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BOARD OF  
FISH AND GAME COMMISSIONERS  
OF THE  
STATE OF NEW JERSEY.

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## Letter of Transmittal.

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*To His Excellency, Franklin Murphy, Governor, and to the Members of the Senate, and General Assembly, of the State of New Jersey:*

In accordance with the provisions of law, we herewith submit the annual report of the doings of the Board of Fish and Game Commissioners, for the year ending October 31, 1904.

Very respectfully,

BENJ. P. MORRIS,  
RICHARD T. MILLER,  
D. P. McCLELLAN,  
PERCY H. JOHNSON,

Commissioners.

Letter of Transmittal

The following is a copy of the report of the  
Committee on the Administration of the  
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1900, as required by the Act of March  
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# ANNUAL REPORT.

Of the Board of Fish and Game Commissioners of the State of  
New Jersey for the Year Ending October 31, 1904.

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Gratifying progress in the work of your Commission during the past year may be reported. To this may be directly attributed the fact that the prospects for good hunting and fishing in the approaching seasons are better than in years past.

Measures looking toward more adequate protection, propagation, and general care of fish and game have been devised and put into effect, wardens have been stimulated to increased activity; forest, field, and waters have been liberally stocked, while the refuge system, advocated in the last report, has been inaugurated.

Everything that has been done has been dictated, not only by a keen sense of present needs, but of future requirements as well. With the ever increasing population, and the consequent reduction of areas in which game may live, it behooves grave consideration, lest through lack of proper precautions all game eventually disappear in many counties of this State. Your Commission is alive to this danger and has done and will do all that can be accomplished to offset such a contingency.

In this connection it may be said that deep pride is felt in the work of the Protector and wardens in the past year. They have been aroused as never before to a full sense of their responsibilities, and they have been diligent, untiring and efficient in the discharge of their duties. At the suggestion of the Commission, the Protector and the twenty-four wardens throughout the State have proceeded upon a system of cooperation that has proven most effective. They have not only looked after violations in

their own counties, but they have not hesitated to go into adjoining counties, and in this way the entire State has been patrolled as never before. This system has reduced illegal shooting to a large extent, and naturally increased game is the result.

There is today as much game throughout the State as there has been in some years past. Farmers report that broods of from ten to twelve quail are not an uncommon sight, and the country is fairly overrun with rabbits and squirrels; in fact, farmers are complaining about the damage that the squirrels are inflicting to corn. Some fields have absolutely been ruined by the squirrels and the farmers feel, and justifiably so, that something should be done to protect them against this damage. The squirrels do all their damage before the shooting season begins, under the present law, and when the season opens the leaves are off the trees and it is **very** hard to shoot them. It has been suggested that the season for squirrels might open on September tenth and close on September thirtieth; this would give the farmers an opportunity to kill them when they are committing the most damage.

Reports from all of the southern counties are most optimistic with regard to the approaching season, while from Warren, Sussex and Morris counties comes word of unusual prevalence of game of all kinds.

Your Commission has put out many deer in the southern counties, and it is pleasing to be able to report that they are doing well. Farmers report having seen great numbers of them, and that the does are plentiful. By the time that the close season on deer expires, which will be in 1906, it is expected that such deer shooting will be offered in this State as shall exceed the utmost expectations. The farmers report that there have been no instances of the deer being molested, and any infraction of the law would be visited quickly with the wrath of the husbandmen who have grown very proud as well as fond of seeing the deer about. More deer will be put out in the present year, as it is felt that past stockings have been attended with such good success.

Farmers are appreciative of the work of the Commission, and are willing to assist it in any way that they can; and the same may be said of the hunters in general, who are realizing more

and more that laws and measures passed looking to the protection of game and fish all tend to their best interests.

A point that has been brought strongly to the attention of the Commission, is what may be regarded as the evil of changing the fish and game laws from year to year. Of course it is recognized that some changes each year are necessary, but the general shaking up of all laws has begun to appeal to the Commission as unwise. Sportsmen protest against it constantly, the burden of their complaint being that they never know how they stand with regard to game from one year to the other. The wardens report many arrests of hunters who, shooting under the laws of the previous year, fancy that they are within legal bounds until they are arrested; this not alone causes them much inconvenience and innocent suffering, but also results in the loss of the game that they have innocently shot.

Your Commission feels the need of uniform laws, and it strongly advocates that New York, Pennsylvania and this State work in conjunction, framing laws that are similar, so far as practicable; there is no reason why this should not be done, as the conditions in all of the three said states are similar, both as regards propagation facilities and native game. If this could be brought to pass it would be to the utmost advantage of the three states.

Of course, it is not designed that such uniform laws should be iron bound, or inviolable. Under practical test certain laws could be amended as the best interests of the territory might demand.

In accordance with the ideas expressed in the previous report of this Commission—and it is with great pleasure that this announcement is made—a game refuge has been established on the Oradell Stock Farm, Oradell, Bergen County, New Jersey; and it is hardly necessary to say that this venture will be watched with eagerness. It is the intention of the Commission to establish some fifteen more of these refuges throughout the State during the present year, and there is very little doubt that they will do what they are intended to do, prevent the utter extermination of game, and at the same time ensure good shooting season after season.

The refuge system is as simple as it is hoped it will be effective.

Arrangements are made with farmers owning large areas of land to post their property, and to see that the prohibition against shooting of any sort is rigorously carried out. In the spring birds are set out, and the farmers see that they are protected by posters prohibiting shooting, and that they are fed and taken care of generally. They put out covers and feeding places—in short make it a happy, safe and pleasant home for the wild fauna who will naturally remain there in great numbers and thrive and increase prolifically. These refuges will be carefully selected in various parts of the State, as they need not be connected, and it is proposed to keep the season on these refuges closed for at least ten years. Not this year probably, but next it is quite likely that deer refuges will be established, an intention which will recommend itself to all well-wishers of game in this State.

The refuge system at first may not appeal to the residents of this State, smacking as it does of the game preserve, which always tends to arouse the greatest indignation; yet it differs from the preserve in that all their objectionable features are eliminated in the plan now being put to the test, and no serious objections on the part of the hunters of this State are looked for.

It is to be regretted that woodcock are fast disappearing from this section of the country. That this is so may be stated authoritatively by the Commission, as each succeeding year has witnessed their decrease in this State, and reports at hand from adjoining States indicate a similar condition. One of the chief reasons for this is that the law sanctions the shooting of woodcock during the months of July and October. The woodcock is among the first of the birds to arrive from the south, coming here the latter part of March, and the latter part of May they are well over their nesting. When the season opens in July the greater part of the young have attained maturity and full growth, but they are in their first flight, and as a consequence are not so quick on the wing as they are in the autumn, and hence are more easily shot. That this is so may be learned from any farm boy, who with his muzzle loader is able to bag many woodcock in the summer, whereas in the fall the game is practically safe from his gun.

If it were possible, the Commission would be pleased to see a

closed season for woodcock in this State for a term of years, but failing in that would suggest that the months of July and October be changed to a close season, thus permitting them to be shot only in the fall, during the open season for other game.

During the past year your Commission ordered fifteen hundred dozen quail from the Indian Territory, and succeeded in getting but sixty and three-fourths dozen. It is regarded as fortunate that even such a number could be obtained, as the Federal Law prohibiting the shipping of game out of the Territory has been rigorously enforced. But this sixty and three-fourth dozen will help materially, has helped in fact, for the farmers in the regions where the quail have been set out report that they have done finely, and that the weather conditions have been all in their favor.

With regard to the future shipments of quail from the Indian Territory, it may be said that this Commission will make representations to the Secretary of Agriculture to the end that shipments of quail, for the purpose of propagation, be permitted in the case of New Jersey, which needs this bird very much. There are hopes that he will act favorably on this request.

Your Commission earnestly request that geese, duck, brant, and water wild fowl be protected during the months of April, May, June, July, August and September.

Song birds are improving in point of numbers in this State, a fact due to their rigorous protection. There are more varieties of the warbler and vireo in this State at present than have been seen in many years, while the red-eyed vireo, tree sparrows, blue birds, king birds, sap suckers, song thrushes, and all varieties of birds in fact, are brightening the woods and fields with their beautiful plumage, and filling the air with sweet song.

Reports from all over the State have shown the wisdom of protecting the dove throughout the year. If this had not been done, it would have been but a matter of a few years before this beautiful and harmless bird would have been exterminated. As a matter of fact the dove is now protected in most all of our states.

It has been stated that we simply keep the robins here and fatten them so that the southerners may kill them, but that this is base sophistry may be grasped when it is pointed out that most

of the southern states protect them by law. The robin does more good than harm, and this fact has been proven by the result of every investigation of the matter. In fact, were it not for all of our insect eating birds, farmers would be unable to grow a single crop. The meadow lark is another bird that has been taken from our game list, which is sane and right, as no more valuable bird for the protection of the grain fields exists.

Laws protecting our song and insectivorous birds are of comparatively recent origin, and grew out of the scientific investigation of their habits. These investigations began in 1850, but it was not until 1855 that Congress was petitioned by many societies, who called attention to the fact that many species of birds were disappearing, and that insects were proportionately on the increase. Congress became immediately interested, and through the efforts of that body the present laws were adopted in the various states. Nature is beneficent in all its workings, and each bird pursues a set purpose, and in carrying out this purpose, whether performed by the robin, which delves in the ground, or the woodpecker, which searches the bark of trees for peculiar destroying larvae, they are made to carry out their work of salvation to trees, foliage, and all the products of the earth.

Eighty per centum of the murderers of song birds are foreigners, mostly Italians, but with a sprinkling of Hungarians and Poles.

For adequate protection against pot hunters the Commission like to see a law passed which would keep those engaged in that practice from shooting at all. If game is to be preserved some measure is necessary, and in this respect attention is called to the following clause in the Game laws of Tennessee:

"Sec. 14. Be it further enacted, that any person who, during the season when game may be lawfully killed, shall follow the business of shooting game for market or for sale, shall be deemed and is hereby declared to be a professional market hunter. Each and every professional market hunter shall be required annually before commencing his business of shooting for the market, or for sale, to procure from the State Game Warden a special market hunter's license, for which he shall pay \$25, and before being granted said license he shall furnish the State Game Warden a good and sufficient bond in the sum of \$200, conditioned not

to violate any of the provisions of this section, and any market hunter violating this act or any provision thereof, shall, upon conviction, forfeit said bond and be imprisoned not less than one nor more than three months, at the discretion of the Court. Where any fine is imposed under this act, or under the provisions of any sections thereof, the Court may, at its discretion, order the person so fined to be imprisoned until said fine is paid, but not exceeding a period of three months."

Fresh water fishing in this State has been poor during the past year, if trout fishing be excepted, and yet the ponds and waterways have been stocked as never before. It is merely a question of fact whether any previous year has seen so much stocking of fish as this year. All the fresh water lakes and ponds throughout the State were stocked with black bass, pickerel, Oswago bass, cat fish and perch, and the brooks have been filled with trout. The weather conditions are supposed to be responsible for the poor fishing, and also to the fact that the fish could secure an abundance of the feed provided for them by nature, and so were not tempted by artificial bait.

Some large catches have been reported, but the average catch for the past year did not compare with that of the previous year, nor, in fact, to the catches for several years previous. Trout fishing was excellent, and good sport was to be had at all the brooks. Just as many fish will be put out this year as last, and the trout streams will be adequately replenished.

Your Commission desires to call attention to the seining of streams for the removal of carp; they have proved to be veritable hogs in the matter of rooting in the mud, and no clean fish will abide in the waters where they are. Extensive seining of carp has taken place in the past year, and the results have been good.

Your Commission is much pleased to be able to report that a great change has taken place during the past two years in that vast hunting and fishing district known as Barnegat Bay. Through the constant vigilance of the wardens having this district in charge, and through the growing tendency of the hunters and fishermen to look upon our laws as designed solely for their own benefit, the violations have been gradually growing less,

while the desire to uphold and abide by such laws has grown stronger. Our present laws regulating the fishing and hunting on Barnegat Bay seem to be generally satisfactory, and few, if any, changes have been suggested by the hunters or fishermen.

During the past season, ducks, geese and brant were quite numerous, more geese and brant being killed than for several years past. Few people can have any true conception of the great number of wild fowl yearly killed on this vast body of water, stretching along our coast for many miles.

Barnegat, West Creek, Waretown and Forked River are the chief points from which the visiting gunners spread out all over the bay. At these places expert guides, boats and all equipments can be procured for either a day or a week's trip.

The fishing this summer has been better than for many years, and the angler has been in his glory. The number of weakfish caught seemed only to be regulated by the number the angler wished to cart home. A common catch was from 100 to 150 to each man. White perch were also very plentiful in most all parts of the bay, while many drum, rock and bluefish were caught at or near the inlet. During the winter, some very large hauls of white perch were made by the seine fishermen, who fish their nets under the ice when the bay is frozen over. Many thousands of pounds of these fish were caught, and found a ready sale at from 10 to 14 cents a pound.

From time to time, stories have been circulated by parties who desired to see a law passed permitting the shooting of ducks from blinds and sink boxes erected out on the bay, that all of the points were taken up by gunning clubs. This is not true in any sense of the word, as it is a well-known fact that there are hundreds of points and little islands in all parts of the bay that are open to the first man who gets there. It is simply a case of "the early man gets the stand." If ducks are not disturbed on their feeding grounds, they will remain there as long as the weather permits, and by passing from one spot to another, make good, steady shooting, but if they are driven from their feeding beds they will soon take up their flight southward.

Barnegat Bay is one of the best hunting grounds for water

wild fowl we have in the State, and we think that every effort should be made to keep it up to that standard.

In concluding, your Commission wishes, by way of emphasis, to again speak of its desire for game laws uniform with those of New York and Pennsylvania, so far as is practicable, and laws that in the main may remain unchanged from year to year.

During the past year, and, in fact, during all the period since your Commission has been constituted as it now is, we have endeavored to interpret the laws fairly, but firmly, distressing none, and yet enforcing them so that the interests of the State were at all times fully protected.

We have also endeavored to work in perfect harmony with the various State departments, and we are happy to say that there has been no friction, and, up to the present time, no dissatisfaction or fault-finding of any description from any State official.

It is the sole desire of your Commission to place New Jersey where she properly belongs, in the front ranks among the States, as one where game may be found in abundance, and this object will be attained as soon as the Legislature enacts a law preventing the sale of game.

### STOCKING WATERS.

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The stocking of the lakes and streams throughout the State of New Jersey, which has been done by your Commission since the last report, has been the most extensive, as well as the most successful of any year in the history of this department. We have not attempted to introduce any new species of fish, but have devoted our energies to keeping up the supply of the various varieties, which now inhabit our fresh water, that are known to thrive.

The transporting of wall-eyed pike and calico bass from Lake Erie, which has been done for several years, has been discontinued for the present. While those species have multiplied to some extent, in the larger lakes in which they were put, we feel that they have not propagated as rapidly as they should up to the present time, but as there are instances where the introduced species did not show any great increase for several years after their introduction, this may possibly be the case with the two species above named. However, we have come to the conclusion that the money spent in bringing fish so great a distance could be more judiciously expended by devoting our energies to netting the canals and various other places in the winter for black bass, pickerel, white and yellow perch, and cat fish, which are indigenous to our waters, and of which there is no doubt about the result.

This method was pursued during the past year, with excellent results. The following number of fish were secured and placed in the suitable lakes throughout the State: Black bass, 8,870; white and yellow perch, 10,765; pickerel, 1,700; cat fish, 5,650; crappies and calico bass, 115; making a total of 27,100 food and game fish; and, in addition to this, 27,200 bait fish were taken, and in every case where food fish were sent to any lake, bait fish accompanied the shipment, and some lakes that did not require restocking with food fish were supplied with bait fish.

The fish thus obtained were all adult fish, some weighing four pounds. The distribution was general throughout the State, and every county having suitable lakes received a supply.

We are also advised that the United States Fish Commission placed several thousand black bass in some of the lakes of this State, and has promised another distribution this fall.

