

He offered to send the boat across every day if they would furnish a certain amount of dogfish, but there was no response.

Mr. KYTE: L'Ardoise is an unprotected harbour and no fishing operations are carried on in the fall. The boats are hauled up in September, but in the months of May, June, July and August, fishing operations are carried on. If the Government would supply tanks in various places in which the dogfish might be placed, in order that they should not be exposed to the sun, the fish would last much longer and the necessity of making more frequent trips would not be imperative. The piling of dogfish on a wharf under the hot sun is apt to reduce them to a very undesirable condition.

Mr. HAZEN: My information is that the dogfish are found in largest quantities in the month of September. My hon. friend from Inverness (Mr. Chisholm) shakes his head, but that is my information. At one time, when they attempted to operate these factories during June, July and August, the loss was simply tremendous, because it was found impossible to get any supply of dogfish. If that be the case—and my information comes from my official here—then no good point would be served by trying to have a factory running during the summer months.

Mr. A. W. CHISHOLM: It is quite possible that a few dogfish may be found in July, although I have never heard of that being the case. August and September are the months when you have dogfish in shoals, in thousands of tons.

Mr. OLIVER: Would the minister lay on the Table at a convenient time Professor Prince's report with regard to those lakes to which I referred?

Mr. HAZEN: Yes.

Mr. OLIVER: I still think the minister was in error in regard to the statement he made to the House, and in order to have the facts, I would be glad if he would lay the report on the Table.

Mr. HAZEN: I may be in error. I know that Professor Prince was instructed to inquire into conditions both at Lesser Slave lake and at Lac la Biche, and he reported with regard to both lakes. I will have the papers to which the hon. member refers laid on the table of the House.

Mr. OLIVER: What is the limit of catch for the winter fishing season at Lac la Biche?

Mr. HAZEN: 400,000 pounds.

Mr. OLIVER: What is the limit of catch at Lesser Slave lake for this summer season and for the winter season?

Mr. HAZEN: In the summer season it is 500,000 pounds of whitefish, although the fishermen can take the other coarser fish with that.

Mr. OLIVER: Jackfish is not included?

Mr. HAZEN: No.

Mr. OLIVER: There are whitetish, pickerel and jackfish in Lac la Biche. Does the 400,000 pounds limit apply to whitefish or does it include pickerel and jackfish?

Mr. HAZEN: It includes all fish in Lac la Biche.

Mr. OLIVER: But in Lesser Slave lake it includes only whitefish?

Mr. HAZEN: Yes.

Mr. OLIVER: Pickerel are not considered?

Mr. HAZEN: Nothing but whitefish.

Mr. OLIVER: The fishermen can catch as many pickerel and jackfish as they like?

Mr. HAZEN: Yes.

Mr. OLIVER: What is the catch for Lesser Slave lake for the coming winter? I am anxious to have these facts so that these people will have notice before hand.

Mr. HAZEN: 760,000 pounds.

Mr. OLIVER: Is there any limit to the fishing on White Whale or Wabamun lake?

Mr. HAZEN: I do not think so.

Mr. OLIVER: Or Pigeon lake?

Mr. HAZEN: I do not think so. Those lakes have never come under my notice.

Mr. OLIVER: I do not wish to object to the principle of establishing a limit of catch because that must be within the judgment of the experts of the department, but I may point out that in the case of Wabamun and Pigeon lakes, which are both located about fifty miles from Edmonton, those lakes to my knowledge, have been fished continuously for twenty years, both commercially and for other purposes.

Mr. HAZEN: Probably it would have been better if a limit had been placed on them years ago.

Mr. OLIVER: No, the fish are quite plentiful yet.