

As much had been said, at the time, regarding the possibility of placing those two vessels together in the Dock, the Commissioners directed their Engineer to report on the subject.

He has reported that, supposing the keel-blocks to have been arranged to permit it being done, it could not have been done. A vessel of 275 feet over all, and not more, could be admitted with the "Titania" which is 345 feet over all, if the keel-blocks were arranged to do so. He concludes his report by stating "that though these vessels—the "Titania" with another vessel of 275 feet over all—might be docked together there would be but little room between them to permit repairs to be executed to the top sides."

The Electric Light plant used by the Contractors has been purchased at a reduced price by the Commissioners. Mr. Davie, who is repairing the "Titania," which is his property, has covered the Dock in order to prevent the snow from accumulating into it and thus interfering with the works of repair which are now being proceeded with with great vigor.

This has necessitated the use of Electric Light and the Commissioners have entered into a contract to supply him with same. In order to prevent a repetition of a mishap that has already once occurred, a spare Dynamo has been added to the plant and it is contemplated to purchase an engine with a governor capable of running the two Dynamos, the engine presently in use not being adapted for that purpose and consuming, according to the report of an Electrician, double the amount of steam that is required.

We may consider now that the arrangements for supplying Electric Light at the Graving Dock are completed.

Death of Mr. John E. Boyd.

The death, on the 17th November, of Mr. John E. Boyd, M. I. C. E., for the last three years Engineer in Charge of both the Harbour and Graving Dock Works, has caused most profound regret to the Commissioners. He had rendered great service to the Harbour Board. The Commissioners, in expressing their feeling at the sad event, cannot do better than to repeat after their Chief Engineer, Mr. Perley, that "his death has deprived them of an able, honorable, far-seeing assistant."

Messrs. Peters, Moore & Wright's claim in final settlement of their Contract for the Harbour Improvements.

The long pending claim of Messrs. Peters, Moore & Wright in final settlement of their Contract for the Harbour Improvements has not, as desired by the Commissioners, been arranged without resort to the Courts.