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The *herring* is consumed altogether in Canada, the *lobsters* come chiefly from New Brunswick, one-half being sent to Great Britain and the United States. The *mackerel* comes from Nova Scotia and is nearly all sent to the United States. The most valuable *salmon* waters are in British Columbia. The annual yield is valued at one million dollars; of this \$600,000 goes to Great Britain, \$300,000 to the United States, and less than \$200,000 is used in Canada.

Although nearly one-half of the entire yield of our fisheries goes to the United States, a considerable quantity of this only passes through the hands of dealers there to the Upper Provinces of the Dominion, and this is being rapidly remedied by the greater facilities for transport offered by the Intercolonial Railway.

THE Revised Version of the Old Testament has at last been printed, after twelve years of continuous labour on the part of the most eminent American and English Biblical scholars of the time. It has been found that the revisers have left the King James' Version, which the English-reading world has used since 1611, almost undisturbed so far as the meanings of passages are concerned. Their revision is mainly marked by such verbal changes as are manifestly in the interest of accurate interpretation. The result is therefore a tribute to the scholarship which produced the King James' Version, and the Bible stands to-day practically the same volume, speaking the same language and conveying the same messages as it has stood since Moses' time. It is still the same Bible our fathers read, save in a few verbal respects which are of slight consequence as affecting those great doctrines and principles upon which the growth of civilization has so vitally

depended. As important a change as any other is in the commandment "Thou shalt not kill," which has become "Thou shalt do no murder." But as a rule the ordinary reader may peruse the Book from beginning to the end and be undisturbed by readings so novel as to create a shock. The revisers, despite all the attacks which infidels and persons speaking in the name of Science have made upon the Bible, have not been moved from an attitude of the strictest conservatism. They are men who are closely identified with all the great contemporaneous movements in literature, education, and religion and who are profoundly cognizant of those plausible heresies which seek to substitute other creeds for those of the Bible, yet they have come forward in an age when myths are remorselessly assailed and when superstitions are crumbling to hold up the Bible as the immutable, unabating, proved, and accepted Word of God.—*Selected.*

EXTRACTS from an address recently delivered by the Right Hon. W. E. Forster, Manchester :

"I must, however, just make one statement. I do hope that if any attempt be made to bring down the cost (and of course every right economy ought to be practised), I do hope it will not be by diminishing the teaching staff. That is quite small enough already, in fact too small. I have heard of cases where eighty children were under the care of one mistress, and even of a hundred under an assistant and a young pupil teacher. I do not think you would find this state of things anywhere on the Continent, certainly not in Germany."

"The next question is, and will probably for some time continue, much debated—I mean the curriculum of elementary schools. What should be taught in them? My own idea is that reading, writing, cyphering, and