British and French colonial trade with Native Americans and presents

French Traders and Their American Indian Trading Partners Exchanging European Goods for Furs. Decorative detail from Map of the inhabited part of Canada, from the French surveys engraved by William Faden, 1777. Courtesy of the Library of Congress, Geography and Map Division (G1105.F22 1777).

Beaver pelts commonly traded by Native Americans for for a variety of goods, including copper kettles and pots, metal axe heads and knife blades, muskets, ball and powder, blankets, clothing and rum. Source: http://www.lib.niu.edu/2004/iht1110429.html

1722 illustration of Iroquois trade with English settlers. Source: http://upload.wikimedia.org/wikipedia/commons/a/a9/Iroquois_western_goods.jpg