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PROVINCIAL GAME WARDEN

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To His Honour ROBERT RANDOLPH BRUCE,

Lieutenant-Governor of the Province of British Columbia.

MAY IT PLEASE YOUR HONOUR:

The undersigned has the honour to submit the Report of the Provincial Game Warden for the year ended December 31st, 1926.

A. M. MANSON,

Attorney-General.

Attorney-General's Department,

Victoria, B.C., 1927.

OFFICE OF THE PROVINCIAL GAME WARDEN,
VICTORIA, B.C., January 31st, 1927.

Honourable A. M. Manson, K.C., M.P.P.
Attorney-General, Victoria, B.C.

SIR,—I have the honour to submit herewith my Report as Provincial Game Warden for the year ended December 31st, 1926.

I have the honour to be,
Sir,
Your obedient servant,
J. H. McMULLIN,
Provincial Game Warden.

REPORT OF PROVINCIAL GAME WARDEN, 1926.

GENERAL SUPERVISION.

For administrative purposes British Columbia is divided into five territorial divisions and the accompanying reports submitted by the Inspectors commanding these divisions are a careful and full presentation of game conditions in the Province during the year 1926.

In January, 1926, the Game Laws Enforcement Branch of the British Columbia Provincial Police was completely reorganized. Under this reorganization the staff of Game Wardens has been increased from twenty-six to forty-five, and consequently more direct control in outlying portions of the Province has been the result, and thereby better protection has been afforded the game than in the past. During the latter part of the year 1926 the staff was further increased, and it is with a great deal of interest to note the appointment of two Game Wardens in the Fort Nelson area, a district which has been suffering in past years through want of proper protection, due mostly through the geographical location of the district, which is without any communication with the outside world for a number of months each year.

TRAP-LINE REGISTRATION.

As mentioned in my report for the year 1925, a system is now in operation covering the registration of trap-lines. As specially prepared maps were required for use in connection with the trap-line registration regulations, this has, to a great extent, handicapped and retarded the system which has been inaugurated to take care of these regulations, but I am assured that this system will be working smoothly during the coming year.

FUR-FARMING.

A great number of applications have been received during the year from nearly every portion of the Province for fur-farming permits and information in regard to fur-farming generally, and every step has been taken to furnish the necessary permits and required information at once. It will be of interest to note the statement covering returns of the licensed fur-farmers on page 52.

COMPARATIVE STATISTICS.

Calendar Year.	Informations laid.	Convictions.	Cases dismissed.	Firearms confiscated.	Fines imposed.	Revenue derived from Sale of Game Licences and Fees.	Revenue derived from Fur Trade.
1917	111	97	10	....	$1,763.50	$ 65,487.50	.....
1918	194	167	13	5	3,341.00	75,537.00	.....
1919	267	242	25	36	6,024.50	116,135.00	.....
1920	293	266	27	46	6,073.00	132,296.50	$ 5,291.39
1921	329	312	17	74	6,455.00	114,842.00	24,595.80
1922	359	317	42	44	7,275.00	127,111.50	51,093.89
1923	309	280	29	24	5,676.50	121,639.50	60,594.18
1924	317	283	34	24	4,768.00	125,505.50	56,356.68
1925	296	279	17	43	5,825.00	123,950.50	56,287.78
1926	483	439	44	39	7,454.00	135,843.50	62,535.13

ACKNOWLEDGMENTS.

Owing to the splendid work of all members of the Force and the co-operation received from the Game Conservation Board and the sportsmen of the Province, I feel that the wild animal and bird life of British Columbia has received the maximum of protection, and I wish to express my thanks for the hearty support furnished by the above.

"A" DIVISION (VANCOUVER ISLAND).

By Inspector T. W. S. Parsons, Officer Commanding.

For your information I beg to submit my divisional game report for the year 1926.

"A" Division, British Columbia Provincial Police, comprises the whole of Vancouver Island and that coastal portion of the mainland of the Province lying between the 50th and 51st degrees of latitude.

For administrative purposes this important territory is subdivided into three game districts respectively commanded by Sergeant Robert Owens, Victoria; Staff-Sergeant A. T. Stephenson, Nanaimo; and Corporal R. Matthews, Courtenay, in whom, as their reports show, the Department possesses tried officers of skill and ability.

All told, our divisional strength consists of thirty-five officers, non-commissioned officers, and men, who, in the matter of game-protection, are happily not divided into "so many game wardens and so many policemen." To the contrary, they present a united divisional front, a fact more than evidenced by the increase in the number of prosecutions launched: 1923, 90; 1924, 92; 1925, 72; 1926, 121.

In respectfully drawing your attention to the reports submitted below with the suggestions therein contained, I would also, on behalf of "A" Division, express my thanks to the Chief Game Inspector, Major M. Furber, to Staff-Sergeant F. R. Butler, and to the Headquarters Game Staff for their invariable courtesy and unfailing assistance.

VICTORIA DISTRICT (SOUTHERN VANCOUVER ISLAND).

Report of Sergeant Robert Owens, N.C.O. i/c.

Game Animals.

Bear.—Black bear are reported as being fairly plentiful in the Jordan River District. As there does not appear to be any keenness on the part of sportsmen to hunt these animals, they will undoubtedly continue to increase. In the Duncan District black bear are quite numerous.

Deer.—Deer are on the increase, does and fawns predominating. Carcasses of doe deer have been found on several occasions, these evidently being shot by mistake and left to rot rather than risk incurring a chance of being prosecuted for violating the "buck" law. It was invariably found impossible to trace offenders, although every reported case of this nature was very carefully investigated.

In view of the increasing number of female deer I would recommend that an open season on does be declared for a short period at the beginning of the hunting season. The season on buck deer might advantageously open at least two weeks sooner and close at the end of November. This is suggested as during the latter part of the season "rutting" commences and the bucks are not in good condition.

Wapiti (Elk).—Elk are doing well in the Cowichan Lake area and are on the increase, and several bands of cows with calves were seen on the Shaw Creek Game Reserve. The calves were in excellent condition and more numerous than ever. In the Shaw Creek, Nanaimo, and Nitinat River Divide there is every indication that elk are increasing rapidly, while in the Jordan River District a few elk have been reported.

Fur-bearing Animals.

Beaver.—Fair reports have been received as to the increase in beaver in the Cowichan Lake area, and if adequate protection is given them I have no doubt that this increase will continue.

Marten.—Some fair catches have been made in the district.

Mink.—Fairly numerous.

Muskrats.—The Game Warden at Cowichan Lake reports that there has been a remarkable increase in muskrats in his district. During the summer months, when the lake is at a low level, a number of new muskrat-houses were noticed. Muskrats have also been seen in Somenos Lake and Creek; in the Saanich Peninsula there are signs of muskrats.

Otter.—Although occasionally caught, these animals cannot be considered as being plentiful.

Racoon.—Racoon are very plentiful and a number of complaints have been received in regard to depredations of these animals to domestic as well as game birds.

Weasel.—There are a few weasel in the district.

Game Birds.

Pheasants.—During the past season these birds were fairly numerous.

Grouse (Blue).—Reported as being plentiful and in good condition. Sportsmen experienced great difficulty in obtaining goods bags.

Grouse (Willow).—These birds were not as plentiful as the blue grouse and the number seen during the hunting season was disappointing.

Quail.—Very plentiful. The bob-white quail liberated in the district a few years ago do not appear to increase to any great extent.

Partridge.—A number were noticed throughout the district.

Migratory Game Birds.

Ducks.—Ducks have been plentiful in the district and in good condition.

Geese and Brant.—Scarce.

Snipe.—Plentiful in the Sooke District but scarce elsewhere.

Fur-farming.

The number of fur-farms have increased.

Game Reserves.

Patrols have been constantly made in the Shaw Creek, Nitinat, and Nanaimo River Divide; in the mountains of the Cottonwood Creek Valley and McKay Creek. These areas, with the Shaw Creek Game Reserve, have been the subject of very favourable reports as to the game conditions.

Special Patrols.

A number of special patrols have been made in the district during the year 1926.

Vermin.

Cougar.—Numerous reports have been received regarding the increase in cougar and a number of these animals have been taken in different parts of the district.

Cats (Domestic).—As usual these animals have been giving the Game Wardens considerable trouble, but it is gratifying to note that a number of vagrant domestic cats have been destroyed during the year.

Owls.—These birds have done a great deal of damage during the past year. Every effort should be made to control this pest, and in this connection I would suggest that a bounty of 50 cents be granted by the Game Conservation Board.

Prosecutions.

A considerable number of offenders against the "Game Act" and the regulations were successfully prosecuted during the year. The painstaking services of Constable Gidley, Bishop, and Simpson in enforcing the provisions of the "Game Act" are respectfully brought to your attention. These Constables have spared no effort in making their work a success.

Hunting Accidents.

Hunting accidents have resulted in two fatalities in this district. Clifford Syme was shot and killed by one J. C. Horton at Crofton and Raymond Fisher, of Duncan, died from a self-inflicted wound.

Propagation.

A large number of pheasants have been raised on the Elk Lake Game Farm and liberated in the district.

Summary.

Conditions have been good throughout the entire district during the year 1926, and it is expected that the season of 1927 will be equally satisfactory from a sportsman's point of view.

NANAIMO DISTRICT (CENTRAL VANCOUVER ISLAND).

Report of Staff-Sergeant A. T. Stephenson, N.C.O. i/c.

Game Animals.

Game animals are on the increase in this district, particularly elk and deer. Bear are also plentiful. Due possibly to the unusual weather conditions, the deer did not seem to be in very good condition during the past season.

Fur-bearing Animals.

Beaver are on the increase and, according to complaints received from time to time, some damage has been caused by these animals to agricultural lands.

Game Birds.

The past season was a rather poor one in this district for almost every variety of game bird. Pheasants were very scarce and there were few goods bags reported by sportsmen in the district.

Migratory Game Birds.

Neither geese nor ducks were plentiful. Brant were fairly numerous, but very few were taken.

Vermin.

A few cougar were accounted for in the district, but these animals are not numerous at present.

Crows are still numerous.

Game-protection.

Since my last annual report Constable H. C. Pyke has replaced Constable Robert Marshall in the Nanaimo District. I may say that during the nine months in which we have had the services of Constable Pyke he has accomplished a great deal of useful work in the matter of game-protection. He has secured a number of important convictions, and his efforts, coupled with those of Constable Adam Monks in the Alberni District, have resulted in violations being kept down to a minimum.

Both these officers rendered excellent service in a capacity that calls for much arduous efforts and the exercise of considerable discretion.

Propagation.

Deer, elk, beaver, blue grouse, and quail appear to be increasing. Pheasants, however, seem to be on the decrease, and I would respectfully recommend that a number of these birds be sent to Constable Pyke and liberated where he deems it advisable in the Nanaimo District.

Fur Trade.

There are no established fur-trade posts in the district in spite of the fact that we have many resident trappers.

Fur-farming.

Fur-farming is proceeding steadily in this district, but as yet there is no definite progress to report.

Registration of Trap-lines and Guides.

While registration of trap-lines and guides has been in force in most other parts of the Province, it has not hitherto been in vogue on Vancouver Island.

General Remarks.

I wish to take this opportunity of expressing my appreciation of the excellent work performed by Constable H. C. Pyke, Nanaimo Detachment, and Constable Adam Monks, Alberni Detachment, during the past twelve months. Their work, as previously pointed out, entails much arduous labour, patience, and the exercise of considerable discretion. By their industry and sound common sense these officers have done much to cause the "Game Act" to be respected and enforced.

COURTENAY DISTRICT (NORTHERN VANCOUVER ISLAND AND A PORTION OF THE MAINLAND COAST).

Report of Corporal R. Matthews, N.C.O. i/c.

Game Animals.

Bear.—Black bear south of the Campbell River are scarce, but north of this river they are in fair numbers and seem to be holding their own. On the mainland portion of this district grizzly bear are plentiful at the head of Knight Inlet and Wakeman Sound.

Deer.—Deer are very plentiful throughout the district and are on the increase, which is due, no doubt, to the continued close season on does. During the past summer a number of deer died, and on being examined it was found that flukes were in the liver. It is thought that drinking stagnant water in the swamps is the cause of this as very few deer killed on the highland were found with infected organs.

I would suggest that the open season on bucks be shortened by at least two weeks and closed not later than November 30th. The reason for this is that by December 1st the rutting season has been on a month and the bucks are neck-swollen, thin, and unfit to eat. Again, at this time of the year the bucks are full of fight and will stand and look at a hunter until they are shot down; a regular slaughter takes place and very few of the deer are taken out of the woods as they are in such poor shape. I would like to add that during the first part of December a good many of the bucks that were shipped out of the district were nothing but skin and bone.

Wapiti (Elk).—Wapiti (elk) are doing well and are on the increase. Small bands are reported from Buttle Lake to the Nimpkish River and from Strathcona Park to the west coast. It is impossible to give an estimate as to numbers unless an extended patrol is made into these districts. Indians have reported that cougar are killing wapiti, but so far information has been very meagre and not first hand.

Mountain-goat.—Mountain-goat are plentiful at Wakeman Sound, Kingcome Inlet, Knight Inlet, Simoom and Thompson Sounds. These animals are on the increase, which may be attributed to the fact that they are in a virgin country which is seldom hunted by outsiders.

Fur-bearing Animals.

Beaver.—Beaver are now getting to be in good numbers on the Island, and in some places, especially Quinsam River, Nimpkish River, and adjoining areas, they are plentiful.

Fisher.—Very scarce.

Marten.—These animals are scarce on Vancouver Island where they have been trapped out. The outlook is better on the Mainland, but even there they are decreasing in numbers through excessive trapping.

Mink.—Mink have been trapped too hard and on some streams where these animals were once plentiful there is no breeding stock left. On the Mainland and the north end of Vancouver Island some fair catches are being made, but on the whole the catch has been meagre.

Otter.—A few land-otter have been taken this season north of Campbell River and along the Nimpkish River. These animals are, however, very scarce.

Racoon.—Racoon are in fair numbers all over the district. The catch in 1926 was good.

Weasel.—Weasel or ermine are not plentiful.

Wolverine.—Fairly plentiful between Wakeman and Seymour Inlets, Frederick Arm and Salmon Arm, as well at the head of Knight Inlet. In other sections of the district they are scarce.

Game Birds.

Grouse (Willow).—Willow-grouse are decreasing. They appear, however, to be holding out well on the logged-off lands where cover is fairly good. This applies especially to the swamps between Union Bay and Campbell River.

Grouse (Blue).—These birds had a very heavy "hatch" during the past breeding season and were subsequently plentiful.

Pheasants.—Pheasants are increasing and each season are spreading farther north.

Quail.—Quail had a good nesting season last year and there was a noticeable increase. New blood should be turned out.

Migratory Game Birds.

Ducks.—Mallards, pintail, widgeon, and green-winged teal are plentiful and no indications of any decrease can be noted. In this district mallards are very plentiful.

Geese.—Canada geese are to be found in good numbers on the Mainland at Shelter Bay, Knight Inlet, Wakeman and Thompson Sounds. In this portion of Vancouver Island they are scarce.

Brant.—Brant are found in good numbers and at the present they are fairly plentiful between Comox, Denman Island, and Union Bay.

Swans.—Scarce.

Shore-birds.—Greater and lesser yellow-legs are very scarce and this also applies to plover. Wilson snipe are showing up in fair numbers.

VERMIN.

Cougar are on the decrease, but there is still a number far back in the hills. During the winter nine were reported as being killed.

Wolves are very scarce in the district.

Crows are to be found in thousands along the coast and these birds take their toll of nesting game and non-game birds. Owls are fairly numerous, while eagles are plentiful in the northern portion of the district.

Cats (domestic), living altogether in the bush, are on the increase and if not checked will do tremendous damage to game and song birds.

GAME-PROTECTION.

During the past summer it was discovered in this district that the Chinese were paying as high as $50 for unborn fawns, which are highly prized as they are used in making medicine. One prosecution was conducted at Cumberland; the accused pleaded "guilty" to a charge of "having in his possession five deer under the age of one year," and the maximum penalty of $300 was imposed.

As this district was formed in June last, I am only able to give a summary of the prosecutions conducted for seven months. During this time the "Game Act" and regulations were vigorously enforced. The Game Warden, Constable W. V. Fenton, was continuously patrolling the district and had the assistance and co-operation of the Police officers at all times. Thirty-two prosecutions were conducted, twenty-nine convictions were obtained, and fines totalled $1,055. On charges of pit-lamping there were two dismissals and one conviction.

As the district has been enlarged, I would recommend that another Game Warden be stationed in the northern part of the district at Port Hardy and that a launch be supplied for game patrol-work.

HUNTING ACCIDENTS.

There were no hunting accidents in the district during the year 1926.

PROPAGATION.

Pheasants are increasing rapidly and are spreading north to the logged-off lands near Campbell River.

Quail are increasing, but to date the breeding stock is not large.

Muskrats would do well in this district and I would recommend that these animals be introduced. There are hundreds of acres of swamp lands which would make ideal homes for these animals.

FUR TRADE.

There are no licensed fur-traders in this district as the bulk of the fur is sent direct to Vancouver by trappers.

FUR-FARMING.

Fur-farms are increasing in numbers each year and mink, marten, and muskrats are being successfully raised. At the present time, however, fur-farming in this district is an experiment, but as the breeding stock increases the fur-farms are being enlarged and without a doubt the farmers will soon be getting returns from this industry.

REGISTRATION OF TRAP-LINES.

This system appears to be working out well on the Mainland and I would recommend that the same regulations be made to apply to Vancouver Island.

"B" DIVISION (KOOTENAY AND BOUNDARY DISTRICTS).

BY INSPECTOR W. R. DUNWOODY, OFFICER COMMANDING.

I have the honour to submit herewith annual game report for "B" Division for the calendar year 1926, as requested in your letter of December 31st last. In dealing with the different subjects I have conformed to the order in whch they appear in your letter.

As the variety of game animals differs considerably in the four districts comprising this Division, I am dealing separately with the districts, and I trust that, for reference purposes, this will be more satisfactory than if the Division were dealt with as a whole.

Game Animals.

Boundary District.

Deer.—These animals show an appreciable increase in this district, and although the local Game Warden there reports the proportion of bucks and does in much better shape than formerly, I am of the opinion, from reports received from all over the Division, that we have now arrived at a time when a change should be made in the "buck" law. Were the reports I have received confined to the fact that does are seen out of all proportion to bucks, this would not be of much importance as the bucks are generally found on the higher summits; but all information points to the fact that there is an ever-increasing number of barren does to be found.

Reports show that in the neighbourhood of thirty cougar were killed last winter in the Boundary District, and as statistics show that cougar will kill three deer in a week for food, the slaughter of this type of vermin must prove very beneficial to the increase of the deer family.

Mountain-sheep.—I regret to report that, although a closed season has been in effect for nearly eighteen years in the Similkameen District, there is not a corresponding increase shown in the number of mountain-sheep to be seen either on the range south-east of Penticton or in the Ashnola District.

Mountain-goat.—There are only a few mountain-goat and these are reported to be in the Skagit River District and in the Chopaka area.

Bear.—These animals are not reported as plentiful.

Fernie District.

All reports point to a decided increase in the game animals in this district, with the possible exception of caribou, which are apparently migrating west, as we have several reports showing an increase in this animal in the Kootenay Lakes.

Moose.—Moose are also increasing and particularly in the Elk River Game Reserve, but I do not think this increase is yet reaching a stage where I could recommend an open season in the Fernie District. The increase is limited, and I think one of the reasons for this is the fact that moose pasturage in that part of the Province is rather scarce.

Mountain Sheep and Goat.—From information received, it would appear that all big-game hunters this past season were well satisfied with the bags they got of sheep and goat, so that undoubtedly these animals are plentiful.

Bear.—Bear of all kinds are reported as being plentiful.

North-east Kootenay District.

Old residents and even the Indians in the Kootenay and Columbia Valleys state that game animals are more plentiful in this district than they have been for many, many years, although moose and caribou have not yet reached the point where an extended open season would be advisable.

Deer.—White-tail and mule deer are abundant and the black-tail deer seem to be coming back.

Wapiti.—This animal is also seen in abundance in this district.

Bear.—Bear of all kinds are reported as being plentiful. The close proximity of the Elk River Game Reserve and the National Parks and Game Reserves, and also the fact that the past two winters have been extremely mild, are important factors in the general increase of all game animals. One guide is reported as having seen eighty-three sheep on one slide and another hunter is reported as having seen forty rams before he finally shot one.

West Kootenay District.

Favourable reports are received from all quarters in this district as to the increase in game animals.

Bear.—Grizzly bear can be found in the Slocan and Upper Duncan country. Black bear are numerous throughout the district and in very many instances are becoming a nuisance to fruit-farmers. Brown bear are in fair numbers.

Caribou.—In my remarks under this heading in the Fernie District I have already pointed out that caribou are apparently migrating west, and small bands of these animals have been seen at Wilson and Mill Creeks, in the Slocan, and quite a large herd is reported in the Upper Duncan, as well as some on the South Fork of Kaslo Creek and in the Howser District.

Mountain-goat.—A few of these animals are reported in the Lardeau on Davis and Copper Creeks, also on the range between Summit Lake and Halcyon, in the Arrow Lakes District. A few have also been noticed in the Little Slocan District.

Mountain-sheep.—A few of these animals are reported in the Little Slocan District.

Wapiti.—A small herd of elk are reported at LaFrance Creek.

Deer.—Deer are plentiful throughout the district. The open season this past year was extremely mild and hunters had to undergo considerable hardship if they wanted to kill deer, the result being that not a great number were killed.

Fur-bearing Animals.

Boundary District.

Beaver.—Beaver are reported as very plentiful in this district. I trust that a similar report can be furnished next season, when we will then be able to speak from experience as to the results of the open trapping season on this fur-bearing animal. Personally, I must say that I have some misgivings as to the outcome of the open season, as apparently every trapper and hundreds of others who are not trappers have registered trap-lines in order to be in a position to get these animals when the season opens.

Muskrats.—These animals are very plentiful.

Lynx.—Lynx are in fair numbers only. Lynx being carnivorous animals, I have always been in some doubt as to the advisability of keeping this animal on the fur-protected list.

Marten and Mink.—These animals are scarce throughout the district.

Fernie District.

Beaver and Muskrats.—These are on the increase, which undoubtedly is due to the protection which has been afforded during the past five years. I am very much afraid that the open trapping season will gravely reduce their numbers, if not tend to exterminate them entirely.

Lynx, Mink, Marten, and Weasel.—These are all reported as plentiful. The fearful havoc wrought by the weasel on the game birds leads me to suggest that this animal be struck off the list of protected fur.

North-east Kootenay District.

Whilst on the upper reaches of the Columbia River beaver and muskrats are reported plentiful, these animals, together with lynx, marten, mink, and otter, are reported scarce in the other parts of the district. Nevertheless, the protection of the last five years has been useful in this respect. I think, however, that an additional few years, coupled with a vigorous campaign against vermin, would be still more beneficial. Available food-supplies cannot feed fur-bearers and vermin too.

Reports from the Revelstoke and Big Bend country show a decided increase in all fur-bearing animals.

West Kootenay District.

Beaver show a good increase throughout the district and particularly in the Slocan River, Salmon River, and in the vicinity of Nakusp. Whilst I presume the contemplated open season is the correct one from a fur point of view, at the same time it does seem unfortunate that in the killing of female beaver at that season there will probably be four or five lives sacrificed.

Marten, mink, fisher, and lynx are reported on the increase, as well as muskrats.

Game Birds.

Boundary District.

Pheasants.—Pheasants during the past two seasons have shown a general decline in numbers in this district. I am of the opinion that the last open season was altogether too long. The birds are smaller and the cocks are scarce. From my own observations in this district and from reports of the local Game Warden, I think that during a very limited open season birds of both sexes could be shot, the bag of course to be extremely limited.

