$ | $4 \cdot 1$ | 2.7 | $\cdot \theta$ | 2.0 | 1-6 | $\cdot 7$ | 2.3 | 1.6 | 4 | 1.1 | $\cdot 7$ | 4 | -8 | $\cdot 6$ |
| Mauritius and Dependenclos | 1.8 | $\cdot 6$ | 1.1 | 111 | $\cdot 6$ | 8 | 2.2 | s. 1 | 27 | - | $\cdot 6$ | - 3 | . | -5 | -3 |
| Brims Pobsrselons) | 60.7 | 41-1 | 62.3 | 65.4 | 51.7 | 57.1 | 65-2 | 41.4 | 62.8 | 448 | $45 \cdot 4$ | $45 \cdot 2$ | 6000 | 46.8 | 48.4 |
| Forelga CountrlesJapan , | $2 \cdot 5$ | 7.5 | $5 \cdot 6$ | 10.4 | 11.2 | 10.8 | 6.8 | 18.8 | 10.4 | 15.4 | 10.4 | 12.8 | 14.2 | 8.7 | 11.4 |
| Daited Statea of America . | $3 \cdot 1$ | 7.5 | 5.8 | 7.0 | 11.8 | $9 \cdot 9$ | 8.5 | 12.0 | 10.4 | 85 | 7.4 | 7.9 | 6.2 | 9.6 | $7 \cdot 9$ |
| Java . | 0.4 | $1 \cdot 3$ | 8.3 | 7.8 | $1 \cdot 1$ | 3.8 | 0.8 | 1.0 | 8.7 | 2.8 | . 5 | 1.7 | 2.1 | $\cdot 3$ | $1 \cdot 2$ |
| France - | 1.5 | 8.6 | 4.6 | $1 \cdot 3$ | 4.5 | $3 \cdot 2$ | $\cdot 0$ | 4.8 | 8.0 | 1.5 | 6.0 | 9.8 | 1.3 | $5 \cdot 0$ | 8.2 |
| Chaly ${ }_{\text {Calpa }}^{\text {cexclualve of }}$ Hongkong | 1.0 | 8.2 | 2.8 | 1.2 | 8.8 | 2.8 | 1.0 | 3.2 | $2 \cdot 2$ | 3.0 | 3.6 | 8.2 | 2.6 | $8 \cdot 0$ | 8.2 |
| and Mucao) - . | 1.1 | 8.9 | 2.8 | 1.3 | 2.0 | 1.7 | $2 \cdot 2$ | 8.6 | $2 \cdot 5$ | 9. 2 | 2.7 | 24 | 1.8 | 40 | $2 \cdot 9$ |
| Persla . - . - | 4 | $\cdot 5$ | ${ }^{5}$ | $\cdot 6$ | 1.6 | 1.2 | $\cdot 7$ | 1.3 | 1.0 | 1.5 | $\cdot 6$ | 1.0 | 1.2 | - 6 | $\cdot 9$ |
| Uninn of Socsalut Soviot | $\cdot 1$ | . 0 | $\cdot 6$ | $\cdot 1$ | 1.2 | -8 | .05 | .. | . 05 | . 8 | $\cdot 2$ | . | 1.4 | $\cdot 1$ | . 7 |
| Netherlands . . | -9 | 1.6 | 1.8 | -6 | . 2 | 8 | .9 | 1.6 | $\cdot 9$ | 1.3 | 8.0 | $2 \cdot 1$ | $1 \cdot 6$ | $2 \cdot 8$ | $2 \cdot 2$ |
| Belglum - - | 19 | $5 \cdot 8$ | 3.9 | - 8 | -6 | $\cdot 4$ | 1.8 | 8.7 | 2.9 | 2.6 | 8.0 | 2.8 | 2.8 | $8 \cdot 0$ | 2* |
| Germany . - . | 6.4 | 9.8 | 8.5 | $\cdot 7$ | $\cdot 9$ | - 8 | $2 \cdot 8$ | 4.9 | 4.0 | 7.8 | 8.5 | 7.1 | 7.7 | 0.8 | $7 \cdot 1$ |
| Austria (a) . . | $2 \cdot 2$ | 8.5 | $2 \cdot 9$ | $\stackrel{2}{ }$ | $\cdot 4$ | 8 | $\cdot 2$ | $\cdot 2$ | $\cdot 2$ | ${ }^{6}$ | . | .. | 4 | .. | $\cdot 2$ |
| TOTAL (inoutina otase FORBIGN OOUNTRIES) | $80 \cdot 5$ | 58.9 | 477 | 84.6 | 48'8 | 42.0 | 84.8 | 68.6 | 477 | 65*2 | 56.6 | 54.8 | 50.0 | 58.2 | 51.6 |

(a) Flgurea prior to 1981-22 ropresent Austria-Hungary.

No. 11.-Total Imports and Exports of Merchandise of certain princlpal Countries and Britise India duringtee calendar ybars 1931, 1932 and 1933 with respective pre-war averages*
(In rallilons of $£$ steriling)

| Countrien |  | ImPORTE |  |  |  | EXPORTS (DOYRETIC) |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  | Pre-war average | 1081 | 1082 | 1038 | Pre-war average | 1081 | 1982 | 1088 |
| United Kingdom (a) (g) | - - - - | 509 | 797 | 651 | 627 | 465 | 391 | 865 | 367 |
| France (g) . . . . . | - . . . . | 905 | 805 | 984 | 980 | 253 | 208 | 221 | 218 |
| bitypt (e) - . . . . | - . - . . | 26 | (b) | (b) | (b) | 81 | (b) | (b) | (b) |
| Canada (g) . . . . | - . . - . | 108 | 184 (d) | 114(d) | 88(d) | 66 | 129 (0). | 124(0) | 116 |
| United States of America . | . . . . . | 341 | 461 | 377 | 244 | 433 | 524 | 450 | 891 |
| Netherlande ( $g$ ) . . . | - . - . - | (b) | 168 | 160 | 147 | (b) | 117 | 07 | 88 |
| Germany ( $¢$ ) : | . . . . . | 477 | 352 | 816 | 301 | 406 | 608 (f) | 880 (f) | 349 |
| Switzeriand ( $g$ ) . . . . | - . . . . | 71 | 05 | 95 | 00 | 63 | 57 | 48 | 48 |
| Italy (d) (g) - . . . | . - . . . | 187 | 134 | 121 | 116 | 88 | 117 | 100 | 84 |
| Czechoslovakfs (g) . - | - . . . . |  | 76 | 63 | 52 | . | 85 | 62 | 62 |
| Belgo-Luxembarg Economic Union (g) | . . . - | 155 $\dagger$ | 146 | 128 | 124 | $144 \dagger$ | 142 | 118 | 118 |
| Denmark (d) - . - | - . . . | (b) | 81 | 61 | 87 | (b) | 10 | 58 | 52 |
| Sweden (g) - . - . | - . . . . | (b) | 70 | 61 | 57 | (b) | 62 | 50 | 58 |
| Australis - . . . - | . . . . . | $78 \dagger$ | 48 | 58 | 66 | 67 $\dagger$ | 71 | 76 | 80 |
| British India . . . . | - . . . . | 103 | 106 | 102 | 89 | 148 | 124 | 101 | 108 |

- Compiled trom the "Accounte relating to the Trade and Commeice of certain Forelgn Condries and British Possesslons" published quarterly by the Board of Trade, Lordon. The value has been converted on the basis on the average rates of exchenge for respective years.

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\begin{aligned}
& \text { THennial average. } \\
& \text { (a) From lat Apill } 1989 \text {, the particulars shown Include the trade of Great Britaln and } \\
& \text { Northern Ireland with the Irlsh Free State. From the same date the direct }
\end{aligned}
$$

(c) Including allver bulion and gold bullion obtained from mining operationg, forelgn trade of the Irish Free State bas been excluded.
(b) Inciuding silvar bullton
(e) Excluding trade with Sudan
(f) Inclading the value of deliveries on account of reparations.

Notz,-In the cases of Germany, the Netherlands, the Belgo-Iuxemburg Economle Unlon, France, Switzerland, Lraly, Czechosiovakia, the Dominlon of Canada and United Kingdom the import fgures given in the above enmmary represent lmports for home congumption. In all casea tho export gigures are intonded to represent exporta cf domestio produce. In most cases, however, they include a cortain amount of "natlonalised" yoods, i.e., gooda origlaally lmpotted wheli, if dukable, bave been ebarged tie daty but. which are subeequently re-exported.

No. 12.-Valde of Trade with principal Countries, distinguishing Principal Articles.
(In thousands of Rupees)

| Articles | Pre-war average | 1031-32 | 1932-s3 | 1988-34 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| UNITED KINGDOH. |  |  |  |  |
| Imports therefrom- |  |  |  |  |
| Animals, Itvlug - | 5,02 | 9,14 | 6,77 2371 | 6,07 |
| Apparel | 59,29 30,60 | 23.63 | ${ }_{87,08}^{28,71}$ | 31.40 |
| Artifetalallk yarn . |  | 10,68 | 14,35 | 12,90 |
| *30, Other manufactarea |  | 9,01 | 21,85 | 18,29 |
| Asbestos ${ }^{\text {Belting for majchinery }}$ : $\quad:$ | 36,26 | ${ }_{32,51}^{11,16}$ | 8,46 35,50 | 11,23 30,52 |
| Bobbins |  | 29,60 | 19,16 | 13,72 |
| Books and printed matter | 41,05 | 43.59 | 38,96 | 41.00 |
| Boots and shoes | 51,33 | 0.61 | 6,21 | 5,80 |
| Bullding miterints . | 69,89 | 34,19 | 25,64 | 28,70 |
| Carriares and carts | 19,11 | 8,76 | 3,45 | 8,44 |
| Chemlcals - | 60,55 | 1,40,78 | 1,40,08 | 1,19,02 |
| Crina clay - |  | 0,05 | 8,04 | 7,60 |
| Coal and coke | 41,38 4,38 | 0,17 2,88 | 3,00 $\mathbf{2 , 0 4}$ | 2,65 2,40 |
| Cotton- |  |  |  |  |
| Raw . . | 58,67 | 4,16 | 4,60 |  |
| Twist and yarn - | 3,35,13 | 1,21,82 | 1,31,80 | 95,78 |
| Plecegoods- |  |  |  |  |
| White : | 10, $\mathbf{s} 7,38$ | 4,02,02 | 6,26,79 | 3,68, 18 |
| Coloured ${ }^{\text {- }}$ | 11,20,72 | 2,85,3e | 4,87,68 | 3,64,11 |
| Other manmfactnres | 1,40,25 | 88,01 | 09,78 | 88,95 |
| Cutlery | 10,53 | 5,87 | 0,51 | 7,81 |
| Cycles and parts | 20,40 | 4, ${ }_{3,67}$ | ${ }_{0}^{51,95}$ | $\bigcirc$ |
| Druga snd mediclnes ${ }^{\text {D }}$, | 64,03 0,00 | ${ }_{26,81}$ | 33,45 | 31,10 |
| Earthenware and porcelain | 30,50 | 14,30 | 12,26 | 12,24 |
| Flax manufactures. | 28,83 | 16,79 | 18,01 | 15,84 |
| Furbiture | 10,84 | ${ }^{83,39}$ |  | 8,84 1086 |
| Glass and glassware | ${ }_{61} 22.26$ | $\underset{13,51}{13,21}$ | 19,08 | 10,86 |
| Haberdashery and milinery | 1,88,61 | ${ }_{96,16}$ | 91,44 | 97,58 |
| Instruments, apparatus, etc. | 1,04,88 | 1,83,28 | 1,04.31 | 2,06, 85 |
| Ivory ${ }^{\text {a }}$ | 11,33 | ${ }^{\mathbf{5}, 56}$ | 3, ${ }_{\text {4, }}$ | 2,50 |
| Jewellery, etc. ${ }^{\text {Jute }}$ - | 110,09 10 | 1,65 | 1.90 | 1,99 |
| Leather, including hides, tanned, eto. | 38,59 | 25,07 | 23,03 | 22,47 |
| Liquors- |  |  |  |  |
| Ale, beer and porter | 69,47 | 83,08 | 84,44 | 80,44 |
| Splrlt Wroea | 69,47 13,62 | 85.74 |  | ${ }_{6} 6.58$ |
| Machinery and millwork ${ }^{\text {a }}$ | 4,97,09 | 7,7,18 |  | 8, 818.47 |
| Manures . . | 1,08 | 19,74 | 89,07 | 40,78 |
| Metals-- |  | 7,51 | 9,45 |  |
| Aluminium | 6,13 | 93,08 | 56,56 | 53,04 |
| ${ }^{\text {Brass }}$ Copper | 1,67,45 | 88,69 | 29,75 | 89,04 |
| Iron | 6,96,18 | 3,12,56 | 2,42,05 | 2,83,81 |
| Iron or steel | 6,961899 | 2, | 2,2,99 | 2,3,10 |
| Steel. | 42,02 | 26,19 | 26,96 | 31,68 |
| Zinc. | 14,86 87,43 | -6,68 | 15,24 | 8,80 16,72 |
| Motor cars and motor cycles, etc. | 74,50 | 91,17 | 1,15.68 | 1,64,15 |
| Oile, minerat | 22,31 | ${ }_{10,50}^{29,22}$ | 27,87 10,54 | 29,98 10,88 |
| \% vegitable, nitmal, etc. | 27,78 4,98 | 2,18 | 2,25 | 2,65 |
| ${ }^{\text {Packing engine and }}$ Pand palnters' materials ${ }^{*}$ | 56,00 | 68,95 | 50.68 | 68,54 |
| Paper and pastebosrd . | 73.44 | ${ }^{75}$ | 79,83 | 88,73 |
| Pitch and tar | 8 | 18,15 | 18,80 | 20,28 |
| $\stackrel{\text { Polishes }}{\text { Preclous stones }}$ | ${ }^{8}$ | 2,05 | 1,08 | 1,94 |
| Printing materials . | 14,70 | (14,48 | 14,25 1,3967 | 16,69 |
| Provisons ${ }^{\text {a }}$, |  | 1,61,20 | 1,30,67 | 1,51,33 |
| Rasliway plant, etc. ${ }_{\text {Rubber manutactures, including tyres, }}$ eto. | 6,54,48 | 69,84 | 80,18 | 1,16,28 |
| Salt | 23,44 | 5,06 | 4,52 | 5.75 |
| Shlps, parta of in | 18.00 19.07 | 6,08 | 11,7i | 8,15 |
| Silik manufactures, including yarn | 50.58 | 75,05 | 69,59 | 69,69 |
| Statlonery : : : | 41,44 | 86,95 | 32,84 | 35,76 |

