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There weren't many logs running, and I was looking around, and I saw about 15 fine caribou come down to the bank and swim across the river. They didn't seem to mind me at all. There were caribou in western Nova Scotia when I was young, and I remember my father and others bringing home caribou meat on tabigans in winter. I have seen caribou trails in Nova Scotia, but I never did much hunting far from the Mersey River in those days, and I never saw a caribou there myself. They were getting scarce in the 1900s, and pretty soon they were gone. I have heard old Indians say that the caribou in western Nova Scotia used to travel towards the east end of the province every spring. They used to travel along the middle of the country. I remember one man saying, when the caribou died out, that it was the building of the railroads between Bridgewater and Middleton, and between New Germany and Caledonia, that stopped the caribou moving. Well, in Newfoundland we finished river-driving about the middle of the summer, and I decided to go home in time for the fall moose-hunting, because some of my American sports would be expecting me at Milford. But before I went home, we had a fishing trip. The river was full of salmon. I never saw so many. You could catch all you wanted, and nobody thought anything of it. Trout the same. Like our country must have been in the old time. No wonder John thought Newfoundland was a great place. After that I went to Milford, and I guided sportsmen for Del Thomas in the spring, summer, and fall. Some winters I stayed on at Milford and trapped fur. Some winters I would go over to the States and call on the sports I knew; they always gave me a good time. Some lived in Boston, some in New York, some in Ohio. One of them was Dr. A. C. Fales, a Nova Scotian, a specialist in eye, ear, nose, and throat. He practiced in Maiden, Mass. In 1908 I took him trout fishing on the Jordan River, N. S. That fall he came to N. S. again and went moose-hunting with me. That winter I visited him in Maiden, and he asked me if I would like to go as a hunting guide to some sports that were going to Alaska. I said, Yes. He said he thought he could get me the job, and would let me know. I came back to Nova Scotia, and in the spring of 1909 I went river-driving with the firm of Harlow and Kempton on the Broad River. I got a telegram, telling me to be in Boston on June 1st. So I left the drive, and got Mr. Mackay the tailor in Liverpool to make me a good suit of clothes. I went to Boston, and Mrs. Fales met me at the boat, and we went on to Maiden. Dr. Fales had arranged for a trip with him and a New York millionaire named H. Q. French. Fales and I went by train to Montreal, and from there to Vancouver, where French was waiting for us. We bought some supplies there, and hunting clothes, and then went by steamer to Skagway, Alaska. We took a train from Skagway to Whitehorse in the Yukon. There we got a cook named R. G. Thomas, and an extra guide named George Ritchie. We got a boat and a canoe. The boat was a big one, about thirty or forty feet long. Mr. French didn't want to wait for the steamer to Dawson, so we set off in the boat and canoe down the Yukon River. We were several days getting down the river. We used to camp on the shore at night. We fished in the river and caught a lot of grayling. We went down to the Pelly River, which flows into the



Yukon above Dawson. We went 285 miles up the Pelly. It took us 46 days. We used to camp on sandbars along the sides of the river. We shot a lot of ducks. There were plenty of moose along the river. We saw them every day. Now and again we shot one, and cut off a hind quarter for meat. We camped for a time at Coghlan's Creek, a small stream flowing into the Pelly. We made two days' travel beyond Coghlan's Creek, and that was as far up the Pelly as we went. The Pelly runs from the eastward of the Yukon River, and at this point we could see the mountains of the

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