

tain seasons, large quantities of cod are taken in the ports by a sein, and the salmon fishery in that province and in the gulph of St. Lawrence, on the Canada and Nova-Scotia shores, is unquestionably the best in the world. The whale fishery on the American coast was so much exhausted before the rebellion, that the New-Englanders went to the coast of Africa, the Faulkland's islands, the Western islands, and the coast of Ireland, and with considerable success; the oil and blubber was carried to America, — the blubber was manufactured into oil, and the whole sent to the British market. It is obvious that this trade can be carried on to greater advantage to the above-mentioned places from Britain and Ireland, than from America, a double voyage will be avoided. The reduction or taking off the small duty on oil, and the heavy duty on spermaceti imported in British ships, or from the British colonies, will be a proper encouragement. The quantity of spermaceti* imported

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* The quantity of spermaceti imported into that part of Great-Britain called England, from North America, from Christmas 1771, to Christmas 1774, distinguishing each year:

Years.	Quantity.			Duty.		
	Hds.	qrs.	lbs.	£.	s.	d.
1772 - - -	6	0	22	-	4	16
1773 - - -	17	1	0	-	13	7 4½
1774 - - -	26	0	0	-	20	3 0

Custom-House, London,

May 5, 1783.