As some of the finest trout streams to be found anywhere in this country are located in the northern part of the State, and the number of anglers who are partial to this kind of sport is increasing every year, it was only natural that these brooks should be replenished, in order that the supply should be kept up, and a sportsman receive some reward for his labor, when visiting these waters. As numerous applications were received, thirty-six thousand brook trout were purchased and distributed in the most suitable waters.

The fish were larger than ever before distributed by your Commission, being four to five inches in length, and of a very fine quality, and were all placed in the streams in good healthy condition, and fully able to take care of themselves, and not serve as food for the larger fish, trout being carnivorous, they do not hesitate to devour each other.

It was the opinion of your Commission that a few hundred large trout placed in a stream will give better results than thousands of fry or fingerlings.

In the distribution of so large a number of fish in nearly every part of the State, it would only be reasonable to suppose that some applicant would be dissatisfied, or feel that they were not treated justly, or get as many as they desired, but we endeavored to place the fish in the streams most suitable, and in such quantities as in our opinion the waters would maintain, and without regards to any personal or political feeling, and it is pleasing to us to report that we have not received a complaint that our distribution of fish has not been fair and just, and it is our intention to put forth every effort the coming winter to get even a larger supply and keep the lakes and streams throughout the State thoroughly stocked, that no lover of rod and reel will have just cause for complaint.

The following is a correct list of the lakes and streams stocked during the past year, with the number of fish placed in each, viz. :

Greenwood Lake.....	600	Black Bass, 400 Cat Fish.
Cranberry Lake.....	100	Perch, 400 Cat Fish.
Allamuchy Lake.....	200	Cat Fish.
Silver Lake.....	150	Perch, 50 Pickerel.
Culver's Lake.....	50	Black Bass, 50 Pickerel, 200 Cat Fish.
High Mountain Brook.....	600	Brook Trout.
Burnt Meadow Brook.....	600	Brook Trout.
Post Brook.....	600	Brook Trout.
West Brook.....	600	Brook Trout.
Pequannock Brook.....	800	Brook Trout.
East Branch Paulinskill Brook.....	400	Brook Trout.
Paulinskill Brook.....	1000	Brook Trout.
Black Brook.....	1400	Brook Trout.
Spring Garden Brook.....	400	Brook Trout.
Ventora Brook.....	400	Brook Trout.
Brook Valley Brook.....	400	Brook Trout.
Whitehead Brook.....	500	Brook Trout.
Turkey Brook.....	400	Brook Trout.
Dismal Brook.....	200	Brook Trout.
Pine Brook.....	800	Brook Trout.
Hockhockson Brook.....	400	Brook Trout.
Millbrook Brook.....	200	Brook Trout.
Clear Brook.....	200	Brook Trout.
Slabtown Brook.....	800	Brook Trout.
Brands Brook.....	400	Brook Trout.
Hope Brook.....	200	Brook Trout.
Hohokus Brook.....	600	Brook Trout.
Saddle River Brook.....	600	Brook Trout.
Joe Jefferson Brook.....	600	Brook Trout.
Mine Brook.....	200	Brook Trout.
Englishtown Lake.....	100	Perch, 50 Pickerel and 100 Cat Fish.
Lake Brook Branch.....	800	Brook Trout.
Valentine's Brook.....	800	Brook Trout.
Roaring Brook.....	400	Brook Trout.
Pohatcong Brook.....	400	Brook Trout.
Mountain Brook.....	400	Brook Trout.
Head Water Green Pond.....	600	Brook Trout.
Schoonover's Brook.....	400	Brook Trout.
Eatontown Brook.....	200	Brook Trout.
Solomon's Brook.....	200	Brook Trout.
Magee Brook.....	200	Brook Trout.
Mine Brook.....	400	Brook Trout.

County Line Brook.....	400	Brook Trout.
Barker's Trout Brook*.....	400	Brook Trout.
Varona Lake.....	50	Perch, 50 Pickerel, 100 Cat Fish.
Pascook Brook.....	800	Brook Trout.
Bear Brook.....	400	Brook Trout.
Takill Brook.....	400	Brook Trout.
Sucker Brook.....	800	Brook Trout.
Lappohannock Brook.....	600	Brook Trout.
Buck Horn Brook.....	600	Brook Trout.
Merrill Brook.....	800	Brook Trout.
Mingnamahone Brook.....	400	Brook Trout.
Van Marter's Brook.....	200	Brook Trout.
Fries Lake.....	100	Black Bass, 100 Perch, 25 Pickerel, 500 Bait.
Kirkwood Lake.....	100	Black Bass, 500 Bait.
Millbrook Brook.....	600	Brook Trout.
New Germantown Brook.....	200	Brook Trout.
Musconetcong Brook.....	600	Brook Trout.
Beaver Brook.....	400	Brook Trout.
Gravel Brook.....	200	Brook Trout.
Capolong Brook.....	400	Brook Trout.
Clinton Brook.....	400	Brook Trout.
Clark's Brook.....	200	Brook Trout.
Holland Brook.....	100	Brook Trout.
Cold Brook*.....	100	Brook Trout.
Davis Spring Brook.....	200	Brook Trout.
Hunter Brook.....	200	Brook Trout.
Black Brook.....	200	Brook Trout.
Andrews Brook.....	200	Brook Trout.
Wolf Brook.....	200	Brook Trout.
Diamond Brook.....	200	Brook Trout.
Varona Lake.....	300	Cat Fish.
Penitentiary Lake.....	300	Cat Fish.
Mountain Lake.....	600	Cat Fish.
McMurtree Lake.....	200	Cat Fish.
Warrington Lake.....	100	Black Bass, 25 Pickerel, 500 Bait.
Tintern Lake.....	100	Black Bass, 50 Pickerel, 500 Bait.
Good Intent Lake.....	100	Black Bass, 75 Perch, 500 Bait.
Clementon Lake.....	100	Black Bass, 75 Perch, 500 Bait.
Deal Lake.....	100	Black Bass, 100 Perch, 500 Bait.
Varona Lake.....	00	Black Bass, 75 Perch, 50 Pickerel, 500 Bait.
Budd's Lake.....	100	Black Bass, 100 Perch, 500 Bait.
Ice Lake.....	75	Black Bass, 100 Perch, 500 Bait.
Lenape Lake.....	00	Perch, 50 Pickerel, 500 Bait.
Tyler's Lake.....	100	Perch, 500 Bait.
Culver's Lake.....	300	Black Bass, 200 Perch, 50 Pick- erel, 2000 Bait.

Long Pond Lake.....	300	Black Bass, 100 Perch, 50 Pickerel, 500 Bait.
Batsto Lake.....	300	Black Bass, 200 Perch, 500 Bait.
Harrison Ville Lake..	200	Black Bass, 300 Perch, 500 Bait.
Englishtown Lake.....	300	Black Bass, 300 Perch, 150 Pickerel, 500 Bait.
Cedar Swamp Brook.....	300	Black Bass, 300 Perch, 500 Bait.
Collingswood Lake.....	300	Perch, 100 Pickerel, 500 Bait.
Nash Lake.....	150	Pickerel, 500 Bait.
Glover's Lake.....	300	Black Bass, 300 Perch, 500 Bait.
Carpenter's Lake.....	300	Black Bass, 300 Perch, 500 Bait.
Grenelle Lake.....	300	Black Bass, 300 Perch, 500 Bait.
Hunt's Lake.....	300	Black Bass, 300 Perch, 500 Bait.
Rahway River.....	300	Black Bass, 300 Perch, 500 Bait.
Lenape Lake.....	300	Black Bass, 1000 Bait.
Barnsboro Lake.....	200	Black Bass, 1000 Bait.
Swedesboro Lake.....	200	Black Bass, 1000 Bait.
Porche's Lake.....	100	Black Bass, 500 Bait.
Tumbling Dame Lake.....	200	Black Bass, 200 Perch, 500 Bait.
East Lake.....	200	Black Bass, 200 Perch, 500 Bait.
Jeddy's Lake.....	200	Black Bass, 200 Perch, 500 Bait.
Hatchenson Lake.....	450	Perch, 200 Cat Fish.
Hollywood Lake.....	500	Bait.
Ross Lake.....	500	Bait.
McCall's Lake.....	500	Bait.
Wintern Lake.....	200	Black Bass, 300 Perch, 500 Bait.
Sitterst Lake.....	300	Perch, 200 Bait.
Alloway Lake.....	100	Black Bass, 200 Perch, 50 Pickerel, 500 Bait.
Centerton Lake.....	100	Black Bass, 200 Perch, 50 Pickerel, 500 Bait.
Johnson's Lake.....	100	Black Bass, 200 Perch, 50 Pickerel, 500 Bait.
Musconetcong Lake.....	100	Black Bass, 300 Perch, 100 Cat Fish, 500 Bait.
Cranberry Lake.....	300	Black Bass, 300 Perch, 100 Pickerel, 200 Cat Fish, 500 Bait.
Allamuchy Lake.....	200	Perch, 100 Pickerel, 200 Cat Fish.
Hopatcong Lake.....	300	Perch, 200 Cat Fish.
Laurel Lake.....	100	Black Fish, 100 Perch, 50 Pickerel, 500 Bait.
Denmark Lake.....	100	Black Fish, 300 Perch, 50 Pickerel, 150 Cat Fish, 20 Crappies, 500 Bait.
Green Pond.....	700	Perch, 75 Pickerel, 350 Cat Fish, 500 Bait.
Lake Denmark.....	50	Black Bass, 400 Perch, 300 Cat Fish, 50 Crappies.

Lowery Lake.....	500	Black Bass, 1000 Perch, 1000 Cat Fish.
Tintern Lake.....	500	Black Bass, 50 Perch, 600 Bait.
Millstone River.....	90	Black Bass, 40 Perch, 95 Pickerel, 1600 Bait.
Mountain Pond.....	100	Black Bass.
Cranberry Hole.....	150	Black Bass, 20 Crappies.
Lowery Lake.....	150	Black Bass, 25 Crappies.
Hawthorne Lake.....	400	Perch, 200 Pickerel, 300 Cat Fish, 300 Bait.
Speer Brook.....	400	Brook Trout.
Baltusroll Springs.....	400	Brook Trout.

It is with no little pride that your Commission refers to the exhibit of the State of New Jersey at the St. Louis Exposition. Your Commission worked in harmony and assisted in every way possible the New Jersey Commissioners to the Exposition in preparing the exhibit.

In addition to the fish and game exhibits already mounted and prepared, which the State had on hand in the Museum at Trenton, your Commission procured through the wardens the following fish and game for mounting purposes, to-wit:

- 2 Large mouth Black Bass, male and female.
- 2 Cat Fish, male and female.
- 2 Yellow Perch, male and female.
- 2 Delaware River Shad, male and female.
- 2 Carp, male and female.
- 2 Sea Bass, male and female.
- 2 Porgies, male and female.
- 1 Pollock,
- 1 King Fish.
- 2 Butter Fish.
- 1 Fluke.
- 1 Weak Fish.
- 1 Eel.
- 1 Herring.
- 1 Black Fish.
- 1 Frost Fish.
- 2 Salmon.
- 1 Striped Bass or Rock Fish.
- 1 Blue Fish.
- 1 Wall-eyed Pike.
- 2 Boston Mackerel.
- 2 Belgian Hares.

With but one exception, every one of the foregoing list of fish were taken from the waters of New Jersey, and every one of the varieties above mentioned are, to a more or less extent, found in the State at some season of the year. These fish were mounted in elegant shape, and sent to the Exposition.

In addition to those specimens mounted dead, there were taken from along the coast various samples of salt water fish, which were conveyed to St. Louis in cars, and there placed in tanks previously supplied with salt water from the coast by the Exposition authorities.

The New Jersey exhibit has been the wonder of the visitors, and as a result of its unipueness and perfection received the highest award given by the Exposition. This certainly should be a source of gratification to all of the residents of this State, and a satisfactory recognition of the efforts being put forth by your Commission in the interests of the State.

We further beg to report that during the past season your Commission has procured various samples of small fresh and salt water fishes, which they have forwarded to Prof. John B. Smith, of New Brunswick, N. J., for scientific investigation, and for the purpose of ascertaining whether or not fishes of such character are destroyers of mosquito larva.

## SHAD FISHERIES OF NEW JERSEY.

1904

The State of New Jersey, although comparatively small in area, has great length of river and sea front, and its geographical position makes it well adapted for the prosecution of extensive commercial fisheries. While nearly every specie of fish is caught and marketed, the shad fishing in the Delaware River is the most important, for it is very well known that the catch of shad in New Jersey is greater than any other State in the Union, and comprises about one-fourth of the shad taken in the entire country. Ninety per cent. of the shad caught in New Jersey is taken from the Delaware River and bay, and ten per cent. from the Hudson River, Sandy Hook and Raritan Bay, the Atlantic Ocean and various other waters.

The Delaware River shad fisheries is one of the most important industries in the State, as there is more capital invested and more men employed in its prosecution than any other industry that furnishes an article of food, and it is safe to say that more money is realized from this occupation, during the two and a half months in which it is followed, than any other in the State where machinery is not used in the manufacture.

This vocation has been followed for generations, as far back as the history of the State has any record, and was done by the Indians before the white man placed foot on American soil, but of course, not in the same manner or with the same skill that it is now prosecuted. The Red Man, and some of the earliest white settlers, would fish simply to catch what was required for their own immediate use, or probably give a few to his neighbors. But later, as the population increased, and some were busy tilling the soil, others at various trades, it seemed natural that some one should be expected to supply part of the necessaries of life. It was then that the fisheries and fish markets were established on a small scale at first, but increased with the demand, until, at the present time, we have the large wholesale markets of New York

and Philadelphia, which are the largest receiving and distributing stations in the United States.

The smaller markets, of which there are several in every city, and at least one in every town, generally obtain their supplies from the large markets of the two cities, where the entire catch of shad are shipped, with the exception of a few that are sold to the wagon peddlers that come to the various landing places along the river and make their purchase from the fishermen direct.

The earlier shad fisheries were established in the upper Delaware, between Trenton and Camden, on the Pennsylvania shore, about the year 1750. The first on the New Jersey side was established at Burlington in 1820, and one at Beverly, still farther down the river, some years later. And as the demand for this toothsome article increased, and large prices were realized for the early arrivals in the spring, it had a tendency to cause the fishermen to go farther down the river, until at the present time the largest fishery is at Bayside.

Shad fishing is conducted on a large scale at almost every town, and at the mouth of every creek and river between Trenton and Bayside, and it is also carried on in a smaller way from Trenton to the Delaware Water Gap. Short gill nets, about six hundred feet in length, are principally used from Gloucester to the Water Gap, but at several places large haul seines are used, the largest being used at Billingsport and Washington Park, in Gloucester County, where one seine a mile in length is used, and horses and crab are required to haul it to shore.

In the lower part of the river and bay, the shad fishing is confined solely to drift gill nets, a majority of which are nearly one mile in length, and about twenty feet deep. These nets are placed in the water at either the ebb or the flood tide, and allowed to drift sometimes a distance of eight or ten miles, with the men in the boats also drifting, a few feet from the nets, which are taken up before slack water, and the fish are removed from them, and at the proper time of the next tide, the nets are again placed in the water and permitted to drift back toward the starting point, where the nets are again taken from the water, and the fish again taken from them. Part of the catch is then taken to

what is known among the fishermen as a lay boat, anchored opposite the fisheries, or to the wharves, where a steamboat, especially chartered for the purpose, comes every day and takes the shad to the Philadelphia market. Others are taken to the railroad station, packed in boxes, and sent by fast express to New York.

