

not the clothes he wears; the head, and not the hat which covers it. In the older countries a different rule obtains, the clothes take precedence of the man, the hat of the head which covers it. For the first time we realise the full significance of the clothes philosophy, which is propounded by Mr Carlyle in Sartor Resartus. But one swallow does not make summer, and one defeat does not deter a great general. The Envoy Extraordinary, literally came, saw and conquered. His success were duly recorded in the journals of this arctic lumber village, to borrow the language of Mr. Goldwin Smith. As account after account reached us, those accounts which quickened the slow pulse of Canadian society, those accounts told us of breakfasts with barons, lunches with lords, and delicious dinners with dukes and duchesses, we felt that many cubits had been added to our Canadian stature, that at last we had been admitted to what Mr. Stanley calls the brotherhood of nations. It might have been thought, that after all these achievements, the Department would have been satisfied. It had created a navy, replenished the Treasury, founded a piscatorial aristocracy, and secured for us social recognition, but the French proverb says "l'appetit viendrai a mangant." Mr. Buckle tells us, that there is no instance on record of a nation or individual having power without abusing it. The Department had the northern part of this continent on which to work its will, the Atlantic and Pacific Oceans with three marine miles of our coasts in which to cast its nets. All our magnificent inland seas, in which to promote the passions of the piscatorial tribes, every river and brook and rivulet within the Dominion was at its disposal. It had all the fishes in the sea, but it must have the fowls of the air as well. It was like Ahab, who although he cast his glance over the great expanse of moorland and mountain which composed his domain, could not keep the gleam of the grapes in poor Naboth's vineyard out of his covetous eyes. One would have thought that having almost a continent at their disposal, they might have left the country of Ottawa alone.

Mr. PATTERSON (Essex): After having listened to the eloquent address of the hon. member for Ottawa County, who

has treated us to his classical quotations and poetical allusions, it must be felt that it would be a dangerous matter to infringe upon the dignity which doth hedge about the "King of the Gatineau," who has evidently ridden into town on his Pegasus this morning. With a view, not of controverting anything that has been said, but rather of bringing out all the papers necessary to understand this matter of the enforcement of the Game Laws by the Marine and Fisheries Department, I desire to move, that additional information be furnished by adding certain words to the motion. The hon. member for Ottawa has wandered very far afield from the solitary Dominion policeman on the little bay on the north shore of Ottawa county, who was the cause of all the trouble. The hon. gentleman's speech reminds one of the lecture of Artemus Ward on "Africa," the great feature of which was, that in a lecture occupying more than an hour in delivery, no reference was made to the dark continent. In order to put the question more fairly before the House, I purpose, with your permission, Mr. Speaker, reading a letter addressed by the Commissioner of Fisheries to the hon. the Minister of Marine and Fisheries. It is as follows:—

"DEPARTMENT OF MARINE AND FISHERIES,

"OTTAWA, 1st Oct., 1879.

"MEMORANDUM.

"THE HON. J. C. POPE,

"*Minister of Marine and Fisheries.*

"In re further letter of Hon. Jas. Cockburn referred to the undersigned for particulars:—

"Copies of the previous correspondence to which the Hon. James Cockburn's present letter refers are herewith.

"Mr. Cockburn complains that my replies are impertinent, officious and evasive. I respectfully submit them to the hon. Minister's judgment, believing them and having intended them to be courteous, regular and satisfactory, as is proved by the following summary of the questions put and answers given:—

"Letter No. 1 asks if any and what 'bays, lands and marshes' on the north shore of the Ottawa River are reserved from the public. Also mentions an occurrence in connection with which it is asked if the same took place by my order or that of the Department; and by what authority or law two gentlemen were prevented from shooting near Buckingham wharf.

"Answered, by specifying the limits of reserves; and promising enquiry into the circumstances of the case mentioned. It was added the places referred to could only be visited for sport by consent of owners.