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MEMBERS OF THE BOARD

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OCTOBER 31ST, 1888.

NAMES.	RESIDENCE.
HENRY W. MILLER (President)	Morristown.
ANDREW J. NEWBURY (Secretary).....	Jersey City.
DANIEL SHARP.....	Bridgeton.
HENRY C. GULICK.....	Barnegat.
DAVID COX.....	Jersey City.
S. S. HUDSON.....	Mays Landing.
JOHN D. TOPPIN.....	Newark, N. J.

LIST AND TONNAGE OF PILOT BOATS.

OCTOBER 31st, 1888.

Number 1. Thomas S. Negus.....	71.85 tons.
Number 2. C. T. Gerry.....	65.42 tons.
Number 3. Thomas D. Harrison.....	69.71 tons.
Number 4. David Carll.....	65.59 tons.
Number 6. James G. Bennett.....	58.78 tons.
Number 7. Centennial.....	55.25 tons.
Number 8. Edward E. Barrett.....	65.59 tons.
Number of boats in service.....	7
Number of Pilots—New Jersey Sandy Hook.....	55
Number of Pilots—Perth Amboy.....	2

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TABLE I.

Report of Commissioners of Pilotage, showing Number and Kind of Vessels Piloted by New Jersey Sandy Hook Pilots during the Year ending October 31st, 1888.

MONTHS.	PILOTAGE INWARD.						PILOTAGE OUTWARD.					
	Steamers.	Ships.	Barks.	Brigs.	Schooners.	Total.	Steamers.	Ships.	Barks.	Brigs.	Schooners.	Total.
1887.												
November	49	5	22	12	4	92	51	8	21	7	3	90
December.....	41	5	15	1	3	65	48	6	22	4	6	86
1888.												
January.....	52	7	20	5	3	87	58	8	20	5	8	99
February.....	50	15	19	7	7	98	47	7	11	5	3	73
March.....	60	8	18	2	1	89	63	9	15	3	3	93
April.....	64	4	17	5	3	93	65	6	13	2	7	93
May.....	51	5	14	4	10	84	68	10	15	1	1	95
June.....	67	5	19	5	4	100	63	4	15	2	84
July.....	66	2	15	8	4	95	63	6	13	4	2	88
August.....	41	4	8	3	4	60	53	1	14	5	2	75
September.....	54	12	19	5	2	92	37	6	10	3	4	60
October.....	57	14	15	7	2	95	66	9	19	4	2	100
Total 1888.....	652	86	201	64	47	1,050	682	80	188	45	41	1,036
Total 1887.....	680	104	334	108	76	1,302	684	84	278	94	44	1,184

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REPORT.

To His Excellency Robert S. Green, Governor of the State of New Jersey :

SIR—The Board of Commissioners of Pilotage has the honor to present herewith its annual report, for the year ending October 31st, 1888.

It is pleased to state that no deaths have occurred ; it regrets, however, to report the loss of two boats during the gale of the 12th of March last.

The W. W. Storey was lost in the lower bay ; the Ezra Nye came in from sea on the 11th of March, in the afternoon, and anchored off Bay Ridge ; and in the afternoon of the 12th dragged ashore. The crew were saved in an exhausted condition by the life saving crew, assisted by the crews of the pilot boats "T. D. Harrison" and "Edmund Driggs" which had also gone ashore during the day on the beach.

The "Nye" became a total loss, and has been replaced by the "E. T. Gerry," leaving the number of boats in service at present seven.

The number of apprentices in service are four. The efficiency of the corp has been kept up to that of previous years, giving substantial aid to the commerce entering the harbor.

The government, by Act of Congress, approved May 16, 1888, has established anchorage grounds in the Bay and Harbor of New York, rendering it more safe for the entrance and departure of vessels.

Copies of these rules and regulations have been furnished to our pilots, for their guidance in anchoring vessels piloted by them.

10 REPORT OF THE PILOT COMMISSIONERS.

Recent surveys of the harbor, showing the depth of water in the channels, have been received by the Board, from the Engineer Officer in charge of this work.

Questions have arisen between the Sandy Hook and Amboy Pilots, relating to the pilotage of vessels to and from Perth Amboy. As these controversies are of frequent occurrence, amendments to the by-laws are under consideration, which we trust will render these questions unlikely to occur in the future.

Very respectfully submitted,

By order of the Board,

HENRY W. MILLER,

President.

A. J. NEWBURY,
Secretary.