

is the extent of the whitefish seine fishing now around Toronto. The next seine is at Frenchman's Bay, down 20 miles from here. Towards Hamilton the Humber is the first, then I think no more till you get to Burlington Beach, Hamilton. The large catches of whitefish heard of were quite 18 years ago.

(P.)—AMERICANS FISHING IN CANADIAN WATERS.

Mr. *Keys*, who represented Sandusky fish-dealers at the Detroit International Fishery Conference, 1892, said: "Beyond Sandusky Bay strings of gill-nets reach clear over into the Canadian waters and whether there is a close season in Canada or not, they run their gill-nets clear across to Pelee Island, and they do not make any bones about it."

*Frank Jackson*, Port Dover (page 6) says:—American gill-net fishermen fish within six miles of our Canadian shore, off Clay Point and Long Point Island. Has seen as many as five or six boats, tugs and gill-net boats, each fish boat would have a gang of nets 2,000 yards. The usual months are June and July following the whitefish. These boats hail from Erie, Penn., on the opposite coast. This has been going on for ten years. No Canadian would be permitted to fish in this way on the American side of the boundary line.

Capt. *J. S. Allen*, Port Dover (page 11) says:—Americans fish inside the national boundary line within six miles of Gull Island, and eastward from Clay Point to Clear Creek.

*Henry Swan*, Port Burwell (page 28) says:—American tug boats lie off Clay Point, four or five miles out, and fish, the lake being fifty miles wide there; that would be twenty miles on the Canadian side of the line.

*W. Emery*, Port Burwell (page 23) says:—American fishermen boast of fishing in our waters. That is chiefly done about Long Point Island.

*C. C. Bates*, Clear Creek (page 17) says:—Last spring there was an American fishing tug fishing for herring and blue pickerel within a few miles of our shore (lake 50 miles wide). They were in sight fishing for several days. Ran up alongside of them and said: "You people are out of your element." They said they just came in to take some fish out, they often came over in the spring.

Capt. *John Ellison*, Port Stanley (page 29) says:—Americans fish in our waters within 20 miles of Port Stanley, (lake 60 miles wide); has seen them fishing with gill-nets and tugs; has a good chance to see these American fishing boats passing along on his steamboat route to Cleveland; it should not be allowed.

*Ira Loop*, of Kingsville (page 36) says:—American tugs cross from Sandusky and take fish on board direct from Canadian nets. It would be impossible for some of the fishermen to dispose of their fish if these tugs did not come and take them. The tugs get a permit to run one or two weeks, and then they clear on certain days. They do not infringe upon the law; it would be impossible to make entry every day; it is an irregularity, but they are permitted to do that.

*W. H. Black*, Kingsville (page 32) says:—Some Americans at the "Old Hen" fish gill-nets in Canadian waters. Capt. Post takes fish from a number of Canadian pound-nets direct to Sandusky.

*W. D. Bates*, Rond Eau (page 34) says:—We run our small boat alongside of the American tug, and just weigh and sell to them. Sometimes the tug comes into port—sometimes she goes direct to the American port.

Capt. *J. W. Post*, Leamington (page 61), says:—Have seen American gill-net tugs on Canadian side of boundary line, engaged in lifting gill-nets—about six miles east of Pelee Island—should think they were herring nets, but a 3-inch mesh will