

The Japanese s.s. Canada Maru, which went ashore near Cape Flattery, recently, and which was eventually floated and taken to Esquimalt for repairs, was expected to clear from the dry dock about the end of September. It is stated that the repairs include the reconstruction of the bottom from the stokehold forward, the removal, straightening and replacing of nearly all the frames, and several new plates. The contract was placed with Yarrows, Ltd., and is reported to amount to about \$500,000.

Maritime Provinces and Newfoundland.

The Newfoundland Steam Screw Tug Co., Ltd., St. John's, Nfld., is in liquidation, with R. G. Rendell and W. G. Strong as liquidators.

The Naval Service Department has awarded a contract for the erection of two large coal handling bridges of the travelling type with clam shell buckets at the Government dockyard at Halifax, N. S., to the Dominion Bridge Co.

The Halifax Trading & Sealing Co.'s s.s. Seal has been sold to Newfoundland parties. She was built at Glasgow, Scotland, in 1911, and is screw driven by engine of 85 n.h.p. Her dimensions are: length 175 ft., breadth 22.6 ft., depth 12.3 ft.; tonnage 608 gross, 277 register.

Nova Scotia Steamships, Ltd., announces that at the request of the Canadian Government Railways management, it has decided to establish a steamship service between Halifax, Yarmouth and Boston, in connection with the service being operated between Halifax, St. John's, Nfld., and New York.

The s.s. Robert G. Cann completed an overhauling and repairing at Meteghan, N.S., early in September, and replaced the s.s. Keith Cann on the St. John-Yarmouth run. The latter vessel is being overhauled, and when this has been done, she will return to her own route, and the Robert G. Cann will take the Canso-Mulgrave route. Hugh Cann & Sons, who operate this service, chartered the s.s. Edna R. as a relief vessel.

Navigation of East River, Pictou County, N.S., from Pictou harbor to Trenton, has been improved by dredging a channel 150 ft. wide by 21 ft. deep from Pictou River to Narrows Point, and 15 ft. deep thence to Trenton. Above Shipyard Point, a turning basin has been dredged in front of Trenton, and a lock has been built through Stonehouse Point (Narrows Point), but it is not yet in operation. When it is in operation, it will raise the river level, so that a depth of 21 ft. will be available.

The s.s. Kite, owned in Newfoundland, was driven ashore at Point Rosier, on the Gaspe coast, Que., recently, and is reported to be a total loss. She was bound from Fox River, Que., to Gloucester, Mass., with a cargo of fish. She had been used for some time along the northern and western coasts of Newfoundland, and for the Labrador mail service. She was built in Germany in 1873, her dimensions being: length 117 ft., breadth 26 ft., depth 14 ft.; tonnage, 280 gross, 190 net.

The Reid Newfoundland Co. issued a notice recently that, owing to a strike at Port aux Basques, Nfld., it would endeavor to forward all freight via North Sydney and Port aux Basques, but reserved the right whenever circumstances in the company's opinion required it, to forward freight originally routed via North Sydney and Port aux Basques and

designated steamships, by way of Louisburg, collecting extra charges over the Sydney and Louisburg Ry., and also reserved the right to forward freight by any steamship owned or chartered by the company from North Sydney or Louisburg direct to St. John's or Newfoundland ports other than Port aux Basques.

Province of Quebec Marine.

The Dominion Public Works Department received tenders, Sept. 18, for the construction of a floating pontoon for the wharf at Ste. Anne de Chicoutimi.

The Ogdensburg Coal & Towing Co., Ltd., has been authorized to carry on its business in the province of Quebec, with W. L. McDougald, Westmount, as its attorney.

An order in council has been passed establishing a new schedule of fares on the Quyon ferry, operated across the Ottawa River, between Fitzroy Tp., Ont., and Onslow, Que.

The s.s. Winnifredian, which ran on the rocks at St. Mary's Islands, near Quebec, recently, was released Sept. 23 by the wrecking vessel Lord Strathcona. She is considerably damaged.

The dredged channel in the Saguenay River, has been swept recently, from deep water below St. Fulgence to Chicoutimi wharf. The standard depth of 16 ft. was found throughout the entire length, and over the width of 250 ft., except at the junction of the axes of the Poste St. Martin and Valin River ranges, where some boulders have been carried into the cut by ice, and the channel been reduced to a depth of 14 ft. at the sides.

