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AUSTRALIAN OVERSEA TRADE ... SEPTEMBER, 1931.

The monthly summary of Oversea Imports and Exports for September, 1931, has been made available by the Acting Commonwealth Statistician (Professor I. F. Giblin).

Imports (valued in Sterling) during September totalled £3,393,000, compared with £2,833,000 in August and £6,128,000 in the corresponding month of the previous year. The September imports of merchandise during the last ten years averaged £10,150,000 and were generally less than August. But from the experience of the last ten years an increase in imports can be expected during October and November.

Imports for the three months ended 30th September, 1931, were £10,354,000 compared with £20,367,000 during the corresponding quarter of the previous year.

Merchandise imports generally were in value only 50 per cent of those in the September quarter of 1930; in the Machinery group 26%, Manufactured Metals 30%, Fancy Goods 31%, Apparel 45%, Vegetable foodstuffs 48%, Timber 52%, and Oils 52%.

Of particular items the lowest imports (in value) in relation to the September quarter of 1930 were:- Motor Cars 15%, Electric Machinery 26%, Silk 30%, Kerosene 35%, Iron and Steel 41%, Fertilizers 42% and Tea 43%.

When compared with the corresponding quarter of 1931, imports of the following increased viz., - Unmanufactured Tobacco £190,070 (£156,548), Films for Kinematographs £147,908 (£45,244) and Dyes £58,809 (£31,534).

The following items showed comparative little fall, viz., - Cotton piece goods £1,357,370 (£1,717,202), Sewing and Other Cottons etc. £123,951 (£161,857), Cotton yarns £114,015 (£143,790), Crude rubber £49,981 (£55,557) and Rubber Thread £65,710 (£62,287).

The above percentages on 1930 imports refer to values. The corresponding quantities can be given for a few of the more important items for the September quarter of 1931, viz., - Tea 10,964,066 lbs. (13,136,517), Kerosene 5,341,793 gals. (11,385,604), Petroleum 47,902,018 gals. (63,217,802), Kinematographs 15,35,737 lin. feet (3,495,357) and Tobacco 5,727,398 lbs. (2,101,010).

Exports (valued in Australian Currency) during September totalled £6,241,000 in comparison with £11,084,000 in the corresponding month of the previous year. Merchandise exports during September were valued at £6,008,000 compared with £4,294,000 in August and £5,892,000 in September, 1930. The average value of exports during September in the last ten years was £3,275,000, being approximately £1,800,000 over the average for August and this increase has been maintained this year despite the fall in prices. Based on past experience further considerable increases can be expected in October with steadily increasing exports each month to the maximum in February.

For the September quarter of 1931 exports of merchandise aggregated £15,960,000 as against £17,001,000 during the corresponding quarter of 1930, the decrease being due to a fall in wool exports from £4,963,000 to £3,726,000. Exports of the following commodities also declined appreciably during the quarter, viz.,:- Flour £665,000 as compared with £1,103,000, Hides and Skins £992,000 (£1,554,000), but of these, furred skins increased from £580,000 to £600,000 and Other hides and Skins fell from £1,003,000 to £390,000, Dried Fruits £239,000 (£700,000) and Ores and Concentrates £35,000 (£377,000).

On the other hand wheat exports increased from £1,694,000 in the September quarter of 1930, to £2,455,000, Butter from £844,000 to £1,546,000, Mutton and Lamb from £143,000 to £266,000, and Sugar £869,119 (£633,323).

The corresponding quantities exported during the September quarter 1931, were as follows, viz.,:- Wool greasy 113,174,024 lbs. (123,999,260) Flour 2,523,240 cwtals (2,525,623), Dried Fruits 17,247,736 lbs. (40,201,405), Wheat 12,976,132 cwtals (5,133,244), Butter 30,494,335 lbs. (15,142,761), Mutton 26,017,580 lbs. (3,639,122), Lamb 28,467,063 lbs. (3,641,496), and Sugar 1,959,317 lbs. (1,419,292). Exports of Beef increased from 44,756,725 lbs. to 53,112,603 lbs. valued at £678,734 and £690,964 respectively.

Although it is difficult at this early stage to estimate the probable value of exports for 1931-32, yet there is every indication that last year's total of £39,000,000 (Australian Currency) will be attained.

The total value of exports during the September quarter, 1931, of £17,565,000 (Australian Currency) is estimated as being equivalent to £13,766,000 British Currency, whereas the corresponding totals for 1930 were £22,417,000 Australian equal to £22,433,000 Sterling. Therefore, in estimating the probable Sterling value of exports during 1931-32 this considerable variation in the rate of exchange is of importance.

Exports of Bullion and Specie during the first three months of 1931-32 amounted to £1,605,000 compared with £6,416,000 in the corresponding quarter of the previous year.

BALANCE OF TRADE. The balance of overseas trade for September and the first quarter of the financial year is estimated as follows in British Currency:-

Item	September		September Qtr.	
	1930	1931	1930	1931
	Sterling	Sterling	Sterling	Sterling
Merchandise - Exports	7,533	1,604	16,217	13,230
Imports	1,112	1,353	20,293	10,232
Commodity Balance	- 579	1,246	- 4,273	1,998
Gold & Silver Balance	3,171	145	6,344	1,414
Total Balance	2,592	1,391	2,071	3,412

For the quarter, then, there was an export surplus of goods of £2,592,000 compared with a deficiency of £2,579,000 for the corresponding quarter of 1930. For the year a surplus of imports of at least £10 m. is required to cover payments of interest and services. In the last financial year the export surplus of goods was £1 m. For the first quarter of 1931-32 we are £3 m. compared with the first quarter of 1930-31, so there is some prospect of attaining the objective.

