

fish. They appear to be about one and two pounds in weight, and I should judge about three years old.

I would recommend that another lot of whitefish fry be deposited in the Bay of Quinté and in Lake Ontario in the vicinity of Picton during next spring. In my opinion it is necessary to stock the waters annually with fry in order to keep up the supply, as the demand is becoming greater every year, and the appliances for their capture are also increasing.

I am, yours truly,

CHAS. WILKINS,
Fishery Officer.

BANCROFT, NORTH RIDING HASTINGS, 27th May, 1888.

Mr. S. WILMOT,
Superintendent, &c.,
Newcastle, Ont.

SIR,—I have much pleasure in making the following statement for the information of the Fisheries Department and yourself, viz.:—

Mr. C. Wilmot gave me about 5,000 salmon-trout fry in 1883, which I deposited in Little Island Lake, three miles from Bancroft, in good condition.

I have since caught four of these fish in the above-named lake, weighing about two pounds each, average length 16 inches. There is not the slightest doubt but that these are the fish deposited by me, as there were no fish of any kind in this lake previous to my putting them in in 1883.

Yours respectfully,

W. H. SWEET,
Constable for Hastings Co.

I can also state that I caught over a dozen of these salmon trout planted in 1883, last spring in the North Riding of Hastings. They were all of a uniform size weighing about two pounds each, several of which I sent to the Deputy Minister of Fisheries at Ottawa, and others I brought home for the Superintendent's inspection. There is not the slightest doubt but that the planting of fry in North Hastings has proved to be most successful.

Yours truly,
C. WILMOT.

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To SAMUEL WILMOT, Esq.,
Superintendent Fish Culture,
Dominion of Canada.

SIR,—We take this opportunity of expressing to you our thanks for the benefits we have derived from the salmon-trout fry deposited by you in the Charleston Lake waters, in the year 1883. There was evidently every prospect of that species of fish becoming extinct in the said lake, but judging from the time and the size of the salmon trout taken now and during the past two years in those waters, leave it beyond a doubt that the attempt has proved a decided success and a great source of pleasure to sportsmen resorting to Charleston Lake during the fishing season. Very little or no netting is indulged in, in the same lake, the fish being mostly taken by means of bait or troll.

Knowing as we do that the foregoing statements are correct and true, we would suggest that a repetition of your former attempts be repeated from year to year, and would humbly ask that you memorialize the Government in that behalf.