

skins (last year, 1,048,806). The low prices of last year and the early part of the present year resulted in heavy losses to shippers, and as a consequence shipments are now on a much smaller scale. The article sold steadily at an average advance of 12½ to 15 per cent.

Raccoon—14,009 skins (last year, 73,069), are neglected and declined 10 per cent.



Fig. 4.

Skunk—24,189 skins (last year, 26,766), are scarce and in fair demand. The collection was of a very middling quality, but sold readily at about last sale prices.

American Opossum—88,791 skins (last year, 137,044), are in good demand and advanced 25 per cent.

Marten—1,273 skins (last year, 2,755). Sold readily at last March prices.

Russian Sable—2,602 skins (last year, 1,974). The Kamschatka skins sold at last sale prices; Amoor sky declined 20 per cent.; a few

lots of fine Jakutsky skins met with much competition and brought very high prices.

Mink—9,241 skins (last year, 15,135.) Consisted of several strings of fine Eastern skins, and were largely bought for France. They advanced 20 per cent., there being no stocks whatever of this article in the European markets.

Fox, Grey—1,245 skins (last year, —). In fair demand; advanced 30 per cent.

Bear; Black, Brown, and Grizzly—2,484 skins (last year, 1,542). Sold well and brought fully last sale prices.

Wolf—1,383 skins (last year, —). Are neglected. Prices remain unaltered.

Fox, Japanese—40,085 skins (last year, 40,762). Are 20 per cent. higher, and in fair demand.

Wallaby—Sold well at last sale prices.

Wombat—In good demand, are 40 per cent. higher.

Monkeys—46,592 skins (last year, 51,800). Are selling steadily at current prices and values remain unaltered.

Chinchilla, real—1,938 skins (last year, 2,234). In fair demand at last sale prices.

Tsibet coats and crosses—In strong request, advanced 30 per cent.

OUR ILLUSTRATIONS.

The illustrations are taken from the catalogue of A. A. Allan & Co., Toronto:—

Fig. 1—Ladies' plain circular, made of silk and lined and trimmed with fur.

Fig. 2—Ladies' fur collarette.

Fig. 3—Ladies' fur collar, made of different sizes.

Fig. 4—Ladies' fur cape, 12-inch back and 18-inch front; very fashionable.

THE BEHRING SEA.

The important announcement was made in the United States Supreme Court, at Washington, on November 10th, by Attorney General Miller during the argument in the Sayward case that the United States and Great Britain had agreed to submit the Behring Sea controversy to arbitration.

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