

COMMISSIONERS TOO FAR APART

Reports on Fisheries Not to Be Presented to Respective Governments

CONFERENCE IS POSTPONED

Disagreement Will Leave Regulations Unchanged for Coming Year

Ottawa, Dec. 24.—That the members of the international fisheries commission appointed under the treaty of April 8, 1908, between Great Britain and the United States...

According to arrangement the commissioners were to have held their final conference in San Francisco about the middle of the present month...

About this time the commissioners are reported to have exchanged copies of their recommendations respecting the operation of the fisheries along the border line between the two countries...

It is understood that the commissioners will next summer attempt to get together and formulate reports which in the main will agree with the other...

WILL SHORTEN ROAD

Great Northern Cut-Off Between New Westminster and Blaine to Be Finished

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