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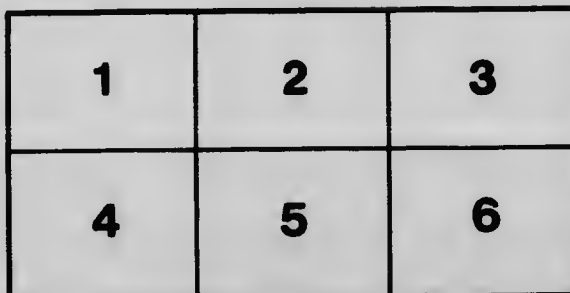
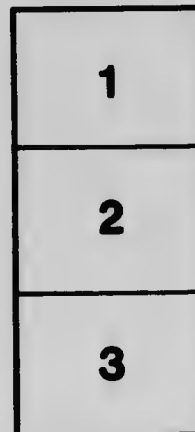
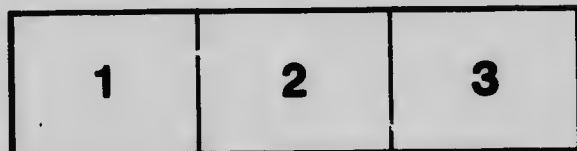
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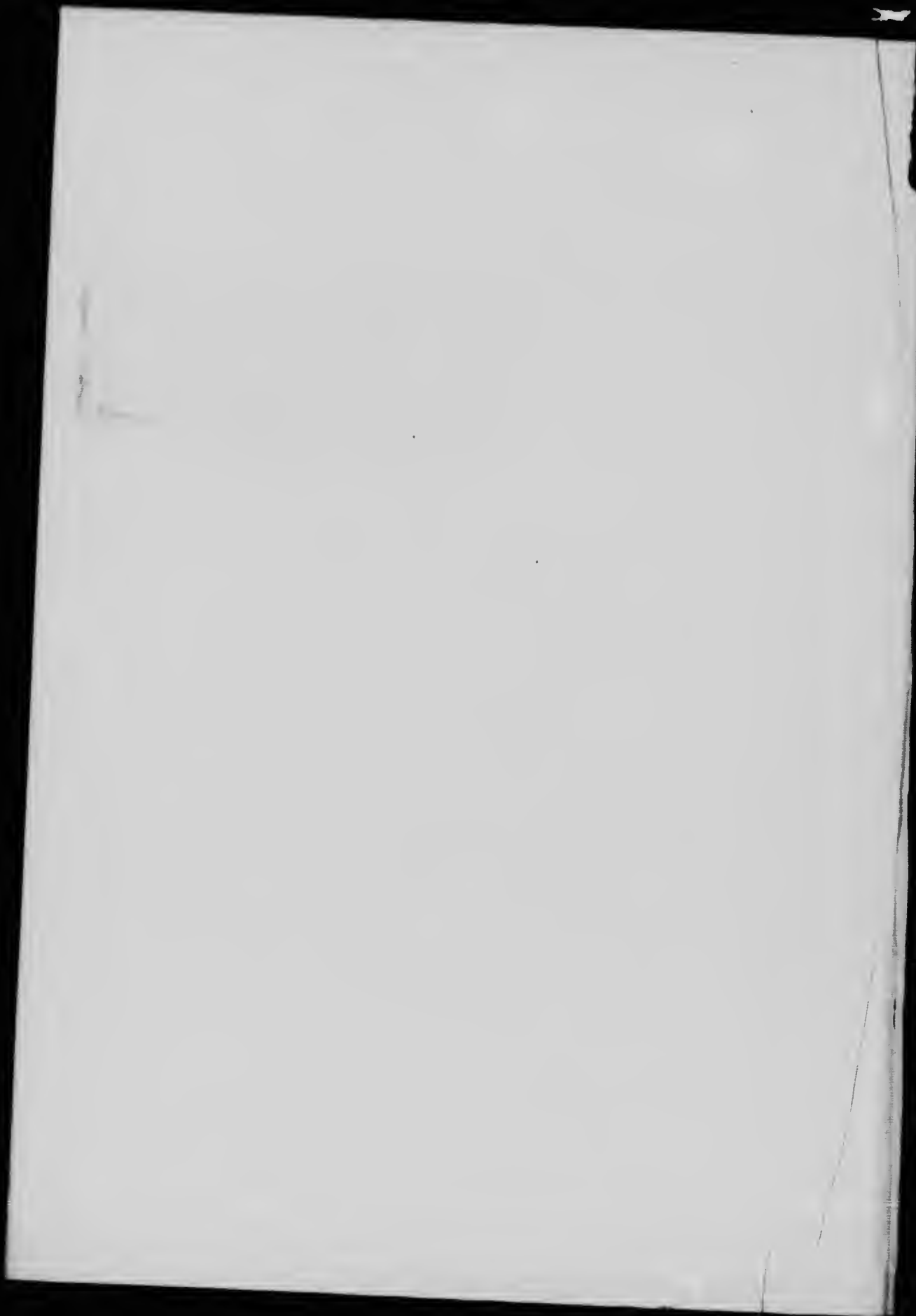
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## **Water-Powers of Canada**

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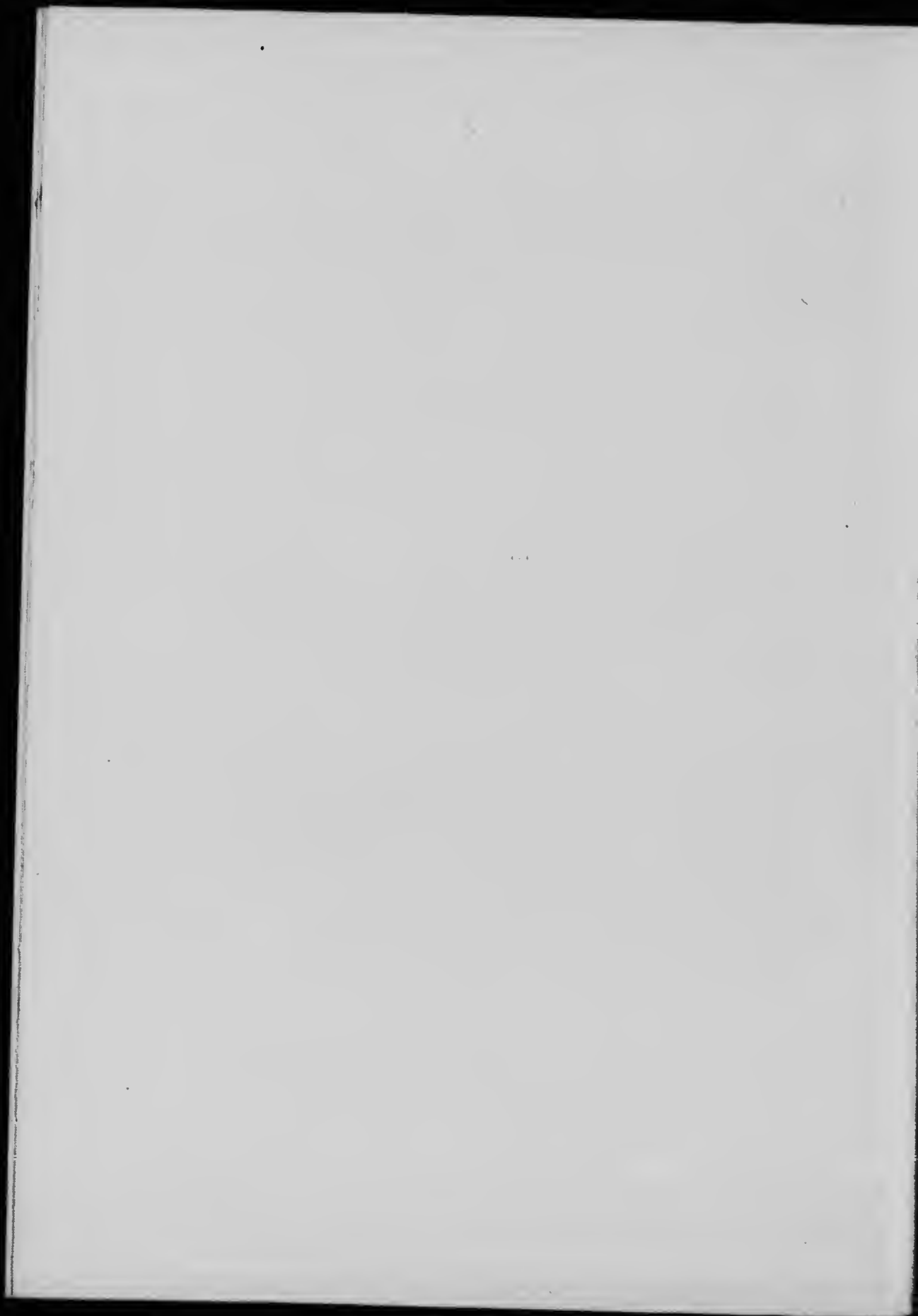
The undersigned has the honour to lay before Your Excellency the report of the Commission of Conservation on the "Water-Powers of Canada."

Respectfully submitted

**CLIFFORD SIFTON**

*Chairman*

**OTTAWA, Sept. 22, 1911**



OTTAWA, Sept. 23, 1911

Sir:

I have the honour to transmit herewith a report on "The Water-Powers of Canada," the result of nearly two years' work of investigation and compilation on the part of the officials of the Commission of Conservation. The chapters dealing with the water-powers of Quebec, Manitoba, Saskatchewan, Alberta and the Northwest Territories are the work of Leo G. Denis, B.Sc., Hydro-Electric Engineer of the Commission of Conservation. The greater part of the report was written by Arthur V. White, C.E., who has had considerable experience in work of this kind under the Hydro-Electric Power Commission of Ontario. Mr. White is the author of the introductory portion of the work (Chapters I and II) and of the chapters on the waters of Ontario, Nova Scotia, Prince Edward Island and New Brunswick. He also compiled the Bibliography and selected the material appearing in the Appendices. The chapter respecting the water-powers of British Columbia was written by W. J. Dick, M.Sc., Mining Engineer of the Commission of Conservation. Chapter IX on "Irrigation in Western Canada" was kindly contributed by George B. Hull, C.E.

The information respecting the water-powers of Ontario, Quebec, Nova Scotia, New Brunswick and Prince Edward Island is much more complete than that of the other provinces. In regard to Quebec, much information has been obtained from the reports of Messrs. Gauvin and Langelier, made to the Department of Lands and Forests, Quebec, and from the Georgian Bay Ship Canal survey—most of the powers in the portion of the Ottawa river covered by the latter being owned, partly, by Quebec and, partly, by Ontario. In the summer of 1910, Mr. Leo G. Denis was occupied in supplementing and verifying existing data. In the case of Ontario, extensive use has been made of the very valuable reports of the Hydro-Electric Power Commission and, as in the case of Quebec powers, of the Georgian Bay Ship Canal survey. For the Maritime Provinces, the available information was so meagre that the Commission deemed it advisable to conduct field operations under Mr. Arthur V. White during the summer and autumn of 1910. The information available concerning Manitoba, Saskatchewan, Alberta, and British Columbia was found to be so scanty that the Commission has found it necessary to institute a reconnaissance survey of the powers in those provinces. The work in the Prairie provinces is being carried out by Mr. Denis and the British Columbia surveys are under the direction of Mr. A. V. White. The results of these investigations will be published later as a report on the "Water-Powers of Western Canada."

On the whole, it may be said that the report is the most complete work of its kind that has been published on the water-powers of the Dominion; for, not only does it embody the essential features of information previously known, but it also supplements these by the results of field surveys conducted by the Commission in several provinces. In addition the published and unpublished information respecting these powers has, for the first time been brought together. The data respecting the legislation, public and private, connected with the great hydro-electric plants at Niagara Falls, has never been compiled before nor, is there extant any other history of the movements that led up to the formation, in its present form of the Hydro-Electric Commission of Ontario.

The Commission wishes to acknowledge its obligation to those who generously assisted in the compilation of this report by supplying information in their possession. Among those from whom valuable information was obtained are the following:—Federal Department of Public Works, Hydro-Electric Power Commission of Ontario, International River St. John Commission, Federal Department of Railways and Canals, Queen Victoria Niagara Falls Park Commissioners and other departments and officials of the Dominion and Provincial Governments; the engineering profession throughout Canada; the officials of the Canadian Pacific, Grand Trunk Pacific, Canadian Northern and other railways; and the various power companies that furnished information concerning their properties.

I have the honour to be,

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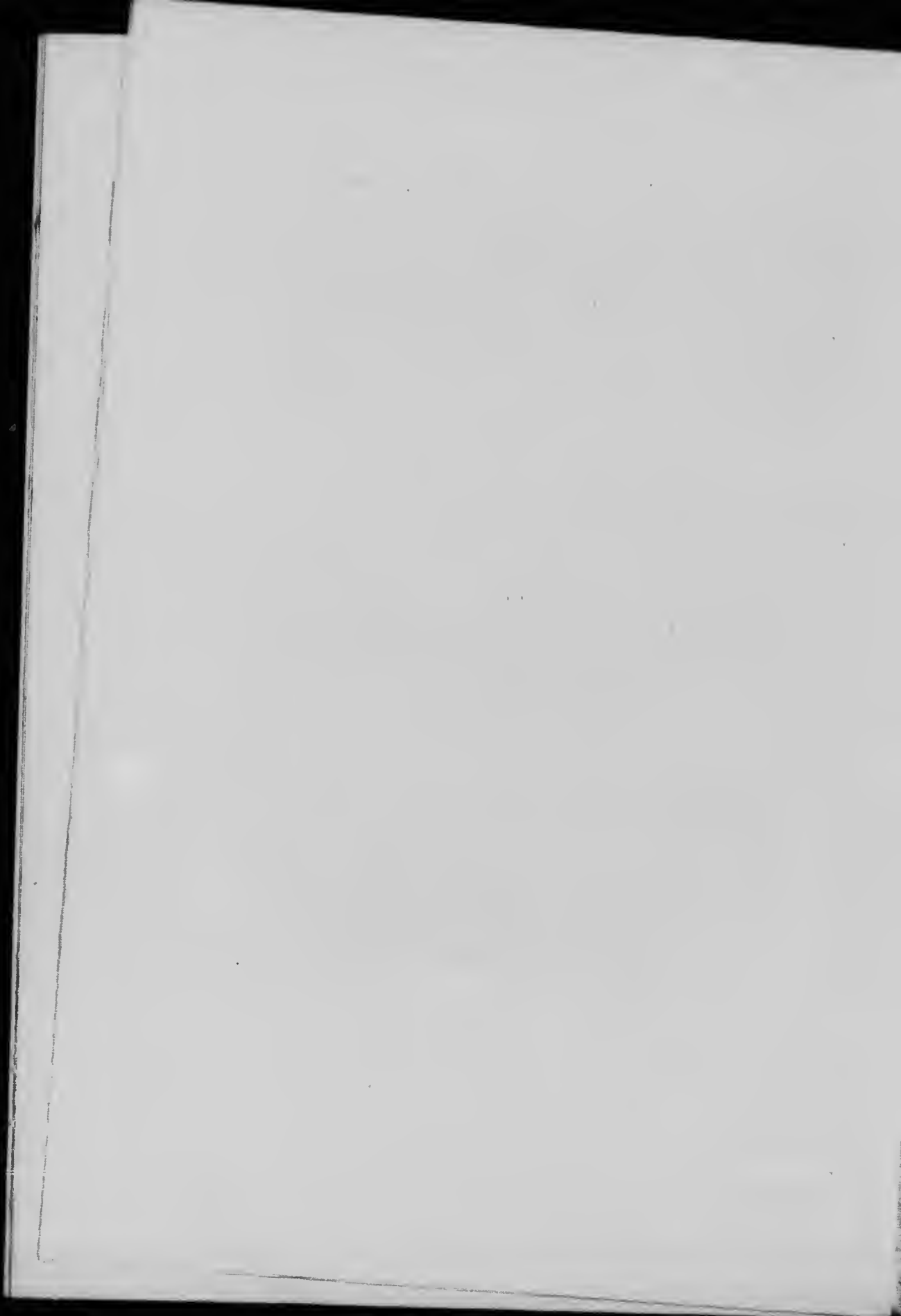
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KUGABEKA FALL, KAMINISTQUIA RIVER, ONT.

# The Water-Powers of Canada

## CHAPTER I

### General Introduction

**W**ATER-POWER development is one of the important uses to which many of our inland waters may be applied. But the importance of this one use must not be allowed to blind us to the fact that there are other uses that are equally important. Too often it has been the tendency in reports on water-power resources to consider power development exclusively, without giving adequate place in them to such related subjects as navigation, agriculture, and domestic water-supply. Practically all our fresh water comes primarily from one source—precipitation; and in every instance of proposed water-power development, it is incumbent upon us to determine whether there will be any prejudicial effect upon these other related interests, which depend upon the same source of supply and which have a claim upon our fresh waters, both surface and underground.

In this report the necessity of treating the subject of power development in a broad-manner, with due consideration for the other uses for which water may be required, has been dwelt upon. The report includes a comprehensive examination into the general character and extent of the existent published data relating to the water-powers of Canada. The need for more complete data than now exists has been emphasized and the qualities desirable water-power data should possess have also been indicated.

Speaking generally, it may be said that no public records exist which adequately set forth the amounts, locations and characteristics of the water-powers of the Dominion. There are instances where private or corporate interests have had individual water-powers developed, surveyed and otherwise more or less thoroughly examined; and instances, also, where daily gaugings of water levels are taken with the object of determining the regimen of the waters contributory to some particular source of water-power; but such instances where data are carefully collected are the rare exception and not the general rule.

A full consideration of water as a natural resource directs attention to so many interests that are primarily dependent upon it, that it becomes imperative to exercise keen discrimination in determining what weight

and importance shall be attached to the water-power data we have to consider. Therefore, before passing to the treatment of more specific subjects, it will be profitable to offer some remarks which are pertinent to water when viewed broadly as a natural resource. These remarks will suggest what demands data relating to water-powers in particular should be expected to meet. Special phases of the subject will be illustrated by concrete examples taken from particular reports. These illustrations will also emphasize more specifically just why it is necessary to have much fuller data than exist at the present time respecting the water-powers of Canada.

**Importance of Water-Powers May be Exaggerated** There has been a tendency on the part of many persons interested in the conservation of natural resources to state that this or that particular resource is the most important. Some have said that the forests are the most important asset; others maintain that the soil, with its fertility, is the most important resource; and, of late, great stress is being laid upon the statement that water is the chief asset, the prediction being made that the nation which has the most and cheapest water-power available is destined to take precedence in the world of commerce. As a matter of fact, however, all these various interests are interdependent one upon the other. If any one feature of our natural resources is to be placed before others, probably it could be most reasonably urged that a fertile condition of the soil is the most important natural asset to be safeguarded; because, for his sustenance on the earth, man requires food, raiment, and shelter, and these essentials are supplied him, in one form or another, either directly or indirectly, from the soil. It must be manifest, therefore, that the factors which make for the permanence of the soil's productivity are factors of paramount importance; and hence the subject of the conservation and use of waters as a natural asset must, among other things, be considered in its prime relationship to the subject of the productivity of the soil.

It may assist to a better understanding of some of the statements made herein if the fact is borne in mind that the greatest danger which besets the natural resources of not only this country, but of the world, is the undue disturbance of the balance which Nature seeks to maintain. Hence, in presenting the data which follow, no special effort has been made to attach an importance to water-power, *per se*, to which it is not entitled.

**Interdependence of Interests** The interests of municipal and domestic water supply, water for manufacturing and industrial purposes, irrigation, navigation, and water-power, are all inter-related and inter-dependent. They all depend on the same natural source—precipitation. Precipitation by rainfall or snowfall virtually constitutes the only source of inland water supply, and the natural and cultivated properties of the



land on which the rain and snow fall, largely determine the efficient uses to which precipitation is applied. It is in this connection that forests are so indispensably associated with the rainfall, and hence, with water as a natural resource. Whatever opinion may be entertained as to the effect of forests in influencing the amount of precipitation, all are agreed that no feature of the topography of a country ministers more efficiently to the gradual and economical run-off from the precipitation than do forest areas. Thus it is that failure to intelligently conserve forest areas has wrought havoc by causing a great destruction of forest floors and agricultural lands, which, humanly speaking, can never be restored, to say nothing of the annual destruction to property by flood run-off, which seems yearly to increase rather than diminish.\*

In the case of water-power developments, therefore, it is necessary to know whether, or not, the industries which propose to use the water-powers will prove to be a menace to the district of their proposed location. Thus, wood-pulp mills, for example, which might completely denude the timber lands of trees, at, or near, the head waters of important waterways had better not be established at all; or if established, then only under the strictest regulation and supervision designed to conserve the forest growth. A deforested, eroded, and scoured territory, which has lost the humus of its soil, cannot retain the beneficent rains which, instead of being retained in the ground and transmuted into plants by the various processes of growth, carry destruction in the pathways of their torrential run-off. The water is necessary to the soil, and the soil, with its plant growth, is necessary to an economical disposition of the water.

**Water-Power and Agriculture** Consider, next, a little more in detail, the possible effects which the diversion of water for power or other purposes may have on agriculture. Of the annual rainfall upon the earth, about one-half is evaporated; about one-third is "run-off"—that is, it runs off over or through the ground, and eventually reaches the sea; and about one-sixth either joins the ground-water, or is taken up into plant structure or is otherwise absorbed in processes incident to the ground. Underneath the surface of the earth is a vast body of water which may be likened to an underground lake, called *the ground-water*. It is into the upper surface, frequently termed *the water-table*, of this ground-

\* According to the *National Conservation Commission Bulletin No. 4*, Washington, D.C., 1909, p. 17, "The direct yearly damage by floods since 1900, has increased steadily from \$45,000,000 to over \$238,000,000." 'Flood run-off is the most transient, irregular, wasteful and dangerous part of precipitation. Its damage in the United States in 8 months, from Jan. 1st to Aug. 31st, 1908, was \$237,000,000; washing away buildings, goods, bridges, roads, real estate and railroads. The net loss just mentioned does not include the deterioration of values not actually destroyed, nor financial loss dependent upon the lessened morale of the people.' See Mr. Bailey Willis, in *Conservation*, No. 5, Washington, 1909, p. 274.

water that wells are sunk for domestic and other water supply. It has been estimated that, if all the moisture resident in the upper 100 feet of the ground were collected, the amount would be the equivalent of a lake of water some 17 feet deep, i.e., the equivalent of about 7 years' rainfall. During periods of plant growth, this ground-water yields, chiefly by capillary action, part of its moisture to the plants; and then, during seasons of excessive rainfall, is again replenished from the rainfall. The annual fluctuation in level of the ground water-table under normal conditions is but a few inches. Such states as Minnesota, Iowa, Wisconsin, Southern Michigan and the Dakotas, have already experienced alarming and permanent recedence in the levels of their ground-waters, and a consequent diminution in crop production. Large sums of money have been expended by the Federal and State Governments in the United States, on the investigation of the occurrence and flow of underground water, and it is now being recognised more and more that proposed disposition of the run-off, and underground waters, should be considered together, because of a natural balance that exists between them.\*

It is easily possible to so divert some watercourses as to allow much of the ground-water to be lost, and, consequently, cause permanent damage to a large expanse of territory. Great waste and carelessness have been manifested in many localities by the users of the underground waters. In the smaller towns, where the domestic wells furnish the water supply, it has frequently been observed that, when some deep trench, as, for example, a cut for a new sewer or a mine shaft, has been excavated, the underground waters have drained away, thus "bleeding" the adjacent territory and causing the wells of the neighbourhood to go dry. The lessons that may be drawn from such illustrations should not be forgotten in considering our valuable underground waters, when viewed provincially or with respect to their larger areas.

The underground waters of Canada, in some places, are now being tapped and wasted. State after state, in the United States, has enacted laws designed to conserve the underground waters. A main feature of such laws has been the regulation of the flow by specifying the size of the pipe through which ordinary domestic and farm water supply may be taken. Sometimes the law states that the supply shall be taken through a pipe one-half of one inch in diameter which shall be furnished with a stop

\* Regarding the general subject of Underground Waters, consult the following Water Supply and Irrigation Papers of the U. S. Geological Survey. *Underground Waters of Eastern United States*, 1905, No. 114; *Bibliographic Review and Index of Papers relating to Underground Waters, 1879-1904*; 1905, No. 120; *Relation of the Law to Underground Waters*, 1905, No. 122; *Field Measurements of the Rate of Movement of Underground Waters*, 1905, No. 140; *Underground Water Papers*, 1906, No. 160; *Bibliographic Review and Index of Underground Water Literature published in United States in 1905*, No. 163.

valve. In some states the penalties for violation of the law relating to underground waters are severe; for example, in the state of South Dakota

"If any person complains that the proprietor of an artesian well, or the party controlling such well, is in the habit of letting the waters go to waste, the Township Supervisor, County Commissioner, Road Overseer, Alderman, or other City Officers, may enter upon the premises where the well is located in order to determine whether the complaint is justified, and may institute criminal prosecution in case violation of the law is ascertained. If the well is without valves to regulate the flow and prevent waste, the person owning the well may be fined up to one hundred dollars, or be imprisoned not more than three months in jail, or both."\*

Laws regulating the use of underground waters are needed in the province of Ontario and in other provinces of Canada. At the present time in Southern Ontario, farmers and others are tapping these underground waters and, in some cases where "gushers" have been struck, the valuable waters are permitted to run to waste continually.

The following statement relating to the underground waters of Southern California is instructive. Discussing this subject at the Second Conference of the Engineers of the United States Reclamation Service, F. C. Finkle said:

"Much investigation has been carried on to determine the extent of the underground water supplies in Southern California. All investigators have reached about the same conclusion, that the supply produced by nature, annually, for the replenishment of these reservoirs is limited. While it is considerable in years of abundant rainfall, it becomes almost nothing in years of minimum precipitation, and a mean must be drawn so that the reserve supply is not withdrawn to such an extent as to imperil this resource. Up to the present time this has been much neglected, and the haphazard and reckless way in which promoters have attacked the underground water supply of Southern California has demonstrated the necessity of future reclamation. A great number of cases may be cited where one company has obtained a supply of water by underground development, soon to find that someone else would follow them and either take away a portion or all of their supply. Cases of this kind became so numerous that the matter had to be brought to the attention of the Courts and much expensive litigation has been the result."†

Of this ground water, Dr. W. J. McGee, Secretary of the United States Inland Waterways Commission, states:

"It is the essential basis of agriculture and most other industries, and the chief natural resource of the country; it sustains forests and

\* Johnson, D. W., *Relation of the Law to Underground Waters*, Washington, 1905; p. 47. (W. S. & Irr. Paper No. 122).

† Newell, F. H., *Proceedings of Second Conference of Engineers of the Reclamation Service*, Washington, 1905; p. 59. (W. S. & Irr. Paper No. 146).

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all other crops and supplies the perennial streams and springs and wells used by four-fifths of our population and nearly all of our domestic animals. Its quantity is diminished by the increased run-off due to deforestation and injudicious farming. Throughout the upland portions of the Eastern United States, the average water-table has been lowered ten to forty feet, so that fully three-fourths of the springs and shallower wells have failed, and many brooks have run dry, while the risk of crop loss by drought has proportionately increased, and the waste through the Mississippi has increased over fifteen per cent.\*

In the face of such facts it will be realized that it would be imprudent to ignore the claims which the ground-water supply has upon its proportion of the rainfall. Certainly, watercourses and the sources of their supply should not be so disturbed in, or by, the development of water-power, or other water interests, as to cause a permanent depletion, or pollution, of the underground waters. Upon this point, therefore, it is necessary that the amounts, movements, and functions of the ground-water in any district be studied in connection with any general scheme devised for the utilization of the water for power, or other purposes, in that particular territory.

