

to be taken by angling by hand with hook and line, except in tidal waters. Whitefish not to be taken between 19th November and 1st December. The same regulations in force in Ontario as to gill nets and seines apply to Quebec. Bass, Pickerel, Dore or Maskinonge are not to be taken from 15th April to 24th May. The close season for Salmon is the same in both Provinces, viz., from 1st September to 1st May for Surface-Fly-Fishing, and from 1st August to 1st May by any other manner of fishing. It is to be regretted that the salutary provision of compelling the nets to be raised from Saturday night until Monday morning has been in a measure remitted, I am greatly afraid that abuses will creep in and ere long means will be found to evade the lifting the nets at the time specified.

In **NEW BRUNSWICK**, the only game laws in force are those relating to Moose and Partridge. There was an act making it unlawful to kill deer on the Island of Grand Manan for a period of three years, but it expired June 8, 1868. The close season for Moose only extends from 1st February to 1st May. Fine \$40, and anyone is empowered to kill any dog found hunting within the prohibited time. Not more than two Moose can be killed by any one person within a period of 12 months, \$12 for each offence. The killing, except for food is prohibited, and the leaving the carcass in the woods subjects the offender to a fine of \$20. Partridges are not to be killed between 1st March and 1st September. The Fishery regulations are the same as those of Ontario and Quebec, except that the close season for Salmon is, for net fishing from 15th August to 1st March, and fly-surface-fishing from 15th September to 1st March. The river Ristigouche is made an exception, the close time being from 31st July to 1st May.

In **NOVA SCOTIA**, Cap. 92 of the Revised Statutes, provides that no Moose shall be killed between January 1 and September 1; no Cariboo between 1st March and 1st September. The close time for Partridge is from January 1 to September 1, and for Woodcock and Snipe from March 1 to September 1. The prohibitions respecting the killing of Cow Moose, and the limitation of the number allowed to be killed have been removed. Pheasants are not allowed to be killed. The export of Moose and Cariboo hides is prohibited. Fines from \$20 to \$50, and forfeiture of game or hides. Otter, Mink and Muskrat not to be killed between 1st May and 1st November, under a penalty of \$8. It is absolutely forbidden to kill Robins, Swallows, Sparrows, &c. and birds of song. Penalty for each offence. \$1.

In the other Provinces (Prince Edward Island, Newfoundland, British-Columbia) the game laws remain the same as given at page 91 of the *Year Book* for 1868.

In conclusion, I append a

TABLE OF CLOSE SEASONS:—

	ONTARIO.	QUEBEC.	NEW BRUNSWICK.	NOVA SCOTIA.
Elk, Moose, Cariboo, Deer & Fawn	1 Dec. to 1 Sep.	1 Feb. to 1 Sep.	- - - - -	- - - - -
Moose	- - - - -	- - - - -	1 Feb. to 1 May	1 Jan. to 1 Sep.
Cariboo	- - - - -	- - - - -	- - - - -	1 Mar. to 1 Sep.
Hare	1 Mar. to 1 Sep.	1 Feb. to 1 Sep.	- - - - -	- - - - -
Wild Turkey, Grouse, Pheasant and Partridge	1 Jan. to 1 Sep.	1 Mar. to 1 Sep.	1 Mar. to 1 Sep.	- - - - -
Partridge	- - - - -	- - - - -	- - - - -	1 Jan. to 1 Sep.
Quail	1 Jan. to 1 Sep.	- - - - -	- - - - -	- - - - -
Woodcock and Snipe	1 Mar. to 12 Aug.	1 Feb. to 1 Sep.	- - - - -	1 Mar. to 1 Sep.
Wild Swan, Wild Goose and Wild Duck	15 Apr. to 15 Aug.	1 May to 1 Sep.	- - - - -	- - - - -
Wild Duck—East of Three Rivers	- - - - -	15 May to 1 Sep.	- - - - -	- - - - -
Beaver	1 May to 15 Oct.	1 May to 1 Sep.	- - - - -	- - - - -
Otter	- - - - -	1 May to 1 Nov.	- - - - -	1 May to 1 Nov.
Mink	- - - - -	15 Apr. to 15 Oct.	- - - - -	- - - - -
Marten	- - - - -	15 Apr. to 1 Nov.	- - - - -	- - - - -
Muskrat	- - - - -	1 May to 21 Oct.	- - - - -	- - - - -
Salmon	1 Aug. to 1 May	1 Aug. to 1 May	15 Aug. to 1 Mar.	31 July to 1 Mar.
Do. by fly—surface—fishing	31 Aug. to 31 May	31 Aug. to 31 May	15 Sep. to 1 May	- - - - -
Do. East of Halifax, &c., &c.	- - - - -	- - - - -	- - - - -	15 Aug. to 1 Mar.
Trout (orlunge)	1 Oct. to 1 Jan.	1 Oct. to 1 Jan.	1 Oct. to 1 Jan.	1 Oct. to 1 Jan.
Speckled Trout	1 Oct. to 1 May	1 Oct. to 1 Jan.	- - - - -	- - - - -
White Fish, in any manner whatsoever	19 Nov. to 1 Dec.	19 Nov. to 1 Dec.	- - - - -	- - - - -
Do. by seines or nets	30 May to 1 Aug.	31 July to 1 Dec.	- - - - -	- - - - -
Bass, Pickerel, or Dore, Maski- nonge, &c.	15 Apr. to 1 May	15 Apr. to 24 May	- - - - -	- - - - -
Insectivorous Birds	1 Mar. to 1 Aug.	1 Mar. to 1 Aug.	- - - - -	{ Not to be killed at any time.