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FOR THE YEAR 1897.

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Prepared according to the provisions of the 14th Section of the 38th
Victoria, Chapter 55, and of the 24th Section of the 36th
Victoria, Chapter 54.

OFFICERS OF THE QUEBEC HARBOUR COMMISSION

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QUEBEC Harbour Commissioners' Report

FOR THE YEAR 1897

(Under 38 Victoria, Chapter 55, Section 14).

To the

Quebec, 3rd January, 1898.

HONORABLE L. H. DAVIES, M. P.,

Minister of Marine and Fisheries,

Etc., etc., etc.

Ottawa.

SIR,

In compliance with the requirements of the 38 Victoria, chapter 55, section 14, I have the honor to report as follows, on the doings of the Quebec Harbour Commissioners for the year 1897.

Chief Engineer's Report

The annexed report (marked A) from the Chief Engineer, Mr. St. George Boswell, conveys the usual information in relation to the Harbour Works, and the various additions and reparations made to them, and to the other properties of the Commissioners during the year.

Wharfinger's Report

The annexed report (marked B) from the Wharfinger, Mr. Jas. F. Golden, gives all the usual information regarding the number of vessels using the Louise Docks, cargoes loaded and discharged, passengers landed at Immi-

gration Department, and the surface traffic over this portion of the Commissioners' property during the year 1897.

Harbour Master's Report

The report (marked C) from the Harbour Master, Mr. James C. Sullivan, gives information regarding the opening and closing of navigation, formation of ice, disposal of ballast, etc. The Commissioners are pleased to have again to record that during the past season no ballast has been allowed to be dumped into the Harbour, all of it having been utilized in the Commissioners' properties.

Premises Leased

The only change of any importance that has taken place in the premises leased by the Commissioners is, that, as it was found a hindrance and injurious to the passenger and Steamship traffic of the Docks to have a large coal depot occupying one half of Breakwater, at which all the Ocean Mail and Immigrant Steamers touch to land their inward cargoes and passengers, it was decided not to renew the lease of Messrs. Geo. M. Webster & Co., who were using it for the purpose mentioned; but they were allotted two hundred and fifty feet of the quay frontage at the western extremity of the Inner Basin that equally suits their purpose.

Store No. 11 on Dalhousie street, formerly occupied by Mr. Wm. Carrier, has been leased to Mr. Geo. Tanguay.

Election by the Shipping Interest

At the meeting of the Commissioners held on the 11th January, a certificate was received from the Shipping Interest informing that the Honorable John Sharples, M. L. C., had been elected as their representative on the

Commission in the place of and to complete the unexpired term of the late Mr. William Rae.

Acting Chairman

During the absence in Europe of the Chairman (Mr. J. B. Laliberté), Mr. Narcisse Rioux was the presiding officer having been unanimously elected by the Board as Acting Chairman.

Visit from the Hon. the Minister of Public Works

On the 27th of July the Honorable the Minister of Public Works, with his Chief Engineer, Mr. Louis Coste, and accompanied by the Chairman, and a large delegation of the Quebec Harbour Commissioners, visited and made a thorough inspection of the Louise Docks, Breakwater and Pointe-a-Carcy Wharf, when the opportunity was taken to bring before and impress on the Honorable the Minister, the further requirements needed to complete those works. The party then proceeded to Point Levis, to inspect the Graving Dock, and it was then strongly pressed upon the Minister the urgency of increased docking accommodation being given, and the necessity of the South Shore having better wharfage accommodation so as to meet the requirements of its large and increasing deal trade.

Revision and Codification of Laws and By-Laws

The laws and by-laws of the Commissioners now in force having, through laps of time, change of trade and repeated amendments, become obscure and insufficient for the purposes for which they were framed, it has been decided to revise and consolidate them, retaining what is useful and repealing those provisions that have become obsolete, and embodying the whole in one Act that will

be known as "The Quebec Harbour Commissioners' Act." This work of revision and codification is now considerably advanced, and it is hoped that it will be ready in time to be put through during the next session of Parliament.

Repairs to Properties

Careful attention has been given to the work of repairing, maintaining and bringing up the various properties of the Commissioners to a first class condition. This year the expenditure for this purpose has been higher than is usual, as quite extensive repairs were made to some of the wharves and stores. The details of this expenditure are as follows:

Pointe-à-Carey Wharf.....	\$ 5,078 33
East India.....	1,091 93
Grand Trunk.....	548 72
Wellington.....	289 91
Atkinson's.....	296 31
Reynar's.....	466 02
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	\$ 7,771 22

Explanations as to the nature of those repairs will be found in the Chief Engineer's report.

Pointe-à-Carey Extension

This extension is now finished, the fenders and chocks having been fitted to the crib-work and the work of filling completed. The total expenditure to the 1st of January, 1898, has been \$86,275.36.

Revenue and Expenditure

The Commissioners' revenue for 1897 was seventy-five thousand two hundred and eighty-one dollars and nine cents — \$75,281.09 — (an increase over that of 1896 of

\$5,146.05), and the working expenses forty-three thousand and sixty-eight dollars and ninety-five cents—\$43,068.95—thus leaving a surplus of thirty-two thousand two hundred and twelve dollars and fourteen cents—\$32,212.14—on the year's operations.

Included in this surplus of \$32,212.14 is the charge of thirteen thousand eight hundred and forty-five dollars and forty-eight cents—\$13,845.48—for rent of ground occupied by the Immigration Buildings.

Capital Account

The following has been the expenditure on Capital Account.

Breakwater Wharf.....	\$ 47 25
Harbour Improvements.....	713 28
Hopper Barge.....	478 00
Pointe-à-Carcy Deepening.....	3,125 59
Steam Crane Dredger.....	4,297 10
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	\$ 8,661 22

Ice Cutting

Forty-three thousand and forty (43,040) blocks of ice, all for local use, have been cut during the winter of 1896-97, a decrease of nine thousand two hundred and sixty-one (9,261) blocks, as compared with the cut of the previous year.

To this report are annexed the various statements conveying the information yearly forwarded to your Department in connection with the Harbour, as also a complete statement of Commissioners' accounts for the year.

I have the honor to be,

Sir,

Your most obedient servant,

JAS. WOODS,

Secretary-Treasurer.

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HARBOUR ENGINEER'S OFFICE.

Quebec, 3rd January, 1898.

JAMES WOODS, Esq.,
Secretary-Treasurer,
Harbour Commission,

SIR,

I have the honor to submit the following, with reference to the various works executed during the working season of 1897 :

Princess Louise Docks.

The Quay Wall, forming the southern side of the Tidal Harbour, is now completed. The balance of the fenders and chocks having been fitted to the cribwork during the past season, and the filling of the space, between the new cribwork and the old Pointe-à-Carey Wharf, brought up to coping level, and trimmed off ; five thousand tons of materials taken from ship's ballast, having been used for this purpose. A coal platform three hundred by fifty (300 x 50) feet, has been laid down, on the area obtained by filling the space between the new cribwork and the Pointe-à-Carey wharf.

Soundings were taken during the winter of 1896-97, extending one hundred feet out from the faces of the Quay Walls in the Tidal Harbour and Wet Dock, and a new plan showing the depths of water prepared.

Five cast iron mooring posts were substituted for the remaining wooden posts, in the Quay Wall of the Tidal Harbour ; also three cast iron mooring posts were placed in advantageous positions on the Breakwater. A number of the wooden mooring posts, along the Northern cribwork, have been renewed during the past season.

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The repairs to the Railway tracks consisted in repacking the Railway cross-ties throughout the entire length of Railway lines, replacing 700 defective ties, and renewing a number of the rails.

Four new chain ladders were placed on the Breakwater, and the planking of the wharf in front of the old Immigration Building renewed, and the space beneath it filled with ship's ballast, four hundred and fifty tons of ship's ballast having been used for this purpose, and for levelling off portions of the Louise Embankment. The Cross-Wall Freight Sheds were put into good order, and painted; as were also the Cross-Wall Engine-House, Bridge and Entrance Gates; and the planked roadway between the bridge tracks renewed. The valves for regulating the depth of water in the Inner Basin have been repaired, and are now in good order. The grab-dredge worked in the Tidal Basin from August 16th to November 8th, and removed during that time 10,000 cubic yards of materials, chiefly consisting of silt.

Pointe-à-Carey Wharf.

The Northern face of this wharf, contiguous to the Q. H. C. Store No. 1, for a length of 150 feet, has been taken down and rebuilt; and a considerable quantity of ship's ballast used for levelling the surface of the wharf at its eastern end.

The faces of the Pointe-à-Carey and other wharves, inclosing the Commissioner's pond, have been replanked, and the fenders when defective renewed.

East India Wharf.

The foundation sill along the south side of the Q. H. C. Store No. 6 was renewed, as were also the frame posts up to the first flat; the sill supporting the middle set of posts was levelled, and in places renewed; and the posts on ground flat replaced by larger ones. All the broken

joists were replaced and the store generally strengthened. The surface of the wharf, between the stores Nos. 5 and 6, has been raised up to the same level as the front portion of the wharf, filled in and planked. A new foundation has also been placed under the weigh-house on this wharf, and the scale put into good order.

A part of the foundation sill and a number of the posts and joists in the Store No. 4 were renewed, and the South West sides of the roof covered with galvanized iron.

Grand Trunk and Wellington Wharves

The surface area in front of the freight shed on Wellington Wharf has been macadamized, and the wharf surface between the shed and the river planked. The roadway leading to the Grand Trunk Wharf has also been macadamized, and the part of the wharf at the head of the slip filled in and planked. A number of the fenders on the faces of both wharves have been renewed, and the property generally put into good order.

Atkinson's Wharf

The defective fenders on this wharf were replaced and a new side walk laid down in Dalhousie street, along the Atkinson and Marmette wharf frontages.

Reynar's Wharf

The foundation to the weigh-house on this wharf has been repaired, and the building sheathed with Canada plate. A new planked approach to the wharf has been constructed, the coal sheds repaired, and a side-walk laid down along the Champlain street frontage. The face of the wharf has also been put into good condition.

The Commissioners' buildings, when required, have been painted including the offices in the building No. 4 occupied by Messrs. Verret, Stewart & Co)

The offices occupied by the Commissioners have been remodelled and modernized, painted and papered throughout, and much needed fire-proof vaults and other requirements provided.

The Cross-wall Draw-Bridge was operated for the first time on April 14th.

The Entrance-Gates were shut for the first time on May 10th, and remained in operation until Nov. 21st.

The Draw-Bridge was operated for the last time on December 1st, on which date the Inner Basin was frozen over.

The Entrance gates were not opened for the morning tide of August 21st, the evening tide of August 23rd, and the morning tide of October 18th, the tide on the above dates, not having risen sufficiently high for the purpose.

I have the honor to be,

Sir,

Your obedient servant,

ST. GEORGE BOSWELL,

Chief Engineer.

B

HARBOUR COMMISSIONERS' OFFICE.

QUEBEC, January 3rd, 1898.

JAS. WOODS, Esq.,

Secretary-Treasurer,

Harbour Commission, Quebec.

SIR,

I have the honor to submit the following with reference to the traffic of the Louise Docks and Wharves.

During the past season fifty-one (51), Ocean Mail Steamships, of one hundred and fifty-two thousand four hundred and eighty-one (152,481) tons register, used the Docks for landing immigrants, baggage, etc., and four thousand three hundred and ninety-seven (4,397) tons of Quebec and Western freight.

Twenty-seven (27) Steamships, of eighty-two thousand one hundred and eight (82,108) tons register, lightered one thousand two hundred and one (1,201) tons of Quebec freight and landed their immigrants.

Twenty-three (23) Ocean Steamships, of fifty-one thousand eight hundred and nine (51,809) tons register, landed fifteen thousand five hundred and sixty (15,560) tons of freight.

Twenty-three (23) Steamships, of twenty-five thousand four hundred and ten (25,410) tons register, have used the Docks, discharging their full cargoes of forty-four thousand seven hundred and twelve (44,712) tons of coal.

Eight (8) sailing ships, of six thousand six hundred and sixty-four (6,664) tons register, have used the Docks, discharging their full cargoes of six thousand six hundred and twenty-four (6,624) tons of coal, and forty-four (44) barges and schooners, of four thousand eight hundred and

sixty-nine (4,869) tons register, discharged six thousand nine hundred and fifty-three (6,953) tons of coal.

Eight (8) sailing vessels, of one thousand seven hundred and eighty-six (1,786) tons register, landed one thousand nine hundred and sixty-seven (1,967) tons of molasses.

Three (3) sailing vessels, of two thousand and one (2,001) tons register, landed one thousand eight hundred (1,800) tons of salt.

Sixteen (16) Gulf Port Steamships, of one thousand five hundred and sixty-eight (1,568) tons register, landed two hundred and ninety-four (294) tons of goods.

Eighteen (18) sailing ships, of sixteen thousand four hundred and eighty-eight (36,488) tons register, have used the Docks, loading full cargoes of timber, deals, etc.

Thirteen (13) Steamships, of twenty-three thousand and sixty-six (23,066) tons register, have used the Docks, loading full cargoes of timber, deals, etc.

Forty-three (43) Steamships, of one hundred and four thousand one hundred and forty-four (104,144) tons register, have used the Docks loading part cargoes of timber, deals, etc.

Five (5) Steamships, of fourteen thousand and thirty-four (14,034) tons register, have used the Docks, loading two thousand two hundred and forty-two (2,242) heads of cattle, completing cargoes with deals, etc.

Sixteen (16) Gulf Port Steamships, of one thousand five hundred and sixty-eight (1,568), tons register also used the Docks, loading five hundred and twenty-eight (528) tons of outward freight.

The surface traffic has required the employment of four thousand and thirteen (4,013) railway cars.

Immigration Traffic

During the past season, the different Ocean Mail Steamships landed seven thousand six hundred and fifty-four (7,654) steerage passengers at the Immigration Station, Louise Docks, who were forwarded to their future homes by the Canadian Pacific Railway Company.

No record has been kept of cabin passengers.

The following vessels who had suffered accidents on their outward trips, were accomodated in the Louise Basin, where they, in some cases, having discharged the whole or a portion of their cargoes, and after repairs were made, re-loaded and proceeded to sea.

SS. "Arcadia."

SS. "Strathgarry."

SS. "Derwent Holme."

SS. "Simonside."

SS. "Eveline."

SS. "Arabia."

The SS. "Turret Cape," having grounded on Saint Vallier's Shoal, after being floated, was towed into Louise Basin, and discharged the larger portion of her cargo; she was afterwards placed in the Graving Dock, Levis, where she now lies.

The freight sheds on the Cross-Wall are utilized, during the winter months, for storing grain, salt, etc., which the owners are obliged to remove before the opening of navigation.