CUSTOMS REVENUE. In the following table a comparison is shown between Imports and the Net Customs Revenue collected thereon in the first quarter of the financial years, 1930-31 and 1931-32, viz.,:-

Month	1930		1931	
	Value of Imports	Net Customs Revenue	Value of Imports	Net Customs Revenue
	£	£	£	£
July ..	7,375,261	1,849,345	3,128,139	1,591,049
August ..	6,864,222	1,617,110	3,832,935	1,536,279
September ..	6,127,699	1,516,531	3,392,964	1,442,777
Total 1st Quarter ..	20,367,202	4,982,986	10,354,038	4,570,105

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OVERSEA TRADE.

Value of Principal Articles imported and exported during
SEPTEMBER, 1930 and 1931, and during the first THREE
Months of the years, 1930-31 and 1931-32.

(Compiled from information supplied by the Department of Trade and Customs).
(Subject to Revision).

IMPORTS (British Currency Values).

Article.	Period.			
	September,		Three Months,	
	1930.	1931.	1930-31.	1931-32.
	£.	£.	£.	£.
CLASS I. - Foodstuffs of Animal Origin, excluding Living Animals.				
Fish - Preserved in Tins ..	25,986	27,305	101,741	62,099
Fresh, Smoked, Potted and Concentrated ..	20,120	10,581	76,472	33,127
Meat - Preserved in Tins ..	1,050	33	2,462	158
Sausage Casings ..	6,683	9,911	45,040	29,539
Other ..	3,131	701	10,573	3,794
Milk and Cream ..	130	40	6,459	3,997
Other Animal Foodstuffs ..	2,796	560	5,612	2,181
TOTAL, Class I. ..	59,896	49,131	248,359	134,895
CLASS II. - Foodstuffs of Vegetable Origin; Non-Alcoholic Beverages and Substances used in making.				
Caramel, Caramel Paste, Caramel				
Butter and Cocoa Butter ..	4,812	2,257	25,229	8,803
Cocoa and Chocolate ..	10,799	9,355	52,234	34,017
Coffee and Chicory ..	10,867	8,683	35,401	20,957
Confectionery - Chocolate ..	4	5	21	6
Other ..	173	274	1,523	693
Fruits - Dried, incl. Dates ..	267	257	1,833	976
Fresh - Bananas ..	1,810	139	7,109	575
Other ..	41	41	379	72
Fruits and Vegetables, n.e.i., preserved in liquid ..	408	284	1,987	662
Grain and Pulse - Unprepared	3,231	3,472	14,243	8,786
Prepared - Rice	1,772	1,305	11,623	2,601
Other	888	576	4,144	2,244
Hops ..	137	-	3,149	-
Infants and Invalids' Foods	3,746	1,962	14,249	6,555
Mustard ..	6,433	3,297	21,919	12,690
Nuts - Edible ..	15,106	14,832	43,137	44,182
Pickles and Sauces ..	1,469	295	5,193	1,141
Sago and Tapioca ..	2,688	3,916	10,542	10,457
Seeds- Canary, Hemp and Rape	2,083	129	13,136	1,332
Spices ..	9,574	8,976	34,669	27,969
Sugar ..	-	1	-	1
Tea ..	214,953	99,447	757,762	322,343
Vinegar ..	29	3	1,283	5
Other Vegetable Foodstuffs ..	12,014	6,426	36,623	19,196
TOTAL, Class II. ..	303,304	165,932	1,097,388	526,263

IMPORTS (Continued).

