

over receipts of \$236.59. Marine Hospitals are established in New Brunswick at the Ports of St. John, St. Andrews, Miramichi, Richibucto, Bathurst and Sackville, and returns are received weekly from the physicians in charge as to the number of patients. From these returns it would appear that the average weekly number of patients at the different hospitals is as follows, viz:—St. John Marine Hospital, 13; Miramichi, 5; St. Andrews, 1; Richibucto, 1, and Sackville, 1.

By referring to Appendix No. 18 details of expenditure at the different hospitals will be had.

The sick mariners' dues collected at the Port of St. John during the last fiscal year amounted to \$4,587.20, and the cost of maintenance of the Marine Hospital at that place amounted to \$4,528.94.

In the Province of Nova Scotia Marine Hospitals have been established at the Ports of Yarmouth and Sydney, and a new hospital is in course of construction at Lunenburg and will soon be completed.

At Halifax provision is made for sick seamen at the Provincial and City Hospital under special arrangements made with the managers of that institution. The sum of 90 cents per diem is at present allowed for board and medical attendance.

At the other Ports in the Province sick seamen are cared for under the direction of the Chief Officer of Customs. By referring to Appendix No. 18 details will be found of the expenditure for sick seamen at the different Ports in Nova Scotia.

At the Port of Halifax the sum of \$4,013.14 was collected as sick mariners' dues and the expenditure for sick seamen amounted to the sum of \$3,356.86. The total expenditure for sick and distressed seamen in Nova Scotia during the past fiscal year amounted to \$10,975.94, and for shipwrecked and distressed seamen to \$2,398.72, making the total expenditure \$13,374.66, being \$1,000.66 less than that of the preceding year. The total receipts amounted to \$10,005.45, showing an excess of expenditure over receipts of \$3,369.21.

In the Province of Prince Edward Island, the expenditure on account of sick, disabled and shipwrecked seamen during the past fiscal year amounted to \$3,808.55, but a considerable portion of this expenditure was occasioned by the breaking out of small-pox in some of the vessels arriving in the Island. The collections for sick mariners' dues amounted to \$1,040.34. Marine Hospitals have been established at the Ports of Charlottetown and Souris, but the building at Charlottetown consists of a small rented cottage, and is quite unsuitable for the purpose.

In the Province of British Columbia the sum of \$4,167.05 was expended during the past year for sick and disabled seamen, and the collection for the sick mariners' Fund for the same period amounted to \$2,865.66. A Marine Hospital has been established at Victoria.