

POULLIEB VARENNES.

A few days' work was done at the close of navigation last fall. Quantity dredged, 3,300 cubic yards, costing 14 cents per yard.

POINTE AUX TREMBLES (EN HAUT).

Work was carried on for about three months in the fall of 1885, with a force of from one to three dredges. Quantity dredged, 133,800 cubic yards, clay, costing 7 cents per yard, and 6,000 yards, chiefly shale rock, costing 44 cents per yard.

MONTREAL HARBOUR.

One to four dredges were employed in the main channel through the Harbour, between the beginning of the fiscal year and the close of navigation 1885, and again in 1886 two dredges were employed for a short time. A stone lifter was also engaged a short time in the fall of 1885 in raising large boulders. Quantity dredged, 35,200 cubic yards, costing 46 cents per cubic yard. Boulders lifted, 212 cubic yards.

The aggregate quantity of dredging done at all parts in the ship channel during the Government fiscal year ended 30th June, 1886, was 1,790,431 cubic yards as against 807,522 cubic yards in the preceding year.

The floating plant employed in the work during the year last past, consisted of seven elevator dredges, two to three spoon dredges part of the time, two stone lifters, seven screw tugs, five barges, used as coal tenders and smith's shops, fifteen hopper-bottomed scows and four flat scows. Of the seven elevator dredges, three are for working in earth and have buckets of 4, 16 and 28 cubic feet capacity, one is for either rock or earth and has buckets of 16 cubic feet capacity, one is for rock with buckets of 4 cubic feet capacity, and the remaining two are for rock with buckets of 6½ cubic feet capacity.

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