The Docks are used, from the 20th of November, for wintering a large number of vessels of various tonnages, where they find safe quarters to the opening of navigation.

I have the honor to be,

Sir,

Your most obedient servant,

JAS. F. GOLDEN,

Wharfinger.

C

HARBOUR COMMISSIONER'S OFFICE.

QUEBEC, January 3rd, 1898.

JAMES WOODS, Esq.,

Secretary-Treasurer,

Harbour Commission,

Quebec.

SIR,

I beg to report that during the past season twenty (20) sailing vessels discharged five thousand eight hundred and ninety-five (5,895) tons of ballast into the Commissioners' properties, subdivided as follows.

Pointe-à-Carcy wharf.....	5,115 tons
Breakwater.....	680 "
Inside Basin.....	150 "
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	<u>5,895 tons</u>

The cost of obtaining this ballast has been four hundred and thirty nine dollars and ten cents (\$439.10) or say an average of seven and one half ($7\frac{1}{2}$) cents per ton. There has been a decrease of nine (9) ballast vessels and two thousand seven hundred and forty one (2,741) tons of ballast this year as compared with that of 1896.

Four hundred Harbour Rules and Regulations have been distributed to vessels entering the Harbour during the season of navigation, and the carrying of them out carefully attended to, one action having been taken for an infringement of the by-law concerning the Clear-Water Space.

Notices have been posted up in suitable localities warning parties from discharging rubbish of any kind into the Harbour, and every possible precaution is being taken to prevent any violation of this regulation of the Commissioners.

In addition to the routine work of the office, one hundred and ninety seven (197) steamers, and thirty six (36) sailing vessels, have been berthed in the Louise Docks.

The following is a memorandum regarding the opening and closing of navigation and formation of the ice in the Harbour of Quebec for the 1897.

On the 7th of April three (3) schooners arrived from the lower parishes loaded with firewood.

The ice in the Tidal Basin and Wet Dock broke upon the 20th of April five, days earlier than last year.

The River St. Charles cleared on the 24th of April as also the Orleans ice bridge.

The Cape Rouge ice passed town on the 16th April.

The Lake St. Peter's ice passed down on the 21st of April, the S.S. "Polino" passing up to Montreal the same day.

The Steamer "Montreal", of the Richelieu & Ontario Nav. Co., arrived on the 25th of April, five days earlier than last year.

The S.S. "Montezuma" was the first Ocean Steamer to arrive from sea on the 29th of April, the first sailing vessel to arrive from sea to the Port was the ship "Hovding" on the 22nd of May.

The last Ocean Mail Steamer to leave Port was the S.S. "State of California" on the 22nd November.

The last freight Steamer to leave was the S.S. "Loango" on the 27th November.

The last sailing vessel outwards was the Bk "Stratford", which left on the 17th of November.

The Louise Basins were frozen over on the 17th of December and St. Charles on the 22nd.

I remain,

Your obedient servant,

JAS. C. SULLIVAN,
Harbour-Master.

HARBOUR COMMISSIONERS' OFFICE.

QUEBEC, 31st December, 1897.

STATEMENT showing the movement of the coasting trade
of the Harbour for the season of navigation of 1897
(as reported at this Office) :

Cargoes by Schooners.....	460
“ “ Bateaux.....	492
“ “ Barges.....	74
“ “ Steamboats.....	314
Tonnages.....	390,347
Crews, men.....	17,770
Passengers.....	99,377

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QUEBEC HARBOUR COMMISSION

COMPARATIVE STATEMENT of the Revenue of the Commissioners for the years 1896-97 :

	1896	1897	Difference in 1897	
Tonnage Dues	\$12,558 17	\$14,352 87	\$1,794 70	Increase
Import "	3,547 43	3,246 78	300 65	Decrease
Export "	4,515 70	5,631 69	1,115 99	Increase
Harbour "	2,392 10	2,406 17	14 07	"
Property Receipts	45,347 73	47,789 22	2,441 49	"
Interest	360 33	450 21	89 88	"
Beach and Deep Water lots.....	1,406 11	1,397 90	8 21	Decrease
Sundries.....	7 47	6 25	1 22	"
	\$70,133 04	\$75,281 09	\$5,146 05	Increase

" Plastering Offices.....	213 65
" Building vault	872 00
" Plumbing	129 70
" Repairing roof.....	71 34
" Furnishing	442 11
" Office Telephones	60 50
" Covering Awnings.....	33 00
" Bell Tel. Co.....	125 00
" Removing Snow.....	75 00
" Lumber general use...	60 00
" Hardware "	183 70
" T. Gendreau " St. Thomas " reporting ballast vessels.....	50 00
Carried over.....	40,830 90

Carried over.....	75,281 09
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DR. REVENUE AND EXPENDITURE.—Continued. CR.

1897 Dec. 31st	Brought forward...	\$ cts. 75,281 09	1897 Dec. 31st	Brought forward...	\$ cts. 40,830 90
				By Harbour Master ser- vice in Quebec	180 50
				.. Sundries.....	2,057 55
				" Surplus over the working expenses....	32,212 14
		\$75,281 09			\$75,281 09

MEMO :—Included in this surplus of \$32,212.14 is the unsettled annual charge of \$13,845.48 against the Department of the Interior for the rent of the ground occupied by the Immigration Buildings

HARBOUR COMMISSIONERS OFFICE,
Quebec, 3rd January, 1898.

JAS WOODS,
Secretary-Treasurer.

DR. BALANCE SHEET—(Continued) CR.

Brought forward.....	4,177,642 49	Brought forward	4,194,089 44
" Hopper Barge and Steam Crane.....	9,956 68		
" Jackscrews Account.....	394 87		
" Anchor.....	261 38		
" Tools.....	2,418 30		
" Bills Receivable.....	514 55		
" Suspense Account: Rents for Nov. and Dec.....	1,924 93		
Arrears on Grants 24th June to 24th Dec.....	984 24		
	2,909 17		
	<u>\$4,194,089 44</u>		<u>\$4,194,089 44</u>

Harbour Commissioners' Office,
Quebec, 3rd January, 1898.

We hereby certify that we have examined the Books and Vouchers
of the Quebec Harbour Commission to the 31st December, 1897, and that
this Balance Sheet is correct.
Quebec, 27th January, 1897.

A. J. MESSEVEY, }
NAP. MATTE, } Auditors.

JAS. WOODS,
Secretary-Treasurer.

STATEMENT OF ASSETS AND LIABILITIES.—(Continued)

<i>Jeckesmas :</i>			
On hand.....	4,183,915 37	Brought forward.....	4,191,099 44
<i>Anchors :</i>			
On hand.....	394 87		
<i>Tools :</i>			
On hand.....	264 98		
<i>Bills Receivable.....</i>	2,418 30		
<i>Office Furniture.....</i>	514 55		
	3,571 97		
	<u>4,191,099 44</u>		<u>\$4,194,099 44</u>

We hereby certify that we have examined the books and statement of Assets and Liabilities of the Quebec Harbour Commission for the year 1897, and that we have found them the same in all particulars the true position of the Trust at that date.

Quebec, 27th January, 1898.

A. J. MESSERVEY, } Auditors.
NAP. MATTE, }

JAS. WOODS,
Secretary-Treasurer.

QUEBEC, 27th January, 1898.

To the

CHAIRMAN AND COMMISSIONERS,

Quebec Harbour Commission.

Gentlemen,

We beg respectfully to report that we have audited the books and vouchers of the Commission for the year 1897, and we are pleased to state that we have found everything in order.

We have to thank the Secretary for having given us all the facilities possible.

We have the honor to be,

Gentlemen,

Your obedient servants,

A. J. MESSERVEY, }

NAP. MATTE, }

Auditors

QUEBEC HARBOUR COMMISSIONERS' REPORT

AS PILOTAGE AUTHORITY FOR THE YEAR 1897

(Under 36 Victoria, Chapter 54.)

QUEBEC, 3rd January, 1898.

To the

HONORABLE L. H. DAVIES, M. P.,

Minister of Marine and Fisheries,

&c., &c., &c.,

Ottawa.

SIR,

In compliance with the requirements of "The Pilotage Act," 36 Victoria, Chapter 54, Section 22, I have the honor to submit the following report from the Quebec Harbour Commissioners, as Pilotage Authority, for the year 1897.

Service of the Pilot Stations

Pilot Schooner "La Vigie" left for the pilotage grounds on the 14th of April, with eight pilots on board.

On the 1st of May, the Pilot Schooner "La Mouette" was despatched with twelve pilots.

On the 7th, 14th, 19th, 20th, 22nd and 27th of May, forty-nine pilots were sent down by the Intercolonial Railway.

As usual, all the Pilot Stations have been provided with pilots during the season, through the Intercolonial Rail-

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PORT OF QUEBEC

COMPARATIVE STATEMENT of the Number and Tonnage of Sailing Vessels and Steamers, with the Number of Men employed, entered Inwards and Outwards, for the years ending on the 31st December, 1896 and 1897, showing the countries from whence they came and for which they cleared, whether with cargo or in Ballast, also distinguishing the countries to which they belonged :—

Compiled by ELZ. L. J. GIROUX of H. M. CUSTOMS.

RETURNS OF VESSELS INWARDS FOR THE YEARS ENDING 31st DECEMBER, 1896 AND 1897. RETURN OF VESSELS OUTWARDS FOR THE YEARS ENDING 31st DECEMBER, 1896 AND 1897.

	1896.			1897.			1896.			1897.			
	Vessels.	Tons.	Men.	Vessels.	Tons.	Men.	Vessels.	Tons.	Men.	Vessels.	Tons.	Men.	
Total Vessels arrived.....	356	62,165	13,445	343	61,992	13,227	Total Vessels cleared.....	294	43,616	8,978	323	46,914	9,710
Vessels with cargoes.....	219	46,262	10,786	199	42,779	10,214	Vessels with cargoes.....	257	42,544	8,862	319	46,512	9,664
do in ballast.....	137	16,499	2,659	144	19,225	3,013	do in ballast.....	7	1,619	86	4	1,002	46
Total.....	356	62,165	13,445	343	61,992	13,227	Total.....	294	43,616	8,978	323	46,914	9,710
Number of Steamers.....	218	54,550	11,625	215	53,806	11,771	Number of Steamers.....	145	17,255	3,907	176	37,133	7,739
do sailing vessels.....	138	10,785	1,820	128	8,886	1,456	do sailing vessels.....	149	17,255	2,067	147	7,931	1,971
Total.....	356	62,165	13,445	343	61,992	13,227	Total.....	294	43,616	8,978	323	46,914	9,710
British vessels.....	295	51,817	11,155	285	51,225	11,016	British vessels.....	186	33,974	7,412	200	37,685	7,775
Foreign vessels.....	117	10,218	1,891	95	10,279	1,816	Foreign vessels.....	114	9,648	1,566	123	9,339	1,935
Total.....	356	62,165	13,445	343	61,992	13,227	Total.....	294	43,616	8,978	323	46,914	9,710
UNDER WHEAT FLAG													
British.....	239	51,347	11,554	228	51,522	11,411	British.....	180	33,745	7,412	200	37,685	7,775
United Kingdom.....	1	414	13	2	137	36	United Kingdom.....	1	414	13	2	137	36
United States.....	103	88,661	14,339	83	71,358	11,665	Norwegian & Swedish.....	108	9,212	1,414	33	1,843	311
German.....	9	1,348	376	9	3,435	604	German.....	1	650	144	4	1,709	213
Spanish.....	3	225	55	3	225	55	Spanish.....	1	204	30	1	204	30
Italian.....	1	790	14	1	790	14	Italian.....	1	790	14	1	790	14
Argentine Republic.....	1	790	14	1	790	14	Argentine Republic.....	1	790	14	1	790	14
Danish.....	1	790	14	1	790	14	Danish.....	1	790	14	1	790	14
Total.....	356	62,165	13,445	343	61,992	13,227	Total.....	294	43,616	8,978	323	46,914	9,710

WHENCE ARRIVED

	1896.	1897.								
United Kingdom.....	278	551,786	11,681	262	544,137	11,546	245	423,114	8,721	
British West Indies.....	7	240	77	2	359	70	1,685	94	4	
Cape Verd.....	1	544	12	1	201	1	1,684	23	1,699	
United States.....	4	4,396	76	8	10,175	166	3	983	199	
France.....	4	468	22	5	1,924	97	5	371	27	
St. Pierre & Miquelon.....	4	2,400	60	4	1,074	162	1	154	25	
Belgium.....	1	13,300	42	10	28,325	458	4	869	15	
Germany.....	13	10,977	185	13	10,959	176	4	2,653	44	
Norway and Sweden.....	3	417	82	3	479	81	9	994	145	
Portugal.....	1	352	10	3	349	70	2	126	22	
Spain.....	3	347	49	2	794	19	2	283	45	
Spanish West Indies.....	1	118	17	1	116	14	1	116	1	
Argentine Republic.....	1	118	17	1	184	24	1	184	24	
Austria.....	3	77	39	3	77	39	1	77	39	
Turkey in Africa.....	1	414	15	1	414	15	1	414	15	
French Guinea.....	1	128	16	1	128	16	1	128	16	
Sea Fisheries.....	1	790	21	1	790	21	1	790	21	
Total.....	356	62,165	13,445	343	61,992	13,227	Total.....	294	43,616	8,978

FOR WHAT COUNTRY

	1896.	1897.				
United Kingdom.....	241	405,958	8,904	245	423,114	8,721
Newfoundland.....	1	1,684	94	4	336	41
United States.....	3	1,684	23	1	1,699	19
France.....	13	983	199	12	881	172
St. Pierre & Miquelon.....	5	371	27	9	1,156	52
Belgium.....	1	154	25	2	226	41
Germany.....	4	869	15	2	1,570	213
Spain.....	4	2,653	44	4	4,794	56
Norway and Sweden.....	9	994	145	2	2,889	37
Portugal.....	2	126	22	29	2,833	485
Spain.....	2	126	22	1	685	12
Total.....	294	43,616	8,978	323	46,914	9,710

COMPARATIVE STATEMENT of Vessels entered Inwards and Outwards at the Port of Quebec, showing the number of Vessels, Tonnage, and number of Men employed, distinguishing the number of Vessels Entered and Cleared at Out Ports for the years 1892, 1893, 1894, 1895, 1896 and 1897.

INWARDS.

