

The chief details of the work accomplished during the fiscal year, and the cost of that part done up to the close of navigation 1885, are as follows:—

CAP CHARLES.

The work was recommenced 5th September, 1885, and was carried on with one dredge till 7th November, and again from 6th May till the close of the fiscal year. Quantity dredged, 33,720 cubic yards, scow measurement, nearly all shale, costing 32½ cents per cubic yard.

POULLIER RAYER.

Work was carried on in July with two dredges and a stone lifter, and from then to 7th November, and then again from 6th May to the close of the fiscal year with one dredge and the stone lifter.

The dredging, as in the previous years, consists of exceedingly tough clay with many boulders, some of great size, embedded in it. The dredging also, for the most part, consists of taking off the tops of small shoals and irregular spots, which protrude very little above the required bottom.

Quantity dredged 32,835 cubic yards, costing 56½ cents per cubic yard. Boulders lifted by the stone lifter, 3,956 cubic yards, costing \$1.04 per cubic yard.

CAP À LA ROCHE.

The work which was in progress at the beginning of the fiscal year was continued till 2nd September with two dredges, assisted when necessary by a stone lifter. From 2nd September to 7th November, and again from 28th April to the end of the fiscal year, the work was continued with one dredge assisted occasionally by stone lifters. Quantity dredged, all shale rock, 94,690 cubic yards, scow measurement, costing 25½ cents per cubic yard.

CAP LEVRAUT AND VICINITY.

Dredging was commenced 27th July and continued on to 7th November, 1885, and was again carried on from 3rd May to the close of the fiscal year. One dredge was employed throughout the time and a stone lifter a considerable part of the time between these dates. Quantity dredged, 75,965 cubic yards, tough clay and boulders, costing 24½ cents per cubic yard.

PORT ST. FRANCIS.

Work was commenced at the end of May, 1886, and continued to the close of the fiscal year, two of the Montreal Harbour dredges being employed. Quantity dredged, 10,687 cubic yards.

LAKE ST. PETER.

Work was carried on with two dredges throughout the fiscal year except during the fall and winter, from 26th September to 27th April, and excellent progress was made. Quantity dredged, 1,120,381 cubic yards, costing 3½ cents per yard.

CONTRECEUR CHANNEL.

Work was carried on throughout the fiscal year, except during the winter months, and with a force varying from one to four dredges. Quantity dredged, 211,365 cubic yards, costing 11½ cents per yard.

POINTE MARIE.

About a month's work was done last fall, practically completing the dredging required at this place. Quantity dredged, 28,320 cubic yards, costing 12 cents per cubic yard.