

receipts for the same period amounted to \$11,407.35, showing an excess of receipts over expenditure of \$668.91. Marine Hospitals are established in New Brunswick at the Ports of St. John, St. Andrews, Miramichi, Richibucto, Bathurst and Sackville, and returns are received weekly from the physicians in charge as to the number of patients. From these Returns, it would appear, that the average weekly number of patients at the different Hospitals is as follows, viz.: St. John Marine Hospital 10; Miramichi, 6; St. Andrews,  $1\frac{1}{2}$ ; Richibucto,  $1\frac{1}{2}$ ; and Sackville, 2.

By reference to Appendix No. 30, it will be seen that the expenditure on account of these Hospitals for the past fiscal year, was as follows: St. John Marine Hospital \$4,915.37; Miramichi, \$2,059.94; St. Andrews, \$640.53; Bathurst, \$131.90; Richibucto, \$665.68; Sackville, \$1,212.90, while the expenditure at the other ports of the Province, where no hospitals existed, amounted to \$730.89. The collection of sick mariners' dues at the Port of St. John for the past fiscal year amounted to \$5,025.34.

In the Province of Nova Scotia, Marine Hospitals have been established at the Ports of Sydney and Yarmouth. At other Ports, sick seamen are cared for by the Chief Officer of Customs, except at Halifax, where they are admitted into the Provincial and City Hospital, under special arrangements made with the manager, by which \$5 per week is paid for the board and medical attendance of each seaman.

By reference to Appendix No. 30, it will be seen that the sum of \$2,322.37 was paid to this hospital during the last fiscal year for this service. The cost of maintenance of the Marine Hospital at Sydney for the past year amounted to \$1,892.99. The total amount expended for sick and disabled seamen in the Province of Nova Scotia during the past fiscal year amounted to \$11,395.47, and for shipwrecked and distressed seamen, to \$2,979.85, making the total expenditure amount to \$14,375.32, being \$4,124.68 less than that of the preceding year. At the Port of Halifax the collections for the past year amounted to \$4,122.46, and the total receipts for the same period throughout the Province amounted to \$10,923.47. It will thus be seen that there was an excess of expenditure over receipts of \$3,451.85.

In the Province of Prince Edward Island, the expenditure on account of sick and disabled seamen during the past fiscal year amounted to \$1,227.11, and for distressed seamen to \$705.51, making a total expenditure of \$1,932.62, while the collections to the Sick Mariners' Fund for the same period amounted to \$820.16, showing an excess of expenditure over receipts of \$1,112.46. Marine Hospitals have been established at the Ports of Charlottetown and Souris. The cost of maintenance of the hospital at Charlottetown during the past year amounted to \$1,227.11, and of that at Souris, including expenditure at other outports, to \$705.51. During the last fiscal year 64 seamen were admitted into the hospital at Charlottetown, which consists of a small rented cottage, and is not considered suitable for the purpose required. The