

of them has been so modified as to save much labour in handling heavy goods such as sugar and molasses.

The flat portion of the roof of Store No 2, on that wharf, which was covered with gravel, has been covered with galvanized sheet iron.

Two hundred and thirty-nine, (239), tons of iron dross have been overspread on the top and fifty five, (55), tons stone ballast dumped into the wharf during the year.

A large quantity of ballast from the cuts made in Dalhousie and Leadenhall streets, in connection with the Harbour Works, has also been dumped into the wharf during the working season ; but, as this ballast has cost nothing, no account of the quantity so dumped has been kept.

#### *Ice Cutting.*

Permission was asked to allow ice to be cut outside the limits allotted, the previous year, but all application to that effect has been refused. The ice cut has proved to be of the purest quality.

Thirty three thousand eight hundred and fifteen, (33,815), blocks of ice, all for local use, have been cut during the winter of 1886-87, an excess of 2039 blocks in the harvest of the preceding year.

The usual statements, conveying the information yearly furnished to your Department regarding the Harbour, as also a complete statement of the Commissioners' accounts for the year, are all annexed to this Report.

I have the honor to be,

Sir,

Your most obedient servant,

A. H. VERRET,

*Secretary Treasurer*

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