Ballast.

The Acting-Harbour Master, Mr. Jas. C. Sullivan, reports that twenty (20) ballast ships discharged five thousand three hundred and forty-five (5,345) tons of ballast into the various wharves of the Commissioners, subdivided as follows:

Pointe-à-Carcy Wharf	3,480	tons.
Breakwater "	450	46
Cross Wall	260	
New Crib Work	1,155	"、
Total	5,345	"

The cost of obtaining this ballast was five hundred and forty (\$540.00) dollars, or an average of about ten cents (10 cts) per ton.

Discharge of Ballast in Lower St. Lawrence.

At the commencement of the season of navigation, arrangements were made by the Commissioners with Mr. T. Gendreau, Harbour Master of St. Thomas, to superintend the discharge of ballast at that Port and its vicinity, and to see that it was deposited in the depth of water provided by law. The Commissioners are pleased to state that the arrangement in question has worked very well, and will prevent the discharge of ballast in places where it might become dangerous to navigation.

Death of the Harbour Master.

The death, on the 19th of May, of Mr. C. Sullivan, who had been in the Commissioners' employ since 1876 as Deputy-Harbour Master, Acting-Harbour Master and Harbour Master, has deprived them of a faithful and zealous officer and caused them deep regret.