	1892.			1893.			1894.			1895.			1896.			1897.		
	Ves.	Tons.	Men.	Ves.	Tons.	Men.	Ves.	Tons.	Men.	Ves.	Tons.	Men.	Ves.	Tons.	Men.	Ves.	Tons.	Men.
Port of Quebec.....	441	65,129	16,252	391	62,910	15,716	344	62,322	15,760	12,886	317	59,945	12,905	299	57,890	12,528		
Out Port of Chiconium.....	3	3,373	65	12	9,416	151	6	6,656	91	43	5	6,133	102	20	16,223	290		
do Tadoussac.....	10	8,998	130	10	8,998	130	10	8,998	130	10	8,998	130	10	8,998	130	10	8,998	130
do St. Thomas.....	7	5,655	96	6	4,858	76	4	4,243	57	1	114	16	16	16	16	16	16	16
do Beauséjour.....	1	920	14	1	920	14	1	920	14	1	920	14	1	920	14	1	920	14
do Rivière Ouelle.....	1	429	8	1	429	8	1	429	8	1	429	8	1	429	8	1	429	8
do Baie St. Paul.....	1	429	8	1	429	8	1	429	8	1	429	8	1	429	8	1	429	8
do Magdelein Islands.....	1	429	8	1	429	8	1	429	8	1	429	8	1	429	8	1	429	8
Total.....	473	83,773	14,421	431	66,095	16,554	386	61,789	14,118	249	61,992	13,185	356	62,165	13,445	343	61,992	13,227

OUTWARDS.

	1892.			1893.			1894.			1895.			1896.			1897.		
	Ves.	Tons.	Men.	Ves.	Tons.	Men.	Ves.	Tons.	Men.	Ves.	Tons.	Men.	Ves.	Tons.	Men.	Ves.	Tons.	Men.
Port of Quebec.....	356	58,192	8,266	329	53,239	7,716	249	57,137	7,146	18	331,320	723	253	40,950	8,419	239	41,891	8,411
Out Port of Chiconium.....	20	11,448	227	21	15,130	273	20	15,469	257	13	13,947	153	21	18,943	313	13	15,859	227
do Tadoussac.....	10	8,998	130	10	8,998	130	10	8,998	130	10	8,998	130	10	8,998	130	10	8,998	130
do St. Thomas.....	4	2,776	43	6	4,858	76	4	4,243	57	1	114	16	16	16	16	16	16	16
do Beauséjour.....	3	2,427	42	3	2,427	42	3	2,427	42	3	2,427	42	3	2,427	42	3	2,427	42
do Rivière Ouelle.....	4	1,609	43	5	2,296	51	5	1,911	45	8	4,326	73	6	2,012	40	10	3,958	89
do Baie St. Paul.....	1	429	8	1	429	8	1	429	8	1	429	8	1	429	8	1	429	8
do Magdelein Islands.....	1	429	8	1	429	8	1	429	8	1	429	8	1	429	8	1	429	8
Total.....	414	64,669	8,773	345	56,323	8,978	294	53,657	7,689	357	53,192	7,891	294	43,616	8,978	323	46,914	9,710

ELZ. L. J. GIROUX,
 of H. M. Customs

QUEBEC, 31st December 1897.

PORT OF QUEBEC.

Returns showing the opening of the navigation at the Port of Quebec, in each year, from 1830 to 1897, inclusively; also the date of closing thereof during that period.

Years.	Arrivals		Arrivals		Sailed for		Year.	Inwards.	Outwards.
	From Sea-ways.	Date.	From Sea-ways.	Date.	Sea-ways.	Date.			
1830	April 17	April 26	December 4	1840	1184	1243			
1831	" 21	May 16	November 30	1841	1186	1300			
1832	" 20	May 10	" 30	1842	1204	1354			
1833	" 18	" 6	" 29	1843	1351	1370			
1834	" 18	" 6	" 24	1844	1351	1406			
1835	May 4	" 2	" 24	1845	750	1328			
1836	" 11	" 11	" 26	1846	1006	1383			
1837	" 11	" 11	" 26	1847	1283	1335			
1838	April 28	April 29	" 18	1848	1007	1058			
1839	May 8	May 8	" 20	1849	970	1031			
1840	May 21	May 8	" 20	1850	1571	1293			
1841	" 19	April 25	" 28	1851	1571	1188			
1842	" 19	April 25	" 28	1852	1571	1188			
1843	May 3	May 3	" 28	1853	1317	1319			
1844	April 21	April 18	" 28	1854	1681	1785			
1845	April 25	May 2	" 28	1855	1306	1517			
1846	April 25	May 2	" 28	1856	1306	1517			
1847	May 8	May 8	" 27	1857	1211	1450			
1848	April 6	April 28	" 21	1858	993	1038			
1849	" 25	" 25	" 25	1859	993	993			
1850	" 22	" 25	" 25	1860	1004	1007			
1851	" 22	" 25	" 25	1861	886	899			
1852	" 30	" 15	December 27	1862	1013	1030			
1853	" 23	" 24	December 26	1863	1874	1050			
1854	May 5	" 29	" 29	1864	1018	1050			
1855	" 6	May 6	" 22	1865	823	819			
1856	April 27	April 30	" 22	1866	976	987			
1857	" 27	May 20	" 23	1867	992	992			
1858	" 15	" 29	" 23	1868	606	672			
1859	" 22	" 29	" 28	1869	949	842			
1860	" 26	" 28	" 28	1870	678	796			
1861	" 26	" 28	" 26	1871	610	620			
1862	" 22	" 16	" 25	1872	713	702			
1863	" 20	May 16	" 25	1873	561	565			
1864	May 20	May 16	" 26	1874	501	579			
1865	April 21	April 27	" 29	1875	386	401			
1866	" 21	" 29	" 28	1876	477	466			
1867	May 3	" 17	December 1	1877	477	477			
1868	April 28	" 23	November 20	1878	412	425			
1869	" 28	" 23	" 28	1879	509	478			
1870	" 30	" 27	" 28	1880	480	458			
1871	" 18	" 1	December 27	1881	471	471			
1872	May 6	" 30	November 27	1882	431	428			
1873	" 2	" 28	" 30	1883	389	345			
1874	" 10	" 28	" 22	1884	349	294			
1875	" 9	May 25	" 25	1885	356	257			
1876	" 9	May 25	" 25	1886	356	294			
1877	April 26	April 25	" 26	1887	343	323			
1878	" 21	" 20	" 25	1888					
1879	May 2	" 30	" 27	1889					
1880	" 1	May 1	" 24	1890					
1881	April 29	May 1	" 24	1891					
1882	" 6	" 1	" 23	1892					
1883	May 6	" 1	" 26	1893					
1884	April 30	" 1	" 26	1894					
1885	May 7	" 5	" 23	1895					
1886	April 27	April 29	" 21	1896					
1887	May 3	" 25	" 24	1897					
1888	" 29	" 29	" 25						
1889	April 21	" 29	" 25						
1890	May 20	" 27	" 25						
1891	" 27	" 27	" 21						
1892	" 23	" 29	" 25						
1893	May 6	" 20	" 24						
1894	April 22	" 25	December 5						
1895	May 1	" 25	November 25						
1896	" 25	" 25	" 27						
1897	April 25	May 3	" 27						

* Confederation.—All vessels trading to and from the Lower Provinces were up to this date included, but not since that year.

STOCK OF LUMBER IN THE PORT OF QUEBEC.

INCLUDING MERCHANTABLE AND CULLS,

ON THE 1st OF DECEMBER, 1897.

(From returns received from the several Coes.)

COVES.	White Pine.		Red Pine.	Oak.	Elm.	Ash.	Birch.	Tamarac.	Spruce.	Hickory.	Cherry.	Maple.	White wood and Halm of Gilead.	Butternut.	Hemlock.	Pitch Pine.	Pine Deals Standard.		Spruce Deals Standard.		1, 1 1/2 & 2 in. Pine and Spruce Plank.	Pine and Spruce Spars.	Hard-wood Plank.	Hemlock and Tamarac Boards, &c.
	Square.	Waney.															Mer.	Cull.	Mer.	Cull.				
Riviera-Pierre Mills—Glens Falls Paper Mill Co.																		68,302	7,003	1,104,264				
Jacques Cartier Mills—E. L. Scwell.																		13,469	3,421	120,000				
Lake St. Joseph Mills—do											1,010							53,400	5,620	694,000				
Cap Rouge P. & W. Company	98,922	428,094	11,847																					
King's End—A. H. Fairclark & Co.	262	619																						
Union Cove—M. Stevenson & Co.	890	81,380	50	85,400	17,220	10,920	3,780																	
Sillery—Dobell, Beckett & Co.	64,748	431,802	29,867	129,454	2,256	917	84																	
Do Safety & Bridge-water—Sharples Brothers	83,200	352,230	1,662	115,171	84,255	5,619	307																	
Do Pointe-Picard and Bowen's—Dobell, Beckett & Co.	22,587	115,063	91,913	294,419	38,708	14,700	29																	
Cape and L. Anse les Mers—Hall's Booms																								
Chaudrier Basin—J. Beuker																								
New Liverpool—McArthur Bros. & Co. (Ltd.)	108,650	218,173	29,819	136,472	12,122	35,260																		
Richemin Mills—H. Atkinson																								
St. Raymond Mills—do																								
Hadow Cove—King Brothers																								
St. Lawrence Docks	96,030	309,362	2,266		3,316	15,716	10,000	1,788	3,440															
Quebec Warehouse Co.	4,171	852																						
Indian Cove—H. Kennedy	114	33,842	166	9,812	4,102	2,914	1,502																	
Total	482,849	2,388,240	183,352	694,111	163,833	93,760	24,712	1,788	5,672	16,161	15,102	3,240	2,389	464	114	42,722	131,658	37,197	953,074	118,230	1,186,897	32	96,373	599,843

COMPARATIVE STATEMENT OF THE SUPPLY, EXPORT, AND STOCK OF LUMBER,

TO THE 1st DECEMBER, FOR THE YEARS 1893, 1894, 1895, 1896 AND 1897 RESPECTIVELY,—with averages for the same period, and five years preceding.

ARTICLES.	SUPPLY.					EXPORT.					TOTAL STOCK.					Average of 5 years' Stock.		ARTICLES.					
	From Returns from Superior and others, for years ending 1st December.					From Customs' Returns for years ending 1st December.					INCLUDING MERCHANTABLE AND CULLS, On the 1st December.					1888 to 1892, 1893 to 1897.							
	1893.	1894.	1895.	1896.	1897.	1888 to 1892.	1893 to 1897.	1893.	1894.	1895.	1896.	1897.	1888 to 1892.	1893 to 1897.	1893.	1894.	1895.	1896.	1897.	1888 to 1892.	1893 to 1897.		
TIMBER.																							
Oak.....Feet	1,156,746	1,276,869	1,006,130	1,145,564	1,448,060	1,664,462	1,206,855	1,013,160	697,648	869,560	1,382,880	1,412,200	1,172,204	1,123,128	376,141	699,205	790,486	337,348	694,111	597,664	619,458	Oak.....Feet	
Elm.....do	588,478	528,701	596,137	416,626	665,577	545,221	598,519	431,840	528,880	537,120	501,000	587,080	624,348	515,184	391,452	244,145	218,871	78,374	165,263	244,845	219,255	Elm.....do	
Ash.....do	172,126	138,526	140,977	65,749	132,435	168,647	144,204	108,840	134,920	146,360	115,680	76,200	175,312	128,000	56,701	99,459	118,127	49,004	43,766	114,387	82,201	Ash.....do	
Birch.....do	164,478	131,191	240,818	201,430	262,297	216,043	210,043	121,480	189,260	209,160	313,200	214,000	326,538	268,968	29,254	13,242	5,156	9,470	24,712	22,127	16,366	Birch.....do	
Tamarac.....do	627	393	654	138	396	6,157	421								438	327	6,990	90	1,788	5,669	1,846	Tamarac.....do	
White Pine.....do	1,121,102	838,246	275,771	316,093	832,389	2,910,028	976,360	4,022,280	3,468,600	2,836,080	4,231,800	3,773,040	5,681,380	3,684,760	2,134,281	1,656,993	1,090,892	337,013	482,849	3,261,118	1,189,405	White Pine.....do	
Square.....do	3,117,285	2,288,662	3,986,469	2,870,879	4,311,340	2,792,998	3,134,927								1,637,936	1,610,771	2,264,717	1,474,183	2,288,349	2,007,132	1,851,128	Square.....do	
Waney.....do	305,391	59,832	108,691		211,217	416,365	146,739	312,640	146,120	326,080	139,160	168,760	317,718	218,552	539,769	295,084	154,120	25,069	183,552	487,829	298,322	Waney.....do	
Red Pine.....do																							
STAVES.																							
Standard.....Mille.	5					36	1			9					44						27		Standard.....Mille.
Punchon.....do	16					105	3			24					89					52			Punchon.....do
Barrel.....do	3					14																	Barrel.....do
DEALS.																							
Pine.....Standard	931,583	647,469	823,065	657,264	601,864	1,155,656	732,236	728,300	479,700	601,200	460,343	49,716	1,027,048	431,852	145,916	63,624	135,489	142,410	168,885	415,555	181,264	Pine.....Standard	
Spruce.....do	4,095,180	3,447,856	3,878,142	5,915,455	3,649,322	3,205,949	3,630,187	3,540,000	3,462,800	3,471,700	3,828,258	1,738,107	3,185,066	3,209,173	844,718	679,774	736,210	373,413	1,071,313	992,377	701,686	Spruce.....do	
LATWOOD.																							
Red Pine and Hemlock.....Cords																					2		Red Pine and Hemlock.....Cords

EDWARD J. DALGIN.

Quebec, 18th December, 1897.

The J. Bell Forsyth & Co's PRICES CURRENT OF TIMBER, DEALS, &c.

QUEBEC, 18TH DECEMBER, 1897.

			\$	cts.	\$	cts.
WHITE PINE, in the Raft, for inferior and ordinary	according to average, quality, &c., measured off.	do	0	20	0	25
for Fair average quality,	do	do	0	25	0	30
for Good and Good Fair average,	do	do	0	30	0	35
for Superior,	do	do	0	35	0	40
In shipping order,	do	do	0	35	0	45
Waney board, 17 to 18 inch,	do	do	0	38	0	41
do 19 to 22 "	do	do	0	42	0	48
RED PINE, in the Raft, measured off, according to average and quality	do	do	0	22	0	28
in Shipping order, 35 to 45 feet	do	do	0	24	0	34
OAK, Michigan and Ohio, by the Dram, according to average and quality	do	do	0	46	0	51
ELM, do do do do 45 to 50 feet	do	do	0	31	0	33
do do do do 30 to 35 "	do	do	0	28	0	30
ASH, 14 inches and up,	do	do	0	27	0	30
BIRCH, 16 inch average	do	do	0	20	0	23
TAMARAC, Square, according to size and quality	do	do	0	18	0	20
Flatted, do do do do	do	do	0	15	0	18
DEALS, Bright, according to Mill Specification, \$115 to \$123 for 1st, \$78 to \$83 for 2nd, and \$40 to \$43 for 3rd quality.						
Do Bright Spruce, do \$41 to \$44 for 1st, \$28 to \$30 for 2nd, \$25 to \$27 for 3rd, and \$22 to \$24 for 4th quality.						

