THE CAPTURE OF SHAD AT ISLES OF SHOALS, NEW HAMPSHIBE, BY CEDRIC LAIGHTON.

I have just arrived home, and the first thing I have done was to make inquiries in regard to the shad. Haley, our head boatman, assures me that it is a fact that the shad were taken here last August. He informs me that Josiah Bandall took them in his seine off Lounging Island to the number of 10 barrels the latter part of last August. Jim Haley also informs me that Samuel Robinson, in the schooner Can't Come It, some years ago off York Beach, in August, took over 90 barrels of shad in his seine.

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THE INTRODUCTION OF LAND-LOCKED SALMON INTO WOODHULL LAKE, NEW YORK, AND THE SUBSEQUENT CAPTURE OF SOME OF THEM.

BY SETH GREEN.

[Letter to Prof. S. F. Baird.]

Two years ago I sent 9,000 land-locked salmon to Bisby Lake, in the north woods. When they got to Woodhull Lake it was dark; the carry from there was over a rough road, and the cans had to be carried on the men's backs the rest of the journey. They built a fire and camped on the shore of the lake. The weather was very warm and their ice was gone; the water got so warm that the fish began to suffer and they saw they were going to lose them. They rowed them out in the middle of the lake and put them in the lake. I did not expect to hear from them again, as they were, many of them, in bad condition, and I did not think the lake a very favorable one for that kind of fish.

Last week there was a guide here from the Bisby Lakes to get young fish; he said they were taking a good many land-locked salmon in the Woodhull Lake. One man caught five in one day. They are 18 inches long, and weigh one and one-half pounds each. I saw one of them, and it was a fine and well-fed fish. This is the first we have heard of the land-locked salmon that we have planted. But now I am sure we will hear from more of them. There may be plenty of them in the waters that we have put them in, and no one has fished for them that knew how to take them. I expect to try some of the waters this season, and have no doubt will take them and teach the people how, and give a good report.

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