Partridge.—Although this bird two years ago was reported a menace to crops, I do not think we are likely to have a complaint of this nature in the near future, as there is a considerable falling-off in the numbers of these birds. Reports indicate that they have gone north to Vernon District, where more grain is grown.

Quail.—Quail are reported as being numerous east of Penticton, on the benches.

Grouse.—Reported plentiful throughout the district, with the exception of the Similkameen, where I would recommend a closed season for three years, so that these birds may have an opportunity of again propagating.

Fernie District.

Grouse (Willow).—I would strongly recommend a closed season for at least two years for this bird in this district. This, as you are aware, is a very easily taken bird and I think the common use of the automobile accounts for its scarcity in a very great measure.

Grouse (Blue).—These are more plentiful than the ruffed variety, as they are better able to protect themselves in the higher altitudes.

North-east Kootenay District.

Grouse are reported as very scarce in the Kootenay Valley and none too plentiful on the Upper Columbia. In the Revelstoke and Big Bend areas, however, they are reported in good numbers.

West Kootenay District.

On the whole, I think it can be safely said that grouse are on the decrease throughout this district. An extremely bad condition of forest fires existed during the past two years and in a great measure will probably account for the condition of grouse in the district.

There are a few coveys of Hungarian partridges in the district adjacent to Nelson.

Although an effort has been made by the Game Board to propagate the pheasant in this district, up to date this has met with indifferent success, with the possible exception of the open valley at Creston, where considerable numbers of these birds are to be found.

MIGRATORY GAME BIRDS.

Boundary District.—There are very few migratory birds throughout this district. My remarks, however, under this heading will be confined solely to the Vaseaux Lake Game Reserve, where the local Game Warden reports an increase in ducks and geese. The latter, apparently, immediately on the young reaching maturity, migrate south, so that local hunters obtain no benefit. Apparently an effort is to be made to band some of these geese next spring, with a view to discovering their destination.

A few trumpeter swans are found on Vaseaux Lake, but as this lake and the Okanagan River freeze over, the birds settle at the south end of Okanagan Lake and near Kelowna.

Fernie District.—In the Fernie District migratory birds are practically a nonentity. Occasionally some ducks are seen on the Elk River and on some of the lakes near Elko and Cranbrook, the birds not remaining in any of these places. The same would apply to geese.

North-east Kootenay District.—A few ducks and geese nest each year on Columbia Lake. Conditions are not very favourable, however; the rapidly changing water-levels of the lake, scant feed, and natural enemies are factors responsible; although mergansers and fish-eating ducks appear to thrive and increase. Ducks and geese are reported as having bred in good numbers on the Columbia River, but they left early for the south and very few northern birds came in. Ducks, geese, brant, and Wilson snipe are reported plentiful in the Revelstoke area.

West Kootenay District.—Migratory birds in this district are practically confined to the Kootenay Lakes near Creston, where there is always a considerable number of local-bred birds and always a big showing of northern birds in their flight south. This last season has been no exception to the rule and migratory birds of all kinds were reported plentiful in that area.

VERMIN.

Boundary District.—Under this heading cougar and coyotes are the main menace to game life. Realizing this, the Department had Special Constable Shuttleworth appointed for this work, and I think this officer's record in the destruction of predatory animals has been excellent. Nine cougar were killed by Constable Shuttleworth last winter and in all thirty cougar were killed in the Boundary District.

Constable Robertson reports that the use of the oil of catnip has been demonstrated as a lure for members of the cat family, and it is hoped that with the use of traps in conjunction with the oil of catnip some benefit will be derived by way of thinning out these animals.

The same Constable offers the suggestion in connection with coyotes that the present bounty of $2 be cut down to $1 during the winter months, when the fur is in good condition and commands a good market price, and increased to $5 per pelt from May to September. I would endorse this suggestion.

Fernie District.—Coyotes are reported as being all too plentiful in this district. They are particularly destructive to deer in the spring, running them on the crusted snow. It is reported that Indians have done good work in the past year taking out the young ones in the spring.

Cougar are reported as being numerous in the Elk Valley Game Reserve. It might be advisable in the near future to allow predatory-animal hunters into the reserve on special permit in an effort to thin out these animals.

North-east Kootenay District.—In the Kootenay Valley vermin of all descriptions are reported as numerous; in fact, Constable Greenwood, who is a close observer of animal-life, almost despairs of the survival of any game animal or bird.

Hawks are apparently a terrible menace to bird-life at the present time, as are cougar and coyotes to the game animals.

Constable Greenwood also suggests the raising of the bounty in the summer on coyotes.

West Kootenay District.—Unfortunately, cougar are plentiful in the Lower Arrow Lake country, Slocan Valley, and in the Grohman Creek area. Coyotes are numerous throughout.

Game-protection and Hunting Accidents.

Boundary District.—The continual appearance in various parts of the district within a short space of time of Constables Robertson and Shuttleworth has been a deterring factor in preventing violations of the "Game Act" by Indians and others. There were no hunting accidents in this district.

Fernie District.—In the Fernie District Constable Ira Brown is employed specially in connection with protection in the Elk River Game Reserve. This Constable is a splendid type of man for this work and I have no doubt that the increase in the game in that district is due in a great measure to his watchful eye on game-law violators. Constable Thomas, at the other end of the district, is an enthusiastic game-protector.

There were no hunting accidents in this district.

North-east Kootenay District.—All game officers in this district reported the hearty co-operation of Rod and Gun Clubs and visiting sportsmen in the enforcement of the "Game Act." A considerable number of people, however, are reticent in reporting violations. Something in this regard might be accomplished if section 53 were printed in the regulations each year.

No hunting accidents reported in this district.

West Kootenay District.—In this district there are no special game localities where the necessity for a Special Game Warden arises, and game duties are therefore carried out by local officers. There have been no complaints regarding the manner in which these officers perform their duty.

I regret to report one fatal hunting accident, which occurred on Sunday, November 21st, 1926, when a boy named John L. Francis was accidentally killed by his companion, a boy named James Clelland, on the Silver King Mine Road, near Nelson. It was clearly proven an unavoidable accident, as Clelland slipped in the snow, his rifle discharging as he was falling, killing Francis instantly.

Propagation.

Boundary District.—The present year has been good in so far as native birds are concerned and in game animals; excepting grouse in the Similkameen, previously mentioned.

Fernie District.—Although there is a reported increase in deer in this district, various reports have reached me with reference to the barren does which are seen. The fact that deer are increasing may seem to contradict my previous statement that the "buck" law had outlived its usefulness. I think that the increase shown in the Fernie and North-east Kootenay Districts may be attributed to the proximity of the game reserves, where these animals are so well

protected. I am of the opinion that it would be advisable to cut out the "buck" law for a few seasons and note results.

Grouse reports are unfavourable as to propagation; hence my previous recommendation for a closed season.

North-east Kootenay District.—Reports are not very favourable regarding the turning loose of some pheasants on the Columbia south of Golden last year. Apparently these birds have disappeared. I am very much afraid that the winters are too severe in the valley for the Mongolian pheasants. I rather think that the Hungarian partridges could be imported more successfully and would be a better type of game bird in the valley than the pheasant.

West Kootenay District.—Nothing was done in this district by way of propagation during the year under review.

Game Reserves.

Boundary District.—We have two game reserves in this district, one the Vaseaux Lake Sanctuary (Bird) and the Kettle River Game Reserve. The former is without doubt one of finest bird reserves in the Interior and has been responsible for an increase in migratory birds, particularly geese.

It is scarcely necessary for me to go into details with reference to the Kettle River Game Reserve, as I note from a recent issue of the British Columbia Gazette that the reserve has been cancelled. It is regrettable that through the condition of the ranchers in that district the Department found it necessary to cancel the reserve, as I feel assured that this was a wonderful portion of the Province for the propagation of game.

Fernie District.—I have already, in previous reports, commented very strongly on the wonderful sanctuary for wild life the Elk Valley Game Reserve has proven, and to persons who have noted conditions in connection with the reserve it is amusing to see animals heading for the reserve about the time the first guns are heard. More game reserves certainly mean more game.

West Kootenay District.—The only game reserve we have in this district is a restricted area across the lake from Nelson. Pheasants and grouse are reported as doing well in this area and ducks make a haven of it during the latter part of the open season.

Fur Trade.

Trapping for fur-bearing animals, with the exception of beaver and muskrats, opened in this Division on November 15th, 1926.

Boundary District.—Up to the end of December no fur trade of any account had materialized.

Fernie District.—The fur trade is probably offset to some extent by the fur raised on fur-farms, especially fox, marten, and mink. Prices are reported as fairly good. I am of the opinion that the new system of handling fur will undoubtedly help to preserve the quality of British Columbia fur by preventing it being tampered with.

North-east Kootenay District.—The fur trade in this district is reported as picking up and to date several good fur-catches have been reported by the trappers in the district.

West Kootenay District.—Only a few trappers have presented fur in the district and royalties have been paid on a few marten and mink. The fur is reported in good condition.

Fur-farming.

Boundary District.—It is reported by Constable Robertson that the Dominion Government has silver-fox farming under supervision and that it is proving a wonderful success. Fur-farming being only in its infancy, the Constable suggests that the industry be carefully guided by the Department.

Fernie District.—Fur-farming is in its infancy in this district; probably the principal farm is that of the Cranbrook Silver Black Fox Company.

North-east Kootenay District.—Fur-farming has not been gone into very extensively in this district. Commander Powles has a fox and muskrat farm near Wilmer. I understand he has ten pairs of foxes, costing approximately $10,000.

West Kootenay District.—There are a few fox-farms in this district, but reports are not very favourable. I presume this can be accounted for by the fact that in most cases inexperienced persons are starting and operating the farms.

Registration of Trap-lines and Guides.

Since the "Game Act" was amended and it became necessary for each trapper to register his trap-line, over 400 applications have been received at this office from all parts of the Division. This would lead me to believe that the trapping of fur will be carried out on a gigantic scale during the coming year, and in my opinion grave danger is to be anticipated of killing off the fur-bearing animals. Dealing with these applications entailed a considerable amount of work on the part of officers and in many cases the greatest difficulty was experienced in settling disputes. Next year, however, should see the end of any trouble as trappers will have their lines clearly defined.

In my opinion, for humane reasons, the length of a trap-line should be limited and residents of a locality should be given preference on trap-lines rather than outsiders.

The Fernie and North-east Kootenay Districts are the only districts where we have any guides. Some trouble has been experienced in the past season with men coming from Banff and guiding parties without proper licences. Prosecutions were instituted in some instances and convictions secured.

Special Patrols.

Boundary District.—One special patrol was made by Constable Robertson through the Kettle River Game Reserve. One prosecution was instituted and a conviction obtained under section 35 of the Act; careful back-tracking in the snow resulting in two prosecutions for shooting within the sanctuary and two convictions.

Fernie District.—During the month of December Constable Ira Brown performed a most difficult special patrol to the Wall Lake, Akimina, and Sage Creek Districts, under exceptionally trying weather conditions with sub-zero temperatures, in connection with reported illegal hunting in these localities. The Constable found that there was very little foundation for these reports.

North-east Kootenay District.—Constable Greenwood performed a special patrol to Doctor and Finlay Creeks in search of a herd of caribou reported by Dr. Howden.

"C" DIVISION (KAMLOOPS, YALE, OKANAGAN, CARIBOO, AND CHILCOTIN DISTRICTS).

By Inspector W. L. Fernie, Officer Commanding.

I have the honour to submit herewith my annual report under the "Game Act" for the year 1926 for this Division.

Game Animals.

Moose.—Moose are still plentiful and are spreading towards the south. They have been seen south of the Canadian Pacific Railway, near Basque.

Dr. Mills, a gentleman who visits the Cariboo almost every year, has noticed that frequently the livers of moose are diseased, and attributes this to their feeding so largely on water-lily pads, on which there exists a species of snail which acts as an "intermediate host" for the parasite which causes the liver-trouble. Constable Turner, who has patrolled the Bowron Lake country for years, informs me that nearly every liver from these animals that he has seen or heard of is not fit for food, so I do not think this liver-disease is or will be a serious menace to the health of the moose.

Caribou.—These animals, of which there are two varieties, seem to be holding their own, and indeed are increasing in the southern parts of this Province and gradually getting back to their former numbers. They are easily killed and were wantonly slaughtered off in the early days near Kamloops and back of the Seymour Arm of the Great Shuswap Lake.

Elk.—The only place wapiti (elk) occur in this Division is where they were introduced on the Yalakom Game Reserve, and from reports of the Game Warden in charge they are increasing, and I should now say that the experiment of their introduction is a proven success.

Mountain-sheep.—Mountain-sheep seem to keep about the same; a few good heads have been obtained last season in the Bridge River country.

There is a plan on foot to release a box-car load of these animals in the vicinity of Spences Bridge, which are to be obtained from Banff National Park, in which place they are getting too numerous for the range to support them. If this turns out a success, it might be a good idea to distribute the next available lot to other points, such as Yalakom and also the Bowron Lake Reserve, to both of which there is access by motor-car.

Mountain-goat.—All reports coincide in saying the mountain-goats are holding their own. They are to be found anywhere in this Division where the country is wild and precipitous. They can be frequently seen with a good glass from the villages of Hope and Lillooet.

Bear.—Black and brown bear are still increasing, certainly in the southern parts of this Division. The grizzly is perhaps not so plentiful; it is an animal that cannot withstand the advance of settlement and civilization. The opinion of hunters and guides as to abolition of spring hunting for these animals seems to lean towards still making spring hunting permissible.

Deer.—Of these animals we have three species, which all occur in this Division, although the white-tail deer is comparatively rare and is never seen north of the Southern Okanagan country. The mule-deer is found pretty well all over and is increasing, and permission for hunters to shoot one doe during the open season could reasonably be given now and would be favourably received by most sportsmen.

The fact that the Kettle Valley Game Reserve has been cancelled would seem to make it all the more important to establish the "Silwhoiakun" Reserve, north-west of Kamloops. This area was partially prospected out last season, but owing to other important duties not enough time has been spent to suggest even tentative boundaries at present. The only serious opponents to this area being laid aside will come from a few trappers, and this condition would have to be overcome in any part of British Columbia where it was proposed to reserve any land.

The Dominion officials are quite interested in the proposal and volunteer any assistance possible. This country has always been noted as being a great haunt of the mule-deer.

Concerning the Columbianus or Coast deer, one interesting fact has been ascertained, and that is that it occurs on the Bowron Lake Reserve; two different specimens in different years have been shot and examined. Dr. Baker, of Quesnel, will also vouch for the truth of this curious circumstance. It apparently associates or frequents the same haunts with the mule-deer, as it is possible to see by the tracks these animals leave on sand-bars, etc.

Fur-bearing Animals.

Fur-bearing animals are still scarce. The southern portion of this Division never produces any large quantity, but in the northern half the fur output is of importance, as large portions of it are practically uninhabited and fur is the only thing it produces.

The N.C.O. i/c of the Cariboo District reports that there is little fur there now. Possibly it is harder to learn the true facts of affairs than formerly, as since the Department does not insist on the royalty being paid "up-country" the Game Wardens and Constables do not always get the accurate data; another point about this arrangement is that quite a lot of revenue derived from fur royalties which it would appear might be fairly credited to the Cariboo and other up-country points is shown as being revenue collected at the Coast.

Foxes seem to be holding their own in the Chilcotin and more silver and black are being taken all through the Division. This is attributable to some of the inhabitants of the numerous fur-farms occasionally gaining their liberty.

Lynx are still scarce and I presume will be until the rabbits increase again.

Muskrats and beaver are plentiful, and a certain number of convictions are continually being obtained against trappers and others who are trying to gain a march on the law-abiding trapper who is waiting for the season to open.

Marten are very scarce, but with the natural care registered owners of lines will take they may begin to increase from now on.

The animal which shows the greatest increase of all fur-bearers is the coyote. One of the suggestions made about this animal appears worthy of consideration, and that is that the bounty be increased to $5 during the months that the skin is worthless and take the bounty away altogether for the months when the fur is marketable.

As an indication of the numbers of these animals, I find that nearly 500 skins were brought to the Kamloops Court-house in six weeks, and that one trapper, named Mortensen, brought fifty of these himself in one month, for which he collected the $2 bounty and also was able to sell the hides for $9.30 each.

Game Birds.

Hungarian Partridges.—These birds have now crossed the South Thompson River and have gone as far west down that stream as Monte Creek, and they have undoubtedly come to stay.

Pheasants.—Pheasants are doing well, complaints of them being too thick in some places and a scarcity of them in others being received.

Grouse.—Blue grouse seem to be normal. Willow and Franklin grouse, I know, suffered terribly from a cold late snow-storm just after they were hatched, which killed nearly all the first broods and made the fall shooting poor.

Prairie-chicken.—These birds are getting more plentiful.

Migratory Game Birds.

More interest seems to be taken than heretofore in the ordinary migratory bird as to its destination after gathering in Canada in the fall, and also as to where it was the winter before its arrival. There is a well-organized association (Biological Survey, Department of Agriculture, Washington, D.C., U.S.A., and the Dominion Parks Branch, Department of the Interior, Ottawa) that has arranged the distribution of bands, etc., for use in connection with the banding of migratory birds. Literature is distributed by the above-mentioned Departments to licensed bird-banders from time to time, giving plans covering the erection of traps (humane) for use in banding birds.

Vermin.

Crows and magpies are very plentiful and do a great deal of harm and damage. Possibly a bounty put on them would help matters.

Owls are plentiful, while hawks seem to be a little on the decrease.

Cougar seem to be decreasing, although an Indian has just collected the bounty on four which were caught in this area.

Game-protection.

In this Division the two main elements responsible for the destruction of game seem to be the irresponsible foreigners and boys with .22 rifles and the aboriginal Indians. The former of these are continually shooting off grouse and ducks out of season when they have an opportunity. The principal culprits seem to be the sectionmen; sometimes whole crews are foreigners and boarding themselves; these crews are often stationed in very isolated places and difficult for a patrol to reach unobserved, more particularly on the Canadian National Railway north of Kamloops and on portions of the Kettle Valley Railway. To curtail this destruction a little it would seem advisable to put a close season on rabbits, as on more than one occasion persons found carrying .22 rifles in the close season for game have given as an excuse, or reason, that they were out shooting rabbits, which, if these people have a firearms licence, they have every right to do, and unless people are actually caught with game it is hard to get a conviction.

The Indians are apparently responsible for the wanton slaughter of quantities of the big game. Possibly something could be done on the lines suggested in the two former annual reports of getting some of the more influential ones to collaborate with the white race in protecting what game there is left, and it would seem important that a good Indian should accompany the white patrol on some of the trips they undertake, as they are very useful and observant in the mountains. Both in India and Africa the white police of necessity use the natives as scouts, etc., and as they are to hand in this Province, it would appear that the services of the natives might be used to advantage occasionally. The main protection afforded to the game of this Province is in the enforcement of the "Game Act," and in this connection I am pleased to state that the number of prosecutions lodged throughout this Division during the year 1926 far exceeds any other year.

Hunting Accidents.

Two hunting accidents were reported in this Division during the year.

One accident resulted in the death of a young lad named Thomas Charles Cressy, who was out hunting with two brothers, named Halinan. The elder Halinan, aged 18, while climbing a hill, slipped and caught hold of a bush; the bush gave way and he dropped to the ground, his gun striking the ground and discharging at the same time. The shot struck Cressy, who was in front, in the wrist, causing Cressy to release his own gun, which also discharged on falling, the shot penetrating Cressy's knee. This accident occurred on Sunday, September 26th, 1926, and Cressy died on September 28th, 1926, in the hospital at Merritt. Death occurred through shock and loss of blood, and I believe that if either of the Halinan boys had had first-aid knowledge this young lad Cressy would still be alive.

The other accident happened to a young Indian named Alfred Sam on April 5th, 1926. Sam, while returning to the Chu Chua Indian Reserve, and while crossing the Canadian National Railway track, dropped his gun; the gun discharged and the bullet entered the neck

of Sam. First-aid was given this lad by Constable Emmott, who dispatched him to the Kamloops Hospital. Sam recovered shortly afterwards.

Propagation.

The distributing of pheasants throughout the Division seems to be satisfactory.

I understand that the Game Conservation Board intends supplying a few bull elk for the Yalakom Reserve and it will be interesting to observe how these animals make out in their new haunts.

The experiment of releasing a number of mountain-sheep will also be watched with interest at Spences Bridge.

Game Reserves.

There are two reserves in the Division which are worthy of mention, the Yalakom and the Bowron Lake Reserves. It has been a cause of satisfaction that the waterways have been included in the Bowron Lake Reserve, as unless this was done the reserve would only be a nominal one. Kibbee, who used to make a living by trapping on this territory, is more than satisfied now he has the duty of patrolling the area with which he is so familiar.

The Yalakom Reserve is well patrolled and safeguarded by Constable G. D. McKenzie, who has charge of it; as it is particularly the haunt of the mountain-sheep, it might be advisable to introduce some new blood into those already there by shipping some in from the Banff National Park.

Fur Trade.

The fur trade has not improved since my last annual report. No great catches are known of in the northern part of this Division.

Practically all the fur trapped in this Division is shipped to Vancouver, and I think a more complete report on the trading of furs would be obtained at that point.

Fur-farming.

There is a continuance of applications for permits to start fur-farms in this Division. Some of these fur-farms when well managed are making money, especially the silver-fox farms. One large muskrat-farm is becoming established on Swan Lake, about 30 miles north-west of Quesnel. This company is going in for fencing on a large scale. There are also a number of people going in for blue-fox farming. Others are raising chinchilla rabbits, and one lady in the Cariboo, I am informed, is dong very well with these animals.

Dr. J. J. Gillis, of Merritt, I think has still probably the best-appointed silver-fox farm in the Division; his professional knowledge being of great assistance to him in the care of these animals.

On the whole, this industry is steadily increasing and I think will eventually grow to a very important one; and from one point of view the fact of trap-lines being registered has in fact made every such line more or less a fur-farm, as the owner knows that if he wishes he can hold it permanently and will take pains not to exterminate the fur-bearers, but will rather treat it in such a way that they will increase.

From the latest records there are approximately fifty-three fur-farms in this Division.

Registration of Trap-lines and Guides.

With the introduction of the "registration of trap-lines" it is very noticeable that a friendly feeling has been created between the trapper and the Game Warden. The majority of the trappers, realizing that a new system has been put into effect which will assist them in looking after their trap-lines and generally help them to conserve the fur-animals which may be on their trap-lines, appreciate this piece of legislation.

In assisting the trappers to submit their applications and sketches the Game Warden has a splendid opportunity of getting in touch with all game matters in his district. It would appear that the trapper is just as much interested as the Game officials are in the conserving of fur-animals and big game. Much valuable information can be obtained regarding illegal trapping or other game infractions. Further, with the introduction of the registration of trap-lines, the Game Warden or Constable has an opportunity of studying his district thoroughly and can learn many new trails and routes that probably he was not aware of formerly. However, the new system seems to be running fairly smoothly.

We have been handicapped in the way of maps, as some of the districts have no maps at all, and in some cases the maps do not cover the country as completely as they might. Where we have met with the greatest difficulty is in that country south of the Canadian Pacific Railway, where the trapping has been closed for a number of years.

Another difficulty is in certain parts of the Province where ranchers are dependent on the water-supply. These ranchers are afraid that, if trappers are given control over the headwater areas, the beaver will be in due course extinct, and that instead of the water being dammed or stored by the beaver and the water retained there will be no water when it is most needed.

In the application for registering trap-lines it might be better to put the onus of establishing nationality on the applicant rather than on the Department, and certainly the divisional office should be furnished with a sketch similar to the one which is forwarded to General Headquarters, otherwise it is almost impossible to discover if trap-lines desired to be registered later will overlap lines which have already been applied for.

Guides.

