

have to fall on some other species of direct taxation to make up the deficiency in our revenue.

“ I have the honor to be,

“ Your obedient servant,

(Signed,)

“ MARTIN J. WILKINS.

“ Samuel Watts, Esq.,
“ or the Chairman, &c., &c., &c.”

In relation to the

SANITARY ARRANGEMENTS

for the reception of immigrants, your Committee find that under the provisions of the 40th chapter of the Consolidated Statutes of Canada, intituled, *An Act respecting Emigrants and Quarantine*, and subject to Regulations made by His Excellency the Governor General in Council, a Quarantine Station is maintained at Grosse Isle, in the Port of Quebec, under the superintendence of the Chief Immigration Agency.

The establishment consists of a Medical Superintendent, who has full power and authority over all officers and other persons whatsoever in Grosse Isle or attached to that station, an hospital steward, one orderly, one cook, one police sergeant and four boatmen.

The expenditure connected with this station, for 1866, as stated by Mr. Buchanan, late Chief Agent for Immigration, was :—

Salaries of Inspecting Physician.....	\$2,400 00
Maintenance of boat and crew.....	800 00
Sundry services.....	18,146 07

Total..... \$21,346 07

Mr. Buchanan reports favorably of the health of the immigrants of 1866; but 19 deaths having occurred at Grosse Isle.

There is a Quarantine Station in the Harbour of St. John, under direction of the Board of Health of that city, which Board was established, under Act of the Legislature of New Brunswick, A.D. 1855, 18 Victoria, cap. 40. This Board has general powers for the preservation of the public health and may order vessels into Quarantine, which vessels must remain subject to its regulations until discharged by the proper officer. The Board is controlled by municipal law. The Inspecting Physician of Quarantine is paid by fees upon the vessels.

The amounts paid out of the public chest of New Brunswick for Quarantine expenses in 1866, were :—

Salary of boatman and hospital keeper.....	\$400 00
Labor and material repairing building.....	48 33
Insurance and contingencies.....	70 32

Total..... \$518 65

Under an Act of New Brunswick, passed in 1866, 29 Victoria, cap. 6, a Board of Health, with powers, under Regulations to be made by the Local Authorities, to appoint a Quarantine and make other sanitary provisions, was established in the City of Fredericton and the Town of Woodstock. But no necessity appears to have arisen for a quarantine in either of these places, nor has the Committee, at hand, any account of public moneys having been expended there under the above Act.

By Chapters 53 and 54, Title 15, of the Revised Statutes of Nova Scotia, the Governor in Council is empowered to make Quarantine and Sanitary Orders, and appoint Health Officers and Boards of Health in that Province, to carry such orders into effect.

Under this Act, a Board of Health has, for some years, been established at Halifax. The ordinary Quarantine expenses of the station at this port have hitherto, so far as the Committee can learn, been met by a tonnage fee upon vessels.

An Act was passed by the Nova Scotia Legislature, in 1866, 29 Victoria, Chapter 8, authorizing the Governor to draw from the public treasury, and expend a sum not exceed-