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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 at Sault Ste. Marie was heavier than during August last year by 1,959,050 tons. Wheat traffic was more than double the traffic last year and other grains increased by 3,681,695 bushels, or 59 per cent, iron ore increased by 497,386 tons and bituminous coal increased by 839,843 tons.

Welland Canal:

The total traffic was heavier than for August, 1927, by 103,830 tons and was exceeded only by the monthly record (1,130,277 tons) made in October last year. Grain traffic was particularly heavy, wheat showing an increase over the August, 1927, traffic of 113,530 tons, oats an increase of 28,574 tons and rye an increase of 22,274 tons.

St. Lawrence Canals:

More freight was transported through the St. Lawrence canals during August than in any previous month. The total tonnage amounted to 1,359,561 tons, exceeding the tonnage for August, 1927, by 231,044 tons and the tonnage for June, 1927, which was the previous high record, by 147,958 tons. Compared with the August, 1927, traffic, wheat was heavier by 147,247 tons, oats by 31,209 tons, rye by 25,755 tons, barley by 11,554 tons, but corn decreased by 10,933 tons. Pulpwood also decreased by 40,552 tons and iron and steel by 24,992 tons. Bituminous coal was heavier by 67,560 tons, iron ore by 13,638 tons and sand by 10,106 tons. The total traffic for the season to August 31 amounted to 4,824,050 tons which was 250,241 tons heavier than for the same period in 1927 and 79 per cent heavier than for the same period in 1923.

<u>Sault Ste. Marie Canals:</u>		<u>August</u>	<u>August</u>
<u>Canadian & United States Locks:</u>		<u>1928</u>	<u>1927</u>
Vessels	No.	2,901	2,705
Registered Tonnage	Tons	10,093,744	9,212,322
Passengers	No.	21,657	19,589
Flour	Barrels	1,224,520	1,061,020
Wheat	Bushels	31,970,319	15,084,425
Other Grains	"	9,340,460	6,258,765
Iron Ores	Tons	9,217,058	8,719,672
Soft Coal	"	2,666,951	1,827,108
Hard Coal	"	90,951	136,813
Total Freight	"	13,680,113	11,721,063
<u>Sault Ste. Marie Canal:</u>			
<u>Canadian Lock:</u>			
Vessels	No.	450	436
Registered Tonnage	Tons	568,243	532,757
Passengers	No.	12,677	10,851
Oats	Tons	22,797	7,730
Wheat	"	61,673	38,449
Flour	"	59,383	42,250
Total Freight	"	236,056	189,210

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		August 1928	August 1927
<u>Welland Canal:</u>			
Vessels	No.	998	1,014
Registered Tonnage	Tons	990,217	859,709
Barley	"	62,990	51,536
Oats	"	41,454	13,159
Rye	"	52,665	30,112
Wheat	"	616,128	502,598
Pulpwood	"	84,198	102,644
Soft Coal	"	78,615	70,351
Sand	"	26,405	76,061
Total Freight	"	1,115,601	1,011,771
<u>St. Lawrence Canal:</u>			
Vessels	No.	2,483	2,229
Registered Tonnage	Tons	1,381,624	1,171,849
Passengers	No.	31,005	28,809
Barley	Tons	63,042	51,488
Oats	"	42,365	11,156
Rye	"	53,080	27,325
Wheat	"	618,268	471,021
Iron and Steel	"	17,986	42,978
Petroleum and Oils	"	27,872	33,321
Sugar	"	12,627	12,580
Pulpwood	"	162,265	203,525
Sawed Lumber	"	14,670	11,124
Hard Coal	"	400	3,395
Soft Coal	"	149,069	81,509
Sand	"	87,158	77,052
Total Freight	"	1,359,561	1,128,517
<u>Ottawa Canal:</u>			
Vessels	No.	591	506
Registered Tonnage	Tons	93,172	98,074
Passengers	No.	6,365	6,030
Total Freight	Tons	73,012	72,274
<u>Rideau Canal:</u>			
Vessels	No.	143	207
Registered Tonnage	Tons	11,148	13,305
Passengers	No.	675	1,582
Total Freight	Tons	7,005	8,947
<u>Chambly Canal:</u>			
Vessels	No.	211	248
Registered Tonnage	Tons	23,004	26,973
Passengers	No.	98	85
Total Freight	Tons	29,273	35,321
<u>Trent Canal:</u>			
Vessels	No.	785	902
Registered Tonnage	Tons	24,442	26,228
Passengers	No.	17,217	21,755
Total Freight	Tons	8,215	4,375
<u>Murray Canal:</u>			
Vessels	No.	112	196
Registered Tonnage	Tons	12,149	45,683
Passengers	No.	628	4,343
Total Freight	Tons	292	45
<u>St. Peters Canal:</u>			
Vessels	No.	125	117
Registered Tonnage	Tons	12,793	9,007
Passengers	No.	77	241
Total Freight	Tons	9,357	4,779
<u>St. Andrews Canal:</u>			
Vessels	No.	35	109
Registered Tonnage	Tons	7,979	18,869
Passengers	No.	4	170
Total Freight	Tons	5,081	22,957

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