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SUMMARY OF CANAL STATISTICS

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Sault Ste. Marie Canals:

Total traffic through the Canadian and United States locks compared with November, 1923 showed a decrease of 4,080,371 tons, or 38 per cent. Wheat shipments fell off 14,560,033 bushels but other grains increased 10,402,417 bushels. Iron ore was lighter by 3,391,144 tons and soft coal was down 369,957 tons. For the season of navigation up to November 30 there have been passed down the canals 15,078,593 bushels of wheat more this year than last year.

Welland Canal:

Wheat showed a decrease of 26,564 tons or 878,800 bushels; barley was also down 10,054 tons. Oats, however, were heavier by 22,058 tons or 1,296,350 bushels. Increases were recorded also in oil of 10,420 tons, iron and steel of 8,032 tons and in ores of 8,877 tons while bituminous coal fell off 8,311 tons. Since the opening of navigation 99,724,660 bushels of wheat have passed down the canal as against 65,578,860 bushels for the corresponding period in 1923, which was an increase of over 50 per cent.

St. Lawrence Canals:

The total traffic on these canals since the opening of navigation aggregated 5,458,108 tons, an increase of 964,493 tons or 21 per cent over the traffic during the corresponding period in 1923. The large increase in wheat shipments is the principal factor in this. Wheat shipments aggregated 99,207,960 bushels as against 63,614,560 bushels in 1923. Pulpwood has also been heavier by 118,473 tons while coal shipments have fallen off 150,520 tons for anthracite and 37,287 tons for bituminous. For November the total traffic was lighter than a year ago by 48,754 tons, declines being recorded in barley, wheat, oils, pulpwood and coal.

Sault Ste. Marie Canal:

<u>Canadian & American Locks</u>		November 1924	November 1923
Vessels	No.	1,568	2,580
Registered Tonnage	Tons	4,797,031	7,966,993
Passengers	No.	258	281
Flour	Barrels	1,501,750	1,873,971
Wheat	Bushels	62,236,953	76,786,999
Other Grains	"	30,659,594	20,287,177
Iron Ore	Tons	1,984,448	5,375,592
Soft Coal	"	1,548,312	1,918,249
Hard Coal	"	106,185	238,300
Total Freight	"	6,617,972	10,692,343

Sault Ste. Marie Canal:

<u>Canadian Lock</u>			
Vessels	No.	354	496
Registered Tonnage	Tons	515,100	793,276
Passengers	No.	243	282
Barley	Tons	4,703	19,205
Oats	"	17,684	33,022
Wheat	"	48,355	80,653
Flour	"	65,542	75,375
Total Freight	"	207,771	294,647



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Welland Canal:

Vessels	No.	539	540
Registered Tonnage	Tons	559,039	476,778
Barley	"	4,320	14,374
Corn	"	6,407	4,337
Oats	"	52,544	30,506
Rye	"	44	755
Wheat	"	253,245	279,609
Pulpwood	"	2,250	2,548
Soft Coal	"	73,428	81,739
Sand	"	15,750	13,255
Total Freight	"	487,085	470,238

St. Lawrence Canals:

Vessels	No.	1,293	1,402
Registered Tonnage	Tons	582,956	649,676
Passengers	No.	121	131
Barley	Tons	2,779	13,705
Corn	"	4,419	2,375
Oats	"	46,973	27,550
Wheat	"	260,924	278,681
Petroleum and Oils	"	4,173	17,416
Pulpwood	"	4,550	16,248
Sawed Lumber	"	12,527	15,744
Hard Coal	"	18,541	44,792
Soft Coal	"	56,476	69,725
Sand	"	31,530	30,766
Total Freight	"	516,357	565,591

Ottawa Canal

Vessels	No.	274	270
Registered Tonnage	Tons	32,705	33,507
Passengers	No.	-	-
Total Freight	Tons	26,986	25,923

Rideau Canal

Vessels	No.	90	100
Registered Tonnage	Tons	7,563	7,822
Passengers	No.	-	-
Total Freight	Tons	5,737	5,911

Chambly Canal

Vessels	No.	162	149
Registered Tonnage	Tons	22,758	13,613
Passengers	No.	10	33
Total Freight	Tons	25,376	20,738

Trent Canal

Vessels	No.	319	68
Registered Tonnage	Tons	12,308	2,859
Passengers	No.	-	-
Total Freight	Tons	3,221	1,677

Murray Canal

Vessels	No.	26	78
Registered Tonnage	Tons	2,048	2,680
Passengers	No.	-	-
Total Freight	Tons	845	248

St. Peters Canal

Vessels	No.	146	140
Registered Tonnage	Tons	9,974	10,557
Passengers	No.	7	23
Total Freight	Tons	7,901	8,598

St. Andrews Canal

Vessels	No.	2	-
Registered Tonnage	Tons	78	-
Passengers	No.	-	-
Total Freight	Tons	2	-