

DISTRIBUTION AND VALUE OF CATCH OF PRINCIPAL KINDS OF
FISH IN EACH PROVINCE IN 1891—*Concluded.*

FRESH WATER FISHERIES.

FISH.	Ontario.	Manitoba and N. W. T.
	\$	\$
Whitefish.....	506,518	275,423
Salmon trout.....	576,668
Herring.....	348,342
Total	1,431,528	275,423
All other.....	374,862	57,545
Grand total	1,806,390	332,968

Fisheries Protection Service. 666. Five steamers, viz., the "Acadia," "La Canadienne," "Stanley," "Constance" and "Curlew," one government schooner, the "Vigilant" and one chartered schooner, the "Kingfisher," were employed in the fisheries protection service in the Gulf of St. Lawrence and on the Atlantic coast during the season of 1892. One seizure only in connection with the fisheries was made, viz., that of the U. S. schooner "Hattie Maude," which was seized by the "Curlew" for having shipped men for fishing, at a Canadian port, without having first taken out a license. The vessel was released on payment of costs, as, having changed hands, it appeared that her owners were not aware of her liability. Two schooners were seized by the "Acadia" and one by the "Constance" for smuggling from St. Pierre, Miquelon.

The *modus vivendi*. 667. The *modus vivendi*, which had been in force for five years, pending a settlement of the fisheries question, was continued for another year. By this arrangement United States fishing vessels are admitted to Canadian fisheries on payment of a license fee of \$1.50 per ton, and the privilege was largely taken advantage of during the past year, being evidently highly appreciated by United States fishermen. This is shown by the fact that 108 licenses were issued, as compared with 36 in 1888, and \$13,410 collected in fees, as against \$3,831 in 1888.

Fishery Intelligence Bureau. 668. The Fishery Intelligence Bureau, which was inaugurated on a small scale in 1889, has become a necessity to the fishing community. The reports of the movement of bait, are anxiously followed by the masters of fishing vessels, while the reports from Labrador and the North Shore are of great service to the large fishing firms.

Fishing bounties. 669. Under an Act passed in 1882 to encourage the development of sea fisheries and the building of fishing vessels, provision was made