

geants, and 1,475 constables were employed on special duties for various Government departments (19 at the Houses of Parliament, 62 in royal parks and grounds, 23 at the National Gallery, 75 at the South Kensington Museum, and 27 at the British Museum) and by public companies and private individuals. About 60 per cent. of the number available for duty in the streets is required for night duty—from 10 p.m. to 6 a.m. The Metropolitan Police District extends over a radius of fifteen miles from Charing Cross, exclusive of the City of London and its liberties. It embraces an area of about 688 square miles.

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Two decisions of the Court of Appeal, rendered at Montreal, June 8, 1892, settle an important question as to the responsibility of carriers for the loss of goods after arrival at destination. The cases have a considerable resemblance, and the same principle was applied to each. In one, *Canada Shipping Co. & Davison*, a contract of carriage was entered into at Liverpool, under which the appellant, a steamship company, was bound to carry the respondent's baggage to Montreal, to use due care in its safe-keeping, and to deliver it to him in due course on the steamer's arrival in Montreal. When the steamship carrying the baggage arrived in the port of Montreal, the respondent's baggage was taken from the vessel and placed in the company's shed on the wharf, but the respondent could not carry it away until it had been examined and passed by the Customs Officers, and until such examination, it remained in the company's shed and under its custody. One of the respondent's trunks disappeared before the examination, the loss being discovered within four and twenty hours after the arrival of the vessel. The Court was not unanimous. The majority (Lacoste, C. J., Hall and Wurtele, JJ.,) affirming the decision of Pagnuelo, J., M. L. R., 6 S. C. 388, held that on the arrival of a vessel in port, passengers are entitled to a reasonable delay before they can be called upon to receive and remove their baggage, and until such delay has