

## Extracts from 19<sup>th</sup> century newspapers relating to close time

**THE SALMON FISHING** – With Monday terminates the fishing for the season, and we are happy in being able to state that the season about to close has been more successful than several previous ones. There has not only been a greater number of fish taken, but there has also been an increase in the relative proportions of salmon and grilse, over the inferior species, trout. Throughout the season there has been, in consequence of the failure of the fishings in the northern rivers, a ready market, and prices have been always good. There has also been another advantage, and by no means a trifling one, namely, a speedy and certain conveyance to market by means of the steam-vessels, thereby avoiding frequent and severe losses from the depreciated state in which the fish reached their market. By the closing of the fishing there will not be fewer than 250 men thrown for awhile out of employment, and in a majority of cases persons with large families. On them the length of the close time must press heavily.

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