

his appointment, his right thereto being, however, reserved to him on subsequent retirement.

A gratuity of two months' salary, amounting to the sum of \$58.33, was allowed to the widow of Mr. James Clark, under Order in Council.

The total amount expended on account of Construction of Lighthouses and Fog-Whistles in this Division for the fiscal year ended 30th June last, was \$22,598.14, and the sum expended on Maintenance of Lights, Fog-Whistles, Buoys and Beacons, was \$57,499.02.

NOVA SCOTIA LIGHTHOUSE DIVISION.

This Division, which is one of the most important in the Dominion, is under the charge of Mr. H. W. Johnson, Agent of this Department at Halifax. At the close of the past year, there were in operation in this Division 118 Lights, 10 Steam Fog-Whistles, 1 Lightship, 3 Signal Gun Stations, 3 Automatic Signal Buoys, 7 large iron Bell Buoys, 6 Stationary Beacons, and 285 iron and wooden Can Buoys and Spar Buoys, 3 Humane Establishments for the relief of distressed seamen, 7 Life-Boat Stations, and 4 Signal Stations. The number of Lighthouse Keepers, Engineers of Fog-Whistles and persons in charge of Life-Boats, Humane Establishments and Signal Stations in this Division is 183.

Reference was made in last year's Report to the Lighthouse in course of erection at Sheet Harbour, in the County of Halifax. This Lighthouse has not been fully completed, but it was put in operation in February last, and it is expected that the contractor will satisfactorily finish it. The building is of wood, and consists of a square Tower, 41 feet high, with Keeper's dwelling attached, and exhibits a revolving red catoptric Light attaining its greatest brilliancy every 40 seconds. The Light is elevated 75 feet above high-water mark, and in clear weather should be seen at a distance of 10 miles. As will be seen by reference to Appendix No. 8, the sum of \$3,804.50 was expended on this Lighthouse during the past fiscal year.

During the past season a Lighthouse has been erected on Three Top Island, Whitehaven, Guysboro' County, and was put in operation in September last. The building is of wood, and consists of a square Tower, 32 feet high, with Keeper's dwelling attached. The Light is fixed white catoptric, elevated 43 feet above high-water, and should be seen at a distance of 11 miles. This Light is for the purpose of guiding vessels into Whitehaven, and in order to point out the dangers on the northern side of the western passage is obscured when bearing to the eastward of N. E. by E. The contract for this Lighthouse was awarded to Mr. Thomas O'Neil of Salmon River, Guysboro', for the sum of \$1,097. The sum of \$853.21 was expended