

The following is a list of the Shipping Masters appointed during the last calendar year, with the date of each appointment :—

Roderick McKenzie	for the Port of Cow Bay,	appointed 27th August,	1875.
Angus Grant	“ Port Hawkesbury,	“ 14th June,	“
William Koughan	“ Charlottetown, P. E. I.,	“ 22nd July,	“

The following is a summary of the reports received from the Shipping Masters at some of the principal ports in the Dominion :—

The Shipping Master at Halifax shipped, during the year ended 31st December last, 2,825 seamen, for which he received at the rate of 50 cents each, (\$1,412.50), and discharged 2,049 for which he received at the rate of 30 cents each, (\$614.70), making in all a total sum of \$2,027.20, out of which, after deducting his expenses, \$1,125, he had as remuneration \$902.20.

At St. John the Shipping Master shipped, during the last calendar year, 4,417 seamen, receiving therefrom \$2,208.50, and discharged 1,574, receiving \$472.20, making his total receipts \$2,680.70, out of which he paid for assistant and incidental expenses, \$1,047.25, leaving the net income of his office \$1,633.45.

At Montreal the Collector of Customs, who acts as Shipping Master in accordance with the 9th Section of the Act which provides that at ports where no separate shipping office has been established the Chief Officer of Customs may act as Shipping Master if so directed by the Governor in Council, shipped during the last calendar year 686 seamen, and discharged 460, receiving as fees in all the sum of \$481.

At the Port of Quebec the total number of seamen shipped from the 1st July, 1874, to 30th June, 1875, was 2,430, of which number 831 belonged to British, 1,282 to Dominion, and 249 to Foreign Vessels. 760 seamen were discharged during the same period, of which 286 belonged to British and 474 to Dominion ships. The total amount of fees received including receipts from articles and forms sold, amounted to \$1,551.83 and deducting the amount expended for assistance in the office and incidental expenses viz :—\$797.45, the balance on hand at the close of the last fiscal year amounted to \$754.38, which reverted to the treasury. From the 1st July, 1875, to 31st December, 1875, 1,081 seamen were shipped, of which number 368 belonged to British vessels, 615 to Dominion, and 98 to foreign vessels. During the same period 431 seamen were discharged. The total amount of fees received during the period mentioned was \$701.14, while the expenditure amounted to \$701.72.

PILOTAGE AUTHORITIES.

TRINITY HOUSE, QUEBEC.

By the provisions of the Act passed at last Session 38 Vic. Cap. 55 entitled “ An Act respecting the Trinity House and Harbour Commissioners of Quebec,” the powers and authorities of the Trinity House of Quebec, together with its property, were transferred to and vested in the Quebec Harbour Commissioners, and the Corporation of