

During the great gale of December, 1890, the old provincial government work was almost totally destroyed, and the covering, cap-timbers and top ballast of the outer work were disturbed in places.

In 1891-92, the outer works were repaired and reballasted, and a new crib-work was built over 130 feet of the remains of the old provincial government work, between the outer works and the shore, to within one and a half feet of required height; of this 65 feet averaged 2 feet in height and 20 feet in width, and the remaining 65 feet, 4 feet in height and 18 feet in width.

During the fiscal year 1892-93, the sum of \$1,083.85 was expended in raising and covering the 130 feet of work undertaken the previous year, and in completing it by constructing 40 feet of crib-work 18 feet wide and 6 feet average height and in the construction of a new crib-work 186 feet in length, 18 feet wide and two and a half feet in average height; and a work of brush and stone 168 feet in length of the same dimensions, over the remains of an old provincial government work between the work previously described and the shore.

#### MARGARETVILLE.

Margaretville, Annapolis County, is situated on the southern shore of the Bay of Fundy, and is distant about 42 miles east of Digby Gut.

During a storm of December, 1885, the wharf at this place was much damaged. Between the years 1886 and 1889, the sum of \$8,800 was expended in filling in a breach of 150 feet made by the above storm and making other necessary repairs.

In October, 1890, the work was again visited by a severe storm, this time making a breach of 117 feet and otherwise damaging the remaining portions. After the storm, the work stood as follows: shore portion about 300 feet, breach 117 feet, and outer portion or block 85 feet.

The broken end of the inner portion was partially repaired in the autumn of 1891 and spring of 1892.

During the fiscal year the sum of \$992.93 was expended in completing the repairs to the outer end of the inner portion (which consisted of building a block, about 13 feet long and tying the timber into the old work) and in rebuilding a portion of the inner face or shore portion, which was falling down. The dimensions of the work rebuilt being, length 30 feet, width 25 feet, and depth about an average of 10 feet.

#### MEAGHER'S BEACH.

Meagher's Beach, Halifax County, is a narrow neck or spit of shingle and coarse gravel about half a mile in length, projecting from the west side of MacNab's Island, at the entrance to Halifax Harbour.

During the year, thorough repairs, at a cost of \$500, by day work, were made to the piece of crib protection, 125 feet long, which, built in November, 1891, was seriously damaged by gales on the 11th and 12th February, and on the 3rd March, 1892.

These repairs consisted in practically rebuilding 55 feet in length of the work, and rebolting and reballasting not only the remainder, but also about 30 feet in length of the contiguous piece of crib-work, built some years ago by the Marine and Fisheries Department.

#### METEGHAN COVE.

Meteghan Cove, Digby County, is on the south side of St. Mary's Bay, about 20 miles from Yarmouth and 40 miles from Digby.

During the fiscal year the sum of \$299.72 was expended in making some slight repairs to the breakwater and in temporary repairs to the landing wharf. The former is now in a good state of repair, while the latter, when last examined, was in a very dilapidated condition, but should be, with the amount authorized for expenditure during 1893-94, placed in a thorough state of repair.