

The following changes have occurred in the list of Shipping Masters, since 1st January last, viz.:—The appointment of John J. Campbell, Shipping Master at the Port of Caledonia, N.S., on the 18th March last; the appointment of Jacob Schuman, Shipping Master at the Port of Summerside, P.E.I., on the 10th May last, and the appointment of Thomas H. Miller, Shipping Master at the Port of Bear River, N.S., on the 29th June last.

The following is a summary of the Reports received from the Shipping Masters at some of the principal ports in the Dominion.

The Shipping Master at St. John shipped during the year, 4,279 seamen, discharged 2,272, and received as fees at the rate of 50 cents for each seaman shipped, and 30 cents for each seaman discharged, \$2,821.10, out of which he paid for assistant and incidental expenses, \$841.50, leaving the net income of his office \$1,979.60.

The Shipping Master at Halifax shipped during the year 3,339 seamen, discharged 2,357, for which he received \$2,376.60, out of which, after deducting expenses, he had as remuneration \$1,252.00.

The Shipping Master at Montreal shipped during the year 1,491 seamen, discharged 174, and received as fees \$797.70.

At the Port of Quebec, the total number of seamen shipped from the 1st January to 31st December, last, was 1,307, of which number 731 belonged to British, 490 to Dominion, and 86 to foreign vessels. 424 seamen were discharged during the same period, of whom 252 belonged to British, and 172 to Dominion vessels. In addition to these, 205 wrecked seamen were discharged without payment of fees. The total amount of fees received during the calendar year was \$770.60, being \$211.10 more than the preceding year, and deducting the sum of \$160.93, being the amount of incidental expenses, the balance, \$609.67 reverted to the Treasury.

At the Port of Chatham, N.B., 253 seamen were shipped, 73 discharged, and fees to the amount of \$148.40 received by the Shipping Master.

At the Port of Pictou, N.S., 567 seamen were shipped, 308 discharged, and fees received to the amount of \$375.90,

At the Port of Liverpool, N.S., 466 seamen were shipped, 257 discharged, and fees to the amount of \$310.10 received.

At the Port of Lunenburg, N.S., 567 seamen were shipped, 435 discharged, and fees to the amount of \$129.00 received.

At the Port of Yarmouth, N.S., 540 seamen were shipped, 412 discharged, and fees to the amount of \$393.60 received.