

with the island opposite has been washed away by the action of the sea, nearly destroying the anchorage, and harbor facilities on the main side. The expenditure of a considerable sum of money in filling up the northern entrance where the said strip of land was would make it a most excellent harbor of refuge. At present it affords shelter for a large number of vessels on the island side. I have seen upwards of 500 fishing vessels taking refuge in this harbor at one time.

*Ruggles.*—Digby, Weymouth and Westport are all of first class. Petite Passage, Port Acadia, Sandy Cove, Beaver River, Port Gilbert, are harbors of refuge, and can be improved by breakwaters.

*Donovan.*—Arichat Harbor, West Arichat, D'Esconsse, and all through Lennox Passage, St. Peter's Bay, River Inhabitants, good harbors. L'Arocheveque and several others for small vessels and boats.

*Viets.*—At Digby, Westport, Weymouth and Sandy Cove the harbors are safe. Those at Tiverton, Freeport, Port Acadia, Meteghan and Port Gilbert might be improved.

*J. V. Stewart.*—There are two harbors in this district, viz: Bellevieu Cove and "Gros Coque," formed in a great measure by breakwaters. These breakwaters should be kept in constant repair, or they will soon become worthless.

*Perry.*—Improved with natural harbors. There are four public landings or breakwaters in the district, viz: Green Cove, Bartlett's River, Salmon River and Cape Cove. The only means of improving them is by repairing and extending them, so as to afford more room and safety.

*Dewolf.*—There are in this district three harbors, or places where vessels load and discharge, Wolfville, Lower Horton and Avon Port. Am not aware of any distinction between them.

*Corbet.*—Harbor-au-Bouche, Tracadie, Little River and Antigonish.

*Amberley.*—Yarmouth, Tuskent River, mostly used as a harbor of refuge, and for fishermen in search of bait; Pubnico Harbor, used for fishermen, owned there—about 50 vessels. Some parts of this harbor should be buoyed. The inhabitants are not in a position to employ local expenditure.

*M. Macdonald.*—Hawkesbury or Ship Harbor is the best, and may be considered the only harbor in the County of Inverness. All the others are inaccessible to large ships the water being shoal, with shifting sand bars. Port Hood is next in importance, but may properly be called a harbor of refuge. It also has a shifting sand bar. The harbors of Judique, Little Judique, Mabou, Margaree and Cheticamp are only accessible to boats and small vessels.

*Ditmars.*—Annapolis Basin, the only harbor of refuge.

*J. Ross.*—Margaree and Cheticamp, bar harbors; Port Hood, Plaister Cove and Port Hawkesbury, good. Breakwaters the best means of improvement for the first two harbors mentioned.

*Hatfield.*—Four in number; Spencer's Island, a roadstead; Ratchford's River, a port of entry,—wants some repair on bar; Fox River, dangerous for strangers, or vessels drawing more than 10 feet of water; Ryan's Head River, fit only for small vessels, and not much used.

*Nicolson.*—All the answer this requires is a survey.

*Sargent.*—Port Shelburne, Port Barrington, Port La Tour, Port Ragged Island, North-east Harbor, Cape Negro Harbor, Clark's Harbor, Wood's Harbor, Shag Harbor, Green Harbor and a number of coves and inlets where small vessels and boats can take refuge.

*Mire.*—Port La Tour, Cape Negro, Shelburne, Jordan River, Ragged Island and Barrington.

*Campbell.*—Tatamagouche. No suggestions.

*Farnsworth.*—Breakwaters, French, Cross, Victoria, Oglive, Harborville, Black Rock, Baxter's Harbor, Chipman Brook, Hall's Harbor, Scott's Bay, also Canning, Port Williams, Wolfville and Horton.

*McNeill.*—Harbors in Victoria County: From the Port of Kelly's Cove to the little Narrows, say a distance of about 40 miles, vessels can find shelter and good anchorage every few miles. The port of Kelly's Cove three miles from Black Rock light-house is a very good and safe harbor in any weather. Thence to Port Baddeck, distance about 25