

\$1,500 for the joint offices; one deputy chief constable at \$2.40 per diem; five coxswains, each at \$1.90; 27 constables at \$1.50 per diem, and two engineers at \$50 each, per month, making in all, 36. From the report of the chief it appears that the Force discharged their duties to the satisfaction of the shipping interests of the port, but that crimping prevailed to a considerable extent. From the statement appended to the annual report of the chief, which appears in the supplement to this report, it appears that during the season 363 arrests were made for desertion, drunkenness and other causes, being 46 less than reported last year.

The total amount expended in connection with the maintenance of the Quebec River Police for the fiscal year ended 30th June last was \$22,935.65, while the dues collected during the same period amounted to \$12,483.48, showing a deficiency of \$10,452.17.

A detailed statement of this service showing the amount paid for maintenance of the force, police steamer and contingencies will be found in Appendix No. 26 to this report.

MONTREAL.

The force at Montreal, which is under the charge of Mr. H. St. A. Ormond, Inspector, who also holds the position of Agent of the Department, consisted during the season of one chief constable, with a salary of \$3 per diem; five sergeants at \$1.90 per diem; one caretaker at \$1, and 31 constables at \$1.50 per diem, making a total, including the inspector, of 39. The inspector and agent receives a salary of \$1,400 per annum. A portion only of the force was taken on at the beginning of the season, and additions were made, as the arrival of shipping rendered it necessary.

The Inspector reports that during the months of May and June, there were several attempts at strikes on the part of ship labourers, which were prevented by the timely interference of the police. The annual returns show that 615 persons were arrested during the year, including seamen who received protection, and those placed on board their vessels after temporary confinement.

The total expenditure on account of this service at Montreal, during the fiscal year, amounted to \$17,413.47, and the harbour police dues collected to \$10,450.98, showing an excess of expenditure over receipts of \$6,962.49.

The total amount expended during the fiscal year at Quebec and Montreal, on account of harbour police services, was \$40,349.12, and the amount collected was \$22,934.46, showing an excess of expenditure over receipts of \$17,414.66.