Section 4.—External Trade in Furs

The chief markets for Canadian furs have been, for many years, London and New York. The total value of raw furs exported in the 12 months ended June 30, 1940, was \$13,175,686 but, as export figures by countries of destination cannot at present be published, due to war conditions, it cannot be stated what proportions of the total amount went, respectively, to the United Kingdom and to the United States. In 1667 exports of furs to France and the West Indies were valued at 550,000 francs. In 1850, the first year for which tables of the Customs Department are available, the value of raw furs exported was £19,395.

7.—Values of Canadian Furs Exported, by Kinds, Years Ended June 36, 1936-40

Kind	1936	1937	1938	1939	1940
	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$
Raw Furs— Beaver Fox, black and silver	615,738 6,260,371	1,029,063 7,439,955	973,159 5,571,647	1,268,425 5,441,287	1,504,764 2,677,047
Fox, other	2,522,428 690,239 439,125	1,670,475 670,848 622,865	1,198,856 421,013 448,971	1,297,956 348,398 601,624	926,032 263,100 621,446
Mink	2,202,695	2,509,517 1,334,484 3,252,047	1,598,722 891,998 1,548,989	2,499,047 1,207,972 1,623,859	2,824,065 1,931,568 2,427,664
Totals, Raw Furs	16,159,275	18,529,254	12,653,355	14,288,568	13, 175, 686
Dressed furs	576,148 87,446	878, 921 148, 947	481,773 179,987	318,140 177,795	287,669 214,842
Grand Totals	16,822,869	19,557,122	13,315,115	14,784,503	13,678,197

8.-Values of Furs Imported, by Kinds, Years Ended June 36, 1936-40

Kind	1936	1937	1938	1939	1940
	8	\$	8	\$	\$
Raw Furs— Fox. Mink. Muskrat. Persian lamb. Rabbit. Squirrel. Other kinds.	350,216 194,671 622,850 604,366 662,434 47,528 1,869,274	410,933 335,237 741,179 854,055 933,694 92,904 2,292,445	230,340 139,549 618,343 806,629 423,528 67,781 1,561,432	165, 201 182, 423 881, 355 740, 212 400, 404 86, 779 1,442, 126	175,844 213,919 1,637,334 1,837,880 1,055,545 202,319 2,200,941
Totals, Raw Furs	4,351,339	5,660,447	3,847,602	3,898,500	7,323,782
Dressed furs	1,191,667 1,106,435	1,813,060 1,014,254	1,147,503 986,937	797,228 930,421	2,092,721 221,494
Grand Totals	6,649,441	8,487,761	5,982,042	5,626,149	9,637,997

Among living animals exported from Canada only two kinds of fur-bearing animals are separately classified by the Customs Department. These are foxes and mink.

The number of live foxes exported in the calendar year 1940 was 738 with a value of \$47,425, and the number of mink, 1,083, valued at \$25,312. The number of live foxes imported in 1940 was 17 valued at \$2,248.