

## **Review of the Progress and Development of the Department of Marine and Fisheries since 1896, and Comtemplated Improvements**

This pamphlet is prepared with a view of presenting to the public, evidence of the great progress and improvements made in connection with both branches of the important Department of Marine and Fisheries, of Canada. Many persons interested in our great waterways and fisheries, who have not the time or opportunity to read elaborate and detailed annual reports, will find in this summary, the information which has so frequently of late, formed the subject of enquiry. Besides, the number of annual reports published by Parliament is limited, and, therefore, the interested public cannot fail to appreciate this effort to chronicle the progress in aids to navigation and fish breeding.

### **New Aids to Navigation and Improvements during the Past Six Years.**

Owing to the adoption of a more liberal policy during the past six or seven years, many improvements in lighting apparatus and fog-alarms, have been introduced. The increased trade of the past six years, on the coast, ocean and inland waters of Canada, demanded more and better aids to navigation, and the requirements of the shipping interest, mariners and fishermen, have been considered.

The following comparative statement shows the increased total expenditure during the year 1903 over 1896.