This method of fishing is conducted day and night throughout the shad season, which is from about March 25th to June 15th (except from sunset on Saturday until 12 o'clock on Sunday night, when no nets are permitted in the Delaware River). That the general public may realize the magnitude of this branch of our State's fishing industry, the following statistics were gathered by the Fish and Game Protector and Wardens during the past season, and are as near correct as is possible to obtain, giving the various fishing places from Trenton to Bayside, number of boats and nets in use at each place, and value of same, number of men employed, number of shad caught and price realized for the same:

## GILL NET FISHERIES.

TRENTON.	
Thirty-one sail boats, value \$50.00 each.....	\$1,550 00
Thirty-one nets, value \$50.00 each.....	1,550 00
Number of men employed, 62.	
Number of Shad caught, 10,850; average per boat, 350.	
BORDENTOWN.	
Ten boats, value \$50.00 each.....	500 00
Ten nets, values \$50.00 each.....	500 00
Number of men employed, 20.	
Number of Shad caught, 3,000; average per boat, 300.	
WHITEHILL.	
Seven boats, value \$50.00 each.....	350 00
Seven nets, value \$50.00 each.....	350 00
Number of men employed, 14.	
Number of Shad caught, 3,500; average per boat, 500.	
FLORENCE.	
Twelve boats, value \$50.00 each.....	600 00
Twelve nets, value \$50.00 each.....	600 00
Number of men employed, 24.	
Number of Shad caught, 3,600; average per boat, 300.	
BURLINGTON.	
Nineteen boats, value \$50.00 each.....	950 00
Nineteen nets, value \$50.00 each.....	950 00
Number of men employed, 38.	
Number of Shad caught, 3,800; average per boat, 200.	
BEVERLY.	
Twelve boats, value \$50.00 each.....	600 00
Twelve nets, value \$50.00 each.....	600 00
Number of men employed, 24.	
Number of Shad caught, 12,000; average per boat, 1,000.	
CAMDEN, INCLUDING FROM DELAIR TO TIMBER CREEK.	
One hundred and twenty-seven boats, value \$80.00 each..	10,160 00
One hundred and twenty-seven nets, value \$50.00 each....	6,350 00
Number of men employed, 254.	
Number of Shad caught, 38,100; average per boat, 300.	

# FISH AND GAME COMMISSIONERS.

## GLOUCESTER.

Four power boats, average value \$300.00 each.....	1,200 00
Eight sail boats, average value \$80.00 each.....	640 00
Twelve nets, value \$50.00 each.....	600 00
Number of men employed, 24.	
Number of Shad caught, 6,000; average per boat, 500.	

## REPAUPA.

Six power boats, average value \$300.00 each.....	1,800 00
Six sail boats, average value \$100.00 each.....	600 00
Twelve nets, average value \$75.00 each.....	900 00
Number of men employed, 24.	
Number of Shad caught, 15,000; average per boat, 1,250.	

## PAULSBORO.

Seventeen power boats, average value \$300.00 each.....	5,100 00
Thirty-two sail boats, average value \$100.00 each.....	3,200 00
One market boat, average value \$500.00 each.....	500 00
Forty-nine nets, average value \$75.00 each.....	3,675 00
Number of men employed, 101.	
Number of Shad caught, 95,700; average per boat, 1,955.	

## BRIDGEPORT.

Seven power boats, average value \$300.00 each.....	2,100 00
Five sail boats, average value \$100.00 each.....	500 00
Twelve nets, average value \$75.00 each.....	900 00
Number of men employed, 24.	
Number of Shad caught, 1,500; average per boat, 125.	

## PENNS GROVE, INCLUDING FISHERIES FROM OLDMANS CREEK TO CHURCH LANDING.

Fifty power boats, average value \$300.00 each.....	15,000 00
Ninety sail boats, average value \$100.00 each.....	9,000 00
One hundred and forty nets, average value \$125.00 each..	17,500 00
Average length of nets, 450 fathoms.	
Number of men employed, 280.	
Number of Shad caught, 280,000; average per boat, 2,000.	

## PENNSVILLE.

Forty-five power boats, average value \$300.00 each.....	13,500 00
Fifteen sail boats, average value \$100.00 each.....	1,500 00
Sixty nets, average value \$150.00 each.....	9,000 00
Average length of nets, 550 fathoms.	
Number of men employed, 120.	
Number of Shad caught, 200,000; average per boat, 3,333.	

## MILL CREEK.

Nine power boats, average value \$300.00 each.....	2,700 00
Seven sail boats, average value \$100.00 each.....	700 00

## FISH AND GAME COMMISSIONERS.

Sixteen nets, average value \$150.00 each..... 2,400 00  
 Average length of net, 550 fathoms.  
 Number of men employed, 32.  
 Number of Shad caught, 32,000; average per boat, 2,000.

## SALEM.

Ten sail boats, average value \$100.00 each..... 1,000 00  
 Ten nets, average value \$100.00 each..... 1,000 00  
 Average length of nets, 400 fathoms.  
 Number of men employed, 20.  
 Number of Shad caught, 12,000; average per boat, 1,200.

## FINNS POINT.

Nineteen power boats, average value \$300.00 each..... 5,700 00  
 Eight sail boats, average value \$100.00 each..... 800 00  
 Twenty-seven nets, average value \$150.00 each..... 4,050 00  
 Number of men employed, 54.  
 Number of Shad caught, 54,000; average per boat, 2,000.

## ALLOWAYS CREEK.

One power boat, average value \$300.00 each..... 300 00  
 Two sail boats, average value \$100.00 each..... 200 00  
 Three nets, average value \$150.00 each..... 450 00  
 Average length of nets, 600 fathoms.  
 Number of men employed, 6.  
 Number of Shad caught, 6,700; average per boat, 2,233.

## STONEY POINT.

Thirteen power boats, average value \$300.00 each..... 3,900 00  
 Two sail boats, average value \$100.00 each..... 200 00  
 Fifteen nets, average value \$150.00 each..... 2,250 00  
 Average length of nets, 600 fathoms.  
 Number of men employed, 30.  
 Number of Shad caught, 41,000; average per boat, 2,733.

## HOPE CREEK.

Sixty power boats, average value \$300.00 each..... 18,000 00  
 Four sail boats, average value \$100.00 each..... 400 00  
 Sixty-four nets, average value \$175.00 each..... 11,200 00  
 Average length of nets, 700 fathoms.  
 Number of men employed, 128.  
 Number of Shad caught, 154,400; average per boat, 2,412.

## BAYSIDE.

One hundred seventy-five power boats, average value \$300 52,500 00  
 Five sail boats, average value \$100.00 each..... 500 00  
 One hundred eighty nets, average value \$175.00 each..... 31,500 00  
 Average length of nets, 700 fathoms.  
 Number of men employed, 540.  
 Number of Shad caught, 225,000; average per boat, 1,250.

## SEINE FISHERIES.

## RICE'S FISHERY, WASHINGTON PARK.

Five boats; four seines; men employed, 45.

Number of Shad caught, 15,000.

Total value of fishing apparatus, including boats, nets, horses, etc.....	\$2,800 00
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## BENNETT'S FISHERY, BILLINGSPOET.

Five boats; two seines; men employed, 32.

Number of Shad caught, 7,000.

Total value of fishing apparatus, including boats, nets, horses, etc .....	2,500 00
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## SAND GULLY.

Three boats; one seine; men employed, 5.

Number of Shad caught, 1,000.

Total value of fishing apparatus, including boats, nets, horses, etc.....	1,000 00
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## ASYLUM.

Three boats; one seine; men employed, 6.

Number of Shad caught, 2,000.

Total value of fishing apparatus, including boats, nets, horses, etc .....	1,000 00
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## HAYES FISHERIES.

Six boats; two seines; men employed, 30.

Number of Shad caught, 17,000.

Total value of fishing apparatus, including boats, nets, horses, etc.....	2,500 00
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## WHITE'S FISHERY.

Four boats; one seine; men employed, 8.

Number of Shad caught, 1,600.

Total value of fishing apparatus, including boats, nets, horses, etc.....	1,500 00
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### RECAPITULATION.

#### GILL NET FISHERIES:

Number of men employed.....	1,819	
Number of boats.....	819—Value...	\$156,250 00
Number of nets.....	818—Value...	96,325 00
Number of Shad caught.....	1,197,750	
Average price per hundred.....	\$27 00—Total....	323,392 50

#### SEINE FISHERIES:

Number of men employed.....	126	
Number of boats.....	26	
Number of nets.....	11	
Value of fishing apparatus, including the boats, nets, horses, etc.....		11,300 00
Number of Shad caught.....	43,600	
Average price per hundred.....	\$27 00—Total....	11,772 00

\$599,039 50

The above statistics include only the number of men actually employed and boats and nets directly in use catching the fish. To this, however, might be added hundreds of men employed indirectly, such as those employed on the steamers, which carry the fish to market, and those engaged in peddling fish in wagons and retailing them to country people in various parts of the State.

Another item which is not included, and which is as necessary in some places as the boats and nets, is the cabin in which the fishermen live. There are about two hundred of these cabins at the fisheries, which are situated several miles from the towns, and are practically a village by themselves. They cost about \$40 each, making a total of \$8,000.

There are also various other items that might be included in this report. Another very interesting feature in connection with the fishing in the Delaware River is the naphtha motor for the propelling the gill-net boats. These were first introduced in this fishing at Bridgeport, Gloucester County, where one boat was

used in 1898; four were in use on the Delaware in the year 1899. But the fishermen, realizing its great labor-saving qualities, have gradually increased the number, until at the present time 50 per cent. of the boats in use have motors in them.

The above statistics will also show that the fishermen of Gloucester, Salem and Cumberland Counties nearly all use the propellers; the reason for this is that the river and bay are very wide, and the nets can be allowed to drift a greater distance without fear of a gale of wind preventing their return, as they did when oars and sails were used. In the Counties of Camden, Burlington and Mercer, the river being very narrow, oars and sails are the only means of propulsion.

The vast number of nets, and the manner in which they are used, make it seem almost impossible for any fish to reach the spawning ground except Saturday night and Sunday, when the nets are not in use, and as the catch of shad is continually decreasing each year, some method should be devised to increase the supply.

The United States Fish Commission is doing everything possible, by stationing the steamer Fish Hawk near Gloucester every year, where millions of eggs are hatched, and the fry deposited in the upper Delaware River. It is the opinion of your Commission that the closed period during the week (which is, from Saturday night at sundown until Sunday night at twelve o'clock) should be extended to enable more fish to reach the spawning ground unmolested.

The propagation and protection of both salt and fresh water food fish is a matter of serious consideration, and should be encouraged and fostered, as the increasing population naturally increases the demand for food fish. During the recent strike of the employees of the great meat packers the price of fish advanced, owing to the scarcity of meat, as soon as the strike went into effect. But there is one consoling fact about this condition, the fish can be obtained when the meat can not.

Fish, with few exceptions, is far below meat in nutritive value in proportion to bulk, but the same elements are contained in

both. It is necessary to eat enough fish to secure the same amount of essentials.

According to Government publications, based on investigations made by Professor W. O. Atwater, the percentage of actual nutrients in preserved fish is much larger than in the corresponding fresh fish, while canned fish, which in effect is cooked fish, compares favorably with fresh fish.

Experiments indicate that in the case of man, fish and beef are about equally digestible, and the salt fish is less thoroughly digested than fresh fish. Most physiologists regard fish as a particularly desirable food for persons of sedentary habits. The widespread notion that fish contains a large proportion of phosphorous, and is therefore especially valuable as food for the brain, is not accepted by many physiologists.

There are several species of fish which are actually poisonous, but none of them are found in New Jersey, and the chances of their being offered for sale are small. Fish may contain parasites, some of which are injurious to man. Thorough cooking, however, destroys these. To insure freedom from ptomaine poisoning, care should be taken to eat fish only when it is in perfectly good condition. Fish which has been frozen, and, after thawing, kept for a time before it is cooked, is especially likely to contain ptomaines. Canned fish should never be allowed to remain long in the can after opening, but should be used at once.

From the foregoing statistics and facts, which is the result of the investigation, and experiments of the most eminent scientists in our land, it is at once apparent that more care should be taken to maintaining and increasing both quality and quantity of our fresh and salt water food fishes.

## POUND-NET FISHING.

1904

This important industry along our coast and in large bays, particularly the Raritan Bay, continues to thrive and increase in number, instead of diminishing, as your Commission had hoped for.

These fisheries are as great a source of annoyance to those intrusted with the protection and propagation of fish, as they are of revenue to their owners, and a benefit to all citizens of our State. We have pointed out in our annual reports heretofore the evils attached to their maintenance, without being unmindful of the benefits derived therefrom, even going so far as to draft and recommend the passage of a law governing the same.

The pound-net owners contend that the waters of the ocean and bays should be free for all to fish in; that the supply is limitless, and, therefore, no harm is done by taking large quantities, and that the reduced cost to the consumer of a wholesome and nutritious food far exceeds the consequent damage to the rod and reel fishermen in the rivers and bays, by lessening the supply. In fact, it is claimed by them that the supply is not lessened.

The rod-and-reel and hand-line fishermen claim that the taking of hundreds of tons of fish daily along the coast, especially near inlets, the estuaries running into large bays and the ocean, necessarily prevents thousands of adult fish from becoming a victim to their bait or troll, as well as from reaching their spawning ground. Both sides of this important question have their merits and both should be protected.

From the standpoint of protection and perpetuation of the various varieties of salt water fish (which is the only point from which the Commission has a right to consider the matter), it would seem that there should be restrictive legislation.

The habits of salt water fish, especially those most prized by anglers, such as striped bass, king fish, drum fish and blue fish,

are very seldom taken in pound nets. The said fish run near the beach, inside of the nets; therefore, the net fishermen claim no damage is done to the rod-and-reel fishermen, and the weak fish, which is the principal fish caught by the nets, is as plentiful in the rivers and bays as ever.

From several observations made by the Commission, we are obliged to admit that this is true. Weak fish are found as plentiful this season, from Sandy Hook to Cape May, in all the bays along the coast, as they have been within the memory of the oldest fishermen. There is, however, one point about which there can be little debate, and it is the fact that a pound net erected in the immediate vicinity of an inlet prevents many fish from entering, and ought not to be permitted.

There are a few instances also where grasping owners have taken all the small blue fish, butter fish, and other fish that they may happen to catch, and sent them to the market. In some cases the fish were not over three or four inches long, and when such fish are the young of a variety they should never be taken under one pound in weight and ten to twelve inches in length.

The Commission has been abused by fish and game associations for not taking steps to prevent this growing evil. Hundreds of thousands of dollars have been invested in this industry by our good citizens, and it would be an injustice to them to destroy their means of livelihood and make valueless their plants, but at the same time there can be no reasonable excuse offered why new parties who have nothing at stake should now engage in the business.

The Commission, during the past year, have endeavored to persuade new parties to desist from putting in new pounds, and to discourage the practice. A notable case was one at Belmar, where parties erected a pound very near the entrance to Shark River inlet, and directly in front of many beautiful homes, occupied by those who loved surf fishing with rod and reel, from the beach, and, although warned of the consequences that would follow, persisted in doing so.

It is the unanimous opinion of the Commission that this class of fisheries must be restricted and regulated, and that the same

can be done without working any material harm to those pound net owners who have all they own invested, and who have been for many years engaged in the business. It is the duty of the Legislature to pass such a bill as will be fair and equitable to all.

### STURGEON.

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In the last annual report, your Commission fully set forth the value of sturgeon, the gradual decrease in the number, and recommended a small appropriation for co-operation work with the State of Pennsylvania in propagating this valuable fish. The Legislature took no action in this matter, but did, however, pass an act permitting the taking of sturgeon in the Delaware River the entire year, with nets, the meshes to be not smaller than ten inches in size, and further provided that no sturgeon be taken under four feet in length.

We fail to see the wisdom of such legislation, especially as to the size of the nets. The fishermen may be perfectly honest and not keep any sturgeon under the size required by law, but the ten-inch mesh will catch them five feet in length. Hundreds of that size were taken the past year, and sold for about \$1.50 each, which, if permitted to live for a year or two, would be very valuable for both caviar and flesh.

During the past year, roe sturgeon were caught which netted \$85 each. The law was passed with the sole purpose of benefiting the people residing along the upper part of the Delaware River, who claimed the fish did not get up that far until after the 30th of June, which was formerly the beginning of the close season.

Pennsylvania has failed to recognize the law, claiming it is inoperative until concurred in by the Legislature of both States. The Pennsylvania wardens have made arrests, confiscated boats and nets, and fined the fishermen, who claimed they were fishing in Jersey waters according to the New Jersey laws.

From the above statement it will readily be seen the people along the upper Delaware are in even a worse predicament than they were before the law was passed. There being no concurred legislation between Delaware and New Jersey, the people in that vicinity are the only ones seemingly benefited.