Article.	Period.			
	September,		Three Months,	
	1930.	1931.	1930-31.	1931-32.
	£.	£.	£.	£.
<u>CLASS III. - Spirituous and Alcoholic Liquors.</u>				
Ale, Beer, Porter, Cider and Perry	4,266	2,347	18,361	6,339
Spirits (Beverages) - Brandy	551	170	6,337	310
Gin ..	204	1,946	542	1,977
Rum ..	201	118	378	430
Whisky	40,300	16,095	60,613	28,374
Other, incl. Liqueurs				
Liqueurs	1,387	227	4,284	640
Wine (Fermented) - Sparkling	4	-	3,126	121
Other ..	612	252	3,297	810
<u>TOTAL, Class III. ..</u>	<u>47,525</u>	<u>21,155</u>	<u>96,938</u>	<u>39,001</u>
<u>CLASS IV. - Tobacco and Preparations thereof.</u>				
Tobacco - Manufactured ..	5,441	1,887	19,408	3,221
Unmanufactured ..	86,401	39,493	156,548	190,070
Cigars ..	4,002	35	14,972	2,603
Cigarettes ..	15,178	425	43,088	2,358
Snuff ..	78	48	250	128
<u>TOTAL, Class IV. ..</u>	<u>111,100</u>	<u>41,888</u>	<u>235,166</u>	<u>198,380</u>
<u>CLASS V. - Live Animals ..</u>	<u>2,554</u>	<u>2,722</u>	<u>27,511</u>	<u>5,703</u>
<u>CLASS VI. - Animal Substances (Mainly Unmanufactured), not Foodstuffs.</u>				
Gelatine and Glue of all kinds	323	1,298	3,847	1,957
Hair and Fibres ..	3,246	2,348	13,125	6,822
Hides and Skins - Calf, Cattle, Horse	17,420	12,207	55,856	28,926
Sheep ..	76	142	1,33	224
Other ..	23,911	7,440	87,622	29,302
Silk, raw ..	28,037	10,175	116,322	35,277
Wool ..	2,818	346	12,217	14,382
Other Animal Substances ..	6,974	3,508	23,298	9,237
<u>TOTAL, Class VI. ..</u>	<u>82,805</u>	<u>37,464</u>	<u>313,380</u>	<u>126,127</u>
<u>CLASS VII. - Vegetable Substances and Fibres. .</u>				
Copra ..	4,430	10,697	17,366	34,387
Cork and Cork Manufactures ..	8,098	4,226	21,791	13,626
Fibres - Cotton, Raw ..	1,657	1,624	3,271	3,983
Flax, Hemp, incl. Phormium				
Tenax ..	15,576	15,684	58,174	41,781
Kapok ..	12,285	6,089	42,967	16,847
Other ..	10,131	10,771	32,341	26,615
Grass or Straw for Hatmaking, Furniture, Mats, etc. ..	1,287	1,717	4,546	4,691
Gums and Resins ..	16,963	12,757	49,001	39,431
Pulp for Papermaking ..	16,649	16,172	58,060	42,713
Seeds - Linseed ..	18,292	5,970	84,049	82,833
Tanning Substances - Bark ..	-	-	236	10
Other ..	3,548	2,455	12,025	10,648
Other Vegetable Substances ..	7,602	3,926	49,633	15,018
<u>TOTAL, Class VII. ..</u>	<u>116,518</u>	<u>92,088</u>	<u>433,460</u>	<u>282,583</u>

IMPORTS (Continued).

Article.	Period.			
	September,		Three Months,	
	1930.	1931.	1930-31.	1931-32.
	£.	£.	£.	£.
CLASS VIII. - (a) Apparel and Attire;				
(b) Textiles; (c) Manufactured Fibres.				
(a) Apparel and Attire.				
Blouses, Skirts, Costumes, etc. (Other than knitted) ..	3,509	392	22,874	1,298
Boots and Shoes ..	7,788	9,660	30,735	33,399
Furs and Other Skins wholly or partly made up and dressed or prepared	8,268	2,744	28,215	6,969
Gloves ..	29,186	26,872	103,403	51,166
Hats and Caps ..	15,886	6,126	58,645	30,199
Knitted Articles of Apparel -				
Blouses, Skirts, Jumpers, Underwear, etc. ..	1,010	118	3,663	1,331
Socks and Stockings ..	13,148	421	39,096	822
Mens & Boys' Outer Garments	2,081	22	3,226	157
Shirts, Collars, Ties, etc.	1,542	210	5,770	906
Trimmings and Ornaments ..	41,841	28,953	165,887	93,235
Other Apparel and Attire ..	26,215	8,238	87,084	26,826
TOTAL - APPAREL AND ATTIRE	150,474	84,456	548,598	246,308
(b) Textiles.				
Carpets, Linoleums, and Other Floor Coverings ..	94,984	34,889	291,114	105,182
Handkerchiefs and Serviettes of Cotton or Linen ..	33,475	10,245	101,737	28,135
Piece Goods - Canvas and Duck	35,721	15,401	110,300	47,275
Cotton and Linen	539,782	447,027	1,717,202	1,357,370
Hessian and Other Jute				
Piece Goods	37,162	29,292	107,305	71,367
Lace for Attire	13,557	8,116	62,246	25,255
Silk or contg. Silk	374,380	264,591	1,313,783	754,923
Velvets, Velveteens,				
Flushes, etc.	9,047	6,668	32,569	20,414
Woolleens ..	28,880	3,766	96,606	91,859
Other ..	20,388	27,980	80,111	96,992
Quilts, Tablecovers, Sheets, etc.	14,892	8,397	42,971	18,656
Sewing and Other Cottons, Threads, etc.	53,108	38,880	161,857	132,951
Towels and Towelling ..	32,125	22,054	86,402	60,952
Other Textiles ..	28,960	9,069	83,205	30,881
TOTAL - Textiles	1,316,461	926,375	4,287,408	2,760,212
(c) Yarns and Manufactured Fibres.				
Bags and Sacks - Bran, Chass and Compressed Fodder	15,622	2,414	48,048	10,505
Corn and Flour	143,792	32,578	194,394	78,262
Woolpacks ..	53,186	69,856	248,003	227,370
Other ..	559	1,440	2,723	1,440
Cordage and Twines, excl. Metal Cordage	5,952	4,203	23,399	15,495
Yarns - Artificial Silk ..	30,548	32,691	105,963	98,677
Cotton ..	42,064	32,663	143,790	114,015
Wool ..	5,640	1,479	18,485	6,312
Other ..	6,392	2,022	22,597	9,510
TOTAL - Yarns, etc.	303,755	179,346	807,402	561,586
TOTAL, Class VIII.	1,770,690	1,190,177	5,643,408	3,568,106
CLASS IX. - Oils, Fats and Waxes.				
Fats and Waxes, etc. ..	14,078	9,403	45,711	34,774
Oils - kerosene ..	55,139	32,080	242,339	84,407
Linseed ..	1,654	5,043	7,374	8,126
Lubricating (Mineral)	72,717	30,766	254,132	127,825
Petroleum ..	323,784	229,580	1,234,384	609,118
Turpentine ..	6,921	10,938	14,386	19,615
Other ..	24,232	31,230	77,411	98,574
TOTAL, Class IX.	498,525	349,040	1,875,737	982,439

IMPORTS (Continued).

