

addition to the poundage there was received the sum of \$1,857.92, being interest on investments, and \$43.50 pilotage dues received from vessels obliged by law to pay dues, but which did not take pilots, making a total of \$3,434.25 received. The disbursements consisted of \$2,147.70 paid as pensions to old and infirm pilots and widows of pilots. The amount to the credit of the Decayed Pilot Fund shows an increase of \$1,286.56 as compared with the preceding year, although there has been a falling off in the poundage received of about \$64; and two new pensioners have been placed on the list. There are at present 25 pensioners on the list, viz., 23 women and two men. The fund now amounts to \$31,615.45, and \$24,000 of this amount is invested in Montreal Harbour Bonds, \$2,000 in Montreal Water Works Bonds, \$1,620 in Dominion Stock, \$3,679.06 deposited in City District Savings Bank, and the balance of \$316.39 cash in hands of the treasurer. The pensions paid range from \$75 to \$90 under the new scale adopted last year.

In the report of the Pilotage Authority will be found an account of accidents which occurred during the past season, which are all of a minor character and unaccompanied with serious loss or damage, with one exception, viz., that of the collision which occurred on the 8th November, between the steamships "Moravian" and "Phœnician," at Cap a la Roche," by which both vessels and a portion of the cargo of the "Phœnician" received very serious injury. As the result of a preliminary enquiry the pilot of the "Phœnician," being found in fault was suspended for one year from the date of the accident.

ST. JOHN, N.B.

By the return received from the Authority (see Supplement No. 2) it will be seen that the sum of \$26,536.48 was received as pilotage dues during the year ended 31st December last. These dues were received from 571 vessels, 342 of which were British and 229 foreign. There are 44 licensed pilots. From the statement of the receipts and expenditure it appears that the receipts from licenses granted to pilots and boats, and the proportion of pilotage dues deducted from all vessels clearing, together with fines and interest on deposits, amounted to \$2,462.34, and the expenditure, including salary of Secretary-Treasurer, assistance given to worn-out pilots, widows and children, and other charges, to \$1,646.35, leaving a balance to the credit of the Pilot Fund of \$815.99.

HALIFAX, N.S.

From the returns received, it appears that the sum of \$12,346.56 was received as pilotage dues, \$184 for renewals of licenses and bonds, \$522 for commission on earnings to defray expenses of office, and \$208.45 for superannuation fund, making the total receipts \$13,261.23. Of this amount \$10,790.04 was paid to pilots, \$1,922.56 for expenses of office, Secretary's salary, rent, &c., and the balance of \$548.63 cash