The fact of guides being licensed is proving satisfactory and it is a help to the regular Game Wardens in keeping the different hunting-parties under surveillance, and the different guides also take an interest in what other parties and guides are doing and where they are going during the open season, and so an astonishing amount of information is available concerning the amount and description of the game shot and where the carcasses are to be found if it is desired to scrutinize them.

Special Patrols.

There have been many special patrols made and nearly every corner of a rather inaccessible Division was visited by some member of the personnel during the past year.

Corporal Sulivan has been very active and has been on the high broken divides to the south and west, as well as making a reconnaissance of the proposed "Silwhoiakun" Game Reserve to the north-west of Kamloops.

Constable MacRae made two penetrating patrols, one to Towdystan over towards Bella Coola, and the other into the Itcha Mountains; both of these patrols I am sure will have good results.

Constable Hughes, of Cedar Creek, has made some patrols through the Horsefly and Rose Lake country.

Sergeant Mortimer and Constable Quesnel made a special patrol into the Monashee country.

Constable G. D. McKenzie went into the Bridge Lake country and also patrolled the Yalakom Game Reserve.

Inspector Fernie patrolled the country south of Kamloops several times during the summer, also visited the Bowron Lake Game Reserve on three occasions.

Conclusion.

On the whole, the present system of game-protection seems satisfactory. There are still individuals who are of the opinion that the game should be administered by a separate department, but, although this may be the ideal arrangement, I think the majority realize that at present it is not feasible.

All of which I respectfully submit.

"D" DIVISION (ATLIN, SKEENA, OMINECA, FORT GEORGE, PEACE RIVER, AND YUKON BOUNDARY DISTRICTS).

By Inspector W. Spiller, Officer Commanding.

Game Animals.

Reports from north of the Stikine River indicate a decrease in the smaller species, due mainly to the increase in cougar and coyotes; south of that the average seems to be maintained. An increase in all species might be looked for, providing a vigorous policy be pursued to exterminate cougar and coyotes.

Fur-bearing Animals.

Little information is now available concerning these animals, due to the fact that most of the royalties on these animals have during the past two years largely been paid and collected in Vancouver instead of in the localities where trapped or taken.

Game Birds.

During the year 1925 pheasants were released on Porcher Island; these have not increased to the extent expected and it is therefore recommended that the experiment be not repeated. On the Queen Charlotte Islands pheasants seem to be doing well. Owing to the mild winter (1925-26) a perceptible increase in grouse was observed, especially along the Canadian National Railway tracks, where during the present winter large numbers have been noticed feeding on wheat spilled from the cars.

Migratory Game Birds.

There still seems to be an increase in geese and ducks, especially on the Skeena River and in the vicinity of Hartley Bay.

Vermin.

All species seem to be on the increase and no doubt, unless checked, will ultimately destroy all other game.

Game-protection.

The N.C.O.'s and men throughout the Division were very active in enforcement, resulting in a 100-per-cent. increase of protection over the year 1925.

Hunting Accidents.

No hunting accidents were reported during the year 1926.

Propagation.

Climatic and other conditions in this Division lend themselves as more suitable for natural rather than artificial development, aided, of course, by destruction of vermin.

Game Reserves.

Five established reserves exist in this Division, namely: No. 2, Fort George; No. 7, Prince George; No. 11, Kunghit Island; No. 12, Atlin; No. 21, Kaien Island.

No. 12, Atlin Reserve, was made to assist propagation in that portion of the Province east of the Alaskan boundary where the Alaskan game authorities also maintained a reserve. In July, 1926, the latter was abolished, and I would therefore recommend that our reserve in that locality be lifted, as the only thing accomplished by its retention is the formation of a reserve in British Columbia to feed Alaskan Territory.

Fur Trade.

By examination of fur-traders' books it is found that a large business is being carried on, competition being very keen in the purchase of raw furs. For example, one fur-trader in Prince Rupert has a contract with an Eastern firm to supply them with 5,000 mink; presumably other traders have orders of a similar nature.

Fur-farming.

Information tends to show that in the near future fur-farming will become an important and lucrative industry. Reports indicate that the spirit of the "Game Act" is being observed by fur-traders and fur-farmers.

Registration of Trap-lines and Guides.

The registration of trap-lines is as yet only in its infancy and a very tedious process. The fact that the Indians in the past have been adverse to recognizing our "Game Act" has created many difficulties. This, thanks to Sergeant Van Dyk's persistency, is being overcome, and, though the registration may take a long time to accomplish in this Division, I feel that, once accomplished, a very stable form of game-protection will thereby be maintained.

Special Patrols.

During the year Sergeant Van Dyk (Divisional Headquarters) made two patrols to the Stikine River, Telegraph Creek, and Juneau, during which much valuable data were gathered. Mileage, 3,100.

In January Constables Dryden and Williams, of Ocean Falls and Bella Coola respectively, performed an eight-day patrol in the southern portion of Prince Rupert District by launch, during which they secured ten convictions under the Act. Mileage, 400.

In February Constables Barber and Forfar, of the Peace River District, made the annual patrol to Fort Nelson, during which some $3,200 was collected in royalties on fur. Mileage, 900.

In June Constable Muirhead (Prince George District Headquarters) patrolled to Two Brothers Lake searching for two missing prospectors and trappers. Although no trace of the missing men could be found, much data were gathered by this officer, who in the course of this patrol encountered innumerable difficulties in a country seldom travelled by a human being. Mileage, 800.

The total mileage covered in these special patrols was 5,200 miles.

New Detachments.

During the year game detachments were established as follows: Fort Nelson, consisting of one Corporal and one Third-class Constable; Fort St. James, one Second-class Constable.

Recommended that the stationing of Constables at McDame and Boundary, Stikine River, be considered.

Acknowledgments.

In closing, I wish to express my appreciation to the N.C.O.'s and men of this Division for the manner in which the "Game Act" has been enforced during the year, also to Sergeant T. Van Dyk for his interest and activity displayed in the tedious work incurred by the registration of trap-lines. This officer has the welfare of game very much at heart.

"E" DIVISION (VANCOUVER, COAST, AND FRASER VALLEY DISTRICTS).

By Staff-Sergeant S. North, Officer Commanding.

Pursuant to instructions received in the Provincial Game Warden's letter of December 31st, 1926, I beg to submit the following report on game conditions in "E" Division, British Columbia Provincial Police, during the year 1926:—

This report, as requested, deals with the following subjects: (1) Game animals; (2) fur-bearing animals; (3) game birds; (4) migratory game birds; (5) vermin; (6) game-protection and hunting accidents; (7) propagation; (8) game reserves; (9) fur trade; (10) fur-farming; (11) registration of trap-lines and guides; (12) special patrols.

Game Animals.

Deer.—From reports submitted by officers and the number of deer killed througout the past season, it would appear that this species of big game is still on the increase, or at least holding its own. In the 1925 report it was recommended that a short open season be allowed on does, and I again suggest that a short open season would do no harm. In fact, I believe, if an open season on does was granted during the fall of 1927, it would meet with the approval of the majority of the sportsmen and farmers along the coast. It is to be regretted that we have a certain class of so-called sportsmen who do not trouble to ascertain the sex of the animal until after it has been shot. Consequently a large number of does are found lying in the woods. If these hunters were allowed one doe per season it would have a tendency to save the waste of valuable meat. From reports received I am led to believe that the proportion of does seen in the woods in this district would be about ten to one buck.

A number of excellent specimens were secured in the Howe Sound areas, but I deeply regret to have to report that a great number of very poor deer have been taken off Bowen Island and Gambier Island.

Early in April reports were received from Bowen Island advising that a number of deer had been found dead at various points througout the island, and that in all instances these animals appeared to have suffered from bowel-trouble. An investigation was conducted and both dead and living specimens were secured and forwarded to Dr. E. A. Bruce, Animal Pathologist for the Department of Agriculture, for observation. Dr. Bruce also made an investigation on the island in company with our officers on the launch "Watla" and diagnosed the disease as broncho-pneumonia. During the spring and summer some thirty animals were found dead on the island. Bowen Island is sparsely settled and thickly wooded, and as this number of dead animals were found the total casualties must have been very great. During the open season this fall several

very poor deer were shot and left in the woods on account of their condition. In spite of this malady a large number of splendid deer were secured by the hunters on Bowen Island.

Early in December reports were received from sportsmen at Gibson's Landing, advising that diseased deer had been found on Gambier Island, one of these hunters forwarding a quarter of a buck deer to this office which he had secured on Gambier Island, and which appeared to be full of long thin worms, particularly in the joints and under the skin of the animal. This specimen was forwarded on to Dr. Bruce, who is still investigating this new outbreak. Dr. Bruce reports that the disease found in the animals on Bowen Island has no connection with the alleged disease found on Gambier Island.

The theory is advanced by up-coast sportsmen that the deer on these islands are becoming inbred and that there are too many does, using this argument in their plea for an open season on does. I would again urge that some sort of tag system be inaugurated to keep a check on the deer bag limit. It has been reported that some hunters far exceed the season bag limit of three deer, a regulation which at the present it is impossible to enforce.

Mountain-goat.—From the reports received from coastal officers and sportsmen who take pleasure in hunting these animals, it would appear that they are still holding their own up the coast, with the exception of Powell Lake, where the goat are reported as decreasing. Our officers on the patrol launch "Watla" made a special patrol into the Toba and Bute Inlet Districts early in October, and report seeing a great number of goat at Ramsay Arm and on the mountains on the north side of Toba Inlet. Goat are reported to be increasing around Rivers Inlet District. For some years the goat had disappeared from the McNab Valley in Howe Sound, but a few animals have again been seen during the last season on the hills east of this valley. A few goat were obtained at the head of Stave Lake, but this place is not very popular with the sportsmen owing to the difficulties of getting in and out of the area where the goat are to be found.

Bear.—Grizzly bear can be found at the heads of most of our coastal inlets, but the favourite spot is at the head of Knight Inlet, where they are reported to be fairly plentiful. One grizzly bear was obtained at the head of Jervis Inlet by a party from the State of Washington.

Black bear are very numerous all over the district and the usual number of complaints of destruction by these animals were received from the more settled portions of the Lower Mainland. There has been considerable agitation among some members of sporting associations for the protection of female bear with cubs, but it would be practically impossible to enforce such a regulation if it was passed; still, some steps could be taken to educate the sportsmen to spare the female when they observe one with young. I do not see how this could be done by legislation.

Fur-bearing Animals.

Beaver.—A few beaver can still be found in the southern portion of the Division, along the Campbell River in the Langley District, and in the vicinity of Stave Lake small colonies of these animals are found. At Burnaby Lake, which is a game reserve, we have several colonies. These appear to be increasing, and although complaints of damage done by these animals are being received, they should still be protected in the Lower Mainland, and where it is found that their activities are endangering agricultural interests it is possible to grant a permit to trap them or have the Department employ a trapper to do this work. The beaver in the northern portion of the Division, while not reported to be increasing, are holding their own, and the area north of Jervis Inlet is provided with an open season for the spring of 1927. It is thought that now the registration of trap-lines is becoming an accomplished fact, and each and every trapper is becoming practically the owner of his line, the Department could well continue to allow an open season on beaver throughout the district where there is registration of trap-lines.

Marten.—These animals are not really plentiful in this Division, although some of the trappers make a fair living trapping them. A few of these animals were taken alive for breeding purposes last season, and some preparations are being made to catch them for breeding purposes this season, but as yet the raising of this animal in captivity has not yet proved feasible.

Mink.—In all parts of the Division mink are holding their own. On the Nelson, Captain, and Hardy Island Game Reserves these animals have become so plentiful as to be detrimental to the increase of the grouse on Nelson Island and the pheasants on Hardy Island, so much so that it was recommended to the Game Conservation Board that permits be granted the *bona-fide* settlers in the reserve to trap the shore-lines for mink and coon, which has been done, and should be beneficial to the bird-life of the reserves.

A number of trappers are taking mink alive for breeding purposes, as there is a fair demand for live animals and they are easily caught.

Racoon.—Racoon appear to be holding their own and bringing a good price on the fur market.

Otter.—It cannot be said that these animals are plentiful. Still, the trappers along the coast usually manage to secure a few each season.

Skunk.—The usual number were taken throughout the past year, but are not trapped very extensively.

Muskrat.—These animals are in great demand, both for pelts and breeding purposes. There is such a demand for the live animal that it is almost a shame to pelt them. Prices range from $7 to $25 per pair, but in spite of the demand the majority of trappers still trap with the steel traps, some claiming they can make better at pelting than trapping alive on account of the difficulty of getting a suitable trap to catch these animals. The box trap is used with some success, but is a slow process. There is a wonderful opportunity for some one of a mechanical frame of mind who can invent a really successful live-muskrat trap. The muskrat has about held his own in the last year or so throughout the Fraser Valley and several complaints have been received of these animals doing damage to dykes.

Game Birds.

Pheasants.—The season just past exceeded expectations. During the season of 1925 the pheasant-shooting was very poor in spite of the fact that prior to the opening date they appeared to be very plentiful, but during the season of 1926 the sportsmen received fair hunting and a great number of bag limits were secured; the reason for the large numbers of pheasants, in spite of the incessant hunting, being on account of the very mild winter of 1925–26, followed by a really good breeding season. After the close of the season pheasants appeared to be very plentiful in all parts of the Fraser Valley.

From reports obtained from our officers in the field, quite a few Mongolian pheasants have been obtained and were in excellent condition. The usual reports have been received from the hunters in favour of killing hen birds, of the very great proportion of hens to cocks, and in some instances these reports have been borne out by our Game Wardens; and if breeding conditions are favourable and the sporting associations request a short open season for the fall of 1927, I do not think any great harm would be done in granting the same.

Very few reports of damage to farmers' crops by pheasants have been received in the past two years. A large number of the farmers in the Lower Fraser realize that the pheasant does not do the damage claimed against him and several requests have been received from these farmers for new blood.

Pheasants are reported to be very plentiful on Texada Island. This island has only been provided with an open season during the last few years, and it is encouraging to be able to state that these birds are doing very well, especially at the north end of the island.

Partridge.—The season on these birds was open for ten days in the Delta and Chilliwack Electoral Districts, which comprises the whole of the Mainland south of the Fraser River to the boundary-line, and west of Chilliwack to the Gulf of Georgia. Excellent shooting was obtained in the new area opened around Sumas and a number of bag limits secured. After the season was closed a great number of these birds were observed, which practically proves that this valuable sporting bird has secured a solid footing in the district, and it is to be hoped that the sportsmen will be allowed at least the same length of season for 1927, if not longer.

The partridge on Lulu Island do not appear to be increasing. In fact, only two coveys have been reported during the past fall.

Quail.—Throughout the district these birds appear and are reported to be increasing, due no doubt to the extremely mild winters recently. But it is doubtful whether this class of game bird ever will be able to stand an open season on the Lower Mainland, as the climatic conditions do not appear to be favourable. In the Delta, Point Grey, and North Vancouver Districts some very fine coveys can be found, but as soon as we have a hard winter these birds will again decrease, and it takes several seasons for them to gain the foothold they now have.

The few bob-white liberated in the spring of 1925 seem to have disappeared, with the exception of a covey of about fifteen birds in Point Grey.

Grouse.—Willow-grouse have been fairly plentiful, although nothing like in former years. Some fair bags were procured throughout the Fraser Valley. There always seems to be consider-

able controversy over the opening date on these birds, but personally I am of the opinion that the recommendations of the allied sportsmen of the Lower Mainland should go a long way toward settling the suitable date.

Blue grouse did not show up to expectation during the past season. During 1925 a great many bag limits were secured on Bowen and Gambier Islands, which is the principal blue-grouse country adjacent to Vancouver, but this past season daily bag limits have been very scarce. There are no willow-grouse to be found on either of these islands.

Migratory Game Birds.

Ducks.—The opening of the season on ducks this year was a gala day for the sportsmen. Weather conditions were ideal and had been so for several weeks prior to the opening day. Thousands of ducks were down from the north for the main event of the year, from a sportsman's point of view. Bag limits were in evidence all over the flats along the Gulf of Georgia and in the Fraser River. Some limits were obtained before 8 a.m. Ducks have been very plentiful all through the season, especially at Sumas Prairie and Harrison River. The Pitt Meadows and Delta Districts have also shown up very well in comparison to last season.

Geese.—During the latter part of September and early in October a large number of geese passed through the district going south. A few snow-geese put in an appearance off the Lulu Island shore-line about October 15th, and these numbers increased from day to day until the opening day of November 1st. These birds are very plentiful, and if not increasing at least are holding their own, as it is very rarely that any of these birds are shot.

Brant.—During the latter part of December brant were very plentiful around the Boundary Bay locality and afforded splendid shooting to the few men who hunt these birds. They are also reported to be plentiful off Canoe Pass and some fair bags have been secured here.

Swans.—Reports of several swans having been seen throughout the district from Lulu Island to Sumas Lake area have been received at these headquarters.

Vermin.

Coyotes and red fox are reported to be still on the increase in the Lower Mainland. Several permits have been granted to kill the red fox during the close season throughout the Sumas-Chilliwack Districts, and through the great amount of damage done by these animals to farmers and game it is suggested that they be classed as vermin throughout the Lower Fraser from the Cascade Mountains to the Gulf of Georgia.

Wolves.—Corporal Stone, of the Rivers Inlet Detachment, reports that wolves are very plentiful and doing untold damage to the deer. It has been suggested that permits be granted to trappers to poison these animals in an endeavour to decrease their numbers, but the use of poison is very dangerous, and I would suggest that better results could be obtained through the Department employing professional men to hunt and poison, if necesssary, under proper supervision.

Cougar.—A great many complaints were received from Cortes Island of a cougar which was doing untold damage to the farmers' sheep and the deer, and after several attempts being made to catch this animal it was finally killed by Francis Louis, an Indian of Squirrel Cove, on August 18th.

Crows.—This pest is still increasing throughout the district and is responsible for the destruction of a great number of our game birds and song-birds. A bounty of 10 cents was paid for the destruction of crows during the months of April and May, but this amount did not compensate the sportsmen for the shells used, and the amount of bounty paid out in this Division was almost negligible. There is a slight agitation amongst the sportsmen to have this bounty again put on and increased sufficiently to at least pay for the cost of the ammunition.

Game Protection.

It is gratifying to hear of the favourable comments by notable sportsmen of this district commenting on the efficient patrol-work carried on throughout the past year. This patrol-work has been under the supervision of Corporal J. G. Cunningham, N.C.O. i/c Game Laws Enforcement Branch, and I am pleased to report the splendid co-operation of all our officers in an endeavour to do their utmost in the interests of the game of the Province. Prosecutions in the Division have increased considerably over previous years, due to a large extent to co-operation of members

of the sporting associations, who are willing at all times to help our officers in the protection of the game. Several changes have been made in the personnel of the Game Laws Enforcement Branch throughout the past year, and while some of our best Wardens were transferred to other parts of the Province, still in all instances their places have been filled with very efficient officers.

The following Constables were almost continually engaged on game-protection work during the year 1926: W. H. Cameron, Ladner Detachment; R. M. Stewart, Chilliwack Detachment; E. G. Stedham, Pitt Meadows; J. Murray, Port Moody; J. Moir, North Vancouver; D. C. Campbell, Vancouver; C. Ledoux, Matsqui; J. G. Cunningham, launch "Watla," Vancouver; W. Clark, launch "Watla," Vancouver; A. P. Cummins, Vancouver; F. Urquhart, Surrey.

The following Constables, although not specially detailed for game-work, have given a great deal of their time to this work: F. Boyt, Powell River; G. E. Elliott, Mission; A. J. Collison, Vancouver; A. W. Collins, Agassiz.

All other Police Constables throughout the Division have done their utmost to enforce the "Game Act" and make game law enforcement in the Division a success.

Hunting Accidents.

I am pleased to report that there have been no hunting accidents during the year 1926 in this Division.

Propagation.

A large number of pheasants were received from the Government Pheasant Farm at Victoria early in the year and were liberated in the Chilliwack, Sumas, Ladner, Pitt Meadows, and Lulu Island Districts. A small number of partridges were liberated in the Chilliwack District in March.

Game Reserves.

One new game reserve was created in the Division during the year and is situated in the North Vancouver District. This reserve comprises practically all the watersheds of the Seymour, Lynn, and Capilano Creeks. Grouse, deer, and goat were becoming very scarce on the north shore owing to the proximity of the cities, but with a few years' protection there is no doubt but what this game will return and be a source of pleasure to the citizens of the surrounding cities.

Game is increasing on the Nelson, Captain, and Hardy Island Reserves. Owing to the increase of mink and coon on the reserve, and the damage being done by these animals to the game birds and domestic fowl, permits were granted to *bona-fide* residents on the islands to trap the animals along the shore-line.

During the year of 1925 two mule-deer were sent to Hardy Island and it was hoped that these animals would become acclimatized, but shortly after liberation one of them became sick and in spite of the special attention paid to it by Tom Brazil, the caretaker on the island, it soon died. The second animal also took sick and has since disappeared.

The beaver in the Burnaby Lake Game Reserve are very plentiful for the size of the reserve. A few beaver have now spread out up Still Creek to a point about 2 miles up the creek from the reserve.

Fur Trade.

The practice of stamping fur has been done away with and royalties are now collected upon export or upon being sent to the tanner. This new system is proving successful and is popular with the dealers. Taking the fur trade on the whole, prices and quantity of pelts are reported to have been better than during the previous year.

Fur-farms.

During the past year a large number of new fur-farms have been put into operation throughout the Division. The majority of those issued with permits are commencing on a very small scale. In most instances the farmer is starting out on a small piece of property with from one to six pairs of muskrats. The prospective farmers are leaning heavily toward the raising of these animals on account of the small amount of capital required, with the minimum risk of a failure. At present there is a great demand for the live animals for breeding purposes, and those few muskrat-farmers who have been fortunate in raising young rats have found a ready market for their output at practically their own price.

There are a great number of silver- and blue-fox farmers in the Division. These farmers are required to make returns to Victoria; consequently this Division has not all the information as to the success of these farmers, but it is known through the inspections conducted by our officers that a great many farmers who invested in blue fox have been disappointed in the business. A few of these farmers had fair success, but a great many had no returns whatever from their investment. The silver-fox farmers have been more successful and quite a number of these animals have been pelted. As the regulations now stand, a royalty of $5 is collected on silver fox taken in British Columbia. This tax is protested by the breeders as being unfair on account of the amount, and also as in the majority of cases the original stock had been imported, the owners object to being taxed. The fur-farming industry has a great future and every assistance should be given to this class of business, but as a great number of our native fur-bearing animals, including silver fox, have been caught up for fur-farming, it is only natural that the Government should receive some return for the animals trapped; but I would suggest that the tax on ranch-bred silver fox be reduced.

Registration of Trap-lines.

Many obstacles are being met in the registration of trap-lines throughout the Division, principally in the northern part where the white and Indian trappers intermingle. There have been numerous disputes over priority of rights over lines, but in most instances the Constables in charge of the various detachments have settled these disputes amicably. However, there is a great deal of work yet to be accomplished before the registration of all trap-lines has been perfected. These regulations meet with the whole-hearted approval of the real trappers, who trap the same lines from year to year, but the beach-combing or travelling trappers who move from place to place in a gas-boat, trapping wherever they wish, do not favour the regulations, as they curtail their former freedom, which was very detrimental to the fur-trapping. During the past year a great many applications for registration of trap-lines have been received in this Division.

Registration of Guides.

During the season 1926 only one application for a guide's licence was received throughout this Division.

Special Patrols.

As was in the case in 1925, several special patrols were made. These patrols met with fair success and no doubt from reports received left a good impression with the real sportsmen and the fair-minded citizens in the districts visited. The following special patrols were made:—

(1.) April 15th to 22nd. Vancouver to Nelson Island Reserve, Reynard Island, Bute Inlet District, with the launch "Watla," visiting fur-farms and investigating complaints. Total mileage, 480.

