

White Bay and Notre Dame. A young Harp 15in. long, with two bodies joined at ribs, only four flippers.

1885. A cold winter. All the seals north off Fogo Island.
 1886. A mild winter.—March 30th: Seals taken off Fogo and Funk Islands and Notre Dame Bay. "Resolute" lost on Ireland Re ..

The writer regrets that he has mislaid the statistics of the notice of seals at Cape Race Lighthouse, which are an important link in the chain of evidence; but it is only during excessive ice sheds that the seals are seen after the 20th of February near the Avalon coast.

In addition to the evidence of Cape Bonavista, where the seals are often noticed journeying south early in January, and sometimes December, they have been observed at St. John's early in January. They precede the ice always. On January 6th, 1881, seals were seen near the harbour. It can be only an accident that any record is made of these trifles. On February 16th, 1876, old seals were noticed in Trinity Bay, the only record of the journey north.

On April 7th, 1877, a young *Phoca Barbata* was caught near Harbour Breton, Fortune Bay. This is the only notice of this variety so far south.

With regard to the weight of the "pelt," or fat, and skin of young seals, *i.e.*, all that is brought in of the animal, except a few flippers; they appear to range between 48 lbs. and 52 lbs.; occasionally they have averaged 57 lbs.

When the subject of the cost of production is considered in connection with the sailing sealer, and the steam sealer,