No. 12-continued
(In thousande of Eapces)


[^14]No. 12-continued
(In thousands of Rupees)


- Figtures prior to 1021-22 reprceent Austrie-Bungary.

No. 12-continued
(In thousands of Rnpees)


No. 12-continued
(In thoussuds of Rupees)


- Higures prior to 1024-25 represent Fiornmeal.
(In thousands of Hupest)


No. 12-continued
(In thousands of Rupees)


No. 12-continued
(In thousauda of Ruperia)

(a) Beparately recorded from 1028-24.

No. 12-continued
(In thousande of Rapees)


No. 12-continued
(In thousands of Rupees)


No. 12-continued
(In thousends of Rupers?


No. 12-continued
(In thourands of Eapees)

| Artidles | Pre-war Byerage | 1081-82 | 1032-98 | 1088-84 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| POBTVGURSg EAST AFRICA. |  |  |  |  |
| Imports therefrom- <br> Cobl |  |  |  |  |
| Frulte and vegetables: | -8, 1 | "10,07 | $\cdots$ | 11,58 |
| Olier articies. | 1,10 | 1,06 | 13,04 | 20,65 |
| Totas | 5,97 | 12,03 | 18,04 | 32,28 |
| Exporta of Indian produce- |  |  |  |  |
| Cotion manuactures - | 0,08 | 14,51 | 13,74 | 0,93 |
| Grain, pulse and flour - . . | 14,85 | 11,46 | 10.06 | 7.08 |
|  | 14,31 | 32,88 | 28,81 | 24,67 |
| Other articles $\quad: \quad \pm \quad:$ | 9,17 | 28,03 | 38,18 | 30,10 |
| Total | 47,77 | 86,80 | 85,30 | 60,45 |
| Exports of Forelgn merchandisoCotton manufacturea, inclading twist and |  |  |  |  |
|  | 8,62 $\mathbf{3 , 5 7}$ | $\stackrel{64}{1,88}$ | 1,11 $\mathbf{2 , 0 8}$ | $\begin{array}{r}\text { 5 } \\ \mathbf{1 , 7 7} \\ \hline\end{array}$ |
| Totab | 12,10 | 2,47 | 8,14 | 2,32 |
| Redinion. |  |  |  |  |
| Ian ports therefrom Mlagellaneons articles | 5 | .. | . | 8,67 |
| kixports of Indlan and Forelga produceRlice (not In the husk) Other articles | 7,71 60 | ** 17 | 1,78 | ** 15 |
| Total | 8,30 | 17 | 2,12 | 15 |
| CANADA. |  |  |  |  |
| Imports therefrom- |  |  |  |  |
| Motor vebicles and parta |  |  |  | 47,01 |
| Paper and pasteboard : ${ }_{\text {Rallway }}$ plant | $\cdots 70$ |  |  | 1,21 |
| Rabber manufacturea : : | 79 |  |  |  |
| Otherarticlea - |  |  | 19,88 | 12,74 |
| Total | 1,09 | 41,66 | 38,54 | 68,67 |
| Exports of Indlan and Forelgn produce- |  |  |  |  |
| $\mathrm{T}_{\text {Tea }} \mathrm{l}$, gunny clath : |  |  |  | 87,28 |
| Other aritcea | 54,91 | 67,40 | 80,38 | 77,57 |
| Oher arthes | 14,09 | 16,07 | 17,48 | 22,61 |
| Total | 1,09,29 | 1,47,86 | 1,02,70 | 1,87,41 |
| UNITED states. |  |  |  |  |
| Imports therefrom-- |  |  |  |  |
| ${ }_{\text {Apparel }}$ Aluminime |  |  |  | 60 |
| ${ }_{\text {Apma }}^{\text {Appare }}$ - |  | 10,21 | 7,80 | 7,17 |
| Bealting ior machinery | 1,11 | 2,46 10,48 | 88 | 8,00 |
| Boots and shoes Bailding materinas. |  | 10,48 | 8,48 | 8,68 ${ }_{3}$ |
| danks matas | 88 | 7,17 | 11,18 | 11,08 |

No. 12-continued
(In thousande of Rupces)


No. 12-contsnued
(In thousands of Rupees)


No. 12-continueá
(In thonsunas of lapees)


No. 12-continued
(In thounands of Rupees)


## No. 12-continued

(In thotutands of Rupeea)


No. 12-conilinued
(In thousanis of Zupeea)


No. 12-continued
(In thousands of Rapeea)


No. 12-continuod
(In thousands of Ruj 8 )


No. 12-continued
(In thonsands of Rupese)

(a) Inoluded In Turkey In Azia prlar to 1921-22.

No. 12-continued
(In thousands of Rupees)

(a) includeu in Turkey in Asla prior to 1921-2\%.
(b) Includes Lreq prior to 1021-82.

> No. 12-concluded
(In thousands of Rupers)


No. 13.-Imports of cotton piedegoodg.
(In thoussuds of yards)

| Countries |  |  | Pre-war average | Var average | Post-war average | 1982-38 | 1988-34 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Grky. |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Totad |  |  | 1,881,017 | 904,874 | 676,828 | 858,020 | 280,118 |

(In thoumands of yarde)


No. 13A.-- Yroduction, mports, mill and other consumption, exports and re-exports of raw ootton.
(In lakhs of bales)


- Ihe fipurea of mill conabmition from 1013-14 to 1915-16 were calculated from yarn produced by mills and furnished under Cotton Dutles Act. From 1016-17, the fgares furnished by the Bombay millowners'Arociaand furnished wero taken
i Repreiepta figuren cowniled by the Indian Central Ootton Committee, Bombay.

No. 14.-Production in the indian milis of cotton piegegoods.


No. 15-A.-Imports of ootton twist and yarn from principal countries.


No. 15-B.-Imports of cotton twist and yarn by counts.
(In thousande of lbs).


No. 1ס-0.-lmports of ootton twist and yarn in 1931-52, 1932-93 and i933-34 by classes fron the prinolpal supylying countries.
(In thousands of lby)

16.-Production in the indian muls of cotton twist and yarn BY COUNTS.
(In thousende of lbe.)


No. 17.-Imports of raw silk, silk yarn and silk piegegoods.
(In thousande of Rupees)


No. 18.-Imports of woollen piecegoons.
(In thousands of Rupees)

|  | Countries |  | Pre-war sverage | Far average | Post-prar average | 1082-33 | 1983-84 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| United Kingdom Germany Netherlands <br> Belgium <br> France <br> Italy <br> Japan <br> Other countries | - - | - | 1,46.44 | 1,21,68 | 1,68,84 | 62,48 | 57.44 |
|  | $\cdots \quad$. | - | 39,83 | 3,02 | 7,13 | 8,76 | 6, 38 |
|  | - . | - | 8,09 | 128 | 3,61 | 1,00 | 87 |
|  | . | $\bullet$. | 1,78 | 81 | 4,20 | 8,06 | 4,59 |
|  | . $\cdot$ | - | 10,85 | 3,36 | 7,80 | 84.80 | 17.48 |
|  | . $\cdot$ | . $\quad$ | 83 | 18 | 8,07 | 48.10 | 22,02 |
|  | - - | . | ${ }^{2}$ | 6,80 | 8,10 | 7,78 | 16,47 |
|  | - . | - . | 8,04 | 1,94 | 1,00 | 8,25 | 5,87 |
|  | TOTAL |  | 2,06,78 | 1,37,04 | 1,88,71 | 1,61,15 | 1,80,27 |

No, 10,-Imporics and declared value of iron and sterl.
(Quantities In hundredi of tor ${ }^{\text {) }}$

(a) Eigures for 191s-14 axclude ralls, obalta and lishplates for callways.

No. 20.-Imports of iron and steel.

(In laklis of Rujees)


No. 21.-Imports of machinery and millwork.


No. 22.-Imports of motor oars, oycles, wagons and accessories.

t Th: Agures represent those for 1018-14 only.

No. 22.-Imports of yotor cars, cycles, wagons and accessories-conid.

f Average for two years, 1912-18 and 1918-14.

No. 23.-Imports of hardware, excluding cutlery, etc.


No. 24.--Imports of metals (exoluding iron and steill).
(In thousauds of Rupees)


No. 25.-Imports of sogar (excluding molasses and confectionery).
(In hundrede of tains)


No. 26.-Imports of hineral ons.


[^15]No. 27.-Imports of cement.

|  |  |  |  |  |  | henafred | of tons) |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Courtaras |  |  | Pre-mar average | War average | Pont-war average | 1922-88 | 1983-84 |
| Onited Singiom |  |  | 108,0 | 00.7 | 74,2 | 84,8 | 32,1 |
| Japan . . | - . | - . . - |  | 1488 | 6,0 | 88.8 | 27, 6 |
| Hongkeng , | * - | - - . - | 2,2 | 7,8 | \$,6 | $\because$ | ** |
| Italy . | - | * | 1,3 | 7 | 9 | 1 | 1 |
| Other conntiles | $=$ - | - * | 18.8 | 2,0 | 18,8 | 8,9 | 6,2 |
|  |  | Totiz | 180,8 | 95,4 | 118,9 | 82,8 | 65, 8 |

No. 28.-EXports of raw tuite.
(In thousands of bales.)


No. 29.-Prodoction, mill consumption and exports of raw jute.


No. 30-A.-Exports of jute qunny bags and cloth. Bags-Hessian.
(In lakhs of bags)


## No. 30-A.-Exports of juti aunny bags and cloth-conid.

Bags-Sacking.
(In lakles of bart)


Cloth-Hessian.
(In lakhs of yatds)


Cloth-Sacking.
(In Iakhe of yatda)


Nors,-Average of threc war years, $1916-17$ to $1018-19$, Is given, ts the distinction betsrean aackiag and hasiangunay bage and cloth was made in the Sca Borne Trade Retning from lat April, 1016.