Article.	Period.			
	September,		Three Months,	
	1930.	1931.	1930-31.	1931-32.
	£.	£.	£.	£.
<u>CLASS X. - Paints and Varnishes.</u>				
Paints and Colours ..	23,223	10,922	79,639	39,556
Varnishes, Stains, Lacquers, etc.	3,058	634	6,471	5,059
TOTAL, Class X. ..	26,281	11,556	86,110	44,615
<u>CLASS XI. - Stones and Minerals, incl.</u>				
<u>Ores and Concentrates.</u>				
Asphalt, Bitumen and Natural Pitch	21,319	5,583	59,575	16,692
Stone (incl. Marble and Slate) -				
Abrasives ..	5,409	2,914	21,902	12,141
Other Stones ..	6,937	2,571	13,982	6,178
Other Minerals, etc. incl. Ores and				
Concentrates ..	7,919	6,659	66,004	21,318
TOTAL, Class XI. ..	41,584	17,727	161,463	56,329
<u>CLASS XII. - Metals, Metal Manufactures</u>				
<u>and Machinery.</u>				
<u>(a) Machines and Machinery -</u>				
<u>Electric Machinery and Appliances -</u>				
Batteries and Accumulators	4,297	1,279	16,381	4,552
Cable and Wire, covered ..	64,859	22,021	235,386	56,706
Dynamo Electric Machines	21,899	8,121	94,958	36,668
Lamps, Filament, for Lighting				
and Heating ..	70,759	8,435	350,787	34,525
Telegraph Instruments, etc. Tele-				
phones and Telephone Switchboards	13,220	3,873	40,686	10,065
Other ..	154,996	39,478	482,697	177,698
Implements and Machinery (Agricultural,				
Horticultural, etc.) ..	33,468	2,448	101,927	14,513
Metal-working Machinery ..	9,865	1,218	41,105	6,036
Motive-power Machinery (excl. Electric)	107,052	13,580	371,695	89,618
Printing Machinery ..	8,351	2,969	38,137	6,865
Sewing Machines ..	19,331	3,177	45,607	10,006
Yarn-making and Textile-making Machy.	37,883	10,562	107,766	26,401
Other Machines and Machinery	142,563	53,772	583,427	186,958
TOTAL, - Machines, etc.	688,543	170,933	2,510,559	660,611
<u>(b) Metals and Manufactures other</u>				
<u>than Machinery -</u>				
Alloys ..	10,594	3,330	37,649	10,875
Bolts and Nuts, Rivets and Washers	3,899	934	12,885	3,274
Iron and Steel -				
Bars, Rods, Hoop, Ingots, etc.	25,396	12,770	104,292	37,531
Beams, Channels, Girders, Joists, etc.	8,265	20	12,475	4,613
Pig and Scrap ..	569	248	1,864	981
Pipes and Tubes ..	41,449	18,701	134,717	47,895
Plate and Sheet -				
Galvanized - Corrugated	33,871	509	87,673	668
Flat ..	15,594	224	43,823	666
Plain ..	47,415	13,598	113,755	37,376
Tinmed ..	36,077	62,288	189,131	156,833
Rails, Fishplates, Fishbolts, etc.	27	189	1,960	189
Wire ..	9,114	2,038	33,391	8,328
Lamps and Lampware ..	13,188	5,378	54,258	18,813
Plated Ware and Cutlery ..	46,998	15,735	144,287	48,912
Tools of Trade (not being Machines)	44,305	23,170	139,917	68,300
Vehicles -				
Motor Cars - Bodies and Parts	438	465	3,426	1,225
Chassis and Parts	99,932	23,938	479,383	71,242
Motor Cycles, Side Cars, etc.	8,179	950	23,478	3,534
Other and Parts ..	50,342	15,955	152,869	47,449
Other Metals and Metal Manufactures	187,480	73,678	546,730	210,741
TOTAL - Metals, etc.	683,132	274,118	2,317,963	779,447
TOTAL, Class XII.	1,371,675	445,051	4,828,522	1,440,058

IMPORTS (Continued).

