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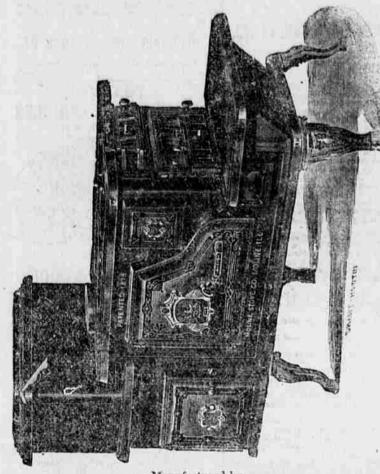
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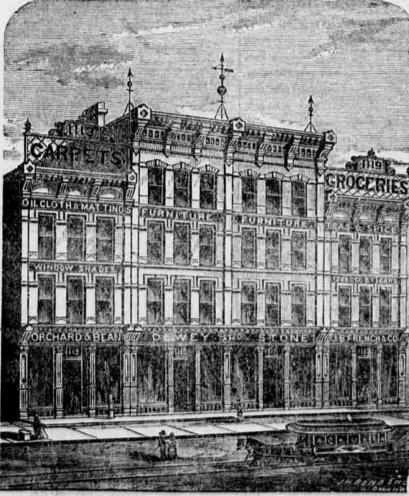
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many of the streams, in which they once abounded, of this favorite fish; and the poisonous debris of saw mills and manufactories has totally exter-minsted them from their old haunts in New England streams. In come-quence of this depletion of Eastern and European waters, California and Oregon salmon find a ready sale in almost every market in the world. That our supply is fully equal to the de-mand, has been made possible only by the exercions of the Fish Commissioners, who have worked steadily and faithfully to surround our fish interests with a net work of laws, rules and regulations through which unscrupulous fishermen cannot break. It is safe to affirm that ten years ago there

cisco and Sacramento, about 800 ing for every man who can produce a satisfactory light of any pattern. Both the "Brush" and the "United States" company now take part in iltween the two points named, or in a distance of only 120 miles. There are nine canneries along the river and by the gas commission. The "Brush" Suisun Bay, and several in San Francisco, employing, on an average, from sixty to eighty men to each establishment. There are, therefore, no less than 2,500 men employed in taking salmon and canning them for home and foreign consumption. These figures convey some idea of the growing importance of this comparatively new industry; but a more definite conception of the enormous amount of fish taken yearly from our rivers and bays may be formed by considering the fact that the San Francisco markets, alone, this season, dispose of 2,000 FRESH SALMON DAILY,

to say nothing of the Sacramento, Stockton, Oakland and San Jose markets, and the sales made throughout the smaller towns of the interior. The cost of a fishing outfit ranges from \$450 to \$800. A suitable boat can be purchased for an average price of \$260. The nots in use up the river are comparatively small, and coat about \$200; those used in the straits will average at least \$300 apiece-they are of much greater depth and conas high as 300 pounds of netting. and consists of a variety of salmon much longer and thinner than those caught in the tall. In February the number of fish to be found are but the preceding run. They ascend in custom of only £600 a year. limited quantities only.

THE FALL RUN Is the largest, and commences in Au- its comparative cheapness is fast acgust. Teese salmon, known as the cumulating in England, and is having hook or hawk nosed salmon, are the its due effect in creating a general very largest variety. The run continues for six weeks, the principal body going up in September. The average catch varies according to the season. Last season the salmon astance. cended in such numerous quantities for 16 "Brush" lights of 2,000 candle that the fishermen could have caught power each, after deducting all expeach day per boat, for a period of several weeks, over 100 fish. But the markets were clutted, and it was incomparison to the second and wages, the saving over gas in nine months was \$426—a markets were glutted, and it was immargin of profit sufficient to cover inpossible to dispose of that number, terest on the investmentand wear and they contented themselves with catch tear of machinery. More data of this ing merely enough to supply the de- sort would make our faith in the fumand. This season the average daily ture of the electric light still stronger, catch per boat does not exceed 20 fish, But it may be safely said that the and the supply is not sufficient to light has now survived its most critikeep the canneries running at their cal epoch, and is regarded by the sec full capacities. The supply, of course, varies according to the supply and demand. The cannories started at Martinez and Benicia, by creating a more extensive demand, have doubtless influenced prices this season to some extent. Last year the average price per fish was but 35 cents. This year the price has been as high as 65 cents, owing to the scarceness of salmon and the competition of the canneries; but a compromise, resulting in an equal distribution of fish to the several canneries, has reduced the price to 40 cents. The principal buyers are Bradford & Co., Booth & Co., Colville, Johnson & Co., Lusk & Co., the the Fisherman's Cannery (at Benicis), Black, Kendall & Shields, A. Lusk, and Pardini & Co. Suisun Flats and the Straits of Carquinez are the

