

miles, there are in every three or four miles coves sheltered and good anchorage. Thence to the Little Narrows there are coves and good anchorage safe in any ordinary weather. From Port Kelly's Cove eastward to Port St. Ann's, a distance of 7 or 8 miles there is no harbor to shelter a vessel, but there is good and safe anchorage at Cape Dauphin. With west and south-west winds, St. Ann's is an excellent harbor. Thence along the coast eastward to Cape North there are no safe harbors. Neither light-house, beacon nor buoy indicate the danger. Would suggest a light-house at Inganish Island.

Ratchford.—Partridge Island river, Black Rock, Diligent river, Port Grenville and Advocate Harbor.

Cook.—We have four harbors in the County, the principal of which is Pictou. It is impeded by a bar on which, in a very narrow part are 19 feet at low water, to keep in which depth requires very accurate steering. The next harbor is Merigomish; it is about ten miles to the eastward of Pictou harbor, and has a bar at its entrance on which are 16 feet at low water. It is not now of much importance but may shortly be so, as both coal and iron stone have lately been found in its vicinity. The next is Caribou Harbor, which lies about three miles to the west ward of Pictou; it has a bar at its entrance on which are 13 feet. This harbor is of no importance and is seldom frequented since the failure of the timber trade. It is said that copper ore has been found at its head. The next is a small river harbor called River John. It has at its entrance only 8½ feet at high water. None but small shallops frequent it, though it is of some note as a place of ship building. We have but one small harbor of refuge called Arisaig Pier; it is now very much in want of repair. While in good order it was of great service to small vessels and boats engaged in the fishing, and is much needed, especially during the fishing season. Another place of refuge for boats is much wanted on Pictou Island as a place of safety, not only for the boats of its own inhabitants, but also for the fishing boats and others frequenting the harbors of the straits.

Kwanagh.—Louisburg and Sydney are the only real harbors in this County.

W. Kidston, Jr.—Five harbors. Baddeck, excellent; By Harbor, ditto; Kelly's Cove, ditto; St. Ann's good; Inganish, indifferently good.

McAulay.—St. Ann's and Bras d'Or are ports and the only safe harbors in the County.

Question 39.—What is the number and tonnage of ships owned in the County, in what trade engaged, and how manned?

Answers of—

Cartwood.—I do not know of any being owned in my County.

Chalmers.—Am not able to tell at present.

Patterson.—In the County of Frontenac there are owned:

11 Steamers, tonnage.....	3,788
4 Barkantines, "	1,554
13 Schooners, "	3,019

Several of the steamers are tug; on the River St. Lawrence. The other vessels are engaged in the general trade of the country.—(See Query 36.)

Farncomb.—Two vessels are owned at this port; tonnage, 260 tons. I do not know the number or tonnage of vessels owned at Port Hope or Darlington.

Frazer.—Between 70 and 80 craft of various kinds, engaged principally in the lumber and wood trade, and variously manned.

Dunham.—The number and tonnage of vessels engaged in the trade mentioned in 26, and owned in the County, are as follows:

	Steam.	Sail.	Tons.	Men.
Owned in Stanley and Bruce,.....	1	3	728	39
" Burwell,.....		16	1,944	108
	<u>1</u>	<u>19</u>	<u>2,672</u>	<u>147</u>

Simpson.—Four vessels; about 800 tons.

Taylor.—There is only one vessel belonging to this port, the steamer "City of Toronto, a passenger and freight boat plying between Toronto, Niagara and Lewiston.

Scott.—Forty vessels, 4,309 tons; the carrying trade; chiefly by British subjects.

Whitehead.—17 vessels, 2,723 tons.