A FORMER U. N. B. PROFESSOR WRITES OF THE ATLANTIC SALMON; WORLD'S GREATEST GAME FISH

est way to maintain fish or game alone. either is to have good laws and enfishing in particular, and fishing in increase his numbers, namely; by artimon without Man's helpgeneral. I will suggest several meas- ficial propagation. Trout, since they ures that fish laws might include:

A fairly high fishing license should similar treatment. be charged, the proceeds to go to fish propagation.

Prohibition of fishing during the

all sources injurious to fish.

fishing in that vicinity.

Brunswick.

tain districts.

ficial bait for bass.

(Continued From Page Two.) means the loss of perhaps a thoussentiment to make them workable, and eggs. Besides, the little fellows The first, easiest, but most expensive, persist in swallowing the hook. If one way is to restrict fishing almost to wets his hands and removes the little by their natural instincts, and they revenue from raw furs already ence, but instead of Vancouver obtainprohibition by private ownership. Only fish very carefully, it may not be ingobble spawn at any stage of its dethis means has preserved any fishing jured. But too many anglers, even velopment and suck in yolk-bellied fry in most of Europe. Free fishing means real sportsmen, swear and carelessly in the spring. Then drought, ice and no fishing in any old country. Much tear the hook from the small fish's of the more accessible salmon waters mouth, usually killing it by wiping the all take their toll of the larger fry. I of New Brunswick and Quebec are slime from its body, or through mouth leased to clubs and private individ- injury. Minimum size laws may be of uals. One must travel far to find free use in many places, but fish in general water where the fishing is any good. and trout and small salmon espec-Next to private monopoly, the easi- ially, will never be saved by these thousand artificially raised fish would

The possible law changes I mentionforce them. Nothing but propaganda ed may apply to any game or food word that Man can bring a lot more will make the laws popular. Certain fish, but I will again consider the salmon back to the river of their birth laws might be stiffened to help salmon | salmon in the third and last way to than can the well-intentioned old salbreed much like salmon, will yield to

Artificial Propagation.

spawning season, and just before it. money to buy the water and some in young fry planted, and that's the end Study is necessary to find when fish telligence in policing it. New laws of it as far as artificial culture goes. do spawn, not when they are supposed need sensible legislation and the ne- Only the work costs good money and Prohibition of stream pollution from them. But artificial fish propagation There must be careful supervision as Forcing proper fish-ways to be main- tific experts. These men are scarce logy is not only a science, but its practained around dams, with restricted but are yearly becoming more com- tical application is a profession. Young mon. Man, in relation to raising fish, salmon are very easy fish to raise. Limiting catch to a certain reason has Nature beaten. The reason is ob- They are not as interesting as little Careful regulation of net fishing, salmon will produce ten thousand eggs well. I have kept landlocked salmon This has been badly abused in New a year. She is stripped artificially and in troughs that went up to 83 degrees all, or nearly all, the eggs are im- F. for days at a time without apparaskin in the chief trading centres is another nobleman, was surprised by Prohibition of night fishing in cerpergnated. The little fish are fed on ent injury. I have had trout get sick for the commodity known as "Hudson the fame suddenly thrust upon him. Prohibition of fishing with bait or thousand fish may be planted as three- or 76 degrees. And this in spite of troll. The fly is the only way to take inch fingerlings the next autumn. This plenty of water, few fish in a trough, that was sought in the picturesque game fish, unless we except the arti- is an ideal case, and conditions would salting to kill fungus, careful feeding, schooners of more than a decade ago, have to be such that the little fish and all the wiles of fish culture to but much less expensive. Prohibition of fishing at all times could be kept and fed all summer; but make them stand warm water! in certain small streams that feed it is not at all impossible to get nine larger ones, and where there are al- thousand healthy parr from the eggs ways many small trout and salmon of a single fish. In natural spawning, that will bite anything you throw perhaps fifty per cent of the eggs might be impregnated, perhaps one The pretty kitty yields her fur, The above suggestions may be too per cent, or none at all. We know that The bunny rabbit's flayed severe in certain places, but all have a large number of eggs are not fer. And all forsooth to garnish her certain merits. Some common fish tilized. Then, the eggs that are im- Who will be well arrayed. laws (I am referring to the five-inch pregnated are in the pebbly shallows. or six-inch minimum for trout, and What may happen to them? Trout But kittycat and rabbit hide, other minimum sizes) are not espec- usually live in most salmon streams. Their names are seldom told, ially effective. No minimum length Trout will eat their own eggs the day Since when they're all dressed law could apply to salmon, for no one after they are spawned and will also wants a parr or a smolt. Neither do I eat salmon spawn whenever they can Lord knows for what they're sold! favor the repeal of the six-inch trout get it. These trout spawn away up in law in New York; but a five-inch the little streams. When they come trout amounts to very little while a back downstream, they gather in the "Yes, your honor the plaintiff sold fourteen-inch female trout in August salmon eggs. Eels are common deni- me oil stock.'

