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Canada's Diminishing Supply of Salmon

A conference between representatives of the salmon canneries on Puget Sound and those on the Fraser river was held at Vancouver, B. C., July 7. The most important question discussed at this meeting was that of sockeye salmon propagation. That the run of sockeye salmon is rapidly decreasing is conceded by all. In the year 1903 the pack both on the sound and the Fraser was but 30 per cent of that of 1899, the corresponding year in the cycle of four years which characterizes the run of this fish.

The commissioner of fisheries for the Dominion of Canada has complained in his reports for the last two years that the salmon-packing business was being hazarded by "excessive fishing." In his last report the British Columbia commissioner states that at two of the hatcheries on the Fraser the government was able to obtain salmon eggs to only 10 per cent of the capacity of the hatcheries, and that no salmon had reached 75 per cent of the original fishing grounds.

These facts seem to show that the "close season" provided by the regulations of the Canadian government has not succeeded in accomplishing its purpose. In 1903 the pack on Puget Sound was 165,000 cases of sock-eyes, and on the Fraser river 187,000 cases. It is claimed by the Puget sound cannery men that the sound traps presented a barrier of but 10 per cent of that presented by the gill nets on the Fraser river.

Fish Laws Needed.

At the conference of sound packers proposed to recommend to the legislature of the state of Washington the passage of a bill providing for a close season on the sound, to correspond in duration with that on the Fraser river provided a measure could be agreed upon that would insure the escape of salmon during 36 hours in 168 hours every week, or, say, 21 per cent, from the fishing appliances on both sound and river.

To effect this purpose some "graduated" close season will doubtless be required. To make the situation plain: The salmon in moving from the Straits of San Juan to the Fraser river run only with the tide; they move from seven to 10 miles in 24 hours and usually consume from five to seven days in running from the salmon banks at San Juan island to Point Roberts. The rapidity of their movements depends upon the strength of the tide, if the run occurs when the tides are excessively strong the salmon make more rapid progress, or vice versa.

A close season of 24 or 36 hours a week for the entire sound might have little or no effect on the number of salmon that would reach the river. It is evident from the reports of the Canadian commissioner that the barrier of nets on the Fraser covers such a part of the length of that stream that a school of salmon does not travel the distance during 36 hours.

It is asserted that a graduated close season of 36 hours a week, which shall be effective throughout American and British waters, will manifestly result in about 21 per cent of the salmon coming in from the ocean passing the barrier traps and nets on sound and river, and reaching the hatcheries and spawning grounds of the Fraser river.

Closed Season Proposed.

The canners on the sound propose to meet those of British Columbia in establishing such a close season, and in making it effective in both jurisdictions. To accomplish this, legislation must be enacted in Washington establishing a close season of 36 hours each week, to commence when salmon are first taken in American waters, and extending, say, 15 miles, the distance traveled by a school of fish to that length of time; at that point fishing to be prohibited for the next 15 miles for 36 hours, and so on. So likewise on the Fraser to the end of the fishing grounds. The end sought is that a school of salmon entering American waters be protected until it passes the last barrier of nets on the Fraser river.

In other words, should the state of Washington establish a close season in American waters, and no change be made in British Columbia, there would be no assurance that any greater number of salmon could ascend the Fraser than have ascended it in the last 10 years, to-wit, but one-tenth the number required to supply the existing hatcheries.

The canners on the Fraser do not seem to agree as to the effectiveness of this close season. Some of the Fraser cannery men agree that the closed season that has heretofore prevailed has been a failure; others contend that the report of their commissioner is at fault.

The sound canners, however, express the opinion that there will be no opposition to a law establishing a close season for the Fraser beginning at the Fraser banks at 6 p. m. on Saturday of each week and ending on Monday at 6 a. m., applying to the first 12 to 15 miles, and beginning at that point on the river at 6 a. m. Monday morning and extending for the next 36 hours to the next 15 miles, and further, prohibiting fishing above New Westminster, provided the Americans have a like graduated season in their waters.

Fish Supply Disappearing.

The conference developed the fact that canners on both sides of the boundary realize that some effective plan to insure the escape of a larger number of fish is necessary to a perpetuation of the business; that more hatcheries will be useless unless some effective plan for an extended close season shall be decided upon and carried out. The conference appointed committees to draft bills for legislative enactment to effect this purpose. These committees will take such action as is in their power and will report to a future conference at as early a date as is practicable.

For the first time since the controversy has been impending an earnest

effort has been made among the canners themselves to bring about a solution of the difficulty. The controversy which brought about the recent conference has been growing for several years. The canners have made long and continuous efforts among themselves to bring about a settlement of the questions involved. From conversations with persons interested upon both sides of the boundary I am convinced that both parties in interest will do their best to bring about an agreement which will be satisfactory to all concerned.—L. Edwin Dudley, Consul, Vancouver, B. C., July 11, 1904.

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