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SUMMARY OF CANAL STATISTICS

FOR
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Sault Ste. Marie Canals:

Canadian and United States Locks:

Total traffic was lighter than for October, 1928, by 2,389,814 tons. The large decreases were in wheat, 44,322,893 bushels, or 1,329,687 tons; flour, 336,680 barrels; other grains, 18,136,165 bushels; iron ores, 353,598 tons; and coal, 201,490 tons.

For the season to October 31st, total traffic amounted to 85,185,852, as against 75,273,355 tons last year.

Welland Canal:

There was a decrease of 491,539 tons of freight using the canal, as compared with the October, 1928, traffic. Barley decreased by 160,837 tons, rye by 33,241 tons, and wheat by 440,552 tons, other grains showing slight increases. Pulpwood and coal also showed increases of 29,869 and 98,473 tons, respectively.

For the season to October 31st, the total traffic amounted to 4,274,113, as against 6,321,341 tons last year. The largest decreases were barley, 228,561 tons; rye, 240,537 tons; wheat, 1,722,324 tons; and sand, 73,430 tons. Soft coal showed an increase of 221,421 tons.

St. Lawrence Canals:

Total traffic on the St. Lawrence canals amounted to 749,287 tons, a decrease from October, 1928, traffic of 520,764 tons. Wheat decreased by 435,116 tons, barley by 164,648 tons, and rye by 40,078 tons. Coal and pulpwood showed the largest increases, namely, 88,880 and 18,418 tons, respectively.

For the season to October 31st, the total traffic was lighter than in 1928 by 2,072,778 tons. Wheat decreased by 1,695,155 tons, barley by 216,157 tons, rye by 240,942 tons, and oats by 83,159 tons. The only large increases were in coal, 85,827 tons, and petroleum and oils, 51,172 tons.

Sault Ste. Marie Canals:

Canadian & United States Locks:

		October 1929	October 1928
Vessels	No.	2,408	3,032
Registered Tonnage	Tons	8,589,069	10,841,593
Passengers	No.	415	400
Flour	Bbls.	1,214,490	1,551,170
Wheat	Bushels	35,354,460	79,677,353
Other grains	"	7,374,432	25,510,597
Iron Ores	Tons	8,086,849	8,440,447
Soft Coal	"	1,456,687	1,609,615
Hard Coal	"	29,400	77,962
Total Freight	"	11,213,175	13,602,989

Sault Ste. Marie Canal:

Canadian Lock:

		October 1929	October 1928
Vessels	No.	430	514
Registered Tonnage	Tons	617,285	756,680
Passengers	No.	326	334
Barley	Tons	9,604	17,239
Oats	"	11,662	10,124
Wheat	"	48,235	100,081
Flour	"	59,028	78,376
Total Freight	"	264,945	290,382

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<u>Welland Canal:</u>		<u>October</u> <u>1929</u>	<u>October</u> <u>1928</u>
Vessels	No.	526	1,042
Registered Tonnage	Tons	533,098	1,033,030
Barley	"	12,040	172,877
Corn	"	11,216	5,258
Oats	"	11,085	10,747
Rye	"	7,321	40,562
Wheat	"	198,913	639,465
Pulpwood	"	51,686	21,817
Soft Coal	"	135,896	37,423
Sand	"	20,875	20,720
Total Freight	"	623,651	1,115,190
 <u>St. Lawrence Canals:</u>			
Vessels	No.	1,467	2,195
Registered Tonnage	Tons	685,644	1,251,498
Passengers	No.	272	248
Barley	Tons	11,139	175,787
Corn	"	12,059	7,435
Oats	"	6,794	6,916
Rye	"	4,633	44,711
Wheat	"	195,034	630,150
Iron and Steel	"	45,107	36,804
Petroleum and Oils	"	29,035	30,786
Sugar	"	13,777	10,407
Pulpwood	"	61,196	42,778
Sawed Lumber	"	9,613	17,463
Hard Coal	"	8,913	2,635
Soft Coal	"	185,028	102,426
Sand	"	78,560	72,394
Total Freight	"	749,287	1,270,051
 <u>Ottawa Canal:</u>			
Vessels	No.	445	484
Registered Tonnage	Tons	84,574	78,357
No. of Passengers	No.	-	4
Total Freight	Tons	75,430	65,190
 <u>Rideau Canal:</u>			
Vessels	No.	100	165
Registered Tonnage	Tons	9,642	13,944
No. of Passengers	No.	2	2
Total Freight	Tons	7,111	9,783
 <u>Chambly Canal:</u>			
Vessels	No.	125	183
Registered Tonnage	Tons	17,780	21,123
No. of Passengers	No.	3	-
Total Freight	Tons	22,014	29,233
 <u>Trent Canal:</u>			
Vessels	No.	114	153
Registered Tonnage	Tons	3,450	5,311
No. of Passengers	No.	13	51
Total Freight	Tons	2,442	3,939
 <u>Murray Canal:</u>			
Vessels	No.	29	17
Registered Tonnage	Tons	3,970	1,515
No. of Passengers	No.	-	-
Total Freight	Tons	965	-
 <u>St. Peter's Canal:</u>			
Vessels	No.	117	134
Registered Tonnage	Tons	8,986	6,991
No. of Passengers	No.	5	-
Total Freight	Tons	6,260	5,456
 <u>St. Andrews Canal:</u>			
Vessels	No.	106	38
Registered Tonnage	Tons	13,956	8,615
No. of Passengers	No.	117	51
Total Freight	Tons	7,963	3,759

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