migratory but are the opposite of salmon in that they live much of their lives in fresh water and go to sea in the late fall, and salmon eggs are very dainty eel fodder. I need not go into further details, but it is well known that ghastly white suckers, sickening goggle-eyed chubs, crawfish, large insects, and a host of other enemies are taken up and down that stream log drives, kingfishers and fish ducks, doubt if a dozen of the ten thousand naturally spawned eggs ever reach the sea. Of course, that dozen would be very smart little fish and the nine have many unfit ones. But from available data. I ask the reader to take my

I will skip over the cultural details of the salmon. It is sufficient to add that the old fish are trapped as they go up river, retained in pens until they are "ripe," then spawned by hand Prohibition of fishing needs only and let go. The eggs are hatched, the cessary machinery for enforcing requires simple, but specialized, skill. needs trained fish culturists and scien- well. Fish culture is a trade. Ichthyovious. We will say that a good female trout but they stand warm water very chopped meat, and actually, nine at 71 degrees and die like flies at 75 seal." This is a glossy, black fur not

WHAT FOR?

and dved

"Are you prejudiced, sir?"

zens of salmon rivers. They, too, are RAISING MUSKRATS IN BRITISH **COLUMBIA TO MEET THE BIG DEMAND FOR HUDSON SEAL**

(Financial Post.)

amounting to more than \$3,000,000, ing the bulk of the business it shifted expects to cash in on a much larger south of the line, notwithstanding the scale in the near future as a result of fact that an enormous proportion of the successful development of the fur the peltts handled originate in Cana farming phase of the industry.

dian Government joined with Japan, terests hope by building up sentiment Russia and the United States in an among traders and trappers in favor effort to curb the unrestricted slaugh- of their project to swing the trade ter of seals in the North Pacific and pendulum back to Canadian soil, signed the pelagic sealing treaty a where it belongs. loud protest was raised that Canada was proceeding to voluntary kill the fur trade of Western Canada, Since fur trade of Western Canada. Since that time, however, enforcement of the treaty has made it necessary to readjust conditions entirely and this has been done with comparatively little effect on the financial returns of the fur industry. In fact, with the fur farms contributing their annually increasing horde of pelts, it is obvious that the value of the annual production will soon soar to a level hardly guessed at in the good old sealing

No one worries today about the scarcity of sealskin; first, because published here, of Lord Curzon, for there is no actual scarcity and, sec- many years Viceroy of India. ondly, because the substitutes for the real thing has been found more popu- in London by a newspaperman who lar than the genuine.

Rats For Seals.

The big market demand for sealso durable perhaps as the sealskin

And "Hudson seal" is really not seal at all, but muskrat. The supply is not obtained on the desolate, all personal servant." but inaccessible isles in the North Pacific, but from the marshes of central British Columbia, and the advent sonated Lord Curzon. Thus he saved of the fur farm has facilitated the Lord Curzon considerable trouble production of this fur tremendously.

