modation required for its steamships, and a sub-committee of the city council is negotiating with the Co. as to the rental for the extra accommodation.

The str. Beaver, which has been acquired by the St. John Steamship Co. (Ltd.), is a screw steamer, and was built at Canning, N.S., 1897, and registered at Windsor, N.S., her dimensions being: length, 80 ft.; breadth, 21 ft.; depth, 7.4 ft.; tonnage—gross, 85 tons; register, 58 tons. She has hitherto been engaged in trading on the Minas Basin, and will now be placed on a route from St. John to Albert county ports.

J. Oborne, General Superintendent of the Atlantic Division, C.P.R., in a recent inter-

view stated that "the question of the provision of increased harbor accommodation at St. John, N.B., was urgent, and he trusted that something would be done. He believed the Minister of Public Works had the right idea of the question which presses for solution. The great thing was to arouse public opinion on the subject. If private enterprise put its hand to the business the small terms. put its hand to the business there would have to be such shipping charges as would frighten trade away, and, of course, competition would be out of the question when you had free ports opposed to you. The government should come forward with a well-defined plan of assistance and extension, to meet growing needs of the export trade, which was increasing by leaps and bounds."



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### Province of Quebec Shipping.

The Canadian Forwarding and Export Co.'s tug Dauntless ran on a rock off Red Island, Quebec, July 11, and sank.

The amount received for customs duties at Montreal for the year ended June 30, 1902, was \$10,090,508 against \$8,971,685.60 in 1901.

Plans have been completed for the proposed breakwater and wharf at Quebec, and tenders will be invited for the work at an early

Shipping men at Quebec are in communica-tion with the Department of Marine as to graving dock accommodation, and have suggested that a second dock be provided.

### MANITOBA

The Government Crop Bulletin issued Dec. 12th, 1901, gives the following statistics for the year: CROPS.

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