

Harbor works in the River St. Charles, and against all expenditure of money for any Harbor improvements, as the Petitioners considered that the Port, as it is, affords sufficient accommodation for the present trade; deemed it their duty to pray by memorial for the prosecution of the works according to the plans proposed by the Engineers, and adopted by the Harbor Commissioners, and are pleased to observe that tenders for the construction of these works have been called for.

HARBOR DUES.

Your Council having observed that by the operation of the act regulating the Harbor Commission, a considerable portion of goods imported and exported, are at present exempt from Harbor dues, recommended the Trust to obtain the necessary power to place all the imports and exports on one common footing, and are pleased to note that a Bill is now before the House of Commons, embodying certain changes necessary to give effect to their recommendation.

HARBOR COMMISSION.

The Council have received from the Harbor Commission a valuable return shewing Entries inwards from all parts of the Dominion, at the Port of Quebec for the past year; by which it will be seen that the number of trips made by Steamers, Schooners, Barges, and Batteauxes, is reported to be 4277, these vessels employing 23,116 men, and representing an aggregate of 246,424 tons. The return is very voluminous and being received too late for more extended reference here, will be found among the tabular statistics annexed.

It is gratifying to note that the Revenue of the Commission for this year, is considerably in excess of last season's, notwithstanding the depression in trade which has obtained.