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Are Her Missionaries in North Africa.—This was one of the statements of Rev. Dr. Rainsford, noted preacher and author of New York City, who is visiting Canada, addressing Canadian clubs. Thirty years ago he was assistant rector of St. James' Anglican church, Toronto, and the people of that church wanted to have him appointed rector, but the Bishop of those days wouldn't hear of it. Rainsford was very democratic. He went to New York and transformed one of the struggling missions of Gotham into one of the most influential churches of United States Episcopalianism.

No Smoking in Zion

Zion City, Ill., March 5.—Six men were arrested here for smoking in spite of a recent ruling of the state supreme court that city ordinances forbidding the use of tobacco were unconstitutional. The police explained they had received no official notification of the court's decision. Enoch Pearson resisted arrest and was severely beaten, he alleged. He swore out warrants in Waukegan for Policemen Shepard and Wright, who arrested him. Wilbur Glen Volivia said the war against smokers would be continued in spite of the supreme court ruling. "If we can't get rid of them any other way, we will turn 500 women loose on them," he said, "and drive them into the lake."

License to Drink

Why not make a man take out a license to drink? Pay \$5 for it and have the government take away his license if he indulges not wisely, but too well. Make him show his license upon demand by any bartender and also take up his license if he is found buying after hours. This would be limiting the liquor traffic and regulating it right down to the minute. In connection with the treating system, for instance, just imagine a friend calling out to you: "Come on in, and have a drink," while you would be forced to reply, "Sorry, old scout, but I haven't got a license."—Ottawa Journal.

The rule adopted by some theatres compelling latecomers to stand until the end of the first act is a good one. Besides enhancing the comfort of the punctual, it will make it easier for the latecomer to walk out if he does not like the show.—Washington Star.

The Royal Cafe gives the best meals and the best service in the city. Visitors to the city are advised to make this restaurant their selection.

MAGNA CHARTA GIVES ALL THE RIGHT TO CATCH FISH

PROVINCIAL GOVERNMENT WILL CONTINUE TO TAX SALMON FOR REVENUE INSTEAD OF BY LICENCES—WHALES ARE PROPERTY OF PROVINCE

At the Saturday night sitting of the legislature, Hon. Mr. Bowser moved the second reading of the fishery tax act. In explaining the motives of the bill, the attorney-general said the bill had been drafted in view of the recent decision of the privy council definitely deciding that the Dominion only had power to regulate the fisheries. Discussing the position thus created, the attorney-general said:

"The rights exercised in the past by the province have been in no wise curtailed by this judgment, but we have felt that it is more in accordance with the spirit of the judgment referred to to collect the revenue, which in the past we have done by regulation under powers conferred by a section of the provincial fisheries act, under and by means of regulations based upon a formal revenue act.

Powers of Dominion

"We have always recognized the fact that the power of regulation of the fisheries is vested in the Dominion under section 94 of the British North America act. Under a judgment of the privy council in 1898 the property right in the fish caught in provincial waters was declared to be vested in the province. Since 1899 there have been differences of opinion as to the exact definition of the two jurisdictions, and the recent judgment removes some of these.

"Pending the settlement of this case, the sole right exercised by the province has been that of collecting a revenue by issuance of fishing licences. In the recent judgment the law lords were very careful to refrain from expressing an opinion or judgment which would limit our right to tax those engaged in fishing, whether in tidal or non-tidal waters. This we will continue to do. But we believe that instead of doing so by regulations made under authority of section 30 of the provincial fisheries act, we should do it by regulations made under a formal taxation act.

Province Owns Fish

"To summarize the judgment recently delivered, I may say that it decides that the province possesses the property rights in the fish and fisheries above tidal waters, whether rivers are navigable or not above that point, provided of course that the beds of the rivers are not in the rail-

way belt, and owned by the Dominion. In tidal waters there is no property right vested in either the Dominion or the province, since under Magna Charta, this fishing was a common right of all the people. The Dominion and province may raise revenue from those engaged in fishing, but exclusive privileges under the guise of regulations cannot be given by the province.

"The judgment further declares that with the transfer of the solum or property rights in the lands of the railway belt to the Dominion, the fisheries therein passed with them.

"With the exception of the fisheries within this belt, our ownership of the fish in our great rivers and lakes is undisturbed.

"We shall continue to raise a revenue from those engaged in the fisheries, and the money so realized will be devoted, as in the past, to the encouragement of the fisheries. The work of the provincial fisheries department will be expanded instead of being curtailed. I may state that the value of this work is recognized both by those engaged in the industry, and by the Dominion



HON. DR. PAYNE

The temporary leader of the Ontario Government.

department of fisheries as well.

"We have retained scientists to work out the life history of important food fishes, to chart our shell fish beds and to study animal life inimical to the fisheries. We have been enabled not only to give valuable advice to the Dominion in this direction and to blaze the way along lines of this nature, but to place in the hands of the canners and fishermen information of great value to them in their industry and business.

"In the past our sole licence fees have been collected from those engaged in salmon fishing. We have no intention at the present time of extending that tax to other fisheries, but we want to have the power to do so when necessary. Of course such taxes have fallen upon only the commercial fisheries. Anglers within the province are not affected. Upon a provision in the Game Act we collect an angler's licence fee from non-residents of the province."

In discussing the powers of the provincial government to tax whaling industries, Hon. Mr. Bowser said that as whales were described as mammals and not fish there was no question as to the rights of the province. A very curious fact had been brought out in the discussion before the privy council. That was that sturgeon and whales were royal fish, and as such belonged to the king. The transfer of the old crown colonies rights of British Columbia and Vancouver Island to the Dominion had not included these royal fish.

Therefore, as successors to the old crown colonies, the province of British Columbia had jurisdiction over these, as they still belonged to the crown.

The amendment to the Provincial Fisheries Act, which was also read a second time Saturday night, provides for royalties to be paid by owners or lessees of oyster beds, in British Columbia coast waters, the fixing of the rates to be in the hands of the Lieutenant-Governor in Council.

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