

finest trout, are plentiful in nearly all of those streams, and afford fine sport to the angler ; and are so numerous and of so fine a quality as to be of some importance as an article of commerce. The yellow perch, the white perch, sucker, chub, carp and roach are also abundant in many of the lakes and streams.

The shad is taken in great numbers in Cumberland Basin, Minas Basin, and the estuaries of the rivers which empty into them. The taking of this most delicious fish constitutes the principal fishery of those waters. The gaspereau, or alewife, the cod, the haddock, the pollock, the herring and the flounder are found in the greatest abundance in all parts of the bay of Fundy, and also in its branches, Cumberland Bay and Minas Basin ; whilst the hake, the fork or cusk and halibut, are taken in such numbers as to form a very important item in the products of those waters. In the early spring the smelt swarms in myriads up into most of the rivers emptying into the Bay of Fundy. The herring of the Bay of Fundy is small, but usually fat and of excellent quality. The greatest number of those caught are smoked and packed in boxes. The pollock fishery is believed to be the most valuable and extensive of the deep-sea fisheries of the Bay of Fundy. The cod, haddock, halibut, and gaspereau, do not differ from the fishes of those kinds found upon other parts of the coast of Nova Scotia. The sturgeon is also frequently caught in the Bay of Fundy, but is not highly valued in Nova Scotia. The bass, a delicious fish, sometimes attaining a weight of forty or fifty pounds, is also common in this bay.

In the Gulf of St Lawrence the shad and gaspereau are not so numerous nor of such good quality as on the Bay of Fundy coasts. All the other fishes already named, with the exception of the pollock are there found in abundance. The bass appears at certain seasons on this coast, in large schools. The makarel, which forms an important article of commerce in Nova Scotia, but which is comparatively rare in the Bay of Fundy, is abundant in the Gulf of St Lawrence. The sea perch is also very numerous. It is in the estuaries of the rivers on this coast that the salmon trout, or sea trout, is found in the greatest numbers in Nova Scotian waters. Of these, River Philip seems to be more particularly favoured, and is the summer's resort of many anglers. Valuable oyster Fisheries exist at several points on the Gulf coast.

The Atlantic coast of Nova Scotia is that most celebrated for its Fisheries. Nearly all of the salt water fishes already named are here found in abundance, and many other valuable species besides. The Halifax fish market is said to be the best supplied of any in the world ; and certainly,