**Water-Power and Navigation** Next consider the mutual relationship which may exist between navigation and power, when dependent upon some waters common to both interests. It is very difficult to draw the line where natural features cease to affect navigation. Forests, for instance, exert a tremendous influence on the navigability of both lakes and rivers. Although none of the various forest streams may be navigable as they issue from the forest, yet each exerts its measure of influence in contributing to the general flowage of some main navigable waterway. The importance which some authorities attach to the conservation of water, to the end that it may serve the interests of navigation prior to those of power, is well illustrated from a statement made in connection with the policy of the International Waterways Commission. The Report of that Commission says on this point:

"The joint commission had agreed, as one of the principles which should govern the use of boundary waters, that, where there could be temporary diversions without injury to the interests of navigation for the purpose of developing power, they should be allowed, . . . . . The paramount right to use the great water system, starting with lake Superior and finding its way by the St. Lawrence to the Sea, is for navigation purposes; but as temporary diversions are possible at Sault Ste. Marie, on the Niagara river, on the St. Lawrence river and elsewhere, without injury to the interests of navigation, it is, of course, desirable that they should be permitted."†

\* McGee, W. J., *Water as a Resource*, in the *Annals of the American Academy of Political and Social Science*, 1909; p. 46-47.

† *International Waterways Commission, Supplementary Report, 1907, (Ottawa, 1908), p. 12. See, also, Chairman's remarks, Ibid., p. 21.*

Again is this illustrated in the United States Federal Act of March 3rd, 1909 (Public Acts, No. 317), respecting the water rights of the St. Mary river. Referring to this International waterway bordering the state of Michigan, the Act states that these waters

"shall be forever conserved for the benefit of the Government of the United States, primarily for the purposes of navigation, and, incidentally, for the purpose of having the water-power developed, either for the direct use of the United States, or by lease or other agreement through the Secretary of War. . . . . Provided that a just and reasonable compensation shall be paid for the use of all waters or water-power now or hereafter owned."

The International Boundary Waters Treaty between Great Britain and the United States, as ratified in the year 1909, under Article VIII, gives "the rules or principles" which shall govern the International Joint Commission in determining the order of precedence which shall be observed in the disposition of water privileges. Article VIII states that

"The following order of procedure shall be observed among the various uses enumerated hereinafter for these waters, and no use shall be permitted which tends materially to conflict with or restrain any other use which is given preference over it in this order of precedence:

- (1) Uses for domestic or sanitary purposes.
- (2) Uses for navigation, including the service of canals for the purposes of navigation.
- (3) Uses for power and for irrigation purposes."

From the foregoing statements, it is evident that the very valuable power possibilities on such waters as the St. Mary, the Niagara or St. Lawrence rivers are regarded as of less, or as of only "incidental," value as compared with the primary interests of navigation.

A particular instance may now be cited to impress the fact that power development is not always to be given precedence over other interests. Incidentally, this illustration will serve to show the uncertainty of water-power prospects predicted by estimates based on meagre data.

As is well known, the navigation interests on the Muskoka lakes are important. These lakes discharge their flow over Bala falls on the west side of Muskoka lake. The waters from Bala falls proceed by the Muskoka river to the Moon chute, and thence, by two branches, to Georgian bay.

The low-water flow for Bala falls has been estimated at 840 cubic feet per second, corresponding to 1,530 horse-power. During the summer and fall of the year 1908, all the stop-logs were in the dam at Bala falls and, in addition, vertical sheathing was placed on the upstream side of the stop-logs to reduce the leakage through the dams. An endeavour was made to have as little water as possible escape at the falls to the Muskoka river. This condition was maintained for many weeks, but, in spite of

the measures taken, it was not found practicable to preserve the water level desired for the purposes of navigation in the Muskoka lakes and, at times, barely sufficient water was obtainable to permit boats to pass the locks at Port Carling. During this period, therefore, instead of a low-water flow of 840 cubic feet per second, as estimated, the actual flow at low water, neglecting leakage, would be nil; and, hence, during such a period, no power whatever would be available.

Formerly, in the interests of navigation, the Ontario Government endeavoured to keep the water at 8 ft. 4 in. on the gauge at Bala, but, in 1908, owing to the increased importance of this station, an effort was made to hold the gauge at 8 ft. 6 in. A reference to the table of readings for the seven months from June to December, 1908, will show how far short the water supply fell from giving the desired level. Indeed, for some weeks, the level was as low as 7 ft. 9 in.

It might hastily be stated that the Muskoka waters could be stored to maintain the estimated low-water flow, but it is questionable to what extent the pondage possibilities of these lakes could be advantageously used to store water and aid in the maintenance of the minimum flow of 840 cubic feet per second before mentioned. If the gauge at Bala were kept at the desired level, viz., 8 ft. 6 in., a rise of 2 ft. above this point would be the probable outside limit to which storage could be contemplated in lake Muskoka, without very seriously flooding dwellings and boat-houses, together with other improved and unimproved property on the shores of this lake. In the other lakes, a corresponding rise of say 2 feet would also be the greatest that could reasonably be considered. The area of the Muskoka lakes (Muskoka, Joseph and Rosseau) is about 100 square miles. If these lakes be used as a reservoir in which the water level is raised two feet above the desired gauge level at Bala, the stored waters would suffice for a flowage of 840 cubic feet per second, for a period of 80 days, or, for only about 75 per cent. of the time during which the low water prevailed in the season of 1908.

But, if it became necessary, in the interests of navigation alone to make storage provisions, a considerable proportion of the storage capacity of the Muskoka lakes would be required during seasons of low water to bring the water from such a level as 7 ft. 9 in., as existed during quite a portion of the fall of 1908, up to the desired level of 8 ft. 4 in., or thereabouts. This computation takes no account of additional storage that might be furnished by the lakes in the Lake of Bays district, but if the levels of lake Vernon, Mary and Fairy lakes and lake of Bays were raised 2 ft., it would maintain a flowage of 840 cubic feet per second through the Muskoka lakes for about 40 days. The subjects of navigation and storage would therefore have to be specially considered in making estimates of the power possibilities of the Muskoka river. It must not be forgotten that the continued deforestation of the Muskoka district and

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the devastation wrought by forest fires are factors which very materially reduce the uniformity of the annual run-off; so that low-water conditions as affecting navigation, may become more and more serious, and call for the utilisation of the storage capacities of the lakes on behalf of navigation alone.

A condition of affairs such as is mentioned regarding an absence of flow through the Bala falls would obviously also affect all the water-powers between Bala and Georgian bay. Thus, instead of having over 7,000 H.P., as estimated as a minimum 24-hour horse-power for the Moon chute and stations lower down on the river, there would be almost no power during the period that water was prevented from discharging over Bala falls.

From this illustration it may be clearly seen that the data respecting water-power possibilities on the waterways formed by the outflow from the Muskoka lakes, could not be safely used without understanding their limitations, and understanding, also, the effects which hydro-electric development might have upon other interests that already exist in these lakes. Moreover, it will also be apparent that, if the water-power possibilities of various sites were being classified, a possible 7,000 H.P. on the waters flowing from the Muskoka lakes would be in a much inferior class to a possible 7,000 H.P. on, say, the Nipigon river, where uniformity of flow for such an amount of power may readily be insured.

**Pollution by Factory Wastes** The effects likely to result from the pollution of waterways by the waste products emitted from the industries utilising power from these waterways are also very important factors for consideration. The maintenance of a pure and sufficient domestic water supply is a vital consideration; and, hence, a class of industrial waste products that will destroy life in the waters into which they are turned, must be regarded seriously in their probable influences on human life.\*

\* The subject of the disposal of waste in its various forms will demand in the future more serious attention because of the great and increasing pollution of waters which unfits them for necessary uses. The effects of sewage upon waters into which it has been turned may be studied through the many valuable publications and reports which treat of this subject. With regard, however, to the great destruction wrought by the waste products emitted from manufacturing plants, much less data has been published. This subject will be found well opened up after a study of such U. S. Government publications as the following. (The numbers after each title are the numbers of the individual *Water Supply and Irrigation Papers* of the U. S. Geological Survey). *Normal and Polluted Waters in North-eastern U. S.*, 1903, No. 79; *Disposal of Straw-board and Oil-well Wastes*, 1906, No. 113; *Review of Laws forbidding Pollution by Distillery Refuse*, 1906, No. 179; *Stream Pollution by Acid Iron Wastes*, 1906, No. 186; *Prevention of Stream Pollution by Straw-board Wastes*, 1906, No. 189; *Pollution of Streams by Sulphite Pulp Waste*, 1909, No. 226. See, also, *The Effect of some Industrial Wastes on Fishes*, by M. C. Marsh, in a report on *The Potomac River Basin*, Wash., 1907, No. 192, pp. 337-348.

It is also of the utmost importance that the percolating and underground waters be conserved against pollution. In a recent address before the Eastern Dairymen's Association, at Belleville, Ont., Dr. W. T. Connell, professor of bacteriology at Queen's University, pointed out the serious condition of many of the sources of water supply of factories and farms. In his address he said:

"Another subject to which considerable attention has again been given is that of water supplies at factories and at farms. During the past year, over two-thirds of such samples submitted have proven to be infected with dangerous forms of bacteria. I class as dangerous, forms which can be traced as originating from the intestinal discharges of animals or man, or, in the case of factories, as coming from factory drainage. Of course, it must be remembered that I am only sent samples which have fallen under suspicion, so that my figures do not represent the average condition of the farm and factory wells in Eastern Ontario. Still, I think I can state that quite one-third of the wells at farms and factories are so situated as to be open to pollution from surface drainage or from seepage from manure piles, stables or pig-pens, or from house wastes."

What is true of pollution in local conditions may become correspondingly true over larger areas if proper regulation is not exercised over the disposal of waste where it is disposed of on a larger scale.

**Guiding Principles in Classification** The amount of water-power is determined by two factors: first, the hydrostatic head, or the vertical distance through which the water may fall; and second, the amount of water which may be made to operate upon the water-wheels. There are, however, many characteristic features associated with water-powers which differentiate one power from another, and which determine the commercial and economic values of the individual powers. In presenting water-power statistics, these features should therefore be taken into consideration and possible water-powers classified accordingly. The uniformity of the flow of water greatly affects the values of water-powers situated upon the various watercourses. For example, the St. Lawrence river, owing to the vast storage capacity of the natural reservoirs found in the Great lakes, has the most uniform flow of any large river in North America or, probably, in the world. Therefore, other conditions being equal, water-power developments on this river will be of very much greater value than developments on a river subject to such great variations of flow as take place, for example, on the Mississippi. Again, water-power capable of being used, or likely to be used, for supplying the energy for municipal and community purposes, such, for example, as lighting, heating, pumping and certain kinds of manufacturing, should be classified very differently from power to be used in large manufacturing plants, the supplying of the raw material for which, as has already been suggested, may mean virtually the destruction of Nature's balance in the territory where the



plants operate. Thus, the classification of powers according to their probable uses is very different, and the basis to guide in the granting of power privileges must be a full knowledge of the governing conditions at, and in the vicinity of, the sources of the water-powers. It must not be forgotten that, in order to state in a reliable manner the power available for any place, it is necessary to give the stage of the river at which the amount of power stated may be produced.

**Calculating the Available Power** The foregoing remarks have emphasized the fact that waters affording power facilities have to be viewed from other standpoints than the actual development of their powers, and should be classified accordingly. This is a consideration which has too often been neglected in reports on water-powers.

The following considerations should be kept in view in determining the water-power available under different circumstances of flow:

**FIRST.**—The minimum or primary power is the amount of power that may be developed during the period of lowest flow.

**SECOND.**—As the extreme low-water conditions frequently last for a comparatively short portion of the year, it is possible to develop during the greater portion of the year, a much larger amount than the minimum power, and this larger amount is often quite suitable for a class of industry that does not require to operate its plant throughout the whole year. This may be termed the secondary power, and its amount may be many times the amount of power corresponding to the minimum flow.

**THIRD.**—If the upland portions of a watershed are supplied with reservoirs, where flood waters are conserved, the amount of power that may be developed may be very greatly augmented. Some conception of the possibilities of storage may be formed from the proportions which exist between minimum and flood flows. For example, the proportion of the flood to the minimum flow on the St. Lawrence is about 2 to 1; on the Ottawa it exceeds 15 to 1; on the Hudson river, at Mechanicville, N.Y., it is 100 to 1; and on the Delaware river, at Port Jervis, 375 to 1. Thus, in many instances, the amount of power gained by conservation of the flood waters is a very important feature to be considered.

In passing, it may be noted that where an early selection of reservoir sites is made, and the same held under government control, so that no settlement, railway construction, or other "culture," is allowed to take place upon such reservoir sites, the expenses and troubles incident to future reimbursement for expropriated properties will be avoided.

## CHAPTER II

### Water-Power Data

**O**NE of the chief objects in acquiring data respecting possible water-powers is, first, to enable the owners of the rights to know the possibilities and limitations of their water-powers and thus arrive at some judgment as to their possible uses and value; and, second, to enable prospective promoters of water-power development to learn the general possibilities of various powers without the necessity of costly independent preliminary surveys. Certainly, if the Crown be the owner of water-powers, it is of the utmost importance that it be informed beforehand upon all the important facts connected with its water resources. When information regarding water-powers is to be gathered, it is extremely important that the data be sufficient, and of the class that will enable a sound opinion to be formed upon the general water interests involved.

The regulations respecting waters which are to be set aside for the development of power should be so framed as to require that the preliminary installation of dams and other main works necessary for the control of the waters, be made with reference to the possible future development of the full water-power that may be available. For example, suppose a certain waterfall is capable of yielding 10,000 H.P. If development rights are let to A for 2,000 H.P., to B for 1,000 H.P., and to C for, say, 1,000 H.P.; and A, B and C are allowed to design and construct their respective works irrespective of each other, or of the possible development of the remaining 6,000 H.P., then, it will probably become quite impracticable to get anything like the remaining 6,000 H.P., because of the damage that would be caused to the plants of A, B and C. On the other hand, if preliminary works were constructed with a view to utilizing any amount of power up to the full 10,000 H.P., as occasion demanded, no such contingency as has been supposed could well arise.

**More Complete Data Essential** The problem of ascertaining within reasonable limits what is the probable full amount of power which any particular water-power site may be made to yield, is one that calls for much more reliable data of fact than is furnished by scattered and non-consecutive gaugings, or measurements of rainfall, stream flow and other factors entering into the problem. The data required for a proper presentation of the water-power possibilities of any territory cannot be furnished unless a series of observations, extending over a sufficient period of time

to give the annual and other regimens of the various lakes, streams and rivers, is available. If the effect of rainfall upon run-off is taken into full consideration in connection with the study of water-power problems, then a series of records covering gaugings of rainfall and stream flow should extend over some fifteen or twenty years before prediction of the regimen of the waters of a watershed may safely be made to within, say, 5 per cent. of the facts.\*

An approximation of 10 per cent., or even 20 per cent., may be sufficiently close for the majority of projected water-power development schemes; but when the range of approximation ranges from, say, 20 per cent. to 40 per cent. the uncertainty is apt to be too great to satisfy commercial requirements.

To supply the necessary data, a knowledge is required of the topography, and other characteristics of the watersheds; of the variations in the discharges of the water-courses contributing their flowage to the water-powers; and a knowledge, also, of the amounts and variations of the annual rainfall, and evaporation. The basis for the analysis and consideration of this class of information is a reliable map giving the results of an adequate topographic survey of the watersheds involved, and showing, where necessary, the contours of the country. It will be recognized, therefore, how important it is that topographic maps should be made showing the areas of the drainage basins, the locations of possible reservoir sites, and their relative altitude and location with regard to irrigable lands, and to water-power and navigation resources. While it is recognized that it may not be practicable, at the present time, to prepare a general map to include reservoir sites, minor watercourses and other more detailed information, it is, however, highly desirable, and indeed necessary, that topographic contour maps be prepared, at least for districts where development work is contemplated and likely to be performed.

The necessity for acquiring such information has been recognized by the Government of the United States and, since 1895, it has been conducting a systematic investigation for determining the water supply of that country. This work has involved the gauging of streams, the investigation of underground currents and artesian wells, and the preparation

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\* George W. Rafter, in *Relation of Rainfall to Run-off*, Washington, 1903, W. S. Paper No. 80, p. 18, says: "Further, it can be stated that, for records from twenty years to thirty-five years in length, the error may be expected to vary from 3.25 per cent. down to 2 per cent., and that, for the shorter periods of five, ten and fifteen years, the probable extreme deviation from the mean would be 15 per cent., 8.25 per cent. and 4.75 per cent., respectively." Rafter says, further, that with less complete records, "Mr. Henry reached the conclusion that at least 35 to 40 years' observations are required to obtain a result that will not depart more than  $\pm 5$  per cent. from the true normal. The average variation of a 35 year period was found to be  $\pm 5$  per cent. and for a 40 year period  $\pm 3$  per cent."

of reports upon the best methods of utilising the water resources. During the years 1901 to 1910 inclusive, the Government appropriated \$1,450,000 for this work, and, in addition, individual states expended large sums for similar investigations.

In 1910, the United States Department of the Interior published *Water Supply Paper* reports in which are given summary tables of the discharge per square mile. These are given, in order to allow of a ready comparison of relative rates of run-off from different areas in the various drainage basins and to show, in a general way, the seasonal distribution of run-off and the effect of snow, ground, surface, and artificial storage.

**Caution** We may now consider the general character of some of the information bearing upon the water-powers of Canada, **Necessary in** the information bearing upon the water-powers of Canada, **Using Data** as recorded in the various reports, and upon maps, issued by Departments of the Federal and Provincial Governments.

The maps of the portions of Canada in which the greater number of water-powers exist, have been constructed largely from data collected by exploration and survey parties whose commissions were chiefly of the nature of what might be termed "reconnaissance work," with such main objects in view as determining the general geological structure, the outstanding topographic features, and the extent and general character of the forest, agricultural, arid, or other sections of the country. Since the lakes, rivers and streams usually constitute the natural highways through such territory as northern Canada, these explorers have usually indicated on their plans obstructions to navigation, such as falls and rapids. While the limitations of the information regarding the water-powers collected in such reports have been recognised, it has, nevertheless, been deemed advisable to collate several of the principal statements found in them.

In this connection it is suggested that, the importance of water-power data being now generally recognised, it should be a part of the standing instructions of all surveyors and explorers in the employ of governments in Canada to embody in their reports the most accurate information available in regard to water supply and water-powers in the territory traversed or explored by them.

Great caution, however, must be displayed respecting the uses made of this information. But little confidence can be placed in any reports of water-powers not based upon actual measurements, for, without measurements, the best judgment of explorers, and even of engineers, as to the heights of falls, and the amounts of water discharging over them, is frequently very wide of the results disclosed by actual measurements.

This is well illustrated by an experience related by the engineer in charge of much of the field-work of stream gauging for the Hydro-Electric Power Commission. This engineer stated that prospectors who had been at the falls on the Kawashkagama river, told him, in good faith, that the

falls were capable of developing 30,000 H. P. at low water; and he was further assured by a surveyor, who claimed familiarity with what he was speaking about, that the Kawashkagama river was able to yield as much power as the Kaministikwia river. After a hard journey, the engineer arrived at the falls, and, instead of the 30,000 H.P. reported, found the 3171 H.P. given for the Kawashkagama river in the Report of the Hydro-Electric Power Commission. If these prospectors had published a report of their mining or geological investigations and incidentally mentioned that 30,000 H.P. could be developed at low water on the Kawashkagama river, such an assertion would have been very misleading.

**General Statement Criticized**—A very large percentage of the surface of Northern Canada is covered with water and, when the subject of water-power has come up for discussion, it has frequently been pointed out that, because there is so great a water area, there must be a correspondingly large amount of water-power.

Canada has an estimated water area of 125,755 square miles. Hence, as compared with the estimated area of 52,630 square miles of water area in the (continental) United States, Canada is seen to have nearly two and one-half times the water area possessed by the States.\* The estimated water area of the province of Ontario is 40,354 square miles exclusive of any portion of the Great lakes, or any arm of the sea, and this area is over 75 per cent. of the total water area of the United States, exclusive of Alaska, the Philippines, and other external possessions.

Such computations and comparisons, while interesting and valuable for some purposes, are apt to be very misleading, especially if used—as they have been used—to suggest that the total amount of water-power is great because associated with so much water. But water is not necessarily water-power.

This fact may be well brought out by a reference to one of the large area water resources of the provinces of Ontario and Quebec, lake Abitibi. Here is a body of water which has a surface area of nearly 400 square miles. This is more than the total water area of Nova Scotia; more than five times the total water area of New Brunswick; and more than the water area of many of the individual states, such as New Hampshire, Connecticut, Pennsylvania or Rhode Island. When referring, in his "Report on the Lakes and Rivers, Water and Water-powers of the Province of Ontario," to the remarkable shallowness of so many of the lakes on the plateau forming the height-of-land between the Great lakes and

\* The data relating to areas in Canada are taken from the Department of the Interior, *Atlas of Canada*, Ottawa, 1906, p. 4; and the areas in the United States, from U. S. Geological Survey Bulletin No. 302, *The Areas of the United States, the States, and the Territories*, Washington, 1906, pp. 7-8.

Hudson bay, Mr. E. B. Borron says that the mean summer depth of Abitibi lake would not exceed ten feet. He also adds:

"The soundings taken by us on the south side of the lake never exceeded nine feet, even in the widest stretches and when farthest from the shore. I have been told, however, that it is somewhat deeper on the north side of the lake, though shallow even there. . . . The result of upward of five hundred soundings taken in all parts of these lakes during the months of July and August (1888) went to show, as regards the upper or easterly division of lake Abitibi, a mean or average depth of eight feet four inches only; the greatest or maximum depth in the open lake being fourteen feet.

In the lower section or division of lake Abitibi, the mean of the soundings taken was nine feet four inches, and the maximum depth, twelve feet. No soundings were taken near shore, where (there is) less than four or five feet in depth."\*

From the above data, it may be estimated that the amount of water stored in lake Abitibi would probably be under 111,000 million cubic feet. Now the total water area of the state of Pennsylvania is under 300 square miles, or only 75 per cent. of the water area of lake Abitibi. At the present time there are installed in Pennsylvania water wheels of a rated capacity of about 300,000 horse-power.† If there was any reason for citing the amount of water area as a fact at all indicative of the amount of power associated therewith, one might infer that, if 300 square miles of water surface could justify Pennsylvania in installing nearly 300,000 horse-power of water wheels, lake Abitibi, with 33 per cent. more area, might have somewhat corresponding possibilities for power in the discharge of its waters. If, however, its natural flowage and the waters stored in the lake itself were expected to supply this amount of power at Couchiching falls, situated a few miles from the outlet of the lake, the whole lake would be drained dry in less than a month, and even if the whole of the fall from the lake to the sea were available, the lake Abitibi waters, in attempting to supply the 300,000 H.P. above referred to, would be exhausted in about a year.

It must be recognized that no attempt has been made to consider this hypothetical case on other than broad lines, and then only for the purpose of emphasizing the particular point of the matter raised for discussion, viz., that water area is no indication of water-power possibilities, unless the water areas are considered in relationship to the quantities of the waters as well as to the physical features of the territory in which such waters are situated.

What is true of generalizations respecting water areas is also correspondingly true of watershed areas. In the United States, the Northern

\* Report published in Ontario, Sessional Paper, 1892, No. 3, pp. 9 and 11.

† More exactly, 290,990 H. P., as given in the *Statistical Abstract of the United States*, No. 31, Washington, 1909, p. 26.

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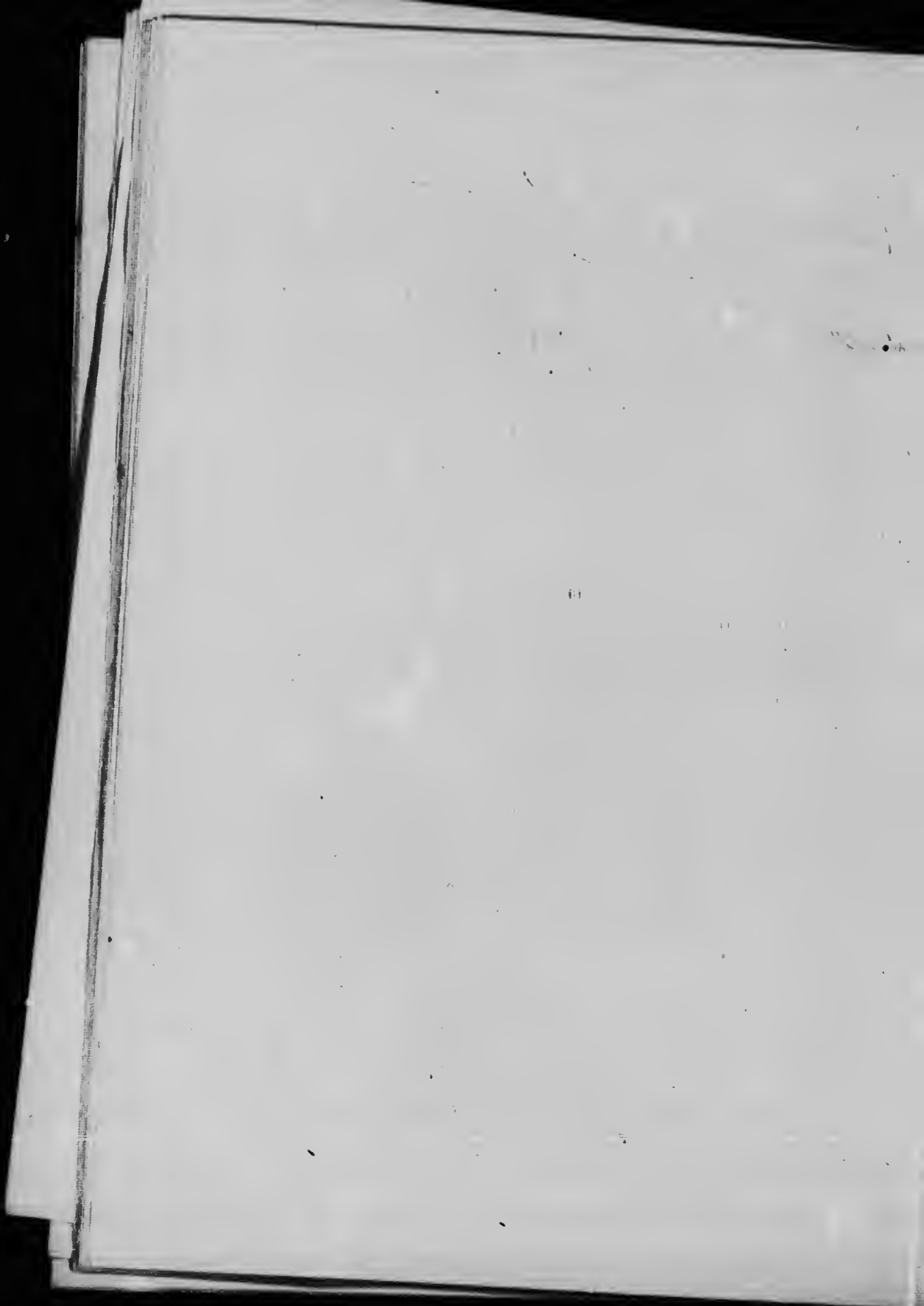
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Pacific drainage basin, including all the Pacific Coast streams north of San Francisco, and also the Sacramento and Columbia rivers, has a drainage area of less than 300,000 square miles,\* or about 7 per cent. of the total of the principal drainage areas of the United States; and yet 30 per cent. of the total available water-power in the United States is contained within this Northern Pacific drainage area. Thus, 30 per cent. of the total water-power of the United States is associated with only 7 per cent. of the total drainage area.

In Canada, there is an enormous watershed area which, through many great rivers, drains its waters into James bay. Considering these waters in their descent from the height-of-land to the sea, they would yield, *theoretically*, an enormous amount of water-power; but, if one had in his possession sufficient reliable topographical and other necessary data appertaining to the waters he was considering, then it would probably be discovered that the amounts of the theoretical and economically usable water-power were widely different quantities.

In referring to the waters of the James Bay watershed, in his "Report on the Lakes and Rivers, Water and Water-Powers of the Province of Ontario," E. B. Borron says:

"North of the height of land plateau, the percentage or proportion of the power practically recoverable from the water of the rivers which flow into James bay will be less. These rivers between the northern edge of the height of land plateau and the foot of the long portages descend in general from six to eight hundred feet. The rapids and falls are numerous and capable of affording, in the aggregate, an enormous amount of power; but there are comparatively few "still water stretches" between the water-falls, and hence a considerable loss. Again, below the "Long Portages" these northern rivers flow for a distance varying from 70 miles in the case of the Abitibi, to 200 miles in that of the Albany river, over a plain or flat belt of country lying to the south and west of James bay. In this stretch, there is a fall or descent varying from 200 to 400 feet. Theoretically, the water is capable of affording an immense amount of power, but practically, owing to the gradual descent, very little is recoverable."†

It will be comprehended, therefore, that watershed area, *per se*, may, or may not, have any specially significant bearing upon the amounts of available water-power associated therewith. General statements implying that "the aggregate amount of water-power must be great because the total water area, or watershed area, is so great", or "because there are so many lakes and rivers," are generalities to be considered of very little definite value.