N. B.—Parties in England will bear in mind, that timber sold in the Raft subjects the purchaser to great expense in dressing, bating, and at times heavy loss for culls—in shipping order, the expense of shipping only to be added.

COMPARATIVE STATEMENT OF SAILING VESSELS cleared at the Port of Quebec, for Sea, (Lumber laden), 1882 to 1897, from the opening to the close of navigation:

Year	Vessels	Tons	Year	Vessels	Tons
1882	426	359,025	1890	250	238,162
1883	487	416,169	1891	205	182,615
1884	456	391,598	1892	244	225,008
1885	369	294,790	1893	177	146,970
1886	325	250,635	1894	136	115,639
1887	271	206,172	1895	86	70,990
1888	227	195,928	1896	103	82,622
1889	275	240,892	1897	99	84,233

Statements showing the quantity and value of wood exported from the Ports of Montreal, Three Rivers, Batiscan and Sorel, from May 1st to November 30th, 1897.

PORTS.	ARTICLES.	QUANTITY.	VALUE.
Montreal	Pine Deals	70,569 Sld. H	\$3,478,143
	Spruce Deals	13,683 "	432,148
	Deal Ends	7,137 "	353,246
	Planks, Boards, &c	36,319 M. ft.	739,851
	Other Headings		25,638
	Square Timber		173,858
Total value, \$5,272,164			
Three Rivers and Batiscan	Pine Deals	2,065 Sld. H	\$123,640
	Spruce Deals	3,122 "	105,905
	Deal Ends	122 "	4,638
	Planks, Boards, &c	16,837 M. ft.	149,229
	Pulp-Wood Spruce	51,922 "	192,482
	Other Headings		5,410
Total value, \$ 582,813			
Sorel	Pine Deals	154 Sld. H	\$ 6,327
	Spruce Deals	3,502 "	108,282
	Planks, Boards, &c	2,280 M. ft.	20,065
			3,000,000 feet	$ 134,864

Statement of the number of Cars of Deals, Timber, Pulp, &c., brought to the Port of Quebec by the Quebec and Lake St. John Railway for the year ending 1st November, 1897.

Cars	Deals and Lumber	2,233 cars	Cordwood
3,490			
299	Pulp	158	Square Timber
289	Ties	576	Pulp-Wood.

Lumber Cut of Ottawa District.
An estimate of the cut of lumber in the Ottawa valley during the season puts it at about 725,000,000 feet, which is somewhat more than last year, the increase being due to heavier cuts by the St. Anthony Lumber Company and several other manufacturers. The estimated cuts are as follows:—J. R. Booth, 130,000,000 feet; Melanaghan Bros. Arnprior, 70,000,000 feet; St. Anthony Co. Whitney, 70,000,000 feet; Bull, Hardman & Co., 40,000,000 feet; Hawesbury Lumber Company, 55,000,000 feet; Gilmore & Co., Canoe Lake, 55,000,000 feet; Bronson & Weston 50,000,000 feet; W. O. Edwards, Rockland, 50,000,000 feet; Gilmore & Higham, Hill, 40,000,000 feet; Gillies Bros. Beasides, 35,000,000 feet; Shephard & Morse, New Edinburgh, 15,000,000 feet; Pembroke Lumber Company, 15,000,000 feet; Kirk Bros. Aylmer, 14,000,000 feet; Canada Lumber Company, Carleton Place, 13,000,000 feet; W. Mason & Sons, 13,000,000 feet; Conroy Bros. Deseronto, 12,000,000 feet; James MacLaren, Buckingham, 12,000,000 feet; Ottawa Lumber Company, Okauchee, 11,000,000 feet; Hogan's Mill, Plantagenet, 5,000,000 feet; Gillies Bros. Sand Point, 3,000,000 feet; A. P. White, Pembroke, 4,000,000 feet. Total cut, 725,000,000 feet.

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J. Bell Forsyth & Co's Circular.

QUEBEC, 20th December, 1897.

It has been customary for many years past, at the close of the shipping season, to lay before the Trade in this Circular a statement of the Supply, Export and Stock of Timber and Deals at this Port, with general remarks and further information likely to be of value to those interested, and I now beg to submit these as heretofore.

The business of the Port has shown a marked increase in the shipment of Timber over recent years, and Spruce deals have been heavily exported. The shipment of Pine deals from Montreal, which is largely in the hands of Spruce houses, has been unprecedented in extent. Continued dullness in the United States market, with the imposition of a tariff duty by that country on sawn wood goods, has induced increased shipments of boards and stings, both Pine and Spruce to the United Kingdom, to meet the growing demand there for such goods.

General business in the United Kingdom continues good, and the strike of the Engineers employed in the construction of machinery, which has seriously affected some branches of trade, now seems approaching a settlement.

Prices have been well maintained, except in Spruce deals, which have fallen heavily in value in the United Kingdom, owing to excessive shipments from the Maritime Provinces. Producers of Ottawa and other Pine deals should give timely consideration to the lesson, and by keeping manufacture within limits, prevent a similar result in their goods.

The Fast Atlantic Line contract has been placed in the hands of an English firm of Managing Shipowners on very favorable terms for Canada, but some considerable uncertainty seems to exist in the probability of the service being provided. In its present form the contract provides for the boats being built of an exceptionally light draft, with an obligation that they shall proceed to Montreal when Navigation permits, thus effectually disposing of all hope of Quebec being the summer terminus of the Line.

The Great Northern extension of the Parry Sound Road, from which so much was hoped, has been unfortunately delayed, largely owing to the apathy of Quebec citizens. The terminus of the Intercolonial Railway has been transferred from Levis, opposite Quebec, to Montreal, by the Drummond County Railroad extension.

As to the long talked of Bridge over the St. Lawrence it is understood the Directors have almost completed the soundings at the Chaudiere, and will shortly be in a position to lay their plans and estimates before the Government at Ottawa. It is to be hoped and expected these will receive favorable consideration, as something is required to prevent a further transfer of business to Montreal, where already timber is largely shipped by Quebec houses, especially as there seems some probability of large sums being spent in improving the Harbor of Montreal and the Channel above Quebec.

WHITE PINE.—With a larger supply and heavier shipment, the stock shows some increase over the unprecedentedly light one of last winter, but is by no means excessive and is largely in Merchants' hands. The production of Waney Pine will be considerably under that of last year, and a marked improvement in the United States would at any time cut of the Michigan supply.

	Supply.	Export.	Stock.
1897	Square..... 822,589	3,773,940	482,849 Square.
1896	Waney..... 4,311,540	316,093	2,288,249 Waney.
1896	Square..... 316,093	4,251,900	257,913 Square.
1896	Waney..... 2,879,519		1,474,168 Waney.

RED PINE.—The stock is sufficient for reduced requirements of Trade, and little is being made, as the price is too low to induce manufacture, and the demand is only for superior wood, which is scarce.

	Supply.	Export.	Stock.
1897	..... 211,217	168,760	183,552
1896	..... 20,609	139,160	82,069

OAK.—Shipments have been very heavy as compared with recent years. The stock is not excessive for business on a similar scale, as production will be diminished.

	Supply.	Export.	Stock.
1897	..... 1,445,909	1,412,209	694,111
1896	..... 1,148,564	1,382,880	637,348

ELM.—Has been in good demand all the season, but the difficulty of securing suitable wood will prevent an over supply and eventually bring about a scarcity.

	Supply.	Export.	Stock.
1897	..... 662,577	687,080	163,835
1896	..... 416,625	501,000	78,874

ASH.—Seems not wanted in the United Kingdom, and Stock is probably more than ample for next season's requirements. Even large average wood of first class quality and good white color is sold with difficulty.

	Supply.	Export.	Stock.
1897	..... 332,430	76,200	93,766
1896	..... 85,749	113,680	42,694

BIRCH.—Is not in demand, as cheap African mahogany has of some considerable extent taken its place. Manufacturers should restrict production, especially of short wood under ten feet long.

	Supply.	Export.	Stock.
1897	..... 263,297	214,080	24,712
1896	..... 281,430	319,200	9,470

STAVES.—The Quebec stave trade is now a thing of the past.

	Supply.	Export.	Stock.
1897	..... 801,884	49,716	169,885
1896	..... 557,264	496,545	144,410

SPRUCE DEALS.—Are in a most unsatisfactory condition, and unless the excessive increase of production, especially in the Maritime Provinces, is curtailed and brought within previous bounds, there can be no improvement.

	Supply.	Export.	Stock.
1897	..... 3,649,222	1,738,107	1,071,313
1896	..... 3,915,455	3,828,238	373,413

SAWN LUMBER.—There has been very little demand for Spruce for River Platts. Towards the end of the season owing to the light shipments a few cargoes were sold at a slight advance on last years prices, and the stock wintering being very short, as compared with former years, an improvement is looked for next season.

	Supply.	Export.	Stock.
1897	..... 3,649,222	1,738,107	1,071,313
1896	..... 3,915,455	3,828,238	373,413

FRIGHTS.—Have followed the same course as last year, though the advance towards end of season came earlier, and was more marked. Passage at one time in the Fall being scarcely obtainable even at extreme rates. Sail for Quebec loading at seventeen shillings for Clyde, and nineteen shillings for Liverpool throughout season. Deal freight by steam for Montreal loading to leading Ports in the United Kingdom opened at forty Shillings, and from early September till close of season were unsettled at advanced and at times at extreme figures.

E. J. DALRIN.

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way and the Pilot Schooners, and the service has been performed to the satisfaction of the Commissioners.

Old Pilots

Previous to the opening of navigation, all the old pilots, nine in number, who had attained the age of sixty-five and over, were summoned before the Commissioners under the 32nd section of "The Pilotage Act," in order to establish whether they could continue in the exercise of their duties for the ensuing year. They were all found to be able to perform their duties, and their licenses were consequently renewed for one year.

Pilots Superannuated

There has been but one superannuation during the year, that of Mr. Régis Ménard, Pilot No. 1, on the active list.

Mr. Ménard, who had attained the advanced age of eighty-two years, entered the pilotage service the 9th of August, 1836, and had thus been continuously employed for over sixty-one years, and the Commissioners have pleasure in recording that, during this long and arduous term of service, not one casualty or complaint has been entered against Pilot Ménard.

Deaths

One pilot has died during the year, Mr. Annibal Baquet, pilot No. 11 on the list. Mr. Baquet had seen forty-two years of honorable service, in all of which there had been neither accident nor complaint.

Trials

Five (5) pilots have been brought before the pilotage authority during the season of navigation, all on complaints made by the masters of the vessels they had piloted.

In three of those cases the pilots were found guilty, and in two of them a verdict of acquittal was given.

One of the statements annexed to this report conveys all the particulars as to the nature of the complaint and the result of the investigation in each case.

Leave of absence

One year's leave of absence terminating on the 31st of March, 1898, was granted Mr. J. Emilio Couillard, pilot No. 68.

Pilotage on River Saguenay

Application was made to the Commissioners by the Pilot Board to pass and submit for the approval of His Excellency the Governor General in Council, a tariff of pilotage for the River Saguenay. The Commissioners decided that, while the River Saguenay was within the pilotage district of Quebec, that under the present Statutes, they had no power to frame such a tariff or to interfere with the employment of unlicensed pilots by the masters of vessels in the River Saguenay.

Traverse Lights

The Commissioners being strongly impressed with the advisability of replacing the Light Ships, in the Traverse by permanent Light Houses, have forwarded the following recommendation to the Honorable the Minister of Marine and Fisheries.

HARBOUR COMMISSIONERS' OFFICE.

QUEBEC, December 28th, 1897.

Honorable

L. H. DAVIES, M. P.,

Minister of Marine and Fisheries,

&c., &c., &c.

Ottawa.

SIR,

I have the honor to transmit you, herewith, a short report from Commissioners' Chief Engineer on the subject of replacing the Traverse Light Ships by permanent Light Houses.

The Commissioners have been considering the matter for some time, and they are of opinion that, if the Light Ships at present in use in the Traverse were replaced by Light Houses built on piers, that it would be of great advantage to the navigation of the St. Lawrence, would extend the season for another month, and would be, in this way, of the greatest benefit to the Ports of Quebec, Montreal and Three Rivers.

In connection with this subject the Commissioners would respectfully call your attention to the recent case of the SS. "Boston City." This vessel destined for the Ports of Quebec and Montreal, carrying a full general cargo, was reported off Cape Ray, on the 28th of November and put into Sydney for orders on the 29th of November; she was then ordered to Quebec; but the Captain, hearing that the Light Ships had been removed from the Traverse, would not take the responsibility of coming up, and after remaining at Sydney until the 2nd of December to see if some temporary arrangements, could not be made, was ordered back to Halifax to discharge cargo, from which

it would have to be sent by rail to its destination at a very greatly increased cost, and thus also accentuating the fact that, under present arrangements when nearing the closing of navigation, a few days delay, (a little longer in making a trip than was calculated on), might prevent any vessel from reaching Quebec or Montreal.

Had there been permanent Light Houses in the Traverse, the SS. "Boston City" could have got up to Quebec, and might possibly been able to proceed to Montreal.

In regard to the cost of this proposed improvement as compared to the present cost of equipping and maintaining the Light Ships, the Commissioners have no figures to go on; but it seems reasonable to think that, after construction, the Light Houses would entail but a slight expense, while as to the Light Ships their equipment and maintenance must be a much larger annual charge.

The Commissioners would therefore strongly urge this improvement upon the Honorable the Minister and trust that he will give it his most careful consideration.

I am,

Sir,

Your most obedient servant,

JAMES WOODS,
Secretary-Treasurer.

HARBOUR ENGINEER'S OFFICE.

QUEBEC, July 29th, 1897.

JAMES WOODS, Esq.,

Secretary-Treasurer, Harbour Commission.

SIR,

I have the honour to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 22nd instant, referring to the Traverse Light Ships, and beg leave to submit the following :

I find from an examination of the chart of the Traverse, that a pier to replace the Lower Traverse Light Ship would be in about 24 feet of water at low tide, and that a pier to replace the Upper Light Ship would be situated in about 30 feet of water at low tide. I would anticipate no great difficulty in placing substantial piers in that part of the river. Mr. Gregory has no reports on this subject ; but considers from his knowledge of the locality, that piers could be built. He is however of the opinion that a good channel for use with a raising tide can be marked out by fixed lights and ranges in the North Traverse, between Madame Island and the Island of Orleans.

I have the honor to be, Sir,

Your obedient servant,

ST. GEORGE BOSWELL,

Chief Engineer.

Apprentice Pilots

There is no change to be noted in regard to this branch of the service, the list remaining the same as that of 1895.

