

up thousands at this time for winter use. If the Indians were allowed to put up a certain number of fish for their own use, and not for sale, and that they be restricted to a certain size mesh, the destruction done to fish by them would be slight. Fishing in the fall is the Indians' living. Take this away from them and the Government will have to come to their assistance, at this time, as they cannot get away to set their traps till later when winter has set in and they can travel on the ice. In certain parts, I speak now of Manitoba, the season is closed for rats this year. Formerly a month was allowed for killing rats in the Fall. This was very helpful to the Indians. Now this is taken away, Fall fishing is all they have to fall back upon, till the trapping season opens.

I have the honor to be,

Sir,

Your obedient servant,

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