

Overseer McFadden reports that, owing to a better observance of the fishery laws, an increase in the catch of fish was experienced above Carleton Place, but that below that point the catch shows a falling off, owing to the accumulation of sawdust and mill refuse.

Overseer Deacon reports the fish in his division as being as numerous as usual, but that net fishing was carried on by one person only.

COUNTY OF RENFREW DIVISION.

Overseers	{	ANDREW TELFER, Lower portion Bonnechère and Madawaska Rivers.
		M. L. RUSSELL, Upper portion Bonnechère River.
		JOHN MORROW, Middle portion Madawaska River.
		J. R. McDONALD, Upper waters Madawaska River.
		THOS. MCKIBBON, Mink Lake and Lake Doré.
		GEORGE DOUGLAS, Muskrat Lake and Snake River.
		ARCHD. ACHESON, Lower Allumettes and Coulouge Lakes.
		JOHN GRANT, Ottawa River from Upper Allumettes Lake to Des Joachims.

COMPARATIVE Statement of the yield and value of the Fisheries in this Division.

Kinds of Fish.	1876.	1877.	1878.	1879.	1890.
Whitefish..... Brls.	30	50	68	55	46
Trout..... do	90	87	83	71	60
Sciscos..... do	10	30	40	40	44
Maskinongé..... do	35	27	48	30	44
Bass..... do	40	66	73	120	78
Pike..... do	75	30	111	29	154
Pickarel..... do	55	63	102	44	67
Sturgeon..... do	120	103	228	153	282
Coarse Fish..... do	40	40	40	40	40
Total, barrels.....	445	436	743	582	789
Value.....	\$2,705	\$2,762	\$4,242	\$3,347	\$4,153

The above table shows an increase in the catch of fish as compared with 1879. This the several Overseers attribute to a better observance of the fishery laws.

CARLETON AND RUSSELL COUNTIES DIVISION.

WILLIAM BOUCHER, } Overseers.
OLIVIER MIRON, }

It being found necessary, for the greater efficiency of the service, to have Overseers in these counties, Mr. Boucher took charge of the County of Carleton, and Mr. Miron of the South Nation River, in Russell. These appointments had a beneficial effect.