(2.) June 12th to 15th. Gambier Island–McNab Creek, Gibson's Landing. Three convictions netting $70 in fines. Total mileage, 128.

(3.) September 9th to 15th. Nelson Island and Jervis Inlet Districts on the launch "Watla." In previous years complaints had been received from this area of illegal hunting on the Nelson Island Game Reserve during the opening days of the season on blue grouse and deer. No violations of the "Game Act" encountered on this patrol. Total mileage, 426.

(4.) October 5th to 13th. Jervis, Toba, and Bute Inlets, on "Watla." Total mileage, 436.

(5.) November 3rd to 8th. Agassiz and Harrison Lake Districts. Four convictions, netting $80 in fines.

(6.) November 30th to December 11th. Harrison and Stave Lakes. Four convictions, netting $80 in fines and one gun confiscated. Total mileage, 462.

A great many shorter patrols were conducted throughout the year by officers on the "Watla," resulting in a great many convictions and complaints investigated.

Summary.

The past season has been a busy one with the officers in this Division. The registration of trap-lines, the inspection of proposed fur-farms, in addition to the usual patrol-work, all tends to take time and care; but I am pleased to say that, without one exception, I have found the officers willing to co-operate in making the Game Laws Enforcement Branch of this Division

a success. The Game Constables have had the whole-hearted support of their brother officers on the Force, as well as the sportsmen of the district, with excellent results.

Throughout the year the usual complaints have been received and reports of lost licences, and I again strongly urge that some provision be made to cope with this trouble of worn or lost licences, as well as the issuing of a metal tag.

It must be noted that the revenue derived from the sale of firearms licences for 1926 has decreased considerably, in comparison with the revenue from this source in 1925. Part of this decrease is due to the fact that trappers were encouraged to take out their licences in the district of the Province where their line was situated, and partly through the moving of the Game Conservation Board offices to Victoria. A great number of applications for licences were received from residents and non-residents of the Province by mail at the Board office in Vancouver. Such applications in the majority of cases are now dealt with in Victoria. Apart from these reasons, a great many hunters have given up the gun on account of the majority of the land in the district having been gradually taken up by clubs as private shooting-grounds. The need for public shooting-grounds is becoming more and more acute every season, and if this source of revenue is to be kept up the time has now arrived when a portion of the revenue derived should be invested in acquiring some of the bogs or waste land in the Province for the general public to hunt on.

The revenue derived from the royalties collected on fur has increased considerably during the past season, this increase no doubt being due to the change in the collection of royalties. Prior to 1926 royalties were collected as soon as the fur arrived in the hands of the dealers, but now the royalty is not collected until an export permit is required, and consequently a large amount of the revenue is collected in Vancouver that was in former years collected at other points in the Province.

REPORT ON OPERATIONS OF ELK LAKE GAME FARM.

By J. W. Jones, Constable i/c.

I beg to submit my annual report dealing with the operations of the Elk Lake Game Farm and the propagation of game birds thereon.

The farm up to the present is yet incomplete, being in need of one more acre of land to be cleared and an additional battery of pens. These requirements would facilitate better operation of the farm.

During the past year conditions on the farm were very favourable, except that, as it had only been occupied one year, it was more difficult to get settled, and therefore this was somewhat of a detriment to the propagation of game birds, but next year I anticipate much better results.

The following is a statement of the propagation of small game and birds on the farm during the calendar year 1926:—

Pheasants in pens at December 31st, 1926		2,300
Breeding stock consisting of	320	
Strayed from breeding stock	20	
Number of eggs laid		2,900
Set under hens	2,700	
Small late eggs used for feeding young birds	200	
Young pheasants reared		2,400
Now in pens	2,000	
Casualties	300	
Strayed	100	
Muskrats		13
Ducks		30
Geese		10
Marten		1

Vermin destroyed.—Domestic cats, 20; hawks, 10; big-horned owls, 32; total, 62.

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REVENUE DERIVED FROM SALE OF RESIDENT FIREARMS LICENCES, JANUARY 1ST, 1926, TO JUNE 30TH, 1926.

Government Agents.	O.F.L.		G.F.L.		EXTRA G.F.L.		S.F.L.		GUIDES.		F.F.L.	P.F.L.	Total.
	No.	Amount.	No.	Amount.	No.	Amount.	No.	Amount.	No.	Amount.	No.	No.	
Alberni	94	$ 235.00	2	$ 10.00	2	$ 20.00	20	$ 200.00	.....	.....	9	19	$ 465.00
Anyox	.....	.....	3	15.00	.....	.....	1	10.00	.....	.....	.....	.....	25.00
Ashcroft	4	10.00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	5	7	10.00
Atlin	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	6	60.00	1	$ 5.00	.....	3	65.00
Clinton	3	7.50	.....	.....	.....	.....	4	40.00	.....	.....	7	1	47.50
Cranbrook	3	7.50	2	10.00	.....	.....	1	10.00	.....	.....	9	20	27.50
Cumberland	103	257.50	4	20.00	5	50.00	36	360.00	.....	.....	141	.....	687.50
Duncan	2	5.00	.....	.....	1	10.00	3	30.00	.....	.....	.....	.....	45.00
Fernie	5	12.50	3	15.00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	4	4	27.50
Fort Fraser	5	12.50	.....	.....	.....	.....	21	210.00	.....	.....	13	2	222.50
Golden	2	5.00	3	15.00	.....	.....	5	50.00	1	5.00	7	3	75.00
Grand Forks	1	2.50	.....	.....	.....	.....	2	20.00	.....	.....	3	6	22.50
Kamloops	23	57.50	5	25.00	.....	.....	13	130.00	.....	.....	132	72	212.50
Kaslo	6	15.00	18	90.00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	4	59	105.00
Lillooet	1	2.50	2	10.00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	1	12.50
Merritt	2	5.00	.....	.....	.....	.....	6	60.00	.....	.....	5	12	65.00
Nanaimo	2	5.00	1	5.00	2	20.00	2	20.00	.....	.....	.....	.....	50.00
Nelson	10	25.00	3	15.00	1	10.00	2	20.00	.....	.....	35	66	70.00
New Westminster	16	40.00	3	15.00	.....	.....	20	200.00	.....	.....	29	10	255.00
Penticton	22	55.00	3	15.00	1	10.00	2	20.00	.....	.....	11	54	100.00
Pouce Coupe	1	2.50	.....	.....	.....	.....	52	520.00	1	5.00	25	.....	527.50
Prince George	3	7.50	6	30.00	.....	.....	56	560.00	2	10.00	26	56	607.50
Prince Rupert	8	20.00	4	20.00	.....	.....	27	270.00	2	10.00	1	29	320.00
Quesnel	.....	.....	2	10.00	.....	.....	8	80.00	.....	.....	22	48	90.00
Revelstoke	5	12.50	7	35.00	.....	.....	3	30.00	1	5.00	7	19	82.50
Rossland	12	30.00	3	15.00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	2	14	45.00
Smithers	3	7.50	.....	.....	.....	.....	20	200.00	.....	.....	34	15	207.50
Telegraph Creek	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	19	190.00	.....	.....	.....	.....	190.00
Vancouver	76	190.00	9	45.00	.....	.....	22	220.00	1	5.00	14	133	460.00
Vernon	28	70.00	14	70.00	1	10.00	4	40.00	.....	.....	26	43	190.00
Victoria	66	165.00	1	5.00	.....	.....	6	60.00	1	5.00	19	11	235.00
Williams Lake	8	20.00	7	35.00	.....	.....	25	250.00	.....	.....	6	21	305.00
Wilmer	1	2.50	.....	.....	2	20.00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	18	22.50
Yale	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	1	28	.....
Totals	515	$1,287.50	105	$525.00	15	$150.00	386	$3,860.00	10	$50.00	597	774	$5,872.50

REVENUE DERIVED FROM SALE OF RESIDENT FIREARMS LICENCES, JULY 1ST, 1926, TO DECEMBER 31ST, 1926.

Government Agents.	O.F.L.		G.F.L.		EXTRA G.F.L.		S.F.L.		GUIDES.		F.F.L.	P.F.L.	Total.
	No.	Amount.	No.	Amount.	No.	Amount.	No.	Amount.	No.	Amount.	No.	No.	
Alberni	669	$ 1,672.50	30	$ 150.00	17	$ 170.00	70	$ 700.00	.....	.....	35	1	$ 2,692.50
Anyox	61	152.50	12	60.00	2	20.00	5	50.00	.....	.....	.....	.....	282.50
Ashcroft	173	432.50	24	120.00	7	70.00	21	210.00	.....	.....	7	8	832.50
Atlin	.....	.....	5	25.00	.....	.....	18	180.00	5	$ 25.00	.....	.....	230.00
Clinton	107	267.50	18	90.00	2	20.00	69	690.00	.....	.....	27	12	1,067.50
Cranbrook	618	1,545.00	102	510.00	25	250.00	62	620.00	1	5.00	75	15	2,930.00
Cumberland	1,701	4,252.50	114	570.00	59	590.00	149	1,490.00	2	10.00	221	8	6,912.50
Duncan	811	2,027.50	21	105.00	18	180.00	18	180.00	.....	.....	192	.....	2,492.50
Fernie	432	1,080.00	123	615.00	11	110.00	59	590.00	1	5.00	12	.....	2,400.00
Fort Fraser	111	277.50	47	235.00	2	20.00	154	1,540.00	4	20.00	69	6	2,092.50
Golden	130	325.00	79	395.00	7	70.00	51	510.00	10	50.00	34	4	1,350.00
Grand Forks	171	427.50	4	20.00	.....	.....	16	160.00	.....	.....	17	.....	607.50
Kamloops	897	2,242.50	48	240.00	6	60.00	82	820.00	2	10.00	234	14	3,372.50
Kaslo	142	355.00	57	285.00	6	60.00	44	440.00	.....	.....	17	13	1,140.00
Lillooet	44	110.00	24	120.00	.....	.....	19	190.00	1	5.00	2	2	425.00
Merritt	206	515.00	11	55.00	8	80.00	35	350.00	.....	.....	25	15	1,000.00
Nanaimo	1,568	3,920.00	12	60.00	16	160.00	28	280.00	.....	.....	127	25	4,420.00
Nelson	719	1,797.50	69	345.00	5	50.00	81	810.00	.....	.....	59	24	3,002.50
New Westminster	4,246	10,615.00	112	560.00	18	180.00	103	1,030.00	.....	.....	651	18	12,385.00
Penticton	937	2,342.50	31	155.00	5	50.00	80	800.00	.....	.....	91	20	3,347.50
Pouce Coupe	21	52.50	3	15.00	.....	.....	193	1,930.00	3	15.00	79	6	2,012.50
Prince George	162	405.00	311	1,555.00	25	250.00	235	2,350.00	26	130.00	62	32	4,690.00
Prince Rupert	717	1,792.50	124	620.00	46	460.00	207	2,070.00	.....	.....	12	24	4,942.50
Princeton	83	207.50	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	207.50
Quesnel	65	162.50	47	235.00	1	10.00	66	660.00	9	45.00	47	16	1,112.50
Revelstoke	284	710.00	84	420.00	.....	.....	85	850.00	3	15.00	18	17	1,995.00
Rossland	409	1,022.50	63	315.00	17	170.00	6	60.00	.....	.....	1	1	1,567.50
Smithers	136	340.00	21	105.00	6	60.00	57	570.00	4	20.00	74	19	1,095.00
Telegraph Creek	.....	.....	6	30.00	3	30.00	40	400.00	11	55.00	.....	.....	515.00
Vancouver	5,445	13,612.50	233	1,165.00	41	410.00	178	1,780.00	3	15.00	141	103	16,982.50
Vernon	2,299	5,747.50	104	520.00	12	120.00	101	1,010.00	.....	.....	371	24	7,397.50
Victoria	2,747	6,867.50	35	175.00	2	20.00	95	950.00	15	75.00	285	20	8,087.50
Williams Lake	114	285.00	42	210.00	.....	.....	126	1,260.00	33	165.00	51	57	1,920.00
Wilmer	81	202.50	26	130.00	4	40.00	40	400.00	5	25.00	6	1	797.50
Totals	26,306	$65,765.00	2,042	$10,210.00	371	$3,710.00	2,593	$25,930.00	138	$690.00	3,042	505	$106,305.00

REVENUE DERIVED FROM SALE OF NON-RESIDENT LICENCES, JANUARY 1ST, 1926, TO JUNE 30TH, 1926.

Government Agents.	General Firearms and Anglers.		Spring Bear.		Season Bird.		Weekly Bird.		Season Anglers.		Daily Anglers.		Total.
	No.	Amount.	No.	Amount.	No.	Amount.	No.	Amount.	No.	Amount.	No.	Amount.	
Alberni	....	.....	....	.....	....	.....	....	.....	5	$ 50.00	....	.....	$ 50.00
Ashcroft	1	$ 25.00	....	.....	....	.....	....	.....	1	10.00	....	.....	35.00
Clinton	1	25.00	....	.....	....	.....	....	.....	....	.....	....	.....	25.00
Cranbrook	3	75.00	....	.....	....	.....	....	.....	10	100.00	....	.....	175.00
Cumberland	....	.....	....	.....	....	.....	....	.....	5	50.00	....	.....	50.00
Duncan	....	.....	....	.....	....	.....	....	.....	3	30.00	....	.....	30.00
Grand Forks	5	125.00	....	.....	....	.....	....	.....	....	.....	....	.....	125.00
Kamloops	....	.....	....	.....	....	.....	....	.....	5	50.00	15	$ 63.00	113.00
Kaslo	3	75.00	....	.....	....	.....	....	.....	2	20.00	....	.....	95.00
Nanaimo	....	.....	....	.....	....	.....	....	.....	18	180.00	....	.....	180.00
Nelson	....	.....	....	.....	....	.....	....	.....	6	60.00	....	.....	60.00
New Westminster	....	.....	....	.....	....	.....	....	.....	29	290.00	41	41.00	331.00
Penticton	2	50.00	....	.....	....	.....	....	.....	10	100.00	....	.....	150.00
Prince George	6	150.00	....	.....	....	.....	....	.....	....	.....	....	.....	150.00
Quesnel	2	50.00	....	.....	....	.....	....	.....	....	.....	....	.....	50.00
Revelstoke	2	50.00	....	.....	....	.....	....	.....	2	20.00	....	.....	70.00
Rossland	....	.....	....	.....	....	.....	....	.....	1	10.00	....	.....	10.00
Vancouver	6	150.00	....	.....	....	.....	....	.....	14	140.00	....	.....	290.00
Victoria	4	100.00	....	.....	....	.....	....	.....	39	390.00	....	.....	490.00
Williams Lake	....	.....	....	.....	....	.....	....	.....	2	20.00	....	.....	20.00
Wilmer	1	25.00	....	.....	....	.....	....	.....	....	.....	....	.....	25.00
Totals	36	$900.00	....	.....	....	.....	....	.....	152	$1,520.00	56	$104.00	$2,524.00

REVENUE DERIVED FROM SALE OF NON-RESIDENT LICENCES, JULY 1ST, 1926, TO DECEMBER 31ST, 1926.

Government Agents.	General Firearms and Anglers.		Spring Bear.		Season Bird.		Weekly Bird.		Season Anglers.		Daily Anglers.		Total.
	No.	Amount.	No.	Amount.	No.	Amount.	No.	Amount.	No.	Amount.	No.	Amount.	
Alberni	....	.....	....	.....	....	.....	....	.....	9	$ 90.00	....	.....	$ 90.00
Anyox	....	.....	....	.....	....	.....	....	.....	....	.....	....	.....	.....
Ashcroft	2	$ 50.00	....	.....	....	.....	....	.....	1	10.00	....	.....	60.00
Atlin	4	100.00	....	.....	....	.....	....	.....	....	.....	....	.....	100.00
Clinton	....	.....	....	.....	....	.....	....	.....	1	10.00	....	.....	10.00
Cranbrook	11	275.00	....	.....	....	.....	....	.....	13	130.00	....	.....	405.00
Cumberland	5	125.00	....	.....	....	.....	....	.....	119	1,190.00	....	.....	1,315.00
Duncan	1	25.00	....	.....	....	.....	....	.....	4	40.00	....	.....	65.00
Fernie	13	325.00	....	.....	....	.....	....	.....	9	90.00	....	.....	415.00
Fort Fraser	7	175.00	....	.....	....	.....	....	.....	2	20.00	....	.....	195.00
Golden	16	400.00	....	.....	....	.....	....	.....	....	.....	....	.....	400.00
Grand Forks	5	125.00	....	.....	....	.....	....	.....	5	50.00	....	.....	175.00
Kamloops	3	75.00	....	.....	....	.....	....	.....	8	80.00	....	.....	155.00
Lillooet	....	.....	....	.....	....	.....	....	.....	1	10.00	1	$2.00	12.00
Merritt	1	25.00	....	.....	....	.....	....	.....	....	.....	....	.....	25.00
Nanaimo	8	200.00	....	.....	....	.....	....	.....	42	420.00	....	.....	620.00
Nelson	1	25.00	....	.....	....	.....	....	.....	14	140.00	....	.....	165.00
New Westminster	87	2,175.00	....	.....	....	.....	....	.....	46	460.00	....	.....	2,635.00
Penticton	8	200.00	....	.....	....	.....	....	.....	13	130.00	....	.....	330.00
Pouce Coupe	2	50.00	....	.....	....	.....	....	.....	....	.....	....	.....	50.00
Prince George	27	675.00	....	.....	....	.....	....	.....	2	20.00	....	.....	695.00
Prince Rupert	....	.....	....	.....	....	.....	....	.....	1	10.00	....	.....	10.00
Quesnel	6	150.00	....	.....	....	.....	....	.....	3	30.00	....	.....	180.00
Revelstoke	3	75.00	....	.....	....	.....	....	.....	2	20.00	....	.....	95.00
Smithers	4	100.00	....	.....	....	.....	....	.....	....	.....	....	.....	100.00
Telegraph Creek	13	325.00	....	.....	....	.....	....	.....	....	.....	....	.....	325.00
Vancouver	48	1,200.00	....	.....	....	.....	2	$10.00	43	430.00	....	.....	1,640.00
Vernon	....	.....	....	.....	....	.....	....	.....	2	20.00	....	.....	20.00
Victoria	57	1,425.00	....	.....	....	.....	....	.....	81	810.00	....	.....	2,235.00
Williams Lake	21	525.00	....	.....	....	.....	....	.....	2	20.00	....	.....	545.00
Wilmer	6	150.00	....	.....	....	.....	1	5.00	4	40.00	....	.....	195.00
Totals	359	$8,975.00	....	.....	....	.....	3	$15.00	427	$4,270.00	1	$2.00	$13,262.00

REVENUE DERIVED FROM SALE OF FUR-TRADERS' AND TAXIDERMISTS' LICENCES AND FROM ROYALTY OR TAX ON FUR, JANUARY 1ST, 1926, TO JUNE 30TH, 1926.

Government Agents.	Resident Fur-traders.		Non-resident Fur-traders.		Fur-tax.		Taxidermists.		Total.
	No.	Amount.	No.	Amount.	No.	Amount.	No.	Amount.	
Alberni	....	.....	....	.....	97	$ 403.83	....	.....	$ 403.83
Anyox	1	$ 25.00	....	.....	5	16.60	....	.....	41.60
Ashcroft	....	.....	....	.....	16	82.42	....	.....	82.42
Atlin	....	.....	....	.....	20	298.79	....	.....	298.79
Cranbrook	....	.....	....	.....	6	23.92	....	.....	23.92
Cumberland	....	.....	....	.....	18	30.02	....	.....	30.02
Duncan	....	.....	....	.....	8	32.18	....	.....	32.18
Fernie	....	.....	....	.....	1	.40	1	$ 5.00	5.40
Fort Fraser	4	100.00	....	.....	55	1,786.24	....	.....	1,886.24
Golden	....	.....	....	.....	10	36.08	....	.....	36.08
Kamloops	2	50.00	....	.....	4	9.40	....	.....	59.40
Kaslo	....	.....	....	.....	4	1.60	....	.....	1.60
Lillooet	....	.....	....	.....	17	29.44	....	.....	29.44
Merritt	....	.....	....	.....	2	1.13	....	.....	1.13
Nanaimo	....	.....	....	.....	8	13.95	....	.....	13.95
Nelson	....	.....	....	.....	3	3.65	....	.....	3.65
New Westminster	....	.....	....	.....	13	36.57	....	.....	36.57
Penticton	....	.....	....	.....	2	.75	....	.....	.75
Pouce Coupe	9	225.00	....	.....	157	7,324.83	....	.....	7,549.83
Prince George	5	125.00	....	.....	146	7,096.44	....	.....	7,221.44
Prince Rupert	6	150.00	....	.....	61	1,583.69	....	.....	1,733.69
Quesnel	....	.....	....	.....	49	722.45	....	.....	722.45
Revelstoke	....	.....	....	.....	22	487.42	1	5.00	492.42
Smithers	1	25.00	....	.....	22	219.60	....	.....	244.60
Telegraph Creek	5	125.00	....	.....	32	582.37	....	.....	707.37
Vancouver	9	225.00	....	.....	249	19,031.14	2	10.00	19,266.14
Vernon	....	.....	....	.....	5	7.67	....	.....	7.67
Victoria	2	50.00	....	.....	35	217.83	....	.....	267.83
Williams Lake	4	100.00	....	.....	8	32.27	....	.....	132.27
Wilmer	....	.....	....	.....	1	.80	....	.....	.80
Totals	48	$1,200.00	....	.....	1,076	$40,113.48	4	$20.00	$41,333.48

REVENUE DERIVED FROM SALE OF FUR-TRADERS' AND TAXIDERMISTS' LICENCES AND FROM ROYALTY OR TAX ON FUR, JULY 1ST, 1926, TO DECEMBER 31ST, 1926.

Government Agents.	Resident Fur-traders.		Non-resident Fur-traders.		Fur-tax.		Taxidermists.		Total.
	No.	Amount.	No.	Amount.	No.	Amount.	No.	Amount.	
Alberni	3	$ 75.00	....	.....	10	$ 17.46	....	.....	$ 92.46
Anyox	1	25.00	....	.....	1	4.50	....	.....	29.50
Ashcroft	1	25.00	....	.....	2	6.00	....	.....	31.00
Atlin	3	75.00	....	.....	42	237.44	....	.....	312.44
Clinton	4	100.00	....	.....	.....	.....	....	.....	100.00
Cranbrook	3	75.00	....	.....	5	4.80	1	$ 5.00	84.80
Cumberland	....	.....	....	.....	1	.20	....	.....	.20
Duncan	....	.....	....	.....	1	1.10	....	.....	1.10
Fernie	....	.....	....	.....	3	27.80	1	5.00	32.80
Fort Fraser	27	675.00	....	.....	16	194.64	....	.....	869.64
Golden	....	.....	....	.....	4	2.70	....	.....	2.70
Kamloops	2	50.00	....	.....	2	3.81	1	5.00	58.81
Kaslo	....	.....	....	.....	1	.75	....	.....	.75
Lillooet	1	25.00	....	.....	7	6.70	....	.....	31.70
Merritt	2	50.00	....	.....	.....	.....	....	.....	50.00
Nanaimo	....	.....	....	.....	1	2.45	....	.....	2.45
Nelson	1	25.00	....	.....	4	23.15	....	.....	48.15
New Westminster	1	25.00	....	.....	13	36.57	....	.....	61.57
Penticton	....	.....	....	.....	1	12.00	....	.....	12.00
Pouce Coupe	16	400.00	....	.....	50	3,604.24	....	.....	4,004.24
Prince George	27	675.00	....	.....	52	1,118.54	1	5.00	1,798.54
Prince Rupert	17	425.00	....	.....	16	485.99	....	.....	910.99
Princeton	....	.....	....	.....	2	13.65	....	.....	13.65
Quesnel	10	250.00	....	.....	23	338.83	1	5.00	593.83
Revelstoke	1	25.00	....	.....	9	234.41	1	5.00	264.41
Smithers	10	250.00	....	.....	14	25.37	....	.....	275.37
Telegraph Creek	2	50.00	....	.....	10	40.95	....	.....	90.95
Vancouver	15	375.00	1	$200.00	134	7,401.92	....	.....	7,976.92
Vernon	3	75.00	....	.....	3	9.64	....	.....	84.64
Victoria	18	450.00	2	400.00	14	2,028.35	3	15.00	2,893.35
Williams Lake	16	400.00	....	.....	4	14.25	....	.....	414.25
Wilmer	1	25.00	....	.....	4	33.44	....	.....	58.44
Totals	185	$4,625.00	3	$600.00	449	$15,931.65	9	$45.00	$21,201.65

PARTICULARS OF VARIOUS SKINS ON WHICH ROYALTY HAS BEEN PAID, JANUARY 1ST, 1926, TO JUNE 30TH, 1926.