No. 30-B.-LExports of jute bage ANd cunne clote.

| Countries | Pre-war average | War Average | Post-war average | 1082-3s | 1988-84 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | No. (lakhs) | No. (1akhs) | No. (lakhs) | No. (lakls) | No. (lakhe) |
| Writod BAOs |  |  |  |  |  |
| United Kingdom ${ }^{\text {end }}$ | 305 | 2,265 | 418 | 465 | 451 |
| Europe (oxcepting Unlted Kingdom) - | 206 | 088 | 209 | 277 | 260 |
| South Africs (tícluding Rhodesia) | 119 | 385 248 | 102 | 128 | 175 |
| East Africa (Includlag Misuritlus) | 119 | 248 90 | 177 | 181 | 154 |
| Australia and New Zealand . | 628 | 737 | 750 | 1,049 | 876 |
| Jave - . - | 130 | 208 | 205 | 138 | 128 |
| Japan ${ }^{\text {and }}$ | 35 | 118 | 136 | 84 | 02 |
| Far East (excepting Jaya and Japan) | 393 | 436 | 684 | 709 | A68 |
| South America ${ }^{\text {cose }}$ | 481 | 592 | 335 | 165 | 814 |
| Central America and West Indies | 130 | 220 | 298 | 240 | 244 |
| Other countries . - | 796 | 747 | 607 | 479 | 459 |
| Toral (all Codhtaies) | 8,801 | 6,076 | 4,048 | 4,151 | 4,016 |
| CLOTH | $\begin{gathered} \text { Yds. } \\ \text { (laklis) } \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} \text { Yds. } \\ \text { (lakhs) } \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} \text { Yds. } \\ \text { (lakhs) } \end{gathered}$ | $\underset{\text { (lakhs) }}{\substack{\text { Y ds. }}}$ | $\begin{gathered} \text { Yds } \\ \text { (lakbis) } \end{gathered}$ |
| United KIngdom | 428 | 1,883 | 741 | 578 | 518 |
| Canada - | 338 | 534 | 508 | 065 | $8(1)$ |
| Australia - | 209 | 253 | 175 | 248 | 109 |
| United States of Amorica. | 6,639 | 6,985 | 8,938 | 5,488 | 6,4:2 |
| Argentine IRepublio. | 1,727 | 1,440 | 1,818 | 2,875 | 1,696 |
| Other countries | 380 | 1,016 | 528 | \%76 | 842 |
| TOTAL (ALs COURTRIBs) | 9,700 | 11,561 | 12,708 | 10,117 | 10,526 |

No. 31.-Exports of raw cotton.
(In thousands of bales of 400 lba )

(a) Fgures prior to 1921-22 miato to Austria-Hangary,

No. 32-A.-Exports of cotton twist and yarns
(In thouseada of lba)


No. 32-B.-Exports of cotton twist and yarn by counts.


No. 33.-Exports of indian grey and coloured cotton pieqeaoods.

(b) Coloured, printed or dyed.

| Persia |  | 3,289 | 21,421 | 24,821 | 7,001 | 8,794 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Iraqa ${ }^{\text {a }}$ |  | 2,757 | 12,188 | 29,486 | 4,027 | 4,608 |
| Straits Settlemento | * | 18,244 | 16,319 | 20,150 | 7,828 | 4, 452 |
| Aden and Dependencles | - | 2,534 | 8,147 | 4,346 | 1,216 | 1,916 |
| Kenya Colony and Zsazlbar and Pemba | - | 1,206 | 2,503 | 3,850 | 8,112 | 2,210 |
| Ceslun . * |  | 9,330 | 9,618 | 16,409 | 12,925 | 28,294 |
| Portuguese East Africa |  | 869 | 618 | 1,978 | 4,270 | 1,403 |
| Other countries |  | 9,855 | 14,583 | 20,703 | -8,836 | 15,467 |
| Total (Ahy Codetrikb) | - | 42,984 | 80,377 | 121,243 | 61,402 | 68,004 |

[^16]No. 34.-Exports of Indian tixa.
(In thousands of lbo.)

(c) Shown as a forign coontry from 1927-28.
(b) Figures prior to 1021-22 laclude Iraq.

No. 35-A.-Exports of seeds.
Linseed
(In hundreds of tone)

| Coumtries |  |  | Pre-war average | Var avcrage | Post-mar <br> average | 1082-3s | 1033-34 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| United Klogdom | - $\quad$. | - ${ }^{\circ}$ | 130,6 | 203,5 | 241,0 | 14,3 | 176,4 |
| France . | - . - | - | 76,8 | 26,3 | 42,9 | 81,4 | 42,6 |
| Italy - | . . . | - | 26,8 | 16,6 | 16,1 | 10,0 | 21,7 |
| Belgium | - . | - . | 67,8 | 4,9 | 28,1 | 8 | 10,2 |
| Germany . | . . . | - . | 33,6 | 2,0 | 3,2 | 9,8 | 30.8 |
| Australis . | - . | . | 1,6 | 11,1 | 11,4 | 9,4 | 12.0 |
| Othor countries . | - - . | - . | 42,2 | 7,0 | 12,0 | 6,9 | 100,7 |
|  |  | Totar | 370,0 | 270.4 | 261,5 | 72,2 | 878,0 |

Rape.


No. 35-A.-Exports of seedb-contd.

## sesamum (Til or Jinjil).

(In hundreds of tons)

(a) Figures prior to 1021-22 represent Austria-Hungary.

## Groundnut.

| France | - | - - | - - . | . | 169,1 | 87,5 | 126.8 | 219.4 | 188, |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| United Klagdom | . | - . | . . . | $\cdot$ | 1,0 | 8,3 | 18,3 | 81.6 | 188,8 |
| Belgiom | . | . . | . - | - | 15,3 | 6 | 14,0 | 8,6 | 1,5 |
| Jtaly - | - | - . | - - - | - | \% | 2,0 | 14.6 | $8-8$ | 78,4 |
| Germany . | - | - | - . - | - | 7,4 | 8 | 12,2 | 48,1 | 97, ${ }^{\text {g }}$ |
| Netherlands | . | - . | . . . | - | 1 |  | 7.3 | 87,6 | 109,9 |
| Other countrisa | - | - | - - - |  | 17,3 | 18,6 | 7,0 | 0,6 | 21,6 |
|  |  |  | TOTAL | - | 211,8 | 118,7 | 105,2 | 488,0 | 546,6 |

Cotron.

| United KIngdom Other oountries | - | - | : |  |  | 233,2 8,8 | 06,6 $\mathbf{8 , 6}$ | 152,1 2,7 | 1,5 | 3,3 $8,3]$ |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  |  |  | Totas | , | 240,0 | 69,2 | 164,8 | 2,4 | 8,6 |

Castor.


No. 35-B.-Shares of princifal countries in the total value OF EXPORTS OF SEEDS.
(In thougands of Rupees)

(a) Figures prior to 1y21-22 represent Aluatrin-H ungary.

No. 36.-Exports of Rioe not in the husk.
(In thoncands of tons)


No. 37.-Exports of Wheat.
(In thousends of tone)


No. 38.-Exports of Lao.
(In owta.)


No. 39.-Exports of Indigo.
(In cwts)

| Coust | RIE9 |  | Pre-war average | War | Post-war | 1982.88 | 103s-34 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Indted Kingiom . . . . . |  |  | 8,388 | 14,455 | 012 | 60 | 110 |
| United States of America | - | - . | 1,154 | 6,648 | 22 |  | - |
| Egypt - . . | - | - - | 2,016 | 8,788 | 2,340 | 18 | 21 |
| Pensla - . | - | . - | 1,083 | 1,178 | 809 |  | 12 |
| Japan * - . | - | - - | 427 | 8,851 | 7,376 | 44 | 8 |
| Turkey, Asjatic (a) . | - | . . | 8,145 | 386 | 849 |  |  |
| Irsq. - . |  | - |  | 88 | 748 | 8 | ** |
| Other countries | - | - | 4,177 | 1,214 | 107 | 217 | 350 |
|  |  | Totar | 15,390 | 81,415 | 18,307 | 342 | 602 |

(a) Fignres prior to 1921-22 include Irsq.

## No. 40.-Exports of Opium

(in thousands of Rupaes)


Note, -This table excludes oplam exported on Government account.

> No. 41.-Exports of Hides and Skins
(In thousands of Ropces)


No. 41.-Exports of Hides and Skins-conte.


No. 42.-Exports of Manganese ore
(In thousands of tons)


No. 43.-Percentage of exports of certain princtpal crops to total PRODUCTION


No. 44.-Imports and Exports of Gold, Silver and Corrency Notes.
(In thousands of Kopees)




No. 44,-Imports and Exporis of Guld, Silver and Currenct Notes-concld.
(In thomeands of Rupees)



* Not recordod prior to 1022-28. Tbe ogras for post-wer average in columng 4 and $\theta$ repregent averago for two yoers, 1028-23 and 1023-24.

No. 45.-Net imports of Gold, Silver and Currency Notes in each month of cief year 1933-34.
an thoussadis of Rupecs)


No. 46.-Absorption of Gold (both coin and bullion) in India
(In lakhs of Rupees)


[^17]*Net exporta.

 OTe. - In these balances plus ( + ) slonnifes net export and minfic (-) net lmport
(a) Excludes transactions, such as gold Imported or exported on bohaif of the lsank of England, which do not enter Into India's Balance of Trade
 also excluded in 1918-19. The value of silver-other coln * exported to Ceylon on account of the Ceylon Government ( As (akhs) and that to the straite Settlements on account of tho Stralts Government ( A 24 lakhs) have been excluded in 1010-20. In 1020-21 the followingltems bave been ezcladed :-(1) the value of 'silver-other coln' Imported from Ceylon on account of the Ceylon Government (R3 lakhs), (2) the value of ' bilver-other cola' exported to Ceylon on accoune of the Ceylon Government ( F 10 lakhs) and to the Stralts Sottlements on account of the Stralta Government (Ein lakhs), and (3) the value of Straits dollars exported to the Stralts Settlemente on acconnt of the Stralts Goverament (R86 Iakhs). The Items orcladed In 1021-22 are:- (1) Import of silvor-other coln ' from Ceylon on account of the Ceylon Government (R4 lakhs), (2) export of silver-other coln to Ceylon on account of the Coylon Goverament (R3 lakhs), and (3) export of Straits dollars to the Straits Settlemontaonaccount of the Stralts Government (ill lakh). The value of Stralte doliara
(c) Exclusive of the value of rallway materials imported direct by State Rallwaye working under oompany management, which was not pald for in the ordinary. (d) Way and not therefore taken into accovnt in grriving at the Baisnce of Trade.
(d) Includen fis5 lakhs belng the funds supplied by Government to finance wheat parchases,

No. 48.-Drclared valute per untt of Prinotpal Imported artictes


No. 48.-Declared valok per unit of Prinoipal Imported articleścontinued


No. 49.-Deolared value per unit of Prinoipal Exported artioles


No. 49.-Declared value per untt or Principal Exported articlescontinued


No. b1.-Prices of cotron, raty and Inoex Numbers of cotton, raw and clota in Liverpool
(Compiled from F. W. Tattersall's Cotton Trade Review)


No. 52.-Statistics of Martime freights from Caloutta, Bombay, Karachi, Madras and Rangoon to London, Marseilles, Antwerp, Hamburg and Japan.