Article.	Period.			
	September,		Three Months.	
	1930.	1931.	1930-31.	1931-32.
	£.	£.	£.	£.
CLASS XIII. - Rubber and Leather and Manufactures thereof and Substitutes thereof.				
(a) Rubber and Rubber Manufactures.				
Crude Rubber, Rubber Waste, Masticated, etc. ..	28,036	11,522	55,557	43,981
Rubber Manufactures -				
Boot and Apparel Elastic,	18,908	17,465	62,287	65,710
Rubber Thread ..	2,011	403	9,780	2,097
Tyres, Pneumatic, and Other	14,476	6,397	42,444	19,449
TOTAL - Rubber, etc. ..	63,431	35,787	170,068	131,237
(b) Leather and Manufactures of Leather				
Leather ..	5,461	2,605	18,790	6,455
Leather Manufactures, etc. ..	3,556	1,964	14,671	5,198
TOTAL - Leather, etc. ..	9,017	4,569	33,461	11,653
TOTAL, Class XIII.	72,448	40,356	203,529	142,890
CLASS XIV. - Wood and Wicker, Raw and Manufactured.				
Timber - Dressed ..	15,197	4,666	67,290	13,441
Undressed ..	68,098	52,648	251,436	162,464
Wood and Wicker Manufactures, incl. Furniture ..	31,890	9,311	106,342	45,643
TOTAL, Class XIV. ..	115,185	66,625	425,068	221,548
CLASS XV. - Earthenware, Cements, China, Glass and Stoneware.				
Cement (Portland) ..	451	-	1,145	38
Crockery and Other Household Ware	67,511	30,038	162,604	62,311
Glass and Glassware ..	42,312	18,153	136,440	50,133
Other Earthenware, Cements, China and Stoneware ..	13,085	1,887	32,266	5,594
TOTAL, Class XV. -..	123,359	50,078	332,455	118,076
CLASS XVI. - Paper and Stationery.				
(a) Paper -				
Millboards and Other Boards	15,855	8,042	72,604	24,693
Printing ..	158,190	123,792	542,764	385,437
Wrapping ..	15,158	8,197	58,477	28,461
Writing and Typewriting	42,605	18,939	121,897	64,132
Other ..	31,943	17,091	107,036	59,716
TOTAL - Paper ..	263,751	176,061	902,778	562,439
(b) Stationery and Paper Manufactures -				
Books (Printed), Directories &c.	119,677	64,794	311,742	179,571
Paperhangings and Wallpapers	4,297	1,461	18,710	8,937
Pens and Pencils ..	17,192	5,203	48,316	17,101
Other Stationery ..	80,539	32,972	219,307	93,534
TOTAL - Stationery, etc.	221,705	104,430	598,075	299,143
TOTAL, Class XVI. ..	485,456	280,491	1,500,853	861,582
CLASS XVII. - Jewellery, Timepieces and Fancy Goods.				
Fancy Goods - Toys ..	36,874	10,983	85,065	22,564
Other ..	62,423	21,938	191,753	70,471
Jewellery - Precious Stones (unset) - Pearls, Cameos, etc.	4,194	3,593	29,232	6,454
Other ..	12,542	2,826	35,502	10,752
Timepieces, Watches, Clocks, etc.	28,119	12,567	79,302	21,984
TOTAL, Class XVII.	144,152	50,907	420,854	132,225

IMPORTS (Continued).

Article.	Period.			
	September,		Three Months,	
	1930.	1931.	1930-31.	1931-32.
	£.	£.	£.	£.
CLASS XVIII. - Optical, Surgical and Scientific Instruments.				
Films for Kinematographs, etc.	17,360	28,593	45,244	147,908
Surgical and Dental Instruments, etc.	24,341	21,352	70,380	56,083
Talking Machines - Phonographs, etc.	10,096	3,619	28,994	10,085
Other Optical and Scientific Instruments	29,708	11,640	90,066	36,273
TOTAL, Class XVIII.	81,505	65,204	234,684	250,349
CLASS XIX. - Drugs, Chemicals and Fertilizers.				
Acid - Tartaric ..	861	113	4,364	220
Calcium Carbide ..	130	-	1,495	22
Cream of Tartar ..	973	27	16,102	168
Cyanides of Potassium and Sodium	1,574	6,847	7,169	12,475
Drugs and Medicinal Preparations -				
Proprietary Medicines ..	19,318	10,941	76,183	42,624
Other ..	10,875	7,931	38,247	24,713
Dyes ..	10,247	17,276	31,584	58,809
Fertilizers ..	77,515	55,767	295,120	124,068
Insecticides, Disinfectants, Washes and Dips ..	6,217	4,392	19,183	7,463
Oils - Essential (Non-Spirituous)	8,090	4,019	24,490	12,745
Perfumery and Toilet Preparations	23,318	7,942	77,901	33,576
Salt ..	4,601	4,020	14,359	8,133
Sodium Salts - Carbonate (Soda Ash)	4,856	4,582	19,838	23,953
Hydroxide (Caustic Soda)	7,641	5,564	19,811	24,918
Other ..	7,417	10,524	29,326	42,505
Spirits and Spirituous Preparations -				
Essences, Fruit Ethers, Flavours,				
Juices, Syrups ..	2,662	250	8,572	1,469
Other ..	7,767	1,596	17,491	4,771
Sulphur (Brimstone) ..	28,415	15,998	78,673	24,966
Other Drugs and Chemicals ..	67,365	55,183	204,241	166,252
TOTAL, Class XIX. ..	289,842	212,972	984,149	613,850
CLASS XX. - Miscellaneous.				
Arms, Ammunition and Explosives	65,868	26,390	117,947	52,702
Bags, Baskets, Boxes, Cases, Trunks, &c.	13,490	2,366	42,015	7,212
Brushware - Vacuum Cleaners (Household)	5,564	6,401	18,132	15,848
Other ..	9,059	1,732	28,047	5,131
Matches and Vestas ..	400	9	834	13
Musical Instruments, etc. -				
Pianos ..	756	245	1,845	249
Player Pianos ..	235	114	1,348	147
Piano and Player Piano Parts	1,585	21	4,942	66
Other Musical Instruments and Parts	6,586	2,544	22,563	6,913
Outside Packages ..	203,006	88,702	613,679	276,510
Packings for Engines, Boilers, etc.	4,931	5,357	16,491	14,055
Soap ..	1,674	516	7,629	2,317
Vessels (Ships*, incl. Fittings)	-	-	85,400	10,983
All Other Articles ..	56,935	32,614	185,269	94,353
TOTAL, Class XX.	370,089	167,011	1,146,141	486,499
CLASS XXI. - Gold and Silver and Bronze Specie.				
Gold, incl. Gold in Matte ..	12,558	33,629	67,086	117,586
Silver, incl. Silver in Matte	648	1,760	4,935	4,863
Bronze Specie ..	-	-	6	71
TOTAL, Class XXI. ..	13,206	35,389	72,027	122,520