Government Agents.	Bear.	Beaver.	Coyote.	Fisher.	Fox, Silver.	Fox, Cross.	Fox, Red.	Lynx.	Marten.	Mink.	Muskrat.	Otter.	Racoon.	Weasel.	Wildcat.	Wolf.	Wolverine.	Skunk.
Alberni	1	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	105	691	.....	70	631	86	.....	.....	.....	.....
Anyox	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	1	58	.....	.....	.....	20	.....	.....	1	.....
Ashcroft	47	.....	.....	1	.....	.....	.....	.....	61	.....	.....	.....	.....	36	.....	.....	.....	.....
Atlin	7	48	.....	1	.....	12	49	150	.....	210	132	9	.....	88	.....	.....	17	.....
Cranbrook	6	15	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	116	.....	.....	4	.....	.....	.....	3
Cumberland	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	9	54	.....	7	22	4	.....	.....	.....	.....
Duncan	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	24	17	.....	.....	15	81	.....	.....	.....	.....
Fort Fraser	11	838	.....	42	16	80	84	190	91	848	2,020	27	.....	1,463	.....	.....	3	29
Golden	1	.....	.....	.....	1	.....	.....	19	12	11	.....	.....	.....	56	.....	.....	.....	.....
Kamloops	1	.....	1	1	.....	.....	.....	.....	6	.....	.....	.....	.....	9	.....	.....	2	.....
Kaslo	4	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Lillooet	8	.....	19	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	19	5	.....	.....	.....	66	1	.....	.....	.....
Merritt	2	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	11	.....	.....	.....	.....
Nanaimo	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	5	21	.....	.....	37	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Nelson	1	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	13	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
New Westminster	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	2	.....	26	6	95	.....	4	30	.....	.....	.....	15
Penticton	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	2	.....	.....	.....	.....	1	.....	.....	1
Pouce Coupe	102	886	.....	143	98	751	1,049	1,850	1,831	1,110	3,011	5	.....	2,039	.....	3	31	71
Prince George	67	3,840	.....	109	14	86	226	465	494	3,691	11,527	70	9	5,824	.....	6	15	105
Prince Rupert	31	576	.....	33	2	7	6	23	189	2,525	281	50	52	333	.....	.....	8	6
Quesnel	12	380	.....	36	5	28	19	46	26	176	1,272	8	.....	28	.....	.....	2	5
Revelstoke	10	124	.....	20	9	30	36	26	102	148	439	9	73	479	1	.....	6	2
Smithers	7	90	.....	6	3	12	8	9	36	101	92	1	.....	168	.....	.....	.....	1
Telegraph Creek	2	400	.....	1	2	8	3	16	76	111	27	8	.....	99	.....	.....	12	.....
Vancouver	358	5,740	.....	352	149	654	663	1,673	4,036	10,777	22,909	350	3,441	15,719	19	.....	92	460
Vernon	4	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	2	.....	11	9	.....	.....	16	.....	1	1	1
Victoria	1	.....	.....	1	2	7	12	7	28	296	142	11	375	36	.....	.....	1	.....
Williams Lake	.....	.....	.....	1	1	.....	1	28	3	7	.....	.....	.....	92	.....	.....	.....	.....
Wilmer	2	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Totals	685	12,937	20	747	302	1,675	2,158	4,504	7,180	20,889	42,072	625	4,659	26,787	22	10	191	699

PARTICULARS OF VARIOUS SKINS ON WHICH ROYALTY HAS BEEN PAID, JULY 1ST, 1926, TO DECEMBER 31ST, 1926.

Government Agents.	Bear.	Beaver.	Coyote.	Fisher.	Fox, Silver.	Fox, Cross.	Fox, Red.	Lynx.	Marten.	Mink.	Muskrat.	Otter.	Racoon.	Weasel.	Wildcat.	Wolf.	Wolverine.	Skunk.
Alberni	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	2	18	.....	9	19	2	.....	.....	.....	.....
Anyox	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	3	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Ashcroft	15	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Atlin	9	182	.....	.....	.....	4	15	9	5	60	30	3	.....	117	.....	22	2	.....
Cranbrook	1	.....	21	.....	.....	.....	.....	2	.....	6	.....	.....	.....	15	.....	.....	.....	.....
Cumberland	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	2	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Duncan	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	4	.....	.....	1	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Fernie	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	4	23	.....	.....	.....	.....	30	.....	.....	1	.....
Fort Fraser	23	52	.....	1	8	17	2	14	9	53	589	1	.....	42	.....	.....	2	.....
Golden	3	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	2	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Kamloops	.....	.....	.....	2	.....	.....	.....	1	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	2	.....	.....	.....	.....
Kaslo	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	1	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Lillooet	3	.....	10	.....	.....	1	.....	.....	1	1	.....	.....	.....	.....	1	.....	.....	.....
Nanaimo	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	1	.....	.....	22	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Nelson	3	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	18	14	.....	.....	.....	15	.....	.....	.....	.....
Penticton	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	12	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Pouce Coupe	79	525	167	47	37	248	366	1,109	799	377	1,133	7	.....	569	.....	1	23	16
Prince George	360	481	.....	20	10	66	53	8	47	56	141	9	8	227	.....	5	.....	7
Prince Rupert	38	49	29	11	3	4	5	30	222	417	237	10	26	204	.....	.....	2	2
Princeton	.....	.....	11	.....	.....	.....	.....	3	17	2	.....	.....	.....	36	.....	.....	.....	.....
Quesnel	10	121	.....	16	2	19	19	18	45	54	510	8	.....	177	.....	.....	6	5
Revelstoke	12	1	.....	3	8	10	1	42	65	143	119	6	34	662	.....	.....	1	4
Smithers	4	.....	.....	2	1	3	1	.....	6	2	.....	.....	.....	134	.....	.....	.....	.....
Telegraph Creek	3	9	.....	2	4	2	2	.....	3	1	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Vancouver	236	3,865	10	146	35	109	137	1,554	797	1,676	3,328	96	287	1,667	.....	1	73	60
Vernon	2	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	8	.....	.....	.....	.....	28	.....	.....	.....	.....
Victoria	18	255	.....	41	9	65	121	943	643	347	44	9	62	150	.....	.....	24	5
Williams Lake	1	1	7	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	2	223	.....	.....	40	.....	.....	.....	.....
Wilmer	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	7	18	35	.....	.....	.....	48	.....	.....	.....	.....
Totals	820	5,541	255	291	117	551	723	3,746	2,740	3,269	6,354	158	461	4,165	1	29	134	99

BOUNTIES PAID DURING THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31ST, 1926.

Government Agents.	Wolves.	Cougars.	Coyotes.	Crows.	Totals.
Alberni	.....	13	.....	82	$ 528.20
Ashcroft	1	.....	839	10	1,694.00
Atlin	5	.....	368	.....	811.00
Clinton	.....	.....	1,478	20	2,958.00
Cranbrook	.....	.....	254	816	589.60
Cumberland	5	20	.....	86	883.60
Duncan	.....	5	.....	69	206.90
Fernie	.....	9	58	.....	476.00
Fort Fraser	2	.....	1,282	.....	2,594.00
Golden	.....	17	181	818	1,123.80
Kamloops	.....	7	949	376	2,215.60
Kaslo	.....	1	22	.....	84.00
Lillooet	.....	2	31	.....	142.00
Merritt	.....	.....	340	16	681.60
Nanaimo	.....	9	.....	45	364.50
Nelson	.....	11	86	1,454	757.40
New Westminster	3	2	9	66	149.60
Prince Rupert	107	.....	39	417	1,724.70
Pouce Coupe	12	2	2,511	.....	5,282.00
Penticton	23	36	478	225	2,763.50
Prince George	8	.....	1,472	.....	3,064.00
Quesnel	2	3	645	33	1,443.30
Revelstoke	2	2	314	20	740.00
Rossland	.....	2	6	.....	92.00
Smithers	4	.....	382	.....	824.00
Telegraph Creek	53	.....	475	.....	1,745.00
Victoria	1	7	.....	41	299.10
Vancouver	108	19	471	486	3,370.60
Vernon	.....	16	255	690	1,219.00
Williams Lake	.....	.....	1,125	.....	2,250.00
Totals	336	183	14,070	5,770	$41,077.00

Recapitulation.

Wolves, 336 at $15 each	$ 5,040.00
Cougars, 183 at $40 each	7,320.00
Coyotes, 14,070 at $2 each	28,140.00
Crows, 5,770 at 10 cents each	577.00
Total	$41,077.00

LIST OF FUR CONFISCATED FOR INFRACTIONS OF THE "GAME ACT," JANUARY 1ST, 1926, TO DECEMBER 31ST, 1926.

Date of Confiscation.	Confiscated from.	Confiscated at.	Police Division.	Pelts.						
				Beaver.	Mink.	Muskrat.	Marten.	Otter.	Racoon.	Weasel.
1926.										
Feb. 13	Adirim, N.	Nanaimo	"A"	....	1	....	....	....	2	....
Aug. 10	Bon, W.	Courtenay	"A"	4	....	....	....	....	....	....
Sept. 13	Carson, P.	Alberni	"A"	....	....	....	....	....	1	....
Jan. 27	Fisher, J.	Cranbrook	"B"	5	1	2	....	....	....	3
,, 8	Moses, I.	Wilmer	"B"	....	1	....	....	....	....	2
March 25	Williamson, P.	Penticton	"B"	9	....	....	....	....	....	....
Nov. 17	Wilde, W.	Salmo	"B"	4	....	....	....	....	....	....
Dec. 8	Milne, B.	West Summerland	"B"	....	....	7	....	....	....	....
,, 13	Noren, C. S.	Christian Valley	"B"	2	....	....	....	....	....	....
,, 9	Francois, W. S.	Wilmer	"B"	....	....	1	....	....	....	....
,, 22	Wilson, W.	Westwold	"C"	1	1	....	....	....	....	....
Feb. 19	Julian, W.	Prince Rupert	"D"	12	11	20	1	1	....	....
March 31	Conradson, B.	Smithers	"D"	....	....	34	....	....	....	7
May 4	Prince, F.	Fort St. James	"D"	2	....	....	....	....	....	....
,, 27	Beatton, F. W.	Fort St. John	"D"	4	....	....	....	....	....	....
,, 22	Machadeah, Chief	Hudson Hope	"D"	1	....	....	....	....	....	....
Oct. 20	Pierroway, P.	Prince George	"D"	....	....	3	....	....	....	....
Nov. 12	Joe, A.	Chilliwack	"E"	....	1	....	....	....	2	....
Dec. 3	Tamboline, J.	Ladner	"E"	....	....	2	....	....	....	....
,, 21	Noble, F.	Ladner	"E"	....	....	8	....	....	....	....
	Totals			44	16	77	1	1	5	12

LIST OF FIREARMS CONFISCATED FOR INFRACTIONS OF THE "GAME ACT," JANUARY 1ST, 1926, TO DECEMBER 31ST, 1926.

Date of Confiscation.	Confiscated from.	Confiscated at.	Police Division.	Kind confiscated.
1926.				
March 6	Hoo, T.	Campbell River	"A"	1 rifle.
May 17	Green, T.	Nanaimo	"A"	1 auto. shotgun.
June 18	Boomer, J.	Nanaimo	"A"	1 shotgun.
,, 26	Moore, R. S.	Campbell River	"A"	1 pump shotgun.
July 19	Lundy, W.	Ganges	"A"	1 shotgun.
,, 24	MacCrostie, Dr. J. R.	Courtenay	"A"	1 22 rifle.
Aug. 21	Aura, S.	Campbell River	"A"	1 rifle.
,, 21	Ikada, T.	Campbell River	"A"	1 rifle.
,, 27	Maxwell, F.	Ganges	"A"	1 shotgun.
Sept. 10	Wow, L.	Royston	"A"	1 44-cal. rifle.
,, 24	Frank, J. (Indian)	Victoria	"A"	1 auto. shotgun.
,, 24	Manning, H. J.	Nanaimo	"A"	1 pump shotgun.
Oct. 2	Parker, G.	Campbell River	"A"	1 shotgun.
May 11	Fisher, J.	Cranbrook	"B"	1 rifle.
,, 29	Anderson, O.	Nakusp	"B"	1 shotgun.
Aug. 23	Bavin, R.	Wilmer	"B"	1 rifle.
,, 23	Kostseletsky, K. K.	Wilmer	"B"	1 22 rifle.
Sept. 24	Le Grande, E.	Athalmer	"B"	1 22 pistol.
Aug. 23	Anderson, G.	Vernon	"C"	1 shotgun.
,, 30	Newman, J.	Salmon Arm	"C"	1 22 rifle.
Nov. 13	Bertucci, C.	Kelowna	"C"	1 shotgun.
Feb. 15	Owen, R. W.	Ocean Falls	"D"	1 pump shotgun.
,, 10	Christenson, S.	Ocean Falls	"D"	1 shotgun.
,, 15	Wheeler, E.	Ocean Falls	"D"	1 pump shotgun.
,, 8	Wheeler, H. W.	Ocean Falls	"D"	1 pump shotgun.
March 6	Wedge, J.	Ocean Falls	"D"	1 rifle.
July 12	Burk, E. J.	Pouce Coupe	"D"	1 rifle.
Aug. 26	Bedell, J. P.	Pouce Coupe	"D"	1 22 pistol.
Feb. 4	Sue, B.	Port Coquitlam	"E"	1 rifle.
May 29	Kawanishi, S.	Alert Bay	"E"	1 shotgun.
Oct. 9	Bain, L.	Ladner	"E"	1 shotgun.
,, 18	Tokunatsu, H.	Vancouver	"E"	1 auto. shotgun.
,, 19	De La Giroday, E.	Chilliwack	"E"	1 shotgun.
,, 19	Hindle, A.	Chilliwack	"E"	1 shotgun.
,, 19	Lee. W.	Chilliwack	"E"	1 shotgun.
,, 27	Borne, A.	Ladner	"E"	1 revolver.
Nov. 9	Barr, W.	Vancouver	"E"	1 pump shotgun.
,, 17	St. Lawrence, J.	Port Moody	"E"	1 revolver.
Dec. 11	Sanura, I.	Mission	"E"	1 pump shotgun.

Firearms confiscated: Shotguns, 23; rifles, 12; revolvers, 4; total, 39.

HUNTING ACCIDENTS, JANUARY 1ST, 1926, TO DECEMBER 31ST, 1926.

Date.	Name.	Locality.	Cause of Accident.	Nature of Injuries.	Inflicted by.	Result of Accident.
1926.						
Jan. 24	Roberts, E.	Cloverdale	Accidental	Shot in chest	W. C. McAdam	Died.
April 5	Sam, A. (Indian)	Chua Chua	Accidental	Shot in neck	Self	Not serious.
July 24	Pidcock, R.	Oyster River	Accidental	Shot in right arm	Dr. J. R. MacCrostie	Not serious.
Sept. 11	Syme, C.	Crofton	Accidental	Shot in head	J. C. Horton	Died.
,, 21	Shaw, D.	Terrace	Accidental	Shot in shoulder	Self	Not serious.
,, 25	Barry, J.	Mill Creek	Accidental	Shot in leg and chest	Self	Serious.
,, 26	Cressy, T. C.	Merritt	Accidental	Shot in wrist	J. Halinan	Died.
Nov. 8	Fisher, R.	Duncan	Accidental	Shot in thigh, bullet entering heart	Self	Died.
,, 21	Francis, J. L. M.	Nelson	Accidental	Shot in chest	J. Clelland	Died.

List of Guides, Season 1926.

Atlin District.

Cole, C. B.	Atlin.
Lemieux, L. O.	,,
Murphy, N.	,,
Noland, J. W.	Atlin.
Auston, A. R.	Toochi.

Cassiar District.

Brooks, N.	Telegraph Creek.
Creyne, J.	,,
Dick, L.	,,
Decker, L.	,,
Escardi, A.	,,
Fann, B.	,,
Frank, B.	Telegraph Creek.
Henyu, P.	,,
Jackson, D.	,,
Lawrence, C.	,,
Williams, M.	,,

Fort George District.

Colebank, G. F.	Hixon Creek.
Moski, S.	Fort St. James.
McCorkell, B.	,,
McNeill, J. N.	Wistaria.
Goodel, O. D.	McBride.
Goodel, W. R.	,,
Lamma, L. L.	,,
Sweeney, W.	,,
Wylie, R. M.	,,
McDonald, F. J.	,,
Allgier, L.	Mount Robson.
Abram, E.	,,
Brittain, H.	,,
Hargreaves, F. N.	,,
Hargreaves, G. E.	,,
Hargreaves, R. F.	,,
Hargreaves, R. S.	,,
Bowen, F.	Red Pass.
Smith, J. M.	,,
Woods, L. N. W.	Prince George.
Hooker, J. B.	Dome Creek.
Jensen, E. H.	,,
Jensen, E. W.	,,
Cochrane, R. R.	Croydon.
Biernes, G. M.	Hazelton.
Hiamadow, T.	,,
Holland, J.	Telkwa.
Pierre, P.	,,
Dick, H.	Shelley.
Crowley, D.	Swift Creek.
Case, D.	Tete Jaune Cache.
Hamilton, R.	Burns Lake.
Mulvaney, B.	,,
Purjue, O.	Redstone.

Barkerville District.

Wendel, J.	Bear Lake.
Booth, L. E. R.	Barkerville.
Cochrane, J. D.	,,
Duffy, J. C.	,,
Kew, J. E.	,,
Mason, H.	Barkerville.
Reed, F. W.	,,
Thompson, N. W.	,,
Thompson, R.	,,
Thompson, W. E.	,,

Kamloops District.

Glover, G. M.	Clearwater Station.
Ray, J. B.	Clearwater.

Lillooet District.

Farey, A. E.	Lillooet.
Janus, J.	,,
Prosser, G. E.	,,
Moore, K. B.	Tatla Lake.
Manson, W. M.	Lillooet.
Fletcher, J.	Pavilion.
Stewart, J. H.	,,
Lindsey, N. M.	Shalalth.

Kootenay District.

Nesbitt, E.	Beaton.
Harrison, G. H.	Hector.
MacDonnell, R.	Invermere.
Nixon, W. J.	,,
Stork, W.	Fort Steele.
Gilbert, F.	Field.
Thomas, G.	,,
Stevens, P. V.	Wasa.
Weidenman, O. W.	Palliser.
Hiren, N. O.	Revelstoke.
Larsen, O. B.	,,
Munro, J. H.	,,
Krivensky, J.	Elk Prairie.
Canning, R. F.	Sheep Creek.

Kootenay District—Continued.

Sheek, W. P.....Castledale.
Boiven, W.....Natal.
Couillard, H. E..... ,,
McGinnis, E..... ,,
Dainard, C. J.....Golden.
Fenz, W..... ,,
Haesler, C..... ,,
Lightbown, D..... ,,
Lightbown, J. H.....Golden.
Lawrence, C. G..... ,,
Nixon, W. W.....Radium Hot Springs.
Schofield, B.....Windermere.
Tegart, W..... ,,
Kain, C.....Wilmer.
Yearling, W.....Athalmer.
Frearson, A.....Fernie.

Nanaimo District.

Smith, J. C.....Comox.
Forbes, J.....Campbell River.
Sutherland, G.....Campbell River.

Peace River District.

Belcourt, J.....Big Slough.
Hunter, T.....Hudson Hope.
MacLadean, J.....Hudson Hope.
Thomas, J..... ,,

Quesnel District.

Fletcher, J.....Keithley Creek.
Kirby, C. B..... ,,
Bremner, C.....Likely.
Collins, J. M..... ,,
Dewees, R. G..... ,,
Dickson, F..... ,,
Girwood, J. B..... ,,
Hamilton, M..... ,,
Johnson, J..... ,,
Larsen, L..... ,,
Meniser, D. L..... ,,
McLeese, P..... ,,
McCarthy, G..... ,,
McGregor, H..... ,,
McGee, T..... ,,
Phillips, M..... ,,
Parminter, R..... ,,
Stephenson, A.....Likely.
Tilton, R. M..... ,,
Shaw, J.....Quesnel Forks.
Felker, W. L.....Horsefly.
Hockley, G..... ,,
Loetgen, C..... ,,
MacEachern, R. H..... ,,
Patenaude, G. B..... ,,
Parminter, J. W..... ,,
Hooker, F. S..... ,,
Hooker, T. O..... ,,
Reid, W. H..... ,,
Stevenson, O. J..... ,,
Walters, L..... ,,
Walters, G..... ,,
Gaspard, E..... ,,

Vancouver District.

Mansell, F.....North Vancouver.
Sykes, B. S.....Abbotsford.
Utterstrom, J.....Vancouver.
Williams, A. B..... ,,

RECORD OF BIG GAME IN THE CASSIAR, 1926.

(Compiled by the Provincial Game Department per H. W. Dodd, Government Agent.)

Licence No.	Hunter.	Guide.	Licence No.	Locality.
2537	Harper, Dr. H. C., New Castle, Pa.	Chas. Lawrence	1449	Did not hunt (unwell).
2538	Cottom, H. Tom, New Orleans	Loo Decker	1448	Nahlin.
2539	Jermyn, W. S., Scranton, Penn.	Billy Fann	1450	Nahlin-Nakina.
2540	Downey, J. J., Oswego, N.Y.	Escardi	1626	Nahlin-Nakina.
2541	Boyd, R. H., New York	Little Dick	1627	Shesley-Nahlin.
2542	Frost, C. S., New York	Mike Williams	1628	Shesley-Nahlin.
2543	Briggs, Geo. S., Santa Anna, Cal.	John Creyke	1629	Shesley-Nahlin.
2544	Timmons, Howard, Santa Anna, Cal.	Dick Jackson	1630	Shesley-Nahlin.
2545	Robb, Thomas, Philadelphia	Pete Henyu	1631	Klappan.
2546	Newbold, C. B., Philadelphia	Benny Frank	1632	Klappan.
2547	Evans, Thomas, Philadelphia	Billy Fann, 2	1450	Iskoot Lakes.
2548	Darwin, Gilbert, New York	Escardi, 2	1626	Iskoot Lakes.
2549	Sanford, Gertrude	Ned Brooks	1633	Iskoot Lakes.

