

Fishing For The Masses

Water Supply Reservoirs of Some English Cities Stocked With Brown Trout for Anglers and Fee Charged.

(Field and Stream, for November.)
Things don't stand still. The good for all sometimes hits a back eddy, seeming to reverse its course, but presently it is racing on again in the current of what everybody desires. Put a law on the statute books that the majority don't want there, and you dam up torrents of indignation that in the end will wash away your silly obstruction as if it were of four dough.

Field sports for the masses in England struck a back eddy, and for many years it looked as if the clerk and the factory hand would never again use a gun or rod.

But listen! Some years before the great war a wonderful idea came to the sporting city fathers of the city of Bristol. The city owned a water-supply reservoir. Why not stock the reservoir with trout, issue fishing tickets to the citizens of Bristol and let all who wanted to fish, fish for brown trout?

"And listen!" And what follows is a story of the fishing industry in England. The Bristol Bagnon water was stocked. And when the reservoir was thrown open to the angling public the fishing was so phenomenal that fishing tickets became in great demand. No wonder! Anglers daily caught such catches as the following: Remember, these are official figures: 20½ pounds; largest trout, 9 pounds; 19 pounds; largest, 7 pounds. Catches by fly-fishing experts ran daily to forty and fifty pounds! Successive years showed an average weight for all fish taken varying from 2 pounds 11 ounces to 5 pounds 6 ounces. Shade of our dear The Walton! Public waters and catches that read like the opium dream of a drugged angler!

These facts were noted abroad by friends of the fishing industry, and other cities fell into line. Before long, and up to the beginning of the war, sixty English cities, many of them immense manufacturing cities, stocked their city water supply reservoirs and opened them to the public.
In the great manufacturing city of Sheffield there are more than 20,000 trout fishermen. Birmingham has probably more, and Birmingham has four great reservoirs, magnificently stocked with brown trout. Liverpool has eight reservoirs, and trout streams and brooks. Manchester also has eight reservoirs, and the low daily charge of this city is but 30 cents per day ticket, with over some of the city waters no charge at all. Huddersfield has eight reservoirs, leased to citizens' angling associations, but tickets to non-members are issued at 50 cents per fishing day.
The cost of fishing tickets for the city of Birmingham is about the average for English city reservoir fishing, day tickets about 50 cents, or weekly tickets about \$2.50. But season tickets for this city, as for many other cities, are high—\$25. This is because there is a class of fishermen who take out a season ticket and then spend most of their time throughout the season in fishing. This sort of thing is not contemplated by the

city authorities; the fishing is intended for workers who can generally fish but one day of the week. However, some of the cities make a charge of only \$5 for a season ticket.
The average limit of catch over English reservoirs is eight fish, and the average minimum legal length to be taken is 11 inches, or a fish that would weigh about a half-pound. Shelters against storms are frequently provided, and fishing is limited in most cases to the banks, no wading being allowed. Keepers patrol the reservoirs day and night to prevent illegal fishing, and every effort is made to provide good sport for clerks, artisans and factory hands who a few years ago never dreamed of handling a trout rod.

"The world do move!" Why cannot American cities get into the sporting swim? What's to prevent stocking American city reservoirs and opening them up to the American fishing public?

Any contamination of city reservoir water injures the fishing. Hence, as has been proved, anglers not only do no injury to city reservoirs, but, on the contrary, act as unpaid guardians for water purity. Why can't we have our

American Bagnon water! What's to prevent the city of Pittsburgh, Brooklyn, any American city, from stocking its reservoirs and granting fishing privileges for a small fee?

Those who are interested in what cities can do to promote for the masses one of the most healthful, one of the most delightful, and one of the very finest of all outdoor sports should buy or obtain from public libraries Mr. Ernest Phillips' "Trout in Lakes and Reservoirs." Longmans, Green & Co., London. Mr. Phillips proves that in providing splendid fishing for the workers of its great cities England is not by any means a country which in future intends that sporting privileges shall fall only to the landowners and to the upper classes. Indeed, after reading Mr. Phillips' book, the American angler cannot help wishing that his own city had the breadth of vision and the realization of the importance of promoting sport for all in the open air that are shown by scores of English cities.

Fishing Parks.
(Ladd Plumley in Field and Stream.)
Recently the Bronx River Park Commissioners caused a sign to be placed near the Bronx River at Crosswood, below White Plains, forbidding fishing. Field and Stream writes these gentlemen to state their reasons why fishermen, the most quiet, the most

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law-abiding, the most unobtrusive of all sportsmen, should be forbidden the privilege of fishing the Bronx River. It would seem that there must be some reason for the sign in question. But—what reason? What is there concerning fishing that it should be forbidden along the wider portion of the Bronx River? It would hardly be a valid reason to say "There are no fish in the Bronx River." If a fisherman wanted to fish where there were no fish, it would seem that perhaps he was foolish, but why forbid him? He certainly cannot injure anything in casting a line into vacant water!

The Bronx River should be stocked heavily with brown trout. It could be made a noble brown trout river. It should be opened to the fishing public, perhaps only on stated days of the week and under certain specified conditions—say, the fishing limited to fly fishing only. Field and Stream courteously requests the Bronx River Park Commissioners to follow in the lead of more than sixty large English cities, among them Liverpool and Manchester, and give the New York City fly fisherman a little sport right in the very backyard of our great city.

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