

# REPORT.

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HARBOUR COMMISSIONERS' OFFICE,  
MONTREAL, 18th July, 1861.

ALEX. CLERK, ESQ.,  
Secretary, Harbour Commissioners, Montreal.

SIR,

I received your letter dated 12th June last, with instructions from the Harbour Commissioners, to prepare a Report, embodying my opinion as to the best means of providing additional accommodation in the harbour for sea-going vessels, giving special attention to the question of wharfing the shoals opposite to the city.

I regret I have been unable sooner to give the time necessary for the consideration of so important a subject, in consequence of the press of shipping in port at the time I received my instructions, and it was not until yesterday the 17th inst., I received Mr. Legge's plan on the subject of wharfing the shoals in question.

Mr. Legge's memorandum embodies his views on the construction of wharves on the "Island Shoal," and in general they correspond with the suggestions of Thomas C. Keefer, Esq., to the Harbour Commissioners in a communication dated 14th January, 1854.