

The total amount of moneys paid into Court was \$427,511. Total paid out, \$427,069. And these large figures by no means represent the full collecting power of the courts. Fully one-third of the suits entered are settled out of court—of which there are no returns—where the claims are as surely collected by virtue of the Division Court process.

A few years back a comparative statement was published (from official sources), showing the relative importance of the work done in the High Courts, County Courts, and Division Courts. The figures given were :

Entered in Superior Courts	7,041 cases
Number of judgments obtained,....	2,423
For a total amount of.....	\$2,500,000
Entered in County Courts.....	3,800 actions
Judgments entered for.....	\$453,408
Entered in Division Courts.....	63,054 cases
Amount of claims	\$2,447,196

The Division Courts are not only self-sustaining but they produce a revenue to the Province. In the course of 20 years the Provincial Revenue benefited to the amount of \$104,000, from the percentages collected by Government from Division Court Clerks on their emoluments.

For the past few years there has been a decrease in the business of the courts, yet notwithstanding the decrease in their fees, the clerks paid into the Provincial Treasury last year the sum of \$4,014.

There has been a good deal of misconception in the public mind as to the emoluments of the officers of the courts. Here are the figures, taken from the annual report for 1900 :

There are altogether 325 clerks and 363 bailiffs.

Over 100 clerks receiving less than \$100 a year for services.

About the same number who receive over \$100 and under \$200 a year.

42 who get between \$200 and \$300 a year.
23 with \$300 and under \$400.
16 over \$400 and under \$500.
9 over \$500 and under \$600.
6 over \$600 and under \$700.
2 over \$700 and under \$800.
3 over \$800 and under \$900.
6 over \$900 and under \$1,000.

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