Although this list contains eight (8) names, only six (6) are to be counted, as Messrs. Nole and Dugal, through their long absence, are considered to be dead.

These six apprentices cannot be admitted to pass their examination before the number of pilots is reduced to one hundred and twenty-five (125), as provided for in section 8 of 45 Victoria, chapitre 32.

Pilotage Earnings

According to a return received from the Secretary Treasurer of the Corporation of Pilots for and below the Harbour of Quebec, their gross earnings for the season has been one hundred and thirty-three thousand five hundred and forty-five dollars and twenty-seven cents. (\$133,545.27.)

Out of this amount, one hundred and twenty-one thousand six hundred and sixty-three dollars and fifty-three cents (\$121,663.53), were received from eight hundred and eighty (880) British vessels, and the balance eleven thousand eight hundred and eighty-one dollars and seventy-two cents (\$11,881.72), from one hundred and twenty-two foreign craft.

The total expenses have been twenty-three thousand one hundred and sixty-eight dollars (\$23,168.00), leaving a balance of one hundred and ten thousand three hundred and seventy-seven dollars and twenty-seven cents (\$110,377.27), to be divided among an average of one hundred and twenty-nine pilots, giving them a net dividend of eight hundred and fifty-five dollars and sixty-four cents (\$855.64) each.

Directors of the Corporation of Pilots

At their annual meeting, held on the tenth day of December last, the pilots elected the following directors to their Corporation for the ensuing year.

Messrs. F-X Lamarre, Arbel Bernier, Paul Paquet, Edmond Larochelle, Léon Labrecque and Paul Gobeil, and at a subsequent meeting of the new board, Mr. F-X. Lamarre was re-elected president.

Annexed to the present report are the various statements, not herein alluded to, which contain all the information yearly conveyed to your Department by the Commissioners in their capacity of Pilotage Authority.

I have the honor to be,

Sir,

Your most obedient servant,

JAMES WOODS,

Secretary-Treasurer.

QUEBEC HARBOUR COMMISSION

STATEMENT of Trials held, during the year 1897, before the Quebec Harbour Commissioners, under the authority of the Pilotage Act, 36 Vic., Chap. 54, and 45 Vic., Chap. 32, Sec. 4.

Name of Pilot Tried.	Nature of complaint.	Date of Trial.	Result.
Louis Honoré Lapierre...	Causing Bk. "India" to collide with "Cross Wall."	8th of July.	Found guilty, condemned in \$40.00 and costs.
Alfred Godreau	Causing the S. S. "Derwent Holme," to run over the shoal at St. Jean Port-Joli.	13th of August.	Found guilty of an error of judgment, in not ascertaining the proper distance when off the Pillars Lights, and condemned in costs of case.
Moise <i>alias</i> Laurent Godbout..	Causing the S. S. "Derwent Holme," to strike some obstruction while at anchor off White Island.	16th of August.	Acquitted.

<p>Charles Normand.....</p> <p>Georges Conillard</p>	<p>Causing the Bk. P. Wicks-1st and 6th of Iron, Jr., to collide with the Breakwater.</p>	<p>Acquitted.</p>
<p>Després....</p>	<p>Causing the S.S. "Turret" to run ashore on St. Vallier's Reef.</p>	<p>Found guilty of the charge lodged against him in so much that he did not exercise due care in verifying his course; but that in consideration of his long and clear record of twenty seven years' service, in which there has been neither accident nor complaint, in place of suspending him, condemns him in a fine of \$40.00 and the costs of the case.</p>

HARBOUR COMMISSIONERS' OFFICE, }
Quebec, 2nd January, 1898.

Certified, JAS. WOODS,

Secretary-Treasurer

QUEBEC HARBOUR COMMISSION.

LIST of Apprentice Pilots immediately under the Quebec Harbour Commissioners' Pilotage authority, on the 31st December, 1897.

Number.	Names.	When Indentured	Remarks.
1	George Duval.....	11th April 1871	Absent since the fall of 1877.
2	Ernest Nolet.....	19th March 1874	Absent since the fall of 1878.
3	Adélard Vézina.....	24th May 1883	It is stipulated in the indentures of those apprentices, that they will not be admitted to pass their examination before the number of Pilots is reduced to 125, as provided for by the Act 45 Victoria, chapter 32.
4	Jean-Baptiste Pouliot.....	do do do	
5	Joseph Thivierge.....	do do do	
6	Léonidas Lachance.....	do do do	
7	Eudore Langlois.....	do do do	
8	Frs.-X. Eustache <i>alias</i> Wm. Doiron.	12th July do	

HARBOUR COMMISSIONERS' OFFICE, }
 Quebec, 3rd January, 1898. }

Certified,

JAS. WOODS,

Secretary-Treasurer.

STATEMENT showing the number of Pilots for and below the Harbour of Quebec, on the Active List, on the 31st December, 1897, the number who retired, struck off the active list or died during the year, the number temporarily suspended, the number who were unable to serve, the number in charge of Government Steamers, etc., etc.

Number.	Name.	Age.	Residence.	Number of Pilots ages effected.			Casualties and Remarks.
				Inwards.	Outwards.	Mov'ges.	
1	Régis Ménard	83	St. Valier	2	1	3	Pensioned in the month of July.
2	Jérémie Dufresne	81	Quebec	5	3	4	
3	Antoine Gobeil	69	St-Laurent, Orleans	17	17	4	Employed by the Allan Line.
4	Charles Francis Brown	70	Quebec	7	4	4	
5	François Paquet	65	St. John, Orleans	7	5	4	One of the Directors of the Corp. of Pilots, not re-elected at last election.
6	Joseph Poullet	71	do	5	7	4	
7	Joseph Normand	67	Crapo Island	6	5	5	Employed by the Allan Line.
8	David Danour	65	Trois-Pistoles	6	0	0	
9	Charles Vezina	63	St. Michel, Bellechasse	13	13	0	Employed by the Allan Line.
10	Numa Lachance	63	do	1	0	0	
11	Amédée Baquet	62	Quebec	0	0	0	Sick part of the season, died 30th May.
12	Joseph Gravel	71	do	6	5	4	
13	Auguste Despres	61	Lauzon, Lewis	12	12	0	Employed by the Black Diamond Line.
14	Jean-Baptiste Poullet	65	St. John, Orleans	4	4	5	
15	Jean Gobeil	66	do	3	2	3	Sick since the month of September.
16	Joseph Paquet	60	Quebec	4	2	1	
17	Louis Edmond Morin	59	do	16	20	4	Employed by the Thomson Line.
18	Moïse Lachance	60	St. John, Orleans	5	6	5	

STATEMENT showing the number of Pilots for and below the Harbour of Quebec, &c.—Continued

Number.	Name.	Age.	Residence.	Number of Pilots ages effected.			Casualties and Remarks.
				Inwards.	Outwards.	Movings.	
19	Joseph S. Brown.	63	Quebec.	7	7	4	Employed by the Dominion Line.
20	Robert Raymond.	58	do	0	0	3	
21	Joseph Poirier.	56	St. Vallier	5	0	4	Sick all the season. Keghan Brown Co.
22	Edmond Larochelle, Sr.	54	St. John, Orleans	0	0	0	
23	Ant. Thomas Chouinard.	53	Quebec	9	9	1	Sick since the month of September.
24	Laurent Godbout.	54	Poulin-au-Père	6	2	3	
25	Adelme Pouliot.	53	Quebec	6	2	5	Employed by the Dominion Line.
26	Barth. Yépin dit Lachance.	58	St. Laurent, Orleans	12	11	1	
27	Jos. Yépin dit Lachance.	52	St. John, Orleans	6	5	3	Employed by the Dominion Line.
28	Jos. Yépin dit Lachance.	52	Quebec	5	5	4	
29	Damien Eugène Boulanger.	55	do	7	7	5	Master of the Saguenay Station.
30	Jean Desjais	53	St. John, Orleans	9	9	0	
31	Cyprien Langlets	53	do	9	9	9	Sick all the season.
32	Charles Carondeau.	50	Quebec	0	1	1	
33	Charles Armand	51	do	6	5	4	One of the Directors of the Corp. of Pilots. Not re-elected at last election. Employed by the Beaver Line. Re-elected at last election.
34	Narcisse Tremblay	52	St. Pétronille, Orleans	5	5	4	
35	Jean-Bea Tremblay	54	Quebec	0	0	0	Employed by the Dominion Line.
36	Ray. Baquet dit Lamontagne.	51	Notre-Dame, Lewis	13	14	0	
37	Frs.-Xav. Lamarre	52	St. Vallier.	0	0	0	Re-elected at last election.
38	Mélie Pouliot.	49	St. John, Orleans	0	0	1	
39	Paul Gobeil	41	do	11	12	1	Employed by the Dominion Line.
40	Chs. Alarie Raymond.	49	Cléreau-Richer	5	5	4	
41		40		5	5	3	

43	Victor Vézina	52	Quebec	13	15	2	Employed by the Thomson Line.
43	L. O. Gagnon dit Lavoie dit	50	St. Michel, Bellechasse	16	13	1	Employed by the Allan Line.
44	Chas. Hermie alias A. Brynner	52	do	0	0	0	One of the Directors of the Corp. of Pilots. Re-elected at last election.
45	Louis Robert Demers	51	Quebec	16	16	1	Employed by the Allan Line.
46	Vital Ebbrem C. Ambertland	57	St. Michel, Bellechasse	12	15	4	Employed by the Black Diamond Line.
47	Joseph G. Dupil	50	Quebec	12	15	4	Employed by the Black Diamond Line.
48	Joseph Fortier	53	St. John, Orleans	9	9	5	Employed by the Black Diamond Line.
49	Joseph Lapointe	52	do	5	5	5	Employed by the Black Diamond Line.
50	Cyrille Audette dit Lapointe	54	St. Michel, Bellechasse	5	5	5	Employed by the Black Diamond Line.
51	Joseph Lapointe	54	St. Michel, Orleans	5	5	5	Employed by the Black Diamond Line.
52	Pierre Pepin dit Lachance	48	Montreal	15	15	2	Employed by the Black Diamond Line.
53	Théophile G. urdeau	53	Lauzon, Lévis	8	9	4	Employed by the Black Diamond Line.
54	Isidore Noël	47	St. John, Orleans	8	9	4	Employed by the Black Diamond Line.
55	Jean Pyrariste Adam	53	Trois-rivières	5	5	5	Employed by the Black Diamond Line.
56	Alphonse Gauthier	47	St. Michel, E. Lucasse	13	13	1	Employed by the Beaver Line.
57	Théophile Courtiau	49	Quebec	7	13	3	Employed by the Black Diamond Line.
58	E. zéar Godbout	49	Quebec	14	11	4	Employed by the Black Diamond Line.
59	Georges Couillard Despres	49	Riouxville, Lévis	5	5	5	Employed by the Black Diamond Line.
60	Pierre Gobeil	49	St. John, Orleans	10	11	1	Employed by the Black Diamond Line.
61	Théophile Pepin dit Lachance	52	Montreal	12	13	2	Employed by the Black Diamond Line.
62	Acidule Tréfile Simard	46	St. Joseph, Lévis	21	20	0	Employed by the Black Diamond Line.
63	Barthelemy Patoiné	46	Montreal	10	9	2	Employed by the Black Diamond Line.
64	Narcisse Lavoie	46	Quebec	6	5	5	Employed by the Black Diamond Line.
65	Joseph Emilio Couillard	46	Quebec, Léves, Rimouski	7	6	3	Master of S. S. "Greclands".
66	Louis Albert Royer	52	St. John, Orleans	7	6	3	Employed by the Black Diamond Line.
67	Adélar Sanstierre	47	St. Michel, Bellechasse	5	4	4	Employed by the Allan Line.
68	Ouesime Noël	45	St. John, Orleans	17	17	1	Employed by the Thomson Line.
69	Napoleon Baillargeon	47	St. Pétronille, Orleans	16	16	4	Employed by the Donaldson & Ross Line.
70	Chas. V. X. Bernier	45	Quebec	5	6	4	Master of Pilot Schooner N. & E. J. by the Black Diamond Line.
71	Chas. V. X. Bernier	45	Quebec	16	17	1	Employed by the Black Diamond Line.
72	Louis Honoré Lajoie	45	St. John, Orleans	11	11	0	Employed by the Dominion Line.
73	Jos. Eugène Lachance	43	St. Pierre-Denis, Lévis	0	0	0	Employed by the Black Diamond Line.
74	David Arthur Bouffard	43	St. Pierre-Denis, Lévis	11	11	6	Employed by the Black Diamond Line.
75	Jean Théophile St-Laurent	43	St. Laurant, Orleans	6	6	4	Employed by the Black Diamond Line.
76	Jacques Georges Dugas	45	Quebec	8	8	4	Employed by the Dominion Line.
77	Jacques Georges Dugas	45	do	5	4	4	Employed by the Dominion Line.
78	Louis G. Courdeau	50	St. Pétronille, Orleans	8	8	1	Employed by the Black Diamond Line.
79	Louis G. Courdeau	43	Trois-Pistoles	5	5	5	Employed by the Black Diamond Line.
80	Chas. Couillard	47	St. Pierre-Denis, Lévis	5	5	5	Employed by the Black Diamond Line.
81	Chas. Feltier	47	St. Michel, Bellechasse	6	5	5	Employed by the Black Diamond Line.
81	Jos. alias Philéas Langlois	51	St. John, Orleans	0	0	0	Master of Pilot Schooner No. 2.

STATEMENT showing the number of Pilots for and below the Harbour of Quebec, &c.—Continued.

