

information that nets were illegally set across the river above the dam, proceeded to the spot and effected a seizure of a net which was found set totally across the stream. From information received, it was understood by these gentlemen that numerous other instances of a similar nature were of frequent occurrence, the nets being set every evening at dusk, and taken up every morning. The Council beg further to report that the overseer, appointed by the Sessions for this river, stated that he had never been sworn in, and was consequently an inefficient officer,

Shubenacadie River.—Mr. Vieth's report on this river exhibits this fine stream in a most lamentable condition, the fishways at the various locks being utterly unserviceable, and the passage of salmon, bass and gaspereaux to Grand Lake completely stopped. The most complete obstructions to their ascent appear to be at Horne's Lock where the fish have been netted and speared in prodigious quantities throughout the season. The gaspereaux were seen in the water in millions, and on the banks, dead and dying, in their attempts to proceed to the spawning ground. Several nets were seized by Mr. King, a very efficient agent of the Society, in the river during the season, brought into town, and are now in possession of the Society.

Sheet Harbor, East Branch.—The fishway placed in the river by Mr. Chisholm some four years since, according to the plan then required by the Government, not having been found effectual, Mr. Vieth proceeded this year to inspect the same, and found that the new fish-ladder would not answer in this particular case, owing to the height of the dam, but recommended that advantage be taken of the natural conformation of the bank to make a practicable ascent for fish, in carrying out which scheme both the owners and the Society agree to join.

Little Salmon River, Preston.—The Society is happy to state that a great improvement has taken place in Little Salmon River, owing to the mill-dam having been carried away. Numbers of fish were observed by one of the Council on the spawning grounds of this river.

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