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REPORT

OF THE

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OF

NEW JERSEY PILOT COMMISSIONERS

FOR THE YEAR 1875.

To the Governor and Legislature.

BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF PILOTAGE

FOR THE STATE OF NEW JERSEY, 1875.

WILLIAM S. HORNER.....of.....Monmouth county.
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DAVID COX.....of.....Essex county.
JAMES PARKER.....of.....Union county.
ANDREW A. SMALLEY....of.....Essex county.
HENRY W. MILLER.....of.....Morris county.

PRESIDENT OF THE BOARD.....WM. S. HORNER.
SECRETARY OF THE BOARD....HENRY W. MILLER.

REPORT.

OFFICE OF THE
BOARD OF NEW JERSEY PILOT COMMISSIONERS, }
JERSEY CITY, N. J., December 1st, 1875.

*To his Excellency, the Governor, and the Honorable Legislature of the
State of New Jersey:*

The Commissioners of Pilotage of the State of New Jersey present the following report for the year ending November 1st, 1875:

The efficiency of the New Jersey pilot service has been greatly increased during the past year, by the addition of two new boats, as well as by the accession of experienced and zealous hands to man them.

The pilot boat, "W. W. Story," was admitted into the New Jersey pilot service in January, 1875, and the pilot boat, "Thomas D. Harrison," in October, 1875.

Upon the applications of George H. Sisco, Thos. Conley, Alexander Cochran and Charles Commeskey, four New York pilots, of long experience, for admission into the New Jersey service, the commissioners, after due consideration, granted their application. The "W. W. Story" was, at about the same time, commissioned as a New Jersey pilot boat, and has, under the management of the above named pilots, shown commendable industry and zeal.

The pilot boat, "David Mitchell," being unseaworthy, has been withdrawn from the service and sold.

It is our painful duty to record the death of Commissioner Andrew J. Drake, upon the 8th of August; also, of Pilots G. W. Mayhew, May 3d, and Joseph H. McLean, June 4th, 1875.

Pilot Jas. T. Watson has been dismissed for drunkenness.

David A. Thomas has been reinstated as a New Jersey Sandy Hook pilot.

The following tables exhibit the number of vessels piloted during the past year, and since the last report of the commissioners:

REPORT OF THE

VESSELS PILOTED OUT OF THE HARBORS OF JERSEY CITY AND NEW YORK.

| | STEAMERS. | SHIPS. | BARKS. | BRIGS. | SCHOONERS. | TOTAL. |
|---------------------|-----------|--------|--------|--------|------------|--------|
| November, 1874..... | 13 | 8 | 46 | 22 | 2 | 91 |
| December, "..... | 13 | 6 | 37 | 16 | 3 | 75 |
| January, 1875..... | 18 | 10 | 30 | 22 | 2 | 82 |
| February, "..... | 15 | 5 | 24 | 11 | 4 | 59 |
| March, "..... | 16 | 8 | 33 | 24 | 6 | 87 |
| April, "..... | 10 | 10 | 41 | 27 | 9 | 96 |
| May, "..... | 12 | 15 | 37 | 21 | 5 | 90 |
| June, "..... | 16 | 10 | 44 | 23 | 4 | 97 |
| July, "..... | 15 | 8 | 48 | 41 | 10 | 122 |
| August, "..... | 20 | 5 | 37 | 25 | 6 | 93 |
| September, "..... | 19 | 9 | 58 | 27 | 4 | 117 |
| October, "..... | 17 | 13 | 53 | 19 | 4 | 106 |
| Totals..... | 184 | 107 | 488 | 278 | 59 | 1116 |

VESSELS PILOTED INTO THE HARBORS OF JERSEY CITY AND NEW YORK.

| | STEAMERS. | SHIPS. | BARKS. | BRIGS. | SCHOONERS. | TOTAL. |
|---------------------|-----------|--------|--------|--------|------------|--------|
| November, 1874..... | 15 | 12 | 40 | 21 | 8 | 96 |
| December, "..... | 12 | 6 | 40 | 28 | 9 | 95 |
| January, 1875..... | 21 | 8 | 23 | 17 | 7 | 76 |
| February, "..... | 15 | 7 | 31 | 22 | 13 | 88 |
| March, "..... | 17 | 14 | 48 | 33 | 19 | 131 |
| April, "..... | 14 | 14 | 52 | 23 | 14 | 117 |
| May, "..... | 13 | 12 | 49 | 48 | 34 | 156 |
| June, "..... | 17 | 6 | 39 | 57 | 45 | 164 |
| July, "..... | 16 | 6 | 32 | 34 | 26 | 114 |
| August, "..... | 14 | 13 | 50 | 31 | 12 | 120 |
| September, "..... | 21 | 12 | 66 | 30 | 9 | 138 |
| October, "..... | 11 | 6 | 60 | 20 | 11 | 108 |
| Totals..... | 186 | 116 | 530 | 374 | 207 | 1413 |

PILOT COMMISSIONERS.

NUMBER OF VESSELS BOARDED "OFF SHORE."

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|---------------------|-----|
| November, 1874..... | 78 |
| December, "..... | 87 |
| January, 1875..... | 46 |
| February, "..... | 69 |
| March, "..... | 119 |
| April, "..... | 84 |
| May, "..... | 86 |
| June, "..... | 66 |
| July, "..... | 42 |
| August, "..... | 53 |
| September, "..... | 57 |
| October, "..... | 64 |
| Total..... | 851 |

RECAPITULATION.

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| Total number of vessels piloted in..... | 1413 |
| Total number of vessels piloted out..... | 1116 |
| Grand total..... | 2529 |

NUMBER OF NEW JERSEY (SANDY HOOK) PILOTS.

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|---|----|
| Full branch..... | .. |
| Limited..... | .. |
| Apprentices..... | .. |
| Total..... | .. |
| Number of pilot boats..... | 7 |
| Number of Newark bay, Elizabeth and Amboy pilots..... | 9 |

Very respectfully,

By order of the Board,

W. S. HORNER,
President.