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SUMMARY OF CANAL STATISTICS.

for
April 1921.

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Sault Ste. Marie Canal:-

The Canadian Canal was opened April 9th, two weeks earlier than last year and consequently there was an increase of traffic for the month. There were 104 vessels through with a net tonnage of 104,328 tons and cargoes totalling 50,405 tons. This was practically all grain down and 5,095 tons of merchandise up. The grain shipments were Barley 2,258 tons, Oats 16,449 tons, Rye 1,226 tons, Wheat 25,375 tons. In April 1920 the total cargoes through amounted to 29,128 tons.

Welland Canal:-

Opened April 15th, four days earlier than last year, 146 vessels with tonnage of 119,860 carrying 101,753 tons of cargoes passed through during the month. This was 86,609 tons more than last year. The increase being in Grain and Soft Coal down. The totals were Barley 9,420 tons, Corn 10,438 tons, Oats 22,939 tons, Wheat 18,908 tons, Soft Coal 29,900 tons for 1921 against Oats 2,125 tons, Wheat 1,100 tons, Soft Coal 2,300 tons for April 1920.

St. Lawrence Canal:-

Opened April 18, whereas in 1920 it did not open till May 1st. There were 235 vessels with net tonnage of 116,958 tons carrying 81,848 tons of cargoes through the locks. The principal cargoes were Oats 14,357 tons, Wheat 9,350 tons, Hard Coal 9,532 tons, Soft Coal 27,550 tons all down.

Trent Canal:-

Opened April 1st, 37 vessels with net tonnage of 1,630 carrying 93 tons of cargo passed through the locks.

Ottawa Canal:-

Opened April 19th, 41 vessels net tonnage of 7,617 and cargoes totalling 4,632 tons passed through during the month. This canal opened in 1920 on May 1st.

Chambly Canal:-

Opened April 15th, eight days earlier than last year. The total traffic was 75 vessels of 8,993 tons with cargoes of 6,510 tons.

Murray Canal:-

Opened April 14th, two days later than last year. 18 vessels tonnage of 3,656 tons with cargoes of 1,625 tons of stone west bound passed through.

St. Peters Canal:-

Closed January 10th and opened again April 18th. 20 vessels net tonnage of 1,181 and cargoes of 1,160 passed through during April.

Rideau Canal:-

Was not open for traffic during April.



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