

these matters, and you can call some one else to the chair, and take the floor, any time.

Mr. Post: I nominate Mr. Amsden as secretary of this meeting.

Chairman Whitaker: It is in order to nominate a secretary, and Mr. Amsden of Rochester, has been so nominated. Are there any further nominations?

A vote was taken and Mr. Amsden was unanimously chosen as secretary.

Chairman Whitaker: I have a letter from Mr. Booth, of the A. Booth Packing Company, of Chicago, one of the largest dealers in our lake fish there is on the borders of the lakes. He says:

CHICAGO, Dec. 17th, 1892.

*Herschel Whitaker, Esq., Detroit, Mich.:*

DEAR SIR—I am very sorry to say that I am called away to New Orleans and shall not return in time for your meeting at Detroit, but I sincerely trust you will have sufficient people to attend the International Fish Conference and that their deliberations may result in the general good of protection of fish and fish culture, the enforcement of laws and the passage of others that may be beneficial. There seems to be generally throughout the states good laws for the protection of fish and game, but unfortunately there seems to be more "honor in the breach than in the enforcement." We have called the attention of some fish commissioners to the small meshes of pound nets and gill nets, which I think do more to destroy the fishing interests of the lakes than anything else, and I do hope we may profit by the better observance of the laws in reference to the protection of fish and game enacted in Canada, or rather the enforcement of it. I should very much like to see a more cordial feeling existing between our country and Canada in reference to uniformity of the fish laws, and trust at your deliberations much good may result, and am

Very sincerely yours,

A. BOOTH,

President A. Booth Packing Co.

Chairman Whitaker: For the purpose of securing the names of those present, so that they may appear in the record, the Secretary will now hand you a paper on which you will please write your names.

The following gentlemen were found to be present:

C. V. Oshorn, Dayton, O., Fish Commissioner.

L. D. Huntington, New York, Fish Commissioner.

Wm. H. Bowman, New York, Fish Commissioner.

Samuel Wilmot, Ottawa, Canada, Superintendent of Fish Culture of the Department of Marine and Fisheries of Canada.

Edward Harris, Toronto, Ont.

Thomas Marks, Port Arthur, Ont.

E. W. Gould, Searsport, Me., Commissioner of Sea and Shore Fisheries of Maine.

W. P. Andrus, Minneapolis, Minn.

Dr. Robert Ormsby Sweeny, Sr., Duluth, Minn., president Minnesota Game and Fish Commission.

Herschel Whitaker, Detroit, Michigan Fish Commission.

J. C. Parker, Grand Rapids, Michigan Fish Commissioner.

Hoyt Post, Detroit, Michigan Fish Commissioner.

W. B. Wells, Chatham, Ontario Fish and Game Commissioner.

Charles S. Hampton, Petoskey, Michigan Fish and Game Warden.

Frank N. Clark, Northville, Mich., United States Fish Commission.

Frank J. Amsden, Rochester, N. Y., Cheaper Food Fish Association.

C. M. Keyes, Sandusky, Ohio.

John J. Speed, Detroit.

Hon. W. W. Griffin, Detroit.

Wm. Dupont, Detroit.

A. G. McDonald, Detroit, manager Buffalo Fish Co.

John Zimmerman, Detroit.

Hon. Otto H. Rusch, Detroit.

C. H. Moore, Detroit.

Hon. George C. Green, Detroit.

Wm. Craig, Detroit.

A. Solomon, Detroit.

James Craig, Detroit.

Hon. L. C. Hough.

Hon. S. R. Kingsley.

Chairman Whitaker: I am in receipt of a large number of letters, a few of which I will take occasion to read to you.

Letters were then read from Mr. Emory D. Potter, of Toledo, O., and others.

Mr. Green: I have a letter here in answer to one I wrote, from an old fish-