

Extract from Letter of F.B. Kinchcliff to John Henderson,  
unknown date.

A strange experience 2 days running – I never liked the flat parfait owing to its cutting out qualities. I am waiting on a gut to try the Murrough but the rise is only beginning & I got one fish 5 lbs. 3 rises on wet fly. I had good sport with wet fly, one drift 2 hours I got 4 trout – 5½; 3. 2½; 2. Next drift in 3 hours 4 - 3¾; 3. 2¾; 2¼. Others of 5 & 3 lbs on other days.

I trolled for pike a few days ago, bag 17 pike, 16 perch. Not bad for 1 day's trolling. I think pike are very plentiful in the lake now, very few really big fish were seen this year. One very big one was seen & hooked in Brick Bay by Kingston. I saw 1 in Rinnban & 1 in Pol na Perches, otherwise the fish were smaller, 2 to 4 lbs –

The lake has never been so low – The gulls are very plentiful & thank god few dappers were on the lake this year – fortunately my arm just enabled me to cast a dry fly – so I didn't dap.

Please excuse scrawl but Gardiner is telling such a lot of tall yarns that writing is next to impossible.

With regards to Mr. Henderson & hoping all are well

Yours sincerely

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