

22. Your Committee believe that the Biological Board, although accomplishing much good work under its present organization, and relations with the Fisheries Department, could do still better, and, perhaps, with greater efficiency and economy if more closely associated with the Department, so far as the staff is concerned.

23. Your Committee in two particulars went outside the matters strictly submitted to them for consideration, but they thought without harm in either case. One matter had to do with the propagation of "Sport" fish in our rivers and lakes. After hearing of the great success from efforts already taken in a few streams, they feel that the cultural authorities, both of the provinces and of the Dominion, should co-operate to push ahead with the survey of our inland waters, and the stocking of such lakes and streams as might prove suitable for such experiment.

24. In the other case, some evidence was submitted for sealing vessel owners for compensation because of losses sustained in 1892, when they were turned back at Behring Sea because of the renewal of the *modus vivendi* for two more years, although they claimed they knew nothing of its renewal before they sailed, and had insufficient notice that the arrangement had been renewed.

25. Your Committee merely submit the statements and documents filed under this heading for the consideration of the Government without making any suggestions regarding it.

26. As your Committee only explored the results of the three treaties submitted to them for consideration, and so many outside matters remain to be dealt with, not to mention the whole field of the Atlantic fisheries which were not touched upon at all, your Committee recommend that at the next Session of Parliament, a Standing Committee of the Senate be appointed to review the results on both the Atlantic and Pacific coasts of this valuable basic Canadian industry.

27. Your Committee desire to thank the officials of the Department of Fisheries for their splendid co-operation in all their work, and also thank those gentlemen from outside the service who appeared before them and gave freely of their special knowledge and experience.

All which is respectfully submitted.

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*Chairman.*