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The sum of \$806.50 was expended on these lights during the fiscal year ended 30th June last.

No changes have occurred in the keepership of the lights in this Division during the past year.

By reference to Appendix No. 5 it will be seen that the sum of \$17,752.03 was expended during the past fiscal year, in the construction of new lighthouses, and the sum of \$11,817.01 in the maintenance of Lighthouses, Buoys and Beacons.

#### BRITISH COLUMBIA LIGHTHOUSE DIVISION.

The Report of Captain James Cooper, Agent of this Department at Victoria, B.C., will be seen by reference to Appendix No. 6 of this Report. No new lighthouses have been established in this Division since the date of last Report, but repairs and improvements have been made to the existing lighthouses where found necessary and these will be found specified in the Report of the Agent. The lighthouses in British Columbia are six in number, and there is one lightship. The lightkeepers with assistants number 14. The following changes have occurred in the keepership of the lights in this Division since the date of last Report, viz :—

By Order in Council of the 12th July last, Mr. R. G. Wellwood was appointed Keeper of Point Atkinson light at a salary of \$800 per annum in the place of Mr. Edward Woodward resigned.

By Order in Council of the 21st December last Mr. Emanuel Cox was appointed Keeper of the lighthouse at Cape Beale at a salary of \$1,200, including allowances, in place of Mr. Westmoreland, resigned, and Mr. Alex. McKinnon Keeper of the lighthouse at Beren Island, in place of Mr. Cox transferred to Cape Beale Lighthouse.

The total cost of the maintenance of Lights, Buoys and Beacons in this Division for the year ended 30th June last, as will be seen by reference to the detailed accounts in Appendix No. 6, amounted to \$15,853.60.

#### OIL.

The oil required for the different lighthouses in these Divisions, excepting for those lighthouses in British Columbia, was supplied under contract during the past year by Messrs. F. A. Fitzgerald & Co., Union Petroleum Co., London, Ontario. The lights in British Columbia, with the exception of Fraser River Lightship, and Race Rocks Light, use petroleum oil; at Race Rocks and Fraser River, dog-fish liver oil, which is found to give a brilliant light and to answer every practical purpose, is now used instead of Colza oil, as formerly.

The contract with Messrs. Fitzgerald & Co. for the supply of oil was for a term of three years, and has now expired, and tenders will shortly be invited for the supply