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Assessors' Notice. The Assessors of rates for the Parish of Chatham have received warrants for the assessment on the said parish for the following amounts:

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Miramichi Advance. CHATHAM, N. B., MARCH 29, 1900. The Miramichi Pilots Matter.

The text of the settlement of the difficulty of last season between the Pilots and the Miramichi has not yet been made public, although the agreement forming its basis has been signed by the pilots and the season's earnings of the old ones have been paid over to them...

The committee acting for the old pilots was composed of Messrs. Dudley F. Walls, George Sutton and George T. Tait, those represented by this committee being the other seventeen pilots who resigned soon after the objectionable regulations of April 8th, 1899, were made known.

These seventeen pilots have all signed the agreement, as follows:— Robt. J. Walls, Maxime Martin, Frank Martin, Jas. A. Nowlan, James McClellan, John Martin, Angus McLean, Asa Walls, John Nowlan, James Nowlan, Patrick Nowlan, Louis Jimmo, Joseph Jimmo, Alex. Wilson, John McClellan, William Walls, Wm. Walls, Jr.

The agreement, as we have before stated, was brought about in a way which might be termed accidental. The dispute, from the time it arose by reason of the pilots very properly resenting the method of the commissioners in having the regulations changed last spring, appeared to grow more chronic and acrimonious as the season advanced.

An attempt was made, by way of a resolution which the Town Council was asked to pass, invoking the direct intervention of the government at Ottawa in the matter. Several of the aldermen, however, were of the opinion that it would be more courteous and certainly more likely to lead to a satisfactory settlement if the Town Council's intervention were first directed towards an amicable arrangement between the immediate parties, and this view prevailed.

That sailing vessels towing from the month, or entrance to the harbor, inwards—and sailing vessels towing from their leading berth seaward, shall be moved by the pilot bringing her in, from the place of her first coming to, to her proper leading berth (or in the case of a steamer or other vessel not requiring to discharge ballast to her leading berth) as directed by her consignee, without a charge for removal being made by such pilot—provided always that orders are given by consignees for vessels' destination within twenty-four hours after her arrival.

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