

at least amended. At present the Canadian Government will not allow of fishing in the parts of the lake north of the International Boundary Line, while American fisheries are in full operation south of the Boundary line, so that the whole fisheries of the lake are practically handed over to the Americans without any compensating benefits being derived by our own people. The American fishermen ship their fish by rail from Rat Portage "in bond" through to points in the United States.

DEATH OF SIR JOHN A. MACDONALD.

On the death of Sir John A. Macdonald the President, on behalf of the Board, wired Lady Macdonald as follows :

"The members of the Winnipeg Board of Trade wish to convey to you and your family, their sincere sympathy for the loss you have sustained in the death of Sir John A. Macdonald, and also join in the general regret of the great public loss."

DEATH.

The Council have to report the death on the 20th of December last of Mr. James Anderson, of the Hudson's Bay Company service, a member of this Board for some years. Mr. Anderson was long resident in this country and enjoyed the greatest respect and confidence, of not only the business community, but all classes of our people brought into contact with him.

The Council regrets also to record the death of Mr. J. B. Mather, an active member of the Board, who was most prominent in working for the advancement of the interests of this City and the Northwest. Mr. Mather was identified with a large number of public bodies and Associations, and his removal is keenly felt by us all.

THE LIBRARY.

Additions are continually being made to the list of books of reference in the Board's library. Through the kindness of Consul Taylor, the Board is receiving a full issue of the census reports of the United States. The Departmental and other blue books of the Dominion are regularly received and filed for reference.