Number.	Name.	Age.	Residence.	Number of Pilots registered.			Casualties and Remarks.
				Inwards.	Outwards.	Movages.	
82	Nazaire Delisle	43	St. John, Orleans	5	5	4	
83	J. E. Bonaventure Laviole	45	Ste. Luce, Rimouski	6	4	5	Employed by the Black Diamond Line.
84	Adolphe Bailargeon	43	Ste. Petronille, Orleans	13	12	1	Employed by the Black Diamond Line.
85	Samuel Ringuet	44	St. Michel, Bellechasse	14	14	1	Employed by the Black Diamond Line.
86	Charles Octave Clavel	41	St. Michel, Bellechasse	14	12	1	Employed by the Johnston Line.
87	Paul Lachance	39	St. Luce, Rimouski	6	5	4	
88	Arcadius Jovuin	39	St. Laurent, Orleans	0	0	0	One of the Directors of the Corp. of Pilots.
89	Léon Labrecque	47	St. Laurent, Orleans	0	0	0	Re-elected at last election.
90	Paul Lachance	42	St. John, Orleans	8	8	1	
91	Michel Lachance	41	St. Michel, Bellechasse	5	5	4	
92	Joseph Lachance	44	St. Michel, Bellechasse	6	4	4	
93	Adolphe Lachance	39	do	4	6	5	
94	Frs. Gaudreau	46	Quebec	5	5	4	
95	Arthur Koenig	46	L'Islet	12	11	1	
96	Eugene Anelli	38	St. Jean Port Joly	5	5	4	
97	David Dumas	44	Notre-Dame, Levis	5	5	4	
98	Joseph Labrecque	43	St. Laurent, Orleans	0	0	0	Master of Pilot Schooner No 1.
99	Paul Paquet	39	St. John, Orleans	0	0	0	One of the Directors of the Corp. of Pilots.
100	Alphonse Pouliot	45	do	6	4	5	Re-Elected at last election.
101	Ezear Normand	38	L'Islet	6	5	4	
102	Jean Bernier	38	do	18	15	1	Employed by the Donaldson & Ross Line.
103	Joséph A. Paquet	36	St. John, Orleans	5	5	5	
104	Jean A. Lachance	35	St. Henri, Levis	3	5	4	

105 Arthur Baillargeon.....	40	St. Pétronille, Orleans.....	5	5	3	
106 Joseph Vézina.....	36	St. Laurent, Orleans.....	5	5	4	
107 Herménégilde Guéhard.....	39	St. Thomas, Montmagny.....	5	4	5	
108 Eugène Desrosiers.....	44	Quebec.....	5	5	0	0
109 Frédéric Bouffard.....	41	Green Island.....	0	0	0	0
110 Jules Asselin.....	38	St. Laurent, Orleans.....	6	4	4	
111 Prudent Marmon.....	33	St. Michel, Bellechasse.....	7	7	2	
112 Lucien Lachance.....	36	Beauport.....	15	15	4	
113 A. Fred Dion.....	39	Notre-Dame, Levis.....	5	4	5	
114 Camille Bernier.....	37	Green Island.....	24	5	1	
115 Joseph Lachance.....	46	St. Michel, Bellechasse.....	5	5	4	
116 Moïse Ars.....	34	St. John, Orleans.....	22	23	1	
117 Alfred Godbout.....	37	Quebec.....	3	7	4	
118 Joseph Lachance.....	34	Cap Breton.....	5	5	5	
119 Alfred Raymond.....	33	Grâce.....	3	7	4	
120 Philéas Lachance.....	37	St. John, Orleans.....	13	19	4	
121 Joseph H. Talbot.....	35	St. John, Orleans.....	14	14	1	
122 Moïse Arthur Lachance.....	35	Berthier.....	15	15	5	
123 Arsène Ars.....	34	St. John, Orleans.....	5	5	5	
124 François Ars Joseph N. Dal- laine.....	31	do do.....	5	4	5	
125 Joseph Emillion Ars Emilie Lachance.....	46	St. Laurent, Orleans.....	4	6	3	
126 Alphonse Assolin.....	31	St. John, Orleans.....	5	6	4	
127 Armand Larocelle.....	32	St. Michel, Bellechasse.....	12	13	2	
128 Joseph Poirer.....	31	do do.....	13	13	1	
129 Adolphe Poirer.....	31	St. Paul's Bay.....	5	4	4	
130 Paul Ars Napoléon Pouliot.....	38	St. John, Orleans.....	6	6	5	
131 Arthur Doiron.....	41	do do.....	6	6	5	
132 Adolard Bernier.....	35	St. Joseph, Levis.....	5	5	4	
		Quebec.....	18	17	1	

Master Red Island Light Ship.

Employed by the Black Diamond Line.
Dominion, Liverpool & Bristol Line.

Employed by the London and Head Line.

Employed by the Black Diamond Line.
Employed by the Black Diamond Line.

Employed by a Collier
Employed by the Johnston Line.

Employed by the Dominion Line.

HARBOUR COMMISSIONERS' OFFICE, }
Quebec, 2nd January, 1898.

Certified,

JAS. WOODS,

Secretary-Treasurer.

QUEBEC HARBOUR COMMISSION.

TIDE Register for 1897, from a gauge at the Levis Dry Dock, the zero of which is level with the sill of the dock or 7 feet below low water spring tides.

January	—Highest tide 27.40 ft. on 21st, 8.15 P.M. Lowest " 6.75 ft. on 31st. West wind during 18 days. East " " 12 " South " " 1 "
February	—Highest tide 27.30 ft. on 18th, 7.10 P.M. Lowest " 5.90 ft. " 28th West wind during 18 days. East " " 8 " South " " 2 "
March	—Highest tide 29.80 ft. on 25th, 10.55 A.M. Lowest " 5.40 ft. " 5th. West wind during 17 days. East " " 13 " South " " 1 "
April	—Highest tide 28.50 ft. on 18th, 6.25 A.M. Lowest " 6.50 ft. " 3rd. West wind during 15 days. East " " 14 " South " " 1 "
May	—Highest tide 27.80 ft. on 17th, 6.10 A.M. Lowest " 9.40 ft. " 16th. West wind during 12 days. East " " 19 "
June	—Highest tide 27.80 ft. on 15th, 6.50 A.M.

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- Lowest " 9.50 ft. " 29th.
West wind during 16 days.
East " " 14 "
- July —Highest tide 27.30 ft. on 14th, 6.00 A.M.
Lowest " 9.10 ft. " 8th.
West wind during 12 days.
East " " 19 "
- August —Highest tide 26.80 ft. on 12th, 5.55 A.M.
Lowest " 8.50 ft. " 13th.
West wind during 21 days.
East " " 10 "
- September —Highest tide 26.10 ft. on 28th, 7.25 P.M.
Lowest " 8.00 ft. " 29th.
West wind during 24 days.
East " " 6 "
- October —Highest tide 26.80 ft. on 28th, 7.50 P.M.
Lowest " 7.50 ft. " 10th.
West wind during 22 days.
East " " 7 "
North " " 2 "
- November —Highest tide 27.40 ft. on 26th, 7.40 P.M.
Lowest " 7.40 ft.
West wind during 17 days.
East " " 11 "
South " " 1 "
North " " 1 "
- December —Highest tide 27.80 ft. on 11th, 7.45 P.M.
Lowest " 6.70 ft. " 25th.
West wind during 21 days.
East " " 10 "

U. VALIQUET,

Supt. Levis Dry Dock.

PILOTAGE TARIFF

RATES of Pilotage for the Harbour of Quebec and below, as per By-Law passed by the Quebec Harbour Commissioners, on the 18th June 1891, and sanctioned by His Excellency the Governor General in Council, on the 26th of June 1891.

TABLE I.

RATES of Pilotage for the Harbour of Quebec and below, for each foot of Draught of Water.

From.	To.	From the 1st May to the 10th Nov.	From the 10th Nov. to the 1st March.	From the 10th Nov. to the 1st March.	From the 1st March to the 1st May.
Bic Island or any place below the anchorage of Brandy Pors, off Hare Island.....	Anchorage or mooring ground in the Basin of Harbour of Quebec.....	\$3.87	\$4.95	\$6.02	\$4.41
The anchorage ground at the Brandy Pors off Hare Island or any place above the said anchorage ground and below St. Roch's Point	do.....	½ of this sum.	½ of this sum.	½ of this sum.	½ of this sum.
St. Roch's Point or any place above this Point and below the Pointe-aux-Pins, on Crane Island.....	do.....	½	do	do	do
Pointe-aux-Pins or Crane Island or any place below St. Patrick's Hole	do.....	¼	do	do	do
The anchorage or mooring ground in the Basin of Harbour of Quebec	Bic Island or the place where the Pilot shall be discharged in the River below Quebec.....	\$3.40	\$4.46	\$5.54	\$3.93

TABLE II.

RATES of Pilotage for the Harbour of Quebec and below.

From.	To.	
Any wharf in the Harbour of Quebec between Pointe-a-Carey, below and the West End of the Allan's Wharf above, both inclusive.....	Any other Wharf within said limits.....	\$ cts 2 50
Any place in the Harbour of Quebec, not being a wharf within the above mentioned limits.....	Any other place in the said Harbour not being a wharf within the said limits.....	5 00

Pilots taking charge of vessels at St. Patrick's Hole or above, it, shall be entitled to no more than the sum allowed in Table II for piloting vessels from one part of the Harbour to another.

J.-B. LALIBERTÉ, Chairman.

JAS. WOODS, Secretary-Treasurer.

HARBOUR COMMISSIONERS' OFFICE, }
Quebec, 2nd January, 1898

LA CORPORATION DES PILOTES

ETAT des deniers reçus et payés par la Corporation des Pilotes pour le Fonds des Pilotes Invalides de Québec, durant l'année 1897.

RECETTES.		
A balance de 1896.....	\$13126 49	
A la Corporation des Pilotes <i>apc</i> Capital.....	690 00	
A amendes.....	45 00	
A pourcentage ou contribution des Pilotes.....	9412 02	
A intérêts sur placements.....	3467 50	
" par Caisse d'Épar- gne.....	331 45	
	<u>\$27013 37</u>	
DÉBOURSÉS.		
Par pensions.....	\$ 7763 55	
Par secours.....	526 06	
Par dépenses générales.....	3 50	
Par salaires.....	550 00	
Par dépôts, Caisse d'Épar- gne.....	17900 58	
Par balance en mains.....	269 68	
	<u>\$27013 37</u>	
PENSIONNAIRES A LA CHARGE DU FONDS.		
<i>Secours.</i>		
Gobeil Jean.....	\$ 129 51	
Chouinard Thomas.....	66 64	
Pouliot Joseph.....	182 64	
Curodeau Nazaire.....	119 47	
Bacquet Annibal.....	27 80	
	<u>\$ 526 06</u>	
PENSIONNAIRES A LA CHARGE DU FONDS.		
<i>Montant payé à chacun d'eux pendant l'année du 1er Novembre 1896 au 1er novembre 1897.</i>		
12 Pilotes \$100 à \$125.		
Chassé Jean.....	\$ 115 00	
Bouffard David.....	115 00	
Couillard Jos. Ph.....	115 00	
Demers Victor.....	115 00	
Genest Edouard.....	115 00	
Girard Dominique, décédé 28 avril 1897.....	55 00	
Lapointe Antoine.....	115 00	
	<u>\$ 119 06</u>	
		4
Pouliot Joseph.....	115 00	
Pouliot Jean.....	115 00	
Talbot J.-Bie.....	115 00	
Tremblay Laurent.....	115 00	
Ménard Régis, à sa pension du 1er août 1897.....	30 00	
	<u>\$ 1235 00</u>	
1 Pilote de \$90 à \$110.		
Verreault Dominique.....	\$ 105 50	
	<u>\$ 105 50</u>	
3 Pilotes de \$84 à \$100.		
Després Abraham.....	\$ 96 00	
St-Laurent Amable.....	96 00	
Vézina Alexis.....	96 00	
	<u>\$ 288 00</u>	
2 Pilotes de \$82 à \$98.		
Dick Ovide.....	\$ 94 00	
Lapointe Cyrille, arrearages.....	20 50	
" " <i>apc</i>	69 50	
	<u>\$ 184 00</u>	
2 Pilotes de \$80 à \$96.		
Corriveau F. X., décédé le 5 mars 1897.....	\$ 21 10	
Pelletier François.....	92 00	
	<u>\$ 113 10</u>	
3 Pilotes de \$73 à \$88.		
Charest Pierre.....	\$ 84 25	
Pouliot Paul.....	84 25	
Raymond Léandre.....	84 25	
	<u>\$ 252 75</u>	
2 Pilotes de \$47 à \$57.		
Forbes James.....	\$ 54 50	
Larochele Lawrence.....	54 50	
décédé le 10 déc. 1897.....	10 06	
	<u>\$ 119 06</u>	

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VEUVES DE PILOTES.			
21 <i>Veuves de \$58 à \$70.</i>			
Veuve Audet George, dit Lapointe.....	\$ 67 00	Veuve Raymond Joseph.....	63 25
" Bernier J.-Bte.....	67 00	" Ruelland Pierre, ar- rérages.....	13 75
" Brown Charles.....	67 00	" " ".....	63 25
" Caron Maximin.....	67 00	" Thivierge Louis.....	63 25
" Delisle Magloire.....	67 00		\$ 1248 50
" Dumas Charles.....	67 00	10 <i>Veuves de \$54 à \$65.</i>	
" Dumas François.....	67 00	Veuve Adam J. C.....	\$ 62 25
" Dion J.-Bte.....	67 00	" Bahin Damaso.....	62 25
" Dick Joseph.....	67 00	" Demers Edouard.....	62 25
" Godbout Laurent.....	67 00	" Doiron Eustache.....	62 25
" Girard Dominique, à sa pension du 1er mai 1897.....	35 00	" Fortin Nicholas.....	62 25
" Jouvin Hilaire.....	67 00	" Genest Amable.....	62 25
" Laprise Louis.....	67 00	" Gaudreau frs.....	62 25
" Langlois Paul.....	67 00	" Lapointe Joseph.....	62 25
" Lavoie Louis Joseph.....	67 00	" Leclerc La.-Ol.....	62 25
" Lapierre Pierre.....	67 00	" Plante Gabriel.....	62 25
" Marcoux Edouard.....	67 00		\$ 622 50
" Pelletier Alexis.....	67 00	6 <i>Veuves de \$52 à \$63.</i>	
" Pettigrew Edouard.....	67 00	Veuve Boucher Antoine.....	\$ 60 25
" Sylvestre Yves, décédée le 24 mars 1897.....	22 82	" Cinq-Mars David.....	60 25
" Vaillancourt Alexandre.....	67 00	" Crépault Louis.....	60 25
	\$ 1391 82	" Carodeau Pierre.....	60 25
20 <i>Veuves de \$55 à \$66.</i>		" Mercier Magloire.....	60 25
Veuve Bacquet Annibal, à sa pension, du 1er août 1897.....	\$ 33 00	" Roy Alexis.....	60 25
" Coulombe Jean.....	63 25		\$ 331 50
" Fontaine Louis.....	63 25	9 <i>Veuves de \$50 à \$60.</i>	
" Delisle F.-X.....	63 25	Veuve Fournier Amable.....	\$ 57 50
" Dumas Hubert.....	63 25	" Glynn Dennis.....	57 50
" Dion Julien.....	63 25	" Irwine Wm.....	57 50
" Duguay Narcisse.....	63 25	" Langreller Fabien.....	57 50
" Fontaine Pierre.....	63 25	" Langlois Julien aje.....	42 50
" Gourdeau Pierre.....	63 25	" Laroche J.-Bte.....	57 50
" Guénard Michel.....	63 25	" Lavoie L.-M.....	57 50
" Lachance F.-X.....	63 25	" Noël Henri.....	57 50
" Lachance Barth.....	63 25	" Ross Pierre.....	57 50
" Lamarre Jean Frs.....	63 25		\$ 502 50
" Laprise Pierre.....	63 25	9 <i>Veuves de \$48 à \$58.</i>	
" Lemieux Pierre.....	63 25	Veuve Talbot J. Bte, arrérages.....	\$ 12 00
" Marticotte Isale.....	63 25	" Talbot J.-Bte, année.....	55 50
" Morency Joseph.....	63 25	" Caron Germain.....	55 50
		" Côté François.....	55 50

