

special trains. The Canadian Fish and Cold Storage Company, Limited, have a storage plant at Seal Cove of 11,000,000 pounds' capacity, now being increased some 3,500,000 pounds. Fish are delivered from the "mosquito fleet" here and loaded into special refrigerator cars. Special "fish trains" made up of a number of these cars leave Prince Rupert three or four times a week and rush through the province on their long run by way of Edmonton and Saskatoon to Winnipeg. They are then distributed, the bulk of the produce eventually finding a market in Chicago and other eastern cities.

This great commercial industry is well established and with proper encouragement promises to be a permanent and profitable one for the district.

The following table shows a summary of the value of equipment and the number of persons engaged in connection with the fish industry in the whole province in 1917:—

BRITISH COLUMBIA FISH INDUSTRY.

EQUIPMENT AND EMPLOYEES, 1917.

Equipment.	Value.
Seines, traps and snout nets, etc.	\$ 1,822
Hand lines, weirs, trawls, etc.	101
Salmon and crab traps	1
Piers and wharves	50
Freezers, ice houses, whaling stations, salteries and crab and oyster establishments approx.	2,151
Canneries and fish and smoke houses	12,714
Small fish and smoke houses (approx.)	
Vessels, tugs and carrying smacks (514)	2,500
Boats, gasoline (3,172)	1,837
" sail and row (3,470)	
Total capital.	21,696

PERSONS EMPLOYED.

Location.	No.
In vessels, etc.	1
" boats	1
" freezers, ice houses and whaling stations	7
" canneries and fish and smoke houses	20
Total	20

*Census of Industry, 1917.

The total number of salmon canneries in British Columbia is given as 87 for the year 1917, with one whale oil factory and 21 fish and smoke houses.

While these figures are interesting as amplifying the wonderful extent and great value of the fishing resources of the province they are of special value only to those concerned with the commercial side of the subject. The great majority of visitors, tourists or new settlers are more concerned with the sporting phase. Fishing for pleasure is a practice to which the majority of men who know little or nothing of the commercial phase are more or less addicted. To the lovers of both rod and reel Central British Columbia offers a field of unparalleled attractions. Fly-fishing of the very best awaits the angler throughout the length and breadth of this district in