

The system does not effect flour, in shipment to New York.

19. I think not.

20. Thinks it does, as it throws the whole burthen of the pilot system on the foreign trade.

Pilots were formerly found generally out the Capes; now it don't pay them to remain there.

A vessel was recently lost from this cause.

21. Not from changing the pilot laws, but other causes.

22. Think they have increased, from natural causes. Can't state relative increase.

23. Am not posted.

25. Increased all over the world.

26. Yes. Domestic trade alone will not build up a city.

Increase of the coal trade has increased the supply of vessels.

Every vessel coming in the Capes feels the benefit of seeing a pilot outside, as was the case under old law.

Taxes on tonnage all paid in this State.

If system destroyed, and left open to competition, thinks have inefficient pilots.

Thinks decidedly not. Desirable to meet pilots as far out as possible. Had known the case of a vessel, with experienced captain, laying off until a pilot came in view.

Don't think present laws justifies pilots cruising or laying out the Capes.

CAPTAIN BAILEY—*Sworn.*

1. Yes.

2. Benefit both; certainly the coasters; and calculated to save property and life.

3. Both ought to bear a part.

4. Thinks foreign trade most beneficial.

5. Think so.

6. They are.

7. Should think it would.

8. It arises from the difference in freight; the conveniences in shipping are in favor of New York and Boston; they have greater supply of vessels; and, when ready to sail, rather than be delayed, they will afford great accommodation to shippers.

Don't believe the pilot system effects freights or the supply of vessels, so far as Baltimore is concerned; the lack of depth of water to accommodate large vessels does operate injuriously.

Had been trading, as a captain, for thirty-six years, and had never attempted to bring a ship up without a pilot. Coasters might do without a pilot, but he should not think it prudent, even with a vessel drawing only twelve or fifteen feet of water, to dispense with one. Always felt safe, and glad, when a pilot on board.