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Veuve Dion Jean.....\$	53 50	Enfant Dugas Jean, inf. (1)\$	17 25
" Koenig C.-F.....	55 50	" Dupuis F., décédé le	
" Lachance Ovide.....	55 50	20 octobre 1897, inf.	15 85
" Lévesque Joseph.....	55 50	" Forbes James, inf.(2)	31 62
" Pelletier Jean, décé-		" Fortin N., inf. ....(1)	17 25
dés le 15 août 1897.	43 42	" Giroux Jean, inf. ....(1)	17 25
" Pineau Benjamin....	55 50	" Jahan Jos., inf. ....(1)	17 25
		" Langlois Jos., inf. ....(1)	17 25
	\$ 499 42	" Laprise P.-S.....(2)	30 37
5 Veuves de \$40 à \$48.		" Toussaint P., inf. ....(1)	17 25
" Veuve Côté Célestin, arré-		" Plante Jos., inf., ar-	
rages.....\$	10 00	rérages.....(1)	9 63
" Côté Célestin, année.	46 00	" Plante Jos., inf., an-	
" Desrosiers P.....	46 00	née.....	17 25
" Dion Joseph, à sa pen-		" Noël F., à sa pension	
sion du 1er janvier		du 14 avril 1897,	
1897.....	39 33	".....(2)	9 75
" Lachance F.-X. (M.L.)	46 00	" Chouinard Ch., à sa	
" Turgeon Edouard....	46 00	pension du 1er mai	
		1897, inf.....(1)	9 00
	\$ 233 33		\$ 261 47

RÉSUMÉ DES PENSIONS

5 Veuves de \$34 à \$40.90.		12 Pilotes de \$100 à \$120.....\$	1233 00
" Veuve Dandurand Jacques.\$	39 10	1 " " " 92 à 110.....	105 47
" Keable André.....	39 10	2 " " " 84 à 100.....	285 00
" Morency Guill.....	39 10	2 " " " 82 à 98.....	184 00
" Pelletier David.....	39 10	2 " " " 80 à 96.....	113 10
" Rouleau Pierre.....	39 10	3 " " " 72 à 88.....	252 75
		2 " " " 47 à 57.....	119 66
	\$ 195 50	25 Pilotes.	
6 Veuves de \$52 à \$38.40.		21 Veuves de \$59 à \$70 00.....\$	1330 32
" Veuve Caron Fabien.....\$	36 80	20 " " " 55 à 66 00.....	1248 50
" Côté Magloire.....	36 80	10 " " " 54 à 65 00.....	622 50
" Langlois Louis, (A.R.)	36 80	6 " " " 52 à 63 00.....	361 50
" McNeil Thomas.....	36 80	9 " " " 50 à 60 00.....	502 50
" Simard George, décé-		9 " " " 48 à 58 00.....	499 42
dés le 12 juillet 1897.	26 00	5 " " " 40 à 48 00.....	233 33
" Turgeon Alfred.....	36 80	5 " " " 34 à 40 80.....	195 50
		6 " " " 32 à 38 40.....	210 00
	\$ 210 00	91 Veuves.	
ENFANTS		17 Enfants de \$15, \$12.50, \$10,	
Enfant Boutin Thos, inf. (1)\$	12 75	\$18, \$16, \$12.....\$	261 47
Bernier Ch., décédé			\$ 7768 55
le 29 mai 1897.....	1 50	En tout 133 Pensionnaires.	
" Couillard Hil., arré-			
rages.....	7 50		
" Couillard Hil., etc			
inf.....	12 75		

LA CORPORATION DES PILOTES

Etat des deniers reçus et payés par la Corporation des Pilotes pour le Fonds des Pilotes Invalides de Québec, durant l'année 1897. — *Suite.*

ACTIF.	PASSIF.
<p align="center">RECETTES.—DÉTAILS.</p> <p>A balance de 189 \$13126 49</p> <p>A syndics des chemins de Québec: 1 année d'intérêt au 1er juillet 1897, sur \$22,800 à 6 o/o. 1368 00</p> <p>A la cité de Québec: 1 année au 1er juil. 1896, sur \$9,000 à 7 o/o. 630 00</p> <p>A département du Trésor: 1 année d'intérêt au 1er juillet 1897, sur \$20,300 à 5 o/o. 1000 00</p> <p>A la Corporation des Pilotes: 1 année d'intérêt sur \$1,600 à 4 o/o. 64 00</p> <p>A la fabrique de St-Fulgence: 1 année d'intérêt, sur \$2,500 à 5 o/o. 125 00</p> <p>A Guillaume Bouchard: 1 année d'intérêt, sur \$2,400 à 5 o/o. 120 00</p> <p>A la municipalité de Saint-Joseph de Lévis: 1 année d'intérêt sur \$3,200 à 5 o/o. 160 50</p> <p>A la Caisse d'Economie: 1 année d'intérêt, sur compte courant, au 25 mai 1897. 361 46</p> <p>A perçu par Contribution des Pilotes 9348 18</p> <p>A perçu par contributions Capitaine Pilote 64 74</p> <p>A la Corporation des Pilotes: amendes 45 00</p> <p>A à compte du capital remis 600 00</p> <p align="right"><u>\$27013 37</u></p>	<p>Par pensions, secours, etc., payés durant l'année 1897:</p> <p>Par secours \$ 526 00</p> <p>Par arrérages de pensions, au 31 décembre 1897 73 38</p> <p>Par trimestre, expirant le 31 janvier 1897 1698 24</p> <p>Par trimestre, expirant le 30 avril 1897 1999 35</p> <p>Par trimestre, expirant le 31 juillet 1897 2011 90</p> <p>Par trimestre, expirant le 31 octobre 1897 1980 68</p> <p>Par dépenses générales 3 50</p> <p>Par salaire du Secrétaire-Trésorier et de l'assistant 550 00</p> <p>Par déposé à la Caisse d'Epargnes; Banque Nationale 17900 58</p> <p>Par balance en mains 239 68</p> <p align="right"><u>\$27013 37</u></p> <p align="center">ETAT DU FONDS</p> <p>Argents prêtés \$60945 83</p> <p>Argents dans la Caisse d'Epargnes 17900 58</p> <p>Argents dans les mains du Sec.-Trésorier 269 68</p> <p align="right"><u>\$79116 09</u></p> <p>A déduire les arrérages de pensions dues ce jour 116 00</p> <p align="right"><u>\$79000 09</u></p>

Québec, 31 décembre 1897.

F.-X. DION,
Sec.-Trésorier.

N. B.—Nous, soussignés, nommés officiellement pour reviser les livres et comptes du Fonds des Pilotes Invalides de Québec, certifions les avoir minutieusement examinés et les avoir trouvés corrects.

OHS. A. RAYMOND, }
N. CURÉDEAU, } Auditeurs.

T. BOISSINOT,
Comptable.

LA CORPORATION DES PILOTES

F.-X. DION en compte courant avec la Corporation des
Pilotes de Québec, au 31 décembre 1897.

ACTIF.	PASSIF
A balance de 1896.....\$ 728 21	Par dépenses des Bateaux-Pilotes.. \$ 881 73
A fonds de réserve de 1896.. 500 00	Par dépenses des Pilotes..... 654 47
A fonds des Pilotes en retraite..... 750 00	Par dépenses bateau Pilote "Price"..... 780 90
A douane de Montréal..... 73107 72	Par dépenses générales..... \$1706 88
A douane des Trois-Rivières..... 2468 61	Moins perçu..... 1 50
A douane de Chicoutimi..... 534 13	Par provisions..... \$1557 86
A douane de Tadoussac (St-Etienne)..... 383 10	Moins perçu..... 67 05
A douane de Sorel..... 1071 74	Par loyer..... \$ 623 63
A douane de Batiscan..... 371 43	Moins perçu..... 90 90
A douane de St-Thomas de Montmagny..... 1535 56	Par emprunt, payé en acompte..... \$ 690 00
A douane des Trois-Pistoles..... 126 20	Par gages des matelots..... 1054 48
A intérêts, Banque Nationale..... 116 72	Par gages des cuisiniers..... 506 60
A temps perdu..... 2644 32	Par indemnité aux directeurs..... 600 00
A amendes..... 280 00	Par indemnité aux capitaines..... 275 00
A pilotage; perçu à Québec..... 53946 78	Par indemnité pour Saguenay..... 250 00
	Par parts de bateaux-pilotes..... 2500 00
	Par intérêts payés sur emprunt..... 64 00
	Par assurances..... 108 41
	Par pilotages; remises..... 314 49
	Par salaires des employés..... 1550 00
	Par fonds des pilotes invalides..... 9848 18
	Par fonds des pilotes en retraite..... 750 00
	Par fonds de réserve..... 500 00
	Par dividendes..... 113210 00
	Par balance..... 936 64
<u>\$138564 72</u>	<u>\$138564 72</u>

Québec, 31 décembre 1897.
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CH. A. RAYMOND, }
N. CURODEAU, } Auditeurs.

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Comptable.

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PORT OF QUEBEC

STATEMENT of the principal Articles and Merchandises imported into this Port during the year ending 31st December 1897, Shewing the countries whence imported.
Also a comparative Statement of the previous year 1896 with 1897.

Nos.	ARTICLES.	Unit of Quantity.	Total		Great Britain	United States	British West Indies	France	Germany	Holland	Belgium	Spain	Japan	Newfoundland	Italy	St. Pierre & Miquelon	China	Portugal	Greece	Spanish West Indies	Turkey in Asia	Norway	Austria	Denmark	Siam	Africa	British Australia	Switzerland	Venezuela	Yamoa	Nos.	Total Imports 1896.	Total Imports 1897.				
			Quantity.	Value.																												Value.	Value.	Value.	Value.	Value.	Value.
1	Ale, Beer and Porter, in Bottles and in Casks.	Galls.	1,770	1,476	1,468	2,736																										1	1,087	1,476			
2	Animals, Horses, Horned Cattle, Sheep Swine, &c.	No.	513	10,564	7,828	2,736		6,956	756																							2	6,065	10,564			
3	Books, Printed, &c., Printed Music and Paper of all kinds.	\$		32,307	2,829	22,214																										3	29,177	32,307			
4	Buttons, Braces, Collars, &c.	\$		10,846	5,098	4,665		4,665	89																							4	10,461	10,846			
5	Brass and Manufactures of, Copper and Manufactures of.	Tons.	53,927	153,118	15,546	15,570																										5	36,560	131,729			
6	Coal-Anthraxite, Lignite and Coke.	Lbs.	10,391	1,329	555	675																										6	3,135	1,230			
7	Candles all other including sper.	Lbs.	8,519	6,599	124	124																											7	3,370	6,599		
8	Cement, Portland or Roman.	Lbs.	23,007	2,806	359	359																											8	2,726	861		
9	Coffee green, roasted, Chicory green or roasted.	Lbs.	7,422	851	492	492																											9	77,419	8,185		
10	Cordage of all kinds.	No.	143	8,185	803	803																											10	24,134	31,885		
11	Carriage Railways cars, bicycles &c.	Yards.	82,636	31,385	20,650	1,056																												11	2,726	861	
12	Carpets, Brussels and Tapestry, &c., wholly of Wool and Cotton.	Yards.	161,896	90,730	62,366	1,718																												12	150,646	161,896	
13	Cottons Manufactures of, Bleached, Denims, Printed &c.	Lbs.	4,252	626	159	159																												13	483	626	
14	Cheese	\$	33,065	21,937	19,698	205																													14	36,083	33,065
15	Drugs, Dyes, Chemicals, Patent Medicines, &c.	\$	63,638	32,933	23,751	5,805																												15	10,410	21,197	
16	Earthenware, Brown, White, &c., and China.	\$	4,969	40,738	36,996	707																												16	76,819	65,638	
17	Fancy Goods, Alabaster, Boods, Toys, Embroideries Laces, &c.	\$	34,549	6,034	10,881	10,881																												17	6,590	4,669	
18	Fish, Fresh, Salted, Dry, Preserved in oil, &c., Oyster, &c.	\$	19,363	70,771	46,700	3,071																												18	47,011	40,708	
19	Flax, Manufactures of, Linen Brown, Duck, Thread, &c.	\$	15,305	70,771	46,700	3,071																												19	27,453	34,549	
20	Fruits green, Fruits dried.	\$	37,604	1,996	13,247	1,996																												20	9,069	14,676	
21	Furs and Manufactures of, Cap, Hats, &c., Fur dressed and undressed.	M	153	1,556	1,531	25																												21	11,538	34,173	
22	Fire Brick, Bath, Building, Brick, &c.	\$	37,604	1,996	13,247	1,996																													22	33,487	30,156
23	Glass and Manufactures of, Carboys, Lamps, Window Glass, &c.	\$	3,553	7,827	346	346																													23	9,131	8,488
24	Gloves and Mitts of Leather, Kid, Cotton, Silk and Wollen.	\$	14,876	2,916	10,510	34,171																												24	129,764	229,864	
25	Gutta Percha, India Rubber, Manufactures of, Boots, Clothing, &c.	Bush.	195,824	34,173	27,140	2,637																												25	4,830	7,029	
26	Grain of all kinds, Indian Corn, Pease, Beans, Wheat, &c.	Lbs.	30,136	27,140	3,175	3,175																												26	173,744	191,889	
27	Hats, Caps and Bonnets, Beaver, Felt, Straw.	Lbs.	60,653	61,645	8,488	127,741																												27	4,072	6,022	
28	Hops	\$	229,944	61,645	8,488	127,741																													28	1,026	4,118
29	Hides, raw, salted, dry, &c.	\$	7,929	6,780	2,916	2,916																												29	82,729	92,478	
30	Parasols, Umbrellas of Silk &c.	\$	191,889	73,477	112,790	6,022																												30	8,010	8,065	
31	Iron and Manufactures of, Steel and Manufactures of.	No.	254	6,022	134	3,984																												31	11,982	12,683	
32	Sewing Machines	Tons.	1,250	4,118	704	704																												32	2,831	2,831	
33	Fig Iron all other	Cwt.	75,653	32,478	1,411	1,411																												33	180,149	192,686	
34	Railways Bars or Rails, Fish Plates	\$	8,065	6,346	1,672	1,672																												34	15,474	42,144	
35	Cutlery, Watches, Plated Ware, Gold and Silver, Manufactures of.	\$	192,686	2,933	189,184	527																												35	10,248	10,248	
36	Lead and Manufactures of, Fig. Bars, Shot, &c.	Lbs.	42,144	2,911	20,040	136																												36	26,832	48,818	
37	Leather and Manufactures of, Sole Leather, Upper Leather, &c.	\$	48,818	10	48,808	10																												37	668,666	668,666	
38	Lard, Pork, Beef, Bacon and Hams, and all other Meats.	\$	568,666	561,305	1,828	1,828																												38	2,696	7,045	
39	Leaf Tobacco, unmanufactured	\$	7,045	189	6,360	390																												39	103,944	94,554	
40	Lumber and Timber	\$	7,045	189	6,360	390																												40	3,272	5,738	
41	Military Stores, arms, munitions, &c., &c.	Galls.	742,070	94,554	3,579	100																												41	8,047	17,502	
42	Musical Instruments, Pianos, Organs, &c.	Lbs.	21,496	3,738	3,223	3,223																												42	18,965	10,860	
43	Melasses, Syrrup, &c.	Galls.	10,850	7,818	2,060	707																												43	6,254	11,656	
44	Mustard ground.	Galls.	27,491	1,932	2,060	2,060																												44	3,945	7,861	
45	Nets and Seines and Twines	Sqr. Yds.	48,385	1,932	2,060	2,060																												45	46,629	56,659	
46	Oil Mineral, Oil Vegetable and Fish Oil.	\$	388,790	7,811	7,811	123																												46	37,070	27,766	
47	Oil Cloth for Boats, Oil Cloth in pieces.	Lbs.	53,659	526	64,889	123																												47	70,169	54,700	
48	Rice	\$	27,491	27,491	47	47																															

PORT OF QUEBEC.

