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REPORT

OF THE

Board of Commissioners of Pilotage

OF THE

STATE OF NEW JERSEY,

For the Year Ending November 1, 1877.

Commissioners of Pilotage for the State of
New Jersey.

THOMAS S. NEGUS.....of.....Jersey City
ANDREW A. SMALLEY.....of.....Newark
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DAVID COX.....of.....Newark
GEORGE W. JOHNSON.....of.....Keyport
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SECRETARY OF THE BOARD.....HENRY W. MILLER

REPORT.

OFFICE OF THE BOARD OF
NEW JERSEY PILOT COMMISSIONERS,
JERSEY CITY, November 1st, 1877. }

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

The Commissioners of Pilotage for the State of New Jersey present the following report for the year ending November 1st, 1877 :

It is gratifying to the commissioners to record that the general high standing of the New Jersey pilots has been maintained, and that their industry and attention to duty has been rewarded by a fairly remunerative business.

One serious accident has occurred to a vessel in charge of a New Jersey pilot. An investigation of the circumstances attending the case induced the board to revoke the license of the pilot in charge.

Since the last report the board has granted three licenses to pilots, has entered three apprentices, has stricken two apprentices from the list, has revoked one license, and has accepted the resignation of one pilot.

THE FISHERIES.

The board is happy to state that no occasion has arisen to require action by the board, under the act entitled, a supplement to the act entitled "An act relative to the fisheries in the waters of the Hudson river, within the limits and jurisdiction of the State of New Jersey," passed March fifth, eighteen hundred and twenty-eight. No attempt having been made by the authorities of the State of New York to interfere with any of the just rights of the fishermen of New Jersey.

We congratulate the Governor and Legislature upon the passage of that act, the mere existence of which has sufficed to set at rest the unpleasant collisions that have theretofore occurred from a want, on the part of our State, to assert the just claims of her citizens in this particular.

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

	Steamships	Ships.	Barks.	Brigs.	Schooners.	Total.
1876.						
December	19	8	39	32	7	105
1877.						
January	18	12	47	22	17	116
February	15	4	32	14	31	96
March	7	11	54	32	29	123
April	17	10	59	37	24	147
May	16	5	44	23	45	133
June	24	3	63	40	45	175
July	25	7	46	36	26	140
August	19	6	57	30	16	128
September	19	8	74	13	9	123
October	22	13	69	20	9	133
Totals	201	87	574	299	258	1419

Grand total of vessels piloted in, 1,419.

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

	Steamships	Ships.	Barks.	Brigs.	Schooners.	Total.
1876.						
December	24	9	34	13	7	87
1877.						
January	17	10	37	25	8	97
February	13	3	35	20	7	78
March	11	14	37	8	12	82
April	18	8	41	22	6	95
May	11	9	47	27	10	104
June	23	3	65	26	12	129
July	21	5	44	26	3	99
August	22	5	64	25	9	125
September	17	9	61	14	3	104
October	31	12	69	11	2	125
Totals	208	87	534	217	79	1125

Grand total of vessels piloted out, 1,125.

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NUMBER OF VESSELS BOARDED "OFF SHORE."

1876.	
December.....	67
1877.	
January.....	67
February.....	49
March.....	78
April.....	67
May.....	55
June.....	66
July.....	51
August.....	38
September.....	76
October.....	78
Total.....	692
Number of New Jersey Sandy Hook Pilots.....	48
" " Apprentices to same.....	8
" " Perth Amboy Pilots.....	3
Number of vessels piloted by Perth Amboy Pilots.....	100
Total number of all classes of vessels piloted for the eleven months ending Nov. 1st, 1877.....	2,644

NEW JERSEY PILOT BOATS.

Thomas S. Negus, No. 1, tonnage.....	71.85
Ezra Nye, No. 2, ".....	44.28
Thomas J. Harrison, No. 3, ".....	69.71
Mary E. Fish, No. 4, ".....	56.07
W. W. Story, No. 5, ".....	52.20
Jas. Gordon Bennett, No. 6, ".....	53.78
Centennial, No. 7, ".....	55.25

Respectfully submitted,
 THOMAS S. NEGUS,
President.

Attest:
 HENRY W. MILLER,
Secretary.