\* The area of the Northern Pacific drainage basin is taken from M. O. Leighton's article on *Water-power in the United States*, in *The Annals of the American Academy of Political and Social Science*, May, 1909, p. 65.

† Borron's Report, p. 27.

There are other considerations, too, which detract from the value of water area as an index of the amount of power available. For instance, in the northern portions of Canada there is no doubt but that some of the shallow waters are frozen solid for a number of months each year, and the flow of other waters is so impeded by anchor and frazil ice as to render them, during the frozen periods, practically useless for power purposes. Furthermore, increased water area may, in certain territories, correspond to excessive evaporation.

The illustrations that have been used also suggest the need for acquiring adequate data which set forth the topographical and other main features of the territories in which water-powers are located. In each instance, what is required is reliable and sufficient data of fact obtained in the field. Where this class of data is not possessed, care should be exercised not to group the estimated water-power possibilities of, say, a province, or a large section of a province, indiscriminately, for the purpose of impressing people with the grand total of water-power available, unless, at the same time, full emphasis is laid upon the fact that such generalizations are apt to be exceedingly misleading.

One of the chief dangers of giving undue place to such generalities, is to create in the mind, and especially in the popular mind, a feeling of unwarranted assurance that, even though desirable water-power rights are being granted by a government, yet there is so much left that no apprehension may be entertained regarding the amount of power rights being parted with. Many persons are apt to forget that the dissemination of such generalities is too often part of a plan to make easy the acquisition, by interested parties, of the most coveted privileges.

**Exceptional** There is, however, one exceedingly valuable feature very  
**Natural Reser-** likely to be associated with extensive water areas, and this  
**voirs of Canada** is the existence of vast natural reservoirs, where the run-off from precipitation is impounded, and subsequently discharged gradually throughout the year. Thus, water-powers situated within the range of the direct influence of such natural storage reservoirs may be of incomparably greater value than other water-powers not so favoured. This is a matter which should be taken into full consideration when the classification and the values of water-powers are being determined. In the matter of easily developed water-storage systems, no other large territory on the American continent is so highly favoured as is the Dominion of Canada.

When the subject of storage reservoirs is under consideration, it should not be forgotten that Nature also stores her waters elsewhere than in lakes and rivers. Forest floors, extensive areas covered with plant growth and the great swamps of the country, each and all, constitute valuable water reservoirs. In such reservoirs there is a widespread and satisfactory distribution of waters, which enables Nature to yield her

supplies gradually and as required. A discreet conservation and utilization of such reservoirs will, in general, be found to be much more desirable than are some of the large artificially constructed reservoirs, where the liability of accidental destruction of large construction works is always more or less of a menace.

**Reconnaissance Surveys** When knowledge of the quantities of water-power that may be available in particular places is required on short notice, and when sufficient records of actual observations do not exist, it is possible to *estimate* the probable amounts of power available. For such preliminary estimates data are secured by what may be termed a reconnaissance survey of the general situation; but it must be recognized that the conclusions reached by such methods are not comparable with the results deducible from actual observations of individual water-power conditions extending over a series of years.

It will be profitable to explain very briefly these reconnaissance methods for estimating water-power. First, the area of the watershed in question is ascertained by measurement from the best available maps; to this area is applied an *assumed* run-off coefficient such as would be suggested by a general knowledge of the precipitation and of the topography and other characteristics of the territories involved. The wise choice of the coefficient used, will, of course, depend upon the good judgment and knowledge possessed by the engineer. This run-off coefficient, as it is termed, is a quantity which represents the amount of water that may be drained off any specified area during a stated period, and is usually expressed as so many cubic feet per second per square mile. Obviously, if the area of a watershed is known to be so many square miles, and each square mile, under specified conditions, will yield so much water, then, the total yield of water from the whole watershed will be the product of the factors just mentioned.

When the discharge of a stream, or river, is actually measured,\* it is

\* Where sufficient records of gauge heights and corresponding discharges of stream flow are available, the low-water and other flows may be estimated with remarkable accuracy. From such records, discharge, mean velocity, area and other curves or tables may be constructed in terms of the gauge heights; and therefrom, reasonably safe deductions may be made.

This method has been pursued in the case of the Ottawa river by the Georgian Bay Ship Canal Survey. See report of same, especially Plates Nos. 54, 55, 56, giving discharge curves, etc.; For the Winnipeg river, see W. Thibaudeau's report on *Investigation of Water-Power on Winnipeg river*, in *Annual Report of the Topographical Surveys Branch, 1907-1908*, with accompanying maps, Ottawa, 1909; pp. 174-178. Also consult *Reports of Progress of Stream Measurements*, issued by the Department of the Interior, Canada.

For excellent representative examples of methods, and reports of investigation into the water-power resources of individual States in the United States, consult *Hydrographic Manual of the United States Geological Survey*, (being W. S. and Irr. Paper

usually accomplished by means of floats, or by using a current meter. The principles involved are very simple. They consist essentially of measuring the velocity of the flow of the stream by means of the floats or meter, and measuring, also, the area of the cross section of the river at the place for which the velocity has been thus obtained. The volume of the water which passes a given point is the product of the area of the cross section of the stream and the velocity of flow at that point.

A concrete illustration will make these methods of estimating clearer. Take, for example, the case of a water-power like Healey falls on the Trent river. The fall is here considered to have an effective head of sixty feet, and we will further suppose that it is desired to ascertain the horse-power available at low water. From the map of the district it would be ascertained by measurement that the drainage area above the fall is about 3,630 square miles. If the engineer had previously ascertained that the run-off in some other similar territory was .4 feet per second per square mile, he would use this coefficient and thus obtain an *estimated* run-off or discharge of 1,452 cubic feet of water per second (3,630 square miles  $\times$  .4). Assuming water wheels of 80 per cent. efficiency, this 1,452 cubic feet of water per second, with a fall of 60 feet, would give approximately 8,000 horse-power.† If actual, yet insufficient, discharge measurements were made at Healey falls such data would be criticized by the engineers, according to the time of the year at which they were made, in order to deduce what the Trent river would discharge at its

No. 94), Washington, 1904; also *Progress Report on Water-Power Development by New York State Water Supply Commission*, Albany, 1908; also *Fourth, Fifth and Sixth Annual Reports of the New York Waterways Commission*, Albany, 1909, 1910, 1911; also *Report on Water Supply, Water-Power, the Flow of Streams and Attendant Phenomena*, (by C. C. Vermeule), Geological Survey of New Jersey, Final Report, Vol. 111., Trenton, 1894; also *Water-supply Series (N)*, of the *Water-supply and Irrigation Papers of the U. S. Geological Survey*, including Reports upon the water-powers of the State of Maine (No. 69); Texas, (No. 105), Alabama, (No. 107), Northern Wisconsin, (No. 156). For *Weir Experiments, Coefficients and Formulas*, consult *Water Supply and Irrigation Paper No. 200*.

† The theoretical horse-power available at any point on a stream, is the product of the effective height through which the water falls, and the weight of the water falling in a given time. Thus:

Let Q represent the flow of water in cubic feet per second.  
h represent the effective fall in feet.

$$\text{Horse-power} = \frac{5 Qh}{44}$$

Considering a good turbine to develop 80 per cent. of the theoretical power, we have

$$\text{Horse-power} = \frac{Qh}{11}$$

Hence a simple rule for obtaining the horse-power that may be developed under favourable conditions is: *Multiply the flow in cubic feet per second (Q), by the effective head in feet (h), and divide the result by 11.*

lowest stage, and this quantity, so derived, would then serve as a check upon the flow estimated by means of the previously assumed run-off coefficient and drainage area.

It would be well when water-power data are published if the precise conditions upon which the estimates are made were also indicated. Sometimes there exist what appear to be discrepancies in different data for the same power sites, and, owing to the lack of explanatory information, no conclusion can be formed respecting the correct explanation of the seeming discrepancies. Very often ambiguities arise from the fact that the heads have been selected between different points.

**Résumé and Summary** In concluding this general introductory survey, some of the principal conclusions reached may be briefly summarized as follows:

**FIRST.**—Water-power is dependent, primarily, upon precipitation. Other interests such as municipal and domestic water supply, navigation, agriculture and irrigation are likewise dependent upon the same source. The subject of water-powers, therefore, can not be properly considered without making fair allowances for the demands of the other interests that have just claims upon water as a natural resource.

**SECOND.**—Knowledge of the physical circumstances intimately associated with water-powers is essential to an intelligent classification of them. It is as unreasonable not to differentiate between water-powers as it would be not to differentiate between timber tracts, mineral lands, or the items of any other natural resource varying in quantity, quality and situation.

**THIRD.**—The accuracy of published data relating to water-powers must be accepted with qualifications, unless that data is based upon carefully ascertained facts obtained in the field.

**FOURTH.**—General statements, so commonly made, of vast numbers of existent water-powers are misleading and tend to disguise the fact that the number of water-powers in Canada, at present desirable from an economic standpoint, is much smaller than generally supposed.

**FIFTH.**—Reliable data upon water-powers have definite characteristics. At the present time, there is urgent need for such data and for detailed topographical maps.

**SIXTH.**—Certain steps are necessary to secure water-power data that are thoroughly reliable. Metering stations should be established at carefully selected points on the principal rivers and streams, and accurate cross sections of the river beds made at such stations. Permanent benchmarks should be established. A substantial gauge should be erected in an accessible place at each gauging or metering station. Carefully conducted discharge measurements could then be made from time to time during the year, and gauge readings could be taken daily, by some reliable person resident in the locality; or, on the more important rivers, self-registering

gauges could be installed. As a result of such procedure, rating tables could be prepared to show the discharges at all stages of the water. Thus, in the course of a very few years, recorded data of fact would be on file, and from such data the maximum, minimum and mean monthly and mean yearly discharges could be ascertained. Furthermore, if the areas of the drainage basins of the respective watersheds are known, and information upon the rainfall is available, important deductions relating to the run-off may be made. If good "common sense" judgment were exercised in the selection, equipment and arrangements for the maintenance of gauging stations much valuable and reliable information could be obtained for a comparatively limited initial outlay and subsequent annual expenditure.



### Summary of Water-power Developed in Canada

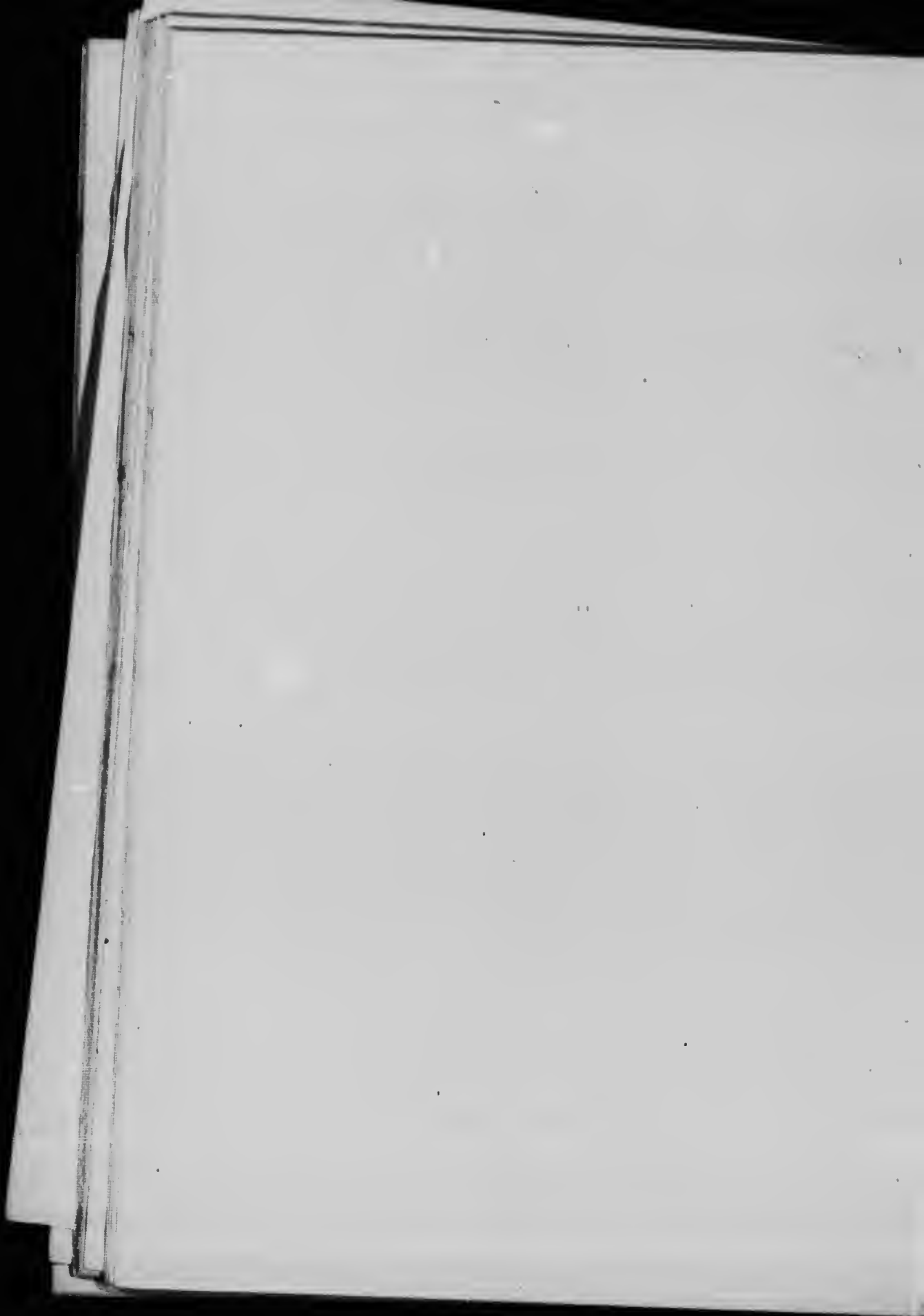
Owing to the paucity of information available respecting water-powers in Northern Canada and the northern portions of the various provinces and, also, respecting many of the minor powers in the settled area, it has not been considered advisable to make an estimate of the total water-power in Canada. One "estimate" places it at nearly 17,000,000 H.P.; but it does not, and cannot, rest upon any basis of reliable information.

The information procured, however, justifies the publication of the following table showing the total water-power developed in Canada in 1910, and the principal industries using it:

#### WATER-POWER DEVELOPED IN CANADA

Province	Electrical Energy	Paper and Pulp	Other Industries	Total
	H.P.	H.P.	H.P.	H.P.
Ontario*	400,683	57,575	74,008	532,266
Quebec	101,232	76,926	31,975	300,153
Nova Scotia	1,875	12,000	1,397	15,272
New Brunswick	3,400	3,050	3,315	9,765
Prince Edward Island	50		450	500
Manitoba	48,250		50	48,300
Saskatchewan			45	45
Alberta	7,300			7,300
British Columbia	88,145	8,500	4,275	100,920
Yukon	2,000			2,000
<b>Total</b>	<b>742,955</b>	<b>158,051</b>	<b>115,515</b>	<b>1,016,521</b>

\*Includes all Ottawa River powers between Montreal and lake Timiskaming, whether wholly in Quebec or in Ontario, or partly in each.





## CHAPTER III

### The Water-Powers of Ontario

**P**RIOR to 1898, no statutory regulations had been made by the Ontario Legislature to govern the lease or other disposal of water-powers, *per se*, situated upon lands possessed by the Crown. Previous to that date Crown patents for land carried with them the title to all water-powers situated upon the lands conveyed. Even if, before a patent was granted, a water-power was known to exist upon the land to be conveyed, it was not necessarily referred to in the patent.

Nevertheless, the water-powers so granted were by no means free from legal restrictions, nor are they now.\* All water-powers, whether granted before 1898, or after, are subject to conditions imposed by law in the interests of navigation, of public health, of lumbermen and of the riparian owners.

#### Statutory Enactments

**Earlier Enactments** On January 17th, 1898, the Ontario Legislature passed the following Act respecting water-powers:—

"Her Majesty, by and with the advice and consent of the Legislative Assembly of the Province of Ontario, enacts as follows: The Commissioner of Crown Lands may reserve from sale any water-power or privilege on the Crown Lands of the Province, and a sufficient area of land in connection therewith for the erection of buildings and plant, together with the right to lay out and use such roads as may be necessary for passage to and from such water-power or privilege and land, and may, under regulations to be approved by the Lieutenant-Governor

\*In seeking to determine the water rights and privileges which now exist under early patents, care should be exercised to ascertain what restrictions may have been applied in special cases owing to special forms used for grants, to orders in council, and to other governing factors.

For example, on January 22, 1831, in respect to certain deeds for land in Innisfil, Upper Canada, about to be granted to William Allan, the Surveyor General wrote to the Lieutenant-Governor in Council to ascertain whether "one chain on the top of the bank is to be reserved—and whether generally, on all principal Navigable Waters I am to consider such allowances to be reserved to the Crown in the Patent Deeds." After reading this communication it was "Ordered that on Navigable Waters the Rule should be general to reserve for the public, the Beach and one chain for a Road." (See Upper Canada Land Book L; pp. 76 and 77; Canadian Archives, Ottawa).

Again, the *free grant Patent* used for Upper Canada (Ontario), in 1832, conveyed "the land together with all the woods and waters thereon lying and being, under the reservations, limitations and conditions, hereinafter expressed;" whereas grants by *sale* in the same year, 1832, had the following reservation clause:

"Saving, excepting, and reserving nevertheless unto us, our Heirs and Successors, all mines of gold and silver, and the free use, passage and engagement of, in, over and upon all navigable waters that shall or may be thereafter found on or under, or be flowing through or upon any part of the said parcel or tract of land hereby granted as aforesaid."

See also, the Bed of Navigable Waters Act, 1 Geo. V, chap. 6, Ontario.

in Council, make terms and conditions upon which such water-power and land so reserved may be sold or leased and developed."<sup>\*</sup>

On June 21st, 1898, under this "Act Respecting Water-Powers," the Lieutenant-Governor approved an Order in Council for "Regulations re Water-Powers."<sup>†</sup> These regulations applied to "water privileges which, in their natural condition at the average low stage of water, have not a greater capacity than 150 horse-power."

**Present Regulations** On Jan. 16, 1907, the Regulations of June 21, 1898, were rescinded. New regulations were adopted, whereby supervisory and other discretionary jurisdiction over proposed water-power developments was vested in the Hydro-Electric Power Commission of Ontario. These regulations are now in force and are as follows:

1. These rules and regulations shall not apply to water privileges which in their natural condition at the average low stage of water have not a greater capacity than 150 horse-power.
2. In granting or leasing, otherwise than under these regulations, any Crown Lands upon which a water privilege is situated, or which may be flooded, or overflowed in consequence of the development and utilisation thereof, the said privilege shall be reserved to the Crown, together with such an area of land in connection therewith as shall in the opinion of the Minister be required for the proper development of the same, and the construction of all necessary dams, weirs, tunnels, races, flumes, sluices, pits and other structures or works, and the erection of buildings and plant for the employment and utilisation of such privilege, and storing grounds and yards in connection therewith; and there shall also be reserved in any such grant or lease, the right to flood any portion of the lands so granted or leased upon compensation to be made to the owner or lessee thereof by the person or persons to whom such privilege shall afterwards be leased; and the said water privilege, land and right so reserved shall form a separate property and may be dealt with as hereinafter provided.
3. The right to lay out and use such roads as may be necessary for the passage to and from such water privilege or land shall be reserved in all grants or leases of contiguous or adjoining lands.
4. The applicant for a water privilege situated on Crown Lands shall file in the Department of Lands, Forests and Mines a plan and field notes by an Ontario Land Surveyor of survey thereof; and also a report by a competent engineer satisfactory to the Minister showing:

<sup>\*</sup> 61 Vict., chap. 8.

<sup>†</sup> The regulations of June 21st., 1898, are re-printed in an article, *Water-Powers of Ontario*, by Thomas W. Gibson, in the *Ontario Bureau of Mines Report*, 1898, Vol. VII, Pt. 3, pp. 251-6. The Regulations of Jan. 16, 1907, have been published in pamphlet form by the Ontario Bureau of Mines.

(a). The location of the water privilege applied for, and a description of the land required in connection therewith.

(b). The height of the fall or rapid, the volume of water at the average high and low stages of same, the estimated capacity in horse-power of the fall or rapid in its natural condition at the average low stage of water, the height of the dams or weirs (if any) which it is proposed to construct, and the increase in the level of the water which such dams or weirs will bring about.

(c). The plan by which the applicant proposes to develop the water privilege, showing the dams, weirs, tunnels, races, flumes, sluices, pits and other structures or works which it is proposed to build or make in connection therewith, the estimated cost thereof, and the form in which the power is to be used or transmitted, that is, whether by direct energy, electricity, compressed air, etc.

(d). The land or lands which would be overflowed or otherwise affected by the raising of the water or the construction of the dams, weirs, sluices, races or other works in connection with the development or use of such water privilege, and the owner or owners thereof.

The applicant shall also show the nature and location of the business, plant or manufactory in connection with which it is proposed by the applicant to utilise the water privilege, and the number of horse-power which the applicant proposes to develop and utilise; and shall furnish proof satisfactory to the Minister that the said water privilege is required for the applicant's own mechanical or industrial purposes or to supply an actual or anticipated demand for power in the neighborhood of the privilege.

Provided that the Minister may dispense with the requirements of any of the preceding clauses of this regulation in case the information, plans, etc., required to be furnished are already in the possession of the Department of Lands, Forests and Mines.

5. If so required by the Minister, the applicant shall furnish at his own expense all such measurements, plans, specifications, descriptions, levels, profiles, elevations and other information as he may deem necessary for the proper consideration of the application; and the applicant shall also, if required, submit to the Hydro-Electric Power Commission of Ontario the plans and specifications showing the proposed works for the development of the said privilege and such works shall not be proceeded with until the said Power Commission has approved the same.

6. The applicant shall submit such proof of his financial standing and ability and intention to develop the said water privilege as shall be satisfactory to the Minister.

7. Before the lease of a water-power is granted the Minister may require the applicant to deposit with the Treasurer of the Province a sum of money to be named by the Minister, conditional upon the carrying out of the works of construction and development specified in the lease within the period therein named; such sum to be returned to the lessee upon due fulfilment of such condition; otherwise to be forfeited to His Majesty the King for the use of the Province of Ontario.

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8. Upon compliance with the foregoing regulations and upon approval of the application by the Minister in writing, he may order a lease of the water privilege to be issued to the applicant upon such terms and conditions and at such rental as may be fixed by the Minister. The rental reserved by any such lease or any renewal thereof shall be payable yearly in advance.
9. No such lease shall be granted for a longer term than twenty years, but the lessee shall have the right of renewal of such lease for two further and successive terms of ten years each upon such terms and conditions as may be agreed upon or may be fixed by the Minister.
10. The right of timber owners and others to drive their logs or timber down any stream, river or other body of water, as now by law established, shall not be interfered with, lessened or restricted by the granting of any such lease; and if any dam, weir or other structure be erected or built in connection with the development of any such privilege, with the object, intention or effect of damming the water or impeding the flow thereof, full and proper provision, as now by law required, shall be made by the lessee for the safe and convenient passage of logs and timber over and through the same.
11. The lessee under any such lease shall not destroy or obstruct the navigation of any river, stream or body of water previously navigable; but shall provide such locks, canals, passages and other means as may be necessary for the proper and safe surmounting or passing of any dam, weir or other work made or erected by the lessee, and as may be required for purposes of navigation by the Government of Canada.
12. In addition to any other conditions or provisions required by the Minister, the lease shall contain conditions and provisions to the following effect:
- (a). Requiring the development and use within a period or periods to be named in the lease of a specified quantity or quantities of power or energy, estimated in horse-power.
  - (b). If the quantity of power required by the lease to be developed within a period or periods therein named is less than the full capacity of the said privilege, upon report being made by the said Hydro-Electric Power Commission to that effect, and also that there is a *bona fide* demand for power which can be supplied therefrom, the Lieutenant-Governor in Council may, by Order in Council require the lessee to develop the said privilege to its full capacity or to such other extent as he may deem proper or requisite within a period or periods of time to be named in the said Order.
  - (c). For the use by other parties than the lessee of surplus or unused water or power not required by him for the purposes of his business, plant or manufactory, on such terms as may be agreed upon.
  - (d). Failing an agreement between the parties concerned as to the rates or conditions for supplying power by the lessee to any person, company or corporation, or by any person, company or corporation receiving power from the said lessee, and any other person, company

or corporation, either party may submit the matter to the said Power Commission, and any Order made by the Lieutenant-Governor in Council upon report thereon by the said Power Commission fixing and determining the said rates and conditions shall be final and conclusive and binding upon all parties concerned.

(e). In case of submission to the Hydro-Electric Power Commission as in paragraph "(d)" herein mentioned, the said lessee on being so required by the said Commission shall produce all books, accounts, records and statements verified by affidavit showing the cost of constructing, equipping and maintaining the works for the development of the said privilege and delivering the power therefrom.

(f). Upon complaint in writing being made that any municipal corporation is granting bonuses by supplying power, light or heat below cost to manufacturers or others, whether the said corporation is the lessee of a water privilege or is receiving power therefrom from or through such lessee, the Lieutenant-Governor in Council may refer the matter to the said Hydro-Electric Power Commission, who may dispose of the same in manner provided by Chapter 15 of the Ontario Statutes of 1906, or any amendment thereto.

(g). For the purpose of ascertaining the quantity of power actually developed or capable of development from any water privilege or the amount of rental payable under a lease thereof, said Power Commission or any engineer appointed by it for that purpose shall have free access to all parts of the works, and all books, plans, or records bearing on the quantity of power, and may make measurements, take observations, etc., and any calculation as to the quantity of power so developed or capable of development made by the said Commission or by such engineer shall be binding upon the lessee.

(h). The power and authority to acquire water-powers and works by purchase, lease or otherwise, or without the consent of the owners thereof conferred upon the said Power Commission by Chapter 15 of the Statutes of Ontario of 1906, shall be exercisable by the said Power Commission in respect of any water-power leased under these regulations or any works connected therewith.

(i). During the construction of the works for the development of any water-power, the said Power Commission or any engineer appointed by it for that purpose shall have free access to all parts of the works for the purpose of inspecting the same, and of ascertaining that the construction thereof is in accordance with the plans and specifications approved by the said Power Commission.

(j). For the erection and maintenance by the lessee of a durable and efficient fishway when so required by the proper officer or authority in that behalf.

(k). During the continuance of the lease, the lessee shall keep and maintain all dams, weirs, tunnels, races, flumes, sluices, pits and other structures and works necessary for the development and use of such privilege in good repair and condition, and shall not wilfully or otherwise injure or destroy the same, or any part thereof but at the expiry or sooner determination of the lease, shall leave all such structures and works in good repair and condition, reasonable use and wear thereof and damage by fire and tempest only excepted, and so that their subsequent usefulness shall not be lessened by any act of the said lessee.

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(l). At the expiry or sooner determination of the lease, the water privilege shall revert to and become the property of the Crown as fully as if no such lease had been granted, together with all dams, weirs, tunnels, races, flumes, sluices, pits and other structures or works made or erected by the lessee in connection therewith, and all buildings erected on land covered by the lease; but the lessee shall be allowed a reasonable time to be fixed by the Minister in which to remove all machinery employed by him in the development and use of the privilege, failing which removal such machinery shall become the property of the Crown. Provided that where any such buildings or structures are of a permanent character and necessary or useful for the proper development or utilization of the water privilege, the Lieutenant-Governor in Council, may upon report in that behalf by the said Hydro-Electric Power Commission, pay the lessee by way of compensation therefor and purchase thereof, such sum or sums as he may deem proper upon the same being appropriated for the purpose by the Legislative Assembly of the Province.

