

APPENDIX No. 76.

RETURN to the Department of Marine and Fisheries in accordance with the provisions of the Act 36 Vic., chap. 129, by the Shipping Master, or Officer acting in that capacity, at the Port of Halifax, in the Province of Nova Scotia, for the half-year ended 30th June, 1876.

	\$	cts.	Remarks.
1,206 Seamen shipped, paying 50 cents each.....	603	00	This Return shows a decrease of one hundred and fifty-six men as compared with the corresponding half-year ended 30th June, 1875. Owing to depression in trade and large number of seamen unemployed, wages have ruled low, never having been more than \$19, and during the first three months of the half-year never more than \$14. Runs to Britain, there has not been any.
720 do discharged, paying 30 cents each.....	216	00	
Amount of fees received	819	00	
From which deduct the following expenses, viz. :— Assistant, office rent and incidental expenses.....	490	00	
Amount reverting to Shipping Master	329	00	

JOHN D. CUMMINS,
Shipping Master.

HALIFAX, N.S., 2nd July, 1876.