

Ontario and the Great Lakes.

Capt. Malone, of the str. Simla, recently fell into the hold of the vessel at Kingston, and broke his left leg.

The Manitou Fish Co. is having built at Goderich a new tug of larger dimensions than the Manitou, built in 1903.

Capt. J. McIntyre, recently in command of the str. Advance, was given charge of the Neepawa for the balance of the season.

The str. Lakeside made her last trip from St. Catharines to Toronto for the season Dec. 10. During the winter new boilers are to be put in.

The Dominion Government has awarded the contract for dredging the upper entrance to the Canadian canal at Sault Ste. Marie, Ont., to Hickler Bros.

The str. Advance, recently burned at Sault Ste. Marie, Ont., and scuttled, has been raised. The hull will be towed to Collingwood, and new upper works built.

The number of lockages at the Lindsay locks for the season of 1903 was 578, there passing through 200 steamers, 165 yachts, 145 scows, and 65 rafts of logs.

The Calvin Co. is building at Garden Island, for its raft towing and St. Lawrence rapids work a wooden, paddle wheel tug 130 ft. long, 25 ft. beam, and 9 ft. depth of hold.

The gas buoy plant hitherto maintained by the Department of Marine at Morrisburg, Ont., is to be removed to Prescott, Ont., where new premises have been acquired.

The old str. Cambria, after many vicissitudes, has been dismantled; her boilers, etc., have been removed to be scrapped, and the hull, it is reported, will be turned into a barge for the ice trade.

Wreckage has been found near Cobourg which has been identified as belonging to the Toronto schooner Emerald. Capt. McMaster, who was owner as well as master, and the crew of eight were drowned.

A marine railway sufficiently large to take on three or four vessels is about to be constructed at Port Arthur. Jas. Whalen is interested in the railway which is intended principally for the use of the dredges.

The Algoma Navigation Co. is negotiating with the Owen Sound board of trade with a view of putting on two steamers at the opening of navigation to trade between Owen Sound, Manitoulin island and North Shore points.

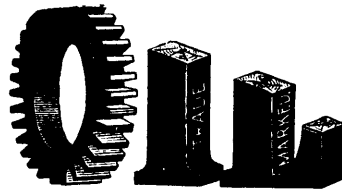
The Hamilton Steamboat Co. held its annual meeting recently. The report is said to have shown the year's operations to have been a most successful one, but it has not been made public. The customary dividend of 10% was declared.

The Western Lakes Transportation Co., which put the str. Wexford on the Upper Lakes early in 1903, is contemplating buying

or having built an additional steel steamer. Capt. W. J. Bassett, of Collingwood, is largely interested in the company.

The total amount of the insurance on the Huron Navigation Co.'s str. Pittsburg, which was burned at Sandwich in the summer, was \$50,000, and of this \$15,000 has been paid by the British America Assurance Co. The balance, \$35,000, is distributed among five companies.

The reports presented at the annual meeting of the Toronto Ferry Co. show a successful year's operations. The company met with a considerable loss during the year owing to the burning of its docks, etc., at the island.



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The Government Crop Bulletin issued Dec. 12th, 1902, gives the following statistics for the year:

CROPS.		
ACRES.	AVERAGE YIELD.	TOTAL.
Wheat.....2,039,940	26. bus.	53,077,267 bus.
Oats.....725,060	47.5 "	34,478,160 "
Barley.....329,790	35.9 "	11,848,422 "
Potatoes...22,005	157. "	3,459,325 "

STOCK.

Number of stock in the Province, July 1, 1902:
Horses.....146,591 Sheep.....20,518
Cattle.....282,343 Pigs.....95,598
Value of Dairy Products.....\$926,314

15,000 FARM LABORERS

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