(m). The lease shall at all times be subject to any general regulations thereafter made by the Lieutenant-Governor in Council affecting the construction and operation of works for the development of water privileges or the supply of power therefrom.

13. The Lieutenant-Governor-in-Council may cancel any water-power lease issued under these regulations for non-payment of rental within 90 days after the same is due and payable, whether the same shall have been demanded or not, or upon report by the said Power Commission that the conditions as to construction of the works or the development or supply of power have not been complied with, or that at any time after the water privilege has been developed either in whole or to the extent to which the lessee is bound or required to develop the same the said lessee has continuously failed or neglected for the space of one year effectually to produce power from the said privilege, either for his own use or that of other persons, unless hindered by unavoidable accident, or that the lessee has failed or neglected to comply with any of the conditions of the lease or any Order in Council respecting any matter or thing arising under the lease concerning which such Order is made; and publication of any Order in Council cancelling such lease shall be sufficient proof that the same has been duly and lawfully cancelled. Provided due notice shall be given a lessee before such cancellation in order that he may have an opportunity of being heard, should he so desire.

14. Where a water privilege is applied for by a municipal corporation for the purpose of supplying water, power, light or heat for the use of the inhabitants of the said municipality, the Minister may issue a lease of said privilege to such corporation if otherwise entitled to receive and hold the same, on such special terms and conditions as may be recommended by the said Power Commission, and at such rental as he may deem proper.

15. The word "Minister" in these regulations shall mean the Minister of Lands, Forests and Mines, or any Minister of the Crown

performing the duties of the Minister of Lands, Forests and Mines in his absence or during a vacancy in that office; and the Minister may refer to the Hydro-Electric Power Commission of Ontario any application for the leasing of any water privilege or any matter arising out of such application or any lease made in pursuance thereof, whether hereafter or heretofore issued, for consideration, investigation and report.

16. No water-power lease shall be valid or effective unless the same is issued under the Great Seal of the Province and is signed by the said Minister.

Since 1898, therefore, water-power privileges in Ontario have been retained by the Crown as an asset separate from the lands immediately adjacent to them. Prior to that date, many water-powers had been disposed of without any systematic records having been made of them. It would now be difficult to ascertain the present owners and terms of sale, or lease of these, except by searching the records in the local registry office.

**Form of Lease** The following is a copy of the form of lease that is now used in disposing of power privileges:

### Province of Ontario

*George the Fifth by the Grace of God of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland, and of the British Dominions beyond the Seas, King, Defender of the Faith, Emperor of India.*

#### **To all to whom these Presents shall come—Greeting**

**Know Ye** that by virtue and authority of chapter eight of the Statutes passed by the Legislative Assembly of the Province of Ontario in the year of Our Lord One thousand eight hundred and ninety-eight and of the Regulations made thereunder adopted by His Honour the Lieutenant Governor in Council dated the Sixteenth day of January, One thousand nine hundred and seven, and in consideration of the provisoes conditions and restrictions hereinafter contained. **We** have demised and leased and do hereby demise and lease unto

hereinafter called the Lessee, **All and Singular Th** certain parcel or tract of land and land covered with water situate, lying and being at  
on the River, in the Province of Ontario,  
and more particularly described as follows

## THE WATER-POWERS OF CANADA

(Saving, excepting and reserving nevertheless unto Us, Our Heirs and Successors, all gold, silver, lead, copper, iron and other mines or minerals which are or shall be hereafter found on or under the said lands and all trees growing or being thereon) together with all advantages and appurtenances which may during the term hereby granted be held, occupied or enjoyed therewith.

Us have and to hold the same with the appurtenances unto the said lessee, for the full end and term of twenty years to be computed from the \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_ One thousand nine hundred and \_\_\_\_\_, yielding and paying unto Us, Our Heirs and Successors in advance at the Treasury Department, Toronto, yearly and every year during the said term hereby granted in lawful money of Canada the sum of \_\_\_\_\_ dollars for

the first of such payments to be made at or before the execution or delivery of these presents, and subsequent payments on the \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_ in advance in each and every year thereafter with the right of renewal of the said lease for two further and successive terms of ten years each upon such terms and conditions and at such rental as may be agreed upon or fixed or determined by the Minister at the time of such renewal or renewals.

~~Subject nevertheless~~ to and this lease is made upon the provisions, conditions and stipulations following, that is to say:

1. The said lessee shall develop and utilize the water privilege situated on the lands hereby demised by the construction of the necessary works, the location of water wheels and the installation of suitable and necessary plant and machinery on the said lands for the generation of electricity, the compression of air or the production of some other form of power or force by means of the water flowing in or over that portion of the bed of the \_\_\_\_\_ River situated on the lands hereby demised to the extent of not less than \_\_\_\_\_ horse-power within

\_\_\_\_\_ years from the date hereof.

2. The said lessee shall use the power so developed in the operation of machinery or some other commercial, mechanical or industrial purpose or if the said power so developed or any part thereof, shall not be required for such purpose or purposes by the said lessee he shall furnish to any person, company or corporation requiring the same power up to the amount of power hereby required to be developed or such lesser quantity as shall be actually required or in demand, or if a greater quantity of power shall be developed by the said lessee than the quantity which it is provided herein shall be developed, then up to the amount of power so developed. Upon report being made by the Hydro-Electric Power Commission of Ontario to the Lieutenant-Governor in Council that the water privilege aforesaid has not been developed and utilized to the full extent of its capacity by the works constructed or the water wheels, plant and machinery installed by the said lessee and that there is a *bona fide* demand for power in excess of the quantity of power developed and



utilized by the said lessee which might in whole or in part be supplied from the water privilege aforesaid, then the Lieutenant-Governor in Council may by Order in Council require the said lessee to develop and render available for use the additional quantity of power so shown to be undeveloped and capable of development or any part thereof, by the construction of the necessary works, the location of water wheels and the installation of suitable and necessary plant and machinery on the said lands within a period of time to be named in the said Order, and in default of compliance with the said requirement the Lieutenant-Governor in Council may order and direct that this lease shall be forfeited and cancelled and the same shall be forfeited and cancelled accordingly.

3. Should the lessee or any person, company or corporation receiving power from the said lessee for distribution, and any other person, company or corporation desirous of obtaining power as aforesaid, fail to agree upon the rate or price to be paid for the same, or the terms and conditions for supplying the same, either party may submit the matter to the said Hydro-Electric Power Commission, and any Order made by the Lieutenant-Governor in Council upon report thereon by the said Hydro-Electric Power Commission fixing and determining the said rates and conditions shall be final and conclusive and binding upon all parties concerned.

4. In case of submission to the said Hydro-Electric Power Commission, as in paragraph three hereof mentioned, the said lessee, if so required by the said Hydro-Electric Power Commission, shall produce all books, accounts, records and statements, verified by affidavit, of the cost of constructing, equipping and maintaining the works for the development of the said water privilege hereby demised, and delivering the power therefrom.

5. For the purpose of ascertaining the quantity of power actually developed or capable of development from the water privilege aforesaid or the amount of rental payable hereunder by the said lessee the said Hydro-Electric Power Commission or any engineer appointed by it for that purpose shall at all times have authority to enter upon the said lands hereby demised or any buildings or works erected thereon or any part thereof, or any other lands, buildings or works on or in or by means of which power from the said privilege is developed, and examine and inspect the same, and take measurements and make observations, and shall have free access to all books, plans or records bearing on the said quantity of power, and any calculation of the quantity of power developed or capable of development from the said water privilege made by the said Hydro-Electric Power Commission or by such engineer shall be binding upon the said lessee, and rent shall thereafter be paid and is hereby reserved at the rate of \_\_\_\_\_ per horse-power per annum for the quantity of power developed as determined by the said calculation.

6. During the construction of the works for the development and utilization of the water privilege hereby demised, the said Hydro-Electric Power Commission or any engineer appointed by it for the purpose shall have free access to all parts of the works for the purpose of inspecting the same and of ascertaining that the construction thereof is in accordance with the plans and specifications approved by the said Commission.

7. The granting of these presents shall not interfere with, lessen or restrict the right of timber owners or others to drive their logs or timber down the said River, or that part of it hereby demised; and if any dam, weir or other structure be erected or built in connection with the development of the water-power situated on the premises hereby demised with the object, intention or effect of damming the water or impeding the flow thereof, full and proper provision as now by law required shall be made by the said lessee for the safe and convenient passage of logs and timber over the same.
8. Upon complaint in writing being made that any municipal corporation is granting bonuses by supplying power, light or heat below cost to manufacturers or others, whether the said corporation is the lessee of the water privilege hereby demised or is receiving power therefrom from or through such lessee, the Lieutenant-Governor in Council may refer the matter to the said Hydro-Electric Power Commission, who may dispose of the same in manner provided by chapter fifteen of the Ontario Statutes of 1906, or any amendment thereto.
9. The said lessee shall whenever so required by the proper officer or authority in that behalf, erect and maintain a durable and efficient fishway for the free passage of fish at all times and seasons.
10. During the continuance of this lease the said lessee shall keep and maintain all dams, weirs, tunnels, races, flumes, sluices, pits and other structures and works necessary for the development and use of the water-power or privilege aforesaid in good repair and condition and shall not wilfully or otherwise injure or destroy the same or any part thereof, but at the expiry or sooner determination thereof shall leave all such structures and works in good repair and condition, reasonable use and wear thereof and damage by fire or tempest only excepted, and so that their subsequent usefulness shall not be lessened by any act of the said lessee.
11. The Lieutenant-Governor in Council may cancel this lease for non-payment of the rent hereby reserved as aforesaid within ninety days after the time the same is payable, whether the same has been demanded or not, or upon report by the said Hydro-Electric Power Commission that the conditions as to construction of the works or the development or supply of power have not been complied with or that at any time after the water privilege has been developed either in whole or to the extent to which the lessee bound or required to develop the same, the said lessee ha continuously failed or neglected for the space of one year effectually to produce power from the said privilege either for his or their own use or for that of other persons unless hindered by unavoidable accident, or that the lessee ha failed or neglected to comply with any of the conditions hereof or any Order in Council respecting any matter or thing arising hereunder concerning which such Order is made, and publication in the Ontario Gazette of any Order in Council cancelling this lease shall be sufficient proof that the same has been duly and lawfully cancelled. Provided that ten days' notice in writing shall be given the said lessee before any such cancellation in order that he may have an opportunity of being heard should he so desire.

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The acceptance of rent hereunder shall not be or be deemed to be a waiver of any of the terms or conditions herein expressed concerning the construction of works, development or supply of power or otherwise.

12. The said lessee shall not destroy or obstruct the navigation of the said River or any other river, stream, lake, or other body of water flowing into or out of the same, but shall provide such locks, canals, passages and other means as may be necessary for the proper and safe surmounting or passing of any dam, weir or other work made or erected by the said lessee and as may be required for purposes of navigation by the Government of Canada.

13. The said lessee shall not have the power or authority under these presents to overflow or cause to be overflowed any land or lands other than those hereby demised, and it is distinctly understood and agreed that should any lands other than those hereby demised be overflowed or damaged, the Crown or the Government of Ontario shall in no wise be responsible for damage done thereto to the owner or owners thereof.

14. The power and authority to acquire water-powers and works by purchase, lease or otherwise, or without the consent of the owners thereof conferred upon the said Power Commission by chapter fifteen of the Ontario Statutes of 1906 shall be exercisable by the said Power Commission in respect of the lands and water privilege hereby demised and any and all works connected therewith.

15. At the expiry or sooner determination of this lease the said lands hereby demised, together with the water-power or privilege aforesaid, shall revert to and become the property of Us, Our Heirs and Successors as fully as if these presents had never been executed, together with all buildings, dams, weirs, tunnels, races, flumes, sluices, pits and other structures and works situate thereon, provided nevertheless that within a reasonable time to be fixed by the said Power Commission the said lessee may remove all machinery employed by in the development or use of the said water-power or privilege, but failing such removal within the time so fixed, such machinery shall become the property of and be vested in Us, Our Heirs and Successors to all intents and purposes whatsoever. Provided that where any such buildings or structures are of a permanent character and necessary or useful for the proper development and utilization of the water privilege aforesaid, the Lieutenant-Governor in Council may upon report in that behalf by the said Hydro-Electric Power Commission, pay the lessee by way of compensation therefor and purchase thereof, such sum or sums as he may deem proper upon the same being appropriated for the purpose by the Legislative Assembly of the Province.

16. The Minister referred to herein shall be and include the Minister of Lands, Forests and Mines, or any Minister of the Crown performing the duties of the Minister of Lands, Forests and Mines in his absence or during a vacancy in that office; and the Minister may refer any and all matters and things arising under or by virtue of or in connection herewith to the Hydro-Electric Power Commission of Ontario for investigation, consideration and report.

17. The granting hereof or the requirements herein as to the development of power from the said water privilege shall not be or be deemed to be a guarantee by the said Minister of the Government of Ontario that the said or any quantity of power is capable of being generated from the said privilege, and the said lessee shall have no recourse against the said Minister or the said Government in case the said or any quantity of power cannot be generated therefrom.

18. These presents and the term or terms hereby created shall not be assigned or transferred without the written consent of Our said Minister or of some officer duly authorized by him or by general regulation to give such consent.

19. The word "lessee" herein shall mean and include the lessee herein named and his heirs, executors, administrators and assigns, and in the case of an incorporated company, its successors and assigns.

And lastly this lease is accepted by the lessee subject to the right of the Government of Canada, if any, to control the navigation of the said River, and it is hereby understood and agreed that the lessee shall have no recourse against the Government of Ontario by reason of any damage that may be hereafter sustained by him in consequence of any works constructed or to be constructed or authorized by the said Government of Canada in connection with the improvement of the navigation of the said River or otherwise howsoever.

Given under the Great Seal of Our Province of Ontario, Witness:

LIEUTENANT-GOVERNOR of Our Province of Ontario.

At Our Government House, in Our City of Toronto, in Our Province of Ontario, this                    day of                    in the year of Our Lord one thousand nine hundred and                    and in the year of Our Reign.

By Command of the Lieutenant-Governor in Council.

Secretary.

Minister of Lands, Forests and Mines.

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WATER-POWER

DATE OF LEASE	LOCATION	LESSEE	TERM IN YEARS
Sept. 14, 1901..	Mountain falls, Madawaska river .....	Black Donald Graphite Co. ..	10
Sept. 21, 1901..	Part of Lot 1, Con. 2, Neelon, Wanapitai river .....	Wanapitai Power Co. ....	10
Feb. 15, 1904..	High falls, Michipicoten river.	Algoma Power Co. ....	10
Dec. 16, 1906..	Water location, A.D. 110, East branch Winnipeg river.	Corporation of the town of Kenora.....	10
Jan. 31, 1906..	Kaministikwia river .....	Mount McKay & Kakabeka Falls Railway Co.....	10
Apr. 27, 1906..	Indian rapids, Sauguen river .	Sauguen Light & Power Co. ...	10
May 16, 1904..	Ragged chute, Montreal river	John Martin.....	10
Feb. 20, 1907..	'The Notch,' Montreal river...	Montreal Cobalt Co., Ltd.....	10
July 20, 1907..	High falls, Muskoka river. ...	Corporation of the town of Bracebridge.....	20
Dec. 26, 1906..	Wabi river, Bucks tp.....	Fred E. Day .....	10
June 1, 1907..	Hound chute, Montreal river .	C. A. Beach and B. A. Beach: trans'd to Cobalt Power Co.	20
May 6, 1907..	Ragged rapids, Severn river ..	Corporation of the town of Orillia.....	20
Sept. 7, 1907..	Dryden falls, Wabigoon river .	Garden Pulp & Paper Co. ...	20
Dec. 18, 1907..	Wabagashik falls, Vermillion river .....	Mond Nickel Co. ....	20
Jan. 7, 1909..	Indian chute, Montreal river .	W. J. H. Emory .....	20
Jan. 7, 1909..	Bear river, James tp.....	J. A. McAndrew, Strachan Johnston and G. Y. Jackson	20
Feb. 3, 1909..	Burnt and Ragged chutes, Wanapitai river .....	William McVittie .....	20
Mar. 18, 1909..	Mountain falls, Montreal river.	Thomas S. Clarke .....	20
May 29, 1909..	Water-power location, R.L. 450 Matabitshuan river, Clay portage .....	Mines Power, Ltd. ....	20
July 27, 1909..	Bay lake, Montreal river....	C. A. Martin.....	20
Sept. 7, 1909..	Big chute, Severn river.....	Simcoe Ry. & Power Co.....	20
Feb. 15, 1910..	South of and in front of lots 25 and 26, con. 1, Mattawan	Mattawan Electric Light and Power Co.....	20
Mar. 17, 1910..	Outlet of Bear lake. ....	R. G. Leckie.....	20
Mar. 21, 1910..	Sandy falls, Matagami river..	W. C. Young and A. M. Bilaky	20

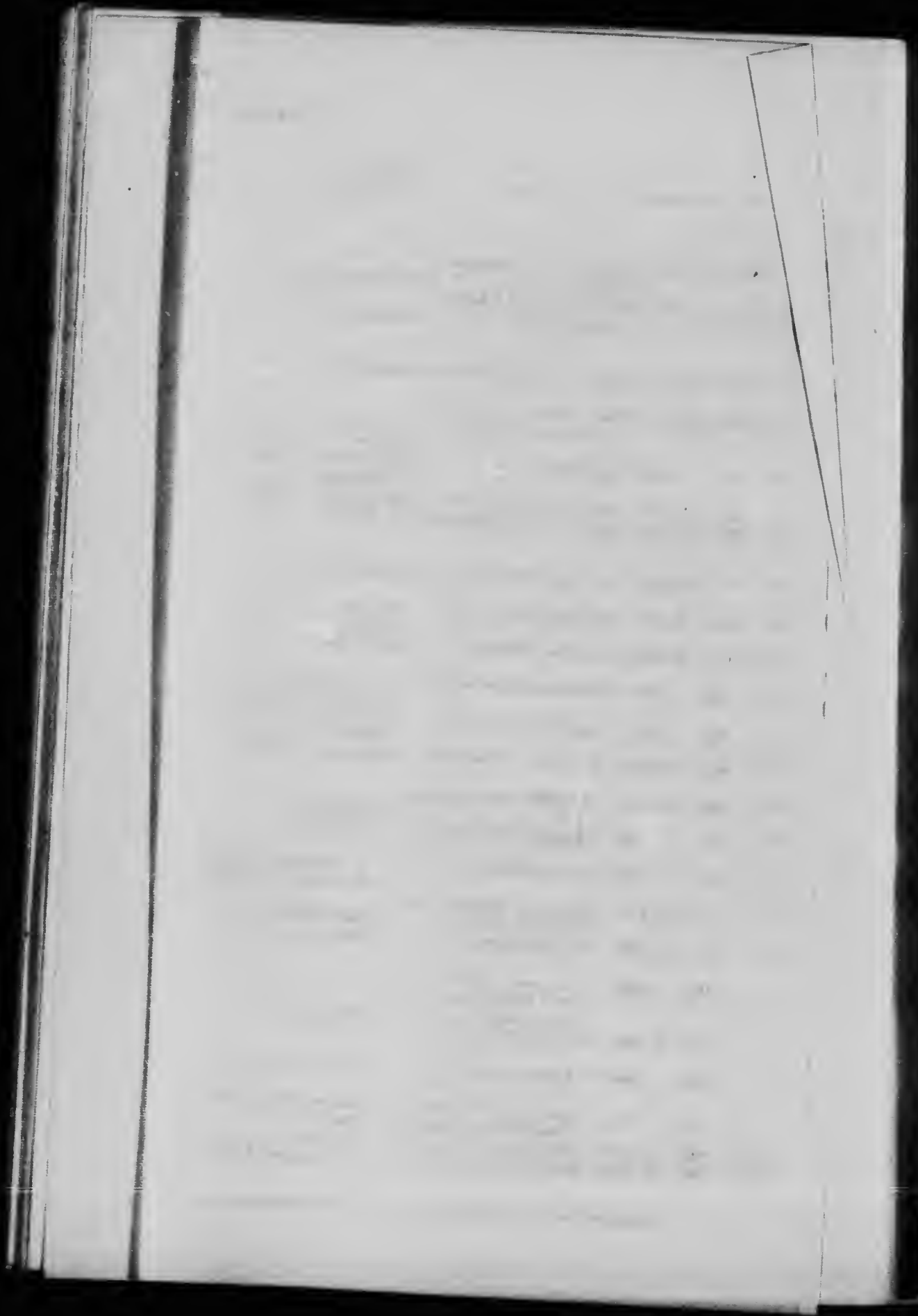
\*Compiled from data kindly supplied by the Ontario Bureau of Mines.



# ONTARIO

## HYDRO-ELECTRIC LEASES IN FORCE\*

TERM IN YEARS	ESTIMATED H.P.	DEVELOPMENT REQUIRED H.P.	RENTAL
10	2,800	500	First year, \$1, second and third, \$50. Then 25c. per H.P., minimum payment, \$125.
10	4,500	2,400	First and second years, \$1; third year, \$100; fourth, \$200; fifth, \$300; sixth, \$400; seventh, \$400; eighth, \$600; ninth, \$1,000. Then 25c. per H.P., minimum payment, \$1,000.
10	2,400	500	First year, \$5. Then 25c. per H.P., minimum payment \$250.
10	4,100	1,500	First and second years, \$10. Then 12½c. per H.P.; minimum, third year, \$157.50; minimum, \$512.50 thereafter.
10	1,667	1,300	First and second years, \$10. Then 75c. per H.P.; minimum payment, \$1,300.
10	490	No conditions.	\$10 per annum.
10	2,940	1,500	First and second years, \$10; third year, \$100; fourth year, \$150; fifth year, \$300; sixth year, \$600. Then 25c. per H.P., minimum payment, \$375.
10	6,500	1,000	First year, \$10. Then 50c. per H.P., minimum payment, \$500.
20	1,320	500	First and second years, \$10. Then 30c. per H.P., minimum payment, \$250.
10	276 (theoretic)	300	\$1.12½ per H.P. per annum; minimum payment, \$337.50.
20	1,180	1,000	First year, \$10. Then 50c. per H.P., minimum payment, \$500.
20	2,000	800	12½c. per H.P. per annum; minimum payment, \$100.
20	4,000 to 5,000	2,000	First and second years, \$10; then not less than \$1,000 per annum.
20	2,750	1,300	First and second years, \$10; then not less than \$750 per annum.
20	2,648	2,000	First and second years, \$10. Then 50c. per H.P., minimum payment, \$1,000.
20	Normal, 527 Min., 255	100	First year, \$5. Then 50c. per H.P., minimum payment, \$50.
20	2,200	2,000	First and second years, \$10. Then 50c. per H.P., minimum payment, \$1,000.
20	2,000 natural 2,500 with dam	2,000	First and second years, \$10. Then 50c. per H.P., minimum payment \$1,000.
20	4,170	3,000	First year, \$10. Then 50c. per H.P., minimum payment, \$1,500.
20	1,000	600	First and second years, \$10. Then 50c. per H.P., minimum payment, \$300.
20	3,267	2,000	First and second years, \$10. Then 50c. per H.P., minimum payment, \$1,000.
20	.....	100	First year, \$25; then 25c. per H.P., minimum \$25.
20	150	150	First year, \$5; then 50c. per H.P., minimum \$75.
20	7,000	2,000	First year, \$10; then 50c. per H.P., minimum \$1,000.



**Powers Granted** Many leases have been granted for water-powers and upon various terms and conditions. Several leases, also, which had been granted were afterwards cancelled. The rights and privileges disposed of since 1898 and upon record are set forth in the accompanying table, "Water-Power Leases in Force."

**Later Enactments** The present policy of the Ontario Government with respect to water-powers is more fully expressed in the later Acts under which the Hydro-Electric Power Commission is constituted and carries on its work.

These have been enacted chiefly as a result of the expressed desire on the part of the people of Ontario, that electric light and power be supplied the consumer at less cost than such were being supplied, or were likely to be supplied, by large corporations controlling the sources of hydro-electric energy. Since, therefore, the policy of the Government of Ontario for the conservation of the water-powers of the Province is intimately associated with the statutes relating to the Hydro-Electric Power Commission, it will be advisable to indicate the incidents which assisted in determining the laws of Ontario relating to water-power developments.

Ontario's later hydro-electric policy\* has been prompted chiefly by events connected with the development at Niagara Falls, and, much of the earlier history of the hydro-electric legislation of the Province is found in the official records of the City Council of Toronto, the Union of Canadian Municipalities, the Western Ontario Municipal Niagara Power Union and the Niagara Power Union.

**Early Agitation by Toronto City Council** The City Council of Toronto has been active in the agitation for cheap light and power. In 1894, it recommended that tenders for a civic electric light plant be called for, but on June 1, 1895, a by-law for the establishment of this plant was defeated. In 1897, it passed a resolution calling for estimates of the cost of a civic plant to supply light and power to the city, and to the manufacturers of Toronto. Following this, a motion was made, Nov. 15, 1897, that tenders be called for the supply of power by parties having same for sale, "each tender to state whether the power to be delivered is to be generated or developed from steam, water-power, coal or other artificial or natural primary power or fuel, and if water-power, from what source."

\* The statements herein made are based upon the various reports issued by the several commissions and other organizations to whom reference is here made, while some of the facts have been gathered from the unpublished minutes of the Berlin conference, etc. For list of various reports see Appendices under *Bibliography*. See also *The Canadian Annual Review*.

On January 24, 1898, a special committee of the Council was appointed "to consider and report on the cost of an electric plant for lighting the streets and public buildings of the City, and also for the purpose of supplying electric energy to manufacturers and others requiring the same"; and on October 3rd of the same year a resolution of council was carried requesting the Committee on Legislation "to consider the advisability of obtaining power from the Local Legislature to enable the city to enter into the business of supplying electric energy to the citizens for commercial purposes." On January 23, 1899, the Council adopted the report of the Committee on Legislation and Reception, recommending that application be made to the Ontario Legislature "to enable the City to enter into the business of supplying electric energy to the citizens for commercial purposes."

On February 19, 1900, Council adopted the report of the Committee on Legislation and Reception, recommending that application be made at the next session of the Ontario Legislature.

"To empower the City to purchase, develop or produce electric energy at any place not more than one hundred miles distant from the said City, and to secure any right of way and establish any poles, wires or other plant, or appliances, necessary to bring such energy to Toronto and there distribute it, and to raise loans and borrow moneys on debentures issued on the credit of the City and for the purpose of carrying out the said undertaking, and any other powers necessary to enable the Corporation of the City of Toronto to acquire, bring to Toronto and distribute electrical energy from any point within the distance aforesaid."

On February 19, 1900, the Council of the Toronto Board of Trade appointed a committee, consisting of Messrs. W. E. H. Massey, (chairman), Elias Rogers, Wm. Stone and A. E. Kemp, to "Report as to Electric Power." The Committee in its report of April 25, 1900, deals with the power situation so far as Toronto is concerned, and directs serious attention to the feasibility of Toronto's receiving electric energy from Niagara Falls. It also raises the question as to "whether or not Toronto as a city, should control this proposed Niagara power connection."

On December 13, 1900, another special committee of the Toronto City Council was appointed "to enquire and report upon the cost of installing a plant, and the steps necessary to secure the same." On June 17, 1901, notice was given of a proposed motion that "the proper officer communicate with the Niagara Power Company, with a view to getting full information regarding the terms upon which the said Company propose supplying electric energy to manufacturers and others in this City," and on January 13, 1902, a similar notice was given relating to power from Niagara Falls. On April 21, 1902, resolutions were carried by Council authorizing

communication to be made with the Niagara Power Company, and other companies, with a view to securing cheaper energy for the various users of light, heat and power.

**Union of Canadian Municipalities** During 1901 and 1902, public sentiment had also been forming elsewhere throughout the Province. Manufacturers Associations, Boards of Trade and other organisations held meetings and passed resolutions. It was conceived that municipal corporations by combining, might better direct and secure the legislation they desired. Consequently, on August 16, 1901, a circular letter was sent to the municipalities of the Dominion by O. A. Howland, then Mayor of Toronto. The letter stated that

"The primary object of the conference will be to arrange for a municipal union for common action in defence of municipal rights and the interests of citizens against the encroachments of great corporations, through Parliament, the Legislature, and otherwise."