For some years the muskrat has victim of the trapper. The number of "Hudson seal" pelts produced in a season varied with the luck of the trapper. Now, however, it is systematized

now being established at Swan Lake central British Columbia. This farm lake and woods totalling approximatemaintained by mounted guards, who swindled. and mend the breakages caused by French board of trade with one amounting to \$1,000 giving some idea given him by Morgan. "Mr. Morgan" of the extent of the purchases of live was so sorry the tip failed that he will eventually have an annual output hotel Nov. 1 and he would refund of 50,000 pelts.

Fur Farming Grows.

animal known to Canada is trapped in his two friends in the rogues gal-British Columbia, and while the muskrat, beaver and fox are so far the only animals that have been "farmed" to any considerable extent, it is expected that others will be raised on a similar basis later on.

There is still sufficient wild land, however, to ensure an enormous supply of fur every year, whether or not the farm idea advances. All through the interior ranchers add to their yearly income by trapping operations during the winter, and in more remote livelihood from following the trap spend, is making good in the automo

The provincial government has pur- men call a big way. sued a definite policy of conservation The Chicago factory branch of in respect to fur animals and the motor car company has announced whole system was reorganized com- her promotion from saleswoman to paratively recently when members of manager of the customs body depart the provincial police force were auto- ment, and her income in that post is matically appointed game wardens. said to promise about \$50,000 a year. Close seasons have frequently been so extensive that a complete ban on its former strength.

Vancouver Wants Market.

Establishment of a certain fur mar cet at Vancoucer has been urged by business interests who see no reason why the trade should be centered in Seattle. In the old days Victoria was

position when the transcontinental dian territory. Volume of sales is the Fifteen years ago, when the Cana- determining factor, and Vancouver in

LORD CURZON FIRE ALARM

London, Nov. 6-"No master is a hero to his valet," may be true, but at least one valet in history has become a hero to his master, it is revealed in the reminiscences, recently

This valet, Harris, was discovered informed him how highly his former master esteemed him, and what a prominent place he occupied in Lord Curzon's book. Harris, now serving

"I had no idea Lord Curzon had taken so much notice of incidents,' he said, referring to mention made of him in the book. "I think I may say I was looked upon as his friend, and I always accompanied him as his sole

Harris, being of remarkable likeness to his master, sometimes imperwhen the viceroy did not want to go through arduous official receptions. been an important item in British Co. Once Harris and Lady Curzon's maid lumbia's fur production, but until the posed as Lord and Lady Curzon and last few years it has been the chance got a salute from an Indian princeling.

TRAVELS 4,000

Chicago, Nov. 10-Michael Kayat ly 7,000 acres. A large part of this 45 years old, retired merchant of has been inclosed by wire fence to Melbourne, Australia traveled from keep out predatory animals and Paris to Chicago to collect \$12,500 around its edge a constant vigil is only to learn that he had been

set traps for owls and other vermin Six weeks ago while playing the marauding moose, bear and other big "George P. Morgan," who was regame. There are said to be about 4,000 presented by two other friendly at present in process of being stocked, Morgans of New York," Kayat told weekly disbursements to trappers, the police he lost \$12,500 on a tip animals. It is calculated that the farm told Kayat to meet him in a Chicago the money. At the detective bureau last night, Kayat thought he found Almost every species of fur-bearing pictures of the "Mr. Morgan" and

Chicago, Nov. 9-Jane Morton, Chi cago and Lake Forest, heiress to more places scores of men earn their entire millions than a dozen girls could bile business in what her fellow-sales

Jane, after graduating from a girls established in order to prevent the school as Boston, began selling motor threatened depletion of certain species cars, and her friends say her commis Operations against the beaver in the sions have averaged \$100 a day. She Cariboo district four years ago were also has an interest in an antique shop. She is the daughter of Marl beaver trapping was declared for a Morton, salt and sugar magnate, and period of years, and only recently has her family is linked by marriage to the stock shown a tendency to regain the packer families of Cudahy and

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