It is the opinion of your Commission that this law should be changed to conform to the Pennsylvania law, also preventing the taking of sturgeon in a net with meshes smaller than fourteen inches in size.

### MONGOLIAN PHEASANTS.

The difficulty encountered in getting quail from other States, the scarcity of our native partridge, and woodcock, the geographical situation of our State, situated, as it is, directly between two of the largest cities in the Union, whose inhabitants flock to our woods and fields every day during the open season in search of game, is now a matter for serious thought and consideration, and unless the laws of other States are so amended as to permit the removal of quail for propagating purposes, some other variety of game will necessarily have to be furnished, and, in this event, the Mongolian pheasant seems to be the best substitute.

A great number of sportsmen in this State realizing that something should be done in this direction importuned your Commission to liberate some of these birds, and after a conference with members of the Legislature on this subject, who assured us that a law would be enacted protecting them for a limited period, a number of these birds were purchased and distributed in various parts of the State, and to carry out the object of protection a bill was introduced in the Senate making a close season for three years. This measure passed the Senate by a unanimous vote, but for some reason as yet unexplained the bill failed to pass the Assembly. All further orders for birds were cancelled, as your Commission deemed it useless to liberate them to be shot the first year.

Rumor has it that the reason the bill failed in passage was that some members had stated that the Mongolian pheasants were worthless only on game preserves, as they would not hatch their own eggs. If such a statement was ever made, we are convinced that the persons were misinformed, as there is no doubt about their introduction in this country being a success. The only difficulty is to get the Legislatures of the different states to grant them the necessary protection.

The Mongolian pheasants were introduced in Oregon twenty-three years ago, through the efforts of the late Judge O. N.

Denny, formerly Consul General at Shanghi, and have become permanently established in that State; also in Washington and British Columbia, and increased so rapidly that in 1893 thirteen thousand were killed in Linn County, Oregon, in three months, and one thousand two hundred dozen of these birds were shipped to one dealer in San Francisco, Cal., in one winter.

The success attained in Oregon stimulated similar experiments in other States, but the results attained have as a rule been less satisfactory, owing probably to less favorable natural conditions, but with promise of success.

Delaware liberated twenty-eight pair in 1903 and sixty pair this year, and the reports of the work are encouraging.

Massachusetts began the experiment in 1894, the Legislature making a small appropriation and also establishing a close season for five years; the result was so satisfactory that the Legislature has since increased the appropriation and extended the close season to 1905. Other States have tried the experiment with success, and only discontinued when the Legislature failed to continue the appropriation to carry on the work.

New Jersey has the same natural conditions as many other States, some of the finest grain fields, and the best cover are to be found within its borders, and, in the opinion of your Commission, the only thing required to make this experiment a success and add to our State a valuable game bird is for the Legislature to establish a close season for five years. This would not interfere with any privileges that our gunners now enjoy, for the only birds now in the State are those which we liberated last spring, and those on the game preserves, which are owned, stocked and maintained by association of individuals, to which the general public has no access.

Your Commission would not ask for any additional appropriation other than what is already made, to carry on this work. The money received from fines for violation of our fish and game laws, and the license fees received from non-resident gunners and menhaden vessels and steamers, would be amply sufficient to purchase the birds necessary for distribution. It would not be expected that the old birds which are raised on preserves and

then liberated would be as wild as our native partridge or quail, but the young birds, after being hatched and growing up in a wild state, become as wild as our native birds.

Mongolian pheasants were received and liberated by the following named persons :

T. Forman Taylor.....	6	Mongolian Pheasants.
Henry J. Irick.....	6	“ “
D. P. McClellan.....	6	“ “
Hon. L. M. Cresse.....	6	“ “
Hon. B. H. Minch.....	6	“ “
Hon. J. H. Batcheller.....	5	“ “
Hon. E. S. Lee.....	5	“ “
Hon. James Strimple.....	5	“ “
Hon. J. Boyd Avis.....	5	“ “
Hon. E. C. Hutchinson.....	5	“ “
A. J. Rider.....	5	“ “
S. T. Atchlay.....	6	“ “
J. A. Shila.....	2	“ “
J. L. Price.....	2	“ “
David S. Meyer.....	3	“ “
John Terhune.....	4	“ “
J. A. Albright.....	6	“ “
Charles A. Shriner.....	6	“ “
R. Champlin.....	6	“ “
Peter Newcomb.....	6	“ “
L. E. Foulks.....	6	“ “
E. R. Davis.....	6	“ “
H. L. Cook.....	6	“ “
George H. Miller.....	6	“ “
Thomas C. Elvins.....	6	“ “
W. A. Beecroft.....	6	“ “
Edmund Wilson.....	6	“ “
H. E. Park.....	6	“ “
T. B. Gibbs.....	6	“ “
Thomas M. Ferrel.....	6	“ “
D. G. Conrad.....	4	“ “
William Belshaw.....	4	“ “
W. T. Conover.....	2	“ “
Abram Coleman.....	5	“ “

The following letters received by the Fish and Game Protector prove beyond a doubt that the pheasants liberated have nested and hatched broods, and the experiment in all respects is as successful as could be reasonably expected the first year :

LAKEWOOD, N. J., October 22, 1904.

Mr. J. M. Stratton, Fish and Game Protector.

Dear Sir:—Kindly pardon the delay in answering your letter of the 9th of September, as I preferred to answer it when I could have ascertained more about the pheasants. I now take the liberty of informing you that the birds mated up in pairs and that there are about thirteen young birds in one brood, and about seven young ones in another group, and the third pair we have been unable to locate. They all seem to be doing nicely, but the young ones seem more wilder than the old ones.

Very truly yours,

W. A. BEECROFT.

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TRENTON, N. J., Sept. 12, 1904.

Mr. J. M. Stratton, Fish and Game Protector.

Dear Sir:—Your favor at hand, and I am not in a position to tell you about the results of the pheasants. I turned them out on my farm in Middlesex County. I hear there are quite a few young birds around there, so I think they have done well. I expect to go down soon, when I will look this matter up.

Yours truly,

E. C. HUTCHINSON.

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NEW EGYPT, Ocean Co., N. J., Oct. 4, 1904.

Mr. James M. Stratton, Fish and Game Protector.

Dear Sir:—In regard to the pheasants sent me, would report that I liberated them last spring in a large swamp near Vanhiseville, Ocean County. The place is an ideal spot for such birds.

They have been seen a number of times during the summer, and at least one pair has raised young, as several parties report that they saw the young birds near the place where I turned the old ones out. I think in this case that the attempt at stocking has been a success, and if possible, more birds should be turned out next year, as the local residents seem to be much interested in the matter. I remain,

Very respectfully,

DR. L. E. FOULKS, Warden.

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BARNEGAT, N. J., Sept. 10, 1904.

Mr. J. M. Stratton, Fish and Game Protector.

Dear Sir:—Yours of the 9th at hand, in reply would beg to say that I have been told that one pair of the pheasants have had a brood, but do not know how many was in it. The others no doubt have hatched.

Yours respectfully,

D. G. CONRAD.

WHITE HOUSE STATION, N. J., Sept. 10th, 1904.

Mr. James M. Stratton, Fish and Game Protector.

Dear Sir:—The Mongolian pheasants sent to me by you for propagating purposes and liberated by me in the Readington Township, Hunterdon County, have met with fair success, one brood of fourteen hatched in the Bergen woods, the second brood hatched eight and located themselves about one mile from where they were liberated, along the Rockaway Creek, they can be seen almost any morning. They hatched near the road and are often seen by persons passing by. One of the remaining third pair was accidentally killed by Cornelius Messler with a mowing machine, her nest probably was near there but could not be found.

The woods contain about one hundred acres where these birds were liberated and I think they will return there as winter approaches. They seem to like swamps and wet places for hatching, and I have no doubt about their success here, and think more of them should be turned out in this State.

Respectfully yours,

H. E. PARK, Warden.

WOODBURY, N. J., Aug. 23, 1904.

Mr. J. M. Stratton, Fish and Game Protector.

Dear Sir:—Today I went to Jefferson, in the large woods below there about nine or ten miles from Woodbury, and tried to find out something about the pheasants. I found one Stultz Brown, who saw the cock-bird and one hen on his place early in the spring and in June, when mowing, found the hen and eight young ones in his mowing field and had hard work to not hurt them with the machine.

They were small and again in August he saw them. The cock-bird was with them and no hen, and then they could fly and were as large as quail. He thinks the hen might be setting again.

He never seen but the two old birds and think the only mate with one of these two are about one mile from the woods they were put out in and I cannot find any one who have seen the other three birds. Only one man saw two cross the road near the woods when they were put out.

Mr. Brown says the pheasants will run as far as they can before they will fly when a dog runs after them and the hen bird will fight for the young. When they were very small he used often to see them, and his wife tried to snap a picture of them, but they would not stay in one place long enough. I will try and keep tabs on them and let you know as they grow up. Hope they will not shoot them this season. He is going to protect them if they stay on his farm and they all say they will that I saw.

Truly yours,

J. H. AVIS.

OCEAN CITY, N. J., Sept. 10, 1904.

Mr. James M. Stratton, Fish and Game Protector.

My dear Mr. Stratton:—Unfortunately I cannot write you such a letter about the pheasants as you will want to publish in the report, for I am practically unable to give you any of the desired information.

You have heard of the boy who hid his knife so well that he could not find it himself, well that is pretty near my fix.

I was very anxious that the pheasants should have a chance for their life and not be killed the first year after liberation, as they have heretofore in this county. I therefore liberated them in one of the deepest, thickest, most inaccessible and least frequented swamps I could find.

My only hope of hearing from them till they become numerous was through the huckleberry pickers. I have made inquiry and I learn even they have not penetrated the jungle. I expect them to multiply there for years unmolested and the first tidings we can get from them will be when the swamp overflows with them. They will have such a start that they can't be exterminated in one season. Yours very truly,

LEWIS M. CRESSE.

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MT. ARLINGTON, N. J., Oct. 30, 1904.

Hon. Benj. P. Morris, President Fish and Game Commission.

My dear Mr. Morris:—Yours of the 28th at hand, and contents noted. The pheasants you sent up last spring have done well, bringing out two broods of young ones, five in one brood and six in the other. One pair let out about three miles from here have not been seen since.

Yours very truly,

R. CHAMPLIN.

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BRIDGETON, N. J., Sept. 13, 1904.

Mr. J. M. Stratton, Fish and Game Protector.

Dear Sir:—In reply to yours of Sept. 9th, in reference to the Mongolian pheasants, would say that the birds were liberated in the lower part of this county, and two pair, to my knowledge, have nested and hatched, and the young are looking well. Just how many there are in each of these broods I am unable to say, but the farmers in that section are well pleased with them, and are very jealous less some unreliable hunter may cause devastation and extinct. With best wishes, I am

Sincerely yours,

B. H. MINCH.

PHILADELPHIA, Pa., Oct. 17, 1904.

Mr. J. M. Stratton, Fish and Game Protector.

Dear Sir:—I am duly in receipt of your letter addressed to my father, in regard to the Mongolian pheasants which we liberated last spring. I kept close watch on these birds for quite a while and was able to find them from time to time. I was led to believe that one of the hen birds was destroyed by a hawk, owl or some animal, as we found the remains of same in the woods soon after these birds were liberated. The other two hens with their mates, however, we saw quite often up until about the time they should nest. Then we saw the hen birds very, very seldom, but quite often saw the cock-birds, which led us to believe that they were nesting.

Since that time, however, we have not seen anything of them so as to get any tangible clue. Every one in the vicinity where these birds were liberated is very much interested in same, and I think now that the hunting season will soon be upon us, we will have something definite to report on these birds, as no doubt every one will be looking for them, and I feel sure no one will harm any of them, unless it is some small boy who is out with a gun for the first time and bangs at everything in sight. I feel very positive that none of our sportsmen will harm any of them and hope we will find that they have raised at least one brood.

I shall probably be out hunting the first two or three days of our season around in the vicinity of where these birds are and just as soon as I learn anything, will be glad to report on them.

I believe these birds will prove a great success in our State, as they are doing exceptionally well in Delaware where a large number of them were liberated a year before our birds. They also liberated about seventy-five or eighty pair in the lower part of the State this last spring. I understand they have done well as did their predecessors.

As above stated, I will report to you just as soon as I hear anything from them.

Yours very truly,

C. H. NEWCOMB.

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MONTVILLE, N. J., Sept. 14, 1904.

Mr. James M. Stratton, Fish and Game Protector.

Dear Sir:—Last spring I received from the Fish and Game Commissioner, David P. McClellan, some Mongolian pheasants. These pheasants were liberated shortly after receiving them, in this locality. They were in most excellent condition. Some young birds have been seen in the mountains this fall, which gives me to understand that they certainly must have mated and hatched. The older birds have been seen a number of times, and so reported to me by some of the farmers.

Game generally seems to be more abundant this year than I have ever seen it in this locality.

Yours truly,

JOHN H. CAPSTUK.

WAYSIDE, N. J., Sept. 16, 1904.

Mr. J. M. Stratton, Fish and Game Protector.

Dear Sir:—Your letter of September 9th, asking for information concerning Monogolian pheasants has been received, but I am sorry to say I have not been able to locate them since they were turned out. I have been much interested in them, and have been on the look-out for them and have inquired of persons living in the neighborhood and am convinced they are either dead or have gone farther. The above is rather discouraging, but as an item of encouragement, I would add that we have the finest lot of rabbit and quail I have seen since I was a "kid."

Yours truly,

WM. BELSHAW.

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HAMMONTON, N. J., Oct. 1, 1904.

Mr. J. M. Stratton, Fish and Game Protector.

Dear Sir:—You sent us six pheasants last spring, five are known to be dead and the other is probably dead also. At first we thought that dogs were killing them, but later we changed our minds.

In our opinion the pheasants did not know how to find food.

The birds were put out near scrub oaks and swamp land, where there was an abundance of natural food, and grain was scattered along the edge of the woods, nevertheless the birds would be brought in one at a time, and each one looked as though it was actually starved to death.

We were proud of the birds and took every possible care of them, but they did not seem to be able to live in the immediate neighborhood.

Yours very truly,

T. C. ELVINS.

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Mr. J. M. Stratton, Fish and Game Protector.

FINDERNE, N. J., Sept. 12, 1904.

Dear Sir:—Received your letter in relation to the pheasants I received. One hatched and has three young and one has two young, the other one have not heard from.

Yours fraternally,

GEORGE H. MILLER.

### QUAIL.

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A matter which your Commission has given serious thought for the last two years is the stocking of our woods and fields with game birds. It is now a difficult matter to get quail from other States, as those States which have an abundance thereof have passed laws preventing their removal, even for propagating purposes.

Early last fall dealers in live game from various sections of the country advised us that quail could be delivered in unlimited numbers at any time up to May the first. With this assurance orders were placed for fifteen hundred (1,500) dozen birds for distribution throughout the State.

The dealers, however, could secure sixty and three-fourths ( $60\frac{3}{4}$ ) dozen only, and those arrived during the severe cold weather in February and were released in the extreme southern portion of the State, except a few that were sent to the northern section, to persons who had coops and pens especially arranged for them, and were willing to care for them until the weather was suitable for their release.

As some of the Western States have since made changes in their laws permitting the removal of game for propagating purposes under certain restrictions, our intention is to put forth every effort to get a supply in the spring.

The birds that were released last winter and those which escaped the gunner last fall survived the severe winter, and have propagated, and reports received from the wardens and sportsmen who are interested are very encouraging, and the gunners have every reason to expect fairly good shooting in the fall.

Your Commission has made a special effort to protect the few quail still remaining in our State, by instructing the wardens and deputies in each county to purchase grain and feed them during the severe cold weather, and when deep snows are on the ground.

Last winter was probably the coldest ever recorded; the snow which fell in November remained on the ground in some sections of the State until spring, thus rendering it almost impossible for the birds to find food, and we feel confident that by taking this precaution a great number of these birds were saved.

