

FISHERIES.

43.—Government Bounties to Fishermen in the fiscal years 1911 to 1914.

Province.	Number of men who received bounties.				Value of bounties paid.			
	1911.	1912	1913.	1914.	1911.	1912.	1913.	1914.
					\$	\$	\$	\$
Prince Edward Is'd	1,689	2,262	2,328	2,349	8,670	11,119	11,082	10,340
Nova Scotia.....	14,334	14,307	14,300	15,364	99,425	97,904	93,456	94,991
New Brunswick...	2,073	2,083	2,225	2,528	15,795	15,110	16,385	17,536
Quebec.....	7,723	7,906	8,383	8,709	36,110	35,863	37,738	36,717
Total.....	25,819	26,558	27,236	28,950	160,000	159,996	158,661	159,584

Inland Fish Markets.—Other government assistance to the fishing industry takes the form of encouraging the development of markets for fresh fish in the interior of the country by payment of one-third of the ordinary express charges on shipments of fresh fish from the Atlantic coast to points as far west as the eastern boundary of Manitoba and from the Pacific coast as far east as that boundary. Cold storage cars by fast freight are placed at the disposal of shippers from the Atlantic seaboard, and aid is rendered in the building of small cold storage establishments for the storing of bait. Fish-breeding is carried on by the Dominion Government upon an extensive scale, the expenditure for this service in 1914-15 amounting to \$370,093. The hatcheries in operation number altogether 64, including seven subsidiary hatcheries; there are also retaining ponds for Atlantic salmon. The hatcheries are situated in Prince Edward Island (3), Nova Scotia (12), New Brunswick (11), Quebec (12), Ontario (8), Manitoba (4), Saskatchewan (1), Alberta (1) and British Columbia (12). In addition, there is one in British Columbia which is operated by the British Columbia Packers' Association.

Value of Fisheries.—As shown in Table 44, the total marketed value of all kinds of fish, fish products and marine animals, taken by Canadian fishermen in both the sea and inland fisheries during the year ended March 31, 1915, amounted to \$31,264,631, as compared with \$33,207,748 in 1913-14. To the total amount in 1914-15 the sea fisheries contributed \$27,198,257 and the inland fisheries \$4,066,374.¹

¹For further details respecting the Canadian fishing industry, see Annual Reports of the Department of Marine and Fisheries, from which the statistics in the Year Book have been compiled.