The Convention called by Mayor Howland's letter met in Toronto on August 28-30, 1901, and the Union of Canadian Municipalities was formed.

**Toronto's Committee on Legislation and Reception** The next forward step in the movement bears the date of Jan. 21, 1902, when the Committee on Legislation and Reception of the Toronto City Council, recommended in their Report No. 1

"That the City Solicitor be instructed to immediately make application to the Provincial Legislature for the enactment of legislation empowering the Municipal Corporation of the City of Toronto to purchase electric energy at any place, and to secure any right of way and to establish any poles, wires or any other plant or appliances necessary to bring such energy to Toronto and there distribute it; and to raise loans and borrow moneys on debentures issued on the credit of the City for the purpose of carrying out the said undertaking, and any other found necessary to enable the Corporation of the City of Toronto to acquire, bring to Toronto and distribute electric energy from any point."

On January 27, 1902, a special committee was appointed

"To assist the City Solicitor in his efforts to secure legislation to empower this Corporation to purchase and distribute electric energy, in accordance with the recommendation embodied in Report No. 1, of the Committee on Legislation and Reception adopted by Council this day."

**Manufacturers Meet at Berlin** On June 9, 1902, representative manufacturers from towns and cities in Western Ontario met at Berlin to consider the best method whereby power could be secured from Niagara falls, at reasonable rates. Alderman Spence of Toronto, suggested to the conference

"That the municipalities should ask for the appointment of a Government commission, which would have the power to arrange for the transmission of electricity to the various municipalities desiring it. This commission would issue its own bonds in payment of the transmission lines, these bonds to be covered by the bonds of the various municipalities interested, the latter to be deposited with the commission. The amount of the bonds, of course, would depend upon the power required by the various municipalities. Under this scheme the Government through a commission would undertake the transmission of electrical energy from Niagara Falls, or any other point, to the municipalities desiring the power, the latter guaranteeing by their bonds the cost, and selling in turn to all manufacturers at an even rate, preventing in this way the power from falling into the hands of any monopoly and securing to the industries of the Province the advantage of cheap electrical energy."

It was then moved that "a special committee be appointed by this meeting, with power to add to its numbers, to prepare a co-operative plan for the securing of a supply of electrical power for manufacturing interests on the most favourable terms possible, the committee to call a convention of representatives appointed by municipal councils, Boards of Trade and Manufacturers Associations, to consider such plans and to take such steps to carry out any project agreed upon."

In accordance with this motion a Committee on Niagara Power was appointed.

On June 30, 1902, representatives from municipalities again met at Berlin and appointed a committee to interview the Ontario Government respecting the supplying of Niagara power to Western Ontario. On Oct. 20, 1902, at Galt, the committee reported and the minutes of that meeting state that

"The general opinion of the meeting was that it was unlikely that the Ontario Government would undertake the development and transmission of electrical power."

The committee then appointed a sub-committee consisting of Messrs. E. W. B. Snider and D. B. Detweiler to continue the investigation respecting the amount of power used in Western Ontario within a radius of 125 miles of Niagara Falls and the probable cost of transmitting the same.

On Dec. 15, 1902, the City Council of Toronto instructed the City Solicitor, in co-operation with the previously mentioned Committee on Legislation and Reception,

"To again make application at the ensuing session of the Provincial Legislature for the enactment of legislation empowering the City of Toronto to generate or develop electricity by means of water-power or otherwise, or to purchase electric energy at any place, and for such purposes to have all necessary powers for purchasing, leasing or

expropriating water-powers and lands in connection therewith, and for building and erecting the necessary buildings, plant and machinery for the purpose of such development, and to secure any right of way and establish any poles, wires or any other plant or appliances necessary to bring such electricity to Toronto and there distribute it, and to raise loans and borrow moneys on debentures issued on credit of the City for the purpose of carrying out the said undertaking, and any other powers necessary to enable the Corporation of the City of Toronto to generate, develop or acquire such electricity, and to bring it to Toronto and distribute it from any point, and that the Law Department co-operate with the Union of Canadian Municipalities in obtaining general municipal powers to this end."

At the first meeting of the new council, on Jan. 12, 1903, the Committee on Legislation and Reception were again requested to deal with the subject of securing legislation relating to the transmission of Niagara power to Toronto. Consequently on Jan. 19th, this committee, in their Report No. 1, recommended that application be made to the Ontario Legislature

"To empower the City of Toronto, or other Municipalities generally, to generate, develop or acquire electricity by means of water-power or otherwise, or to purchase electric energy at any place and for such purpose to have all necessary powers for purchasing, leasing or expropriating water-power and lands in connection therewith, and for buildings and erecting buildings, plant and machinery, and to secure the right of way, and establish any poles, wires or other plant, and to raise loans and borrow money, and any other powers necessary to enable the City of Toronto or other Municipalities to generate, develop or acquire electricity, and to bring it to Toronto or such other Municipality, and sell and distribute it from any point."

Special Committee re Electric Energy      On Jan. 12, 1903, the City Council of Toronto also adopted a motion that a special committee known as the Special Committee re Electric Energy

"Be appointed to consider and report to the Council at the earliest possible date what steps ought to be taken to secure for the City of Toronto, on the most favourable terms, a supply of electrical energy from Niagara Falls, or elsewhere, and to confer with other bodies, or committees, and to recommend any application for legislation or other action which they may deem desirable to promote the said object."

This Special Committee, in their Report No. 1, made an important recommendation which council adopted on Jan. 26, 1903. The report as adopted states, that

"Your Committee recommend that the Legal Department be instructed to give immediate notice on behalf of the City of application for legislation authorising the City of Toronto to develop, purchase, transmit, distribute and sell electrical energy, either directly by compressed air or otherwise, and that the said Department draft and

submit to this Committee a Bill authorising the City to exercise any or all of the said powers, and to take any action necessary thereto.

"Your Committee also recommend that in view of the fact that application may be made to the Dominion Parliament and Ontario Legislature at their coming sessions for permission to generate electricity at Niagara Falls and to transmit and sell the same for heat, light and power purposes, be it resolved that steps be taken to watch all such applications with a view to protecting the rights of all municipalities interested, and that if any agreements be entered into, a clause or clauses be embodied therein securing all municipalities from any monopoly in respect thereto."

Application was accordingly made to the Ontario Legislature, but the legislation was refused, as the Government had introduced a bill upon the same subject.

Meantime, important meetings in the interests of securing Western Ontario cheap hydro-electric power were being held in other parts of the Province. On Feb. 12, 1903, the Special Committee of Manufacturers of the Toronto City Council, in their Report No. 2, stated that a communication had been received from a committee of Western Ontario manufacturers, asking that delegates be sent to a meeting of all municipalities interested in Niagara power, to be held in Berlin, on Feb. 17, 1903. At this meeting, at which about 80 representatives of municipalities, of manufacturers, and of Boards of Trade were present, the report of the sub-committee was adopted. The report, dated Feb. 16, 1903, in part, states, that

"To enable municipalities to so develop or purchase and sell or otherwise distribute electrical power, legislation would of course be necessary, and we recommend that prompt action be taken towards securing from the Legislature at the approaching session the necessary power enabling municipalities to undertake such work. Such legislation should empower municipalities to co-operate when authorized by vote of the property-owners of the respective municipalities, to develop and transmit, or distribute electrical energy; or to buy and transmit such power; or to buy power delivered at the several municipalities, and to sell and distribute the same within their own limits."

Subsequent to the adoption of the report, the following resolution, moved by Mayor Urquhart of Toronto, and seconded by Mayor Adam Beck of London, was carried:

"Therefore be it resolved that we respectfully suggest to and urge upon the Government of the Province of Ontario the advisability of the Government building and operating as a government work, lines for the transmission of electricity from Niagara Falls to the towns and cities, and that the municipalities here represented call upon their representatives in the Legislative Assembly of Ontario to urge upon the Government to carry out this resolution."







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In accordance with this resolution, a committee was appointed to wait upon the Ontario Government, and ascertain if it would undertake the transmission of power, failing which a plan for municipal co-operation was to be prepared and submitted to the Government.

**Deputation to the Government** On Feb. 27, 1903, a deputation, representing the principal municipalities of Western Ontario, waited upon the Ontario Government and presented a memorandum embracing the resolutions passed at the Berlin meeting of Feb. 17. Premier Ross stated, in addressing the deputation, that a Government Bill would be introduced with the object of providing the means by which the municipalities would be able to arrange for the development, transmission, distribution and sale of electric energy. The Premier suggested that the work might be carried on through the agency of a commission appointed by the municipalities.

**Legislation for Municipal Action** In accordance with this promise, an Act \* was passed on the 12th of June 1903, intituled "An Act to provide for the Construction of Municipal Power Works and the Transmission, Distribution and Supply of Electrical and other Power and Energy." It enjoins conformity to many of the regulations set forth in the Municipal Act, and in the Railway Act of Ontario. It empowers any municipal corporation, or any two or more municipal corporations jointly, to appoint commissioners through whom full investigations may be made as to the feasibility of acquiring, constructing, and operating such works as might be proposed for supplying the municipalities interested with electrical or other energy. Provision is made for the appointment by the Commission of such officers and assistants as they may require, and for the raising of funds by municipalities for the construction of such works. The Board of Commissioners is also authorized to enter into contracts, issue bonds, determine the rates of rental or other disposal of power, collect rents and exercise many very important and far-reaching powers in the sphere of both practical engineering and of finance. Any Commission appointed under the Act was denied exercise of the powers of expropriation in so far as Queen Victoria Niagara Falls Park, and its future extensions, was concerned, unless the consent of the Park Commissioners was obtained.

**The Ontario Power Commission** After this Act (3 Ed. VII, chap. 25) was passed, representatives from municipalities interested in securing Niagara power, met at the City Hall, Toronto, on Aug. 12, 1903, and passed the following resolution:

"That this meeting recommends the appointment, by the municipalities which desire to co-operate under the Act to provide for the construction of Municipal Power Works, etc., of E. W. B. Snider, P.W.

\* 3 Ed. VII, chap. 25.

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Ellis, Adam Beck and W. F. Cockshutt, and such electrical engineer as they may select to act with them, and shall recommend to the municipalities for that purpose, as commissioners under Section 2 of the said Act, to express the powers and perform the duties defined by Section 3, and following Sections of the Act, for the information and benefit of the municipalities so desiring to co-operate; and to report as provided by the Act to the municipalities joining in their appointment."

On Dec. 10, 1903, this Committee wrote to the city of Toronto, urging the completion of the Commission so that it might enter upon its practical investigations. An estimate of the cost of the investigation was given, based upon the assessment of each of the seven municipalities that had decided to appoint the Commission. The estimate was \$83.23 per million dollars of assessment on an aggregate assessment of \$170,000,000.00. The Special Committee *re* Electric Energy in their Report No. 5, adopted in Council, Dec. 23, 1903, recommended that the municipality of Toronto and the other municipalities interested enter into an agreement with the Commissioners.

Subsequently, the municipalities of Toronto, London, Brantford, Stratford, Woodstock, Ingersoll and Guelph appointed a Commission, known as the Ontario Power Commission, consisting of Messrs. E. W. B. Snider, P. W. Ellis, W. F. Cockshutt, Hon. Adam Beck, and R. A. Fessenden, an electrical engineer, who was the technical member of the Commission. Messrs. Ross and Holgate, consulting engineers of Montreal, were deputed by the Commission to investigate and report upon the engineering aspects of the whole power situation in Western Ontario.

**A Declaration of Policy** While the Ontario Power Commission was carrying on its investigations, an election was held which resulted in a change in the Government of the Province. The new Government expressed itself as being in favour of conserving the water-powers of the Province. On April 19, 1905, Premier Whitney said:

"The water-power at Niagara should be as free as air, and, more than that, I say on behalf of the Government, that the water-powers all over this country shall not in future be made the sport and prey of capitalists, and shall not be treated as anything else but a valuable asset of the people of Ontario, whose trustees the Government of this people are."

**Commission of Enquiry** One of the early acts of the new Government was the appointment on July 5, 1905, of a Commission of Enquiry to report regarding hydraulic and electric power in the province of Ontario. The Commission consisted of Hon. Adam Beck, George Pattinson and P. W. Ellis. Subsequently, owing to ill-health, Mr. Ellis resigned and John Milne was appointed in his stead. This new personnel, constituted

a second Commission of Enquiry with wider powers than the first Commission.\*

The Commission besides being assigned other duties, was required to ascertain:

1. The present and probable demand for hydraulic and electrical power in the various districts capable of being supplied from the different water-powers within the jurisdiction of the Province of Ontario.

2. The location, capacity and capital cost of development of the various water-powers within the legislative jurisdiction of the Province of Ontario at present undeveloped, but whose development is required to supply the present and probable needs of the surrounding districts, and to ascertain the cost of the attendant transmission plant necessary to the utilization of electrical and hydraulic powers to be provided from the aforesaid water powers within the respective surrounding districts.

3. The rates or prices that would require to be charged the various classes of consumers of hydraulic or electrical power within the respective districts in order to meet all expenditure of maintenance and operation.

4. The annual savings accruing to the consumers in the various districts aforesaid by the substitution of the rates or prices in the next preceding paragraph for the rates paid at present in the said districts so far as the Commissioners may be able to ascertain or estimate them.

5. The cash capital cost of the hydraulic and electrical power undertakings of existing companies located within the Province of Ontario; the capacity and state of development thereof.

The findings of the Commission are recorded in five reports, the first of which was published April 4, 1906. The Ontario Power Commission had already reported on March 28, 1906, in an able and comprehensive document, subsequently published, entitled "Official Report of the Ontario Power Commission."

The Report of the Ontario Power Commission, and the Union of Municipalities First Report of the Hydro-Electric Power Commission, of Western Ontario convinced the municipalities that hydro-electric power could be distributed and sold at much less cost than was then being done. It was decided to unite the municipalities of Western Ontario in an organization corresponding somewhat to the Union of Canadian Municipalities and, accordingly, on March 23, 1906, about sixty representatives

\* For full text of Orders in Council relating to Commissions of Enquiry, consult *Records of Office of the Executive Council*, Liber II, No. 1 and Liber II, No. 5.

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of the municipalities more immediately concerned with the power problem, met at Galt. The following resolution was passed:

"That, whereas power from the Niagara Falls is natural wealth, and as such should be enjoyed by the largest possible number; and whereas cheap power is essential to the success of factories and industries of almost any kind, particularly in Ontario where coal is expensive; and whereas experience has shown that this great national and natural asset would be practically worthless if controlled by private companies; and whereas there is in our opinion no regulation sufficiently effective whereby power can be obtained from the owners of existing franchises at reasonable rates; Therefore be it resolved, that this gathering of municipalities urgently desire and respectfully ask the Government of Ontario to at once themselves establish a power plant at Niagara Falls, or secure the power produced under existing franchises for distribution to reachable municipalities of Ontario."

Further  
Legislation  
is Required

Meantime in the early part of 1906, Hon. Mr. Beck visited various municipalities in Western Ontario making addresses in favour of cheaper power and outlining the power policy of the Government.

On April 11, 1906, representatives of Windsor, Barrie, Guelph, Berlin, Woodstock, St. Thomas, London, Kingston, Galt, Stratford and some thirty other towns and municipalities were received by Premier Whitney and his colleagues. The Toronto Board of Trade, the Canadian Manufacturers Association, the Retail Merchants Association and others were also represented. A preliminary meeting was held, at which the following resolution was unanimously passed:

"That the municipalities now present and represented in the City Hall, Toronto, having an urban and rural population of over 1,000,000, respectively urge upon the Governor in Council of the Province of Ontario the necessity of safe-guarding the peoples interests by originating as a Government measure legislation enabling the Governor in Council to appoint a permanent Provincial Commission with power to take, where considered by it advisable, the following action: The construction, purchase or expropriation of works for the generation, transmission, and distribution of electric power or light; to arrange with any existing development company, or companies, for power at a reasonable price, so as to be transmitted and sold by the Government to municipalities or others; also to vest in it the powers necessary to enable it to regulate the price at which electricity shall be sold to all and every consumer whether municipal, corporate, or private."

A deputation then presented this resolution to the Government and, as a result, assent was given on May 14, 1906, to "An Act to provide for the Transmission of Electrical Power to Municipalities."\* This act pro-

\* 6 Ed. VII, chap. 18.

vides for the appointment by the Lieutenant-Governor in Council of a commission, to be known by the name of "The Hydro-Electric Power Commission of Ontario" and, under it

"Any municipal corporation may apply to the Commission for the transmission to such corporation of electrical power or energy for the uses of the corporation and the inhabitants thereof, for lighting, heating and power purposes, and the Commission may thereupon furnish to such municipal corporation estimates of the cost of constructing, erecting, installing and maintaining all such buildings, works, plant, machinery, poles, wires, conduits and other structures as may be necessary for the purpose of supplying the amount of electrical power or energy required by such municipal corporation and may also furnish to such corporation plans and specifications of the works, plant, machinery and appliances, necessary for the distribution of such power and energy by such municipal corporation, together with an estimate of the cost thereof. The Commission shall further furnish to such municipal corporation a statement of the terms and conditions upon which such electrical power or energy may be transmitted and supplied, together with a form of the contract to be entered into between such municipal corporation and the Commission."

The Act provides for the raising of moneys for the work, allows the Commission to enter into contracts, and gives it wide powers of expropriation. It provides that any municipal corporation may apply to the Commission for electrical energy for the uses of the corporation and the inhabitants, and the Commission is authorized to supply information as to estimated cost of labour and material for an equipment, and of the energy itself, together with plans and specifications for the necessary equipment.

**Hydro-Electric Power Commission** On June 7, 1906, the Hydro-Electric Power Commission of Ontario was appointed by Order in Council, and given the full powers conferred by the enabling Act. This Commission consisted of Hon. Adam Beck of London, Hon. John S. Hendrie of Hamilton and Cecil B. Smith of Toronto. Subsequently Mr. Smith resigned, and on Feb. 28, 1907, William K. McNaught of Toronto, was appointed in his place. Messrs. Beck, Hendrie and McNaught are the Commissioners at the present time (1911). P. W. Sothman is chief engineer and R. A. Ross, consulting engineer.

**The Niagara Power Union** Consequent upon the passing of this Act,\* the Western Ontario Municipal Niagara Power Union met at Galt, July 24, 1906, and passed a resolution stating,

"That the municipalities here represented decide to co-operate in order to avail themselves of the benefits of the Act passed at the last session of the Legislature of the Province of Ontario, being an Act to

\* 6 Ed. VII, chap. 15.

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provide for the purchase and transmission of electric power to municipalities, and for that purpose be it resolved that each municipality here represented, and such others as may from time to time join, do furnish to the executive committee as soon as possible an estimate of the amount of power it will require under the Act, or will use for public lighting, heating and power purposes; and also for manufacturing and other purposes; and that the executive committee be authorized to take all necessary steps to procure from the Hydro-Electric Power Commission of Ontario estimates of the various items of cost and other particulars under Section 6 of the Act, and to lay before the municipal councils full information as to the same so as to enable the councils to submit to their electors by-laws to authorize them to enter into contracts with the Commission for the transmission of electric power, under the terms of the Act."

This Union, afterwards called the Niagara Power Union, was an organization which represented the various municipal bodies of Western Ontario in a manner somewhat corresponding to that in which the Hydro-Electric Power Commission represented the Ontario Government.

**New Powers Given the Commission** On Nov. 22, 1906, the Hydro-Electric Power Commission reported that 46 municipalities had applied for 124,075 H.P., of which 113,575 H.P. were required within the Niagara district. On December 5, 1906, a conference of municipal delegates met representatives of the Hydro-Electric Commission at Berlin, and passed a resolution unanimously endorsing the work of the Commission. In January, 1907, Toronto, by popular vote, carried a by-law authorizing the city to contract for electric energy from the Hydro-Electric Power Commission, and by-laws of a similar nature were passed by Toronto Junction, Ottawa, Hamilton, Galt, London, Ingersoll, New Hamburg, Woodstock, Stratford, St. Marys, Weston, St. Thomas, Preston, Paris and Waterloo. As a result, the Government promoted the passage of "An Act to Provide for the Transmission of Electrical Power to Municipalities."\* It repeals 6 Ed. VII, chap. 15, and, in its main provisions, follows the general lines of the Act repealed. It gives greater scope to the Commission, and defines its powers more clearly. Its scope is set forth in sections 8 and 14, which are as follows:—

**SECTION 8.**—The Lieutenant-Governor in Council, upon the report of the Commission recommending the same, may authorize the Commission:

(a) To acquire by purchase, lease or otherwise, or without the consent of the owners thereof or persons interested therein to enter upon, take and use the lands, waters, water privileges, water powers, works, machinery and plant of any corporation or person owning, holding under lease or otherwise or developing, operating or using the same for generating or adapted for generating electrical power or energy or for the transmission thereof in Ontario, and to develop and use the same for any of the purposes of this Act:

\*7 Edward VII, chapter 19.



(b) To construct, maintain and operate, and to acquire by purchase, lease or otherwise, or without the consent of the owners thereof or persons interested therein to enter upon, take, and use, all erections, machinery, plant, and other works and appliances for the transmission and supply of electrical power or energy, and to conduct, store, transmit and supply electrical power or energy for the purposes of this Act and with lines of wires, poles, conduits, motors or other conductors or devices to receive, conduct, convey, transmit, distribute, supply or furnish such electrical power or energy to or from any corporation or person at any place, through, over, under, along or across any lands, public highway, bridge, viaduct, railway, waters or water courses, and through, over or under the lands of any corporation or persons and to enter upon any lands upon either side of such lines or conduits and fell or remove any trees or limb thereof, or obstruction, which in the opinion of the Commission, it is necessary to fell or remove;

(c) To contract with any corporation or person generating, transmitting or distributing electrical power or energy or proposing so to do to supply electrical power or energy to the Commission; and to require any corporation or person generating, transmitting or distributing electrical power or energy to supply so much thereof as the Commission may require.

**SECTION 12.**—Any municipal corporation may apply to the Commission for the transmission and supply to the corporation of electrical power or energy for the use of the corporation and the inhabitants of the municipality for lighting, heating and power purposes or for any or either of such purposes or for any of the purposes mentioned in section 14, and the Commission shall thereupon furnish to the corporation a statement of the maximum price per horse power at which the electrical power or energy will be supplied at the point of development or of its delivery to the Commission and an estimate of the cost of constructing or providing a transmission line by means of which the amount of electrical power or energy required by the corporation is to be supplied and of maintaining the same, and may furnish to the corporation plans and specifications of the works, plant, machinery and appliances necessary for the distribution of such power or energy by the corporation and an estimate of the cost thereof, and such other information as the Commission may deem advisable. The Council may thereupon enter into a provisional contract with the Commission for the supply of electrical power or energy for the purposes mentioned in the Act.

**Power Com-** Many municipalities had already passed by-laws authorizing their respective councils to contract with the Hydro-  
**mission Amend-** ment Act Electric Commission; and the Commission itself had entered into agreements with the Ontario Power Company of Niagara Falls for the supply of power. On April 14, 1908, the Ontario Government passed an Act intituled "An Act to Validate certain By-laws passed and contracts made pursuant to 'An Act to Provide for the Transmission of Electrical Power to Municipalities.'" By this Act,\* in which the contracts

\*8 Ed. VII, chap. 22. Contracts with other municipalities are confirmed by 1 George V, chap. 16.

are set forth as schedules, the by-laws and contracts just referred to were validated.

Some of the municipalities who were entering into contracts with the Hydro-Electric Commission had encountered difficulties,\* and, on March 29, 1900, the Government passed an act amending the "Act to provide for the Transmission of Electrical Power to Municipalities."† By it‡ various contract difficulties are removed; the powers of the Commission are further increased, and it is expressly enacted that any action which calls in question the jurisdiction of the Commission in various matters "shall be and the same is hereby forever stayed."

The Power  
Commission  
Act, 1911

In 1911 an Act was passed intituled "An Act to Provide for the Local Distribution of Electrical Power."\*\* This is, essentially, an extension to small municipalities of the privileges embodied in the Power Commission Act, 7 Edward VII, chapter 19.

The Act, in referring to the corporation of a city, town, township or village municipality states, that

"Any one or more of the ratepayers in a municipality, the corporation of which has not entered into a contract with the Commission under The Power Commission Act, may apply to the corporation to obtain from the Commission a supply of electrical power or energy for the use of such ratepayer or ratepayers for lighting, heating and power purposes or for any of such purposes."

and further,

"The Corporation without submitting the same to a vote of the electors and without any of the other formalities required in the case of a By-law passed under The Power Commission Act, may pass a By-law for entering into a contract with The Commission for the supply of the electrical power or energy required by the applicants, and may enter into a contract with The Commission for that purpose."

Under this Act the trustees of a police village shall, for the purposes of the Power Commission Act, be deemed a municipal corporation.

\* One of the difficulties encountered by the Commission was an application made to the Federal Government to disallow the power legislation of Ontario. This petition was not granted. For a history of the question consult the *Bibliography*.

† 7 Ed. VII, chap. 19.

‡ 9 Ed. VII, chap. 19. By 10 Ed. VII, chap. 16, matters of a technical nature respecting questions of title, privilege, easement, inspection rights, by-laws, and the construction work of the Commission are dealt with.

\*\* 1 George V, chap. 14.



HYDRO-ELECTRIC POWER TRANSMISSION LINE "A", SHOWING JOINT IN TOWER LOOP.



**The Power  
Commission  
Amendment  
Act, 1911**

In 1911, another Act was passed intituled "An Act to amend the Power Commission Act."<sup>1</sup> This Act grants the Hydro-Electric Power Commission of Ontario wide powers respecting the approval, inspection and other jurisdiction over the "wires, pipes, poles, conduits, ducts, and other fixtures, appliances or apparatus" of municipal and private corporations.

The exclusive character of this jurisdiction may be seen from clauses 6 and 7 of the Act which state, that

6. The Commission shall have exclusive jurisdiction as to all matters in respect of which authority is, by this Act, conferred upon it, and nothing done by the Commission within its jurisdiction shall be open to question or review in any action or proceeding or by any Court.

7. No Court shall have authority to grant, or shall grant an injunction, or other order, restraining either temporarily or otherwise, the construction, maintenance or operation of any works, the location and mode of construction of which have been approved by The Commission if the same are being, or have been, constructed in the place and according to the mode which have been so approved.

The Acts mentioned in the foregoing survey, taken in connection with the powers conferred upon the Hydro-Electric Power Commission as specified in the Regulations *re* Water-Powers of January 16, 1907, set forth the present status of Ontario's legislation relating to water-powers. The incidents associated with the hydro-electric development of Niagara Falls, and which led up to the establishment of the Hydro-Electric Power Commission, are a most important part of the industrial history of the province of Ontario.

#### **The Work of the Hydro-Electric Power Commission**

When the legislation had been provided allowing the Commission to transmit electrical energy, a number of municipalities in Western Ontario ascertained their respective power needs and then signified their readiness to negotiate with the Commission to supply them with specified amounts of power.

These representations, in turn, furnished a basis upon which the Commission could open negotiations with the large power producing companies at Niagara Falls. These companies were then asked to submit tenders for supplying electrical energy to the Commission. As a result the Commission entered into a contract<sup>†</sup> with the Ontario Power Company to

<sup>1</sup> George V, chap. 15.

<sup>†</sup> Agreements between the Commission and the Ontario Power Co., are published in *First Annual Report of the Hydro-Electric Power Commission*, pp. 57-70, Ontario *Sessional Papers*, No. 48, 1911. See, also, Ontario Statutes, 8 Ed. VII, chap. 22.

purchase not less than 8,000 H.P., and as much more electrical energy as was required, up to 100,000 H.P., for a term of ten years, with provision for three extensions for additional periods of ten years each. The price paid is \$0.40 per H.P. per annum if the quantity taken exceeds 25,000 H.P. The prices cover a twenty-four hour continuous service and the power is to be delivered by the Company to the Commission at Niagara Falls at 12,000 volts.

