

duck and goose shooting is had at Maces Bay, a distance of 30 miles by road down the shore.

Our journey is ended. Only those who have attempted a similar task can realize the difficulty of attempting, in limited space, to do justice to the various points of interest in a range of country so great, and where the facilities for recreation and sport are so abundant. Much has been left unsaid. No effort has been made to fire the imagination by glowing descriptions of natural scenery or the pleasures of a sojourn amid the places which Nature has made beautiful. It is better that the tourist should learn of these beauties by personal observation, and then more fully appreciate them. These pages will assist him to find some of the most desirable resorts, while the enjoyment must depend upon the time at his disposal and the nature of his tastes.

ROD AND RIFLE.

While the various sections of the country adapted to the wants of the sportsman have been noticed in their order, a few additional remarks may be of interest. First, as to the fishing.

Along the Lower St. Lawrence, in the Metapedia Valley, and down the shores of New Brunswick below Miramichi, salmon are found in all the important rivers, and are of the largest size in the Restigouche district. While many good fishing privileges are under lease, many remain which are still open to the public; and even in the case of leased streams no difficulty will be found in obtaining a permit. The recent decision of the Supreme Court is, however, in favor of the rights of riparian proprietors in New Brunswick, and against the power of the Government to lease the right of fishing regardless of the ownership of the soil. The regulations of the Department allow of fly fishing for salmon from the 30th of April to the 31st of August in Quebec, and from the 1st of March to the 15th of September in New Brunswick. In Nova Scotia the best salmon rivers are on the Atlantic coast, though some which were formerly good have been "fished-out," or obstructed by dams. Where

good fish-ways have been put in, the streams are not injured, but some of

the old ways seem adapted for almost any purpose rather than the passage of salmon. One river, which does not empty on the Atlantic coast, deserves mention. It is the Shubenacadie, on which some fine sport has been had and will doubtless be had in the future. Salmon cannot be fished for in the rivers to the westward of Halifax between the 31st of July and the 1st of March, nor in the other rivers between the 15th of August and the 1st of March. None of the rivers of Nova Scotia are leased.

Trout are abundant in all the lakes, rivers and estuaries along the line of railway, and the fishing is a free one. The close season is from the 1st of October to the 1st of January. The sea trout found in the estuaries are fine fish, and though abundant in very many places, they are found in their perfection in the Tabusintac and Escuminac. They are greedy biters, and it is said, will take almost any kind of fly. The arms of the sea and numerous estuaries on the Atlantic coast of Nova Scotia are particularly good places for these fish, which find their feeding grounds among the sand flats and bays, and among the beds of seaweed in shoal water. June and July are the best months for seeking them, though they may be found at all seasons. They are a very gamey fish, handsome in appearance, and excellent eating.