The following is a list of quail distributed, and the names of the persons receiving the same:

Hon. J. A. Wildrick.....	60	quail for distribution.
Hon. B. H. Minch.....	24	"
Hon. J. G. Horner.....	24	"
Hon. L. M. Cresse.....	24	"
Hon. Thomas C. Elvins.....	24	"
Hon. J. M. E. Hildrith.....	84	" " "
Hon. John Boyd Avis.....	36	"
Massie Milne.....	60	" " "
Percy H. Johnson.....	81	" " "
J. S. Douglas.....	24	"
Isaac Powell.....	12	"
Enoch Modard.....	12	"
Forman Ludlaw.....	12	"
H. B. Smith.....	12	"
Julius Way.....	12	"
Capt. Vanniman.....	12	"
Charles Todd.....	12	"
Gardner Hand.....	12	"
William Kimball.....	12	"
D. P. McClellan.....	60	" " "
Edmund Wilson.....	12	"
Oscar Hesse.....	12	"
J. T. Lovett.....	12	"
Abram Coleman.....	6	"
E. R. Cohen.....	6	"
John Hughes.....	6	"
James Young.....	6	"
S. T. Atchley.....	12	"
Hon. E. C. Hutchinson.....	12	"
Hon. John L. Swayze.....	12	"
Charles Engle.....	12	"
Thomas Colgough.....	10	"
M. F. Naar.....	2	"

### DEER.

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Many residents in the southern part of the State have expressed a desire to see deer again roaming through the woods and fields as in years gone by, and requested us to restock that section with this noble animal. The whole territory south of Lakehurst is well adapted, and there are special places in several of the southern counties, where they were once plentiful, and did well, but like the buffalo in the West, succumbed to the prowess of the hunter, until very few remain, as the law formerly gave them very little protection.

The Legislature, however, has given this matter attention during the past few years, first by shortening the open season, from time to time, and finally establishing a close season to 1906. This sport being a great attraction to a large number of people, your Commission deemed it advisable to make an effort to increase the number, in order that the gunners who are partial to big game shooting could enjoy the privilege in this State, and not be compelled to go to Maine, or some other state, to enjoy the privilege, as is the case at present. With this object in view, your Commission purchased nineteen Virginia deer from Mr. Worthington's preserve, in Warren County, and eight fallow deer from Cadwallader Park, Trenton, N. J.

The deer were shipped in crates by express from Delaware Gap and Trenton to the nearest point of liberation, where the wardens were in waiting with wagons, in which they were placed, and taken to the heart of the forest, near water, where hay, corn-stalks, corn on the ear and salt had been distributed at various places, a few hours in advance of their arrival, and the deer there liberated.

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Deer were liberated in the following places:

- 5 Deer near Egg Harbor, Atlantic County.
- 4 Deer near Tuckahoe, Cape May County.
- 4 Deer near New Gretna, Burlington County.
- 2 Deer near Weymouth, Atlantic County.
- 2 Deer near Harrisonville, Gloucester County.
- 3 Deer near Alloway, Salem County.
- 7 Deer near Barnegat, Ocean County.

The restocking of the southern counties with this variety of big game meets with the approval of the people, and is as much appreciated as anything that has ever been done by the Fish and Game Commission.

The people are very much interested, and take every precaution to have them protected. From letters received and other information obtained, there is no doubt that they have propagated. The does with fawns are often seen. It is the intention of your Commission to liberate a large number the coming winter, and we trust that when the closed season expires sportsmen may be amply rewarded for their patient waiting.

## Enforcement of the Law.

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The enforcement of the fish and game laws of any state is a matter in which good judgment should be exercised at all times. Frequent changes in the date of the open season very often cause serious trouble to persons, who would otherwise have no intention of violating a law. There are some people, however, who attempt to violate the law no matter how long it is on the statute books. But the fact that there is any fish and game now left in the State is largely due to the rigorous enforcement of the law.

The mean sneaks who shoot game out of season, who kill it or capture it in murderous or unlawful ways, or who clandestinely invade our State from other States, and try to escape with their plunder, are finding out that the game wardens are no longer to be trifled with.

They have had numerous costly object lessons to this effect during the past year, and are beginning to feel some respect for the law. If game is not to be extinct in this State, if it is worth while to preserve it, the laws should be enforced.

There have been proceedings instituted against a few persons, which, if continued, would cause hardship to their families. These cases the Commission have adjusted satisfactorily to all parties concerned, and we feel that justice has been fairly administered in all cases.

From the number of prosecutions it will be seen that the wardens were vigilant in searching for violations. During the past year there were three hundred and fifty-three prosecutions for violation of the fish and game laws.

Three hundred and thirty-six of the defendants were convicted, sixteen acquitted. Twenty cases were appealed, and twenty-one were committed, and the offenders served from one to ninety days in jail. Two cases are still unsettled, and in the thirteen

cases, owing to extenuating circumstances or poverty of the defendants, sentence was suspended on payment of costs. Of the above cases, two hundred and eighty-four paid fines amounting to \$8,818.32. One-third, or \$2,939.44, was paid to the Commission, a balance going to the parties making the complaints and the witnesses. Eleven of the appeal cases were tried; in nine cases the appeals were dismissed, two sustained and nine still pending.

The Following is a Complete List of the Prosecutions for the Past Year.

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County.	Complainant.	Accused.	Charge.	Judgment.
Passaic.....	Wardens Ayers and Miller..	Louis Zoli.....	Sunday gunning .....	\$20 and costs.
Warren.....	Warden Hill.....	Robert Bowers.....	Dog running at large.....	Acquitted.
Camden.....	Warden Butheridge.....	Edward Cully.....	Possession of Gray Squirrel....	Acquitted.
Passaic.....	Warden Hughes.....	Fred C. Dunn.....	Possession of Partridge.....	\$20 and costs.
Hudson.....	Warden Hawkins.....	Wm. Walser.....	Possession of Woodpecker.....	\$20 and costs.
Hudson.....	Warden Hawkins.....	Jos. Giponi.....	Possession of Blue Jay.....	\$20 and costs.
Atlantic.....	Deputy Warden Fish.....	T A. Ferzan.....	Possession of Black Bass under 9 inches .....	\$20 and costs.
Morris.....	Deputy Warden Dobbins.....	Geo. Zockletts.....	Dog running at large.....	Acquitted.
Hudson.....	Wardens Hall and Hawkins and Deputy Wombold.....	Jas. Parce.....	Possession of two Snow Birds..	\$40 and costs.
Hudson.....	Wardens Hall and Hawkins and Deputy Wombold.....	John Oginne.....	Possession of three Robins....	\$60 and costs.
Hudson.....	Wardens Hall and Hawkins and Deputy Wombold.....	A. Pellegrimo.....	Possession Robin & Snow Bird.	\$40 and costs.
Hudson.....	Wardens Hall and Hawkins and Deputy Wombold.....	P. Degidogio.....	Possession of Song Sparrow...	\$20 and costs.
Passaic.....	Warden Hughes.....	A. R. Radcliff and G. W. Sherman.....	Possession one Partridge, one Rabbit and one Gray Squirrel.	\$60 and costs.
Hudson.....	Wardens Hawkins, Hall and Dane .....	Richard Helmund...	Possession of Robin.....	Acquitted.
Hudson.....	Wardens Hawkins, Hall and Deputy Wombold.....	H. S. Heckenberger.	Possession of Partridge.....	\$40 and costs.
Bergen.....	Warden Varian and Deputy Day .....	Max Raffino.....	Killing two Robins.....	\$40 and costs.
Bergen.....	Warden Varian and Deputy Day .....	G. Doninico.....	Killing two Robins.....	\$40 and costs.

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Morris.....	Warden Jones.....	J. Krownenberg.....	Possession of two Partridges...	\$40 and costs.
Morris.....	Warden Jones.....	J. K. Boniface.....	Possession of three Quail.....	\$60 and costs.
Morris.....	Warden Jones.....	W. H. Hiller.....	Possession of three Quail.....	\$60 and costs.
Bergen.....	Deputy Warden Gundlah.....	Jos. Wierman.....	Killing two Robins.....	\$40 and costs.
Atlantic.....	Deputy Warden Fish.....	Jos. Price.....	Attempt to take Rabbit.....	\$20 and costs.
Camden.....	Warden Guthridge and Deputy Post.....	Chas. T. Moore.....	Attempt to remove game from State .....	\$20 and costs.
Camden.....	Deputy Warden Ware.....	Geo. Rossen.....	Possession of Robin.....	10 days in jail.
Camden.....	Deputy Warden Ware.....	Mark Sanders.....	Killing Robin.....	10 days in jail.
Hudson.....	Wardens Hawkins and Hall..	Jas. Russman.....	Killing five Robins.....	\$100 and costs.
Hudson.....	Wardens Hawkins and Hall..	M. Meorla.....	Killing five Robins.....	\$100 and costs.
Hudson.....	Wardens Ayres and Miller...	O. G. Shroder.....	Removing game from State....	\$40 and costs.
Hudson.....	Wardens Ayres and Miller...	I. L. Giles.....	Gunning without license.....	\$25 and costs.
Hudson.....	Wardens Ayres and Miller...	Chas. Schidel.....	Gunning without license.....	\$25 and costs.
Hudson.....	Wardens Ayres and Miller...	H. Jackson.....	Gunning without license.....	\$25 and costs.
Passaic.....	Constable Smith.....	Thos. H. Styles.....	Sunday gunning.....	\$20 and costs.
Hudson.....	Wardens Hall, Dane & Jones.	John Squire.....	Removing game from State....	\$60 and costs.
Hudson.....	Wardens Hall, Dane & Jones.	John Squire.....	Hunting without license.....	\$25 and costs.
Hudson.....	Wardens Hall, Dane & Jones.	August Vuxen.....	Removing game from State....	\$60 and costs.
Hudson.....	Wardens Hall, Dane & Jones.	E. O. Jollard.....	Removing game from State....	\$40 and costs.
Hudson.....	Wardens Hall, Dane & Jones.	E. O. Jollard.....	Hunting without license.....	\$25 and costs.
Hudson.....	Wardens Hall, Dane & Jones.	Julian Masson.....	Hunting without license.....	\$25 and costs.
Hudson.....	Wardens Hall, Dane & Jones.	Henry Mignery....	Hunting without license.....	\$25 and costs.
Hudson.....	Wardens Hall, Dane & Jones.	Henry Sence.....	Hunting without license.....	\$25 and costs.
Hudson.....	Wardens Hall, Dane & Jones.	Alfred Jones.....	Removing game from State....	\$40 and costs.
Hudson.....	Wardens Hall, Dane & Jones.	Alfred Bernard....	Removing game from State....	\$100 and costs.
Hudson.....	Wardens Hall, Dane & Jones.	B. J. Sulinski.....	Removing game from State....	\$40 and costs.

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Hudson.....	Wardens Hall, Dane & Jones.	B. J. Sulinski.....	Hunting without license.....	\$25 and costs.
Hudson.....	Wardens Hall, Dane & Jones.	Ernest Ofeldk.....	Hunting without license.....	\$25 and costs.
Hudson.....	Wardens Hall, Dane & Jones.	W. Scheetman.....	Hunting without license.....	\$25 and costs.
Hudson.....	Wardens Hall, Dane & Jones.	August Kaeth.....	Hunting without license.....	\$25 and costs.
Hudson.....	Wardens Hall, Dane & Jones.	W. B. Young.....	Hunting without license.....	\$25 and costs.
Hudson.....	Wardens Hall, Dane & Jones.	Richard Koster.....	Hunting without license.....	\$25 and costs.
Hudson.....	Wardens Hall, Dane & Jones.	M. Sabtangelo.....	Removing game from State.....	\$40 and costs.
Hudson.....	Wardens Hall, Dane & Jones.	J. S. West.....	Removing game from State.....	\$20 and costs.
Hudson.....	Wardens Hall, Dane & Jones.	Henry Holstein.....	Removing game from State.....	\$80 and costs.
Hudson.....	Wardens Hall, Dane & Jones.	Gould Hoyt.....	Hunting without license.....	\$25 and costs.
Hudson.....	Wardens Hall, Dane & Jones.	Joseph James.....	Removing game from State.....	\$20 and costs.
Hudson.....	Warden Hawkins.....	M. Kattoggio.....	Hunting without license.....	\$25 and costs.
Hudson.....	Warden Dane.....	Chas. Coei.....	Possession of Chickadee.....	\$20 and costs.
Hudson.....	Warden Dane.....	Felix Dei Zovi.....	Possession of Chickadee.....	\$20 and costs.
Hudson.....	Warden Dane.....	J. Boulangei.....	Possession of Chickadee.....	\$20 and costs.
Hudson.....	Warden Dane.....	Henry Henke.....	Possession of one Rabbit, one Gray Squirrel.....	\$40 and costs.
Hudson.....	Warden Dane.....	John Heinle.....	Possession two Rabbits.....	\$40 and costs.
Hudson.....	Warden Dane.....	Joseph Smith.....	Removing game from State.....	\$20 and costs.
Hudson.....	Warden Dane.....	Frank Mohr.....	Possession two Quail.....	\$40 and costs.
Bergen.....	Wardens Hawkins and Hall.	Alex Hafes.....	Possession one Quail and two Grouse.....	\$60 and costs.
Hudson.....	Wardens Cooks, Foulks and Deputy Wombold.....	John Doe.....	Hunting without license.....	\$25 and costs.

Hudson.....	Wardens Cooks, Foulks and Deputy Wombold .....	Otto Limmerman...Hunting without license.....	\$25 and costs.
Middlesex.....	Wardens Cooks, Foulks and Deputy Wombold .....	Herman Holger....Hunting without license.....	\$25 and costs.
Hudson.....	Wardens Cooks, Foulks and Deputy Wombold .....	A. McDonald.....Hunting without license.....	\$25 and costs.
Middlesex.....	Wardens Cooks, Foulks and Deputy Wombold .....	N. Carlucci.....Hunting without license.....	\$25 and costs. Case appealed and appeal dismissed.
Hudson.....	Wardens Cooks, Foulks and Deputy Wombold .....	G. G. Malthin.....Hunting without license.....	\$25 and costs.
Hudson.....	Wardens Cooks, Foulks and Deputy Wombold .....	Anton Eraun.....Hunting without license.....	\$25 and costs.
Hudson.....	Wardens Cooks, Foulks and Deputy Wombold .....	Michael Crissi.....	Removing game from State....\$40 and costs.
Bergen.....	Deputy Warden Day.....	Nicholas Shaler.....	Sunday gunning.....\$20 and costs.
Cumberland..	Warden Phifer .....	J. P. Roth.....	Sunday gunning.....\$20 and costs.
Cumberland..	Warden Phifer .....	Jas. Pierce.....	Trapping Rabbit.....\$20 and costs.
Camden.....	Deputy Warden Ware.....	J. W. O'Connor.....	Removing game from State....\$140 and costs.
Camden.....	Deputy Warden Post.....	C. Captella .....	Removing game from State....\$80 and costs.
Hudson.....	Wardens Hawkins and Ayres.	Robt. Tinsman.....	Hunting without license.....\$25 and costs.
Morris.....	Deputy Warden Walker.....	Oscar Van Duyne...	Attempt to kill Duck...Acquitted.
Hudson.....	Deps. Burnett and McGreevy.	Herman Hohns.....	Removing game from State....\$60 and costs.
Hudson.....	Deps. Burnett and McGreevy.	Frank E. Allen.....	Removing game from State....\$40 and costs.
Hudson.....	Deps. Burnett and McGreevy.	Walter S. Burdett...	Removing game from State....\$40 and costs.
Hudson.....	Deps. Burnett and McGreevy.	Patrick Donahue....	Removing game from State....\$100 and costs.
Hudson.....	Deps. Burnett and McGreevy.	W. W. Whitley.....	Removing game from State....\$40 and costs.
Hudson.....	Deps. Burnett and McGreevy.	Chas. Kadel.....	Removing game from State....\$60 and costs.