| Articles |  | Freiglits to | Rate per | 1914 | 1029 | 1030 | 1881 | 1982 | 1038 |  |  |  | 1084 |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  |  | April |  | Aprl! | Aprin | April | Aprlt | January | April | July | October | January | Aprll |
| $\begin{aligned} & \text { K } \\ & \text { © } \end{aligned}$ | Calcuta ${ }^{\text {a }}$ -Jute |  | London ${ }_{\text {L }}^{\text {Marseilles }}$ : | Ton of 50 c.ft. | \& d | \& e. d. | ¢ d ${ }^{\text {d }}$ | E s. d. | E s. d. | ¢ d. | £ . ${ }^{\text {d }}$ d. | \& d. ${ }_{\text {d }}$ | f 8  <br> 1 17  <br> 1 17  <br> 1 17 8 |  |  |
|  |  |  |  |  | $\begin{array}{lll}5 & 8 & 8 . \\ 1 & 13 & 9 \\ 1 \\ 1 & 13 & 9 \\ 1\end{array}$ | cccc | cccc | (1 17  <br> 1 17  <br> 1 17 8 | $\begin{array}{llll}1 & 16 & \\ 1 \\ 1 & 15 & 0 \\ 15\end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{llll}1 & 17 & 6 \\ 1 & 17 & 6 \\ 1\end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{llll}1 & 17 \\ 1 & 17 \\ 1 & 17 & 6 \\ 1 & \\ 18\end{array}$ |  |  | $\begin{array}{lll}1 & 17 & 6 \\ 1 & 17 & 6 \\ 1 & \\ 18 & \\ 1\end{array}$ |
|  |  | " |  | 1 1 <br> 1 8 <br> 1 8 <br> 1 0 | 1 1 1 1 130 | $\begin{array}{llll}1 & 18 & 9 \\ 1 & 10 & 0\end{array}$ | 1 11 8 <br> 1 7  | 1 1 1 18 8 | ${ }^{2} 118$ | 118 18 18 18 | ${ }_{1}^{1} 18$ 18 | 1 18 <br> 1 8 <br> 1 8 | 1 <br> 188 <br> 1 <br> 188 | ${ }_{1}^{1} 1818$ |
|  |  |  | Antwerp. | $\begin{array}{llll}1 & 2 & 0 \\ 1 & 2 & 0\end{array}$ | ${ }_{1}^{1} 1000$ | ${ }_{1}^{1} 100$ | 1 7 6 <br> 1 7  | 1180 | 111 1 1 7 |  | $\begin{array}{rrr}1 & 18 & 9 \\ 1 & 7 & 8\end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{r}1 \\ 1 \\ 18 \\ 18 \\ 1 \\ \hline\end{array}$ | ${ }_{1}^{1} 808$ | 1100 |
|  | LJnseed |  |  |  | $\begin{array}{rrr}1 \\ 1 & 8 & 8 \\ 1 & 8 & 0\end{array}$ | 10 1 1 1 8 88 | $\begin{array}{lll}1 & 8 & \\ 1 \\ 18 & 9 \\ 18\end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{lll}1 \\ 1 \\ 1 & 10 & 0 \\ 0\end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{lll}1 & 7 & 6 \\ 1 & 7 & 6 \\ \\ & 5 & \end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{llll}1 & 7 & 0 \\ 1 & 7 & 8\end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{lll}1 & 7 & 8 \\ 1 & 7 & 8 \\ & 7 & 8\end{array}$ | 1 1 1 780 | 170 | 1100 |
|  |  |  |  |  | $\begin{array}{lll}1 & 8 & 0 \\ 1 & 5 & 0\end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{lll}1 & 8 & 9 \\ 1 & 5 & 0\end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{lll}1 & 8 & 9 \\ 1 & 5 & 0\end{array}$ | ${ }_{1}^{1} 1080$ | 1 <br> 1 | .. | 18 | 17 | $\because$ | $\because$ |
|  |  | MareШles. Antworp |  | 100 | $\begin{array}{ll}1 & 5 \\ 1 & 5 \\ 1 & 5 \\ 0\end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{llll}1 & 5 & 0 \\ 1 & 5 & 0 \\ 0\end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{ccc}1 & 5 & 0 \\ 1 & 5 & 0 \\ 0 & 18 & \end{array}$ | 1 7 8 <br> 1 8  | 1 5 0 <br> 1 1 0 | $\because 0$ | . | 0 i8 |  | 0 'is 0 |
|  | $\begin{gathered} \text { Bombay- } \\ \text { Cotton } . \end{gathered}$ | Hamburg London$\qquad$ Antwerp : Humburg Japan - | Ton of" 40 c.ft. | $\begin{array}{cccc}1 & 2 & 0 \\ 0 & 12 & 0 \\ 0 & 11 & 6 \\ 0 & 16 & 6 \\ \text { R. } 17 & (6)\end{array}$ | 0 18 <br> 0 10 <br> 0 10 | $\begin{array}{lll}0 & 13 & \\ 0 & 13 \\ 0 & 18\end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{lll}0 & 18 \\ 0 & 18 & 0 \\ 0\end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{lll}1 & 8 & \\ 1 & 8 & 0 \\ 1 & 1 & 0\end{array}$ |  | $\begin{array}{lll}1 & 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 0\end{array}$ | $1{ }^{1}$ 's ${ }^{8} 0$ | $1{ }^{1} 1000$ |  |  |
|  |  |  | $\begin{gathered} \text { Ton of } 40 \text { c.ft. } \\ \text { "" } \\ \text { Bale } \end{gathered}$ |  | ${ }^{0} 170$ |  | ${ }^{0} 12178$ | $1{ }^{1} 120$ | $1{ }^{1} 100$ |  | ${ }^{1} 880$ | 100 | ${ }^{1} 100$ |  |
|  |  |  |  |  | Yen 4 -66 | Yen 4.60 | Yen 4.56 | Yon 4.56 |  | Yen $4 \cdot 5$. | yen |  | \& s. d. | ¢ ${ }_{0}$ d |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | $\begin{array}{llll}1 \\ 1 & 0 & 0\end{array}$ | 2 \%. ${ }^{\text {c }}$. | 0190 |  | $\begin{array}{lll}0 & 18 \\ 0 & 19 & 0 \\ 0 & \end{array}$ |
|  |  | ${ }_{\text {Marselles }}^{\text {London }}$ | Tod | $\begin{array}{lll}0 & 12 & 0 \\ 0 & 11 & 0\end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{llll}0 & 16 \\ 0 & 16 & 8 \\ 0\end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{llll}0 & 18 \\ 0 & 14 & \\ 0 & 14 & 0\end{array}$ | ${ }_{0} 1818$ |  | $1{ }^{1} 100$ | $\begin{array}{lll}1 & 8 & 0 \\ 1 & 0\end{array}$ | 180 | $\begin{array}{lll}019 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 0\end{array}$ | 11 | - 190 |
|  | Soeds ${ }_{\text {(18 }} \mathbf{c w t}$ |  | " | $\begin{array}{llll}0 & 11 & 0 \\ 0 & 11 \\ 0 & 10 \\ 0 & 10 & 0\end{array}$ | ${ }_{0}^{0} 1616$ | $0{ }_{0}^{0} 18$ 18 |  |  |  |  | 130 | $\begin{array}{lll}1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 16 & 0\end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{lll}1 & 1 & 0\end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{llll}0 & 19 & 0 \\ 0 & 15 & 0\end{array}$ |
|  | and over) | Antwerp Mamburg: <br> Handon | " |  | 0 0 0 170 | $\begin{array}{llll}0 & 14 \\ 0 & 14 \\ 0 & 0\end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{cccc}0 & 17 \\ 0 & 17 & 6 \\ 0\end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{llll}1 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 10 & 0\end{array}$ | - 1 | $\begin{array}{llll}1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 17 & 0\end{array}$ |  |  | $\begin{array}{llll}1 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 18 & 0\end{array}$ |  |
|  | Llight seeds |  | " | $\begin{array}{ccc}0 & 10 \\ 0 & 10 \\ 0 & 10 & 0 \\ 0 & 10\end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{llll}0 & 13 & 6 \\ 0 & 13 & 0\end{array}$ | 0 | $\begin{array}{llll}0 & 15 & 0 \\ 0 & 13 & 0\end{array}$ | $\left\{\begin{array}{l}1 \\ 1\end{array} 88\right.$ | 0180 | 200 | - | 0160 | $\left(\begin{array}{lll}0 & 19 & 0 \\ 1 & 5 & 0\end{array}\right.$ | $)^{0160}$ |
|  | and under) | London: | " | 0100 |  | 015 | 1500 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  | $\underset{\substack{\text { Madras- } \\ \text { Groundnuts }}}{\text { and }}$ | Marseillea . | " | 126 | $1 \begin{array}{lll}1 & 5 & 0\end{array}$ |  |  |  |  | $\begin{array}{lll} 1 & 2 & 2 \\ \text { nominai. } \end{array}$ | ${ }_{\text {nominal }}^{2}{ }^{2}$ | $\stackrel{1}{1} 2{ }_{\text {nomlaal. }}^{6}$ | $\left\{\begin{array}{lll}10 & 8 \\ 1 & 6 & \\ \end{array}\right.$ | $\}^{1} 20$ |
|  | Karachi- |  | " | $0 \stackrel{(a)}{12} 0$ | 0176 | 0150 | 0160 | 018 6 |  | 110 | 160 | 0190 | 110 | 100 |
|  | Barley $(16 \mathrm{cmb}$ ) | London . |  |  |  |  |  |  | 0196 |  |  |  |  | $150$ |
|  |  |  | " | 138 | $16^{8}$ | 0100 | 1 ® 0 | 176 | 176 | 176 | 150 | 120 | 168 |  |
|  |  | United King dom. <br> Hamburg . |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | $170$ |
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Nors.--Tbe intes quoted are thone for the nrst weok of each month.
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## No. 53.-Indian Sea and Land Customs Revenoe (excluding Salt Revenue)

 Act, I931, the Indian Fifance (Supplementary and Extendiag) Act, 1931 and in the Indian Finance Act, 1833 subject to such exceptlons as have been mentioned Act, 1831
therein.


No. $\mathrm{b}_{3}$.-Indian Sea and Land Customs Revenue (excloding Salt Revenue)-contū.


Gronp FII－Daty at 30 per cent or preferential daty at 20 per cent－
Articles of food and drink
Raw materials and articles mainly unimanufactared Raw materials and articles mainly nnmanufactared Articies wholic rubber tyres and tabes Miscellaneous

Group VIII－Duty at special ratea or preferential duty at lower rates－ Confectionery
Ale and beer
Rum，bitters and perfumed and medicinal spirfte
Splces，ungronnd
Teabacco，unmanufactured
Tobacco，unm
Lubricating Oll pritar thereof
iotor ornilbuses，chassla，vans and parta $\quad$.
Electric llahting bulbe
Cinema films not expose
mokers requiaties
oys，games and sports goors
ion ins
ctals－ron and ateel ．
Iletelnuts
Other articles
Government Stores（inoluding Importa by Stato Radlwayt）－ Articies llable to protective duties－

## Iron and Steal－

## Lalile to edditional dutles－

Ot Britlsh manufacture
Not of 13 ritish manufacture Fot liable to ndditional dnties
Paper and atationery
Knil way plant and rolling stock（non－protective） Others

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| $$ |  |  |  <br>  |  |
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No. 53.-Indian Sea and Land Customs Revenue (excluding Salt Revenue)-conelf.
(In thousarde of Rupess)


[^18]Part I.-Articles which are free of duty

\begin{tabular}{|c|c|c|c|}
\hline No. \& Names of Artlcles \& No. \& Names of Articles \\
\hline \multirow[b]{3}{*}{\({ }_{1.1}^{1}\)} \& 1,-Yood, Drink and Tobacto- \& \& MISCRLLANEOUS-contd. \\
\hline \& \multirow[t]{2}{*}{\begin{tabular}{l}
Норя. \\
Graln and pulse, all sorts, Including broken gralns and pulse, but oxcluding wheat (which Ls dutiable at Rs. 2 per cowt.) and Hour (see Nos. 11 and 88).
\end{tabular}} \& \multirow[t]{2}{*}{\[
\begin{aligned}
\& 10 \mathrm{~A} \\
\& 10 \mathrm{~B}
\end{aligned}
\]} \& Rubber stumps, rubber seeds and raw rubber. \\
\hline \& \& \& \begin{tabular}{l}
Stlek or Sced Lac. \\
Ith.-Artictes wholly os uainiy manulactured-
\end{tabular} \\
\hline \multirow[t]{5}{*}{18
2

81} \& \multirow[t]{4}{*}{| Sago flour. |
| :--- |
| Salt I mported into British India and issued, In accordance withrules made with the previous ganctlon of the Governor-Gencralin Council, for use in any process of manufacture; also salt tmported Into the port of Caloutta and Issued with the sanction of the Government ware; also salt Imported Into any port In the provinces of Bengal and Bihar and Orlssa and Issued, in accordance with rules made Qeneral la Conneli, for use in curing figh In those provintes. |
| (For the general duty on salt, see No. 35.) |} \& \multirow{3}{*}{11} \& APPAREL <br>

\hline \& \& \& Uoliorms and accuutrements appertainlag thereto, Inported by a public servant for als persodal use. <br>
\hline \& \& \& ARMS, AMMONITION AND MILITARY <br>

\hline \& \& 12 \& | The following Arns, Ammualtion and Nillitars Stores:- |
| :--- |
| (a) Arms forming part of the regular equipment of $n$ commissloned or gazetted oflcer in His Majesty's servica entitled to wear diplomatic, milltary, naval, noyal Alr Force or police unfiorm. | <br>


\hline \& | It. Rhaw maticrians uesd protuce and afficles mainly mnamutacturet- |
| :--- |
| DYES AND COLOURS | \& \&  <br>

\hline \multirow[t]{3}{*}{9A} \& Barks for tanding.
HIDES A \& \& accompany joty's regular forces, or of the Indian Auxillary Force or the <br>
\hline \& HIDES \& \& Indinu Territorlal Force or a gazetted <br>
\hline \& MIdes and Sklns, raw or salted. \& \& commandant of the corps to which <br>
\hline \multirow[t]{2}{*}{8} \& metallic ores \& \& such oflucer belongs, or, in the case of an onlicer teot attached to any corps, <br>
\hline \& allic Ores, all sorts, exeept ochres and oth \& \& by the offlcer commanding the station
or district in whle such oller 18 <br>
\hline \multirow[t]{3}{*}{4
5} \& gruent ores. \& \& orerving or, in the case of a pollce omer by an ingector-General or <br>
\hline \& PRECLOUS STONES AND \& \& Oillicer, <br>
\hline \& Precious Stones, unset and tmported uncut, \& \& ed by the oflcer for the purpose of hils oquipment. <br>
\hline \multirow[t]{2}{*}{5} \& d Pearls, unset. \& \& (c) Swords for presentation as army or volunteer prizes. <br>
\hline \& SEEDS \& \& (d) Arms, ammunition and military stores Imported with the sanction of the <br>
\hline \multirow[t]{2}{*}{0} \& Oll-seeds Imported Into British India by sea from the territories of any Prince or Chief in Indla. \& \& Goverament of Iadia for the use of any portion of the millary forces of a state in India belog a ualt notifind <br>

\hline \& | Indla. |
| :--- |
| tallow, stealine and wax | \& \& a State in india belag arat schedule tur the Indlan Extradltion Act, 1003 (XV of 1903). <br>

\hline dA \& Tollow. ${ }^{\text {textile materials }}$ \& \& (c) Jorris tubes and patent ammunition imported by officers commanding British and Iudtan regimeats or voluntecr corps for the lastruction of their men. <br>

\hline 8 \& | Wool, raw, and Wool-tops. |
| :--- |
| MSCELEANEOUS | \& \& micals, drugs and medicines <br>

\hline \multirow[t]{4}{*}{88} \& Chinn Clay \& 13 \& Antl-plague serum. <br>
\hline \& danures,
and the followidg, chemical minnures :-- Basic \& \& leachlog pasteand bleachin <br>
\hline \& slag, nitrate of ammonla, ditrate of soda, sulphate of a mmonda, \& 18A \& bark and the alkalolds extracted <br>
\hline \& murfiate of potash, kalnit salts, carliollulic, urea, nitrate of jine, calcium cyanamide, ammonlum phosphates and mineral thosphates and mineral suberphosphates. \& 14 \& Cinchona bark auding quinine and alkalolds derlved from other ources which are chemcally ldentical with alkalolds extracled from Clnchona bark. <br>
\hline 10 \& Encs and other paper-makiog materials excluding wood pulp. \& 14B \& Sulphur. <br>
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\end{tabular}

*Asin oprration on 1st May, $113+$.
A.B.-A surcharge of 26 per cent is impused under bealog ot yer cent ad oatortm in adanion to tho aderted in Extending) Act, 1031 on all Customs daties imposed under section 4 ors. Exemptions from Custous inportand export dicluded in this schedule. foot-notes agafnat the respectivo the Sas Customs Act VIlI of 187\%, havo not powers conferred ay ae,
for the actual rates of duty la forco, oids

## No 54.- JMPORT TARIFF-ontd.

Part I.-Articles which are free of duty-contd.


