

COMPARATIVE STATEMENT OF THE YIELD AND VALUE OF THE FISHERIES—*Concluded.*

KINDS OF FISH.	1885.		1886.	
	Quantity.	Value.	Quantity.	Value.
		\$		\$
Tom cod or frost fish..... lbs.	641,260	25,650	1,463,875	43,555
Flounders	152,520	9,150	49,920	2,995
Squid	3,487	13,948	4,958	19,832
Dolâhans, pickled..... "	110	1,800	80	800
" fresh	31,350	1,881	44,000	2,640
" smoked..... "	13,000	1,300	1,900	380
Clams		8,180		7,950
Fur seal skins..... No.		159,214	{ 38,907	389,370
Hair "			{ 31,226	30,476
Sea otter skins..... "			25	1,500
Porpoise skins..... "	108	240	177	668
Fish oils	815,932	489,287	899,363	505,771
Cod liver oil..... "	2,220	2,220	1,800	1,800
Coarse and mixed..... brls.	35,938	144,237	25,176	104,268
Fish used as bait..... "	273,901	242,650	{ 171,210	198,937
" manure..... "			{ 171,769	70,688
Guano..... tons.	3,906	59,340	1,303	21,045
Crabs and prawns, in B.C.....		2,000		2,500
Fish, assorted, in B.C..... lbs.	59,400	3,564	173,800	8,690
Fish sold in B.C. markets		120,000		125,000
" Halifax "		43,500		39,500
Fish for home consumption, not included in returns		246,632		303,564
Total value.....		17,722,973		18,679,288
Increase in 1886.....				956,315

566. The five kinds of fish of which the largest quantities are taken, and the respective values of the catch in 1885 and 1886, are as follows :—

	1885.	1886.
Cod	\$4,536,732	\$4,553,079
Lobsters	2,613,731	2,638,394
Herring	2,473,117	2,211,498
Mackerel	1,509,424	1,556,424
Salmon	1,152,248	1,370,856

There was an increase in the value of each kind of fish except herring, which were scarce in some parts. The size of lobsters is still on the decrease, and unless stringent measures for their protection are speedily taken, this

Values of principal fish, 1885 and 1886.