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SUMMARY OF CANAL STATISTICS

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Sault Ste. Marie Canal

Total traffic through the Canadian and American locks at Sault Ste. Marie showed an increase of 2,787,476 tons or 37 per cent despite the fact that practically no coal moved west during the month. The increase was due to heavier shipment of grain and iron ore while copper, salt and stone also increased over August 1921. Passenger traffic showed a decline of 6 per cent.

Welland Canal

Total traffic showed an increase of 13,121 tons or 3 per cent over August 1921, the principal increases being in wheat, iron steel and pulpwood. Soft coal moved in both directions 9,703 tons being upbound and 7,100 tons down. For the season soft coal shows a decrease of 331,150 tons while hard coal shipments were only 45 tons as against 9,269 tons last year.

St. Lawrence Canals

Cargoes of corn and coal showed decreases but practically all other commodities showed increases, the net increase being 51,273 tons or 9 per cent over August 1921. Wheat increased 93,833 tons or 3,127,760 bushels, iron and steel increased 11,404 tons, pulpwood 25,016 tons while no hard coal moved and soft coal decreased 52,700 tons. There were 53,982 tons of soft coal passed through the canals, 45,326 tons west bound and 8,656 east bound. Passenger traffic increased 4,367 passengers or 19 per cent.

The following tables show the principal items of traffic on the several canals for the month:-

<u>SAULT STE. MARIE</u>		August	August
<u>Canadian & American Locks</u>		1922	1921
Vessels	No.	3,043	1,871
Registered Tonnage	Tons	9,278,433	4,961,240
Passengers	No.	22,040	23,570
Flour	Barrels	1,203,450	1,232,900
Wheat	Bushels	9,121,860	10,129,765
Other Grains	"	13,554,210	10,194,147
Iron Ores	Tons	8,936,377	4,384,949
Soft Coal	"	195,491	1,698,068
Hard Coal	"	"	489,142
Total Freight	"	10,284,755	7,497,279

SAULT STE. MARIE
Canadian Lock

Vessels	No.	612	543
Registered Tonnage	Tons	738,879	453,731
Passengers	No.	12,267	14,251
Barley	Tons	7,690	15,536
Oats	"	22,732	50,590
Wheat	"	36,221	43,415
Flour	"	50,873	37,931
Total Freight	"	231,531	220,989

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		August 1922	August 1921
<u>WELLAND CANAL</u>			
Vessels	No.	533	564
Registered Tonnage	Tons	468,437	495,010
Barley	"	11,031	5,604
Corn	"	36,911	73,837
Oats	"	11,830	12,318
Wheat	"	283,361	196,075
Pulpwood	"	53,390	23,147
Soft Coal	"	16,803	101,854
Total Freight	"	482,263	469,142
<u>ST. LAWRENCE CANAL</u>			
Vessels	No.	1,774	1,447
Registered Tonnage	Tons	754,761	686,406
Passengers	No.	27,091	22,724
Corn	Tons	42,595	78,065
Oats	"	13,205	10,722
Rye	"	8,882	9,069
Wheat	"	287,724	193,891
Petroleum & Oils	"	13,467	17,072
Pulpwood	"	80,638	55,622
Hard Coal	"	...	36,511
Soft Coal	"	53,982	106,682
Sand	"	26,578	21,773
Total Freight	"	616,261	564,988
<u>OTTAWA CANAL</u>			
Vessels	No.	352	253
Registered Tonnage	Tons	57,332	31,831
Passengers	No.	6,275	400
Total Freight	Tons	34,524	21,366
<u>RIDEAU CANAL</u>			
Vessels	No.	359	261
Registered Tonnage	Tons	18,305	15,788
Passengers	No.	2,706	4,328
Total Freight	Tons	14,630	13,035
<u>CHAMPLAIN CANAL</u>			
Vessels	No.	242	167
Registered Tonnage	Tons	27,501	20,556
Passengers	No.	156	299
Total Freight	Tons	29,237	18,079
<u>TRENT CANAL</u>			
Vessels	No.	930	1,297
Registered Tonnage	Tons	34,417	36,210
Passengers	No.	28,840	33,292
Total Freight	Tons	8,338	8,107
<u>MURRAY CANAL</u>			
Vessels	No.	113	139
Registered Tonnage	Tons	1,754	8,207
Passengers	No.	362	2,726
Total Freight	Tons	506	5,800
<u>ST. PETERS CANAL</u>			
Vessels	No.	117	157
Registered Tonnage	Tons	7,946	12,061
Passengers	No.	176	226
Total Freight	Tons	5,647	8,578
<u>ST. ANDREWS CANAL</u>			
Vessels	No.	42	199
Registered Tonnage	Tons	8,269	6,136
Passengers	No.	720	1,861
Total Freight	Tons	4,252	1,243