

PROVINCE OF ONTARIO
OLD MILLS REFITTED AND NOW IN OPERATION.

Expenditure	Hands Employed	Annual Cut
\$181,500	1,105	147,500,000 ft., B.M.

A total expenditure of \$1,030,900 on saw-milling properties, which give employment to 2,323 men for a great part of the year, and whose annual cut is 359,750,000 feet broad measure. It is estimated that the cost of sawing and piling pine lumber on the Great Lakes is about \$2.50 per thousand, so that the amount of money from this source, which is annually disbursed among Canadian workmen to be expended in Canadian towns and villages, can be very easily arrived at. To this amount should be added, too, the freight paid Canadian railways and vessel owners on the shipment of the sawn lumber, amounting to about \$2 per thousand.

Commercial Fisheries.

THE commercial fisheries of Ontario are of inestimable value as a national possession, and constitute an important field of industry. The fisheries of the Great Lakes are the most extensive in the world so far as fresh water fish are concerned, while in addition, the northern and north-western waters teem with the finer qualities of fish. The fishing industry is now carefully regulated by the Government of the Province, and under the judicious policy that has lately been adopted, it is likely in the near future to afford a livelihood to considerable numbers of people, and become an important and continuous source of food supply and revenue.

The principal fish found in the waters of the Province are the whitefish, salmon-trout, herring, sturgeon, bass, pickerel, pike, and maskinonge.

The industry gives employment to about 2,000 men, and represents an investment of a million dollars in tugs, boats, ice-houses, and appliances. The annual catch averages about a million and a quarter of dollars in value, and the industry yields a revenue to the Province of over \$35,000.

To preserve this great inheritance for succeeding generations, the Government has adopted a judicious policy of administration and protection.

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Varieties.*