- Under Government of Indle, Finance Department (Central Kevenues), Notlicatlons Nos. 87 and 41, dated the 13th September and wath Novemiter, 1y30, reapectively, tho followiug agricultiral machlaea and impleinente, namely, fame throwers for attachment to spraylng machlnes dealgoed for the oxterminatiou of locusta, and istex cups, aro exempt from payment of import duty.

Part II.-Articles which are liable to non-protective duty at special rates.

| NO. | Names of Articles | Unit or method of assessment | Rate of duty |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | I- Rood, Drlak and TobaccoFISR |  |  |
|  |  |  |  |
|  | Fish, salted, wet * . . . | Indian maund of 823 lbs. avolrdupols Welght. | Such rate of rates of duty not excceding one rupee as the Governor-Generalin Council may, by notlocation in the Gazelle of India, from time to time, pre scribe; "pius 5 per oent ad oalortio. |

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## No. 54.-IMPORT TARIFF-contd.

Part II.--Articles which are liable to non-protective duty at special rateecontd.


No. 54.-IMPORT TARIFF-contd.
Part II.-Articles which are liable to non-protective duty at special rateg contl.


[^20]No. 54.-IMPORT IARITA-contd.
Part II.-A Articles which are liable to non-protective duty at special rates... conld.

$\dagger$ Exempt from the surcharge of 25 per cant Imposed under section of the Indian Elosince (Supplemontary and Extendjag) Act, 1031.

No. 54.-IMPORT TARIFF-contd.
Part II.-Articles which are liable to non-protective duty at special ratesconcld.


- Exempted from the additional dutiea impreed by Section 4 of Indian Finance Act, 1931 and the Indian Finance (Supplementary and Extendjag) $\lambda$ ct. $10: 1$. + Exempt from the surcharge of 25 per cent imposed under Section 4 of the Indan Finance (gupplementary and Extending Act, 1081.


## Part III.-Articles which are liable to duty at $2 \frac{1}{2}$ per cent ad valoren.



No. 54.-MMPORT TARIFF-contd.
Part IV.-Articles which are liable to duty at 10 par cent* ad valorem.

| No. | Names of Articles |
| :---: | :---: |
| 58 | 1I.-Raw materials and produce and articles malaly unmanulactured- |
|  | METALLIO ORES AND SCRAP IRON OR STEEL, FOR RE-MLANUFACTURE |
|  | Iron or stcel, old. |
|  | 14.-Articles wholly or majoly menufacturedDYES AND COLOURS |
| $\begin{array}{r} 88 \mathbf{4} \\ \dagger \end{array}$ | Dyes derived from Coal tar, and Coal tar derivathee used in any dyclng process. |
|  | OUTLERY, HARDWARE, IMPLEMENTS AND INSTLUMENTS |
|  |  |

Telegraphlo instrumenta and apparatus, and parts thereof imported by, or under the orders of, a rallway administration.

## MAOHINERY

60 A Machinery, namely, such of the following srticles as are not otherwise speclited :-
(1) prime-movers, bollers, locomotive engincs and tendere for the same, porta ble englnes (Including power-driven road rollers, lire engines and tractors), and other machines In which the prime-mover is not separable from the operative parts;
(2) machines and sets of machines to be worked by electric, steam, water, fre or other power, not belog manual or animal labour, or which belore being brought Into use require to be fixed with reference to other moving parta;
(3) apparatus and appliances, not to be operated by manual or anlmal labour, which are designed for use in an induetrial system as parts Indlspensable for its operation and have been given for ahat purpose some spectal shape or quality which would not be essedtlal for their use for any other purpose;
(4) control gear, self-acting or otherwise, and transmlaston-gear designed for use with any machinery above specified, including belting of all materials(other than cotton, halr aud canvas ply) and drlving cbaina, but excluding driving ropes not made of cotton:
(5) bate hard-drawn electrolytic copper wirea and cables and other electrical wires and cables, insulated or not; and poles, troughe, condults and insulators desjgned as parts of a transmission systen, and the tittings thereof.
Note.-The term 'Industrialsystem' used insubclause ( 8 ) means an installation designed to be employed directiy in the parformance of any process or serica of processes necessary for the manufacture, production or extraction of any commodilty.

All articles except dyea and colours comprised in Item No. 68A and Machinery comprised in items Nos. 594 69B, 590 and 60 D under this head are liable to an additional duty of $8+$ par cent ad valorem from lst March, 1031,

+ Exempt from the surcharge of 25 per cent imposed under aection af the Indian Finance (Supplemen: tary and Extending) Act, 1081


## No. 54.-IMPORT TARIFF-contd.

Part IV.-Articles which are liable to duty at 10 per cent* ad valorem-condd.

| No. | Names of Articl es | No. | Names of Artictes |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | 1II.-Artieles wholly or mainly manufactured - contd. |  | RAILWAY PIANT AND ROLLING-STOCKconcld. |
|  | RALLWAY PLANT AND ROLLING-STOCK contd. |  | Provided that articles wheh do not entisfy the condition shall also be deenied to be component parts of the railway material to which |
|  | Provided that for the purpose of this eatr: "railway' weans a hine of railway subject to the pruvilions of the Indian lidilwaye Act, 1890 , and includes a railway construeted in $n$ State in ludla and atso such traturays as th: |  | they belong, if they nie essential to its operntion sad are imported with it $\ln$ sucb guantities as may appear to the Collector of Customs to be reasonable. |
|  | Gosernor-Gearal in Councll may, by notincation in the Gazette of Iridiu, spectically iociude therein: <br> Provided aiso that articlis of machenery as | C | Ships and ot her vessels for inland and harbour navigation, including steauers, launches, boats and barges imported eutire or io sections: |
|  |  deemed to be itucluded hercuadcr. |  | Frovided that artioles of tuachinery as defioed |
| 68. | Componerit Parts of Rallway Materings, as debned in No. 63, namely, such parts only as are essential for the working of rallmays aud hare beeti glven for that purpose some special shape or quality which would not be essentlal for their use for any other purpose : |  | tu No. 50 A or No. 5!D shath, when separately hoported, not be deemed to be lacluded hereunder. |

* All articleq ander this bead are liahle to an additional duty of 21 per cent ad ealorim from 1 st March, 1981.

Part V.-Articles which are liable to duty at 15 per cent* ad valorem.


- All artleles under thls head oxcept raw hemp comprised in the item No. 78 are llable to an addational

[^21]
## No. 54.-IMPORI T.ARIFF-contd.

Part V.-Articles which are liable to duty at 15 per cent* ad valormcontd.


* Allarticles onder this head except raw hemp comprised in the them No. 33 are liable to an additional daty of 5 per cent ad ralorem from lst March, 1081.

No. 54.-IMPORT TARIFF-contd.
Part V.-Articles which are liable to duty at 15 per cent* ad valoremconcld.

| No. | Nsmes of Articles | No. | Names of Artlcles |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | MISCELLANBOUS-contd. |  | MISCRLLAN EOUS - concld. |
| 100A | Fireworks speclally prepared as danger or distress llghts for the use of ships. | 116 | Soap not otherwise specifled |
| 107 | Furniture, tackle and spparel, not otherwise described, for ateam, galling, rowing and other vessels. | 118 | Stone and Marble, and articlem inade of stone and marble, but excluding etone propared a for road metalling. |
|  |  | 110 | Tos chesta and parte and fittinga thereof. |
|  | Mats and Mattinge not otherwiee apecified. | 180 | All other articles wholly or malniy manafao |
| 1084 | Nowspapert, old, in balea and bags, |  | tured, not ctherwise epecifled. |
| 109 | Ollcales. |  |  |
| 118 | Perfumery, not otherwise specifled. |  |  |
| 118 | Pltch and tar. |  | IV.-Miscollaneous and znclasginot-0 |
|  |  | 121 | Coral. |
| 114 | Pollahes and compositions. | 128 | All other articlea not otheryise specligd. |
| 115 | 8late pencile. |  | including articles imported by post. |

Part VI.—Articles which are liable to duty at 30 per cent $\dagger$ ad valorem.

| KO. | Rames of Articles | No. | Hames of Artioles |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 1244 | I. -Tood, Driut and Tobacoo- <br> SPICES <br> The following Sploes, when not unground namely:- <br> Cardamomn, cassia, cinnamon, clovee, nintmege and pepper. | 128 | CUTLERY, HARDWARE, IMPLEMENTS AND INSTRUMENTS |
|  |  |  | Clocks and Watches and parta thercot. |
|  |  | 129 | Articles, other than entlery and surgical labtruments, plated with gold or allver. |
|  |  | 180 | The following Muaical Instramente, namely complete organs and harmoniome and records for talking machinet. |
|  |  |  | METALS |
| 125 | ARMS, AMMUNITTON AND MLITARY | 181 | Gold plate, gold leaf and gold manufaco tures, all sorts, not otherorise specified. |
|  | Gunpowder for cannons, rifles, gung, pletols and sporting purposes. | 182 | Bliver plate, and ellver manulachures, all sorts, not otherwise specllled. |
| 120 | Save where athorwise speclfied, all articles which are arms or parts of arms within the mesning of the Indian Arms Act, 1878 (excluding springs used for alr-guns) all tools |  | MISCELLANEOUS |
|  | used for cleantug or putting together the | 184 | Banglen, beade and falso pearla. |
|  | bame, all machines for making, loading. closing or capping cartindges for arme ot ber | 1844 | Cinematograpb film, exposed. |
|  | than rified armes and all other sorts of am. munition and millitary stores, and ony artlcles which the Governor-General in Counch | 185 | Flreworks, not otherwise speclifed (se No. 108-A). |
|  | may, by notilication In the Gazelte of India, declare to be ammunition or military stores for the purposes of this Act. | 186 | Ivory, manufactured, not otherwhe speolled |
|  |  | 187 | Jewellery and Jewels. |
| 127 | Chemidals, drugs and kedicines Camphor. | 198 | Prints, engravings and pictures (Includitg photographs and pleture post cards), noi otherwlse specified. |

[^22]
## No. 54.-IMPORT TARIFF-contd.

Part VII.-Articles which are liable to protective duty at special ratee.


[^23]No. 54.-IMPORT TARIFF--ronti.

Part VII. - Articles which are liable to protective duty at special rates contl.


[^24]
## No. 54.-IMPORT TARIFF-contd.

