

During the past season it was found necessary to place a new lantern and illuminating apparatus on the Lighthouse at Gibraltar Point, at the entrance to Toronto Harbour, and the sum of \$2,289 80 was expended in providing lantern and apparatus and in necessary repairs to the Lighthouse.

Very extensive repairs were also found necessary to the Lighthouse at Point Pelee Reef, and these have been carried out during the past season, at a cost of \$3,197.56.

Tenders were also invited during the past season for the erection of a dwelling at Knapp or Brown's Point Light Station, Wolf Island, and the contract was awarded to Mr. John J. McGrath of Sunbury, for the sum of \$765. The work has been lately completed.

Tenders were also invited for the repairing of the Breakwater at Nine Mile Point Light Station, near Kingston, and the contract has recently been awarded to Mr. John Waddell of Kingston, for \$415.

It has also been found necessary for the safety of the Lighthouse, to order an addition to the Breakwater protecting the Lighthouse at the east end of Long Point, Lake Erie, and these improvements are being carried out under the supervision of the Light-Keeper.

The sum of \$700 was allowed, as customary, to Messrs. A. & H. Hackett of Colchester, as a subsidy toward the expense of maintaining a Lightship at Colchester Reef, Lake Erie. This amount is supplemented by private subscription from steamboat owners and others, who are benefitted by the establishment of the Lightship.

The following changes have occurred in the list of Keepers of Lights in this Division since the date of last Report, viz :—

By Order in Council of the 31st January last, in consequence of the establishment of a Range Light on the east side of the harbour at Port Colborne, and the erection of a Fog Trumpet at the main Light Station, the salary of Mr. David Fortier was increased from \$400 to \$500 per annum, he being required for this amount to provide any assistance in the keeping of the Light and Fog Alarm, and in taking charge of the Lifeboat placed at that Station.

By Order in Council of the 23rd March last, Mr. Lewis Hudgins, formerly Keeper of Salmon Point Lighthouse, was restored to his position as Keeper of that Light, in the room of Mr. Peter Huff, at a salary of \$300 per annum.

By Order in Council of the 16th May last, Mr. Antoine Deschamps was appointed Keeper of the Light at the north-west end of the Pier, and also of the Light on the pier