

obvious one, showing substantial increases when compared with the previous year. Increases in volume of individual articles transported over the canals are most marked in the case of oats, rye, wheat and pulpwood.

Table 43, giving traffic details of the canal at Sault Ste. Marie (long the most important canal in Canada), shows a decrease in numbers of vessels and freight carried. The principal reason for this comparative disuse is to be found in the recent improvements effected in the American Sault canal, which, with the Canadian, is available for vessels of either country. In Table 44 the increase over 1923 in the total traffic of all canals is indicated by nationality of vessels. The figures for 1924 show a total of but 24.7 p.c. of that of 1913, the record year. A more detailed analysis by individual canals is given in Table 45.

39.—Canal Traffic during the Navigation Seasons of 1923 and 1924, by direction and origin.

Canals.	FROM CANADIAN TO CANADIAN PORTS.		FROM CANADIAN TO UNITED STATES PORTS.		FROM UNITED STATES TO UNITED STATES PORTS.		FROM UNITED STATES TO CANADIAN PORTS.	
	Up.	Down.	Up.	Down.	Up.	Down.	Up.	Down.
	Tons.	Tons.	Tons.	Tons.	Tons.	Tons.	Tons.	Tons.
<b>1923.</b>								
Sault Ste. Marie....	279,865	1,323,116	2	167,661	83,068	171,182	157,457	73,578
Welland.....	276,731	2,405,137	7,165	-	51,422	60,301	3,333	951,823
St. Lawrence <sup>1</sup> .....	623,932	2,468,444	201,008	35,149	9,899	-	10,543	1,192,553
Chambly.....	25,825	5,251	99,854	-	-	-	-	82,260
St. Peters.....	11,611	33,063	-	1,900	-	-	-	-
Murray.....	-	665	1,864	1	-	-	614	-
Ottawa.....	20,868	172,468	-	35,112	-	-	4,644	-
Rideau.....	55,361	25,274	-	289	-	-	-	375
Trent.....	11,778	19,624	-	-	-	-	-	-
St. Andrews.....	36,736	628	-	-	-	-	-	-
<b>Total.....</b>	<b>1,342,707</b>	<b>6,453,670</b>	<b>309,893</b>	<b>240,112</b>	<b>144,389</b>	<b>231,483</b>	<b>176,591</b>	<b>2,300,539</b>
<b>1924.</b>								
Sault Ste. Marie...	251,051	1,132,153	6,371	36,299	30,202	100,182	50,608	24,682
Welland.....	299,083	2,868,630	38,358	-	57,742	155,522	-	1,618,077
St. Lawrence <sup>1</sup> .....	658,849	2,826,689	275,504	25,676	4,222	-	4,181	1,741,253
Chambly.....	6,902	6,047	116,047	-	-	-	270	96,252
St. Peters.....	13,072	38,789	-	-	-	-	68	-
Murray.....	52	12	305	-	-	-	2,346	-
Ottawa.....	23,700	153,831	-	25,520	-	-	2,433	-
Rideau.....	67,709	17,985	-	292	-	-	-	-
Trent.....	17,956	23,143	-	-	-	-	-	-
St. Andrews.....	50,426	556	-	-	-	-	-	-
<b>Total.....</b>	<b>1,388,800</b>	<b>7,067,885</b>	<b>436,585</b>	<b>87,787</b>	<b>92,166</b>	<b>255,704</b>	<b>59,906</b>	<b>3,430,264</b>

Canals.	TOTAL TRAFFIC BY DIRECTION.		ORIGIN OF CARGO.		Total Cargo.	Increase(+) or decrease (-) on previous year.
	Up.	Down.	Canada.	United States.		
	Tons.	Tons.	Tons.	Tons.	Tons.	Tons.
<b>1923.</b>						
Sault Ste. Marie.....	520,392	1,735,537	1,775,872	480,057	2,255,929	+ 546,869
Welland.....	338,651	3,417,261	2,332,309	1,423,603	3,755,912	+ 364,493
St. Lawrence <sup>1</sup> .....	845,382	3,696,146	2,970,200	1,571,328	4,541,528	+ 221,609
Chambly.....	125,679	87,511	130,930	82,260	213,190	+ 30,147
St. Peters.....	11,611	34,963	46,574	-	46,574	- 6,163
Murray.....	2,478	666	2,530	614	3,144	+ 1,301
Ottawa.....	25,512	207,580	228,448	4,644	233,092	+ 19,865
Rideau.....	55,361	25,938	79,731	1,568	81,299	- 5,083
Trent.....	11,778	19,624	31,372	30	31,402	- 11,636
St. Andrews.....	36,736	628	37,364	-	37,364	+ 11,977
<b>Total.....</b>	<b>1,973,580</b>	<b>9,226,854</b>	<b>7,637,485</b>	<b>3,561,949</b>	<b>11,199,434</b>	<b>+ 1,173,379</b>

<sup>1</sup> Includes only the canals on the St. Lawrence river between Lachine and lake Ontario.