

FEATHERS UPON

'FISH' PROBLEM

Federal Authorities Puzzled What to Do With "Dressing" of the Ducks Shipped So Labeled.

What disposition to make of the 227 wild ducks confiscated by Deputy Game Warden McNaughton some time ago is puzzling the federal authorities. They are also trying to find and punish the person or persons responsible for smuggling them into the United States from Winnipeg, but again they are puzzled, as it is uncertain what punishment can be meted out.

The ducks arrived here consigned to L. L. Pomush, fish merchant, marked "Fish." Their feathers betrayed them, and these same feathers are now causing all the trouble. The case against Pomush was settled when he paid a fine of \$100 for having wild fowls in his possession out of season.

According to Superior customs officials, the duty on dressed game birds is 30 per cent ad valorem, while the importation of feathers is strictly prohibited. The birds were "dressed" all right, but they were dressed in their own feathers, hence the difficulty.