Ontario and the Great Lakes.

The Pittsburg Steamship Co.'s s.s. Superior City grounded in a fog at the Limekiln Crossing, Sept. 23.

The Port Huron Navigation Co.'s s.s. David W. Mills, of U.S. register, after encountering heavy seas whilst en route from Ashtabula, Ohio, to Montreal, sank in Port Maitland harbor, Sept. 19, and is believed to be a total loss.

The Northern Navigation Co. is reported to have made arrangements for operating the s.s. Rapids King between Chat-

ham and Detroit, next summer. The Rapids King is owned by Canada Steamship Lines, Ltd., of which the Northern Navigation Co. is a subsidiary.

Canadian Steamship Lines' s.s. Calgarian has been sold to Brazilian parties. She was built at Port Arthur, Ont., in 1913, and is screw driven with engine of 115 n.h.p. Her dimensions are: length 244 ft., breadth 42.8 ft., depth 26 ft.; tonnage, 2,326 gross, 1,302 register.

The Minister of Public Works announced at Port Dover, Sept. 14, that he would place a contract for the improvement of the Port Dover harbor, with a firm during the following week, so that a start may be made immediately, and without the delay which would be occasioned by calling for tenders.

The Windsor City Council has renewed the Detroit & Windsor Ferry Co.'s license, which expires Oct. 2. A condition has been attached to the renewal providing that the company shall continue the same fare and service as now in effect. The council decided to withdraw the terms offered to C. Millar, K.C., Toronto, for the establishment of a new ferry service between Detroit and Windsor.

The Pennsylvania Coal & Transportation Co.'s steam tug S. O. Dixon, towing the barges Islewide and Louisa, were seized at Kingston, at the instance of the Keystone Transportation Co., Sept. 16, on a salvage claim. The tug, with its tows, was discovered by the s.s. Keyvive drifting helplessly in a gale about 20 miles off Kingston, and towed to port. The engineer of the tug had been washed off and drowned, and there was no one else to look after the engine.

The Montreal Transportation Co. has acquired the s.s. Cataract, which has had a unique career. Originally built at Hamilton, Ont., in 1882, as a steamship, and named Myles, her machinery was removed and she was converted into a schooner, and named Cataract, in 1916. Machinery has again been installed in the hull and she reverts to her former condition, maintaining the name Cataract. Her dimensions are: length 174.6 ft., breadth 33.2 ft., depth 15 ft.; tonnage, 839 gross, 451 register, and she is equipped with engine of 66 n.h.p., driving a screw.

The s.s. Natironco, which was sunk in collision with the Detroit & Cleveland

Sault Ste. Marie Canals Traffic.

The following commerce passed through the Sault Ste. Marie canals during August, 1918.

ARTICLES.	Eastbound.		Total.
	Can. Canal.	U. S. Canal.	
Lumber m. ft. b. m.	2,224	50,599	52,823
Flour Barrels	323,450	522,690	846,140
Wheat Bushels	422,550	78,500	501,050
Grain, other than wheat Bushels	1,220,455	140,243	1,360,698
Copper Short tons	2,675	6,942	10,617
Iron Ore Short tons	1,024,356	8,481,711	9,507,067
Pig Iron Short tons	.....	.....	.....
Stone Short tons	.....	1,192	1,192
General Merchandise Short tons	4,212	3,832	8,044
Passengers Number	5,107	1,894	7,001
Westbound.			
Coal, soft Short tons	157,055	2,360,548	1,517,603
Coal, hard Short tons	3,570	295,985	299,555
Iron Ore Short tons	.....	25,616	25,616
Mfgd. Iron and Steel Short tons	3,040	3,600	5,640
Salt Short tons	3,300	10,133	13,433
Oil Short tons	.....	60,232	60,232
Stone Short tons	.....	69,571	69,571
General Merchandise Short tons	37,449	17,229	54,678
Passengers Number	6,894	1,570	7,664
Summary.			
Vessel passages Number	690	2,402	3,092
Registered tonnage Net	1,223,868	7,664,285	8,888,153
Freight—			
Eastbound Short tons	1,105,787	7,637,686	9,743,473
Westbound Short tons	203,414	2,842,914	3,046,328
Total Freight Short tons	1,309,201	11,480,600	12,789,801