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2nd. By constructing another pond about thirty feet above the present reception house, sufficient to contain 100 salmon, with a sluice gate to dry the pond at will and give command of water.

Owing to the want of water last season, the fish in the ponds could not be induced to enter the reception house and had to be taken with a seine. I may here state that Mr. Wilmot has already pointed out these measures as necessary to success; he, after a most careful examination, being unable to place the establishments where the salmon could be made to enter it from the river. I complied with Mr. Wilmot's orders by placing a portion ova on gravel, but cannot detect any difference between ova to placed and that on varnished of the trays.

Owing to the large quantity of young fry, which I hope to have for distribution, more vessels will be required. I used a common five gallon tin kettle with a smaller one inside, perforated, to convey 4,000 fry to River Jacquet last spring, a distance of sixty miles by horse and waggon, and without any loss.

I beg to recommend to your notice the following rivers as favorable for restocking, to wit:—Little River and Nouvelle River on the north side of Baie des Chaleurs, these rivers having their sources in the height of land between the Bay and the St. Lawrence with clear water and no settlements at their sources. Assistance might also be given to Bonaventure River, although the distance from here is considerable. No river exists in New Brunswick worth placing fry in, except the Jacquet, and it must receive better protection than hitherto to be ever of value, either for sport or as a means of furthering the interests of the fisheries on the Bay shore.

I have the honor to be, Sir,

Your obedient servant,

JOHN MOWAT.  
*Fishery Officer in charge.*