Part VII.-Articles which are liable to protective duty at special ratescontd.

| No. | Names of artlcles. | Rate of dury, |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| $\underset{\text { ooneds. }}{150-}$ | METALS-IRON AND STERL- oonoid. <br> Iron of Stbel Railway Trade Material-contd. <br> (b) under 30 lbs. por yard, aud fish-plates, therefor- <br> If of British manufacture <br> If not of British manufacture | Bs. 26 per ton. Rs. 37 per ton. |
|  | B.-Swltehes and crossings inciuding stretcher bars and other component parte, and awitches and crossings Including atretcher bara and other component parta for tramway rails the heads of which are not grooved- <br> (i) for ralls 30 lbe , per yard and over <br> (Ii) for ralls undor 30 lbs per yardof Britlah manufacture | Rs. 14 per ton or 17 per cent ad valorem; whichever is higher. <br> Rs. 29 perten or 17 per cent ad valorem, whichever ls higher. |
|  | not of British menufacture <br> O.-Sleepers other than cast Iron <br> D.-Splifee (other than dogspiles) and tie-bars- | Rs. 29 per ton or 17 per cent ad valoreyn, whichever is higher, plua Rs. 12 per ton. <br> Rs. 10 per ton or 10 par cent ad valor(en, whichever ls higher. |
|  | of British manufacture . . . . | Mr. 26 per ton. |
|  | not of British manufacturo . . | Rs. 87 per ton. |
|  | E_-Dogsplies . . . . . . . | 3. 2-4 par ow |
|  | F.-Glbs, cotters, keys, distance pleoes and other fastonings for ase with Iron or eteel aleepars. | . |
| 151 | Steel, angle and tce, not otherwise speclifed (ase No. 237) and beam, channel, zed, trough and plling- |  |
|  | (a) fabricated- <br> (i) of British mandfacture | Rs. 21 per ton or 17 per cent ad valorem, wildchevor ls higher. |
|  | (iI) not of British manufacture | Rs. 21 per ton or 17 per cent ud valorem, whichever fs bigher, pius Rs. 15 per ton. |
|  | (b) not fabrica |  |
|  | ( l ) of British manufacture | f. 19 pet ton. |
|  | (il) not of British manufacture . . . . . | s. 80 per ton. |
| 152 | STBEL, bar and rod, not othorwlige specified (ses No. 287)- |  |
|  | (i) of Britlsh manufacture | Rs, 96 per ton. |
|  | (if) not of Britioh manafacture . . . . . | . 3 |
| 163 | STBEL STRCOTURES, fabricated partially or wholly, not othorwise specified, if made malnly or wholly of steel-bars, gectlons, plates or ghects, for the construction of bulldings, bridges, tanks, well curbs, trestles, towers and sfimitar structures or for parta thereot, but not lacluding builderab hardware (zee No. 186: ar ar $\bar{y}$ of the artleles specified in Nos. 50A, 59D, 64, 87,182 or 230- |  |
|  | (i) of Brltish manufacturo. | Rs. 21 per ton or 17 per cout ad valorem, whlchever is higher. |
|  | (it) not of British manufacture <br> STEEL, thaplates and tinned sheets, Including tin taggers and cuttinge of such plates, sheets or taggers. | Rs. 81 per ton or 17 per cent ad ralorem, whichever is ligher, pitt Rs. 15 per ton. <br> Rs. 68 per ton. |

Part VII.-Articles which are liable to protective duty at speoial rates-contd,


The amendment made by Section 2 of the fadian Tarlf (Textile Prolection) Amendment Act, 1984 ghall bave of
 and Eatending) Act; 1081.

## No. 54.-1MPORT TARIFF-contd.

Part VII.-Articles which are lisble to protective duty at special rates-contd.

$\dagger$ Exempt from the durcharge of 25 per cent impored under Section 4 of the Indian finance (Supplementary and Extending) Act, 1081.

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\text { No. } 54 .- \text { IMPORT TARIFF-contd. }
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Pabt VII.-Articles which are liable to protective duty at special ratesconcld.


[^25] Extending) Act, 1681.

No. 54.-IMPORT TARIFF-contd.
Part VIII.*-Articles which are liable to duty at 30 per cent ad valorem or to preferential duty at 20 per cent.


- Exempt from the additlonal dities Impused under geotion 4 of the Indian Finance 4 ct, 1931.

No. 54.-IMPORT TARIFE-contd.
Part VIII.*-Articles which are liable to duty at 30 par cent ai valorsm or to preferential duty at 20 per cent-contd.


[^26]
## No. 51.-IMPORT TARIFT-contd.

Part VIII.*-Articles which are liable to duty at 30 per cent ad valorem or to preferential duty at 20 per cent-contd.


- Exempt from the additional dutles imposed under flection 4 of the Indtad Finance Act, 1081.


## No. 54.-IMPORT TARIFF-conte.

Part VIII.*-Articles which are liable to duty at 30 per cent ad valorem of to preferential duty at 20 per cent-contd.


- Exempt from the additional dnties impoeed onder Section 4 of the Indian finanoo Act, 1091.

No. 54.-IMPORT TARIET-conld.
Part VIII.*-Articles which are liable to duty at 30 per cent ad valorem or to preferential duty at 20 per cent-contd.

(i) for use with tea cupe or coffee co
capacity of more than 7 오 078 .

- Exempt from the additional dutiea imposed under Section 4 of the Indian Finsees $A c t, 1981$.


## No. E4.-IMPORT TARIFF-oontd.

Part VIII.*-Articles which sre liable to duty at 30 per cent ad valorem or to preferential duty at 20 per cent.-conid.

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\hline \multirow[b]{2}{*}{\begin{tabular}{l}
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1
\end{tabular}} \& \multirow[b]{2}{*}{Names of saticis.

2} \& \multirow[b]{2}{*}{| Standard mice ol duty. |
| :--- |
| 3 |} \& \multicolumn{2}{|l|}{Preferential rate of duty tit tho artacle is the produca or nianufacture of -} <br>

\hline \& \& \& The Enited Eincion. 4 \& A Britin Colony. 5 <br>

\hline \multirow[t]{7}{*}{1912} \& | III.-Articles whoty or mainty manfactured-oonbd, RARTHENWARS AND PORCELAIK-contd. |
| :--- |
|  |
| (c) Teapots- |
| (3) having a expactity of more than 20 oxd. | \& 30 per oent or taree rapees per tosen, whicterer ts hegher. \& 20 per cent . \& - <br>

\hline \& (ii) having s ceppelty of more than 10 ons. and not more than 20 esa. \& so per cent or tweatyfors snnas per comen, whichever is nigher. \& 20 per cent . \& - <br>

\hline \& (iit) having a capsefty of eot more than 10 oxs. . \& | 30 |
| :--- |
| per cent or t alve An五 per dozen, whicher or Is higher. | \& 20 per cent . \& - <br>

\hline \& (d) Sugarbowls $\quad$ - $\quad . \quad$. \& 30 par cent or triestyfour andat per dozen, whichever is highar. \& 20 per cent . \& ** <br>
\hline \& (c) Jugs having a capacity of aver 10 ozs. \& 30 pet cent or twelve a $\boldsymbol{1}$ a per dozen, whfeheryet is higher. \& 20 per cent. \& - <br>

\hline \& | (f) Piater over 51 inchea in dinmeter- |
| :--- |
| (i) over 8 f neher in diameter | \& 30 per ment or aixieen - B ( A jer cozen, whiney at is bigher. \& 20 per cent \& ** <br>

\hline \& (ii) Not oyer at inches for Alameter. \& 30 cent per ten andas per dozen, Whtchey es is higher. \& 20 per cent. \& ** <br>
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[^27]No. 54.-TMPORT TARIFF-contd.
Parf VIIL.*-Articles which are liable to duty at 30 par eent ad ealorem or to preferential duty at 20 per cent-contd.


* Brompt from tane additional duties lmpesed under Section 4 of the Indian Finanee Act, 1981.

No. 54.-IMPORT TARIFF-contd.
Part VIII.*-Articles which are liable to duty at 30 per cent ad valorem or to preferential duty at 20 per cent-concld.


- Exampt from the additional datien Impoeed under section 4 of the Indian Finance Act, 1991.

No. 54.-IMPORT TARIFF-contd.
Part IX.*-Articles which are liable to duty at special rates or to preferential duty at lower rates.


* Exempt from the additional dutlea Imposed under Section 4 of the Indlan Finance Act, 1981.

No. 54.-IMPORT TARIFF—contd.
Part IX.*-Articles whioh are liable to duty at apeoial rates or to preferential duty at lower rates-contd.


- Exempt from the additional duties fonpoed noder Section 4 of the Indian Finabce Act, 1081.

Na. b4.-IMPORT TARIFF-contd.
Part IX.*-Artioles which are liable to duty at special rates or to preferential duty at lower rates-conid.


F Exempt fram the additional duties impesed under geetion 4 of the Indian Finaneo Aet, 1081.

No. 54.-MMPORT TARIFF-conta.
Part IX.*-Articles which are liable to duty at special rates or to preferential duty at lower rates-contd.


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## No. 54.-IMPORT TARIFF-contd.

Pabt IX.*-Articles which are liable to duty at special rates or to preferential duty at lower rates-contd.


* Exempt from the additional dutiea imposed under section of the Indian Finance Act, 1981.


## No. 54.-IMPORT TARIFF-concld.

Part IX.*-Articles which are liable to duty at special rates or to preferential duty at lower rates-concld.

| $\mathbf{N O}$ | Nambe of artiofor\& | Onit or method of escossment. <br> 5 | Standard rate of duky. | Preferentisi rate of duty it thit article is the prodere or Disnufactore at- |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  |  |  | The United Kingdem. <br> 6 | $A$ Brite Colony. <br> 6 |
|  | III.-Articlus wholly or mainly mantifacturedconcld. <br> TEXTILE FABRICS-conta. |  |  |  |  |
| 258B | Woozena fabricy, not othervise spectifed, can-能inligy more than foper sent of wool excluding felt and fabries made of shoddy or Waste mool. | Ad palorem. | 95 per cent ot alghteen annas per 1 lb. whleb. कytr is highor. | 25 per cent | * |
| 2850 | Fafrics not otharwiss specifed, contalning not more than 10 par ent allk or 10 per cent. artifleial slik, but contalning more than 10 per cent bat not more than poper cent wrol. | Ad atorim. | 35 per cent | 25 par cent | ** |
| 2881 | RrBmoss . . . . . . . | Ad cricremt. | 50 par cent | 40 par seat | ** |
| 2838 | Souks mad stockinga, made wholly or mataly from ally or artificin gilk. | $4{ }^{4}$ natorem. | 50 per cent | 40 per cent | * |
| 2985 | FBNTS not oxceediog 4 yds. In ingth being bont fide remnants of plesegoods or elher fabics. | Ad walorm. | 35 per cent | 96 per cont | ** |
| 288\% | APPAREL, hostery, taburdashery, milinery, Irspery, hats, caps, bonncts sud hatier': Ware, not otherwise specifled. | Ad palorm. | 35 per ment | 25 per cent | 25 pez cent. |
| 2387 | Texitis manufactares, not otherwlse speciffed | Ad selorent. | 35 per cent | 25 per cent | ** |
|  | MSCELLANEOOS. |  |  |  |  |
| 250 | Abpeale . * . . . . | 4d vatorem | 28 per cent. | ** | 16 persent. |
| 240 |  | 4divalorem | 23 par cent. | 15 per cent | ** |
| 240 A | The following giant making matertals, vir, Hquid gold and copered crubitles for glats mating. | 4d valorem | 25 par cent. | 15 per cent | ** |
| 848 | Partind cement exclading white Portiand cement. | Ton * | R4. 18-4-0 | R9.18.12-0 | * |
| 242 |  | Ads sadorem | 35 per sent or B8. 20 per owt. whlehever 18 Higher. | 25 ger cent | ** |
| 148 | Smokera' requiaties exoluding tobaceo and materem. | Adzalorem | 50 per cent | 40 per cent | ** |
| 244 | Toys, gamet, playlig eards and requititea for game and sportas, blrd sbot, toy cannong, airgone and ate pistols for the thme belog excluded In ang part of British India trom the operation of all the proh!bltions and directions contalaed in the Indian armas Act, 1878, and boFe and arrome. | Adi valorm | 50 per dent | 40 per cent | * |
|  | MTSCRELANEOUS AND ONOLASSIEIED |  |  |  |  |
| 246 | Beteinnte . . . . . . | Aduatorem | 45 dar cent | * | 87 yer sont |

[^29]EXPORT TARIFF


Rates of Excise duty on Salt, Silver, Motor Spirit, Kerosene, Sugar and Matches as on the 1st April 1934.

-Includes a surcharce of 25 per cent, ride Section 5 of the Indian Finance (8upplementary and Extending) Act, 1081,

+ Fite Section 7 of the Inden Finance Act, 1934.
In accordanco with Sugar (Excige Duty) Act, 1084.
§ In accordance with Matehes (Exoise Duty) Act, 1984.

No. b5.-Share of eace provinor in the total entries and clearances of vesself
(In thousands of tons)


No. 56.-Number and tonnage of vessels engaged in the foreign sea-borne trade which entered and cleared at ports in British India
(In thousande of tona)


* Unif one American vessel with etonnage of 1.728 entered in the Fear 1012-18,

No. 56.-Number and tonnag of vesgele engaged in the forkion sea-borne trade which entired and oleared at ports in Britise India -continued.
(In thonaside of tons)


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## Registration Stations

For complation parposce the reglatration stations have been divided into three groups.
Group (a) comprises the rall route whlch blfurcates into the Nushkl-Duzdap extension and the trade lowards Kandahar. Thla group will include trado with Persia and Weatern and Southera Algbanistan. The following atations aro included in it :-

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1. Zaluldan (formerly Duxdap).
2. Mirjawa.
3. Nok-kundi.
4. Dalbandlu.
6. Padag Road.*
0. Ahmedwal.
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7. Nushki
8. Quetta.
9. Bostan
10. Gulistan.
11. Obaman.