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Hudson.....	Deps. Burnett and McGreevy.	Herman Hoops.....	Removing game from State.....	\$60 and costs.
Cumberland...	Warden Connor .....	Joseph Morrison....	Trapping Rabbit.....	\$20 and costs.
Cumberland...	Warden Connor .....	Owen Finnegan.....	Hunting without license.....	\$25 and costs.
Cumberland...	Warden Connor .....	W. R. Giesen.....	Hunting without license.....	\$25 and costs.
Bergen.....	Deputy Warden Engle.....	A. Volenti.....	Killing two Robins.....	\$40 and costs.
Bergen.....	Deputy Warden Engle.....	Albert Dunzer.....	Killing one Robin.....	\$20 and costs.
Hudson.....	Deps. Burnett and McGreevy.	C. Ermentrant.....	Removing game from State.....	\$40 and costs.
Hudson.....	Deps. Burnett and McGreevy.	Jos. Ryan.....	Removing game from State.....	\$60 and costs.
Hudson.....	Warden Hawkins & Deputies Burnett and McGreevy....	Jacob Schmalz.....	Removing game from State.....	\$20 and costs.
Hudson.....	Warden Hawkins & Deputies Burnett and McGreevy....	C. Suidan.....	Removing game from State.....	\$40 and costs.
Morris.....	Deputy Warden Bowen.....	Paul Jones.....	Taking Trout unlawfully.....	\$20 and costs.
Hudson.....	Wardens Jones, Hall & Dane.	August Brovest.....	Hunting without license.....	\$25 and costs.
Hudson.....	Wardens Jones, Hall & Dane.	August Brovest.....	Removing game from State.....	\$40 and costs.
Hudson.....	Wardens Jones, Hall & Dane.	Thos. Butera.....	Removing game from State.....	\$40 and costs.
Hudson.....	Wardens Jones, Hall & Dane.	A. Butera.....	Removing game from State.....	\$40 and costs.
Hudson.....	Warden Hawkins & Deputies McGreevy and Burnett....	L. Van Sicken.....	Removing game from State.....	\$40 and costs.
Hudson.....	Warden Hawkins & Deputies McGreevy and Burnett....	L. S. Schwimeler...	Removing game from State.....	\$40 and costs.
Hudson.....	Warden Hawkins & Deputies McGreevy and Burnett....	Henry Denton.....	Removing game from State.....	\$40 and costs.
Hudson.....	Warden Cook and Deputy Wombold .....	H. P. Talcott.....	Hunting without license.....	\$25 and costs.

Camden.....	Wardens Foulks & Mathis...	Chas. Tuttle.....	Sunday gunning.....	\$20 and costs.
Hudson.....	Wardens Hawkins and Hall..	M. T. Southwick....	Hunting without license.....	Fine not paid; gun confiscated.
Hudson.....	Warden Dane and Deputy Wombold .....	Alexis Sesetti.....	Killing Song Sparrow.....	30 days in jail.
Essex.....	Warden Dane and Deputy Wombold .....	D. Martucci.....	Possession of Song Sparrow....	\$20 and costs.
Hudson.....	Wardens Hall, Dane & Jones	Kerr Albertson.....	Hunting without license.....	Gun held; fine not paid.
Hudson.....	Wardens Hall, Dane & Jones	Chas. Inslee.....	Hunting without license.....	\$25 and costs.
Hudson.....	Wardens Hall, Dane & Jones	Harry S. Young....	Hunting without license.....	\$25 and costs.
Hudson.....	Wardens Hall, Dane & Jones	Dominic Sargebt....	Possession of Meadow Owl.....	\$20 and costs.
Hudson.....	Warden Dane.....	A. Espisito.....	Possession of Starling.....	\$20 and costs.
Hudson.....	Wardens Hall, Dane & Jones	Burt Cook.....	Hunting without license.....	\$25 and costs.
Hudson.....	Wardens Hall, Dane & Jones and Deputy McGreevy....	Fabica Getsion.....	Hunting without license.....	\$25 and costs.
Hudson.....	Wardens Hall, Dane & Jones	John Smith.....	Hunting without license.....	\$25 and costs.
Hudson.....	Wardens Hall, Hawkins and Deputy Wombold.....	Peter Mentst.....	Hunting without license.....	\$25 and costs.
Hudson.....	Wardens Hall and Hawkins..	Frank Hill.....	Possession of Woodpecker.....	\$20 and costs.
Hudson.....	Wardens Foulks, Cook and Deputy Wombold.....	Mariam Placa.....	Hunting without license.....	Gun held; fine not paid.
Hudson.....	Wardens Foulks, Cook and Deputy Wombold .....	Chas. Amother....	Hunting without license.....	Gun held; fine not paid.
Hudson.....	Wardens Foulks, Cook and Deputy Wombold .....	J. Engelking.....	Hunting without license.....	Gun held; fine not paid.
Hudson.....	Warden Hawkins.....	Henry Pompone....	Hunting without license.....	Gun held; fine not paid.

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Hudson.....	Wardens Ayres and Miller...	Steve Rolo.....	Hunting without license.....	\$25 and costs.
Hudson.....	Wardens Ayres and Miller...	Anton Demilliry....	Hunting without license.....	\$25 and costs.
Hudson.....	Wardens Ayres and Miller...	Anton Beatty.....	Hunting without license.....	\$25 and costs.
Hudson.....	Wardens Ayres and Miller...	Nelson Hope.....	Hunting without license.....	\$25 and costs.
Hudson.....	Wardens Ayres and Miller...	G. H. Rockefeller...	Hunting without license.....	\$25 and costs.
Hudson.....	Warden Hawkins.....	Evineo Marino.....	Hunting without license.....	\$25 and costs.
Hudson.....	Warden Hawkins.....	Andrio Lertora....	Hunting without license.....	\$25 and costs.
Hudson.....	Wardens Foulks, Cook and Deputy Wombold .....	Wm. Pinkerey.....	Hunting without license.....	\$25 and costs.
Hudson.....	Wardens Foulks, Cook and Deputy Wombold .....	Geo. Schfield.....	Hunting without license.....	\$25 and costs.
Camden.....	Warden Guthridge.....	Gertano Sole.....	Hunting without license.....	\$25 and costs.
Camden.....	Warden Wilbur.....	Gertano Sole.....	Removing game from State....	\$60 and costs.
Atlantic.....	Deputy Warden Fish.....	G. Pitzano.....	Killing Meadow Lark.....	\$20 and costs.
Essex.....	Wardens Hall, Hawkins and Dane .....	C. Schneider.....	Possession of Deer.....	
Essex.....	Wardens Hall, Hawkins and Dane .....	R. Jacoby.....	Possession of Deer.....	
Essex.....	Warden Hawkins.....	Geo. Schirmer.....	Possession of Deer.....	
Camden.....	Wardens Foulks and Mathis.	A. B. Dewees.....	Sunday gunning.....	\$20 and costs.
Middlesex....	Warden Ayres .....	Samuel Giles.....	Hunting on the snow.....	\$20 and costs.
Middlesex....	Warden Ayres .....	Albert Mundy.....	Hunting on the snow.....	\$20 and costs.
Camden.....	Deputy Warden Ware.....	Wm. Taylor.....	Killing Snow Bird.....	10 days in jail.
Camden.....	Warden Guthridge.....	John Abato.....	Hunting on the snow.....	\$20 and costs.

Atlantic.....	Deputy Warden Fish.....	J. B. Martin.....	Dog running at large.....	Case appealed; appeal dismissed; fine paid.
Atlantic.....	Deputy Warden Fish.....	Fredk. Myers.....	Illegal net fishing.....	Case appealed.
Camden.....	Deputy Warden Fowler.....	John Gargel.....	Hunting on the snow.....	\$20 and costs.
Bergen.....	Deputy Warden Day.....	A. Arbogast.....	Possession of Chickadee.....	\$20 and costs.
Essex.....	Wardens Jones and Hall.....	A. Mercantante.....	Hunting on the snow.....	\$20 and costs.
Warren.....	Warden Hill.....	W. Dillsworth.....	Hunting on the snow.....	Sentence suspended on payment of costs
Warren.....	Warden Hill.....	Isaac L. Angle.....	Trapping Rabbits.....	60 days in jail.
Hunterdon....	Warden Park.....	J. H. Case.....	Selling trapped Rabbits.....	\$20 and costs.
Hudson.....	Wardens Dane, Hall and Deputy McGreevy.....	H. Aomstadt.....	Hunting without license.....	\$25 and costs.
Hudson.....	Wardens Dane and Hall.....	Louis Julian.....	Hunting without license.....	\$25 and costs.
Hudson.....	Wardens Dane and Hall.....	D. Lambert.....	Hunting without license.....	\$25 and costs.
Hudson.....	Wardens Dane and Hall.....	Louis Julian.....	Possession of Robin.....	\$20 and costs.
Union.....	Warden Hawkins .....	M. M. Armstrong....	Killing Meadow Lark.....	\$20 and costs.
Union.....	Warden Hawkins .....	M. M. Armstrong....	Possession of Robin.....	\$20 and costs.
Union.....	Warden Hawkins .....	Earl Armstrong....	Killing Robins.....	Dismissed.
Cumberland...	Deputy Warden Connor.....	B. Ayres.....	Killing Snow Bird.....	\$20 and costs.
Essex.....	Deputy Warden Harrison....	S. Coicardi.....	Possession of Night Hawk.....	\$20 and costs.
Essex.....	Deputy Warden Harrison....	Cadmus Condit.....	Hunting on the snow.....	\$20 and costs.
Sussex.....	Warden Hendershott.....	E. M. Little.....	Attempt to take game.....	\$20 and costs.
		E. M. Little, Jr.....		
		John Agery.....		
Essex.....	Com. Johnson & Ward. Dane.	Jos. Secret.....	Hunting on the snow.....	\$20 and costs.
Hudson.....	Com. Johnson & Ward. Dane.	Conrad Saner.....	Possession two Rabbits.....	\$40 and costs.
Hudson.....	Com. Johnson & Ward. Dane.	Ernst Stande.....	Possession two Rabbits.....	\$40 and costs.
Hudson.....	Com. Johnson & Ward. Dane.	erman Soder.....	Possession one Rabbit.....	\$20 and costs.
Hudson.....	Com. Johnson & Ward. Dane.	Henry L. Peterson..	Possession one Rabbit.....	\$20 and costs.

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County.	Complainant.	Accused.	Charge.	Judgment.
Hudson.....	Com. Johnson & Ward.	Dane August Bestredt....	Possession one Rabbit.....	\$20 and costs.
Hudson.....	Com. Johnson & Ward.	Dane Jon. Loeffler.....	Possession one Rabbit.....	\$20 and costs.
Hudson.....	Com. Johnson & Ward.	Dane Frank Best.....	Possession one Rabbit.....	\$40 and costs.
Mercer.....	Warden Cook.....	Richard Huub.....	Trapping Rabbits.....	\$20 and costs.
Atlantic.....	Warden Schuster.....	John Grillo.....		Acquitted.
Hudson.....	Warden Dane.....	W. Wesselman.....	Possession of Rabbits.....	\$40 and costs.
Cumberland...	Warden Phifer.....	A. M. Tomlin.....	Trapping Rabbit.....	\$20 and costs.
Sussex.....	Wardens Hendershott & Hill.	Geo. Horton.....	Possession of two Rabbits.....	\$20 and costs.
Somerset.....	Warden Miller.....	Thos. Austin.....	Possession of Rabbits.....	Sentence suspended on payment of cost.
Bergen.....	Wardens Varian and Hughes.	David Holdrum.....	Hunting on the snow.....	\$40 and costs.
Essex.....	Com. Johnson & Ward.	Dane August Knab.....	Possession of two Rabbits.....	\$40 and costs.
Essex.....	Wardens Hawkins and Hall.	T. Meed and John Townsend.....	Possession Sea Gull.....	\$20 and costs.
Morris.....	Warden Jones.....	Isaac Deharb.....	Dog running at large.....	\$20 and costs.
Hudson.....	Warden Dane.....	Joseph Calabra.....	Possession of Robin.....	\$20 and costs.
Atlantic.....	Deputy Warden Fish.....	J. Booz.....	Dog running at large.....	\$20 and costs.
Somerset.....	Warden Miller.....	P. Cascino.....	Possession two Rabbits.....	\$40 and costs.
Cumberland...	Warden Connor.....	W. Skellinger.....	Dog running at large.....	\$20 and costs.
Mercer.....	Warden Cook.....	D. Echote.....	Killing two Blue Birds and one Woodpecker.....	\$60 and costs.
Mercer.....	Warden Cook.....	Jose Carotch.....	Killing two Robins.....	\$40 and costs.
Mercer.....	Warden Cook.....	B. Civitones.....	Killing one Quail.....	\$20 and costs.
Sussex.....	Warden Hendershott.....	J. Luder and Peter Demorest.....	Using dynamite in streams.....	\$100 and costs.

Essex.....	Wardens Hall and Hawkins..	Frank Campbell....	Possession of Robin.....	\$20 and costs.
Gloucester....	Wardens Torton, Davis, Ma-			
	this and Connor.....	Geo. W. Sheets.....	Sunday Shad fishing, Delaware	
			River .....	\$100 and costs.
Gloucester....	Wardens Torton, Davis, Ma-			
	this and Connor.....	R. Georgeas.....	Sunday Shad fishing, Delaware	
			River .....	Sentence suspended
				on payment of costs
Morris.....	Warden Jones.....	Harry Poplet.....	Spearing fish.....	\$20 and costs.
Hudson.....	Warden Dane .....	Otto O'Brien.....	Killing one Bittern.....	\$20 and costs.
Hudson.....	Warden Dane .....	Peter Nre.....	Possession one Bittern.....	Sentence suspended
				on payment of costs
Atlantic.....	Warden Schuster.....	P. T. Renear.....	Dogs running at large.....	\$20 and costs.
Atlantic.....	Warden Schuster.....	Frank Kuppel.....	Illegal possession Pickerel.....	Sentence suspended
				on payment of costs
Essex.....	Warden Hall.....	L. Rosenbaum.....	Illegal possession Pickerel.....	\$20 and costs.
Atlantic.....	Warden Schuster.....	Thos. C. Weber.....	Dogs running at large.....	\$20 and costs.
Hunterdon....	Warden Park.....	Jchn Doe.....	Dogs running at large.....	\$20 and costs.
Morris.....	Warden Jones.....	Peter J. Girney.....	Possession Pickerel under 12	
			inches long.....	\$20 and costs.
Morris.....	Warden Jones.....	J. Fishbein.....	Possession Pickerel under 12	
			inches long.....	\$20 and costs.
Morris.....	Warden Jones.....	Ed. Sutphin.....	Possession Pickerel under 12	
			inches long.....	\$20 and costs.
Bergen.....	Deputy Warden Meyer.....	E. DeWolf and A.		
		Billiard .....	Illegal net fishing.....	Sentence suspended
				on payment of cost.
Bergen.....	Wardens Hall and Hawkins..	Thos. Barkalow....	Illegal net fishing.....	\$20 and costs.
Essex.....	Wardens Hall and Hawkins..	D. Goldforb.....	Possession two Pickerel under	
			12 inches long.....	\$40 and costs.

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County.	Complainant.	Accused.	Charge.	Judgment.
Mercer.....	Deputy Warden Wagner.....	Geo. Rein.....	Killing Robin.....	\$20 and costs.
Mercer.....	Deputy Warden Wagner.....	Geo. Hooroalb.....	Killing Robin.....	\$20 and costs.
Mercer.....	Deputy Warden Wagner.....	A. Reed.....	Killing Robin.....	\$20 and costs.
Mercer.....	Deputy Warden Wagner.....	F. Krempacker.....		
		D. Hoffman.....	Taking Pike unlawfully.....	\$20 and costs.
Hudson.....	Wardens Dane, Hall & Jones.....	Carmune Ferro.....	Possession one Quail.....	\$20 and costs.
Hudson.....	Wardens Dane, Hall & Jones.....	Carmune Ferro.....	Possession two Robins.....	\$40 and costs.
Passaic.....	Wardens Hall and Dane.....	John G. Donnelly.....	Possession two Pickerel under 12 inches long.....	\$40 and costs.
Somerset.....	Warden Miller.....	John Logreen.....	Killing Highholders.....	\$20 and costs.
Union.....	Warden Hawkins & Deputy Crann .....	M. Saade.....	Unlawful possession Black Bass.....	1 day in jail.
Mercer.....	Deputy Warden Wagner.....	Nzal McCabe.....	Killing Blue Bird.....	\$20 and costs.
Ocean.....	Warden Foulks.....	Chas. Kennedy.....	Dog running at large.....	\$20 and costs.
Camden.....	Deputy Warden Ware.....	Alfred S. Berg.....	Possession Bass under 12 inches.....	Suspended on payment cash.
Passaic.....	Warden Hughes.....	Loyd Montress.....	Possession Pickerel under 12 inches .....	\$20 and costs.
Burlington....	Warden Foulkes.....	R. Lamb.....	Dog running at large.....	\$20 and costs.
Monmouth....	Deputy Warden West.....	J. Bossani.....	Possession of Robin.....	\$20 and costs.
Burlington....	Warden Foulkes.....	H. Hoorier.....	Dog running at large.....	Sentence suspended on payment of costs
Burlington....	Warden Foulkes.....	Levi Eckman.....	Dog running at large.....	\$20 and costs.
Sussex.....	Wardens Hendershott & Hill.....	Mike Blasco.....	Using dynamite in stream.....	\$100 and costs.
Hudson.....	Warden Dane.....	Edward Guiband....	Possession of Redpoll.....	\$20 and costs.