IMPORTS (Continued).

Article.	Period.			
	September,		Three Months,	
	1930.	1931.	1930-31.	1931-32.
	£.	£.	£.	£.
<u>SUMMARY.</u>				
<u>Importing States -</u>				
New South Wales ..	2,731,843	1,336,845	8,844,240	4,455,929
Victoria ..	1,808,862	1,281,602	6,777,390	3,769,207
Queensland ..	715,493	304,273	2,011,543	948,808
South Australia ..	394,383	200,976	1,307,266	562,027
Western Australia ..	396,962	233,052	1,188,958	526,993
Tasmania ..	79,044	35,800	230,712	88,259
North Australia ..	(a) 1,112	(a) 416	7,093	2,815
<u>GRAND TOTAL</u> ..	6,127,699 (b)	3,392,964 (b)	20,367,202 (b)	10,354,038 (b)
<u>Total Imports - Merchandise ..</u>	6,114,493	3,357,575	20,295,175	10,231,518
<u>Bullion and Specie</u>	13,206	35,389	72,027	122,520

(a) August.

(b) The corresponding Australian Currency Values are estimated for -

September, 1930	..	£6,501,000
" 1931	..	£4,411,000
Three Months, 1930-31	..	£21,598,000
" " 1931-32	..	£13,460,000

EXPORTS.
(Australian Currency Values).

Article.	Period.			
	September.		Three Months,	
	1930.	1931.	1930-31.	1931-32.
	£.	£.	£.	£.
<u>CLASS I. - Foodstuffs of Animal Origin,</u> <u>excluding Living Animals.</u>				
Butter	398,432	636,091	843,682	1,546,265
Butter Substitutes ..	12	38	47	105
Cheese	29,686	9,948	80,405	27,759
Eggs	111,463	131,185	138,783	172,956
Meats -				
Potted or Concentrated ..	5,067	4,385	13,132	11,353
Preserved by Cold Process -				
Beef	267,678	223,565	678,734	690,964
Lamb	63,637	408,633	87,106	622,305
Mutton	37,396	139,091	55,637	343,260
Rabbits and Hares ..	40,300	80,176	192,112	198,368
Preserved in Tins ..	14,520	12,188	48,762	34,896
Sausage Casings ..	20,678	14,336	67,280	47,862
Other	39,632	43,355	93,378	128,172
Milk and Cream	31,422	46,389	81,722	129,300
Other Animal Foodstuffs ..	1,460	1,229	4,779	4,023
TOTAL, Class I. ..	1,061,383	1,750,609	2,385,559	3,957,588
<u>CLASS II. - Foodstuffs of Vegetable</u> <u>Origin, Non-Alcoholic Beverages and</u> <u>Substances used in making.</u>				
Aerated Waters, Cocoa and Chocolate, Coffee and Chicory, Fruit Juices, &c.	3,823	5,930	12,284	13,820
Biscuits	8,106	6,173	21,573	12,653
Confectionery	4,094	5,526	14,246	12,593
Fodders	1,853	2,983	7,311	8,329
Fruits, Dried - Currants ..	25,251	14,296	129,440	73,280
Raisins	160,595	80,083	557,556	209,275
Other	2,760	1,824	13,152	6,432
" Fresh - Apples	668	5,217	21,227	12,033
Citrus	13,933	22,559	43,533	75,988
Other	7,442	6,970	24,879	21,332
Fruits, preserved in liquid ..	42,029	65,082	150,573	159,840
Fruits and Vegetables, pulped ..	1,103	2,300	7,564	2,687
Grain and Pulse, unprepared -				
Barley	15,804	3,728	69,886	28,798
Wheat	508,329	587,242	1,693,981	2,454,956
Other	2,082	1,650	16,667	7,537
Grain and Pulse, prepared -				
Bran, Pollard and Sharps ..	8,009	24,974	19,671	66,804
Flour (Wheaten)	286,891	243,832	1,103,084	665,074
Rice	4,261	5,710	14,373	14,833
Other	648	502	2,584	2,474
Jams and Fruit Jellies ..	3,540	3,532	9,179	11,220
Sugar	388,688	440,172	688,323	869,119
Tea	6,768	3,466	18,157	10,437
Other Vegetable Foodstuffs ..	5,703	39,687	18,894	58,559
TOTAL, Class II. ..	1,502,380	1,573,438	4,658,137	4,798,073
<u>CLASS III. - Spirituous and Al-</u> <u>coholic Liquors.</u>				
Ale, Beer, Porter, Cider and Perry	2,698	5,126	10,206	10,843
Spirits (Beverages)	2,134	5,485	8,564	8,894
Wine	42,722	35,305	84,197	136,536
TOTAL, Class III. ..	47,554	45,916	102,967	156,273

EXPORTS (Continued).