Group (b) comprises the trade througli tho North. West Frontier Province and the Puajab wlth Northern and Fastern Afghanistan, with Kashmir, add through them sith Centia) Asis and Turkistan. The following stations aso Inciuded in this group:-

1. Ghardghat.
2. Bhakkar.
3. Darya Khan.
4. Pozu.
5. Tank.
6. Manzal (formerly Giral Road).
7. Laklmarwat.
8. Banna.
9. Thal.
10. Kohat Cantonment.
11. Pabbl.
12. Peghar Cantonment.
13. Peshawar City.
14. Khairabad.
15. Nowshera.
16. Mardan.
17. Takhtibhai.
18. Durgai.
19. Havellan
20. Ravalpindi.
21. Jammu (Tawl)
22. Pathankote
23. Hoshlarpur
24. Harlpur Hazara.
25. Damel,
26. Sarna.
27. Suchetgarh.
28. Ranbiringhpara
29. Miran Sahib.
30. Jammu Cantonment.
31. Parachinar. ardan.

Group (c) comprises the trade through the United Provinces, Blhar and Orlssa, Bcogal and Assam, with Tlbet, Nepa!, Sikkim and Bhatan, The following stations are inoluded in this group:-

1. Ramnagar.
S. Tanakpur.
2. Katarnian Ghat.
3. Nalpalganj Road
4. Uska Bazar.
5. Bridgmanganj.
6. Roxaul.
7. Bairagnta.
8. Janakpur Road.
9. Jaynagar.

Temporarily closed.
12. Bhaptishl.
18. Nautama
14. Jogbanl.
16. Naksalbarl.
10. Gaigalia
17. Ghum.
18. Gielle Khola (formerly Kallmpong Road),
10. Kalimpong.
20. Nagrakata.
21. Carron.
22. Banarhat.
23. Salkhowaghat.
[All quantities in mands, except treasure】

IMPORTS

| ARTIOLES | 103t-32 | 1032-88 | 1933-34 | ARTIOLES | 1031-82 | 1082-38 | 1033-34 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Grem and Pulso- <br> Wheat- |  |  |  | Grain and Pulsocontd. Rice, husked- |  |  |  |
| Group (a) | 8,425 | 28,800 | 26,248 | Group (a) . | 604 | 486 | 053 |
| 31 (b) | 60,088 | 211,878 | 138,839 | $n$ (b) | 28,081 | 14,848 | 8,604 |
| \# (c) . | 60,218 | 128,600 | 173,223 | $n$ (c) . | 1,529,67 | 1,765,488 | 1,148,682 |
|  |  |  |  | Total . | 1,658,307 | 1,780,817 | 1,158,290 |
| ToTas | 124,571 | 368,780 | 338,810 |  |  |  |  |
| Gram and pulse- |  |  |  | $\begin{gathered} \text { Rlce, } \\ \text { husked—— } \end{gathered}$ |  |  |  |
| Group(a) | 1,174 | 2,061 | 1,290 | Group (a) - | 387 | 367 | 88 |
| \% (b) | 84,224 | 848,888 | 341,988 | $n$ (b) | 10,789 | 14,954 | 5,107 |
| " (c) | 111,135 | 76,381 | 275,574 | " (c) . | 688,445 | 651,686 | 522,904 |
| Total | 190,598 | 481,780 | 618,882 | Total | 670,671 | 866,007 | 628,247 |

No. 57.-Rail-borne trade at Stations adjacent to Land Frontier routes of India proper-contd.
[All quantltles In mannde, excopt treasure]
IMPORTS-contd.


- Carpets and rage are lmported in appreciable quantitles into groups (a) and (b) only and are not registered at ox oer statlong.
** Borax is Imported in appreciable quantitien only from Tibet and is reglatered only at stations in groups (b) and (c).
$\ddagger$ Charas ls Imparted malinly from Central Asla and Turklatan and lo registered only at stations in group (b).
$\ddagger$ These oommodities are imported in appreciable quantiles oniy into group (c) and are regiatered onis at those stations.

No. 57.-Rail-borne trade at Stations adjacent fo Land Frontige
Routes of India proper-concld.
EXPORTS

| Artiolrs | 1031-92 | 1032-38 | 1093-34 | Abtioles | 103:-82 | 1932-33 | 1038.34 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Twistand yarn - |  |  |  | Iron and Steol- |  |  |  |
| Group (a) (b) | 21,053 18,094 | 12,650 20,413 | \% $\begin{array}{r}6,310 \\ 28,149\end{array}$ | conld |  |  |  |
| $\because$ (c) | 32,877 | 40,0y2 | 37,740 | Machiner millwo |  |  |  |
| total | 72,024 | 73,764 | 60,208 | Group (a) | 21,185 | 4,824 | 8,520 |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Grorelga (a) . | 80,005 | 67,778 | 68,873 | Totat | 51,081 | 29,885 | 10,471 |
| " ${ }_{\text {" }}(\mathrm{c})$ | $70,465$ $65,017$ | 81,431 50,717 | $\begin{aligned} & 9,4,20 \\ & 53,739 \end{aligned}$ | Others, Includit |  |  |  |
| Totar | 215,417 | 109,020 | 211,032 | , |  |  |  |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Group (a) . | 49,080 | 30,476 | 36,704 | Total | 20,086 | 31,371 | 24,140 |
| " (b) | 143,030 | 146,749 | ${ }^{186,608}$ | Petroleum- |  |  |  |
| " (c) | 101,345 | 108,870 | 113,912 | Group (a) | 111,053 | 58,184 | 88,175 |
| Total | 294,235 | 295,095 | 287,342 | " (c) | 88,883 | 17,798 79,602 | 67,835 |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| $\underset{\text { Indigo }}{\text { materials }}$ (Na- |  |  |  | Group (a) | 9,297 | 13,689 |  |
| $\begin{aligned} & \text { idigo } \\ & \text { tural) } \end{aligned}$ |  |  |  | " (b) | 848,904 | 850,724 | 736,509 |
| Group (a) . |  |  | 2,054 | " (c) | 884,173 | 832,539 | 746,427 |
| " (b) | 229 | 201 2 | 8,031 | Total | 1,740,374 | $\underline{1,705,045}$ | 1,501,401 |
| " (c) |  |  |  | ar- |  |  |  |
| TOTAL | 1,500 | 1,701 | 6,856 | hellnedGroup (a) | 104,750 | 144.278 | 284,408 |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| " (c) | 3,223 | 1,508 | 4,922 | Unrefincd- |  |  |  |
| Total | 27,368 | 32,204 | 12,085 | Group (a) ") | 6,001 41,448 | 16,088 37,948 | 15,978 110,654 |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| $\underset{\text { pulse_- }}{\text { Graln }}$ |  |  |  | total | 72,180 | 83,132 | 185,637 |
| Wheat- |  |  |  | ealack- |  |  |  |
| Group (a) : | 110,533 017,064 | ${ }^{120,006} 687,506$ | ${ }_{862,370}^{113,205}$ | Group (a) | 20,355 | 17,603 | 45,897 |
| ", (c): | 103,703 | 87,195 | 40,516 | " (b) | 30,777 | 36,528 | 34,986 |
| Total | 1,186,365 | 835,485 | 1,116,161 | Total | 55,4118 | 70.739 | 03,910 |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Group (a) | 61,785 212,733 | 42,650 220,001 | $\begin{array}{r}48,076 \\ \hline 212,509 \\ \hline\end{array}$ | " (b) | 16,933 $\mathbf{3 0 , 2 5 6}$ 477 | - ${ }^{9,795}$ | 36,182 43,804 76 |
| " (c) | 390,803 | 400,173 | 437,881 | TOTAL | 46,671 | 33,094 | 80,062 |
| Totad | 670,82! | 602,894 | 697,060 | Tobsacco- |  |  |  |
| $\begin{aligned} & \text { Others- } \\ & \text { Group (a) } \end{aligned}$ |  |  |  | Group (a) | 7,297 08,625 | $\begin{array}{r}5,987 \\ 40,751 \\ \hline\end{array}$ | 3,803 40,160 |
|  | 282,722 | 172,320 | 211,134 | " (c) | 67,938 | 57,085 | 62,404 |
| $\because$ (b) | $\begin{aligned} & 30,751 \\ & 530,398 \end{aligned}$ | $1,008,631$ $\mathbf{3 0 9 , 4 7 8}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 810,302 \\ & \mathbf{3 4 3 , 2 5 0} \end{aligned}$ | Total | 133,7*0 | 112,183 | 100,547 |
| dar | 1,710,801 | 1,680,335 | 1,403,888 | Copper | 14,256 | 20.156 | 10,119 |
|  |  |  |  | cetelnuts | 38,931 | 81,616 | 24,015 |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Onivrought- <br> Group (a) |  |  |  | ounces)- |  |  |  |
| " (b) | 21,101 | 15,188 11 | 10,435 | Group (a) | 15,399 | 2,518 | $\underset{2}{7}$ |
| " (c) | 8,089 | 11,128 | 10,914 | ", (c) | 182 |  | .. |
| total | 56,013 | 26,316 | 30,481 | Totar | 15,581 | 2,518 | 9 |
| Sectiona - 05019 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Group (a) | 66,556 $\mathbf{1 6 5 , 7 7 3}$ | 65,019 04,024 | 63,648 166,620 | $\text { Group }(a)$ |  |  |  |
|  | 53,630 | 48,041 | 90,563 | $\because \quad(b)$ | 3,534,361 | 3,783,602 | 1, $35,5,420$ |
| " (c) | 200,084 | 193,280 | 300,831 | total | 16,161,240 | 3,976,087 | 2,081,742 |

- These commoditics are sent in appreolable quantities only to Nepal, and they are consequently realstered only at stations in gruup (c).

No. 58.-Trade at Stations on the Important Land Frontier route of Burma
[All quantltes in maunds, exoept treenare]
IMPORTS


Nots.-" ${ }^{\prime \prime}(d)$ "', means trade at Bhamo, downward traffe on the river.
"(e)", menns trade at Lnshio, Heho, and Shwedyang, outivard traffic.
group digurea prior to Novemil (formerly at Kawkareik), jmpartationa into lurma. Under the
$\dagger$ Of thas total 38,000 ounces represent Government treasare.

No. 58.-Trade at Stations on the Important Land Froniter routes of Burma-contd.

