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**EXAMINATION OF AFFECTED SALMON, MIRAMICHI HATCHERY,
NEW BRUNSWICK.**

On October 11, 1915, I received a telephone message from Dr. A. B. Macallum, Secretary-Treasurer of the Biological Board of Canada, with reference to a diseased condition of the salmon in the hatchery at South Esk, N.B. He also informed me that Dr. Huntsman, of the University of Toronto, was leaving in order to investigate the trouble, and if I thought it wise to do so I could join him and proceed to the hatchery.

I got into telephonic communication with Dr. Huntsman on his passing through Montreal, and after discussing the situation thought it best to remain at the laboratory to examine the diseased fish that Dr. Huntsman would send me in order that I might investigate the disease, for it seemed better to attempt the finding out of the trouble with all bacteriological facilities to hand, which would have been lacking at the hatchery, and which at that time it was impossible to take there.



Retaining Pond at the Miramichi Hatchery, South Esk, N.B.

On October 14, I received a copy of the letter which Dr. Macallum received from the Deputy Minister of the Department of Naval Service, reading as follows:—

The officer in charge of the Miramichi hatchery, which is located on the South Esk river, a small tributary of the Southwest Miramichi, recently reported that a disease had broken out amongst the salmon in the retaining pond in connection with the hatchery in which the parent fish are placed and retained