PRINCIPAL FISHING GROUNDS. A number of boats fish at Sonoma Flats, below Mare Island, but the fishing there is difficult, owing to the roughness of the water. Within the last two years a place above Vallejo, on Napa river, commencing at what is known as Slaughter House Point, has become quite favorite fishing ground. class, brave men, to whom an almost constant open-air life, and the fresh, salt beeeze of the sea, have imparted a ruddy countenance and a good circulation. The peculiar nature of their Machine occupation brings out the muscles of their arms, expands their chests, and

gives them an air of activity peculiarly their own. Their costume is simple, How Salmon are Caught and Canned | and pictures que, and as a whole they Contra Costa Gazette.

Within the last few years the expertation of canned salmen has be.

They are all governed in their rolacome generally recognized as one of the leading industries of the Pacific Coast. This fish has from very ancient times been everywhere categoried as an article of food, and it for the lead of a "drift," or group of he is her the lead of a "drift," or group of he is her the lead of a "drift," or as an article of food, and it was formerly widely distributed throughout the whole of northern Europe Great Britain, Gormany, France, Russia, Swed n. Denmark, Iceland, Norway and Holland, and was found extensively in the waters of Canada, Newfoundland and New England. Years of successive fishing have exhausted many of the streams, in which they ner not tending to the pecuniary ad-vantage of the off-ading party. At slack water, when there is no movement of the nets, the fishermen take

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The bulk of fishermen in this state is composed of Italians and Greeks, the Italians being probably in the majority. There are employed in the salmon fisheries between San Francisco and Sarrayanto short soo ling for every man who can produce a ling for every man who can produce a ling for every man who can produce a system will continue to operate in up per Broadway, Madison and Union squares and the various streets now occupied by it. The "United States" will have charge of the Battery, City hall and Washington parks. This exlights is the result of the most pa tient and seaching tests. The fact is at last proved beyond a question that electricity is much cheaper than gas for the amount of light furnished. It is also shown that

metropolis.
England is not behind the United are of much greater depth and contain a great deal more material. The thread for their construction costs \$1 per pound, and some few nets contain a tractive show of London. The distinct of the contain attractive show of London. The distinct of the contain attractive show of London. as high as 500 pounds of hetting.
The ropes, lines and corks for each net cost about \$50. The construction of a good net is worth \$180; but fishermen generally save this amount by making their own nets. If hired days of gas over and the electric era induced fishermen pay 20 cents a fathom Turnaces, Fireplaces, Heaters

By making their own nets. If hired done fishermen pays 20 cents a fathom for the work. The fishermen pursue their vocation at all points on the river and bay during the season. The fish, after remaining a short time in the brackish water below straits, begin to ascend. The fish made in the straits; the following day the fish will have reached Collinaville, and the next day they may be found at Rio Vista. In this manner they ascend, gradually lessening their speed the further up they go. The winter run commences in January, pames are ready to undertake the interval of the companies are ready to undertake the interval of the companies are ready to undertake the interval of the companies are ready to undertake the interval of the companies are ready to undertake the interval of the companies are ready to undertake the interval of the companies are ready to undertake the interval of the companies are ready to undertake the interval of the companies are ready to undertake the interval of the companies are ready to undertake the interval of the companies are ready to undertake the interval of the companies are ready to undertake the interval of the companies are ready to undertake the interval of the companies are ready to undertake the interval of the companies are ready to undertake the interval of the companies are ready to undertake the interval of the companies of the companies are ready to undertake the interval of the companies of the companies are ready to undertake the interval of the companies pames are ready to undertake the lighting of streets and houses, and the performance of all work now done on land by steam, the driving of railway trains included. They are prepared limited. The spring run, which com-mences in March, is composed of a variety much thicker than the fish of We are still in the dark about the

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