

myelitis, (Infantile paralysis), and of the inspection work of the quarantine stations at Canadian ports of entry.

In 1917-18 the diseases met with were small-pox, leprosy, diphtheria, scarlet fever, measles, mumps, dysentery and erysipelas. In every instance the disease was stamped out at the station, and so prevented from appearing inland.

During the year 1917-18, 1,460 vessels and 239,125 persons were inspected at quarantine stations, and there were 309 admissions into hospitals. The corresponding figures for 1916-17 were 1,748 vessels, 228,957 persons inspected and 80 admissions to hospitals and for 1915-16, 1,582 vessels and 138,576 persons inspected and 80 admissions to hospitals.

PUBLIC DEFENCE.

Military Forces.—Before the outbreak of the war, the Canadian Militia consisted of a Permanent Force, which on March 31, 1914, numbered 3,000 officers, non-commissioned officers and men, and an Active Militia, which at the same date numbered 5,615 officers and 68,991 non-commissioned officers and men. Since the outbreak of the war on August 4, 1914, successive contingents of troops of all arms have been recruited, equipped, trained and despatched by the Canadian Government to Great Britain for active service as part of the Imperial forces. When hostilities ceased on November 11, 1918, there had been sent overseas for active service in the Canadian Expeditionary Force about 418,000 officers, non-commissioned officers and men.¹

Table 23, showing the Militia expenditure and revenue for the five fiscal years 1913 to 1917, is taken from the Report for the year ended March 31, 1917, of the Militia Council. This table shows that the ordinary expenditure of the Department of Militia and Defence for the year ended March 31, 1917, was \$4,301,785, as compared with \$4,681,502 for 1916 and \$9,991,817 for 1915. The ordinary revenue amounted to \$169,254 for the year ended March 31, 1917, as compared with \$292,273 for 1916 and \$125,785 for 1915.

¹See also page 659.

23.—Expenditure and Revenue of Militia for the Fiscal Years 1913-1917.

Schedule.	1913.	1914.	1915.	1916.	1917.
Allowances for drill instruction, care of arms and postage.....	\$ 85,474	\$ 101,904	\$ 66,513	\$ 68,643	\$ 47,573
Annual drill.....	1,719,257	1,830,034	1,875,944	—	—
Cadet corps.....	93,723	392,207	327,679	84,972	80,311
Clothing and necessaries.....	508,788	699,572	510,810	—	39,191
Contingencies—including guards of honour, escorts and salutes.....	47,674	49,957	36,557	31,670	23,214
Custom dues.....	38,424	47,630	115,791	26,004	68,780
Departmental library.....	1,010	1,055	1,113	985	641
Dominion arsenal.....	325,863	358,315	265,262	299,678	29,924
Engineer services.....	791,895	1,452,729	1,111,196	690,755	396,895
Grants towards construction of City Regimental Armouries.....	12,000	—	—	—	—
Grants to artillery and rifle associations and to regimental bands.....	64,315	79,506	73,605	47,878	7,981