Article.	Period.			
	September,		Three Months,	
	1930.	1931.	1930-31.	1931-32.
	£.	£.	£.	£.
<u>CLASS IV. - Tobacco and Preparations thereof.</u>				
Cigars, Cigarettes and Snuff ..	1,185	1,850	4,007	4,295
Tobacco ..	22,592	26,202	90,378	63,346
TOTAL, Class IV. ..	23,777	28,052	94,385	87,641
<u>CLASS V. - Live Animals.</u>				
Cattle ..	711	10	3,703	1,520
Horses ..	8,585	5,300	18,945	8,016
Sheep ..	1,284	659	1,835	887
Other Living Animals ..	511	633	833	1,273
TOTAL, Class V. ..	11,091	6,602	25,316	11,696
<u>CLASS VI. - Animal Substances (Mainly Unmanufactured), not Foodstuffs.</u>				
Hides and Skins - Calf, Cattle, Horse	77,705	35,450	231,700	72,529
Fox ..	8,786	9,959	34,460	39,057
Kangaroo and Wallaby	24,182	11,090	45,925	28,712
Opossum ..	57,813	121,863	168,847	232,303
Rabbit and Hare	70,971	60,330	300,632	300,241
Sheep ..	285,096	110,394	771,177	317,632
Other ..	604	257	1,568	1,032
Pearlshell ..	25,340	17,265	102,082	38,143
Trochus Shell ..	7,385	2,473	9,129	6,265
Wool - Greasy ..	1,451,410	1,348,939	4,165,300	3,080,594
Scoured ..	199,121	202,999	795,801	617,877
Tops ..	5,152	12,340	7,076	27,651
Other Animal Substances ..	11,986	7,920	30,218	21,958
TOTAL, Class VI. ..	2,225,551	1,941,279	6,663,915	4,783,994
<u>CLASS VII. - Vegetable Substances and Fibres.</u>				
Bark - Tanning ..	1,053	947	2,667	2,486
Copra ..	-	7	9,419	7
Fibres - Cotton, Raw ..	-	-	-	-
Other ..	2,107	1,928	11,016	5,199
Sandalwood ..	1,322	1,903	7,164	22,639
Other Vegetable Substances ..	13,335	5,142	30,104	14,635
TOTAL, Class VII. ..	17,817	9,927	60,370	44,966
<u>CLASS VIII. - (a) Apparel and Attire; (b) Textiles; (c) Manufactured Fibres.</u>				
Boots and Shoes ..	1,053	5,197	5,616	12,527
Other Apparel and Attire ..	12,793	13,852	38,355	37,198
Piece Goods ..	7,911	9,235	28,259	21,916
Other Textiles ..	9,517	10,511	24,724	31,618
Manufactured Fibres, incl. Bags, Cordage and Yarns ..	5,811	5,313	15,654	16,802
TOTAL, Class VIII. ..	37,085	44,108	112,608	120,061
<u>CLASS IX. - Oils, Fats and Waxes.</u>				
Fats and Waxes, etc. ..	2,585	2,675	8,344	6,741
Oils ..	5,446	6,850	17,832	13,852
Tallow, unrefined ..	43,253	55,601	156,262	160,315
TOTAL, Class IX. ..	51,284	65,126	182,438	180,908
CLASS X. - Paints and Varnishes ..	3,884	3,614	12,567	13,285

EXPORTS (Continued).

