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Representatives of the Canadian and United States Governments completed today in Washington their preliminary discussions of a Great Lakes Fisheries Convention.

One of the chief problems of immediate concern to the Canadian and United States sections of the fishing industry of the Lakes is the parasitic lamprey which has recently cost them upwards of \$5,000,000 a year in lake trout alone. Most of the discussions concerned this and related problems. Each delegation offered proposals for the setting up of an international commission to deal with the lamprey and other problems of the fisheries of the Great Lakes.

The conference will resume discussions in late January.