Sussex.....	Warden Hendershott.....	H. Gardner.....	Using set lines.....	Case appealed.
Sussex.....	Warden Hendershott.....	Geo. Wilbey.....	Using set lines.....	Case appealed.
Sussex.....	Warden Hendershott.....	Del Sandt.....	Using set lines.....	Case appealed.
Mercer.....	Deputy Warden Wagner.....	Albert Morgan.....	Killing one Robbin.....	\$20 and costs.
Mercer.....	Deputy Warden Wagner.....	J. Morgandine.....	Killing one Robbin.....	\$20 and costs.
Mercer.....	Deputy Warden Wagner.....	J. Massano.....	Killing one Robbin.....	\$20 and costs.
Mercer.....	Deputy Warden Wagner.....	Philip Angelo.....	Killing one Robbin.....	\$20 and costs.
Somerset.....	Warden Hawkins & Deputy Wyckoff .....	Theo. Martin.....	Possession Grey Squirrel.....	\$20 and costs.
Monmouth....	Protector Stratton.....	Edward Berlin.....	Dog running at large.....	Sentence suspended on payment of cost.
Warren.....	Warden Hill.....	John DeRoscoe.....	Possession of Rabbit.....	\$20 and costs.
Gloucester...	Warden Torton.....	Wm. H. Rioell.....	Illegal net fishing.....	\$20 and costs.
Gloucester...	Warden Avis.....	Herman Schenbon..	Illegal net fishing.....	\$20 and costs.
Morris.....	Deputy Warden Appel.....	Frione Victo.....	Sunday gunning.....	\$20 and costs.
Mercer.....	Warden Cook.....	Nicholas Shwartz...	Using set lines.....	\$20 and costs.
Burlington...	Warden Foulkes.....	Frank Bowker.....	Dog running at large.....	\$20 and costs.
Essex.....	Deputy Warden Wombold....	Chas. G. Grooves...	Killing Robins.....	\$20 and costs.
Cumberland..	Warden Connor.....	Fred Hiles.....	Dog running at large.....	\$20 and costs.
Cumberland..	Warden Connor.....	David Lenck.....	Dog running at large.....	\$20 and costs.
Hudson.....	Wardens Dane and Hall.....	Henry Hsmunsstee	Possession High-holder, Bobo- link, Snowflake.....	\$60 and costs.
Cumberland..	Warden Phifer.....	Arron Towser.....	Illegal net fishing.....	\$20 and costs.
Camden.....	Deputy Warden Ware.....	R. Barrett.....	Dog running at large.....	Case appealed.
Hudson.....	Wardens Dane and Hall.....	W. Van Zile.....	Illegal fishing.....	Case dismissed.
Mercer.....	Warden Cook & Dep. Ware..	James Roth.....	Killing Song Sparrow.....	\$20 and costs.
Mercer.....	Warden Cook & Dep. Ware..	M. Mahler.....	Possession of Woodpecker.....	\$20 and costs.
Mercer.....	Warden Cook & Dep. Ware..	Albert Kohowitz...	Dog running at large.....	\$20 and costs.
Mercer.....	Warden Cook & Dep. Ware..	S. Mordcolly.....	Killing Rabbit.....	\$20 and costs.

## Complete List of the Prosecutions for the Past Year.—Continued.

County.	Complainant.	Accused.	Charge.	Judgment.
Mercer.....	Warden Cook and Deputy Wagner .....	Anthony Allegetty..	Killing Rabbit.....	\$20 and costs.
Cape May.....	Wardens Cook and Phifer...A. Steelman and D. Steelman .....		Illegal net fishing.....	Unsettled.
Warren.....	Warden Hill.....	John Hess.....	Robbing bird's nest.....	Sentence suspended on payment of costs
Ocean.....	Warden Foulks.....	Tonay Cecala.....	Possession of Rabbit.....	\$20 and costs.
Middlesex.....	Warden Miller.....	Andrew Martello..	Sunday gunning.....	\$20 and costs.
Middlesex.....	Warden Miller.....	Nicholas Dalmorto..	Sunday gunning.....	\$20 and costs.
Middlesex.....	Warden Miller.....	Corvallo Lamdorpen	Sunday gunning.....	\$20 and costs.
Essex.....	Wardens Hall and Dane....	Lewis Bartello....	Possession two Marsa Hens...	\$40 and costs.
Essex.....	Wardens Hall and Dane....	Horation Vanatine..	Killing one Marsh Hen.....	\$20 and costs.
Camden.....	Deputy Warden Cunard.....	Chas. Buntenbach..	Dog running at large.....	\$20 and costs.
Bergen.....	Deputy Warden McWay.....	Lewis Sunen.....	Sunday gunning.....	\$20 and costs.
Warren.....	Wardens Hill and Cook.....	John Doe.....	Possession of Rabbit.....	\$20 and costs.
Sussex.....	Warden Hendershott.....	Stiff Imbrie.....	Using dynamite for fish.....	\$100 and costs.
Burlington.....	Wardens Gutheridge and Wilbur .....	Andrew Roppo.....	Possession of Rabbit.....	\$20 and costs.
Warren.....	Wardens Hill and Cook.....	Harry Missen.....	Dog running at large.....	\$20 and costs.
Passaic.....	Warden Hughes .....	G. A. Bandendistel..	Illegal net fishing.....	Case appealed.
Passaic.....	Warden Hughes .....	Herman Haniser....	Illegal net fishing.....	
Passaic.....	Warden Hughes .....	Conrad Cronum.....	Illegal net fishing.....	
Passaic.....	Warden Hughes .....	Thomas Smith.....	Illegal net fishing.....	
Salem.....	Warden Torton.....	Levy McCowen....	Killing Meadow Lark.....	\$20 and costs.
Salem.....	Warden Torton.....	Edward Brookens...	Killing Meadow Lark.....	\$20 and costs.

Hudson.....	Wardens Hall and Dane.....	Nicheal Curcio.....	Killing Meadow Lark.....	\$20 and costs.
Hudson.....	Wardens Hall and Dane.....	Joseph Leon.....	Possession of Rabbit.....	Sentence suspended on payment of costs
Hudson.....	Warden Hall.....	Walter Van Zile.....	Illegal fishing.....	Case dismissed.
Essex.....	Wardens Hall and Dane.....	Wm. Hetter.....	Possession of Starling.....	\$20 and costs.
Sussex.....	Warden Hendershott.....	Chas. Sreile.....	Using dynamite.....	90 days in jail.
Passaic.....	Warden Hughes.....	C. Geumeil.....	Possession two Robins.....	\$40 and costs.
Bergen.....	Warden Varian.....	A. Herman.....	Dog running at large.....	\$20 and costs.
Bergen.....	Deputy Warden McWay.....	F. Kintopp.....	Killing Cat Bird.....	Sentence suspended on payment of costs
Bergen.....	Deputy Warden McWay.....	Geo. Winkler.....	Killing four King Birds.....	\$80 and costs.
Morris.....	Warden Jones.....	Peter Groth.....	Dog running at large.....	\$20 and costs.
Middlesex.....	Warden Steuerwald.....	E. Wurgle.....	Sunday gunning.....	\$20 and costs.
Passaic.....	Warden Hughes and Deputy Collier.....	Jos. Schier.....	Sunday hunting.....	\$20 and costs.
Passaic.....	Wardens Hughes & Ryerson.....	P. Delisi.....	Possession Robin.....	\$20 and costs.
Passaic.....	Wardens Hughes & Ryerson.....	S. Stanilus.....	Possession Robin.....	\$20 and costs.
Passaic.....	Wardens Hughes & Ryerson.....	S. Alfonso.....	Possession Robin.....	\$20 and costs.
Ocean.....	Warden Foulkes.....	Robb Scott.....	Dog running at large.....	\$20 and costs.
Bergen.....	Warden Varian.....	F. Derosa.....	Possession two Robins.....	5 days in jail.
Hudson.....	Warden Dane and Deputy McCreevy.....	Angelo Marino.....	Trapping birds.....	\$20 and costs.
Hudson.....	Warden Dane and Deputy McCreevy.....	Carlo Shiriumn.....	Trapping birds.....	\$20 and costs.
Passaic.....	Constables Smith.....	P. J. Schatsenberg.....	Killing Robins.....	\$20 and costs.
Hudson.....	Wardens Dane, Hall and Hawkins.....	Edmund List.....	Possession of Swallow.....	\$20 and costs.
Essex.....	Wardens Hall and Hawkins.....	H. Kirsch.....	Killing Whip-Poor-Will.....	\$20 and costs.
Hudson.....	Warden Dane.....	Fredk. Esperer.....	Possession of Heron.....	\$20 and costs.
Hudson.....	Deputy Warden Lester.....	V. Pisanelli.....	Killing Song Sparrow.....	\$20 and costs.

## Complete List of the Prosecutions for the Past Year.—Continued.

County.	Complainant.	Accused.	Charge.	Judgment.
Passaic.....	Constable Smith.....	H. Webster.....	Possession of Robin.....	Not guilty.
Bergen.....	Deputy Warden Day.....	John Dross.....	Sunday gunning.....	\$20 and costs.
Bergen.....	Deputy Warden Day.....	Edwin Dros.....	Sunday gunning.....	\$20 and costs.
Bergen.....	Deputy Warden Day.....	Fritz Goemer.....	Trapping birds.....	\$20 and costs.
Essex.....	Wardens Hall and Dane.....	Adam Wisoel.....	Possession of Bittern.....	\$20 and costs.
Hudson.....	Deputy Warden Engle.....	Robt. Floves.....	Sunday gunning.....	\$20 and costs.
Hudson.....	Deputy Warden Engle.....	Ginli De Luci.....	Sunday gunning.....	\$20 and costs.
Hudson.....	Deputy Warden Lester.....	C. Jorantina.....	Killing Meadow Lark.....	60 days in jail.
Hudson.....	Warden Dane and Deputy McGreevy .....	Henry Krans.....	Sunday gunning.....	\$20 and costs.
Hudson.....	Wardens Hall and Dane.....	Percy Berby.....	Possession two Robins.....	\$40 and costs.
Hudson.....	Wardens Hall and Dane.....	G. Juiteno.....	Possession three High-holders..	\$60 and costs.
Hudson.....	Warden Dane .....	Paul F. Palmi.....	Killing Cedar Bird.....	\$20 and costs.
Hudson.....	Warden Dane .....	Paul F. Palmi.....	Gunning without license.....	\$25 and costs.
Hudson.....	Warden Dane .....	Joseph Riggeir.....	Gunning without license.....	\$25 and costs.
Atlantic.....	Deputy Warden Fish.....	E. P. Sharp.....	Possession of small clams.....	Case dismissed.
Sussex.....	Warden Hendershott.....	A. Spencer.....	Possession three Grey Squirrels.	\$60 and costs.
Hudson.....	Warden Dane and Deputy McGreevy .....	Jos. Cross.....	Killing High-holder.....	\$20 and costs.
Hudson.....	Warden Dane and Deputy McGreevy .....	Arthur Cross.....	Possession of Robin.....	60 days in jail.
Bergen.....	Constable Bosa.....	B. Varnever.....	Killing Catbird.....	\$20 and costs.
Hudson.....	Deputy Warden Lester.....	G. Prichorb.....	Sunday gunning.....	\$20 and costs.
Hudson.....	Deputy Warden Lester.....	Geo. Robbins.....	Sunday gunning.....	\$20 and costs.
Hudson.....	Deputy Warden Lester.....	Henry Fritz.....	Sunday gunning.....	\$20 and costs.

Essex.....	Com. Johnson.....	Loreano Denlenno...	Killing two Robins.....	90 days in jail.
Essex.....	Com. Johnson.....	N. Antonica.....	Killing two Thrush.....	\$40 and costs.
Somerset.....	Warden Miller.....	M. Saturni.....	Sunday gunning.....	\$20 and costs.
Passaic.....	Warden Hughes.....	Carlo Fiovi.....	Possession of Robin.....	\$20 and costs.
Passaic.....	Warden Hughes.....	Wm. Garrison.....	Sunday gunning.....	\$20 and costs.
Morris.....	Warden Jones.....	Jos. Wicinci.....	Spearing Suckers.....	\$20 and costs.
Morris.....	Warden Jones.....	F. Voleni and L. Marsonka .....	Spearing Suckers.....	\$20 and costs.
Mercer.....	Deputy Warden Wagner.....	J. Skirmer.....	Dog running at large.....	\$20 and costs.
Burlington....	Wardens Foulks and Mathis.C. Cook.....		Dog running at large.....	\$20 and costs.
Middlesex.....	Com. Johnson.....	Jos. Schiani.....	Possession two Cuckoo.....	\$40 and costs.
Middlesex.....	Deputy Warden Brown.....	Jos. Schiani.....	Sunday gunning.....	\$20 and costs.
Hudson.....	Warden Dane .....	A. Barber.....	Possession of Robin.....	\$20 and costs.
Middlesex.....	Warden Steuerwald.....	John Lester.....	Possession two Doves.....	Case appealed.
Salem.....	Warden Davis.....	Wm. M. Perrine.....	Killing one Loon.....	\$20 and costs.
Hudson.....	Deputy Warden Lester.....	R. Sanborn.....	Sunday gunning.....	\$20 and costs.
Hudson.....	Wardens Dane, Hall and Hawkins .....	Geo. Samuel.....	Sunday gunning.....	\$20 and costs.
Hudson.....	Wardens Dane, Hall and Hawkins .....	Elmer Walters.....	Sunday gunning.....	\$20 and costs.
Hudson.....	Wardens Dane, Hall and Hawkins .....	Horace Mason.....	Sunday gunning.....	Case dismissed.
Essex.....	Wardens Hall and Hawkins..	Fred Coppes.....	Possession three Thrush.....	\$60 and costs.
Essex.....	Wardens Hall and Hawkins..	Fred Coppes.....	Possession one Robin.....	\$20 and costs.
Hudson.....	Warden Dane .....	August Riggers.....	Possession one Robin.....	\$20 and costs.
Bergen.....	Deputy Warden Engle.....	Gustave Klanss.....	Killing one Robin.....	90 days in jail.
Essex.....	Com. Johnson.....	John Doe.....	Possession one Blue Bird.....	\$20 and costs.
Essex.....	Warden Hall.....	Jas. Stults.....	Possession one Meadow Lark...	Sentence suspended on payment of cost.