RECORD OF BIG GAME IN THE CASSIAR, 1926—*Continued.*

Moose.				Caribou.				Goat.			Sheep.				Grizzly Bear.		Black Bear.	
No.	Spread.	Palm.	Points.	No.	Spread.	Length.	Points.	No.	Length.	Base.	No.	Spread.	Length.	Base.	No.	Size.	No.	Size.
....	.....	.....	....	....	.....	.....	....	....	.....	.....	....	.....	.....	.....	....	.....	....	.....
1	49¾	29 by 10½	22	2	46	53	29	2	9½	5¼	2	24	40	13¾	1	Medium	....	.....
1	46½	29¾ by 12	28	2	43	50½	26	2	10	5½	3	27½	35	13¼	1	Large	3	Medium
1	52¾	33½ by 14½	41	2	45	52¾	37	2	10¼	5½	3	28¾	32	13¾	1	Medium	....	.....
1	48	38¼ by 14¼	34	2	34½	50½	36	2	9¾	5½	2	23¾	33½	14½	2	8′ 0″	1	6′ 11½″
1	55	43 by 13½	34	2	47	50½	31	2	9½	5¾	....	.....	.....	.....	1	Medium	....	.....
1	54¾	29 by 14½	31	2	37½	52	32	....	.....	.....	....	.....	.....	.....	1	Medium	....	.....
1	56¾	34 by 12¾	31	2	44½	57	44	1	9	5	2	21¾	37	14½	....	.....	....	.....
1	52½	25½ by 15	33	1	42½	54	38	2	9¾	5½	2	25½	40½	13¾	2	Medium	1	6′ 8″
1	47½	25 by 12½	27	2	39½	52	29	2	11	6	2	25	38	14¼	2	Medium	1	Small
....	.....	.....	....	1	37½	46½	30	2	10	5⅞	2	23	34	12	....	.....	....	.....
1	49½	35½ by 12½	28	....	.....	.....	....	2	10½	5¾	2	23½	34	13½	....	.....	1	Small
1	54½	30 by 8½	25	....	.....	.....	....	2	10	6	2	26	36	13½	....	.....	....	.....

Weather conditions very fine throughout.

RETURNS FROM 760 HOLDERS OF TRAPPERS' LICENCES, SHOWING THE BIG GAME, FUR-BEARING ANIMALS, AND NOXIOUS BIRDS KILLED.

Big Game.

Bear	196
Deer	443
Caribou	54
Moose	183
Mountain-goat	78
Mountain-sheep	2
Wapiti (elk)	.....

Fur-bearing Animals.

Beaver	2,577
Fox	526
Fisher	249
Lynx	1,173
Marten	2,107
Muskrats	13,985
Mink	4,907
Otter	193
Racoon	1,162
Skunk	103
Weasel	12,540
Wolverine	49

Noxious Animals.

Coyotes	384
Cougar	16
Wolves	8

BIG-GAME TROPHY FEES PAID, JANUARY 1ST, 1926, TO DECEMBER 31ST, 1926.

Name and Address.	Species.									Amount.
	Bear, Grizzly.	Bear, Black or Brown.	Caribou.	Deer, Mule.	Deer, Coast, etc.	Mountain-goat.	Moose.	Mountain-sheep.	Wapiti (Elk).	
Ashcroft—										
Hogan, E. F., Randolph, N.Y.	1	....	1	....	....	....	....	....	....	$ 50.00
Hogan, F., Randolph, N.Y.	....	1	1	....	....	....	....	....	....	40.00
Hogan, F., Jr., Randolph, N.Y.	....	....	1	....	....	....	....	....	....	25.00
Atlin—										
Bergland, E. L., Wilmington, Del.	....	1	2	....	....	1	1	1	....	130.00
Bergland, W. S., Wilmington, Del.	....	1	2	....	....	1	1	2	....	155.00
Barkerville—										
Groves, E. E., Gaslonia, N.C.	1	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	25.00
Groves, L. C., Gaslonia, N.C.	....	1	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	15.00
Stewart, H. F., Pasadena, Cal.	....	....	....	....	....	....	1	....	....	25.00
Lee, R. E., San Bernardino, Cal.	....	....	1	....	....	....	....	....	....	25.00
Lee, A. B., Redlands, Cal.	....	....	1	....	....	....	....	....	....	25.00
Widby, E. J., Wenatchee, Wash.	1	1	....	....	....	....	1	....	....	65.00
Rindsfoos, Wm., Columbus, Ohio	....	....	1	....	....	1	1	....	....	65.00
Harley, C. S., Seattle, Wash.	1	....	1	....	....	....	....	....	....	50.00
Gray, H. S., San Francisco, Cal.	1	....	1	....	....	....	1	....	....	75.00
Bowman, T. W., Seattle, Wash.	1	....	1	....	....	....	....	....	....	50.00
Cranbrook—										
Hichcock, F.	1	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	25.00
Thompson, Dr. A. B., Spokane, Wash.	1	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	25.00
Clifford, R., New York	1	....	....	....	....	1	....	....	....	40.00
Clifford, B., Minneapolis, Minn.	....	....	....	....	....	1	....	....	....	15.00
White, J. G., Walla Walla, Wash.	....	....	....	....	....	2	....	1	....	55.00
Bennington, V. D., Ritzville, Wash.	....	....	....	1	....	2	....	1	1	95.00
Cumberland—										
Sutherland, G. W., Seattle, Wash.	....	....	....	....	3	....	....	....	....	15.00
Clinton—										
Gaudy, O. M., Seattle, Wash.	....	....	....	....	....	....	1	....	....	25.00
Moser, C. J., Grant's Pass, Ore.	....	....	1	....	....	....	....	....	....	25.00
Fernie—										
Kettering, O. L., Greensburg, Penn.	1	....	....	....	....	2	....	1	1	105.00
Copeland, C. D., Greensburg, Penn.	....	1	....	....	....	1	....	1	1	80.00
Jones, J. W., Bristol, Tenn.	1	....	....	....	....	1	....	....	1	65.00
Stoneroad, J. T., Pittsburgh, Penn.	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	1	....	25.00
Rigall, F. H., Twin Butte, Alta.	....	....	....	....	....	2	....	....	....	30.00
Fort Fraser—										
Rogers, R., New York	2	....	1	....	....	2	....	....	....	105.00
Rogers, M., New York	1	....	....	....	....	2	....	....	....	55.00
Bedaun, F. L., New York	....	....	....	....	....	1	....	....	....	15.00
Bedaun, C. L., New York	....	....	2	....	....	2	....	....	....	80.00
Parker, O. A., Roscoe, Montana	....	....	....	....	....	1	....	....	....	15.00
Golden—										
Houston, D. F., Kimball, W.V.	....	....	....	1	....	2	1	....	1	95.00
Kelso, C. N., Dayton, Ohio	....	....	....	....	....	2	....	....	1	55.00
Lamb, F. H., Cincinatti, Ohio	....	....	....	....	2	2	1	....	1	90.00
Hanger, H., New York	....	....	....	....	....	2	....	....	1	55.00
Cromwell, J., New York	....	....	....	....	....	2	....	1	....	55.00
Leahy, G. D., Murray Bridge, Aus.	....	....	....	....	....	2	....	....	....	30.00
Grand Forks—										
Neace, C. E., Waitsburg, Wash.	1	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	25.00
Lillooet—										
McDonald, D. K., Seattle, Wash.	....	....	....	....	1	....	....	1	....	30.00
Hinckley, K., Seattle, Wash.	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	1	....	25.00
New Westminster—										
Silver, C. W., Everett, Wash.	....	....	....	....	3	....	....	....	....	15.00
Nanaimo—										
Jolin, C. J., Seattle, Wash.	....	....	....	....	1	....	....	....	....	5.00
Aust, F., Chehalis, Wash.	....	....	....	....	1	....	....	....	....	5.00

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Name and Address.	Species.									Amount.
	Bear, Grizzly.	Bear, Black or Brown.	Caribou.	Deer, Mule.	Deer, Coast, etc.	Mountain-goat.	Moose.	Mountain-sheep.	Wapiti (Elk).	
Nanaimo—*Continued.*										
Quick, H. B., Chehalis, Wash.	....	....	....	....	1	....	....	....	....	$ 5.00
Morrison *et al.*, R. A., Warn Beach, Wash.	....	....	....	....	6	....	....	....	....	30.00
Prince Rupert—										
Mullendore, H., Harper, Kansas	1	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	25.00
Mackay, M. S., Tenafly, N.J.	1	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	25.00
Pouce Coupe—										
Kenny, Dr. H. R., Chicago, Ill.	1	....	....	....	....	2	....	1	....	80.00
Snyder, H., Chicago, Ill.	....	....	2	....	....	....	....	1	....	75.00
Carr, J. R., Morristown, Pa.	....	....	1	....	....	2	....	1	....	80.00
Keyser, J. C., Collegeville, Pa.	....	....	1	....	....	2	....	....	....	55.00
Prince George—										
Woodward, R. W.	....	....	1	....	....	1	....	....	....	40.00
Watson, E. F., New York	1	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	25.00
Kemp & Clooman, Pontiac, Mich.	....	4	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	60.00
Payne, Dr. R. L., Norfolk, Va.	1	2	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	55.00
Nash, W. K., Cleveland, Ohio	1	....	1	....	....	2	....	....	....	80.00
Curless, J., Liberal, Miss.	....	1	1	....	....	....	....	....	....	40.00
Thompson, E., Louisville, Penn.	1	....	1	....	....	....	....	1	....	75.00
Thompson, Mrs. E., Louisville, Penn.	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	1	....	25.00
Wolf, E. R., Miami, Fla.	....	....	....	....	....	....	1	....	....	25.00
Robinson, L. A., New York	2	....	....	....	1	....	....	....	....	55.00
Stimpson, S. C., Oklahoma	....	2	....	....	....	....	1	....	....	55.00
Jensen, P., Ranger, Texas	....	....	....	....	....	....	1	....	....	25.00
Morrison, J. P., Oklahoma	....	....	....	....	....	....	1	....	....	25.00
King, C. J., Cleveland, Ohio	1	....	1	1	....	1	....	....	....	80.00
Swarthout, O. R., San Bernardino	1	....	1	....	....	....	1	....	....	75.00
Gentry, J. D., San Bernardino	....	....	1	....	....	1	1	....	....	65.00
Cadmus, E., Bloomfield, N.J.	....	....	....	....	....	1	1	....	....	40.00
Hagedora, O., Portland, Ore.	....	....	....	....	....	1	1	....	....	40.00
Swartz, H. W., Montpelier, Ohio	1	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	25.00
Martin, C. J., Miami, Fla.	....	....	2	....	....	....	1	....	....	75.00
Cobb, J., Middlesborough	....	....	1	....	....	1	1	....	....	65.00
Whitcomb, E., Armhurst, Mass.	....	....	1	....	....	1	....	....	....	40.00
Wright, A., Toledo, Ohio	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	1	....	25.00
Beayer, E., Toledo, Ohio	....	....	1	....	....	1	....	....	....	40.00
Wright, Miss M., Toledo, Ohio	....	....	....	....	....	....	1	....	....	25.00
Quesnel—										
McNutt, J. F., Spokane, Wash.	....	....	1	1	....	....	....	....	....	40.00
Mills, H. W., San Bernardino	....	....	....	....	....	....	1	....	....	25.00
Ewing, R. C., San Bernardino	....	....	2	....	....	....	1	....	....	75.00
Cambern, R., Spokane, Wash.	....	....	....	....	....	....	1	....	....	25.00
Smithers—										
Zappettini, E. J., San Francisco	1	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	25.00
Hoeppner, C. H., New York	1	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	25.00
Clements, J., Boston, Mass.	1	2	....	....	....	1	1	....	....	95.00
Bodwell, W. J., Sanford, Maine	....	....	1	....	....	1	....	....	....	40.00
Telegraph Creek—										
Tom, C. H., New Orleans	1	....	2	....	....	2	1	2	....	180.00
Jermyn, W. S., Scranton, Penn.	1	3	2	....	....	2	1	3	....	250.00
Downey, J. J., Oswego, N.Y.	1	....	2	....	....	2	1	3	....	205.00
Boyd, R. H., New York	2	1	2	....	....	2	1	2	....	220.00
Frost, C. S., New York	1	....	2	....	....	2	1	....	....	130.00
Briggs, G. S., Santa Anna, Cal.	1	....	2	....	....	....	1	....	....	100.00
Timmons, H., Santa Anna, Cal.	....	....	2	....	....	1	1	2	....	140.00
Robb, T., Philadelphia	2	1	1	....	....	2	1	2	....	195.00
Newbold, C. B., Philadelphia	2	1	2	....	....	2	1	2	....	220.00
Evans, T., Philadelphia	....	....	1	....	....	2	....	2	....	105.00
Darwin, G., New York	....	1	....	....	....	2	1	2	....	120.00
Sanford, G., New York	....	....	....	....	....	2	1	2	....	105.00

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Vancouver—										
Ingalls, Dr., San Francisco	....	....	....	....	....	....	1	....	....	$ 25.00
Prince, Dr. L. O., San Francisco	1	2	....	....	....	....	1	....	....	80.00
Patton, Dr. R. F., New Center, Mass.	1	1	1	....	....	....	1	....	....	90.00
Falconer, Dr. E. H., San Francisco	1	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	25.00
Marquardt, F., Chicago, Ill.	1	....	1	....	....	....	1	....	....	75.00
Roncovieri, A., San Francisco	1	....	....	....	....	....	1	....	....	50.00
Rathye, F. C., Chicago, Ill.	....	....	1	....	....	....	1	....	....	50.00
Burke, F. L., Fresno, Cal.	....	....	1	....	....	....	....	....	....	25.00
Cosner, M., Fresno, Cal.	....	....	2	....	....	....	....	....	....	50.00
Moore, R. W., Deland, Fla.	....	....	....	....	....	....	1	....	....	25.00
Cobbs, T., Santa Barbara	....	1	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	15.00
Fleming, A. S., Portland, Ore.	....	....	1	....	....	....	1	....	....	50.00
Honeyman, T. D., Portland, Ore.	....	....	....	....	....	....	1	....	....	25.00
Leadbetter, T. W., Portland, Ore.	....	....	....	....	....	....	1	....	....	25.00
Hill, R. L., Miami, Fla.	....	....	2	1	....	....	1	....	....	90.00
Crosby, L. L., Everett, Wash.	....	....	....	....	....	1	....	....	....	15.00
Hawkins, E. E., Bellingham, Wash.	....	....	....	....	1	....	....	....	....	5.00
Victoria—										
Purdy, P. A., Seattle, Wash.	....	....	....	....	1	....	....	....	....	5.00
Ward, R., Seattle, Wash.	....	....	....	....	1	....	....	....	....	5.00
Bird, S. E., Seattle, Wash.	....	....	....	....	1	....	....	....	....	5.00
Holzworth, J. M., White Plains, N.Y.	1	....	....	....	....	....	....	2	....	75.00
Wilmer—										
Huffman, B., Rockeport, Ind.	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	1	25.00
Kincaid, C. O., Rockeport, Ind.	....	....	....	....	....	....	1	....	....	25.00
Everett, R. W., Brevard, N.C.	....	....	....	....	2	2	1	....	1	90.00
Hart, G. W., Brevard, N.C.	....	1	....	....	1	1	....	....	1	60.00
Wagner, W., New York	1	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	1	50.00
Van Vleck, E. A., New York	....	....	....	1	....	1	....	....	....	30.00
Smith, E. L., New York	1	....	....	....	....	1	....	....	....	40.00
Cummings, O. P., New York	....	....	....	1	....	1	1	....	....	55.00
Kellogg, Dr., New York	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	1	25.00
Williams Lake—										
Doudona, F., New York	....	....	2	....	....	2	1	....	....	105.00
Sarton, J. J., New York	....	....	1	....	....	2	1	....	....	80.00
McClellan, Ted, Los Angeles	1	1	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	40.00
McClellan, Mrs. T., Los Angeles	1	....	1	....	....	....	....	....	....	50.00
Wurtzburger, G. W., Los Angeles	1	....	2	....	....	....	....	....	....	75.00
Bourmet, J.	1	1	....	....	....	1	....	....	....	55.00
Leo Wolf, C. G., Niagara Falls, N.Y.	....	....	....	2	....	....	....	1	....	55.00
Whitten, B. L., Miami, Fla.	1	....	....	....	....	....	1	....	....	50.00
Howard, H., Memphis, Tenn.	....	3	1	1	....	....	....	....	....	85.00
Totals	54	34	71	10	26	86	52	42	13	$7,880.00

PROSECUTIONS (PROVINCIAL POLICE DIVISIONS), JANUARY 1ST, 1926, TO DECEMBER 31ST, 1926.

Description of Offence.	See FOOT-NOTE. "A" Division.	"B" Division.	"C" Division.	"D" Division.	"E" Division.	Dismissals.	Convictions.	Total No. of Cases.	Fines or Penalties imposed.
Game Animals.									
Buying moose head and horns	....	....	....	....	....	1	....	1	.....
Exporting game without a permit	....	1	....	1	....	....	2	2	$ 35.00
Exceeding bag limit on game	....	....	3	....	....	....	3	3	45.00
Game on premises of shop, logging camp, etc.	3	2	2	....	1	1	8	9	185.00
Hunting deer between sunset and sunrise	1	....	....	....	1	1	2	3	125.00
Keeping game animals in captivity without permit	....	....	....	1	....	....	1	1	25.00
Killing or having game animals in possession of the female sex	3	3	2	1	2	....	11	11	310.00
Killing or hunting game during close season	1	....	5	1	....	1	7	8	160.00
Killing or having pelts of fur-bearing animals in possession during close season	3	5	2	8	3	3	21	24	450.00
Non-resident hunting big game without a guide	....	2	....	....	1	....	3	3	150.00
Possession of game during close season	3	2	2	5	1	4	13	17	275.00
Possession of deer under 1 year of age	2	....	3	1	2	....	8	8	782.00
Running deer with dogs	1	....	....	....	....	1	1	2	10.00
Shooting game while acting as a guide	....	1	....	....	....	1	1	2	10.00
Game Birds.									
Allowing dogs to hunt game birds during close season	3	....	....	....	1	....	4	4	50.00
Game birds on premises of shop, etc.	1	....	....	....	2	....	3	3	35.00
Hunting game birds from power-boat	1	....	1	....	1	....	3	3	50.00
Hunting game birds in prohibited area	7	....	....	....	7	....	14	14	200.00
Hunting upland game birds between sunset and sunrise	....	1	4	....	....	....	5	5	40.00
Killing or hunting upland game birds during close season	5	....	4	....	6	1	15	16	550.00
Killing or hunting migratory birds during close season	3	1	....	....	6	....	10	10	280.00
Possession of upland game birds during close season	5	2	3	1	10	....	21	21	440.00
Possession of migratory birds during close season	....	....	....	5	8	....	13	13	170.00
Selling or offering for sale game birds	....	....	....	....	1	....	1	1	40.00
Setting traps for game birds	....	....	1	....	....	....	1	1	25.00
Licences.									
Buying fur without a licence	1	....	....	1	....	....	2	2	50.00
Carrying firearms without a licence	14	14	11	10	19	8	68	76	675.00
Failing to produce licence on request	2	....	....	....	....	....	2	2	20.00
Guiding without a licence	....	1	....	....	....	....	1	1	10.00
Killing game without a licence	1	2	....	1	....	1	4	5	110.00
Non-resident carrying firearms without a licence	2	1	....	....	4	....	7	7	350.00
Non-resident angling without a licence	2	....	1	....	4	....	7	7	110.00
Using another person's licence	....	....	1	....	....	2	1	3	50.00
Firearms.									
Carrying firearms in or discharging same from an automobile or other vehicle	19	1	3	....	16	1	39	40	410.00
Carrying pump shotgun not properly plugged	2	1	....	4	2	....	9	9	95.00
Carrying or discharging firearms in restricted area	1	2	....	....	1	2	4	6	80.00
Discharging firearms on or across a highway	....	....	....	....	5	....	5	5	50.00
Possession of an automatic shotgun	2	....	....	....	1	....	3	3	30.00
Trapping.									
Interfering with a licensed trap-line	....	....	....	4	....	4	4	8	40.00
Trapping without registering trap-line	....	....	1	....	....	....	1	1	Sus. sentence
Trapping or carrying traps without a licence	....	....	1	7	1	6	9	15	120.00

PROSECUTIONS (PROVINCIAL POLICE DIVISIONS), JANUARY 1ST, 1926, TO DECEMBER 31ST, 1926 —*Continued.*

Description of Offence.	See FOOT-NOTE. "A" Division.	"B" Division.	"C" Division.	"D" Division.	"E" Division.	Dismissals.	Convictions.	Total No. of Cases.	Fines or Penalties imposed.
Trapping—Continued.									
Trapping during close season	....	....	....	7	4	1	11	12	$ 80.00
Trapping on a game reserve	....	1	....	2	....	....	3	3	25.00
Trapper refusing to give information to Constable	....	....	....	1	....	....	1	1	10.00
Miscellaneous.									
Being a guide did fail to report an infraction	....	....	1	....	....	....	1	1	10.00
False information to an officer	....	....	1	1	....	....	2	2	20.00
Failing to keep record-book of fur purchased	....	....	....	1	....	....	1	1	60.00
Hindering an officer while in pursuit of his duty	1	1	....	....	....	....	2	2	15.00
Trespassing in pursuit of game	....	1	1	....	15	1	17	18	170.00
B.C. Special Fishery Regulations.									
Catching sturgeon under 3 feet in length	....	....	....	....	1	....	1	1	20.00
Exceeding bag limit on trout	....	2	3	....	....	....	5	5	40.00
Fishing or possessing trout during close season	....	2	3	....	....	....	5	5	35.00
Fishing with salmon-roe in prohibited waters	1	....	....	....	1	....	2	2	30.00
Fishing for or selling salmon or trout without a permit	2	1	1	....	3	....	7	7	45.50
Killing salmon in spawning-grounds	1	....	....	....	....	....	1	1	15.00
Illegally fishing with gill-nets	2	....	....	....	1	1	3	4	50.00
Jigging salmon or netting trout	3	....	2	....	....	3	5	8	22.00
Taking trout under 8 inches in length	5	7	3	....	2	....	17	17	144.50
Unlawfully catching ling-cod or bass	1	2	....	....	....	....	3	3	20.00
									$7,454.00
Gaol Sentences.									
Carrying firearms without a licence	....	1	....	....	1	....	2	2	2 weeks each.
Killing game or game birds during close season	....	....	....	1	1	....	2	2	2 weeks each.
Possession of game during close season	....	1	1	....	1	....	3	3	1, 2 weeks; 1, 30 days.
Possession of pelts of fur-bearing animals illegally	....	1	....	1	....	....	2	2	2 weeks each.
Pit-lamping	2	....	....	....	....	....	2	2	1, 30 days; 1, 90 days.
Shooting ducks from a power-boat	1	....	....	....	....	....	1	1	10 days.
Trapping during close season	....	1	....	1	....	....	2	2	1, 10 days; 1, 30 days.
Unlawfully selling sturgeon	....	....	....	....	1	....	1	1	30 days.
Totals	107	63	66	66	137	44	439	483	.....

NOTE.—"A" Division: Vancouver Island area. "B" Division: Kootenay and Boundary areas. "C" Division: Kamloops, Yale, Okanagan, Cariboo, and Clinton areas. "D" Division: Atlin, Skeena, Omineca, Fort George, Peace River, and Yukon Boundary areas. "E" Division: Vancouver, Coast, and Lower Mainland areas.

Fur-farm Returns, 1926.

