

1st October 1920.

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Dear Mr Shoemaker:-

On my arrival home I found your favours of the 23rd & 24th ulto., awaiting me, and thank you for the clippings you enclosed; also for copy of the "Voter". I will be interested in receiving the future numbers of this paper containing your articles - as well as an other items which you think would look well in a scrap book. Kindly also thank Mr Standish on my behalf for his kindness.

Under separate cover I send you the Canadian Fisherman containing the paper on rearing pond cultivation which I wrote for the Pacific Fisheries Society. I had but the one spare copy, and therefore wish you would show this to Mr Clanton when you are finished with it, as I discussed the matter with him while at Bonnieville.

In reading over the clippings of the Clanton-Darwin controversy there was one point which I think Mr Clanton could have made to advantage, and in speaking to the editor of the Pacific Fisherman in Seattle, I laid particular stress on it. This is the corroboration shown on Rogue and Alsea rivers of the success on the Columbia being attributal to the rearing pond system. Mr Darwin is trying to prove the Washington propagation work should be credited with the return of most of the adult fish, as their output was greater in numbers than Oregon released. But

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in Washington coastal streams, and on Puget Sound, where his system was exclusively employed, no such phenomenal returns were obtained as were obtained on the Columbia. A like condition prevailed on the Sacramento where the salmon were ^{also} released in their fry stage. But on the Rogue and Alsea, where hatchery rearing ponds were employed, results similar to the Columbia were also obtained. Surely there can be but little ground for dispute when this state of affairs is given consideration, and Mr Darwin, to my mind, should have quite a little trouble to prove his contention in the light of corroborative evidence of this kind of the superiority of the rearing pond system.

With kindest regards, and thanking you for the many courtesies we received on our recent trip,

Yours sincerely

HD/P.