## Complete List of the Prosecutions for the Past Year.—Continued.

County.	Complainant.	Accused.	Charge.	Judgment.
Passaic.....	Constable Smith.....	H. Webster.....	Possession of Robin.....	Not guilty.
Bergen.....	Deputy Warden Day.....	John Dross.....	Sunday gunning.....	\$20 and costs.
Bergen.....	Deputy Warden Day.....	Edwin Dros.....	Sunday gunning.....	\$20 and costs.
Bergen.....	Deputy Warden Day.....	Fritz Goemer.....	Trapping birds.....	\$20 and costs.
Essex.....	Wardens Hall and Dane.....	Adam Wisocel.....	Possession of Bittern.....	\$20 and costs.
Hudson.....	Deputy Warden Engle.....	Robt. Floves.....	Sunday gunning.....	\$20 and costs.
Hudson.....	Deputy Warden Engle.....	Ginnli De Luci.....	Sunday gunning.....	\$20 and costs.
Hudson.....	Deputy Warden Lester.....	C. Jorantina.....	Killing Meadow Lark.....	60 days in jail.
Hudson.....	Warden Dane and Deputy McGreevy.....	Henry Krans.....	Sunday gunning.....	\$20 and costs.
Hudson.....	Wardens Hall and Dane.....	Percy Berby.....	Possession two Robins.....	\$40 and costs.
Hudson.....	Wardens Hall and Dane.....	G. Juiteno.....	Possession three High-holders.....	\$60 and costs.
Hudson.....	Warden Dane.....	Paul F. Palmi.....	Killing Cedar Bird.....	\$20 and costs.
Hudson.....	Warden Dane.....	Paul F. Palmi.....	Gunning without license.....	\$25 and costs.
Hudson.....	Warden Dane.....	Joseph Riggeir.....	Gunning without license.....	\$25 and costs.
Atlantic.....	Deputy Warden Fish.....	E. P. Sharp.....	Possession of small clams.....	Case dismissed.
Sussex.....	Warden Hendershott.....	A. Spencer.....	Possession three Grey Squirrels.....	\$60 and costs.
Hudson.....	Warden Dane and Deputy McGreevy.....	Jos. Cross.....	Killing High-holder.....	\$20 and costs.
Hudson.....	Warden Dane and Deputy McGreevy.....	Arthur Cross.....	Possession of Robin.....	60 days in jail.
Bergen.....	Constable Bosa.....	B. Varnever.....	Killing Catbird.....	\$20 and costs.
Hudson.....	Deputy Warden Lester.....	G. Prichorb.....	Sunday gunning.....	\$20 and costs.
Hudson.....	Deputy Warden Lester.....	Geo. Robbins.....	Sunday gunning.....	\$20 and costs.
Hudson.....	Deputy Warden Lester.....	Henry Fritz.....	Sunday gunning.....	\$20 and costs.

Essex.....	Com. Johnson.....	Loreano Denlenno...	Killing two Robins.....	90 days in jail.
Essex.....	Com. Johnson.....	N. Antonica.....	Killing two Thrush.....	\$40 and costs.
Somerset.....	Warden Miller.....	M. Saturni.....	Sunday gunning.....	\$20 and costs.
Passaic.....	Warden Hughes.....	Carlo Fiovi.....	Possession of Robin.....	\$20 and costs.
Passaic.....	Warden Hughes.....	Wm. Garrison.....	Sunday gunning.....	\$20 and costs.
Morris.....	Warden Jones.....	Jos. Wicinci.....	Spearing Suckers.....	\$20 and costs.
Morris.....	Warden Jones.....	F. Voleni and L. Marsonka .....	Spearing Suckers.....	\$20 and costs.
Mercer.....	Deputy Warden Wagner.....	J. Skirmer.....	Dog running at large.....	\$20 and costs.
Burlington....	Wardens Foulks and Mathis.	C. Cook.....	Dog running at large.....	\$20 and costs.
Middlesex.....	Com. Johnson.....	Jos. Schiani.....	Possession two Cuckoo.....	\$40 and costs.
Middlesex.....	Deputy Warden Brown.....	Jos. Schiani.....	Sunday gunning.....	\$20 and costs.
Hudson.....	Warden Dane .....	A. Barber.....	Possession of Robin.....	\$20 and costs.
Middlesex.....	Warden Steuerwald.....	John Lester.....	Possession two Doves.....	Case appealed.
Salem.....	Warden Davis.....	Wm. M. Perrine...	Killing one Loon.....	\$20 and costs.
Hudson.....	Deputy Warden Lester.....	R. Sanborn.....	Sunday gunning.....	\$20 and costs.
Hudson.....	Wardens Dane, Hall and Hawkins .....	Geo. Samuel.....	Sunday gunning.....	\$20 and costs.
Hudson.....	Wardens Dane, Hall and Hawkins .....	Elmer Walters.....	Sunday gunning.....	\$20 and costs.
Hudson.....	Wardens Dane, Hall and Hawkins .....	Horace Mason.....	Sunday gunning.....	Case dismissed.
Essex.....	Wardens Hall and Hawkins..	Fred Coppes.....	Possession three Thrush.....	\$60 and costs.
Essex.....	Wardens Hall and Hawkins..	Fred Coppes.....	Possession one Robin.....	\$20 and costs.
Hudson.....	Warden Dane .....	August Riggers....	Possession one Robin.....	\$20 and costs.
Bergen.....	Deputy Warden Engle.....	Gustave Klanss....	killing one Robin.....	90 days in jail.
Essex.....	Com. Johnson.....	John Doe.....	Possession one Blue Bird.....	\$20 and costs.
Essex.....	Warden Hall.....	Jas. Stults.....	Possession one Meadow Lark...	Sentence suspended on payment of cost.

## Complete List of the Prosecutions for the Past Year.—Continued.

County.	Complainant.	Accused.	Charge.	Judgment.
Middlesex.....	Warden Steuerwald.....	Geo. Separin.....	Killing Robin.....	\$20 and costs.
Warren.....	Warden Hill.....	Jos. Bassley.....	Killing Rabbit.....	\$20 and costs.
Hudson.....	Deputy Warden Lester.....	Anig Castleman.....	Sunday gunning.....	\$20 and costs.
Bergen.....	Deputy Warden Day.....	John Doe.....	Possession of Woodpecker.....	20 days in jail.
Bergen.....	Deputy Warden Day.....	James Minio.....	Killing one Woodpecker.....	20 days in jail.
Bergen.....	Wars. Hawkins, Hall & Dane.	E. Venubus.....	Hunting without license.....	\$25 and costs.
Bergen.....	Wars. Hawkins, Hall & Dane.	E. Venubus.....	Possession one Robin and one Thrush .....	\$40 and costs.
Bergen.....	Wars. Hawkins, Hall & Dane.	Michael Goralo.....	Killing one Robin.....	60 days in jail.
Bergen.....	Wars. Hawkins, Hall & Dane.	Samuel Scandel.....	Possession one Robin.....	60 days in jail.
Bergen.....	Wars. Hawkins, Hall & Dane.	B. Bassasette.....	Possession one Robin.....	60 days in jail.
Bergen.....	Wars. Hawkins, Hall & Dane.	Eustico Tucuney.....	Hunting without license.....	90 days in jail.
Bergen.....	Wars. Hawkins, Hall & Dane.	Eustico Tucuney.....	Possession of Thrush.....	90 days in jail.
Hudson.....	Deputy Warden Lester.....	Jos. Desipirito.....	Killing Swallow.....	20 days in jail.

# Financial Report.

Receipts and disbursements under an act entitled "An Act to provide means to increase the fish production of the waters of this State," approved March 21st, 1896.

LONG BRANCH, N. J., Nov. 1, 1904.

The Board of Fish and Game Commissioners of the State of New Jersey,

In account with Hon. J. Willard Morgan, Comptroller.

	Appropriation.	Amount Paid.
Appropriation for salaries of the Fish and Game Protector and wardens for year ending Oct. 31, 1904 .....	\$15,600 00	
Amount expended by the Commissioners from Nov. 1, 1903, to Oct. 31, 1904, under the act approved March 21, 1895.....		\$15,600 00
Appropriation for expenses of Fish and Game Protector and wardens for year ending Oct. 31, 1904 .....	5,100 00	
Amount expended by Commissioners from Nov. 1, 1903, under the amendment to act approved March 21, 1895, with amendment was approved May 4, 1897.....		4,948 31
Returned to State Comptroller unexpended balance .....		151 69
Appropriation for expenses of the Board of Fish and Game Commissioners for year ending Oct. 31, 1904 .....	1,000 00	
Amount expended by Commissioners for Commissioners' expenses for year ending Oct. 31, 1904 .....		1,000 00
Appropriation for stocking water and distribution of game .....	4,000 00	
Amount of appropriation expended for purchasing fish and game birds, and deer.....		4,000 00
	\$25,700 00	\$25,700 00

## General Expense Account.

LONG BRANCH, N. J., Nov. 1, 1904.

The Board of Fish and Game Commissioners of the State of  
New Jersey,

In account with Benj. P. Morris, Treasurer.

### RECEIPTS.

Balance on hand Nov. 1, 1904, to credit of stocking fund.....	\$7,800 40
Balance on hand Nov. 1, 1904, to credit of general expense fund	6,893 21
Received from County Clerks for licenses issued by them to non-resident gunners from Nov. 1, 1903, to Oct. 31, 1904	2,630 00
Received from license fees to steamers and sailing vessels to catch menhaden from Nov. 1, 1903, to Oct. 31, 1904.....	4,150 00
Received from fines collected for violations of the fish and game laws, for the year ending Oct. 31, 1904, being one- third thereof, as provided by law.....	2,939 44
Received from H. L. Cook for sale of deer.....	25 00
Received from George Swezey, for permit.....	1 00
Received from C. D. Durkee for propellers.....	91 00
Received from Hon. J. W. Morgan, appropriation for salaries of fish and game protector and wardens.....	15,600 00
Received from Hon. J. W. Morgan, appropriation for expenses of fish and game protector and wardens.....	5,100 00
Received from J. W. Morgan, appropriation for stocking waters and distribution of game.....	4,000 00
Received from J. W. Morgan, appropriation for expenses of commissioners .....	1,000 00
	\$50,230 05

### DISBURSEMENTS.

Paid for salaries of fish and game protector and wardens.....	\$15,600 00
Paid for expenses of fish and game protector and wardens.....	4,948 31
Returned to Hon. J. W. Morgan, unexpended bal. of appro....	151 69
Paid for expenses of commissioners.....	1,000 00
Paid for purchase of fish and game for stocking purposes and distribution of same.....	6,045 75
Paid for fines ordered remitted.....	350 52

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Paid for legal expenses in prosecution of cases.....	185 25
Paid for justice fees.....	132 98
Paid for postage.....	204 39
Paid for stationery.....	202 24
Paid for printing game cards, blanks and distribution of same.	139 61
Paid for lithographing licenses, telephone tolls, stenographers, bookkeeper's salaries, expressage, telegrams, gasoline, desks, launch repairs, compiling laws, batteries, awnings, etc., warden's additional expense account.....	3,820 73
Paid for launch Percy J.....	1,400 00
Paid for having launch "Protector" built.....	1,250 00
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	\$35,431 47
Balance in Citizens' Bank credited as follows:	
Stocking account.....	\$5,754 65
General expense account as transferred.....	9,043 93
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	14,798 58
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	\$50,230 05

The Commission has awarded contracts amounting to \$5,754.65 for supplies of trout, bass, food fish, deer, and birds, for distribution throughout the State during the months of November and December, or as soon as the weather will permit.

LONG BRANCH, N. J., Nov. 1, 1904.

The Board of Fish and Game Commissioners of the State of  
New Jersey,

In account with Benj. P. Morris, Treasurer.

Receipts from licenses to catch menhaden, to steamers and sailing vessels under the provisions of an act entitled "An Act to regulate fishing by steam and other vessels with shirred or purse seines in the waters of the State of New Jersey, and to require license for such fishing," approved March 26th, 1896.

## STEAMERS.

Licensee.	Name of Vessel.	Date of Issue.	Amt. pd.
The Snow & Fallin Guano Company	Wm. S. Brewster	Jan. 15, 1904	\$125 00
Wharton Fisheries Co.	Joseph Wharton	July 15, 1904	200 00
Wharton Fisheries Co.	Active	Aug. 10, 1904	100 00
Wharton Fisheries Co.	Adroit	Aug. 10, 1904	125 00
Wharton Fisheries Co.	Ardent	Aug. 10, 1904	125 00
Wharton Fisheries Co.	Nellie B. Dey	Aug. 10, 1904	125 00
The Fisheries Company	Samuel S. Brown	July 28, 1904	125 00
The Fisheries Company	Falcon	July 28, 1904	125 00
The Fisheries Company	George Hudson	July 28, 1904	125 00
The Fisheries Company	Ranger	July 28, 1904	200 00
The Fisheries Company	Nat Strong	July 28, 1904	125 00
The Fisheries Company	Alaska	July 28, 1904	125 00
The Fisheries Company	Peconnic	July 28, 1904	125 00
The Fisheries Company	Fearless	July 28, 1904	125 00
The Fisheries Company	Annie E. Gallup	July 28, 1904	125 00
The Fisheries Company	G. S. Allyn	Oct. 28, 1904	125 00
The Fisheries Company	Amagansett	Oct. 28, 1904	100 00
The Fisheries Company	Arizona	Oct. 28, 1904	200 00
The Fisheries Company	George Curtis	Oct. 28, 1904	125 00
The Fisheries Company	Estelle	Oct. 28, 1904	125 00
The Fisheries Company	J. W. French	Oct. 28, 1904	125 00
The Fisheries Company	Montauk	Oct. 28, 1904	125 00
The Fisheries Company	George F. Morse	Oct. 28, 1904	125 00
The Fisheries Company	Portland	Oct. 28, 1904	100 00
The Fisheries Company	Cora P. White	Oct. 28, 1904	125 00
J. C. Fifield & Sons Co.	Nellie E. Rauson	July 28, 1904	100 00
Wilcox Fert. Works	Leander Wilcox	Aug. 19, 1904	200 00
Wilcox Fert. Works	Annie L. Wilcox	Aug. 19, 1904	125 00

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 \$3,700 00

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SAILING VESSELS.

Licensee.	Name of Vessel.	Date of Issue.	Amt. Pd.
New York Fish Co.....	Edith S. Whalen....	May 19, 1904..	\$25 00
Kingsland & Comstock....	Flora K. Nickerson..	May 31, 1904..	25 00
N. Y. & N. J. O & G. Co....	Swan .....	May 31, 1904..	25 00
N. Y. & N. J. O & G. Co....	Fenella .....	May 31, 1904..	25 00
Charles D. Vail.....	Minnie C.....	May 31, 1904..	25 00
A. W. Haff.....	Ester Anita.....	June 25, 1904..	25 00
A. W. Haff.....	Kearsarge .....	June 25, 1904..	25 00
Harrison Vail.....	Hildegard .....	June 29, 1904..	25 00
John F. Raynor.....	A. C. Harmer.....	June 29, 1904..	25 00
John Feeney.....	Ruth E. Pember....	July 6, 1904..	25 00
John J. Hines.....	S. W. Truslow.....	July 13, 1904..	25 00
Miller Longbotham.....	Lady Elgin.....	Aug. 1, 1904..	25 00
Miller Longbotham.....	Julia I. Grattan....	Aug. 1, 1904..	25 00
George M. Tilton, Jr.....	J. E. DeBlois.....	Aug. 4, 1904..	25 00
Lynch & Company.....	Sir Knight.....	Aug. 12, 1904..	25 00
Capt. Fred Bishop.....	Amanad Bishop....	Sept. 1, 1904..	25 00
John R. Ericsson.....	Lottie S. Morton....	Sept. 15, 1904.	25 00
Charles J. Horgen.....	Roulette .....	Oct. 31, 1904..	25 00
			\$450 00
Amount received from licenses for steamers.....			\$3,700 00
Amount received from licenses for sailing vessels....			450 00
Total received.....			\$4,150 00

The Board of Fish and Game Commissioners of the State of  
LONG BRANCH, N. J., Nov. 1, 1904.  
New Jersey,

In account with Benj. P. Morris, Treasurer.

Receipts from County Clerks for licenses issued by them to non-resident gunners under the provisions of an act entitled "An Act to require non-residents to secure licenses before hunting or gunning within the State of New Jersey, and providing penalties for violation of its provisions," approved April 22, 1902:

County.	Number of Licenses Issued.	Amount Paid.
Atlantic .....	1	\$10 00
Bergen .....	1	10 00
Cape May.....	1	10 00
Camden .....	203	2,030 00
Essex .....	2	20 00
Gloucester .....	6	60 00
Hudson .....	6	60 00
Hunterdon .....	1	10 00
Monmouth .....	3	30 00
Mercer .....	3	30 00
Middlesex .....	4	40 00
Passaic .....	1	10 00
Salem .....	25	250 00
Sussex .....	2	20 00
Somerset .....	2	20 00
Warren .....	2	20 00
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