PISCATORIAL SPORT.

The following is from the pen of an old sport:

The perch is possibly the most generally popular of the native fishes of the Chesapeake. There is no tributary great or small, no section, even so obscure, that he does not visit in his annual rounds. Then, too, to add to his popularity, he comes as the annual pioneer of the fishing season and in consequence receives the full fervor of the spring fisherman's pent-up enthusiasm.

Pickeral fishing through the ice of northern lakes may bring glory to some, the magnificent tarpoon of Florida waters, which possibly at his own good pleasure may deign to snap up a bait once in a month, may bring exhilaration to others, but when compared with a royal day in a school of perch, the perch fisher would not swap places.

For real fun with hook and line no place offers more than Betterton. The several old wrecks overgrown with barnacles, the hard, gravelly bottom, acres of succulent celery plants, deep holes, where the tide makes a strong ebb swirl and eddy, all form feeding grounds too tempting for the shiny perch to abandon.

Where Does He Winter?

A veteran of the place let drop a curious little story the other day, which, however he declared to be a fact. He said: "The perch first appears here as soon as the water is well warmed and the mosses and other foods are ready for him. There is a difference of opinion as to where he spends the winter. Some persons claim that he spends the cold months down the bay in deep water.

"Off Grove Point on a bottom, there are round, white pebbles, such as are found nowhere else around here. Just before going into winter quarters the fishes come to this point and lay in a stock of these stones, which are to serve as anchors to keep them to the bottom during the winter.

"You may smile at the idea, but every old fisherman in these parts knows that this is a fact."

With all his virtues the perch is one of the most fickle of fishes. One day he may be ravenous for a bait of peeler crab and the next day, or even at the next tide, you may spit on your bait or woo him as you please in vain. It is on one of his ravenous days that he would enliven the ordinary man into an enthusiast.

As fast as the line is let down, its half pound sinker carrying the well-baited hooks to the bottom, two, three or four lusty fellows seize the bait and with a tug which fairly makes the line whistle through the water off they dart. Then comes a long pull at the seven or eight fathoms of line. Steady is the word, keep the slack out of the line and in a few seconds, just beneath the surface, there is a living picture. It takes only a moment to clear the hooks, readjust the bait and out with the line again and a moment later a heavy tug gives notice that a return trip is in order.

Barrelsful of Perch.

On one of these red-letter days, which by the way, while somewhat rare, are generously scattered through each season, two men have been known to fill two sugar barrels with perch and stop almost of sheer exhaustion. Of course these are not every day occurrences, but there is scarcely a day when a splendid catch of fish will not reward a few hours spent around the old wrecks off Betterton, on Howell's Point, or up the Sassafras river.

On the last of any tide or at slack water is the best time, for then the fish begin to feed. When the tide rushes up or down the bay it is as much as the fishes can do to stem it, and the fisherman is forced to be patient, even for a fisherman.

The perch is exclusive. With the possible exception of rock, no other fishes to any extent will be found associated with him on the feeding grounds. Sometimes the venturesome croaker is troublesome, but as a rule the perch "flocks by himself." Some City fishermen use the reel, but in deep water the handline is considered the best and the veterans of this place use it exclusively.

Large numbers of fishermen go to Betterton from P[illegible]. Each season and each [illegible] the bay offers its peculiar kind of game fish. For several years Tolchester has given some of the finest taylor fishing ever had that far up the bay. This in addition to being a most tempting table fish, is a more vigorous biter than even the perch, and for giving genuine pleasure to the sportsman is next to the rockfish.

When working from a boat the reel becomes somewhat cumbersome and the chances are that many of the finest fish will be thrown overboard. When fishing from a wharf the reel may be worked to advantage. There is hardly a more difficult fish to land than the taylor. He fights from the moment the hook touches him until he is landed.

Rock Fish and Taylor.

The line must be kept taut or your game is gone in a twinkling, for it is a favorite trick of these sly fellows as soon as they are hooked to dart up like a flash get a slack, and with their sharp teeth clip the line and rush off to freedom. This trick of the taylor is largely overcome by using a steel snood, which defies the sharpness of his teeth.

Perch, and sometimes rock afford rare sport at this point, but for the finest rock fishing on the Chesapeake, as can be attested by many a Baltimore fisherman, go to Kent Island Narrows, about two miles from the mouth of Chester river. Here is where the big vigorous 35 or 40 pounders, in spite of a tide which rushes through like a mill race, almost pull a man out of his boat.

