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EDITOR'S FOREWORD

For some considerable time the Fisheries Research Board has been aware of the need for a thorough study of the freshwater fishes of Canada. The main difficulty was to find qualified scientists who had at their disposal both the necessary resources and the required time. It was not until 1966 that the fortunate arrangement, of which this monograph is the result, was worked out between the Fisheries Research Board and Dr W. B. Scott, Dr E. J. Crossman, and the Royal Ontario Museum (then a part of the University of Toronto).

The Fisheries Research Board, initiator of the project, contributed a large measure of financial support as well as the services of its publications and editorial sections. The Royal Ontario Museum made available the services and facilities, not only of the entire Department of Ichthyology and Herpetology, but also of the highly qualified staff and resources of its library and photography department. It also permitted the Department to make this study its major research project over a period of several years and sponsored the library, laboratory, and field research necessary. Drs Scott and Crossman directed the research, evaluated the results, and wrote the report.

The Fisheries Research Board is proud to present this volume, a tribute to the cooperation between the government agency that initiated and supported the work and the research organization that carried it out. It also expresses its appreciation of the generous outlook of the Director and Board of Trustees of the Royal Ontario Museum that made such cooperation possible.

J. C. Stevenson, Editor and Director of Scientific Information

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