Subsequent to the making of this contract, the Commission had furnished certain municipal corporations with estimates showing the probable costs of electrical energy delivered ready for distribution. The electors had assented to by-laws authorising the municipalities to contract with the Commission for the delivery of the power they severally required. Accordingly, contracts with the Commission were made for the delivery of specified amounts of electrical horse-power.\*

**Construction of Transmission Lines** The delivery of this power demanded that a transmission line be built by the Commission. The construction of such a line was therefore undertaken, together with that of necessary transformer stations and other appurtenant works. The cost of construction and maintenance of the line is apportioned among the participating municipalities. This undertaking as originally planned is now virtually completed, and Niagara power is already being used by several municipalities. The total cost of the construction works undertaken by the Commission is about \$3,500,000.

It is the purpose of the Commission to extend its activities to the whole of the province.† As yet, however, its construction operations have been confined simply to the Niagara peninsula and Western Ontario.

The physical project begins with a transformer station at Niagara Falls which takes the power on delivery at 12,000 volts. Thence, a 60,000 H.P., double transmission line operating at 110,000 volts conveys the current to a controlling station at Dundas, whence the line is continued east to the city of Toronto with a local transformer station at Port Credit. From the controlling station at Dundas a double line of the same capacity and voltage is continued via Woodstock and London to St. Thomas, with local transformer stations at these points. From the same central controlling station at Dundas a similar line proceeds north and

\* See Schedule B, Ontario Statutes, 8 Ed. VII, chap. 22.

† It may be stated that the scope of the Commission's work has already been comprehensively reviewed in an address delivered by the Honourable Adam Beck, Chairman of the Hydro-Electric Power Commission before the First Annual Meeting of the Commission of Conservation; (See *First Annual Report*, pp. 91 et seq.) Some features of the work are also viewed in greater detail in the *First and Second Annual Reports of the Hydro-Electric Power Commission*. Statements from these reviews, as well as additional data furnished by Mr. Beck, have been freely used in the above survey.

**Generating Plants**

Ontario Power Co.	78,000 HP
Thames & Niagara Power Co.	52,200
Canadian Niagara Power Co.	32,800
Stromberg Power & Transmission Co.	50,000
Electric Power Co. (Missill)	10,000
Hydro-Electric Power Com. (Upper Transformer Section of Niagara Falls)	30,000



Commission of Generation  
Canada

**TRANSMISSION LINES  
SOUTH-WEST ONTARIO**

Scale, 25 miles to 1 inch

Generating plants shown by solid circles  
Transmission stations shown by double circles  
Red figures indicate horsepower capacity

**Transmission Lines**

- Hydro-Electric Power Commission
- Hydro-Electric Power Com. (Upper section)
- Thames Power Co.
- Stromberg Power & Transmission Co.
- Electric Power Co. (Missill)
- Ontario Power Co.





AMOUNT AND PRICES OF POWER SUPPLIED BY HYDRO-ELECTRIC POWER COMMISSION

Name of Municipality supplied for in H.P.	Quantity of power of main cost in H.P.	Estimate of Municipality's proportionate part of cost to street transmission lines, transformer stations and works for annually 20,000 H.P., with total capacity of 60,000 H.P.	Estimate of Municipality's proportionate part of cost to street transmission lines, transformer stations and works for annually 20,000 H.P., with total capacity of 60,000 H.P.	POWER LEASE AND POWER RATES		LIGHTS AND POWER RATES WITH STANDARD CONTRACTS POWER, 1911
				Price for Power	Lighting rate per K. W. H. (Not in cents)	
Toronto	10,000	\$18.10	\$68,970	No established schedule 4c to 5c per K.W.H.	8	Standard schedule with slight change
London	5,000	23.50	671,000	3c to 4c per K.W.H.	9	Standard schedule 4½
Quebec	2,500	24.00	247,420	No per K.W.H.	10	Special schedule No revision
Stratford	1,000	24.50	215,000	No schedule	12	Standard schedule
St. Thomas	1,500	25.50	244,140	200 flat or 3-4c per K.W.H. Special	10	"
Woodstock	1,200	25.00	155,350	No power	8	"
Burlington	1,000	24.00	128,970	"	9-7.9	"
Chatham	1,200	22.00	143,850	"	10.8	"
Hampton	800	23.00	63,200	"	10.8	"
Fredericton	600	23.50	30,850	"	10	"
St. Marys	500	22.50	95,877	"	10	"
Waterloo	635	24.50	98,000	No per K.W.H.	12	"
N. Hamberg	200	29.50	47,550	No established schedule	10-12	Standard schedule   Special schedule
Lagersoll	500	24.00	60,055	1c per K.W.H. to 50¢ per H.P.	10-12	Standard schedule
Hamilton	1,000	17.50	24,204	1c per K.W.H. to 50¢ per H.P.	9-12	No general distribution
Dundas	600	17.33	32,160	1c per K.W.H. to 50¢ per H.P.	12-15	Standard schedule
Tilsonburg	500	30.50	75,287	No power	12	No revision
Xorwich	150	30.00	29,523	"	10	"
Wexford	200	29.25	42,527	"	8	"
Exemption	1,200	25.40	179,122	"	8	"
South	400	41.25	102,941	"	12	No revision as yet
Michael	200	38.50	47,000	"	10	"
Ottawa	4,500			340 per H.P. and up	15	Special schedule
Port Arthur	5,000			325 per H.P. connected	Special, both gas and meter	No revision as yet

\* For Standard Schedule, see p. 52.

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west via Guelph, Preston, Berlin, Stratford, St. Marys and on to London, with local transformer stations at each of these points, the whole high-voltage line thus described comprising about 300 miles. At each of these local transformer stations the voltage is reduced to 13,000 for the purpose of supplying by additional local feeder lines, the different municipalities in the vicinity thereof. The effect of this method of distribution is to make it possible from the high-voltage circuit above described, in combination with the low-voltage local distributing lines, to supply the needs of practically every municipality within the district at the four corners of which are Toronto, Niagara Falls, St. Thomas and Stratford. Arrangements are being made for the extension of the lines to Windsor, Sarnia and other municipalities.

The general routes of the transmission lines already built are indicated upon the accompanying map.

**Apportionment of Costs** The municipalities have agreed to pay the Commission for the power which they purchase, delivered at the municipal sub-stations at 13,000 volts, on the following basis, viz:

The contract price of the Ontario Power Company at Niagara Falls, plus

1. Four per cent. upon that part of the construction cost which is properly applicable to each participating municipality, plus
2. An annual amount sufficient to create a sinking fund which in thirty years shall completely pay for that portion of the construction cost which is applicable to each municipality, plus
3. That proportion of the line loss and the general operating and maintenance charges which is properly applicable to each municipality.

Each municipality assumes the responsibility for acquiring or providing the necessary local distributing system, and the maximum cost to the consumer will be the above charges made by the Commission, plus the respective local distributing costs.

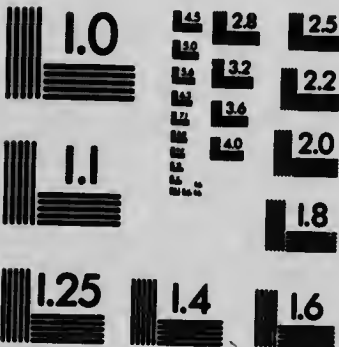
The following schedule sets forth some of the chief financial factors of the project viewed from the standpoint of the consumer.

**Standard Schedule Prices for Light and Power** The Commission, in 1909, requested that the persons responsible for the operation of the various municipal plants taking power through it, should, from time to time, meet and confer respecting matters of common interest. Acting upon this suggestion, several meetings of municipal engineers have been held. One of the questions taken up was the preparation of a base schedule of charges for the sale of electric light and power. Subsequently, standard schedules were prepared, approved by the Commission, and have been adopted by several of the municipalities. This schedule may be said to be the "catalogue prices"



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for light and power. From these prices, discounts dependent upon the purchase costs of power, and other conditions existing in individual municipalities, are given. The base schedules, as adopted in 1911, are as follows:

#### LIGHTING RATES

##### Class 1.—*Residence Lighting:*

Fixed charge per 100 square feet of area lighted, 4 cents per month. Additional charge per Kilowatt hour as metered, 3½ cents.

To determine the area lighted, the maximum outside dimensions of the building are to be taken, the product multiplied by number of residence floors, and total amount reduced by 10 per cent. for walls, etc; basement and attic not to be included, unless in whole, or in part, used as living or sleeping rooms.

##### Class 2.—*Commercial Lighting:*

(a) Stores and Theatres—10 cents per K. W. H. for first hour's daily use of installed capacity, and 3½ cents for each K. W. H. above.

(b) Signs and Display Lighting—Same, or flat rate option.

(c) Churches—One-half above rates.

(d) Factories—Same, if they are not using power. If they are, the transformer capacity required for connected lighting load may be added to the motor load, and charged at power rates.

(e) Hotels—Same as stores. Peak load may be controlled.

##### Class 3.—*Flat Rates:*

For sign, window, and display lighting, \$6.00 per month per K. W. connected.

The charge of 4 cents per 100 square feet, is standard, while the charge per kilowatt-hour varies with the cost of power to the municipality. The charge of 10 cents for commercial lighting is standard, while the charge for all use above the first hour's daily use varies with the cost of power to the municipality. The minimum is 3½ cents and the maximum 5 cents.

#### POWER RATES

The following are the yearly base rates for power together with discounts allowed:

H.P. of motors or peak load .....	1 to 3	4 to 10	11 to 25	26 to 50	51 to 100	101 up.
Flat rates per H. P. per year, based on installed H. P. or maximum demand	\$50	\$48	\$45	\$43	\$41	\$40
Differential rates: Fixed charge per installed H.P. per year or maximum demand.....	\$15	\$14.40	\$13.80	\$13.20	\$12.60	\$12
Meter rate per K. W.H. of consumption .....	3.5c.	3.0c.	2.5c.	2.0c.	1.5c.	1.25c.

Class "A" . . . . .	24	hours unrestricted use . . .	100	per cent. of the base rate
Class "B" . . . . .	24	" restricted " . . .	90	" " " " " "
Class "C" . . . . .	10	" unrestricted " . . .	90	" " " " " "
Class "D" . . . . .	10	" restricted " . . .	66½	" " " " " "

**Restricted Hours:**

Oct. 15th . . . . .	Oct. 31st . . . . .	5.30 p.m. to 6.30 p.m.
Nov. 1st . . . . .	Nov. 30th . . . . .	5.00 " " 6.30 "
Dec. 1st . . . . .	Jan. 15th . . . . .	4.30 " " 6.30 "
Jan. 16th . . . . .	Feb. 15th . . . . .	5.00 " " 6.30 "
Feb. 16th . . . . .	Mar. 1st . . . . .	5.30 " " 6.30 "

**Local Discount.**—A Discount from these rates will be given by the municipality of \*—per cent.

**Prompt Payment Discount.**—A discount of 10 per cent. on the whole bill will be allowed for payment within 10 days from date of bill.

If Consumer uses power in any higher class than that under which he is rated, he shall from that time be considered as automatically transferred to the new class for balance of the term of contract.

If found necessary to consider *power factor* the Hydro-Electric Clause to govern, except as per No. 11 condition.†

**Eastern Municipalities Power Union** On December 14, 1910, representatives of Eastern Ontario, from municipalities extending from Napanee to Morrisburg, met in Brockville, and unanimously passed a resolution requesting the Hydro-Electric Power Commission to submit estimates for the cost of distributing electrical energy, in certain specified quantities, to the various municipalities represented at the meeting.

This meeting was the beginning of the Union of Eastern Ontario Municipalities. Other municipalities have since joined.

On April 7, 1911, at Brockville, the chairman of the Hydro-Electric Power Commission, Hon. Adam Beck, addressed representatives of nineteen eastern Ontario municipalities, and explained the hydro-electric arrangements which the Ontario Government had planned for them. In the course of his address Mr. Beck drew attention to the fact, that private interests had secured control of many of the water-powers, which, in the Trent valley, constitute natural sources of supply of hydro-electric energy for portions of Eastern Ontario.

\* The local discount varies from 0 to 33½ per cent. according to the cost of power to the municipality. For example, the municipality of London has provided for a discount of 10 per cent.

† "Condition No. 11.—All electrical and mechanical equipment used by the Consumer shall be subject to the reasonable approval of the Commissioners, and the Consumer shall so take and use the electrical energy as not to endanger the apparatus of the Commissioners or cause any wide or abnormal fluctuations of their line voltage. All motors shall be selected with reference to securing the highest feasible power factor at all loads. Minimum power factor when operating Consumer's maximum load shall be 80 per cent. for motors up to 10 H. P., and 85 per cent. above 10 H.P."

**Co-operation  
Necessary to  
Protect Public  
Interests**

Some of the more important of these Trent Valley water-powers, along the Trent Valley canal, are the property of the Dominion Government, and have been leased by the Government to private parties. Mr. Beck pointed out, that the carrying forward of the hydro-electric policy of the Ontario Government in Eastern Ontario was hindered, because recent leases had been given by the Federal Government upon conditions which did not adequately provide for the supply, by lessees, of hydro-electric energy to municipalities.

Mr. Beck stated, that when the Hydro-Electric Commission applied to the private interests controlling these Trent Valley powers, and expressed its desire to arrange for a supply of power to municipalities, the Commission was informed that all the power controlled by the private corporation was at present required for other purposes.

The experience which the municipalities of Eastern Ontario encountered, when they, through the Commission, approached the corporation which holds large interests in the Trent Valley water-powers, has, incidentally, accentuated to the municipalities of Canada at large, the value of such offices as are performed by a body like the Hydro-Electric Power Commission of Ontario.

Again, an instance of the kind above referred to shows how necessary it is to have sympathetic co-operation between the Federal and Provincial Governments, especially at times when there may be the equivalent of some overlapping of jurisdiction over certain assets of the country. If this is not done the best interests of the people may seriously suffer.

**Proposed  
Contracts  
Waddington  
N.Y. and  
Madawaska**

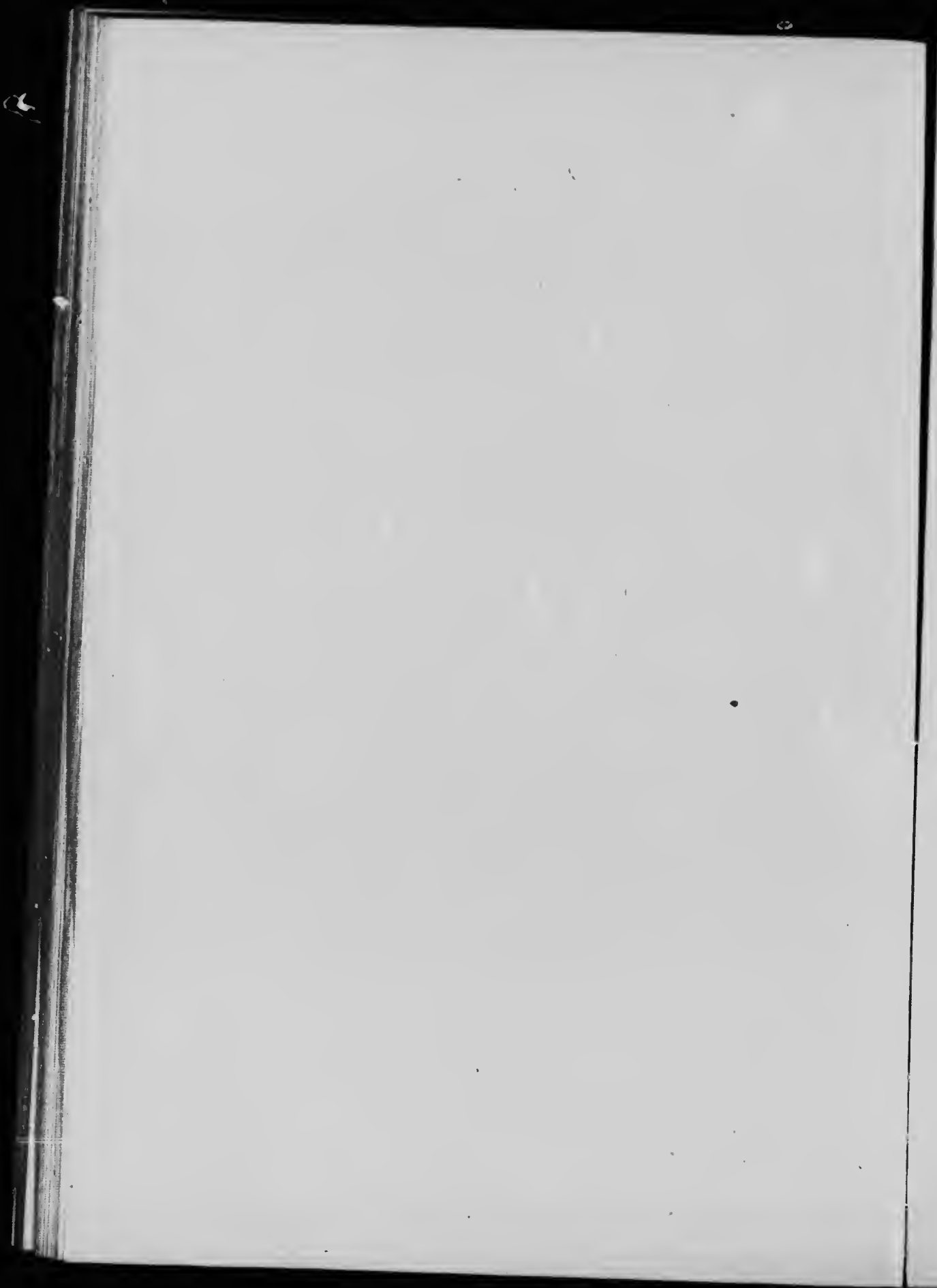
As has been intimated, the private control of these Trent Valley water-powers forced the Commission to seek its supplies of power from, somewhat, less advantageously located power sites. The Hydro-Electric Power Commission has contracted with the New York and Ontario Power Co., of Waddington, N.Y., for the delivery of 15,000 horse-power. The contract is framed along lines similar to the contract made with the Ontario Power Co., of Niagara Falls. The New York and Ontario Power Co., agrees to deliver 5,000 horse-power in ten months, after that, in blocks of 100 horse power until the contract limit is reached in 18 months. The prices for horse-power delivered at the sub-station of the Commission in Ontario are:

For not less than	2,000 horse-power.....	\$13.00
Then for all up to	4,000 " " .....	12.50
Then for all up to	6,000 " " .....	12.00
Then for all up to	8,000 " " .....	11.50
Then for all up to	10,000 " " .....	11.00
Then for	10,000 " " (and over)...	10.50





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Four distributing stations are proposed, viz., one at Brockville, another at Morrisburg, a third at Kingston, and a fourth at Gananoque.

The total estimated cost of the transmission lines and transformer stations for distributing the power from Waddington to the municipalities mentioned below is \$652,000.

The Commission also contemplates contracting for 20,000 horse-power from a company developing at High falls on the Madawaska river. This transmission line from High falls would tie in with the line from Waddington at a joint distributing station at Kingston.

**Estimated Costs** The estimated costs of power per horse-power, in the quantities indicated, to various municipalities who have applied for same, are as follows:

ONTARIO

ESTIMATE OF COST OF POWER PER H.P. TO EASTERN MUNICIPALITIES \*

Municipality	Power applied for		Power applied for plus 50%		Power applied for plus 100%	
	H.P.	Price.	H.P.	Price.	H.P.	Price.
Napanee . . . . .	200	36.23	300	28.44	400	22.09
Kingston. . . . .	1200	29.45	1800	23.76	2400	19.20
Lansdowne. . . . .	100	55.38	150	34.13	200	26.81
Brockville. . . . .	1000	20.49	1500	17.49	2000	15.37
Lyn . . . . .	150	22.43	225	18.83	300	16.31
Prescott. . . . .	500	18.17	750	15.86	1000	13.95
Cardinal. . . . .	100	16.18	150	14.50	200	12.90
Morrisburg . . . . .	2000	13.85	3000	12.93	4000	11.67
Athens. . . . .	73	39.07	112	30.05	150	24.68
	5223		7987		10650	

**Lindsay, Midland, and Penetanguishene** The Commission has under consideration proposals for the supply of electrical energy to the town of Lindsay from Fenelon falls, on the Trent river; and to the towns of Midland and Penetanguishene, from the development at the Big chute, on the Severn river.

**Commission's Additional Functions** The Commission already undertakes many important duties besides those connected with the construction works above referred to. For example, estimates of cost are furnished municipalities who enquire about possible supplies of hydro-electrical energy. Measurements are made of stream flow, and special hydraulic surveys have been made of sites proposed for special power development. Much of this work is performed with a view to enable

\* The above prices, as quoted to municipalities, include cost of power at falls, lost power, operation, administration and interest. These prices are preliminary estimates and subject to modification.

municipalities which cannot be supplied from Niagara power, to obtain a fair figure through the Commission from companies generating in their respective vicinities. In some instances, the Commission itself undertakes to construct the necessary works.

Again, as notably in the instances of the cities of Ottawa and Port Arthur, the Commission has been called upon to deal with difficulties existing between municipal and private interests, with the result that the difficulties have been removed and all parties financially benefitted.

**Future of the Commission** It is the Commission's intention, in the early future, to take up the work of distributing power and light to the farmer and to small villages through the agency of the township councils. This work will enable the farmer to use cheap power for operating his agricultural and dairy appliances.

In addition to the functions referred to in the foregoing survey, and besides exercising a supervision over its extensive interests, the Commission anticipates taking up the work of making and enforcing orders and regulations relating to the construction, operation, protection, and inspection of the works, plant, machinery, appliances, and equipment for the transmission and distribution of electrical power by municipal corporations, and by railway, power or transmission companies. Legislation has already been provided to accomplish these objects.\*

#### Power Development on the Niagara River

Since 1905, the general situation regarding the development of water-power on the Niagara river, and at Niagara falls in particular, has acquired a very different status from what it had before. For years the supply of Niagara's waters for power purposes was regarded as practically inexhaustible. To acute observers, however, it was evident that, even up to 1906, under the powers and privileges which had been granted to various companies in the United States and Canada, it might have become possible for them to drain the Niagara river, and, in addition, to draw upon the waters of lake Erie. As the true state of affairs at Niagara, and the consequent possibilities became better apprehended, public opinion began to take definite form in favour of the preservation of the scenic grandeur of the great cataract. Another factor was that, in many instances where water-powers had passed into private or corporate control, there was a disposition to sell the developed hydro-electric power at a small fraction under the cost of steam, thus depriving the people of the benefits of one of their greatest natural heritages.

Members of the American Civic Association, the American Scenic and Historical Society, the Colonial Dames of America, and other organizations were zealous in their efforts to secure the preservation of the scenic grandeur

\* 1 George V, chap. 14 and 1 George V, chap. 15 (Ontario).

of the Falls.\* The efforts of such organizations in the United States and in Canada were the immediate influences which resulted in definite action being taken to preserve the Falls and the scenic beauty of the Niagara river.

In the United States charters for power development had been granted by the state of New York, while, in Canada, charters had been granted by the Governments of the Dominion and of the province of Ontario. There were three prominent features which constituted the underlying principles upon which the jurisdiction of Federal authority was based.

**FIRST.**—The Niagara is a navigable river for the greater part of its length. It was recognized that, although the waters in some portions are not navigable by reason of falls and rapids, yet the control of such portions is essential to the maintenance of the navigability of other portions of the river and of lakes Erie and Ontario.

**SECOND.**—The Niagara river is a boundary stream. It is the duty of the government of a country to maintain the proper regimen of such a river, so as to insure its integrity and proper volume.

**THIRD.**—The scenic beauty of Niagara falls was regarded as a natural heritage belonging to the nation as a whole, and, as such, it was conceived that this great cataract should be conserved and not injured by excessive diversion of the waters of the rapids and falls.

**Aesthetic Value of Niagara** In passing, it may be pointed out that the commercial value of what is called the "scenic beauty" of Niagara falls and rapids is apt to be overlooked on account of the purely academic significance which frequently attaches to aesthetic considerations. Every Canadian possesses a commercial asset, so to speak, in the Niagara river. This phase of Niagara interests is well brought out in a statement published, in 1911, by the American Civic Association, which says:

"Abraham Lincoln, in notes for a lecture on Niagara Falls, said that the value of the great cataract was not so much in its grandeur as in its power to excite reflection and emotion in the people who saw it. He might, had he known how travel would be stimulated, have gone further and added some statement as to its value as a cash-producing asset to the people of the United States.

"The army engineers, who have, under the direction of the Secretary of War and in connection with the findings of the International Waterways Commission, been for several years working at and about Niagara Falls, estimate that not less than 800,000 visitors annually

\* *Re American Civic Association*, see Senate Report No. 1611, (Calendar No. 1562), 59th Congress, 1st Session.

*Re Am. Sc. and Hist. Soc.*, see Document No. 5, Committee on Rivers and Harbors, House of Representatives, 59th Congress, 1st Session.

*Re Colonial Dames of America*, see *Sessional Papers* (Canada), No. 19a, 1907, p. 260.

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come from a distance to see the great cataract. It has been estimated further that the average amount expended per person is not less than \$25, resulting in a gross travel income for the mere sight of Niagara Falls of \$20,000,000 per year. Capitalized at 5 per cent, this would represent a value to the American people of \$400,000,000, considerably more than the cost of the Panama Canal. That is, every man, woman and child in the United States has an ownership of about \$4, in Niagara Falls, which pays a five per cent, annual revenue in money diverted completely and immediately into the channels of trade, ultimately reaching all of the owners.

"Obviously, the value of Niagara Falls to the people of the United States, aside from Lincoln's reason for their existence, and in simple dollars and cents, is far greater as a spectacle to attract travel than as a source of water power for a few stockholders and for the promotion of restricted industry."

The foregoing statement will emphasize to Canadians how great is the aesthetic value which they possess in the Niagara falls and rapids when viewed from a commercial standpoint.

**The President Takes Action** Having decided upon the need for Federal action, the President recommended in his message to the 59th Congress, that action be taken for the preservation of Niagara falls.\* Congress adopted a resolution of the Committee on Rivers and Harbours calling upon the United States members of the International Waterways Commission to report upon the general conditions obtaining at the Falls, and requesting, further, that there be co-operation with the Canadian members of the Commission to the end that proper and adequate steps be taken to prevent further depletion of the waters of the Niagara.† The matter was brought to the attention of the Canadian section of the Commission and their co-operation was heartily given.‡

It seemed fitting that the International Waterways Commission should undertake this work, because, while recognizing the desirability of the temporary diversion of certain waters for the development of power, yet, it had previously laid down as one of its fundamental principles, that "In all navigable waters the use for navigation purposes is of primary and paramount right." The changes brought about in the power situation at Niagara falls have occurred, therefore, largely through the immediate in-

\* See Message to Congress, March 27, 1906, 59th Congress, 1st Session, Senate Doc. No. 242.

† See House of Representatives, Report No. 4654, 59th Congress, 1st Session p. 2; also, *Sessional Papers*, (Canada,) No. 19a, 1907, p. 98; also, *Second Progress Report*, United States Section, International Waterways Commission, p. 4.

‡ For recommendations respecting the advisability of having a treaty, see report of April 25th, 1906, made by the Canadian section, *Sessional Papers* (Canada), 1907, No. 19a, pp. 101-102.

strumentality of the joint sections of the International Waterways Commission.\*

The authorities whose duty it was to make the recommendations regarding the diversion of the water of the river proceeded to work largely upon the basis that no serious hardship could result from withdrawing the charter powers of those who had failed to exercise the same; and that where companies had exercised their powers and had construction works either erected, or under erection, no serious hardship would befall if their use of water was restricted to, but at the same time made sufficient for, all the requirements of the installations which had been completed, or were then in progress of construction. In accordance with these views, a thorough investigation by Capt. Charles W. Kutz, of the United States Engineers, under the authority of the United States Secretary of War, was made into the power situation at Niagara Falls on both sides of the international boundary.†

Capt. Kutz' research involved the furnishing of exact information with respect to the capital which had been invested in all the power plants; the extent to which these plants were in actual use; the number of cubic feet of water actually in use; the amount of electrical power actually generated; the contracts made by these companies for the furnishing of power; the charters of the companies, and their statutory powers; the amount of power which under their charter or statutory powers, they might produce; the amount of actual construction completed; the amount of money invested in partially completed plants; the amount necessary to complete them; the amount of electrical current then being furnished; the amount which could be reasonably furnished with the plant under construction, and the amount that could be sold in the existing markets by these companies; and all the other circumstances tending to reflect on the effect which a limitation by a permit would have upon their business.

