six months the contract work amounted to \$26,363.06, as against \$27,206.60, for the corresponding six months of 1881.

ADVERTISING.

The table appended shows the cost of the advertising done during the year. The number of advertising requisitions was 137, covering advertisements in from 1 to 287 newspapers each. The number of accounts audited were over 5,000.

All which is respectfully submitted.

B. CHAMBERLIN, Queen's Printer.

OTTAWA, 31st January, 1883.