

502. It will be seen that there were no less than 401 light stations, 478 lighthouses, 21 fog-whistles and 32 fog-horns more than there were in 1868, without taking into account the large number of bell-buoys, buoys and beacons that have also been supplied since then. Increase in number.

503. The total number of light stations in the Dominion on 1st December, 1890, was 599; of lights shown, 705; of steam fog-whistles and automatic fog-horns, 55; and of lightkeepers, engineers of fog-whistles, assistants and crews of lightships, 750; while the whole number of persons employed on the outside service was 1,438. The lights, beacons, &c., were distributed among the several divisions as follow:— Number of lights, etc. 1890.

504. The Ontario division, extending from Montreal to Manitoba, contained 200 lights, including two in Manitoba. There were also 420 buoys and 20 beacons. Ten new lights and several buoys and beacons were added during the year. The lights were supplied by the SS. "Celtic," chartered for the purpose. The total cost of maintenance for the year was \$84,036, and of construction, \$10,366. Ontario division.

505. The Quebec division is a large and important one, comprising, as it does, the Richelieu River and Lake Memphremagog, the River and Gulf of St. Lawrence, the Strait of Belle Isle, the north-west coast of Newfoundland and the Labrador coast. In this division there were 151 lights, 10 lightships, 3 supplied with steam fog-whistles, 11 steam fog-whistles, 8 fog-guns, 116 buoys, of which 8 were gas buoys, 59 beacons and 9 life-saving canoes for service in the ice. The lights were supplied by the steamers "Druid" and "Napoleon III." The latter vessel was wrecked on the 18th October, 1890, in Little Glace Bay, N.S. The expenditure for maintenance was \$106,751, and for construction, \$5,326. Quebec division.

506. The Nova Scotia division, likewise a very important one, contained 170 lighthouses, showing 177 lights, 1 lightship, 16 steam fog-alarms, 13 hand fog-alarms, 2 fog-bells, 3 signal- Nova Scotia division.