Name and Address.	Foxes.											Total Foxes on hand.	Other Fur-bearing Animals.										
	Red.		Cross.		Silver.		Blue.		Died.	Killed.	Sold.												
	Over 1 Yr. old.	Under 1 Yr. old.	Over 1 Yr. old.	Under 1 Yr. old.	Over 1 Yr. old.	Under 1 Yr. old.	Over 1 Yr. old.	Under 1 Yr. old.					Beaver.	Coyote.	Fisher.	Lynx.	Marten.	Mink.	Muskrat.	Otter.	Racoon.	Skunk.	Weasel.
Perry, John and Peter, Nootka	....	....	....	....	.....	.....	8	12	2	....	.....	18	....	....	....	....	....	.....	.....	....	....	....	....
Willock & Sons, Duncan	....	....	....	....	2	.....	10	.....	.....	....	.....	12	....	....	....	....	....	.....	.....	....	....	....	....
Harper, Noel G., Kamloops	....	....	....	....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	....	.....	.....	....	....	....	....	....	.....	2	....	....	1	....
*Freding, Hans, Jura	....	....	....	....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	....	.....	.....	....	....	....	....	....	.....	.....	....	....	....	....
Henton, David, 2606 Waltham St., Burnaby	....	....	....	....	.....	.....	3	.....	1	....	.....	2	....	....	....	....	....	.....	.....	....	....	....	....
Haven Fur & Feather Farm (Miller Higgs & Sons), Galiano Island	....	....	....	....	6	4	7	.....	.....	1	.....	16	....	....	....	....	....	.....	.....	....	....	....	....
Peterson, M., Campbell River	....	....	....	....	.....	.....	6	6	.....	....	.....	12	....	....	....	....	....	.....	.....	....	....	....	....
Mould, Geo., Whonnock	....	....	....	....	.....	.....	4	.....	.....	....	.....	4	....	....	....	....	....	.....	.....	....	....	....	....
Floyer, E. A.; Rogers, N. I., Waneta	....	....	....	....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	....	.....	.....	....	....	....	....	....	.....	.....	....	....	....	....
Freding, E. N., Princeton	....	....	....	....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	....	.....	.....	....	....	....	....	....	.....	12	....	....	....	....
Brawn, H. G., Chemainus	....	....	....	....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	....	.....	.....	....	....	....	....	....	1	.....	....	....	....	....
*Somers, R. C., Cheam View	....	....	....	....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	....	.....	.....	....	....	....	....	....	.....	.....	....	....	....	....
Lulu Island Fox & Fur Farm (Mrs. K. A. Moody), Cambie Station, Lulu Island	....	....	....	....	22	14	.....	.....	6	....	.....	30	....	....	....	....	....	.....	.....	....	....	....	....
McRae, D. S., 1340 Delbruc Ave., North Vancouver	....	....	....	....	.....	.....	4	.....	.....	....	.....	4	....	....	....	....	....	.....	.....	....	....	....	....
Thomas, H. H., Princeton	....	....	....	....	4	7	.....	.....	.....	....	.....	11	....	....	....	....	....	.....	.....	....	....	....	....
Heywood, E. P., P.O. Box 495, Victoria	....	....	....	....	.....	.....	2	.....	.....	....	.....	2	....	....	....	....	....	.....	.....	....	....	....	....
Mitchell, W. N.; Reid, H. D., P.O. Box 1031, Victoria	....	....	....	....	6	6	.....	.....	6	....	.....	6	....	....	....	....	....	.....	.....	....	....	....	....
Minthamee Blue Fox Ranch, Harrop	....	....	....	....	.....	.....	18	2	1	....	.....	19	....	....	....	....	....	.....	.....	....	....	....	....
†Grant, H. A., Armstrong	....	....	....	....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	....	.....	.....	....	....	....	....	....	.....	.....	....	....	....	....
*Old, G. B. and F., Needles	....	....	....	....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	....	.....	.....	....	....	....	....	....	.....	.....	....	....	....	....
Condon, J. E., West Vancouver	....	....	....	....	.....	.....	6	.....	.....	....	.....	6	....	....	....	....	....	.....	.....	....	....	....	....
Norie, H. A., Cowichan Station	....	....	....	....	2	3	.....	.....	.....	....	.....	5	....	....	....	....	....	.....	.....	....	....	....	....
Rist, A. W., cor. Sixth and Inglewood, West Vancouver	....	....	....	....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	....	.....	.....	....	....	....	....	....	.....	.....	....	....	....	....
Nicolls, Geoffrey, Arcadia, Crofton	....	....	....	....	6	.....	.....	.....	4	....	.....	2	....	....	....	....	....	.....	.....	....	....	....	....
Bailiff, J.; Jordan, R. A., Alta Lake	....	....	....	....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	....	.....	.....	....	....	....	....	12	.....	.....	....	....	....	....
Icke, H. A., Rock Mount, Colquitz, Victoria	....	....	....	....	2	2	.....	.....	.....	....	.....	4	....	....	....	....	....	.....	.....	....	....	....	....
Frache, Mrs. G. H., Grand Forks	....	....	....	....	8	5	.....	.....	.....	....	.....	13	....	....	....	....	....	.....	.....	....	....	....	....
Pollock, W. J., Kimberley	....	....	....	....	26	27	.....	.....	6	1	.....	46	....	....	....	....	....	.....	.....	....	....	....	....
Graham, W. F., Grand Forks	....	....	....	....	4	8	.....	.....	8	....	.....	4	....	....	....	....	....	.....	.....	....	....	....	....
Peterson, Carl, Campbell River	....	....	....	....	.....	.....	2	.....	.....	....	.....	2	....	....	....	....	....	.....	.....	....	....	....	....

*Murray, Geo., Willowford																							
Chisholm, Ross, Rosedale																		5	16				
Loucks, W. L., R.R. 1, Aldergrove							4					4											
*Whiteacre, J. G., 738 Granville St., Vancouver																							
Haywood, V. W., 4697 Queens Ave., Vancouver					8	5						13											
Gleason Bros., Dome Creek							8		2			6											
Oulton, Geo., Smithers					2							2											
York, Nelson, Cedar P.O., V.I.							2		1			1											
Jeffrey, W. S., Francois Lake																			50				
Williamson, Dr. F. M., 192 Queens Ave. E., North Vancouver					2							2											
Howey, H. M., Langley Prairie																			7				
Riverside Nurseries, Grand Forks					6	6			2			10											
Powles, Com. J. C., Wilmer					8	12						20	10						200				
*Kain, Conrad, Wilmer																							
*Chamberlain, H. F. and C. B., Parksville																							
Adie, D. C., Owl Creek																	3						
Olsen, Dr. M. L., Duncan					4	4	4	13				25											
Robertson, Chas. H., R.R. 2, Chilliwack					10	6						16											
*Logan, A. W., Brisco																							
Huffman, A. H., Stuart Lake					2				1			1	2										
Richards, O. S. (Blue Stone Ranch), Aldergrove					2	2			2			2											
Virostko, Geo., Extension	2											2											
Bi_lund, C.; Simonds, F. L., Quick																		3					
Shaw, A. J., R.R. 2, New Westminster																	5	1					
Saranovich, R. V., Sheraton			4	3					2			5											
Roland, W. F.; Pierson, Gus, Bella Coola							4					4											
Seebach, E. A.; Huble, A. J., Prince George															3								
Western Canada Magic Silver Black Fox Co., Chilliwack					150		2					152											
Rist, Wm., Streatham																		6					
Freeman-Williams, F. C. P., Box 186, Duncan							6					6											
Stearns, R. G., Burns Lake					2				1			1											
Warnock, M., Pender Harbour																					2		
Bang, Henry, McMurphy															1								
Stringer, Benj., Ecoole							20	20	1	1		38											
Willowmere Fox & Fur Ranch (J. L. Sayers, Mgr.), Port Haney					3					1		2											
Crawford, Mrs. A. B., Willow River			4		4							8											
Texada Fur Farm, Ltd., Texada Island							2					2							50				
Rallison, R., R.R. 3, Nanaimo					1							1											
Seymour Valley Fur Farm (Yates, Stanley; Forrest, S. R.), North Vancouver					4	6	4	10				24											
*Forbes, James, Campbell River																	1						

* No animals on hand. † Cancelled.

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Name and Address.	Foxes.											Total Foxes on hand.	Other Fur-bearing Animals.										
	Red.		Cross.		Silver.		Blue.		Died.	Killed.	Sold.		Beaver.	Coyote.	Fisher.	Lynx.	Marten.	Mink.	Muskrat.	Otter.	Racoon.	Skunk.	Weasel.
	Over 1 Yr. old.	Under 1 Yr. old.	Over 1 Yr. old.	Under 1 Yr. old.	Over 1 Yr. old.	Under 1 Yr. old.	Over 1 Yr. old.	Under 1 Yr. old.															
Bibby, E. C.; Thomson, A. B., Aleza Lake	....	....	2	....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	....	.....	2	....	....	....	....	....	.....	.....	....	....	....	....
Bennett, Jos. E. (Glen Craibenn Fur Farm), Mcbride	....	....	....	....	4	5	.....	.....	5	....	.....	4	2	....	....	....	....	.....	.....	....	....	....	....
*Roberts, Hugh, Rock Bay	....	....	....	....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	....	.....	.....	....	....	....	....	....	.....	.....	....	....	....	....
Mathison, Major P., Canford	....	....	....	....	8	12	.....	.....	6	7	.....	7	....	....	....	....	....	.....	.....	....	....	....	....
Larkey, U. S., Clearwater Station	....	....	....	....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	....	.....	.....	....	....	....	....	....	.....	50	....	....	2	....
*Wolfenden, Stanley, Brisco	....	....	....	....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	....	.....	.....	....	....	....	....	....	.....	.....	....	....	....	....
*Hunt, E. A., Box 88, Abbotsford	....	....	....	....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	....	.....	.....	....	....	....	....	....	.....	.....	....	....	....	....
Hodgins, H. M., 4637 Hastings St. E., Vancouver	....	....	....	....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	....	.....	.....	....	....	....	....	2	.....	.....	....	....	....	....
Corry, F. C., c/o Mr. Durrance, Royal Oak, V.I.	....	....	....	....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	....	.....	.....	....	....	....	....	....	.....	2	....	....	....	....
Little, F. G., C. W., and A. W., Prince George	....	....	....	....	.....	.....	4	.....	.....	....	.....	4	....	....	....	....	....	.....	.....	....	....	....	....
*Hallett, A. D., Masset	....	....	....	....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	....	.....	.....	....	....	....	....	....	.....	.....	....	....	....	....
*Clayton, Mrs. L. R., Eburne P.O.	....	....	....	....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	....	.....	.....	....	....	....	....	....	.....	.....	....	....	....	....
Thomas, N. Gordon, Royston Station	....	....	....	....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	....	.....	.....	....	....	....	....	....	.....	8	....	....	....	....
Palmer, L. C., East Pine River, Arras	3	4	3	4	1	1	.....	.....	2	....	.....	14	....	....	....	....	....	.....	.....	....	....	....	....
*Groner, Bruce, Arras	....	....	....	....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	....	.....	.....	....	....	....	....	....	.....	.....	....	....	....	....
Canadian Furs, Ltd., 726 Rogers Bldg., Vancouver (Rendezvous Island)	....	....	....	....	.....	.....	4	.....	.....	....	.....	4	....	....	....	....	....	.....	.....	....	....	....	....
*Walker, G. F., Sapperton	....	....	....	....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	....	.....	.....	....	....	....	....	....	.....	.....	....	....	....	....
Ballence, Clarence, East Wellington	....	....	....	....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	....	.....	.....	....	....	....	....	....	.....	.....	....	2	....	....
Johnston, R., West Summerland	....	....	....	....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	....	.....	.....	....	....	....	....	....	.....	20	....	....	....	....
Lawson, O. C., Telkwa	....	....	....	....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	....	.....	.....	....	....	....	....	....	2	.....	....	....	....	....
*Lokken, J., Agerton P.O.	....	....	....	....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	....	.....	.....	....	....	....	....	....	.....	7	....	....	....	....
Haynes, Mrs. Alice, Chilco	....	....	....	....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	....	.....	.....	....	....	....	....	....	7	.....	....	....	....	....
Mollett, P. C., Fulford Harbour	....	....	....	....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	....	.....	.....	....	....	....	....	....	7	.....	....	....	....	....
Jenkins, M., Kelowna	....	....	....	....	10	4	.....	.....	.....	....	.....	14	....	....	....	....	....	.....	.....	....	....	....	....
Dewdney, Alfred, Kelowna	....	....	....	....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	....	.....	.....	....	....	....	....	....	.....	250	....	....	....	....
Lott, H. S., Kelly Lake Ranch, Clinton P.O.	....	....	....	....	9	7	.....	.....	.....	....	5	11	....	....	....	....	....	.....	.....	....	....	....	....
Marples, J. E. (Marples Fox & Fruit Farm), Hilliers, V.I.	....	....	....	....	8	.....	4	8	2	....	.....	18	....	....	....	....	....	.....	.....	....	....	....	....
Cowichan Fox Co., Duncan	....	1	....	2	6	.....	.....	.....	1	3	.....	5	....	....	....	....	....	.....	.....	....	....	....	....
Naylor, H. W., 618 Yates St., Victoria	....	....	....	....	.....	.....	7	10	.....	....	.....	17	....	....	....	....	....	.....	4	....	....	....	....
Hird, J. A. (Tumbo Island Fur Farm), 1395 64th W., Vancouver	....	....	....	....	.....	.....	114	70	25	....	51	108	....	....	....	....	....	24	.....	....	....	....	....

†Parker, A., 418 Howe St., Vancouver	....	....	....	....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	....	.....	.....	....	....	....	....	....	.....	.....	....	....	....	....
Ransford, J. A., Box 313, Steveston	....	....	....	....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	....	.....	.....	....	....	....	....	....	16	7	....	....	....	....
Tyner, Mrs. W., Lower Nicola	....	....	....	....	40	.....	.....	.....	.....	1	.....	39	....	....	....	....	....	.....	.....	....	....	....	....
Philp, M. D., Simpson St., Sapperton, New Westminster	....	....	....	....	10	7	.....	.....	.....	1	.....	16	....	....	....	....	....	.....	.....	....	....	....	....
Cameron, P. E., Duncan, V.I.	....	....	....	....	.....	9	.....	.....	.....	....	2	7	....	....	....	....	....	.....	.....	....	....	....	....
Prescott, C. A., 47 San Juan Avenue, Victoria	....	....	....	....	4	3	.....	.....	.....	....	.....	7	....	....	....	....	....	.....	.....	....	....	....	....
Rosedale Silver Black Fox Co., Victoria	....	....	....	....	76	74	.....	.....	9	....	.....	141	....	....	....	....	....	.....	.....	....	....	....	....
McParlon, G. E., Waldo	....	....	....	....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	....	.....	.....	....	....	....	....	....	.....	30	....	....	....	....
Vancouver Blue Fox Farm (Johniser, W. J.), Lochdale P.O.	....	....	....	....	.....	.....	2	.....	.....	....	.....	2	....	....	....	....	....	.....	.....	....	1	....	....
Gregson, A. D., Courtenay	....	....	....	....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	....	.....	.....	....	....	....	....	4	7	.....	....	....	....	....
Stanlake, Alvin, 3530 Fromme Rd., North Vancouver, Lynn Creek P.O.	....	....	....	....	12	7	.....	.....	2	....	.....	17	....	....	....	....	....	.....	.....	....	....	....	....
Blair, H. G., Box 652, Kelowna	....	....	....	....	14	11	.....	.....	1	....	.....	24	....	....	....	....	....	.....	.....	....	....	....	....
*Sutherland, W. C. and H. S., Galena P.O., via Golden	....	....	....	....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	....	.....	.....	....	....	....	....	....	.....	.....	....	....	....	....
Bruce, Rev. M. W. J., "Llwyn-y-mor," Mount Newton Cross Rd., Saanich, V.I.	....	....	....	....	4	5	.....	.....	3	....	.....	6	....	....	....	....	....	.....	.....	....	....	....	....
*Piper, R., Kilkerran	....	....	....	....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	....	.....	.....	....	....	....	....	....	.....	.....	....	....	....	....
Johnston, J. M. (Nechako Black Silver Fox Ranch), Vanderhoof	....	....	....	....	6	12	.....	.....	.....	....	.....	18	....	....	....	....	....	.....	.....	....	....	....	....
Fowler, J. J., Great Glacier, via Wrangell, Alaska	....	....	....	....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	....	.....	.....	....	....	....	....	5	20	.....	....	....	....	....
Willowby Fur Farm (A. C. M. Danielson), Kelowna	....	....	....	....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	....	.....	.....	....	....	....	....	....	.....	600	....	....	....	....
Harrison, S. S., Blue River	....	....	....	....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	....	.....	.....	....	....	....	....	4	.....	.....	....	....	....	....
Sederberg, H., Malakwa	....	....	....	....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	....	.....	.....	....	....	....	....	....	.....	4	....	....	....	....
Hoppe, F., 3822 Eaton St., Vancouver	....	....	....	....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	....	.....	.....	....	....	....	....	3	.....	.....	....	....	....	....
Bernard, G. M., Parksville	....	....	....	....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	....	.....	.....	....	....	....	....	....	.....	2	....	4	....	....
McCaffery, D., Princeton	....	....	....	....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	....	.....	.....	....	....	....	....	....	5	.....	....	....	....	....
*Caffery, F., East Sooke, V.I.	....	....	....	....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	....	.....	.....	....	....	....	....	....	.....	.....	....	....	....	....
Kearsley, A. E., Stave Falls	....	....	....	....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	....	.....	.....	....	....	....	....	....	2	.....	....	....	....	....
Liden, F. A., Campbell River	....	....	....	....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	....	.....	.....	....	....	....	....	....	.....	.....	....	....	....	....
McClement, W. J., R.R. 3, Cloverdale	....	....	....	....	14	19	.....	.....	.....	....	.....	33	....	....	....	....	....	.....	.....	....	....	....	....
Halland, N. H., Chief Lake	2	....	5	2	11	4	.....	.....	9	....	2	13	....	....	....	....	....	2	150	....	....	....	....
Sandifer, Geo., Ootsa Lake	1	....	1	....	2	.....	.....	.....	.....	....	.....	4	....	....	....	....	....	.....	.....	....	....	....	....
Copeland, F. C. (Centre Fox Farm), Okanagan Centre	....	....	....	....	17	11	.....	.....	1	1	.....	26	....	....	....	....	....	.....	.....	....	....	....	....
Henry, Eli, Telkwa	....	....	....	....	4	3	.....	.....	2	1	.....	4	....	....	....	....	....	.....	.....	....	....	....	....
Green, W. W. (Greendale Fox Ranch), Princeton	....	....	....	....	12	16	.....	.....	.....	10	2	16	....	....	....	....	....	.....	.....	....	....	....	....
Morrison, W. B., Royal Oak, V.I.	....	....	12	....	39	14	.....	.....	1	3	20	41	....	....	....	....	....	.....	.....	....	....	....	....
Lamey, D., Woodpecker	....	....	....	....	5	4	.....	.....	2	....	.....	7	....	....	....	....	....	.....	.....	....	....	....	....
*Mohr, E. J., Wistaria	....	....	....	....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	....	.....	.....	....	....	....	....	....	.....	.....	....	....	....	....
Thompson, N. W., Barkerville	....	....	....	....	.....	.....	4	.....	.....	....	.....	4	....	....	....	....	....	.....	.....	....	....	....	....
Laverdiere, Noel, Atlin	....	....	....	....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	....	.....	.....	....	....	....	....	....	.....	.....	....	....	....	....

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	Over 1 Yr. old.	Under 1 Yr. old.	Over 1 Yr. old.	Under 1 Yr. old.	Over 1 Yr. old.	Under 1 Yr. old.	Over 1 Yr. old.	Under 1 Yr. old.															
Pioneer Blue Fox Co. (G. J. Beck, Mgr.), Centr Island	....	....	....	....	.....	.....	30	50	.....	....	.....	80	....	....	....	....	....	.....	.....	....	....	....	....
Beck, G. J., Centre Island	....	....	....	....	.....	.....	20	40	1	1	.....	58	....	....	....	....	....	6	.....	....	....	....	....
Baurle, G. A.; Green, P., Chief Lake P.O.	....	....	....	....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	....	.....	.....	....	....	....	....	....	40	100	....	....	....	....
*Evans, Albert, Armstrong	....	....	....	....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	....	.....	.....	....	....	....	....	....	.....	.....	....	....	....	....
Shuswap Silver Fox Co. (J. W. Hutton, Mgr.), Anstey Farm, via Sicamous	....	....	....	....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	....	.....	.....	....	....	....	....	....	.....	.....	....	....	....	....
Lake View Fox Farm (W. A. Crompton, Mgr.), Quilchena	....	....	....	....	70	71	.....	.....	.....	....	.....	141	....	....	....	....	....	4	.....	....	....	....	....
Miller, Isaac, Lower Nicola	....	....	....	....	64	70	.....	.....	5	....	24	105	....	....	....	....	....	.....	.....	....	....	....	....
Gow, J. S., Rossland	....	....	....	....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	....	.....	.....	....	....	....	1	....	.....	.....	....	....	....	....
Okanagan Silver Fox Farm (F. E. C. Haines and R. W. Ford), Ewing's Landing, Okanagan Lake	....	....	....	....	11	14	.....	.....	3	....	.....	22	....	....	....	....	....	.....	.....	....	....	....	....
Mountain View Fox Farm (A. E. Axten, Mgr.), Lower Nicola	....	....	....	....	34	5	.....	.....	1	11	2	25	....	....	....	....	....	.....	.....	....	....	....	....
Greenaway, Jas.; Bogattin, A., 107 Victoria Rd. Nanaimo	....	....	....	....	8	4	.....	.....	.....	....	.....	12	....	....	....	....	4	35	.....	....	4	....	....
De Ley, G. H., Louis Creek	....	....	....	....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	....	.....	.....	....	....	2	....	....	28	.....	....	....	....	....
Landry, O. T., Bella Coola	....	....	....	....	2	.....	.....	.....	.....	....	.....	2	....	....	....	....	....	.....	.....	....	....	....	....
Dunbar, Dr. D. A.; Champion, Dr. B. H. 510 Hastings St., W., Vancouver	....	....	....	....	9	1	.....	.....	.....	....	10	.....	....	....	....	....	....	.....	.....	....	....	....	....
Simmons, Arthur, No. 2 Rd., Lulu Island	....	....	....	....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	....	.....	.....	....	....	....	....	....	26	.....	....	....	....	....
Virostko, M., Extension	....	....	....	....	7	4	.....	.....	3	....	.....	8	....	....	....	....	....	.....	.....	....	....	....	....
Boggs, Mrs. L. M., 620 Broughton St., Victoria	....	....	4	....	11	.....	.....	.....	.....	8	.....	7	....	....	....	....	....	.....	.....	....	....	....	....
Tual, Julian, Fort Fraser	....	....	....	....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	....	.....	.....	10	....	....	....	....	.....	200	....	....	....	....
Ellison, Mrs. H. K., Lower Nicola	....	....	....	....	20	1	.....	.....	.....	....	.....	21	....	....	....	....	....	.....	.....	....	....	....	....
De Boer, Peter, Terrace	....	....	....	....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	....	.....	.....	....	....	....	....	....	.....	.....	....	....	....	....
Clark, W.; Jones, W. J., Forestdale	....	....	6	4	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	....	.....	10	....	....	....	....	....	.....	.....	....	....	....	....
North Western Silver Fox Co., Rossland	....	....	....	....	6	.....	.....	.....	.....	....	.....	6	....	....	....	....	....	.....	.....	....	....	....	....
Hughes, W., Royal Oak, V.I.	....	1	1	....	12	11	.....	.....	.....	3	.....	22	....	....	....	....	....	.....	.....	....	1	....	....
Guss, Joe, Ootsa Lake	1	....	3	....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	....	.....	4	....	....	....	....	....	.....	.....	....	....	....	....
Cranbrook Silver Black Fox Co., Cranbrook	....	....	....	....	59	79	.....	.....	13	....	.....	125	....	....	....	....	....	.....	.....	....	....	....	....
*Bowser, B. F., Prince George	....	....	....	....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	....	.....	.....	....	....	....	....	....	.....	.....	....	....	....	....
Mytting, Sam; Evans, B. J., Prince George	....	....	....	....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	....	.....	.....	....	....	....	....	....	.....	.....	....	....	....	....

