

trars. There are 66 Measurers and Surveyors of Shipping, at certain ports throughout the Dominion, who act as officers of this Department, and are remunerated from their fees of office, although, in addition to such office many of them hold a position in the Customs service. Also, in addition to the above, by Orders in Council of 21st April and 2nd December, 1874, the Chief Officer of Customs at each port in the Provinces of Quebec, Nova Scotia, New Brunswick, British Columbia and Prince Edward Island, where no separate shipping office has been established, is to be held and deemed a Shipping Master, and is to receive the fees, make half-yearly returns to this Department, and act in that capacity under its instructions.

I have the honour to be, Sir,

Your most obedient servant,

WM. SMITH,

*Deputy Minister of Marine and Fisheries.*

DEPARTMENT OF MARINE AND FISHERIES,

OTTAWA, 1st January, 1876.