EXPORTS

| Artiolre | 1081-82 | 1082-88 | 1088-84 | ARTIOLR8 | 1081-82 | 1982-38 | 1088-84 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Cotton - |  |  |  | Iron and Steelcontd. |  |  | $\begin{array}{r} 957 \\ 10,997 \\ 145 \end{array}$ |
| RAW cotton- |  |  |  | Others, Include |  |  |  |
| (d) $\quad$ ( ${ }^{\text {d }}$ : | 20,681 818 | 10,250 6,904 | 15,290 898 | fing ingles, bars, |  |  |  |
| (f) : | - | -, |  | and other sec- |  |  |  |
| Total | 21,407 | 16,554 | 10,188 | (d) | 7.228 | 9,762 |  |
|  |  |  |  | (f) : | -. | -. |  |
| Cottontwlst and yarn- |  |  |  | Totaz | 18,169 | 10,183 | 11,439 |
| (d) - | 36,628 | 37,769 | 23,576 | Petroleam- <br> Karosene oll- |  |  | $\begin{array}{r} 12,368 \\ 66,687 \\ 665 \end{array}$ |
| (e) | 18,294 | 16,657 | 10,077 |  |  |  |  |
| (f) . | -* | 187 | 124 |  | 15,103 | 13,298 |  |
| Total | 64,852 | 68,553 | 84,677 | (e) | 51,295 | 47,706 |  |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Cotton plece- |  |  |  | Totaz | 07,760 | 62,461 | 69,620 |
| ${ }_{\text {(d) }}^{\text {goods- }}$ |  |  |  | Petrol- |  |  | 2,353 |
| $(\mathrm{d}) \quad: \quad:$ | 0,168 | 0,882 81,698 | 6,899 66,817 | (b) - | 40,760 | 28,045 | 40,810 |
| (f) | 28,168 | , | 208 | (f) | - ${ }^{\text {P }}$ | -• | * |
| Total | 87,638 | 41,016 | 83,018 | TOTAX | 52,627 | 30,638 | 48,668 |
| Rice, budked- |  |  |  | Provislons and Oil man's StoresCondened milk- <br> (d) <br> (c) <br> (f) |  | 1,9328,022180 | $\begin{array}{r}1,945 \\ \mathbf{2 , 1 8 2} \\ \hline 69\end{array}$ |
| (d) . | 160 | 150 | 411 |  |  |  |  |
| (e) | 2,067 | 8,167 | 5,000 |  |  |  |  |
| (f) | .. | -• | . |  | 1,701 |  |  |
| Total | 2,827 | 8,907 | 8,480 |  | 8,001 |  |  |
|  |  |  |  |  | 185 |  |  |
| Dyes and dyelag |  |  |  | Totar | 6,487 | 4,984 | 8,486 |
| materials-- | 170 | 144 | 530 | Flsh, dry and fish, wet (ngapl)- <br> (d) <br> (e) <br> (f) | 12,6726,689851 | 14,0578,7311,460 | 16,93812,1001,248 |
| (d) | 176 | 20 | 88 |  |  |  |  |
| (f) | . . | .. | . |  |  |  |  |
| Total | 852 | 164 | 502 |  |  |  |  |
| Jrom and stcelUnwrought (are plo Iron, etc.) - <br> (d) <br> (e) <br> (f) <br> Total |  |  |  | ToTaL <br> Other promisions and Oitmen's stores- <br> (d) . <br> (e) . <br> (f). | 20,162 | 22,147 | 20,841 |
|  |  |  |  |  | 1,608$\mathbf{1 2 , 2 9 5}$612 | 1,50314,475577 | - $\begin{array}{r}1,468 \\ 17,721 \\ 748\end{array}$ |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  |  | 268 | 1,179 |  |  |  |  |
|  | 958 | 8,842 | 1837 |  |  |  |  |
|  | 7 |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  | 1,080 | 8,810 | 2,018 |  |  |  |  |
| Machinery andmillwork- |  |  |  | Salt- <br> (d) <br> (f) : <br> Total | 14,515 | 10,565 | 10,222 |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| (d) . | 2,081 | 8,618 468 | 5,028 $\mathbf{9 2 6}$ |  | 58,658 | 69,685 | 69,512 |
| (f) : | 2,021 |  |  |  | 119,848 1,400 | 97,690 1,119 | 124,380 1,843 |
| Total | 2,120 | 8,888 | 5,854 |  |  |  |  |
|  |  |  |  |  | 179,809 | 161,404 | 188,180 |
| Mardware and |  |  |  | $\underset{\text { Raw }}{\text { Silk- }}$ <br> (d) <br> (f) <br> Total | $\cdots$ | -888 | $\cdots$ |
| cutlery - |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| (d) : | 1,803 | 1,029 | 1,819 |  |  |  |  |
| (f) : | ${ }^{108}$ | 108 | 188 |  |  |  |  |
|  |  |  |  |  |  | 883 | * |
| Totaz | 6,208 | 2,468 | 2,018 |  |  |  |  |

Nots.-"'(d)" means trade at Bhamo, uphard trafice on the river.
(f)" means trade at Lashio, g eho, and Bhwenyanog, inward "(f)" means trade at Thiogannglanang (formerty at Kawnare internal trade as well.

No. b3.-Trade at Stations on ter Important Land Frontier route of Burma-concld.
[All quantitles lo maunds, except breapure]
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No. 59.-Chief Imponts into Burma from India.

| Abricles | Qdantici (in thousands) |  |  |  |  |  | Value (in lakes of aupers) |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Pre-tar Average | $\underset{\text { Wvar }}{\text { Wage }}$ | Post-war <br> Average | 1981-82 | 1032-38 | 1983-84 | Pre-war Average | War Average | Post-war Average | 1931-82 | 1032-33 | 1033-84 |
| Coal : . . . . tons | 418 | 342 | 370 | 427 | 961 | 274 | 51 | 65 | 1,09 | 08 | 65 | 45 |
| Cotton-Trist and yarn . . lbas | 10,805 | 12,680 | 18,944 | 12,015 | 12,616 | 11,500 | 56 | 97 | 2,35 | 08 | 65 | 52 |
| Cotton Plecegoods-Grey (nnbleached) - |  | , |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Indlan - . . . yds. | 7,859 | 8,670 | 8,649 | 17,767 | 14,664 | 19,651 | 14 | 22 | 37 | - 84 | 28 | 36 |
| Foreign * - . | 8,009 | 3,116 | 5,496 | 2,857 | 1,629 | 1,849 | 5 | 0 | 24 | 6 | 3 | 4 |
| Cotton Plecegoods-White(bleached)- |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Indinn - . - yds. | 8,707 | 5,895 | 4,485 | 5,840 | 5,595 | 15,671 | 8 | 18 | 25 | 15 | 14 | 20 |
| Forelga . . . . | 2,586 | 3,741 | 2,003 | 1,298 | 1,176 | 819 | 5 | 18 | 11 | 4 | 8 | 2 |
| Cotton Plecegoods- |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Coloured, printed or dyed- |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Indiau . . . . | 12,190 | 21,812 | 18,122 | 20,438 | 22,018 | 36,020 | 27 | 60 | 95 | 64 | 70 | 80 |
| Forelgr - . - | 2,338 | 4,484 | 3,842 | 2,411 | 1,985 | 2,485 | 6 | 20 | 25 | 10 | 7 | 7 |
| Jutebags . . . . no. | 38,048 | 80,822 | - 40,128 | 58,202 | 41,181 | 67,180 | 1,19 | 1,68 | 1,88 | 1,66 | 1,11 | 1,58 |
| Betelnute - . . crits. | $\$ 11$ | 270 | 294 | 248 | 225 | 281 | 60 | 56 | 64 | 43 | 84 | 30 |
| Tobacco-Untoanufactyred - lba, | 21,100 | 16,482 | 18,087 | 14,014 | 18,399 | 11,115 | 58 | 48 | 51 | 29 | 28 | 22 |
| Polse - . . . . tons | 14 | 12 | 15 | 12. | 18 | 0 | 20 | 20 | 36 | 18 | 20 | 0 |
| Wheat flour . . . . ., | 10 | 12 | 18 | 18 | 19 | 20 | 29 | 27 | 52 | 26 | 30 | 28. |

- Includes Coke nand Patant fual fram 1080.88

No. 60.-Chief Exports from Burua to India.


No. 61.-T'ables mlustrating competition experienced by Indian pro. ducts in certain Foreign markets.

Imports of Linseed into the United Kingdom, France, Italy and Australia.
(In thousand quintals)


Imports of Rapeseed into the Unitcd Kingdom, Belgium, Italy and France.
(In thousand quintads)

| -- | 1013 | 1914 | 1930 | 1931 | 1932 | 1933 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| United Knadom. |  |  |  | 219 | 248 | 208 |
| Total . | 630 | ${ }_{2} 210$ | 48 | 88 | 179 | 150 |
| India | 160 | 210 |  | 40\% | 72\% | 72\% |
| India'd perceriage | 36\% | 34\% | $46 \%$ | 40\% | 7\% |  |
| Belatum. |  |  | 38 | 39 | 42 | 55 |
| Total . | 94 | " | 11 | 20 | 13 | 11 |
| Roumania | 14 | - | 11 |  |  | 1 |
| Argentine | 3 | $\cdots$ | 21 | - 8 | 17 | 32 |
| Indir | 67 | $\cdots$ | 55\% | 8\% | 40\% | 58\% |
| India's percentage | 72\% | - | 65\% | 8\% |  |  |
| Italy. | 102 | 220 | \$1 | 102 | 752 | 114 |
| Total (india (including Ceylon) ${ }^{\text {- }}$ | 102 95 | 183 | 19 | 27 | 735 $98 \%$ | 110 |
| India'a perceniage | 93\% | 83\% | 61\% | 26\% | 98\% | 96\% |
| franos. |  |  |  |  | 103 | 158 |
| Cotal | 538 | 404 | 129 | $6^{6}$ | 67 | 103 |
| India . - | 9882 | 76\% | 65\% | 56\% | 65\% | 65\% |
| India's percentage | 90\% | 76\% |  | 56 |  |  |

Nors.-One quintal $=220 * 46 \mathrm{lbs}$.
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No. 61-continued.
Imports of Sesamum seed into France and Italy.


Imports of Groundnut into France.
(In thousand quintals)


These igures bave been culculated on the basia of 100 tons unsbelled $=70$ tons ahelled.
Non

No. 61-coneld.
Imports of Tea into certain countries
(In thuasands of lbe.)


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[^0]:    Alum, magnesium sulphate and magnesium chloride ; cotton under vests and socks and stoekings; glass globes and chimneys for lamps and lanterns; certain kinds of paints, colours and painters' materials, enamelled ironware, electrical earthenware and porcelain, and domestic earthonware, china and porcelain; lead pencils; tiles of earthenware and porcelain; ambrellas ; cast iron pipes; woollen hosiery, knitted apparel and fabrics; and toilet soaps.

[^1]:    Raw silk, silk cocoons, silk waste and noils and silk yarn; cotton twist and yarn and cotton sewing or darning thread; fabrics of cotton, artificial silk or silk and of such mixtures; fabrics containing gold or silver thread; cotton knitted fabrics and certain kinds of cotton braids or cords, and of cotton hosiery.

[^2]:    *For details of the troo agreements vide Appendices $I$ and $I!$ on pp. 167.71 in fra.

[^3]:    Cement (f22 lakhs).

[^4]:    * Acknuviedgments are due to the Secretary, Indian Central Cotton Committee, for assistance in connection with these paragrapha.

[^5]:    - Subject to revision.

[^6]:    - Subject to revision.

[^7]:    Wheat (Rs. 3 lakhs).

[^8]:    * Nominal.

[^9]:    Production for 1909-00 to 1912-13.
    $\dagger$ " " 1913-14 to 1917-18.

[^10]:    Spices ( Z 72 lakhs).

[^11]:    -Inolude Ooverament treasure.

[^12]:    - Averago tor two saara, 10224.28 and 1023-24.

[^13]:    - Average for two years. 1912-18 and 1018-14.

[^14]:    - Figuret prior to 1924-25 represent Hornmeal.

[^15]:    - Average of three years trom 1021-22 to 1923-24.
    

[^16]:    - Eigares prior to 1981-22 relate to Turikey, Asiatio,

[^17]:    NoTE.-The quinquedital average figorea nge inserted only for comparative purposea. The progressive total of additions to stock (stem 9 ) and net progreselve absorption (ftem 10) are calculated on the annual agures and are not based on these averages. Item 9 is the sum of the yearly figurcs in items and ftem 10 the sam of the yearly (gores in item 8.
    (b) Exeludes gold Imported and exported on behali of the Bank of Eaglend.

[^18]:    * Figates prior to $1932-33$ include thome of tolacco. mbumbiacured datiable under Group Vill since Jinnary, 1033.
    
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[^19]:    - The rate aince the 16ih March, 1924, Is annas 71.

[^20]:    25 per cent ex else duty on the 1st April, 1032, and unth furthir notice ls Ro, $1-9.0$ incluithg the surchargo
     hatge of $2 \nmid$ anaas le, however, exempt fron the sureharge of $2 ;$ per cent.
    $\pm$ Exempt from the snircharge of 25 per cent imposod uoder section 4 of the Indien Fiumee (Sopplementary
    and Extonding) Act, 1031 .

[^21]:    duty of 5 per cent ad valorem from 1st March, 1031.
    f Wheat flour is dutiable at Ka. 2 per ont. as also wheat therg being no surcharge on wheat io No, iA.

[^22]:    *All articles under thls head except raty hemp comprised in the item No. 78 are liable to an additional duty of 5 per cent ad valorem from lat March, 1031.

    4 All articles onder thia head except splces (No. 384A), and cinematograph filme, exposed (No. 1SIA), are ljablo to an additional dity of 10 per cent ad valorem under the Indinn Finarace Act, 1981 .

[^23]:    - Exempt from the aurcbarge of 25 per cent imposed under Section 4 of the Indfan Finance (Sapplemen. tary and Extending) Act, 1931.

[^24]:    - Frempt from tho additional duty of 25 per cent imposed auder section 4 of the Indan Finatice (Supplomentery and Extending) Act, 1031.
    $\uparrow$ With effect up to the 81st day of October, 1984.

[^25]:    f Exempt from the varcharge of $\mathbf{2 5}$ per cont imposed under Section 4 of the Indian Finauce (Supplementary and

[^26]:    - Exempt from the eddilfonal dutien imposed ander Section 4 of the Iodian Pinunos Aet, 1931

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[^28]:    - Exempt from the addtional dutien impoed nader Section © of the Indian Flannca Act, 1981,

[^29]:    Erempt from the additional duties fmposed noder metion tof the Indian Pinance Act, 1031.

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[^31]:     (a) The exports of forelgu tea from the United Kingdomi to the U mited Salted Statea.