Goodall, E., Fraser Lake	....	....	....	....	2	....	....	....	....	....	1	1	....	....	....	....	2	16	....	....	....	....	....
*Widinger, John, Burton	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....
Barker, J. L.; Macrea, L., Streatham	....	....	....	....	49	34	....	....	10	....	....	73	....	....	....	....	....	25	....	....	....	....	....
Marshall, Jos., Lower Nicola	....	....	....	....	2	....	....	....	....	....	....	2	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....
Hunt, F. E., R.R. 1, Coghlan	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	5	....	....	....	5	....
Collett, C. D.; Gillis, J. J., Merritt	....	....	....	....	170	66	....	....	....	....	....	236	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....
Dyer, G. M., South Fort George	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	16	....	....	....	....	....	200	....	....	....	....
Hale, Wm.; Patterson, Lewis, Lac la Hache	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	2	....	....	....	....	....
*Anderson, Axel, Fawn	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....
Mallory, E., Sardis	1	....	....	....	....	....	1	....	....	....	....	2	....	....	....	....	5	8	50	....	6	....	....
*Kennedy, A., Terrace	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....
Eddings, G. S., Ootsa Lake	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	7	....	....	....	....	....
Lineham, Percy, Green Lake, via Alta Lake	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	92	....	....	....	....	....
Green Bay Fur Farm, c/o J. A. Hird, 1395 64th W., Vancouver	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....
Thwaytes, Capt. T., Barriere	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	4	....	....	....	....
Clarke, C. E., Westbank	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	4	....	....	....	....	....	....
Canadian Blue Fox Farms, Ltd., 301-302 Rogers Building, Vancouver	....	....	....	....	....	....	51	208	47	....	68	144	....	....	2	....	6	....	....	....	....	....	....
*Whittington, W. W., Read Island	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....
Smith, T. J., Arras P.O., via Pouce Coupe	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....
Worthington, H., Engen	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	12	....	....	....	....	....
Oliver, T. H., Ladner	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	19	....	....	....	....
Melsted, V. J., Salmon Arm	....	....	....	....	14	6	....	....	3	....	....	17	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....
Dahl, A. C., Fort Fraser	4	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	2	....	....	2	8	....	....	....	....	....	100	....	....	....	....
Knight, Mrs. William, Paradise Point, Canoe	....	....	....	....	8	6	....	....	1	1	....	12	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....
Godbout, A. L., Albas	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	1	2	....	....	....	....	....	....	....
Piper, E., Kilkerran P.O.	1	....	3	....	1	....	....	....	....	1	....	4	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....
Reid, O. J., Chilco	....	....	1	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	1	....	....	....	....	....	5	....	....	....	....	....
Stephenson, Mrs. R. M., Sandwick	....	....	....	....	32	26	....	....	10	....	....	48	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....
Dennys, A. Alex., Salmon Arm	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	4	....	....	....	....
*Sutherland, Wesley, Dawson Creek	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....
*Stanyer, J. R., Francois Lake	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....
*Munger, Frank, Barrett Lake	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....
Wilcox, L. E., Prince George	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	100	....	....	....	....
Tereshuk, L., Prince George	....	....	3	....	3	....	....	....	....	....	....	6	....	....	5	....	3	....	....	....	....	....	....
Guss, J. M. and H. C., Ootsa Lake	1	....	3	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	4	....	....	....	....	....	12	....	....	....	....	....
Kerr, Frank, Rosedale	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....
Ellison, W. R., Ootsa Lake	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	2	....	....	....	....	....
*Campbell, Lewis; Hosli, E. W., Bestwick	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....
Ness, Andrew, Prince Rupert	....	....	....	....	....	....	51	106	....	6	....	151	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....
*Watt, C. A., Wilmer	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....
Ogden, Isaac, Lac la Hache	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....
McKenzie, I. D., Maple Bay, Duncan	....	....	....	....	8	8	....	....	....	....	....	16	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....

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Nichol, Chas., Vanderhoof	....	....	3	....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	....	.....	3	1	....	....	....	....	1	.....	....	....	....	....
Garvin, C. A. and W. R., Prince George	....	....	....	2	6	2	.....	.....	1	....	.....	9	....	....	....	....	....	.....	.....	....	....	....	....
Van De Car., Mrs. M., Ootsa Lake	....	....	....	....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	....	.....	.....	....	....	....	....	....	28	.....	....	....	....	....
Hanson, A., 740 Cowper St., Victoria	....	....	5	5	3	3	.....	.....	2	....	.....	14	....	....	....	....	....	.....	.....	....	....	....	....
Silvey, Mrs. J. and Mr. D., Box 12, Kuper Island	....	....	....	....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	....	.....	.....	....	....	....	....	....	25	.....	....	20	....	....
Fern Creek Ranching Co., Ltd., 413 Granville St., Vancouver	....	....	....	....	4	.....	.....	.....	.....	....	.....	4	....	....	....	....	....	.....	.....	....	....	....	....
Wilson, W. A., Parksville	2	....	....	....	.....	.....	1	.....	.....	....	.....	3	....	....	....	....	....	.....	.....	....	2	....	....
Gibson, A. E., Milner	....	....	....	....	5	4	.....	.....	1	....	.....	8	....	....	....	....	....	.....	.....	....	....	....	....
Carnall, G. E., Whonnock	....	....	....	....	.....	.....	9	.....	2	....	.....	7	....	....	....	....	....	.....	.....	....	....	....	....
*Bartholomew, E. A., Cortes Island	....	....	....	....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	....	.....	.....	....	....	....	....	....	.....	.....	....	....	....	....
Welch, Mrs. H., Smithers	....	....	....	....	.....	.....	4	.....	.....	....	.....	4	....	....	....	....	....	.....	.....	....	....	....	....
Cooper, E. T., Cranbrook	....	....	....	....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	....	.....	.....	....	....	....	....	....	.....	.....	....	....	....	....
West, E. P., cor. Cliff and Halifax Sts., Burnaby	....	....	....	....	.....	.....	4	.....	.....	....	.....	4	....	....	....	....	....	3	.....	....	....	....	....
Thompson, D. H., 1301 E. Marine Drive, South Vancouver	....	....	....	....	.....	.....	12	.....	.....	....	.....	12	....	....	....	....	....	.....	.....	....	....	....	....
Davidson, L. H., Vanderhoof	....	....	5	....	1	.....	.....	.....	2	....	.....	4	....	....	....	....	....	.....	.....	....	....	....	....
Quinn, John, Lochdale P.O., Burnaby	....	....	....	....	.....	.....	4	.....	.....	....	.....	4	....	....	....	....	....	.....	.....	....	....	....	....
Griffin, N. J., Vanderhoof	....	....	....	....	8	8	.....	.....	.....	....	.....	16	....	....	....	....	....	.....	.....	....	....	....	....
Hayes. R.; Chisholm, A., Houston	....	....	....	....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	....	.....	.....	....	....	....	....	....	.....	.....	....	....	....	....
Smith, F. K., Creston	....	....	....	....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	....	.....	.....	....	....	....	....	....	.....	.....	....	25	....	....
Haskins, C. H., Box 481, Kelowna	....	....	....	....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	....	.....	.....	....	....	....	....	....	.....	300	....	....	....	....
Richards, J. C., 19 Lewis St., Victoria	....	....	....	....	16	7	.....	.....	.....	....	2	21	....	....	....	....	....	.....	.....	....	....	....	....
Salter, W. L. (Mount Tolmie Fox Farm), L.C. 36, Victoria	....	....	....	....	6	3	.....	.....	2	....	.....	7	....	....	....	....	....	.....	.....	....	....	....	....
Hilborn, J. L., & Sons, 1618 Bank St., Victoria	....	....	....	....	12	8	.....	.....	6	....	.....	14	....	....	....	....	....	.....	.....	....	....	....	....
Scholey, Mrs. F. H., Royal Oak, V.I.	....	1	10	3	.....	.....	.....	.....	2	....	.....	12	....	....	....	....	....	.....	.....	....	....	....	....
Brown, F. Clement, 356 4th E., North Vancouver	....	....	....	....	2	3	.....	.....	3	....	.....	2	....	....	....	....	....	.....	.....	....	....	....	....
Ekstrom, August, Magna Bay	....	....	....	....	6	4	.....	.....	.....	....	.....	10	....	....	....	....	....	.....	.....	....	....	....	....
Toop, C. S., R.R. 1, Sardis	....	....	....	....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	....	.....	.....	....	....	....	....	....	9	7	....	....	....	....
Bowell, G. T.; Cameron, H. E., New Westminster	....	....	....	....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	....	.....	.....	....	....	....	....	....	.....	10	....	....	....	....
Vidal, A. E., Yellow Point	....	....	....	....	.....	.....	3	8	2	....	.....	9	....	....	....	....	....	.....	.....	....	....	....	....
Murray, Jos., Vanderhoof	....	....	2	1	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	....	.....	3	....	....	....	....	....	.....	.....	....	....	....	....
Walker, Lady E., "Ragley," East Sooke, V.I.	....	....	....	....	.....	.....	.....	4	.....	....	.....	4	....	....	....	....	....	.....	.....	....	....	....	....

*Bull, H. J., Granite Bay, Valdes Island																							
Alexander, K. C., Hope Point, Gambier Island																		10	8				
King, Philip, Forest Grove																			18				
*McKinley, Thos., Streatham																							
*Serl, Ira A., R.R. 2, Abbotsford																							
Ferguson, R. C., Keefers																			5				
Curran, F. J., Jr., Fanny Bay																		3					
*Vickers, S., Willowford																							
Corbin Silver Black Fox Co., Corbin					4	4						8											
Gibson, H. B., Rolla													4										
Forbes, F. Gilbert, 122-Mile House, Lac la Hache																			12				
Low, Ruth; Chisholm, Alec., Quick													2										
Bedore, Lem, Rose Lake																			25				
Schultz, W. F., Vanderhoof					5							5											
Scott, Thos., Alexandria																			150				
Collison, F. C., Pouce Coupe	4											4											
Anderson, C. S., Burns Lake	2											2					7	11					
Widen, E. P., Houston																	2						
Fetterly, J. H.; Loper, G., Finmoore	1		4		2							7											
Beaver Brook Ranch Co., Kamloops													23										
Barber, W. T., Rutland					6	2			2			6											
Fraser, A., Pemberton Meadows																	2						
Smith, Geo., Agerton																			4				
Akerman, Mrs. E. M., Fulford Harbour																		12			7		
Campbell, A. M., Williams Lake					4		4					8											
*Schaer, Oscar, Beasley P.O., Taghum																							
Shelford, J. L.; Plumb, H., Wistaria																		2					
Fisher, Jos., Baynes Lake																			24				
Maiden, Harold, P.O. Box 717, New Westminster																			2				
*Tunnah, W. R., Masset																							
*Bave, G. H., Vanderhoof																							
Nicholas, Anthony, Clayburn																		10					
Reeves, J. Edgar, 3492 26th E., Vancouver																		1					
*Morean, R. J., Coquitlam																							
Burquitlam Fur Farm, Ltd., Burquitlam							12					12											
Van De Car, A. B., Colquitz																					2		
McLeod, W. R., Thurlow																	6	1					
McDougall, Archie, Lac la Hache							2					2						1					
Conner, E. E., 1242 10th W., Vancouver																			17				
Jackson, C. F., Salmon Arm							4					4											
Hambrook, B. W. and Tom, Hardy Island																		2					
*Salmon River Land Co., Falkland																							
Kitson, Jonathan, Sandspit					2	5						7											
*Welch, Geo.; Cachmour, W. E., Lower Nicola																							

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Ladoucer, E., Forest Grove	....	....	....	....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	....	.....	.....	....	....	2	....	....	.....	.....	....	....	....	....
*Calhoun, C. W.; Lowden, V. H., Revelstoke	....	....	....	....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	....	.....	.....	....	....	....	....	....	.....	.....	....	....	....	....
*Goddard, G. E., Sea Point, Sidney	....	....	....	....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	....	.....	.....	....	....	....	....	....	.....	.....	....	....	....	....
Davis, Herbert, Tranquille	....	....	....	....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	....	.....	.....	30	....	....	....	....	.....	10	....	....	....	....
Holmes, H. C., Austin Rd., Burquitlam	....	....	....	....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	....	.....	.....	....	....	....	....	2	.....	.....	....	....	....	....
Lust, A., Forest Grove	....	....	....	....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	....	.....	.....	....	....	....	....	....	.....	200	....	....	....	....
Totals	25	7	84	26	1,306	804	477	567	241	62	189	2,804	108	....	16	3	82	552	3,040	....	76	8	....

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List of Game Constables, British Columbia Provincial Police.

Headquarters.

Attorney-General (Minister)	A. M. Manson, K.C.	Victoria.
Provincial Game Warden	Lieut.-Col. J. H. McMullin	"
Chief Game Inspector	M. Furber	"
Staff-Sergt. Game Warden	F. R. Butler	"
Stenographer	Miss A. McGregor	"
Game Warden	T. H. M. Conly	"
"	W. H. Vickers	"

"A" Division (Vancouver Island District).

Inspector	T. W. S. Parsons	Victoria.
Staff-Sergt. Game Warden	F. R. Butler	"
Game Warden	R. Gidley	"
"	H. Bishop	Sidney.
"	D. C. Campbell	Duncan.
"	G. B. Simpson	Lower Cowichan.
"	H. C. Pyke	Nanaimo.
"	W. V. Fenton	Courtenay.
"	A. Monks	Alberni.

"B" Division (Kootenay and Boundary Districts).

Inspector	W. R. Dunwoody	Nelson.
Corporal-Game Warden	(Appointment to be made)	"
Game Warden	R. M. Robertson	Penticton.
"	G. Thomas	Cranbrook.
"	I. J. Brown	Elk Prairie.
"	G. H. Soles	Athalmer.
"	M. G. Rutherford	"
"	W. J. McKay	"
"	D. Greenwood	Canal Flats.
"	F. H. Butwell	Golden.
"	G. H. McDermott	"
"	C. W. A. Smythe	Revelstoke.

"C" Division (Kamloops, Yale, Okanagan, Cariboo, and Chilcotin Districts).

Inspector	W. L. Fernie	Kamloops.
Corporal-Game Warden	R. D. Sulivan	"
Game Warden	W. R. Maxson	Kelowna.
"	J. A. Quesnel	Lumby.
"	G. D. McKenzie	Clinton.
"	Ian McRae	Hanceville.
"	H. P. Hughes	Likely.
"	G. F. Turner	Barkerville.
"	F. Kibbee	"

"D" Division (Atlin, Skeena, Omineca, Fort George, Peace River, and Yukon Boundary Districts).

Inspector	W. Spiller	Prince Rupert.
Sergeant-Game warden	T. Van Dyk	"
Game Warden	O. L. Hall	Smithers.
"	E. Forfar	Fort St. James.
"	C. Muirhead	Prince George.
"	C. Stephens (Atlin)	Prince Rupert.
"	J. Hayes (Atlin)	"
"	I. Gunnell	Fort Nelson.

"D" Division (Atlin, Skeena, Omineca, Fort George, Peace River, and Yukon Boundary Districts)—Continued.

Corporal-Game Warden	C. G. Barber	Fort Nelson.
Game Warden	To be appointed when weather permits	Boundary (Stikine R.).
"	Ditto	Ditto.
"	A. T. Batchelor	Hudson Hope.

"E" Division (Vancouver, Coast, and Lower Fraser Valley Districts).

Staff-Sergeant	S. North	Vancouver.
Corporal-Game Warden	J. G. Cunningham	"
Stenographer	Miss N. Bryce	"
Game Warden	A. P. Cummins	"
"	W. Clark	"
"	J. Moir	North Vancouver.
"	J. Murray	Port Moody.
"	R. M. Stewart	Chilliwack.
"	F. Urquhart	Langley.
"	E. G. Stedham	Pitt Meadows.
"	W. H. Cameron	Ladner.
"	F. Ledoux	Matsqui.
"	G. F. Elliott	Mission.
"	A. J. Collison	Agassiz.
" (Special)	N. McGillivary	Chilliwack.

Predatory-animal Hunters.

Game Warden	C. Shuttleworth	Penticton.

Elk Lake Game Farm.

Game Warden (in Charge)	J. W. Jones	Victoria.
"	E. Boorman	"
"	S. H. McCall	"
"	S. Townsend	"
"	G. Cuthbert	"

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"	F. H. Kergin, M.L.A.	Alice Arm.
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"	J. Murray	Vanderhoof.
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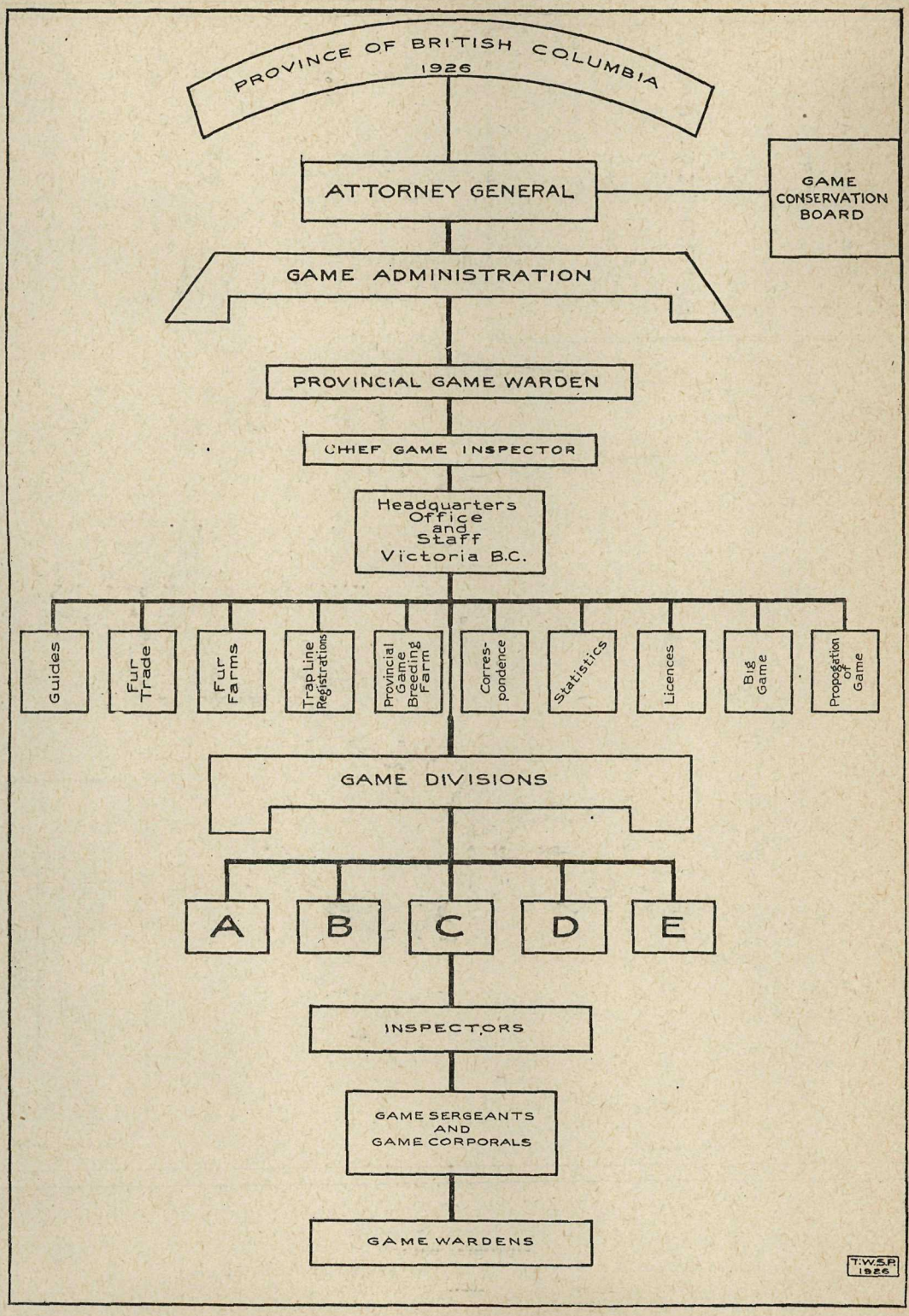
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CHIEF GAME INSPECTOR
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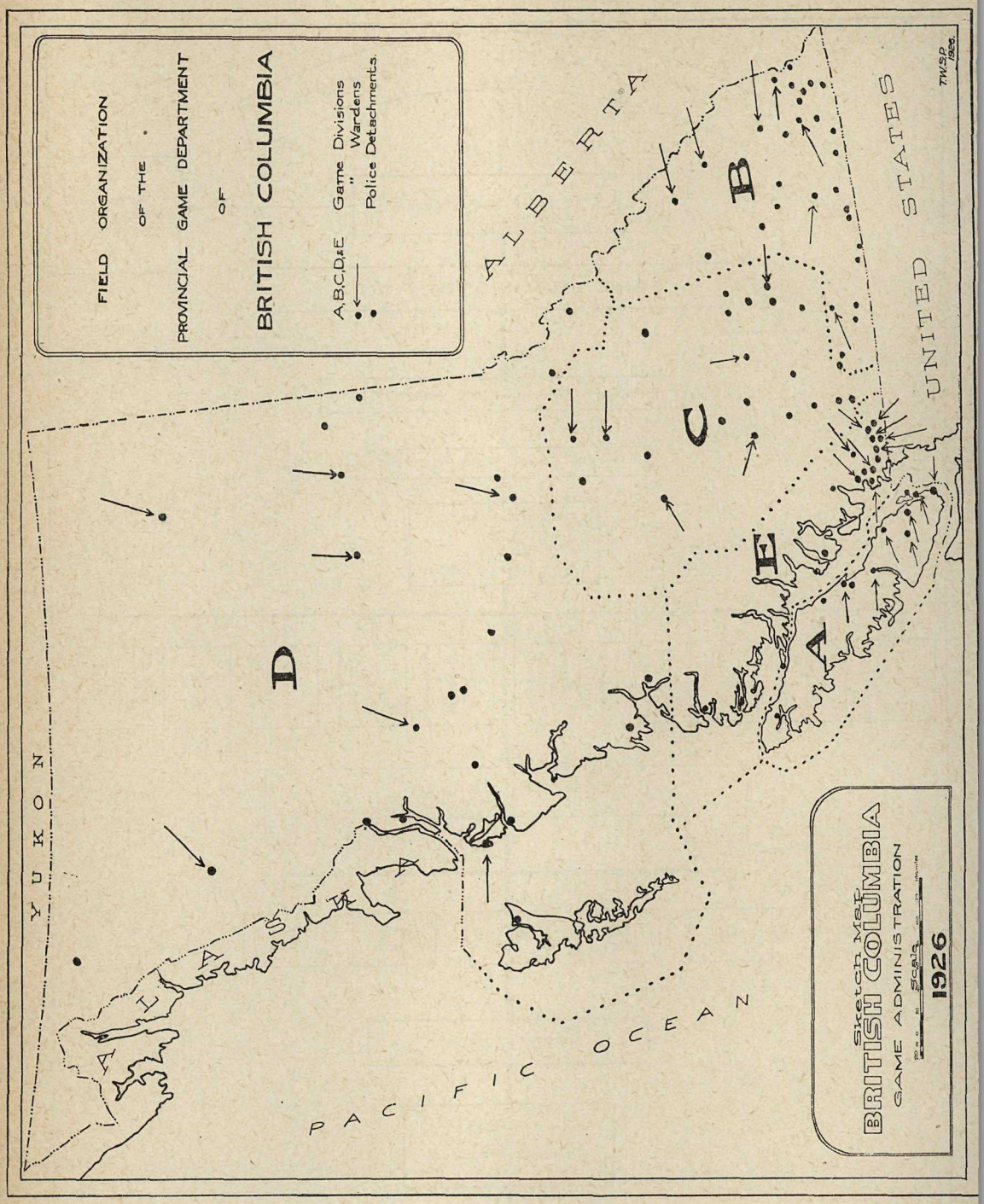

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