

FOREST PROTECTION AND ITS EFFECT ON FISH AND GAME LIFE

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My first words must be those of gratitude. On my own behalf and on behalf of all your guests from the Province of Quebec I tender you sincere and hearty thanks for your warm welcome and generous entertainment of us on behalf of the Department of Marine and Fisheries of the Dominion of Canada. Coupled with this feeling of gratitude I am bound to admit that there rankles in my heart a certain amount of jealousy. To be frank, we in Quebec are envious of Ottawa for having secured the privilege which we feel that we should have had of welcoming you all in the *Old* instead of the *New* capital of Canada. I feel that we have a grudge against my good friend, Professor Prince, for stealing a march on us by going down last year to Louisville and securing for Ottawa the first Canadian visit of the American Fisheries Society and the International Association of Game, Fish and Conservation Commissioners. Had we in Quebec known that Canada could have had these conventions in September, 1920, and that my friend, Professor Prince, was going to Louisville to secure this privilege for Ottawa, I can assure you all that he would have had a hard fight indeed to prevent the delegation that we would have sent to Louisville from storming the convention there. There is only one way for Professor Prince to obtain absolution, and that is to undertake to work as hard for Quebec as the scene of these conventions as he did for Ottawa, just as soon as the two societies are willing to once more favor Canada with their most welcome visits. I understand that it is practically decided that the next meeting