COMPARATIVE STATEMENT, showing the total value of merchandise imported and exported in each month, during the calendar year 1897. Compared with the same months of the previous year 1896.

MONTHS	1896		1897	
			1896	1897
	Imports	Exports	Imports	Exports
	\$	\$	\$	\$
January	157,551	253,678	26,285	109,452
February	170,262	252,432	44,518	43,967
March	233,667	294,312	53,192	35,961
April	196,128	232,062	41,677	88,092
May	366,396	714,967	59,365	48,931
June	309,531	365,704	986,087	388,879
July	532,180	402,549	802,322	1,382,068
August	374,379	299,390	458,866	809,740
September	403,709	339,065	1,347,408	1,470,102
October	453,921	303,931	1,010,103	716,928
November	584,935	371,112	347,470	600,010
December	228,941	198,718	234,125	351,892
Grand Total	\$4,013,903	\$4,048,820	\$5,111,418	\$6,041,022

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PORT OF QUEBEC.

RECAPITULATION of the total imports for the year ending 31st December 1897 Shewing the Countries whence imported; with a comparative statement of the previous year 1896.

Nos.	COUNTRIES.	VALUE	VALUE	INCREASE	DECREASE
		1896	1897	1897	1897
1	Great Britain	2,334,924	2,136,273		198,651
2	United States	1,177,110	1,443,918	266,808	
3	Brit : West Indies	86,506	77,098		9,408
4	France	154,273	150,210		4,063
5	Germany	116,345	90,610		25,735
6	Holland	42,202	49,580	7,318	
7	Belgium	25,071	38,408	13,337	
8	Spain	24,771	31,081	6,310	
9	Japan	10,425	5,304		5,121
10	Newfoundland	5,275	420		5,155
11	Italy	8,099	5,596		2,503
12	St. Pierre Miquelon	1,241	861		380
13	China	15,464	9,638		5,826
14	Portugal	2,081	406		1,675
15	Greece	1,428	713		715
16	Spain : West Indies	2,112	1,051		1,061
17	Turkey (in Asia)	508	1,227	719	
18	Norway	80	457	377	
19	Austria	2,066	3,997	1,931	
20	Denmark	2,992	57		2,935
21	Smyrna (in Asia)	187	394		
22	Africa	72			72
23	Australia	109	71		38
24	Switzerland	427	869	442	
25	Venezuela	881	881		
26	Vienna	75			75
	Grand Total	\$4,013,903	\$4,048,820	\$298,330	\$263,413

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PORT OF QUEBEC.

RECAPITULATION of the total exports for the year ending
31st December 1897 Showing the Countries whence
imported; with a comparative statement of the previous
year 1896.

Nos.	COUNTRIES.	VALUE	VALUR	INCREASE	DECREASE
		1896	1897	1897	1897
1	Great Britain.....	4,758,184	5,510,715	752,531	
2	United States.....	237,118	195,487		41,631
3	Newfoundland.....	18,883	12,890		5,993
4	Argentine Republic.....				
5	Portugal.....		3,324	3,324	
6	France.....	37,447	73,659	36,212	
7	British Africa.....		2,220	2,220	
8	British Australia.....	553			553
9	St. Pierre Miquelon.....	12,606	18,178	5,572	
10	Spain.....	5,420	10,756	5,336	
11	Germany.....	833	5,802	4,969	
12	Brazil.....	15,621	44,706	29,085	
13	China.....	249,556	114,913		134,643
14	Uruguay.....				
15	Belgium.....		7,808	7,808	
16	Norway.....	6,190	9,733	3,543	
17	Buenos-Ayres.....	69,007	19,634		49,373
18	Pay Sandu.....		151	151	
19	B. W. Indies.....		1,000	1,000	
20	Holland.....		10,046	10,046	
	Grand Total.....	\$5,411,418	\$6,041,022	\$861,797	\$ 232,193

PORT OF QUEBEC.

24 YEARS OF TRADE.

STATEMENT of the Total Value of Imports and Exports of Merchandises into and from this Port, during twenty four years from 1st January 1874 to 31st December 1897, divided in two periods of twelve years each, showing the Countries whence Imported and to which Exported.

Nos.	COUNTRIES.	Imports	Exports	Imports	Exports	Total	Total
		from 1874 to 1886 inclusively 12 years.	from 1874 to 1886 inclusively 12 years.	from 1886 to 1897 inclusively 12 years.	from 1886 to 1897 inclusively 12 years.	Imports during the last 24 years.	Exports during the last 24 years.
		\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$
1	Great Britain.....	34,657,966	104,320,838	23,434,215	59,057,128	58,092,181	163,377,966
2	United States.....	13,040,126	2,833,300	12,421,327	3,386,243	26,067,453	6,122,153
3	France.....	1,063,512	918,355	1,332,192	353,401	2,415,714	1,166,996
4	St. John Newfoundland.....	190,494	960,094	114,733	723,414	314,227	1,683,508
5	Brit; West Indies.....	1,280,156	9,709	1,334,704	25,292	2,614,920	35,061
6	Germany.....	407,577	90,839	862,870	124,193	1,430,432	215,144
7	Holland.....	692,303	129,947	81,167	76,341	1,188,470	206,288
8	Belgium.....	314,081	325,985	486,790	33,818	801,771	350,833
9	Spain.....	271,015	130,351	367,331	226,014	630,246	395,565
10	Portugal.....	51,583	683,449	22,224	362,961	73,807	1,036,410
11	China.....	36,351	.....	161,124	702,403	197,475	702,404
12	Norway.....	16,707	220,784	9,808	296,797	25,235	451,491
13	Span; West Indies.....	50,727	2,010	21,072	80,799	34,267	2,010
14	St. Pierre Miquelon.....	1,577	211,529	32,290	220,229	214,667	440,758
15	British Australia.....	.....	373,914	12,280	214,667	12,280	494,481
16	British Africa.....	118	92,677	658	83,321	776	176,998
17	Brazil S. A.....	30	8,146	.....	133,155	30	161,361
18	Brit; East India.....	.....	5,069	81	.....	81	5,069
19	Italy.....	117,304	.....	82,210	.....	199,514	.....
20	Japan.....	69,094	.....	162,137	.....	171,231	.....
21	Turkey in Asia.....	.....	.....	30,022	.....	30,022	.....
22	Sicily.....	12,753	.....	9,657	.....	22,510	.....
23	Denmark.....	.....	.....	15,924	.....	15,924	.....
24	Greece.....	4,963	.....	9,718	.....	14,681	.....
25	Austria.....	.....	.....	17,486	.....	17,486	.....
26	Asia.....	4,845	.....	5,959	.....	10,804	.....
27	Switzerland.....	2,230	.....	6,524	.....	8,703	.....
28	Vienna.....	.....	.....	2,174	.....	2,174	.....
29	India Britania.....	1,933	.....	30	.....	1,973	.....
30	Smyrna in Asia.....	.....	.....	2,098	.....	2,098	.....
31	Java.....	694	.....	654	.....	1,648	.....
32	Sweden.....	55	.....	789	.....	844	.....
33	Buenos Ayres.....	.....	.....	55	87,131	55	87,131
34	Argentine Republic S. A.....	.....	280,833	.....	721,412	.....	1,011,245
35	Uruguay S. A.....	.....	307,553	.....	167,462	.....	474,355
36	Pero S. A.....	.....	291,296	.....	.....	.....	291,296
37	Gibraltar.....	.....	78,619	.....	17,578	.....	96,597
38	Labrador.....	.....	82,639	.....	10,000	.....	92,680
39	U. States of Columbia.....	.....	68,050	.....	.....	.....	68,050
40	Pay Sandu S. A.....	.....	.....	.....	12,036	.....	12,036
41	Algeria (Africa).....	11,785	.....	.....	.....	.....	11,789
42	Chili.....	2,842	.....	.....	10,839	.....	13,201
43	Danish West Indies.....	237	.....	.....	.....	.....	237
44	Venezuela.....	.....	.....	861	.....	861	.....
	Total.....	\$52,894,883	111,913,282	\$41,602,170	\$67,193,238	\$94,487,062	\$170,111,520

IMPORTS

EXPORTS

Total of Trade during 24 years..... \$94,487,062 ————— \$170,111,520 ————— Grand Total..... \$278,598,582

Excess of Total Exports over Total Imports..... \$ 84,624,488

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PORT OF QUEBEC.

DESCRIPTION of the principal Merchandises Exported from the Port of Quebec to the under mentioned Countries, during the last 24 years from 1874 to 1897 inclusive.

1	Great Britain	New Ships built and sold to; Timber, Square, Pine red and white, Elm, Ash, Maple, Oak, Birch, &c.; Deals pine and Spruce, Planks and boards &c., Horned cattle, Sheep &c., Furs, Opium and leather, Cheese and eggs, Meats canned &c., &c.
2	United States	Lumber, Planks and boards, Laths, Palings and Pickets, Shooks box, Sleepers and Railroad ties, Wood manufactured, Horned cattle, sheep &c. Maple sugar, Hair, Balsam, Fruit berries, &c. &c.
3	France	Timber, Square, Pine red and white, oak, Elm, Birch, Ash, Slaves; Deals pine and spruce, Planks and boards, Wood manufactured, &c., &c., &c.
4	St. John Newfoundland	New Ships built and sold to; Lumber, Planks and boards, Slaves, Pine and spruce deals, masts and spars, &c. Flour, Biscuits, Pork, lard & butter, Leather boots and shoes &c. &c.
5	Brit: West Indies	New Ships built and sold to; Lumber, Deals pine and spruce, Shooks box, Grain, hay, Leather boots and shoes &c., &c.
6	Germany	New Ships built and sold to; Timber, Square, Pine red and white, &c., Bass wood, deals, Pine and spruce, Planks and boards, &c., &c. phosphates, &c., &c.
7	Holland	Timber, Square, Pine red and white &c., Hickory, Bass wood &c.; Deals pine and spruce, Planks and boards, Bass wood &c., &c. Lobsters & salmon canned
8	Belgium	Timber, Square, Pine red and white, Maple, Elm, Birch, &c., Masts & spars; Deals pine and spruce, Lath wood, Planks & boards, Bass wood &c., &c. Lobsters & salmon canned
9	Spain	Timber, Square, Pine red and white, Oak, Maple, Elm, Birch, &c.; Masts and spars; Staves, Deals pine and spruce, Planks, boards and Joists &c., &c.
10	Portugal	Timber, Square, Pine red and white, Oak, Maple, Elm, Birch, Ash &c.; Bass wood, Deals pine and spruce, Planks and boards, Staves, Masts and spars &c., &c., Butter &c., &c.
11	China	Customs.
12	Norway	New Ships built and sold to, Timber, Square, Oak, Elm, &c., &c.
13	Spain: West Indies	Wood manufactured and agricultural products.
14	St. Pierre Miquelon	New Ships built and sold to; Lumber, Planks and boards, Staves, Masts & spars &c., &c., Flour, Butter, Pork & lard &c. Biscuits, Tobacco and leather boots & Shoes &c.
15	British Australia	New Ships built and sold to; Lumber, Planks and boards, Laths, Palings and Pickets, Woods manufactured, Salmon, and Lobsters canned, &c.
16	British Africa	Lumber, Pine deals and spruce, Planks and boards, Laths, Joists, Palings, Scantlings, Staves, Wood manufactured, &c., &c.
17	Brit: East India	Lumber, Pine deals and spruce, Planks and boards, Laths, Joists, Palings, Scantlings, Shooks box and wood manufactured, Biscuits &c., &c.
18	Argentine Republic S. A	New Ships built and sold to - Lumber, Planks and boards, Pine deals and spruce, Laths, Palings, Scantlings, Masts and spars, Shooks box, Wood manufactured, &c., &c. Salmon and lobsters canned &c., &c.
19	Uruguay S. A	Timber, Square, Pine & Planks and boards, Laths, Palings and Pickets, Joists, Masts and spars, Shooks box, Wood manufactured, &c., &c. Salmon and Lobsters canned &c.
20	Pera S. A	Timber, Square, Oak & Pine deals and spruce, Planks and boards, Joists, Scantlings, Laths, Palings and Pickets, Staves and wood manufactured &c., &c.
21	Gibraltar	Timber, Square, Pine red and white, Oak, Elm; Masts and spars, Pine deals and spruce, Planks and boards, Staves, Wood manufactured &c., &c.
22	Labrador	Lumber, Pine deals and spruce, Planks and boards, Staves, Wood manufactured, Salt, pork, lard, &c., Butter, Flour, Biscuits, Leather boots and shoes, Tobacco, &c., &c.
23	United States of Columbia	Lumber, Planks and boards, Laths, Palings and Pickets, Shooks box, &c., &c.
24	Pap Santh S. A.	Timber, Square, Oak, Elm, Ash; Pine deals and spruce.
25	Algeria	Lumber, Pine deals and spruce, Planks and boards, &c., &c.
26	Chili	Lumber, Pine deals and spruce, Wood manufactured, biscuits.
27	Danish West Indies	
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