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REPORT
OF THE
BOARD OF
COMMISSIONERS OF PILOTAGE
OF THE
STATE OF NEW JERSEY,
FOR THE YEAR ENDING NOV. 1,
1878.

Commissioners of Pilotage, for the State of
New Jersey, 1878.

THOMAS S. NEGUS.....of.....Jersey City, Hudson county.
JAMES PARKER.....of.....Plainfield, Union county.
WILLIAM S. HORNER.....of.....Matawan, Monmouth county.
ANDREW A. SMALLEY.....of.....Newark, Essex county.
DAVID COX.....of.....Jersey City, Hudson county.
GEORGE W. JOHNSON.....of.....Keyport, Monmouth county.
ROBERT SIMONSON.....of.....Orange, Essex county.

PRESIDENT OF THE BOARDTHOMAS S. NEGUS
SECRETARY OF THE BOARD.....JAMES PARKER

OFFICE OF THE BOARD OF
NEW JERSEY PILOT COMMISSIONERS,
NEW YORK, 14th December, 1878. }

His Excellency, George B. McClellan, Governor of New Jersey :

SIR—I have the honor herewith to transmit the annual report
of the Board for the year ending November 1st, 1878.

By order of the Board.

Very respectfully,
JAMES PARKER,
Secretary.

REPORT.

OFFICE OF THE BOARD OF
NEW JERSEY PILOT COMMISSIONERS,
JERSEY CITY, N. J., December 1st, 1878. }

To the Honorable the Governor, and Legislature of New Jersey :

The Commissioners of Pilotage, of the State of New Jersey, present their report for the year ending November 1st, 1878, as follows :

The Commissioners are gratified to be able to state that, although neither the number of the pilots nor of their pilot-boats has been increased during the year, the pilotage system of our State exhibits increased efficiency: a fact more clearly evidenced by the large increase in the number of vessels piloted during the year 1878 over the number piloted in 1877; as more particularly set forth in the table "A" attached to this report.

With one exception, no serious fault has been committed by any of our pilots; and no accident of any moment has occurred to any vessel during the year, while in charge of a New Jersey pilot.

Since the last report the Board has granted licenses to four pilots and has entered seven apprentices. One pilot has died.

The Board also reports that a satisfactory understanding with the Board of Harbor Commissioners, appointed by the State of New York, has been reached, by virtue of which the rights of our New Jersey fisheries in the Hudson river will be recognized and protected; and, in consequence of this understanding, the numerous complaints heretofore made by our fishermen of unlawful interference with their interests, have entirely ceased.

In the judgment of the Commissioners, no additional legislation, either upon the subject of pilotage or these fisheries, is needed at present.

By order of the Board.

THOMAS S. NEGUS,
President.

Attest:

JAMES PARKER,
Secretary.

TABULAR STATEMENTS.

TABLE SHOWING VESSELS PILOTED BY NEW JERSEY PILOTS DURING
THE YEAR ENDING NOVEMBER 1ST, 1878.

MONTHS.	INWARDS.						Vessels, for piloting which, off shore pilotage, was paid.	OUTWARDS.							
	Steamships.	Ships.	Barks.	Brigs.	Schooners.	Total.		Grand total.	Steamships.	Ships.	Barks.	Brigs.	Schooners.	Total.	Grand total.
November, 1877.....	24	3	78	22	5	132	.....	69	24	9	67	15	4	119	.....
December.....	26	10	50	15	3	104	.....	53	22	7	69	14	6	118	.....
January, 1878.....	11	15	108	29	17	181	.....	93	21	9	60	20	3	113	.....
February.....	17	9	46	19	12	103	.....	44	17	13	70	19	4	123	.....
March.....	31	17	60	17	13	138	.....	58	26	12	68	18	8	132	.....
April.....	26	16	61	29	26	158	.....	58	26	11	49	12	3	101	.....
May.....	26	9	78	33	26	172	.....	49	22	11	71	21	4	129	.....
June.....	19	9	39	22	18	107	.....	47	26	16	62	21	9	134	.....
July.....	32	15	77	31	10	165	.....	66	23	16	44	19	6	108	.....
August.....	34	14	94	38	9	190	.....	73	29	11	86	28	2	156	.....
September.....	42	13	89	27	5	176	.....	70	47	12	83	13	4	159	.....
October.....	40	12	49	13	8	122	.....	38	33	13	58	20	5	129	.....
Totals.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	1748	.....	748	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	1521

INWARD.

Total of all vessels piloted during 1878.....	1748
Total of all vessels piloted during 1877.....	1419
Increase.....	329

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OUTWARDS.

Total piloted, 1878.....	1521
Total piloted, 1877.....	1125
Increase.....	396
Total number of vessels piloted by Perth Amboy pilots, 1878.....	105
Total number of vessels piloted by Perth Amboy pilots, 1877.....	100
Increase.....	5

NUMBER OF NEW JERSEY PILOTS LICENSED UNDER AUTHORITY OF THE BOARD, NOVEMBER 1st, 1878.

New York and Sandy Hook pilots.....	48
Apprentices to same.....	9
Perth Amboy pilots.....	3

NEW JERSEY PILOT BOATS.

Thomas S. Negus, No. 1.....	Tonnage.....	71.85
Ezra Nye, No. 2.....	do.	44.28
Thomas D. Harrison, No. 3.....	do.	69.71
Mary E. Fish, No. 4.....	do.	56.07
Wm. W. Story, No. 5.....	do.	52.20
James Gorden Bennett, No. 6.....	do.	53.78
Centennial, No. 7.....	do.	55.25

Respectfully submitted,
THOMAS S. NEGUS,
President.

Attest:
JAMES PARKER,
Secretary.