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\* The International Waterways Commission originated under a provision of the Rivers and Harbours Act of the United States, June 13, 1902. The Canadian section held its first meetings in Ottawa, on March 6 and 7, 1905. The United States section held its first meeting in Washington, D.C., on May 10, 1905. The first meeting of the full Commission was held at Washington, D.C., May 25 and 26, 1905. See *First Progress Report of the Canadian Members of the International Waterways Commission, 1905*, for reference to papers and documents appertaining to the formation of the Commission.

† Reports upon the existing water power situation at Niagara Falls, so far as concerns the diversion of water on the American side, are published as U. S. War Dept. Document, No. 289. Washington, 1906.

Reports upon the existing water-power situation at Niagara Falls, so far as concerns the Canadian power companies and their associated transmission companies, are published as U. S. War Dept. Document No. 284.

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The bulk of the capital in some of the plants on the Canadian side of the river was invested by citizens of the United States. Therefore, the research into power conditions also required that information be furnished regarding "the capital already invested in the Canadian companies, the degree of completion of the plant, the amount of the current likely to be sold on the Canadian side; the time when the plant shall be ready for operation; the amount now actually produced; the amount now actually transmitted to the United States; the amount invested not only in the production of the current, but in the plant and machinery for its transmission, including the poles and wires and all the details; and also the capital invested by the American companies who are to receive in the first instance the current thus produced; the form in which the capital is, and the contracts into which they have entered both with the Canadian companies and with the companies or persons to whom they expect to sell the current; the dates of these contracts, and all the circumstances tending to show the extent of the injury that a refusal to grant the permits requested would cause to the investment of capital, together with the question of when the contracts were made upon which the claims for the use of current are based, with a view to determining the good faith with which these contracts were entered into; and whether the threatened passage of law induced their making."

**Kutz' Report** In due course Captain Kutz made his reports. The principal data relating to the three large Canadian companies as tabulated by him are as follows:\*

## DATA RESPECTING COMPANIES AT NIAGARA

Item	Ontario Power Co.	Electrical Development Co.	Canadian Niagara Power Co.
Expenditures to date in power plants exclusive of rights and franchises . . . . .	\$5,142,000	\$4,500,000	\$4,672,000
Amount required to complete existing contracts and orders . . . . .	715,000	1,760,000	678,000
Amount required to complete plants to projected size . . . . .	6,500,000	1,576,000	1,250,000
Effective head, in feet . . . . .	180	135	141
Capacity of generating machinery actually installed, electrical H.P. . . . .	42,000	.....	55,000
Nominal capacity of generating machinery installed and ordered, electrical H.P. . . . .	66,000	50,000	55,000
Nominal capacity of projected plants, electrical H.P. . . . .	180,000	125,000	110,000

\* See *Sessional Papers, Canada, No. 19a, 1907, p. 272.*



Data Respecting Companies at Niagara—Continued

Item	Ontario Power Co.	Electrical Development Co.	Canadian Niagara Power Co.
Amount invested and obligated for Canadian transmission lines. . . . .	\$1,000,000†	\$2,880,000	\$430,000*
Probable sale of power in Canada, H.P. . . .	10,000	30,000	8,000
Amount of water required for machinery installed and ordered, including exciter sets, —efficiency of the unit being taken at 78 per cent—cubic feet per sec. . . . .	4,250	4,300	4,500
Amount of water required for plants as projected, cubic feet per sec. . . . .	11,700	10,800	9,500
Actual expenditures by their associated American transmission companies. . . . .	\$2,785,000	\$246,000**	\$600,000

Under the separate description of each of these companies given below will be found more recent data relating to some of the items specified in the table above given.

**The Joint Commission Report** After report had been made to the United States section of the International Waterways Commission upon the matters involved in the research prosecuted by Capt. Kutz, the joint Commission on May 3rd, 1906, reported its conclusions as follows:†

The Commission has made a thorough investigation of the conditions existing at Niagara Falls, and the two Sections have presented reports to their respective governments setting forth those conditions to which attention is invited. The following views and recommendations are based upon a careful study of the facts and conditions set forth in these reports.‡

(1) In the opinion of the Commission, it would be a sacrifice to destroy the scenic effect of Niagara Falls.

(2) While the Commission are not fully agreed as to the effect of diversions of water from Niagara Falls, all are of the opinion that more than 36,000 cubic feet per second on the Canadian side of the Niagara River or on the Niagara Peninsula, and 12,500 cubic feet per second on the United States side of the Niagara River, including diversions for

\*The major portion of this amount has been expended in the construction of transmission lines intended for the delivery of power to United States distributing companies.

\*\* This does not include any expenditures by the Nicholls Syndicate.

† Kutz' Report of August 15th is dealt with by the United States section of the Commission in its report of Sept 29th, 1906, and his report of October 5th in the Commission's report of Nov. 15th, 1906.

‡ See *Sessional Papers, Canada, No. 19b, 1906, p. 13.*

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power purposes on the Erie canal, cannot be diverted without injury to Niagara falls as a whole.

(3) The Commission, therefore, recommend that such diversions, exclusive of water required for domestic uses or the service of locks in navigation canals, be limited on the Canadian side to 36,000 cubic feet per second, and on the United States side to 18,500 cubic feet per second (and in addition thereto a diversion for sanitary purposes not to exceed 10,000 cubic feet per second, be authorized for the Chicago Drainage Canal), and that a treaty or legislation be had limiting these diversions to the quantities mentioned.

(4) The effect of the diversion of water by the Chicago drainage canal upon the general navigation interests of the Great Lakes system will be considered in a separate report.

(5) The Canadian section, while assenting to the above conclusions, did so upon the understanding that in connection therewith, should be expressed their views that any treaty or arrangement as to the preservation of Niagara falls should be limited to the term of twenty-one years, and should also establish the principles applicable to all diversions or uses of waters adjacent to the international boundary, and of all streams which flow across the boundary.

**Recommended** The quantity of water first recommended for diversion on **Apportionments** the Canadian side was fixed at an amount which, it was assumed, would allow the companies on that side to complete the works which they had under construction. The amounts were as follows:\*

COMPANY	DIVERSION RECOMMENDED
Canadian Niagara Power Company. . . . .	9,500 cub. ft. per second
Ontario Power Company. . . . .	12,000 " " " "
Electrical Development Company . . . . .	11,200 " " " "
Niagara Falls Park and River Railway Co. . .	1,500 " " " "
Welland canal, or its tenants (in addition to lock service) . . . . .	1,800 " " " "
<b>Total allowable diversion recommended . . . . .</b>	<b>36,000 " " " "</b>

On the American side, the works in operation or in course of construction, were estimated to require as follows:†

\* See *Sessional Papers, Canada, No. 19a, 1907, p. 140.*

† This quantity under the Burton Act was subsequently reduced to 15,600 and under the International Boundary Waters Treaty increased to 20,000 cubic feet per second. See *Sessional Papers, Canada, No. 19a, 1907, p. 140, also p. 264 et seq.*

COMPANY	DIVERSION RECOMMENDED.
Niagara Falls Hydraulic and Manufacturing Company. . . . .	9,500 cub. ft. per second
Niagara Falls Power Company . . . . .	8,600 " " " "
Erie canal, or its tenants (in addition to lock service). . . . .	400 " " " "
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Total allowable diversion recommended . . . . .	18,500 " " " "

In deciding upon the 18,500 cubic feet per second, consideration was taken of the fact that the Chicago Drainage canal would take 10,000 cubic feet per second of water which otherwise would have found its way into the Niagara river so that the recommended diversion on the United States side was really 28,500 cubic feet per second.\*

The United States section of the Commission recommended that permits be granted for the importation of power into the United States as follows:

COMPANY	IMPORTATION
The Ontario Power Company. . . . .	60,000 H.P.
The Canadian Niagara Power Company. . . . .	60,000 "
The Electrical Development Company. . . . .	37,500 "
The International Railway Company (to be reserved but permit not to be granted immediately) . . . . .	2,500 "
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Total. . . . .	160,000 "

\* In making this recommendation, the members of the United States section of the International Waterways Commission, in their report of 19th March, 1906, to the Secretary of War, state that "One of the effects of such legislation would be to give to Canada the advantage of diverting 7,500 cubic feet per second more than is diverted in the United States. The advantage is more apparent than real, since the power generated on the Canadian side will to a large extent be transmitted to and used in the United States." See *Sessional Papers, Canada, 19a, 1907, pp. 252-253.*

Considering the plants on both sides of the river at Niagara Falls, it takes about .075 cubic feet of water per second to develop one electrical horse-power. On this basis therefore, the 160,000 H.P. to be imported into the States from Canada is equivalent to about 12,000 cubic feet of water per second. This quantity, with the 10,000 cubic feet per second, diverted by the Chicago Drainage Canal, and the 20,000 cubic feet per second, allotted under the International Boundary Waters Treaty, in effect, gives the States benefits from the use of about 42,000 cubic feet of water per second. Compared with this 42,000, Canadians would have for use in their own country, benefits from about 24,000 (viz. 36,000—12,000) cubic feet of water per second. This will explain the pertinence of a remark such as was made by the United States section of the Commission to the effect that in the amount of the waters diverted on the Canadian side, Canada's "advantage is more apparent than real."

† See *Infra*, page 65.

**The Burton Act** In 1905, negotiations had been opened up between the United States Government and the British Ambassador at Washington with the object of arranging a treaty between Great Britain and the United States dealing with the waters along the international boundary, between the United States and Canada.\* Subsequently these negotiations were interrupted pending the report of the International Waterways Commission upon the power conditions at Niagara falls.\*\* When the United States section of the International Waterways Commission reported to its government regarding the preservation of Niagara falls, the President recommended to Congress that the suggestions of the Commission be enacted into law without waiting for the negotiation of a treaty, the law to lapse in three years, failing international agreement during that time.

Accordingly, on June 29, 1906, "A Bill for the Control and Regulation of the Waters of Niagara River, for the Preservation of Niagara Falls, and for Other Purposes," was passed and received the approval of the President. This act, known as the Burton Act, was regarded merely as a temporary measure.†

The Burton Act provides for the issuance by the United States Secretary of War, of four kinds of permits appertaining to the waters of the Niagara river and the power developed therefrom:‡

**FIRST.**—Permits to divert water from the Niagara river on the American side to an aggregate amount not exceeding 15,600 cubic feet per second.

**SECOND.**—Revocable permits to divert additional water from the Niagara river on the American side to such amount, if any, as shall not injure the river as a navigable stream or as a boundary stream, and shall not injure the scenic grandeur of Niagara falls. But no such permits shall be issued until approximately the 15,600 cubic feet per second mentioned above shall have been diverted for a period of not less than six months.

**THIRD.**—Permits to transmit electrical power from Canada into the United States to the aggregate amount of 160,000 H.P.

**FOURTH.**—Revocable permits for the transmission of additional electrical power from Canada into the United States, but in no case shall the

\* Regarding items recommended by the Canadian section of the International Waterways Commission for embodiment in the proposed treaty see *Sessional Papers, Canada, 19a, 1907*; pp. 101-102.

\*\* See *Sessional Papers, Canada, 19a, 1907*; pp. 97-98; also pp. 262 *et seq.*

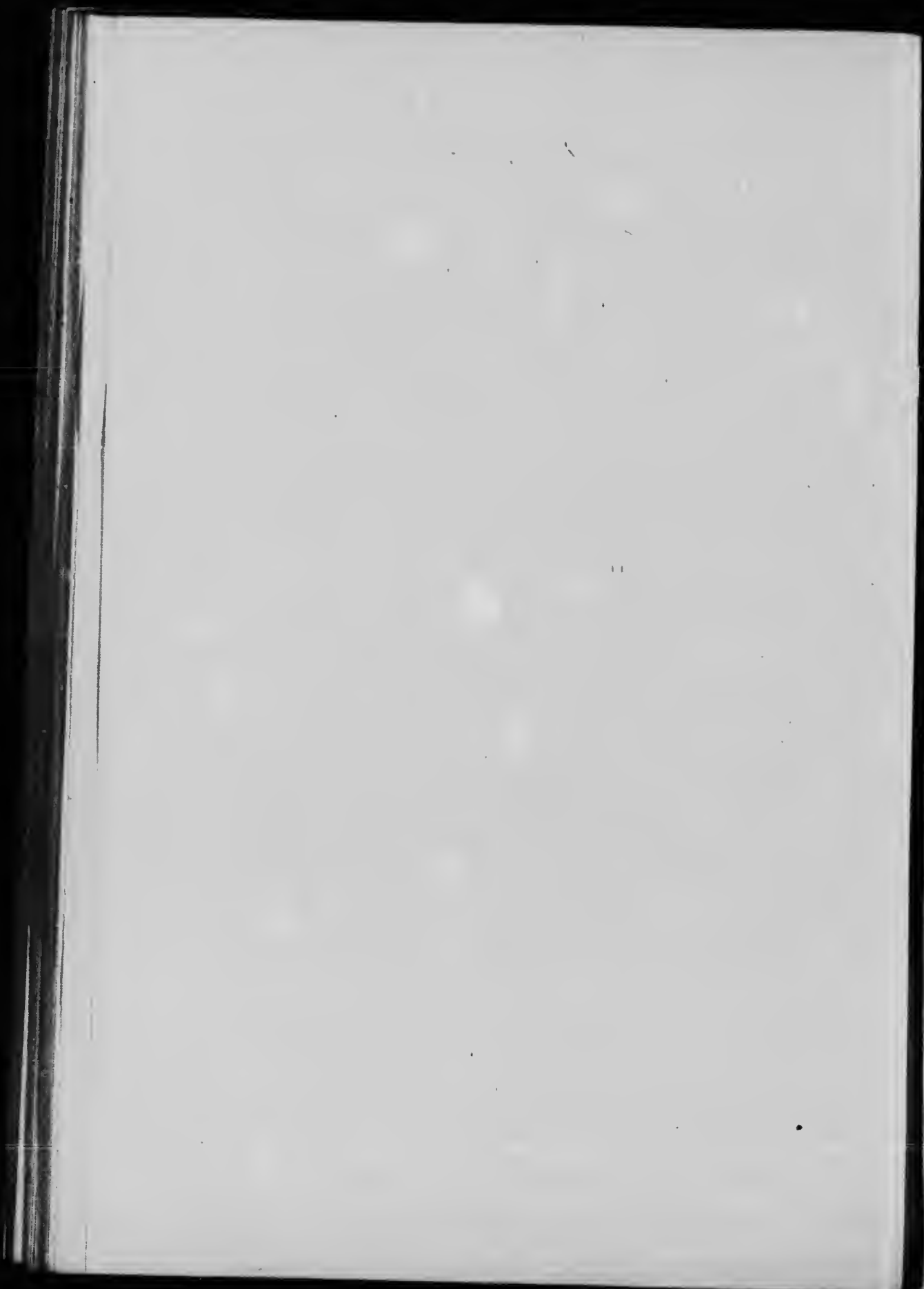
† Public Document No. 307. See *United States Statutes at Large, 59th Congress, 1st Session, Vol. xxxiv, Part 1. Chap. 3621, pp. 626-628.*

‡ See *Sessional Papers, Canada, No. 19a, 1907, p. 265.*



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MAP OF NIAGARA FALLS SHOWING LOCATION OF POWER DEVELOPMENTS



amount included in such permits, together with the 160,000 H.P. mentioned above and the amount generated and used in Canada, exceed 350,000 H.P.

**Apportionment by the U.S. Secretary of War** As a result of all the investigations, public hearings, and reports upon the subjects involved, the Secretary of War in his *Opinion*, decided to grant permits\*

(1) to divert water on the American side and (2) for export of power from Canada to the United States. The following is a list of the permits granted to divert water on the American side:

COMPANY	DIVERSION PERMITTED
Niagara Falls Power Company. ....	8,600 cub. ft. per second
Niagara Falls Hydraulic Power and Manufacturing Company. ....	6,500 " " " "
Lockport Hydraulic Company (Erie Canal) ..	500 " " " "
Total. ....	15,600 " " " "

The permits issued to import power from Canada to the United States were as follows:

COMPANY	AMOUNT
International Railway Company.....	1,500 H.P.
Ontario Power Company. ....	60,000 "
Canadian Niagara Falls Power Company. ....	52,500 "
Electrical Development Company. ....	46,000 "
Total. ....	160,000 "

The Burton Act would have expired by limitation on June 29th, 1909, but a joint resolution was approved on the 3rd of March, 1909, extending the operation of the Act for a further term of two years, viz: until June 29th, 1911.†

\* *Annual Report of the Secretary of War, 1907, Washington, 1908, p. 34.* Applications for permits were made by the four Canadian companies for the exportation of power into the United States under the Burton Act to the extent of 282,000 H.P., as follows: International Railway Company, 8,000 H.P.; Ontario Power Company 90,000 H.P.; Electrical Development Company, 62,500 H.P.; Canadian Niagara Power Company, 121,500 H.P. See *Opinion by the Secretary of War, Jan. 18th, 1907.*

† House Joint Resolutions No. 262. See *United States Statutes at Large, 60th Congress, 2nd Session, Vol. xxxv, Part 1, p. 1169.*

**Electricity and Fluid Exportation Act**      After the Burton Act was passed the Government of Canada, on April 27, 1907, passed an Act intituled "An Act to Regulate the Exportation of Electric Power and certain Liquids and Gases."\*

This Act prohibits the exportation of any power or fluid except under government license, and subject to such regulations as, from time to time, may be imposed by the Governor in Council.

Clause 10 of the Act states, that

1. The Governor in Council may, by proclamation published in the *The Canada Gazette*, impose export duties, not exceeding ten dollars per annum per horse-power, upon power exported from Canada, or not exceeding ten cents per thousand cubic feet on fluid exported from Canada, and such duties shall be chargeable accordingly after the publication of such proclamation.

2. The Governor in Council may, by proclamation published in like manner, from time to time remove or re-impose such duties or vary the amount thereof.

3. The Governor in Council may, by proclamation published in like manner, exempt from the payment of such duties such persons as comply with the direction of the Governor in Council with regard to the quantity of power or fluid to be supplied by such persons for distribution to customers for use in Canada.

On November 4, 1907, an Order in Council was passed establishing the Regulations. The licenses are for the term of one year. Under clause 3 of the Regulations

The contractor, shall, on or before the 1st day of April of each year, make application for the license referred to in the previous paragraph and shall pay therefor the following fee, namely:

(a) In the case of an electrical plant generating not more than 10,000 horse-power, twenty-five dollars;

(b) In the case of an electrical plant generating over 10,000 horse-power, fifty dollars;

(c) In the case of a natural gas plant, fifty dollars.

The amounts of electrical energy for which licenses have been granted to Canadian Niagara companies, also the quantities of electrical energy generated for export and for consumption in Canada during the fiscal year ended March 31, 1910, are:†

\* Dominion Statutes 6-7 Ed. VII, chap. 16; the *Act*, the *Regulations* of Nov. 4, 1907, and the *Form of License* will be found in the Appendices.

With regard to some matters related to the exportation of electricity see, *The Exportation of Electricity*, by Arthur V. White, in *The University Magazine*, Oct. 1910, pp. 460-467.

† Consult *Reports, Returns and Statistics of the Inland Revenues of the Dominion of Canada*, Ottawa, 1910, Appendix K, p. 68.



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Name of Contractor	Licence to Export	Units Generated for Export		Units Generated for Consumption in Canada	
	Kilowatt Years	Kilowatt Hours	H.P. Years	Kilowatt Hours	H.P. Years
Canadian Niagara Power Company ..	30,165	276,866,417	42,351.60	5,590,333	855.20
Electrical Development Company of Ontario, Ltd. ....	34,316	22,496,703	3,441.25	101,155,973	15,473.65
Ontario Power Company of Niagara Falls .....	45,000	174,116,995	26,631.10	74,853,105	11,450.12

**Power Reserved For Canada** In the agreements between the Niagara Falls Park Commissioners and the Canadian Niagara Power Co., the Ontario Power Co. and the Electrical Development Co., it is agreed that the quantity of power to be supplied in Canada, whenever so required, is to be not less than one-half of the quantity generated.\*

**International Boundary Waters Treaty** Section 4, of the Burton Act states, "That the President of the United States is respectfully requested to open negotiations with the Government of Great Britain for the purpose of effectually providing, by suitable treaty with said government, for such regulation and control of the waters of Niagara river and its tributaries, as will preserve the scenic grandeur of Niagara Falls and of the rapids in said river."

In accordance with this section, negotiations between the Governments of Great Britain and the United States, which had been interrupted, were resumed, and the International Boundary Waters Treaty, was signed at Washington 11th January, 1909. A rider was subsequently attached by the United States Senate, March 3, 1909.† The treaty remains in force for five years, dating from the day of exchange of ratifications, and thereafter until terminated by twelve months' written notice given by either of the contracting parties. Ratifications were exchanged at Washington, May 5, 1910.

\* See Report Q.V.N.F.P. Commissioners, 1892, p. 6; 1899, p. 34; also, 1902, p. 33.

† For re-opening of negotiations, see *Sessional Papers*, Canada, No. 19a, 1907, p. 262 et seq.

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The matters covered by the treaty are placed under a Commission known as the International Joint Commission, composed of six commissioners, three on the part of the United States, and three on the part of the United Kingdom appointed by His Majesty on the recommendation of the Governor in Council of the Dominion of Canada. This Commission is essentially a continuance of the Joint International Waterways Commission.

With regard to the disposal of the waters of the Niagara river, Article V of the treaty states that

"The high contracting parties agree that it is expedient to limit the diversion of waters from the Niagara river, so that the level of lake Erie and the flow of the stream shall not be appreciably affected. It is the desire of both parties to accomplish this object with the least possible injury to investments which have already been made in the construction of power plants on the United States side of the river under grants of authority from the state of New York, and on the Canadian side of the river under licenses authorized by the Dominion of Canada and the province of Ontario.

So long as this treaty shall remain in force no diversion of the Niagara river above the falls from the natural course and stream thereof shall be permitted except for the purposes and to the extent hereinafter provided.

The United States may authorize and permit the diversion within the state of New York of the water of the said river above the falls of Niagara, for power purposes, not exceeding in the aggregate a daily diversion at the rate of twenty thousand cubic feet of water per second.

The United Kingdom, by the Dominion of Canada, or the province of Ontario, may authorize and permit the diversion within the province of Ontario of the waters of said river above the falls of Niagara, for power purposes, not exceeding in the aggregate a daily diversion at the rate of thirty-six thousand cubic feet of water per second.

The prohibitions of this article shall not apply to the diversion of water for sanitary or domestic purposes, or for the service of canals for the purposes of navigation."

The water which may be diverted at Niagara falls, so far as the United States is concerned, aggregates 20,000 cubic feet per second, whereas the Burton Act limited it to 15,600 cubic feet. The quantity for diversion upon the Canadian side as specified in the treaty, is 36,000 cubic feet per second.

## Power Companies at Niagara Falls

The policy the International Waterways Commission adopted in apportioning the waters of the Niagara river and of lake Erie was to

grant water-diversion permits to the companies that had power development plants already constructed or under construction.

On the Canadian side, these companies are:

- Canadian Niagara Power Company of Niagara Falls;
- Ontario Power Company of Niagara Falls;
- Electrical Development Company of Ontario, Ltd. (Toronto Power Company);
- Niagara Falls Park and River Railway Company (The International Railway Company);
- Welland canal or its tenants (in addition to lock service).

On the United States side, these companies are:

- Niagara Falls Hydraulic Power and Manufacturing Company;
- Niagara Falls Power Company;
- Erie canal or its tenants (in addition to lock service).

In addition to the above-named companies, there are chartered companies on both sides of the river, some of whose statutory powers have expired by limitation. The franchises of some of them, however, are still in force. The following chartered companies have power rights in the Niagara, Welland and lake Erie waters. The character of their franchises, and the legislative acts under which their powers have been granted are indicated below. From time to time the names of the various companies have undergone change; therefore the following list, especially when used in connection with the short descriptive reference accompanying each, will prove of assistance in differentiating between them. The first column gives the present names of the development and transmission companies, while the second gives their former names and indicates the allied development and transmission companies.

- Buffalo and Niagara Power and Drainage Co. . . . . In state of New York.
- Buffalo Water Works, Tunnel and Inlet Pier. . . . . In state of New York.
- Canadian Niagara Power Co. . . . .
- Cataract Power and Conduit Co. . . . . In state of New York.
- Dominion Power and Transmission Co., Ltd. . . . . See Hamilton Cataract Power, Light and Traction Co., Ltd.
- Electrical Development Company of Ontario, Ltd. . . . . See Toronto Power Co.
- Erie Ontario Power Co. . . . .
- Falls Power Co., Ltd. . . . . See Ontario Power Co., of Niagara Falls.

- Hamilton Cataract Power, Light and  
Traction Co., Ltd. .... See Cataract Power Company of  
Hamilton; Hamilton Electric  
Light and Cataract Power Co.,  
Ltd; Dominion Power and Trans-  
mission Co., Ltd.
- International Railway Co. .... See the Niagara Falls Park and  
River Railway Co.; Buffalo Rail-  
way Co.
- Jordan-Erie Power Co. .... See Hamilton and Lake Erie Power  
Co.; Jordan Light, Heat and  
Power Co.; Erie and Ontario  
Development Co., Ltd.
- Lewiston Water Supply Co. .... In state of New York.
- Lockport Water Supply Co. .... In state of New York.
- Lower Niagara River Power and  
Water Supply Co. .... In state of New York.
- Mather Bridge and Power Co. ....
- Niagara County Irrigation and Water  
Supply Co. .... In state of New York.
- Niagara Falls Electrical Transmis-  
sion Co. .... In state of New York. See Electri-  
cal Development Co. of Ontario,  
Ltd.
- Niagara Falls Hydraulic Power and  
Manufacturing Co. .... In state of New York.
- Niagara Falls Power Co. .... In state of New York. See Niagara  
River Hydraulic, Tunnel Power  
and Sewer Co., of Niagara falls.
- Niagara Gorge Power Co. .... In state of New York.
- Niagara, Lockport and Ontario Power  
Co. .... In state of New York. See Ontario  
Power Co., of Niagara falls.
- Niagara Power and Development Co. In state of New York. See Model  
Town Co.
- Niagara-Welland Power Co. .... See The Welland Power and Supply  
Canal Co., Ltd; The Niagara-  
Welland Power Co., Ltd.
- North American Canal Co. ....
- Ontario Distributing Co., Ltd. .... See Ontario Power Co., of Niagara  
falls.
- Ontario Power Company of Niagara  
Falls. .... See Canadian Power Co.

- Ontario Transmission Co., Limited . . See Ontario Power Co., of Niagara Falls.
- Toronto Power Co., Limited. . . . . See Toronto and Mimico Electric Railway and Light Co., Ltd; Toronto and Mimico Railway Co., Ltd.
- Toronto and Niagara Power Co. . . . See Toronto Power Co., Ltd.
- Woodward Power Development.  
Henry E. Woodward estate, . . . . In state of New York.

**Canadian Niagara Power Company** This Company is an ally of the Niagara Falls Power Company of Niagara Falls, N.Y. As early as 1889 negotiations with the Queen Victoria Niagara Falls Park Commissioners for the privileges the Company now possesses were begun by a group of American capitalists. These overtures, however, were not successful. English capitalists then became interested and, on payment of \$10,000, succeeded in securing an option for a year to develop power within the area controlled by the Park Commissioners. This option was renewed for a second year on payment of an additional \$10,000, but was allowed to expire by limitation on Mar. 1, 1892.\* The next step was taken by a group of English and United States capitalists—subsequently incorporated as the Canadian Niagara Power Company. By an agreement, confirmed by the Ontario Legislature in April, 1892, they secured the exclusive right to utilize the waters of the Niagara river within the limits of the Queen Victoria Niagara Falls Park.\*\*

At a later date, the Legislature passed an act conferring on the Park Commissioners authority to negotiate with the Company for the surrender of the exclusive privileges granted it.\*\*\* On July 15, 1899, in return for certain concessions, the Company abandoned its exclusive rights.† Still further restrictions were placed upon the Company's operations on June 19, 1901, when it obtained an extension of the time limit for the construction of its works.‡

**TERMS OF LICENSE.**—The Licenses granted are for 50 years, beginning from the 1st day of May, 1899. The Company at its option may have three renewal periods of 20 years each, making the total period under its

\* For early negotiations, see *Annual Reports of the Queen Victoria Niagara Falls Park Commissioners, 1889-1892.*

\*\* Ontario Statutes, 55 Vict., chap. 8.

