

Moose. It appears expedient a Vessel should run to the United States or Canada to convey Buffalo Robes, Moose Skins, &c., and to take returns of such goods as may be cheaper than in England.

Two Pound of Pemican a Day is considered a fair Allowance. It requires 5 or 6 lb. of Meat to make 1 Pound [of Pemican].

Beaver is the Standard to which all other skins are reduced and by which the Indians trade. For Instance should an Indian have the following Skins:—

Beaver, Whole or full grown.. . . .	30 = 30	Whole Beaver.
“ Half or cub.. . . .	11 = 5½	“
Otters, Prime, large	1 = 2	“
“ “ small	1 = 1	“
Fox, Black prime	1 = 2	“
“ Red	3 = 1½	“
“ White	4 = 2	“
Martins	9 = 3	“

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After the Trader has examined the Skins he tells the Indian his Trade amounts to 4 Tens and 7 mores [sic] at the same Time gives the Indian 47 quils, signifying that he will give him Goods. The Indian will perhaps take:

A Gun	= 11 Quils.
3 Yards Cloth	= 9 “
3 lb. of Powder	= 6 “
8 lb. of Shot	= 4 “
1 Large Blanket	= 8 “
1 Hatchet	= 2 “
1 File	= 1 “
1 3 Gallon Kettle	= 6 “

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Standard for Trading Furs.

Bear, Black	1 Skin = 2	Beaver, Made Beaver.
“ Brown.. . . .	1 “ = 3	“
Beaver, Whole	1 “ = 1	“
“ Cub	2 “ = 1	“
Badger.. . . .	2 “ = 1	“
Cat, Prime	1 “ = 1½	“
1 lb. Castorum	1 “ = 1	“
Fisher, large ¹	2 “ = 1	“
“ small	3 “ = 1	“
Fox, silver	1 “ = 3	“
“ cross	1 “ = 2	“
“ red	1 “ = 1	“
“ white	2 “ = 1	“
Goose Feathers.. . . .	8 lb. = 1	“
Martins, prime.. . . .	2 Skins = 1	“
“ common.. . . .	3 “ = 1	“

¹ Blackcat or Pennants Martin.