

Sealing—Little was doing in seal catching prior to 1878. Since that date the following statement shows the growth: In 1883, 9,195 seals were killed; in 1889, 35,310; in 1891, 52,365; in 1892, 49,743; in 1893, 70,592; and in 1894, 95,048.

Value of catch of principal products of the fisheries in 1893-94, compared with 1893:

Fish.	Value.	Increase.	Decrease
Cod.....	\$4,234,231	\$205,783	.....
Herring.....	2,565,730	712,839	.....
Salmon.....	3,227,439	.....	\$663,205
Lobsters.....	2,370,632	.....	113,936
Mackerel.....	908,870	.....	187,196
Sealskin.....	970,145	95,303	.....
Whitefish.....	879,650	.....	419,004
Trout.....	758,147	99,533	.....
Haddock.....	516,547	70,227	.....
Fish oils.....	298,338	.....	23,589
Hake.....	304,652	.....	63,171
Smelt.....	404,883	.....	9,291
Pollock.....	221,894	.....	19,687
Halibut.....	254,152	38,785	.....
Alewis.....	253,904	41,190	.....
Sardines.....	285,756	67,738	.....
Oysters.....	182,108	25,668	.....
Pickrel.....	293,266	135,856	.....
All others.....	975,081	110,475	.....

AVERAGE PRICES OF EXPORTS IN 1883 AND 1894.

Articles.	Average Price, 1883.	Average Price, 1894.	Articles.	Average Price, 1883.	Average Price, 1893.
Coal, ton.....	2'52 \$	3'33 \$	Timber, sq.—		
Gypsum, ton.....	0'98 \$	0'98 \$	Ash, ton.....	12'35 \$	11'96 \$
Ore, copper, ton.....	34'18 \$	148'00 \$	Birch, ton.....	7'66 \$	7'59 \$
Ore, iron, ton.....	3'09 \$	4'85 \$	Elm, ton.....	12'13 \$	13'40 \$
Ore, silver, ton.....	142'00 \$	156'47 \$	Oak, ton.....	20'42 \$	22'52 \$
Phosphate, ton.....	20'91 \$	8'17 \$	Pine, white, ton.....	13'33 \$	14'35 \$
Cod, haddock, ling, etc., cwt.	5'04 \$	4'43 \$	Pine, red, ton.....	8'64 \$	10'37 \$
Mackerel, bbl.....	7'71 \$	9'88 \$	Horses, each.....	125'45 \$	108'27 \$
Herring, fresh, lb.....	1'91 cts	0'55 cts	Cattle, each.....	58'70 \$	75'53 \$
“ pickled, bbl.....	4'08 \$	3'19 \$	Sheep, each.....	4'50 \$	3'57 \$
“ smoked, lb.....	2'00 cts	0'83 cts	Butter, lb.....	21'04 cts	19'79 cts
Lobsters, fresh, bbl.....	6'14 \$	5'93 \$	Cheese, lb.....	11'12 cts	9'99 cts
“ canned, lb.....	9'12 cts	15'36 cts	Eggs, doz.....	16'78 cts	13'89 cts
Salmon, fresh, lb.....	14'30 cts	9'41 cts	Bacon, lb.....	11'69 cts	10'26 cts
“ canned, lb.....	10'53 cts	9'33 cts	Meats, canned, lb.....	10'17 cts	9'33 cts
“ pickled, bbl.....	13'63 \$	13'55 \$	Wool, lb.....	20'39 cts	20'22 cts
Fish oil, cod, gal.....	53'65 cts	24'39 cts	Bran, cwt.....	88'78 cts	71'75 cts
Ashea, pot and pearl, bbl.....	34'36 \$	29'31 \$	Flax, cwt.....	9'30 \$	9'67 \$
Bark for tanning, cord.....	4'94 \$	4'84 \$	Apples, bbl.....	3'16 \$	2'91 \$
Firewood, cord.....	2'36 \$	1'92 \$	Barley, bush.....	71'37 cts	71'08 cts
Logs, pine, m. ft.....	6'50 \$	8'79 \$	Beans, “.....	1'49 \$	1'21 \$
Logs, spruce, “.....	4'93 \$	5'88 \$	Oats, “.....	45'00 cts	38'20 cts
Deals, st. h.....	32'54 \$	29'15 \$	Peas, “.....	92'41 cts	70'78 cts
Laths, palings and pick-ets, m.....	1'46 \$	1'55 \$	Rye, “.....	68'04 cts	62'31 cts
Planks and boards, joists and scantlings, m. ft.....	12'56 \$	7'03 \$	Wheat, “.....	1'00 \$	0'66 \$
Staves and headings, m.....	6'57 \$	4'92 \$	Flour, wheat, bbl.....	5'14 \$	3'96 \$
Shingles, m.....	2'82 \$	1'94 \$	Oatmeal, bbl.....	4'19 \$	3'50 \$
Sleepers and R.R ties, each	26'07 cts	14'78 cts	Hay, ton.....	9'62 \$	9'40 \$
Stave bolts, cord.....	3'17 \$	2'75 \$	Malt, bush.....	85'47 cts	62'10 cts
Shooks, each.....	50'76 cts	8'94 cts	Potatoes, bush.....	43'25 cts	36'26 cts
			Ex. Hemlock bark, bbl.....	7'57 \$	13'30 \$
			Organs, each.....	87'95 \$	62'64 \$
			Oil cake, cwt.....	2'40 \$	1'20 \$
			Ships, ton.....	21'20 \$	11'08 \$

TELEGRAPH AND TELEPHONE LINES IN CANADA.

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