Those are only delightful accidents which allow the untutored in the fine art of the hook and line to land one of these prizes. In the first place they are strong, and come down on a hook with tremendous force, and if a hidden flaw lurks around the steel barbs or on the heavy thread line, away goes our rock. In the next place, he understands the business of a battle to the finish, and the skill of the professional is required to "play him," the tact of the veteran must be called into use to "tire him down," or he will give you the slip.

Bait for the Big Fellows.

Soft crab forms the toothsome morsel which these great white monarchs of the fishing grounds love best to snap up. They are sometimes extremely fastidious when meaner food is offered, but if the tempting half of a soft crab is allowed to remain long untouched in the swirling eddies of the narrows it goes without saying that it is the rock's day off from his usual haunts—he is simply not there.

Some days thirty, forty or even fifty splendid rock fish are landed, and then is the "red letter day." Even Sunday fails to stop such sport and the restrictions of Sunday observance laws are unequal to sending the sportsmen to their tents.

The State's officers have on several occasions stepped in and broken up the Sunday mill between city fishermen and Kent Island Narrows rocks and arrests and fines were the result, but the fishermen declared that they were only human and could not withstand such sport.

These are royal occasions, and after the sharp, decisive battle is ended and the thirty pound rock, game to the end and beautiful even in defeat, comes to the surface the feeling of victory is an inspiration.

These large rock feed upon smaller fish, particularly perch, and when they are most abundant the smaller hook and line fish seek feeding grounds elsewhere.

Chester Rivers Plenty.

Old fishermen now report Chester river so full of large fish—rock, sturgeon and dog sharks—that hook-and line fishing is temporarily at a comparative stand still. Of course there are points, retches and shoals in Chester river offering splendid sport, but the fishes are as a rule smaller than those found in the deeper waters of the Chesapeake. Chester bridge has for years been noted as the Mecca toward which a large number of summer anglers direct their pilgrimages. But sport is fickle here. Some day the angler is kept busy but at other times he has nothing to do. Then, too, eels and small fish nibble and carry off the bait to an extent which makes them a pest.

The amateur here, as in bay fishing, is wofully impressed by the fact that skill in fishing, as in other things, plays an important part. It is no uncommon thing to see a veteran of the hook and line sit within two feet of a novice and draw out a dozen fish for every unsatisfactory nibble that the other gets. They may exchange places, but the same discomforting condition exists.

The boats used on the Betterton fishing grounds are large, handsomely equipped skiffs, manned by experienced captains. The skiff, in addition to being a fast sailer, is the staunchest craft used on the bay for heavy weather. The city fisherman only engages his boat. Ice-water, bait, hooks and lines and a splendid awning will be found included in the charge of $3 a day for the entire outfit.

Certificates Not Accepted.—Commander Howard, of the oyster navy, has given instructions to deputy commanders of the force to keep a sharp eye on the oyster grounds during the coming season, which commenced September 1st, and ends April 15th. The dredging season begins Oct. 15th and terminates Mar. 15th. Captain Howard has dispatched the steamer Gov. McLane, Captain Turner, to the Potomac and in the back of Smith's Island to investigate reported violations, including scraping for oysters. He has instructed deputy commanders not to accept certificates from magistrates certifying that tongers have applied for license, but to insist that the license itself be produced and to make arrests when the law is not fully complied with.

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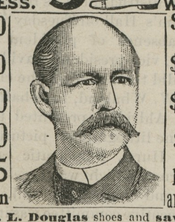

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RESOURCES:

Loans and discounts	$79,660 28
Furniture and fixtures	835 67
Reserve Agent	8,699 52
Cash on hand	3,441 15
Total	$92,636 62

LIABILITIES.

Capital stock	$20,000 00
Savings deposits	45,300 00
Transient deposits	25,125 38
Undivded profits, less expenses, interest and taxes paid	2,211 24
Total	$92,636 62

State of Maryland, Kent county:
I, WM. F. RUSSELL, cashier of the above named bank, do solemnly swear that the above statement is true to the best of my knowledge and belief.
WILLIAM F. RUSSELL, CASHIER.

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 2d day of July, 1895.
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