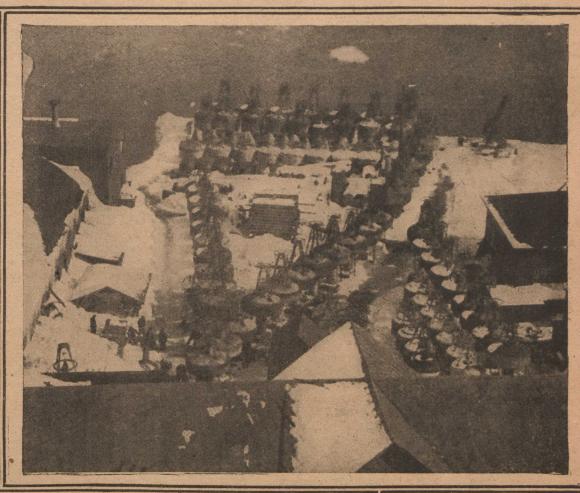
QUEBEC'S LAST TOUCH OF WINTER





THIS remote Lower Town precinct with its curious mixture of snow-white washings and snow-covered roofs was lately the scene of a popular Canadian movie production. The name of the film is not given. But it must have been much too cold a setting for Mary Pickford or Charlie Chaplin.

PHOTOGRAPHED from the Terrace above may be seen 150
gas buoys on the edge of the icefloed St. Lawrence. These buoys
are all landed in the fall for repairs. They will be going out now
almost any day to be distributed up
and down the St. Lawrence ready
for the opening of navigation. With
Canadian exports well over a billion
dollars a year owing to war production, the lights of the St. Lawrence—
the best lighted great riverway in the
world—are more important than
ever.



As may be noticed, out-door sports have something to do with originating fashions in Quebec. Some of the young ladies in the ski picture are wearing a modified form of short skirt and bloomer, which are exceedingly uesful in manouvering the cumber-

some but graceful instrument of locomotion known as the ski.

THERE is a subject for a poem in the cheerful picture of girls gathering wood in Quebec. The coal season in the Ancient City is a long one.

Many of the inhabitants do not take kindly to coal at any price. At \$10.00 a ton coal to these French-Canadian folk is pretty nearly an enemy. Wood, however, is not so plentiful as it used to be in the Old Town. By the time these children get back home with their bags of faggots they have done a deal of rummaging on the outskirts of saw mills and lumber yards.

THESE never-ceasing ferries from Levis to Quebec and back again, called Traverses, are usually full of colourful pictures. In the ferry shown below a coon-skin-coated priest may be seen talking to his teamster parishioners. The sled in the foreground you may be sure was made by hand at home. In winter the ferries are never crowded. In summer they are rollicking with all sorts of people to whom the daily trip across to the Ancient City is the only real adventure they have.



