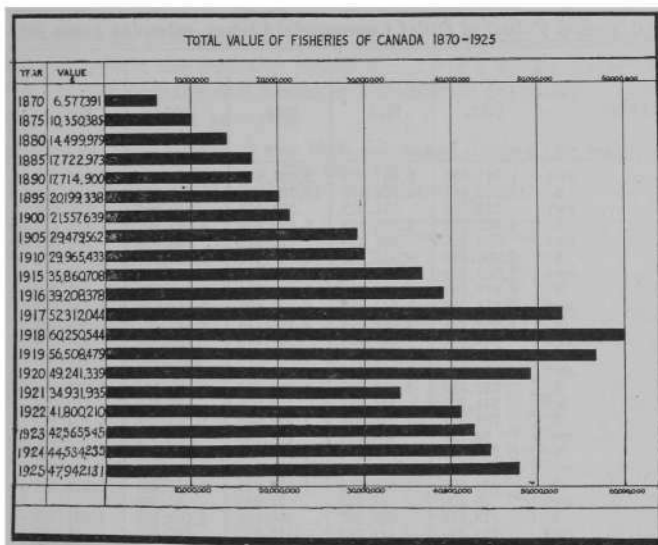


to third place, while halibut takes fourth place among the chief commercial fishes. These changes have, of course, affected the relative standing of the provinces, British Columbia now occupying the leadership that in earlier times belonged to Nova Scotia, and producing in recent years nearly half the total value. The yearly record of production since 1870, the total production by provinces for the past six years, and the record by principal fish products for the past five years in descending order of importance, are shown in Tables 2, 3 and 4. It is significant that the production of 1926 is more valuable than that of any other year except the years of inflated prices—1918 and 1919. In 1918 the index number of prices of articles of marine origin was 172.5 and in 1919 177.5, as compared with 155.3 in 1926.



## 2.—Total Value of the Fisheries of Canada, 1870-1926.

NOTE.—From 1870 to 1906, years ended June 30; from 1907 to 1917, years ended Mar. 31; since 1917, calendar years. No statistics are available for 9 month period ended Mar. 31, 1907.

Years.	Value.	Years.	Value.	Years.	Value.	Years.	Value.
	\$		\$		\$		\$
1870	6,577,391	1884	17,766,404	1898	19,667,121	1913	33,389,464
1871	7,573,199	1885	17,722,973	1899	21,891,706	1914	33,207,748
1872	9,570,116	1886	18,679,288	1900	21,557,639	1915	31,264,631
1873	10,754,997	1887	18,386,103	1901	25,737,153	1916	35,860,708
1874	11,681,886	1888	17,418,510	1902	21,959,433	1917	39,208,378
1875	10,350,385	1889	17,665,256	1903	23,101,878	1917	52,312,044
1876	11,117,000	1890	17,714,900	1904	23,516,439	1918	60,250,544
1877	12,005,934	1891	18,977,878	1905	29,479,562	1919	56,508,479
1878	13,215,678	1892	18,941,171	1906	26,279,485	1920	49,241,339
1879	13,529,254	1893	20,686,661	1908	25,499,349	1921	34,931,935
1880	14,499,979	1894	20,719,573	1909	25,451,085	1922	41,800,210
1881	15,817,162	1895	20,199,338	1910	29,629,169	1923	42,565,545
1882	16,824,092	1896	20,407,425	1911	29,965,433	1924	44,534,253
1883	16,958,192	1897	22,783,546	1912	34,667,872	1925	47,942,131
						1926	56,360,633