

Weights and Measures and Gas.

REPORT

OF THE

COMMISSIONER OF INLAND REVENUE

ON THE

INSPECTION OF WEIGHTS AND MEASURES AND GAS.

To the Honourable
The Controller of Inland Revenue.

SIR,—I have the honour to submit herewith my annual report on the inspection of weights and measures and gas, with the usual statements in connection therewith, for the fiscal year ended 30th June, 1893.

1. The total revenue collected during the year for the inspection of weights and measures was \$39,411.06, as against \$38,549.66 collected during the year ended 30th June, 1892.

2. The total expenditure was \$71,766.06, as against \$70,052.55 expended during the year ended 30th June, 1892.

3. Appendix "A" gives a summary statement of the receipts and expenditure of each inspection division.

4. In Appendices "B," "C" and "D" will be found a detailed statement of weights, measures and weighing machines presented for verification, verified and rejected during the year. The number of all descriptions may be summarily stated as follows:—

—	Presented.	Verified.	Rejected.	Percentage of Rejections.
Weights, Dominion	80,951	80,590	361	0.44
Measures of capacity, Dominion	89,745	89,032	713	0.79
Lineal measures	5,941	5,857	84	1.41
Balances, equal arms	12,872	12,717	155	1.20
do steelyards	4,118	4,071	47	1.14
do platform scales	23,995	23,588	407	1.70
Irregular weights	819	705	24	2.80
do measures	160	157	3	1.87

5. Since the date of my last report Mr. Robert Magness, one of the assistant inspectors of the Hamilton weights and measures division—a practical officer who has had large experience in original inspection of weights and measures and weighing machines—has been appointed general supervisor of inspections in manufactories of that class of goods, and is, I am pleased to report, giving satisfaction to manufacturers as well as to the officers whose work he supervises.