

In the moose deer, with the single exception of the elephant, we possess the largest, the noblest and most majestic animal that roams the woods in any country under the sun. Magnificent to look upon in life and furnishing the most luscious of meat when dead. An animal which is easily stalked and perfectly harmless, unless when wounded and brought to bay, or in defence of its young. In the latter case it will be wise to adopt the same tactics as one would with a female bear under similar circumstances and attend to the dam before attempting too much familiarity with the younger members of the family. We have also the caribou and graceful red deer with numerous fur bearing and other animals, all in unlimited numbers. None of them have been hunted to such an extent that they are growing scarce. On the contrary all are steadily increasing in numbers.

We are the owners of a large extent of territory which is likely to remain in a state of nature—a huge game preserve, which only requires a reasonable amount of care and attention at a moderate outlay to ensure an unlimited supply of game for all time, and I submit that those who share our abundance should be required to contribute somewhat to its preservation.

But it is not only in the numbers and variety of our game animals, the beauty of our scenery and salubrity of our climate that we claim to be the possessors of a rich inheritance. We hold also that we have within our borders the richest inland fisheries, with the greatest variety and finest quality of fresh water fish, on the continent of America. From the common sucker and humpback to the huge sturgeon and masquelonge, there is every variety in abundance—every variety of river, lake and brook trout. There are the rich fisheries of the large lakes on our southern border; those of the Ottawa and its