

valuable branch of the fishing industry, in which nearly \$1,000,000 capital is invested, will be seriously injured. There was a decrease of nearly one million pounds in the catch of this fish in Prince Edward Island, and where a few years ago it took four lobsters to fill a can, it now requires six.

567. The value of the fisheries in Manitoba and the North-West is given for the first time, the most important item of production being whitefish. There was a marked increase in the yield of the fisheries in Ontario, attributed to the excellence of the fishery laws and the increasing efficiency of the fishery overseers.

Fisheries
in the
North-
West and
Ontario.

TABLE OF CLOSE SEASONS IN CANADA, 1887.

KINDS OF FISH.	Ontario.	Quebec.	Nova Scotia.	New Brunswick.	P. E. Island.	Manitoba and N. W. T.
Salmon (net fishing).....		Aug. 1 to May 1	Aug. 15 to March 1	Aug. 15 to March 1		
“ (angling).....		Sept. 1 to May 1	Sept. 15 to Feb. 1	Sept. 15 to Feb. 1		
“ “ Restigouche River.		Aug. 15 to May 1		Aug. 15 to May 1		
Speckled trout (<i>Salvelinus Fontinalis</i>).	Sept. 15 to May 1	Oct. 1 to Jan. 1			Oct. 1 to Dec. 1	Oct. 1 to Jan. 1
Large grey trout, lunge and winninish.		Oct. 15 to Dec. 1				
Pickereel (doré).....	April 15 to May 15	April 15 to May 15				April 15 to May 15
Bass and maskinongé...	April 15 to June 15	April 15 to June 15				
Whitefish and salmon trout.	Nov. 1 to Nov. 30					
Whitefish.....		Nov. 10 to Dec. 1				Oct. 5 to Nov. 1

Close seasons for fish, 1887.