

Total Pacific catch during the season of 1895 to 1898 :

	1895.	1896.	1897.	1898.
Seals landed at Victoria.....	73,614	55,677	30,410	28,552
" American ports by U.S. schooners.....	20,307			
Seal catch on Pribyloff Islands (North American Commercial Co.).....	15,000	48,637	No data.	No data.
" Copper Islands (Russian Seal-skin Co.).....	17,920	14,896	"	"
	<u>126,841</u>	<u>119,210</u>	<u>30,410</u>	<u>28,552</u>

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The legal weights and measures of Canada are the Imperial yard, Imperial pound avoirdupois, Imperial gallon (of 277·27384 cubic inches), and the Imperial bushel. The Imperial gallon is equal to 4·54174 litres, while the wine gallon, used in the United States, is equal to 3·785 litres.

By Act 42nd Vic. (1879), Chap. 16 (amended by Chap. 30, Acts of 1898), it is provided : That in contracts for sale and delivery of any of the under-mentioned articles the bushel should be determined by weighing, unless a bushel measure be specially agreed upon, the weight equivalent to a bushel being as follows :—

Wheat.....	60 lbs.	Castor beans.....	40 lbs
Indian Corn.....	56 "	Potatoes.....	60 "
Rye.....	56 "	Turnips.....	60 "
Pease.....	60 "	Carrots.....	60 "
Barley.....	48 "	Parsnips.....	60 "
Malt.....	36 "	Beets.....	60 "
Oats.....	34 "	Onions†.....	50 "
Beans.....	60 "	Bituminous coal.....	70 "
Flax seed*.....	56 "	Clover seed.....	60 "
Hemp.....	44 "	Timothy.....	48 "
Blue grass seed.....	14 "	Buckwheat.....	48 "
Lime‡.....	80 "		

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.

*Changed from 50 to 56 lbs. by Act of Parliament, 1898. †Changed from 60 to 50 lbs. by Act of Parliament, 1898. ‡Added by Act of 1898.