

248. Pensions, which are of a different nature to superannuation allowances, are also granted in accordance with various Acts of Parliament to retired judges, and to a certain number of persons, or their widows and children, for military services. The total amount paid under this head in 1887 was \$102,109, being \$13,790 more than in the preceding year. Pensions.

CHAPTER IV.

TRADE AND COMMERCE.

249. The legal weights and measures of Canada are the Imperial yard, Imperial pound avoirdupois, Imperial gallon and the Imperial bushel. Weights and measures.

250. By Act of 42nd Vic., cap. 16, it was provided:—That in contracts for sale and delivery of any of the undermentioned articles the bushel should be determined by weighing, unless a bushel by measure be specially agreed upon, the weight equivalent to a bushel being as follows:— Measures by weight determined.

Wheat.....	60 lbs.	Castor beans.....	40 lbs.
Indian corn.....	56 "	Potatoes.....	60 "
Rye.....	56 "	Turnips.....	60 "
Peas.....	60 "	Carrots.....	60 "
Barley.....	48 "	Parsnips.....	60 "
Malt.....	36 "	Beets.....	60 "
Oats.....	34 "	Onions.....	60 "
Beans.....	60 "	Bituminous coal.....	70 "
Flax seed.....	50 "	Clover seed.....	60 "
Hemp.....	44 "	Timothy.....	48 "
Blue grass seed.....	14 "	Buckwheat.....	48 "

And by the same Act the British hundredweight of 112 pounds, and the ton of 2,240 pounds, were abolished, and the hundredweight was declared to be 100 pounds and the ton 2,000 pounds avoirdupois, thus assimilating the weights of Canada and the United States.