

statement of the Decayed Pilot Fund will be found in Appendix No. 33 to this Report.

From the Report it appears that there are at present 51 pilots on the active list, and that five new pilots were licensed, and a temporary license granted to one pilot, in accordance with the 36th section of the Act 36 Vic., chap. 54, and two pilots superannuated. The number of apprentices is 24. The total earnings of the pilots amounted to \$17,884.95, being in excess of the previous year by the sum of \$9,354.78. The Decayed Pilot Fund continues in a very satisfactory condition, the amount received for poundage being \$2,394.23, an increase of \$470.16 over that of the previous year; the interest on investments, &c., was \$1,836.96, and sundry receipts \$24, making a total of \$4,255.19,—the total increase in the Fund being \$1,904.08. There are 25 pensioners on the Fund, viz., twenty women and five men, and the pensions paid amounted to \$2,166.57.

The Fund now amounts to \$35,213.39, and \$24,000 of this is invested in Harbour Bonds, \$2,000 in Water Works Bonds, \$1,600 in Dominion Stock, \$5,000 in City of Montreal Consolidated Fund, \$2,561.51 in City and District Savings Bank and \$51.88 in the hands of the Treasurer.

In the Report of the Pilotage Authority will be found a statement of the casualties occurring on the river, which were all of a minor character, with the exception of two, which occurred on the 22nd of November last, when the steamer "Ottawa" ran aground at Cap La Roche, and the ship "Boyne" struck a boulder at the same place, and became a complete wreck. No complaints in these cases were made against the pilots, but an enquiry has been ordered by the Commissioners.

ST. JOHN, N.B.

By the returns received from the Pilotage Authority at this port (see Supplement No. 1), it will be seen that the sum of \$29,691.60 was received as pilotage dues during the year ended the 31st of December last, being \$8,076.97 in excess of the previous year. These dues were received from 647 vessels, of which 359 were British and 288 foreign. There are 41 licensed pilots, and seven pilot-boats. From the statement given of receipts and expenditure it appears that the receipts from licenses granted to pilots and pilot-boats, and a proportion of pilotage dues deducted from all vessels on outward pilotage, and on vessels going to sea without pilots, together with interest on bonds invested, amounted to \$2,861.07, and the expenditure, including pensions paid to retired pilots and widows and children, salary of Secretary, rent, fuel, and other charges amounted to \$2,192.75, leaving a balance to the credit of the Pilot Fund of \$668.73.

HALIFAX, N.S.

From the returns received, it appears that a sum of \$12,183 was received as pilotage dues during the year ended 31st December last, of which \$10,240.50 was