

of that part of the coast extending from Cape Hurd to Owen Sound; Mr. Patton's limits extend from Port Rich to Collingwood, and Mr. Frazer's from Penetanguishene to the mouths of the Rivers Severn and Muskoka. With this addition in the number of fishery officers, it is to be hoped that violations of the law, similar to those which occurred last season, will not be possible.

### MUSKOKA DIVISION.

WM. E. FOOTE, *Overseer.*

The present division comprises Lakes Muskoka, Rosseau, Joseph, Lake of the Woods and the Maganetawan River. These waters, which teem with all sorts of fish most dear to anglers, such as speckled trout, bass, &c., have, owing to increased facility of communications and speedy travel, become the rendezvous of hundreds of anglers from all parts of Canada and the States. They were entitled to special consideration by the Department, and placed during the course of last season under the guardianship of Mr. Foote.

### LAKE HURON DIVISION.

G. B. ABBEY, *Overseer.*

The following table shows the yield and value of the Fisheries in this Division:—

	1872.	1873.	1874.
White Fish, brls.....	3,923	2,047	3,332
Trout.....	2,182	1,751	2,305
Pickeral.....		1	.....
Herring.....			200
Total.....	6,105	3,799	5,837
Value.....	\$42,735	\$22,807	\$57,370

The above shows a satisfactory increase over previous years, the weather having been very fine throughout the fishing season. Most of the fishermen in this division are Indians, which accounts for the small amount of fees collected. It is also very difficult to procure reliable fishing statistics, fishermen pretending to believe it is in their interest to under-state their catch.

### LAKE SUPERIOR DIVISION.

JOSEPH WILSON, *Overseer.*

The product of the fisheries in this division for the past season shows a considerable increase over the two previous years. The following statement gives the Yield and Value of the Fisheries for 1872, 1873 and 1874:—

	1872.	1873.	1874.
White Fish, brls.....	1,958	2,275	2,580
"    fresh, per hundred lbs..		7,000	.....
Trout, brls.....	1,252	1,500	1,684
Pickeral.....	70		.....
Total.....	3,282	3,775	4,264
Value.....	\$19,384	\$18,045	\$42,640