Article.	Period.			
	September,		Three Months,	
	1930. £.	1931. £.	1930-31. £.	1931-32. £.
<u>CLASS XI. - Stones and Minerals, incl.</u>				
<u>Ores and Concentrates.</u>				
Coal ..	20,817	21,525	126,221	82,820
Ores and Concentrates - Silver and				
Silver Lead	16,913	-	78,013	9,289
Zinc ..	85,297	10,086	248,678	22,361
Other ..	13,622	1,815	50,455	3,644
Other Stones and Minerals ..	1,454	1,005	4,049	2,083
<u>TOTAL, Class XI.</u> ..	138,103	34,431	507,416	120,197
<u>CLASS XII. - Metals, Metal Manufactures</u>				
<u>and Machinery.</u>				
(a) <u>Machines and Machinery -</u>				
Machines and Machinery ..	56,841	51,014	176,703	120,097
(b) <u>Metals and Manufactures, other</u>				
<u>than Machinery -</u>				
Copper - Ingots and in Matte	66,651	29,653	147,634	61,719
Iron and Steel - Manufactured and				
partly Manufactured ..	5,385	10,163	17,858	27,490
Lead - Pig and in Matte ..	269,387	89,002	689,613	454,833
Platinum, Osmium, etc. - Bars				
Blocks, Rods, etc. ..	1,166	1,104	3,025	4,494
Tin Ingots ..	10,202	9,345	14,031	25,188
Vehicles ..	11,606	18,702	44,665	40,627
Zinc - Bars, Blocks, etc. ..	10,707	68,530	79,983	167,056
Other Metals and Manufactures thereof	45,287	19,577	125,666	144,805
<u>TOTAL, Class XII.</u> ..	477,232	297,090	1,299,178	1,046,309
<u>CLASS XIII. - Rubber and Leather and Man-</u>				
<u>ufactures thereof, and substitutes</u>				
<u>therefor.</u>				
Rubber and Manufactures ..	4,355	4,790	19,790	10,829
Leather ..	36,669	27,955	110,411	82,528
Leather Manufactures, etc. ..	2,046	1,233	6,309	4,355
<u>TOTAL, Class XIII.</u> ..	43,070	33,978	136,510	97,712
<u>CLASS XIV. - Wood and Wicker, Raw and</u>				
<u>Manufactured.</u>				
Timber ..	77,513	43,448	259,058	116,991
Wood and Wicker Manufactures, incl.				
Furniture ..	4,461	6,443	17,167	22,722
<u>TOTAL, Class XIV.</u> ..	81,974	49,891	276,225	139,713
<u>CLASS XV. - Earthenware, Cements, China</u>				
<u>Glass and Stoneware.</u> ..				
	4,716	4,861	18,048	12,550
<u>CLASS XVI. - Paper and Stationery.</u>				
Paper ..	4,808	5,248	15,089	13,511
Stationery ..	13,345	12,574	40,532	35,501
<u>TOTAL, Class XVI.</u> ..	18,153	17,822	55,621	49,012
<u>CLASS XVII. - Jewellery, Timepieces,</u>				
<u>and Fancy Goods.</u>				
Precious Stones - unset - Pearls,				
Cameos, etc. ..	3,321	4,854	9,326	9,981
Other Jewellery, Timepieces and Fancy				
Goods ..	4,647	4,139	12,802	14,521
<u>TOTAL, Class XVII.</u> ..	7,968	8,993	22,128	24,502

EXPORTS (Continued).

Articles.	Period.			
	September,		Three Months,	
	1930.	1931.	1930-31.	1931-32.
	£.	£.	£.	£.
CLASS XVIII. - Optical, Surgical and Scientific Instruments.				
Photographic Goods and Materials -				
Cameras, etc.	4,124	3,002	12,714	7,236
Talking Machines, Phonographs, etc.	7,387	5,611	34,837	16,514
Other Optical, Surgical and Scientific Instruments ..	6,187	16,002	21,744	43,706
TOTAL, Class XVIII. ..	17,698	24,615	69,295	67,456
CLASS XIX. - Drugs, Chemicals and Fertilizers.				
Casein ..	1,259	892	3,564	3,072
Fertilizers - Ammonium Sulphate ..	14	217	141	536
Other ..	947	153	1,727	1,223
Medicines ..	9,061	7,280	27,038	20,623
Oils - Essential (non-spirituos), n.e.i.	8,635	3,575	18,714	10,857
Eucalyptus ..	5,649	3,522	12,520	8,854
Other Drugs and Chemicals ..	20,156	17,717	58,413	54,411
TOTAL, Class XIX. ..	45,721	33,356	122,117	99,576
CLASS XX. - Miscellaneous.				
Arms, Ammunition and Explosives ..	17,181	1,762	25,514	20,748
Personal and Household Effects, etc.	22,147	8,519	35,142	23,376
Soap ..	22,306	9,716	81,222	47,592
Vessels (Ships) transferred abroad	500	-	12,500	13,500
All Other Articles ..	13,781	14,104	42,815	43,189
TOTAL, Class XX. ..	75,915	34,101	196,193	148,405
CLASS XXI. - Gold and Silver and Bronze Specie.				
Gold, incl. Gold in Matte ..	5,423,448	211,355	6,568,244	1,473,509
Silver, incl. Silver in Matte ..	85,975	18,024	240,760	110,519
Bronze Specie ..	11	6,411	11	21,227
TOTAL, Class XXI. ..	5,509,434	235,790	6,809,015	1,605,255
SUMMARY.				
States of Final Shipment -				
New South Wales ..	2,237,954	2,386,967	5,876,827	5,422,892
Victoria ..	3,158,223	1,148,255	5,888,391	4,124,325
Queensland ..	2,222,114	1,428,266	4,804,752	4,480,228
South Australia ..	749,759	517,233	2,140,890	1,588,291
Western Australia ..	3,015,366	646,356	4,942,318	1,687,046
Tasmania ..	17,718	114,394	146,511	258,861
North Australia ..	656	(a) 2,128	10,319	3,529
) Australian Produce ..	11,233,125	6,065,736	23,280,098	17,053,536
TOTAL ..	169,665	177,863	529,910	511,636
) Other Produce ..	(b)	(b)	(b)	(b)
GRAND TOTAL ..	11,401,790	6,243,599	23,810,008	17,565,172
TOTAL EXPORTS - Merchandise ..	5,892,356	6,007,809	17,000,993	15,959,917
Bullion and Specie ..	5,509,434	235,790	6,809,015	1,605,255

(a) August. (b) The corresponding British Currency Values are estimated at:-
 September, 1930 .. £10,743,000
 September, 1931 .. £4,784,000
 Three Months, 1930-31 .. £22,433,000
 " " 1931-32 .. £13,766,000