\*\*\* Ontario Statutes, 62 Vict., chap. 11, sec. 35-36.

† Report of Q. V. N. F. P. Commissioners for 1899, pp. 11-18.

‡ Report of Q. V. N. F. P. Commissioners for 1901, pp. 14-16; Agreement for Shaft, pp. 17-18; for additional legislation consult, Ontario Statutes, 2 Ed. VII, chap. 11; 3 Ed. VII, chap. 7, sec. 59; 4 Ed. VII, chap. 10, sec. 69; 6 Ed. VII, chap. 19, sec. 44 and 45; 7 Ed. VII, chap. 13. For cross section of intake, consult Plan, entitled, "Stone Bridge over Canal Inlet," dated Niagara Falls, Feb. 27, 1902.

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option 110 years. The Lieutenant-Governor in Council may require the Company to continue its operations for a further term of 20 years, thus making, in all, 130 years. Provision is also made for the re-adjustment of rentals at each renewal period.

The Company agrees to pay for its privileges \$15,000 per annum (payable half yearly) for the first 10,000 electrical H.P., and for each electrical horse-power "generated and used and sold or disposed of,"\*

From 10,000 to 20,000 at. ....	\$1.00 per annum.
From 20,000 to 30,000 at. ....	.75 "
Over 30,000 at. ....	.50 "

Thus, by way of example, 40,000 H.P., disposed of would bring in an annual rental of \$37,500.

**POWER DEVELOPED SINCE 1906.**—The average amount of power developed throughout each six-months' period beginning with April 30th, 1906, is as follows:

Apr. 30, 1906. ....	12,206 H.P.
Oct. 31, 1906. ....	12,551 "
Apr. 30, 1907. ....	20,523 "
Oct. 31, 1907. ....	29,697 "
Apr. 30, 1908. ....	29,867 "
Oct. 31, 1908. ....	34,695 "
Apr. 30, 1909. ....	35,501 "
Oct. 31, 1909. ....	40,440 "
Apr. 30, 1910. ....	46,613 "
Oct. 31, 1910. ....	46,394 "

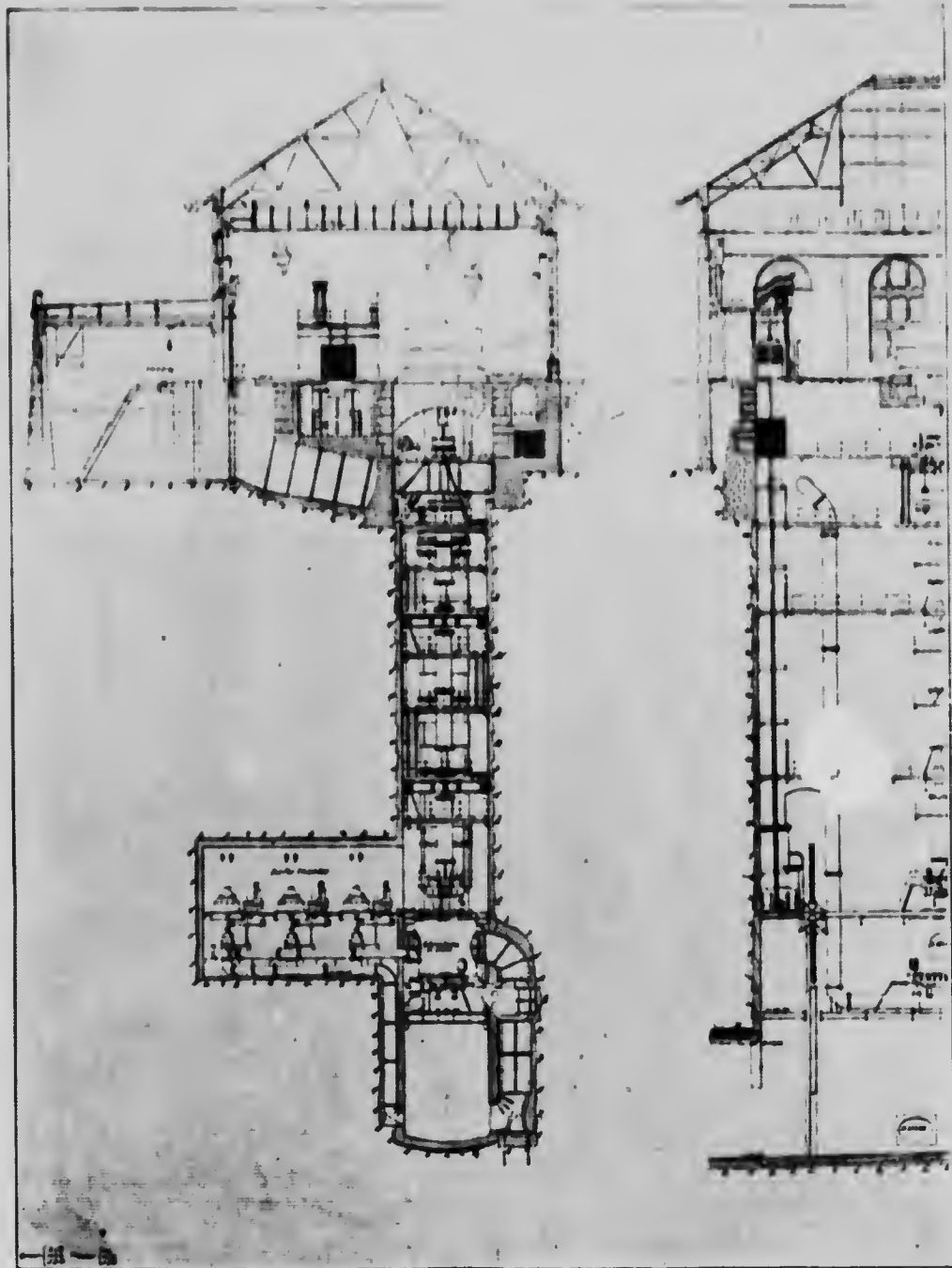
**CAPACITY OF PLANT**—The plans approved by the Commissioners show provision for 11 units, each having a nominal capacity of 11,000 H.P.† or a total of 121,000 H.P. If one of these units be considered as a spare one, then 110,000 H.P. may be regarded as the nominal capacity of the plant.‡

The amount of water that may be withdrawn from the river is not specified in the agreement, but, physically, the quantity would depend upon the practical velocity of flow that might be maintained through the

\*Respecting dispute and litigation as to payments for excess power generated by certain Niagara companies, see, *Annual Reports Q.V.N.F.P. Commissioners, 1908, 1910*; also Agreements, Canadian Niagara Power Co., April 7, 1892, clause 2; Ontario Power Co., April 11, 1900, clause 26; Electrical Development Co., Jan. 29, 1903, clause 14.

† The last generator installed has a nominal rating of 12,500 H.P.

‡ In the agreement of 7th April, 1892, clause 1, provides that "a tract of land not more than 1,200 feet in length by not more than 100 feet in width" shall be reserved for the erection of the buildings and power houses from time to time to be erected as shall be hereafter settled within the aforesaid limits by the Commissioners. See also *Sessional Papers, Canada, No. 19a, 1907, p. 270.*



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five spans of fifty feet clear each, having the special shape of span opening shown on the plan of the Canadian Niagara Power Company entitled, "Stone Bridge over Canal Inlet." The computed quantity of water required for the complete plant, which is also the quantity allotted the Company on recommendation of the International Waterways Commission, is 9,500 cubic feet per second.

Under the Burton Act, the company may import into the United States 52,500 H.P., exclusive of the amount that may be imported under revocable permits.

**Ontario Power Company** This Company came into existence in 1887 under the name of the Canadian Power Company\* and did not assume its present name till July 10, 1899.\*\* The privileges granted to it include

"Full power to construct, equip, maintain and operate a canal and hydraulic tunnel from some point in the Welland river, at or near its conjunction with the Niagara river to a point or points on the west bank of the Niagara river, about or south of the whirlpool and from a point or points in the Niagara river at or immediately south of the head of the rapids near the Welland river to a point or points on the west bank of the Niagara river about or south of Clark Hill," together with appurtenant works necessary for carrying out the Company's purposes.

None of the works authorized may be constructed, and none of the powers given may be exercised within the Queen Victoria Niagara Falls Park, except with the consent of the Lieutenant-Governor in Council and the Park Commissioners.†

Accordingly, on April 11, 1900, the Company entered into an agreement,‡ usually termed the First Agreement, with the Queen Victoria

\* The Act of incorporation is 50-51 Vict., chap. 120 (Canada). Amending acts, most of which were for the purpose of extending the time for the construction of the works, are as follows: 54-55 Vict., chap. 126; 56 Vict., chap. 89; 62-63 Vict., chap. 105; 63-64 Vict., chap. 113 and 2 Ed. VII, chap. 86.

\*\* 62-63 Vict., chap. 105.

† Ibid.

‡ The Agreements, also Orders in Council and Resolutions for convenience in reference may be summarised as follows:

Agreement of 11th April, 1900; approved by the Lieutenant-Governor in Council 13th April, 1900. See *Ann. Rept. Q. V. N. F. P. Com.*, 1899, pp. 25-36.

Supplementary Agreement 15th August, 1901; Ancillary Agreement, 15th August, 1901; adopted by Resolution of the Board of Directors of the Ontario Power Co., dated Buffalo, N.Y., 14th Oct., 1901. See *Ann. Rept., Q. V. N. F. P. Com.*, 1901, pp. 19-22; also pp. 22-24.

Complementary Agreement, 28th June, 1902; adopted by Resolution of the Board of Directors of the Ontario Power Co., 27th June, 1902; approved by Order in Council

Niagara Falls Park Commissioners, by which water might be conducted from the Welland river and used for power purposes under, so to speak, a double head. That is, the water was first to be conducted in an open channel, or head race, to a power house in the Park after which it would be discharged directly into the Niagara river, at a point above the falls. By this scheme a head of about 40 feet was to be utilized. The spent waters in the tail race of this "First Development," as it was called, might next be conducted by a subterranean channel, to a proposed power house situated somewhere in the gorge below the falls, thereby utilizing the hydraulic head incident to the Horseshoe falls. In the agreement, this scheme is referred to as the "Second Development."

The plan approved for the Welland river intake is shown on the "Plan and Profile of Proposed Head Canal and Tunnel,"\* dated Niagara Falls, October, 1901, which shows a canal, a typical cross section of which has a base 129 feet long with the sides sloping  $1\frac{1}{2}$  to 1. The canal is represented as carrying water about 18.6 ft. in depth. The water is to be conveyed to the Niagara river by three circular pipes or tunnels each of 16 ft. internal diameter.

For the privileges granted under the agreement, the Company are to pay an annual rental of \$15,000 and, in addition, certain specified rentals based upon the actual amounts of power developed.

The Company, in addition to the rights obtained for conducting water from the Welland river, applied for rights to divert water from the Niagara river. Pursuant to this application, on June 28, 1902, an agreement known as the Complementary Agreement was made with the Commissioners. By this agreement the rights of location and construction relating to what is termed the First Development of the Agreement of 11th April, 1900, are surrendered, and the proposed open hydraulic canal running through the park abandoned. Instead, provision was made to conduct water from

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(containing provision relating to plans, &c) 7th August, 1902. See *Ann. Rept. Q. V. N. F. P. Com.*, 1902, pp. 22-29.

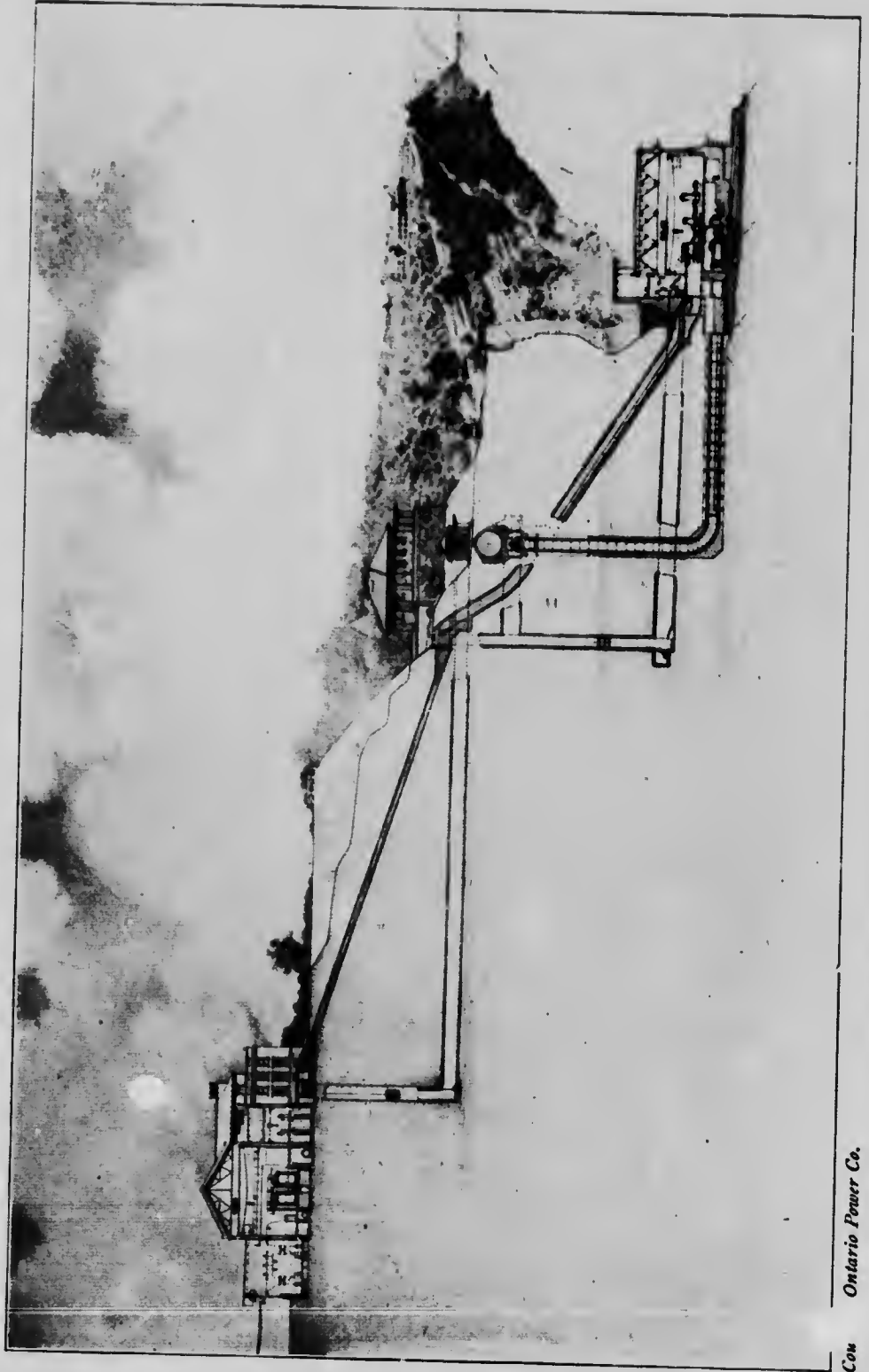
Sub-agreement to the Supplementary and Ancillary Agreements, 28th June, 1902; Pipe Line and Power House Agreement, 28th February, 1903; adopted by Resolution of the Board of Directors of the Ontario Power Co., 3rd March, 1903; approved by Order in Council, 6th March, 1903. See *Ann. Rept. Q. V. N. F. P. Com.*, 1903, pp. 22-27.

Agreement for conduit No. 2, 22nd September, 1909. See *Ann. Rept. Q. V. N. F. P. Com.*, 1909, pp. 20-22.

Plans referred to in the various agreements are: plan A, dated Niagara Falls, April 5th, 1900, and accompanying agreement 11th April 1900; plan B, dated Niagara Falls, March — 1901, and accompanying agreement 15th August, 1901; plan C, dated Niagara Falls, June 24, 1902, and accompanying agreement 28th June, 1902; plan D, dated Niagara Falls, February 28th, 1903, and accompanying agreement 28th February, 1903.

\* Filed in the Dept. of Railways and Canals, Ottawa, in conformity with sections 124 and 125 of the Railway Act, Nov. 29, 1901.





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the Welland and Niagara rivers, by means of parallel lines of underground pipes or conduits.

The Order in Council of Aug. 7, 1902, by which the Lieutenant-Governor approved the supplementary and ancillary agreements, contains the important proviso, that the approval is given, provided that the works, plans, profiles, specifications and elevations, are to be submitted for the approval of the Commissioners, and shall, before such approval is given, be approved by the Lieutenant-Governor in Council.

Consequent upon this provision there was submitted a map, drawn to a scale of 100 feet to the inch, entitled "Map showing proposed works of the Ontario Power Company at Dufferin Islands—Niagara Falls Intake," and dated Dec. 10, 1902. This plan shows the line of the three pipes, each of which is indicated as being 18 ft., internal diameter.

**PLAN.** —The power house of the Ontario Power Company is situated in the gorge below the falls and the intake near the Dufferin islands above the falls. The water is conveyed a distance of over 6,000 ft. by means of two underground conduits, each of 18 ft. internal diameter. The first conduit is built of steel, the second of reinforced concrete. From the main conduits, penstocks each of 9 ft. internal diameter and about 300 ft. long, lead to the turbines.

The amount of power which the Company is permitted to generate is not specified in the agreements, but in the reports of the Park Commission the amount is mentioned for the Niagara river intake as being that sufficient to generate 180,000 H.P. Plans of the works show provision for 22 units. Regarding 2 units as spares, the original nominal capacity of the plant is 200,000 electrical H.P. Originally each unit had a nominal capacity of 10,000 H.P.; but those last installed have a nominal capacity of 12,000 H.P. This increased capacity results in part from the advance made in the mechanic and industrial arts.

The plant operates under an average effective head stated to be about 176 feet. This, however, varies with the water level in lake Erie.

The amount of water that may be taken at the Niagara river intake is not stated in the agreements of the Company with the Park Commissioners but, physically, it would depend upon the velocity of flow that could practically be maintained in the three eighteen-foot conduits. The velocity of the water in the main conduits has been computed to be about 15 feet per second; and, in the penstocks, about 10 feet per second. The quantity required for the complete plant has been computed to be about 12,000 cubic feet per second, and this quantity has been allotted under recommendation of the International Waterways Commission.

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**TERMS OF LICENSE.**—The license granted is for the term of fifty years commencing April 1, 1900. The Company has the option of three renewal periods of 20 years each, bringing the total period under option to 110 years. The Lieutenant-Governor in Council may, after giving specified notice, require the Company to continue its operations for a further term of 20 years, thus making, in all, 130 years. Provision is made for the re-adjustment of rentals at each renewal period.

Under the Complementary Agreement of June 28, 1902, provision is made, also, for the payment of one specified rental for the enjoyment of all the rights and privileges by all the agreements granted and conferred upon the Company. The Company is to pay a clear yearly rental of \$30,000; payable half-yearly. In addition, for each electrical horse-power "generated and used and sold or disposed of,"

Over 20,000 and up to 30,000.....	\$1.00 per annum
Over 30,000 and up to 40,000.....	.75 " "
Over 40,000.....	.50 " "

Thus, for example, for generating 40,000 H.P. the annual rental would be \$47,500.

The average amount of power developed throughout each six months' period beginning April 1, 1908, is as follows:

April 1, 1908.....	13,535 H.P.
Sept. 30, 1908.....	20,177 "
April 1, 1909.....	32,192 "
Oct. 1, 1909.....	28,826 "
April 1, 1910.....	47,421 "
Oct. 1, 1910.....	45,023 "
April 1, 1911.....	54,765 "

The quantity developed by the Company which may be imported into the United States under the Burton Act (exclusive of the amount which may be imported under revocable permits) is 60,000 H.P.

The Ontario Power Company has contracted to supply the Hydro-Electric Power Commission with electrical energy as required, up to an amount aggregating 100,000 H.P., upon the following terms, vis:

\$9.40 per horse-power per annum for power at 12,000 volts until 25,000 H. P. or more are taken, then \$9 for all additional requirements; \$10.40 for power at 60,000 volts until 25,000 H.P. or more are taken, then \$10 for all additional requirements.

If power is taken at a higher voltage, the price is to be fixed by arbitration.

**TRANSMISSION COMPANIES ALLIED WITH THE ONTARIO POWER CO.—**  
The following power distributing companies in Canada are affiliated with the Ontario Power Co.:—

**THE ONTARIO TRANSMISSION CO.** is the chief distributing company in Canada for the Ontario Power Co. It was incorporated July 14, 1905, under a Dominion charter which granted wide powers, as may be seen from the following two clauses quoted from its charter:

(a) "To acquire by lease, purchase or otherwise lands and interests therein, water privileges, water-powers and other powers, and to utilize and develop the same, for the generation or production of electric, steam, pneumatic, hydraulic or other power or force."

(b) "To construct or acquire by lease, purchase or otherwise, and to operate and maintain undertakings, plant, machinery, works and appliances for the generation or production of steam, electric, pneumatic, hydraulic or other power or force; also lines of wire, poles, tunnels, conduits, works and appliances for the storing, delivery and transmission under or above ground of steam, electric, pneumatic, hydraulic or other power or force, for any purposes for which the same may be used. And to contract with any company or person upon such terms as are agreed upon, to connect the company's lines of wire, poles, tunnels, conduits, works and appliances with those of any such company or person; and generally to carry on the business of generating, producing and transmitting steam, electric, pneumatic, hydraulic or other power or force."

On Sept. 14, 1905, this company was granted an Ontario license.\*

**THE ONTARIO DISTRIBUTING CO.** was incorporated by Ontario Letters Patent on Jan. 24, 1906, with powers for

"supplying steam heat, electricity or natural gas for heat, light or power, to construct, maintain, complete and operate works for the production, sale and distribution of electricity for the purposes of light, heat and power."

This company distributes power from the Ontario Power Company in the townships of Stamford and Niagara, Lincoln and Welland counties, Ontario.

**THE FALLS POWER CO.** was incorporated by Ontario Letters Patent, March 21, 1906; Supplementary Letters Patent, July 31, 1907, and Feb. 11, 1910. Amongst the powers granted is the right

"to acquire, produce, develop, convert and transform gas, electricity and hydraulic and pneumatic power and force for any purposes for which the same may be used."

This company distributes the power of the Ontario Power Co., in the townships of Bertie, Willoughby, Pelham, Thorold, Humberstone,

\* Under Ontario Act, 63 Vict., chap. 24.

Crowland, Wainfleet and Grantham, Lincoln and Welland counties, Ontario.

THE NIAGARA, LOCKPORT AND ONTARIO POWER CO., chartered by the state of New York, has an extensive network of transmission lines throughout Western New York and distributes electrical energy for the Ontario Power Co., as far east, at present, as Syracuse.

**Electrical Development Co.** On Jan. 29, 1903, the Commissioners of the Queen Victoria Niagara Falls Park, entered into an agreement\* with "a Syndicate" composed of William Mackenzie, Henry M. Pellatt and Frederick Nicholls, granting them privileges expressed, in part, as follows:

"For the purpose of generating electricity and pneumatic power or any other power to be transmitted, and capable of being transmitted, to places beyond the park, the Commissioners hereby grant to the Syndicate subject to the consent and approval of the proper authority, and save as hereinafter limited, a license irrevocable to take from the waters of Niagara river within the park a sufficient quantity of water to develop 125,000 electrical, or pneumatic, or other horse-power for commercial use."

For these purposes the Commissioners further granted to the Syndicate

"The right to construct and build and to do and perform and operate the works, as hereinafter described and located in pink lines upon the map or plan marked 'N' hereto annexed and entitled 'Plan Attached to Agreement Dated January 29th, 1903, made by the Commissioners of the Queen Victoria Niagara Falls Park with William Mackenzie, Henry Mill Pellatt and Frederick Nicholls for power privileges within the Park' and which plan is identified by the seals and signatures of the parties hereto."

On Feb. 18th, 1903, by Royal Letters Patent, under *The Ontario Companies Act*, the Syndicate was consolidated into The Electrical Development Company of Ontario, Ltd.†

The Electrical Development Co. is empowered

"To acquire by lease, purchase or otherwise and to maintain, utilize and develop water-powers and other powers for the production of electricity and of electric, pneumatic, hydraulic or other power or force for any purpose for which electricity or power can be used."

"To construct or acquire by lease purchase or otherwise and to maintain and operate works and appliances for the production of electricity and of electric, pneumatic, hydraulic or other power or force and lines of wire, poles, tunnels, conduits, conductors, motors, devices, works and appliances for the sale distribution and transmission under

\* Confirmed by Order in Council, Jan. 30, 1903.

† Supplementary Letters Patent regarding stock issues and other rights were granted on Feb. 28th, 1908; and on June 3, 1908.



or above ground of electricity and electric, pneumatic, hydraulic or other power or force and therewith to convey, conduct, furnish or receive such electricity, current, power or force to or from any company or companies at any place through, over, along or across any public highway, bridges, viaducts, railways, watercourses or over or under any waters; provided, however, that the company shall have first obtained the consent of owners of property or of municipal corporations affected."

"To acquire by lease purchase or otherwise electricity, electric, pneumatic, hydraulic or other current, power or force and to store, use, supply, furnish, distribute, sell, lease or otherwise dispose of the same as well as electricity, current, power or force produced by the Company."

On March 21, 1903, the Syndicate above mentioned assigned their rights under the Agreement of Jan. 29, 1903, to the Electrical Development Co.\* At present the Electrical Development Co. is associated with, or controlled by lease, by the Toronto Power Co.

On January 9, 1905, the Commissioners of the Queen Victoria Niagara Falls Park, entered into agreement with the Electrical Development Co., whereby the Company was to utilize the waters of the Niagara river for the development of 125,000 H.P., under terms and conditions corresponding to those in the agreement of Jan. 29, 1903. This agreement, however, was not ratified by the Lieutenant-Governor in Council, and, consequently, never became valid.†

**PLANT.**—The plant of the Electrical Development Co. (now the Toronto Power Co.) is situate above the falls, and about midway between the headworks of the Ontario Power Co. and of the Canadian Niagara Power Co. A wheel-pit about 400 ft. long and 22 ft. wide contains vertical turbines. Each alternate turbine discharges into two tail-race tunnels which run parallel to the wheel-pit and, about 150 feet beyond it, unite into a main tail-race tunnel which discharges under the Horseshoe falls. The estimated velocity of flow in the discharge tunnel is about 26 feet per second.

The plant operates under an average effective head of about 135 feet, but the head is said to vary from 130 to 145 feet dependent upon conditions in the river.

Under the agreement with the Park Commissioners there is no fixed amount of water specified to be taken from the Niagara river, but the quantity of water required by the complete plant has been computed to be about 11,200 cubic feet per second. This quantity has been allotted under recommendation of the International Waterways Commission.

\* Confirmed by special Act of the Ontario Legislature, 5 Ed. VII, chap. 12.

† See *Twentieth Annual Report*, Q. V. N. F. P. Commission, 1905, p. 14.

The quantity of power developed by the Electrical Development Co. which may be imported into the United States under the Burton Act (exclusive of the amount which may be imported under revocable permits) is 46,000 H.P.

The plans of the company provide for 11 units each of a nominal capacity of 12,500 H.P.,—a total of 137,500 H.P.—making the nominal capacity of the plant 125,000 H.P., when one unit is regarded as a spare.\*

**TERMS OF LICENSE.**—For the first 10,000, or less, electrical horse-power, the Company pays a yearly rental (payable half-yearly) of \$15,000. For each additional electrical horse-power "generated and used, and sold or disposed of," the annual rental for each horse-power shall be,

From 10,000 H.P. to 20,000 H.P. . . . .	\$1. 00 per H.P.
From 20,000 H.P. to 30,000 H.P. . . . .	.75 per H.P.
From 30,000 H.P. and over . . . . .	.50 per H.P.

That is to say, by way of example, the gross yearly rental of 40,000 electrical horse-power would be \$37,500.

The average amount of power developed throughout each six months' period beginning with Feb. 1, 1908, has been as follows:

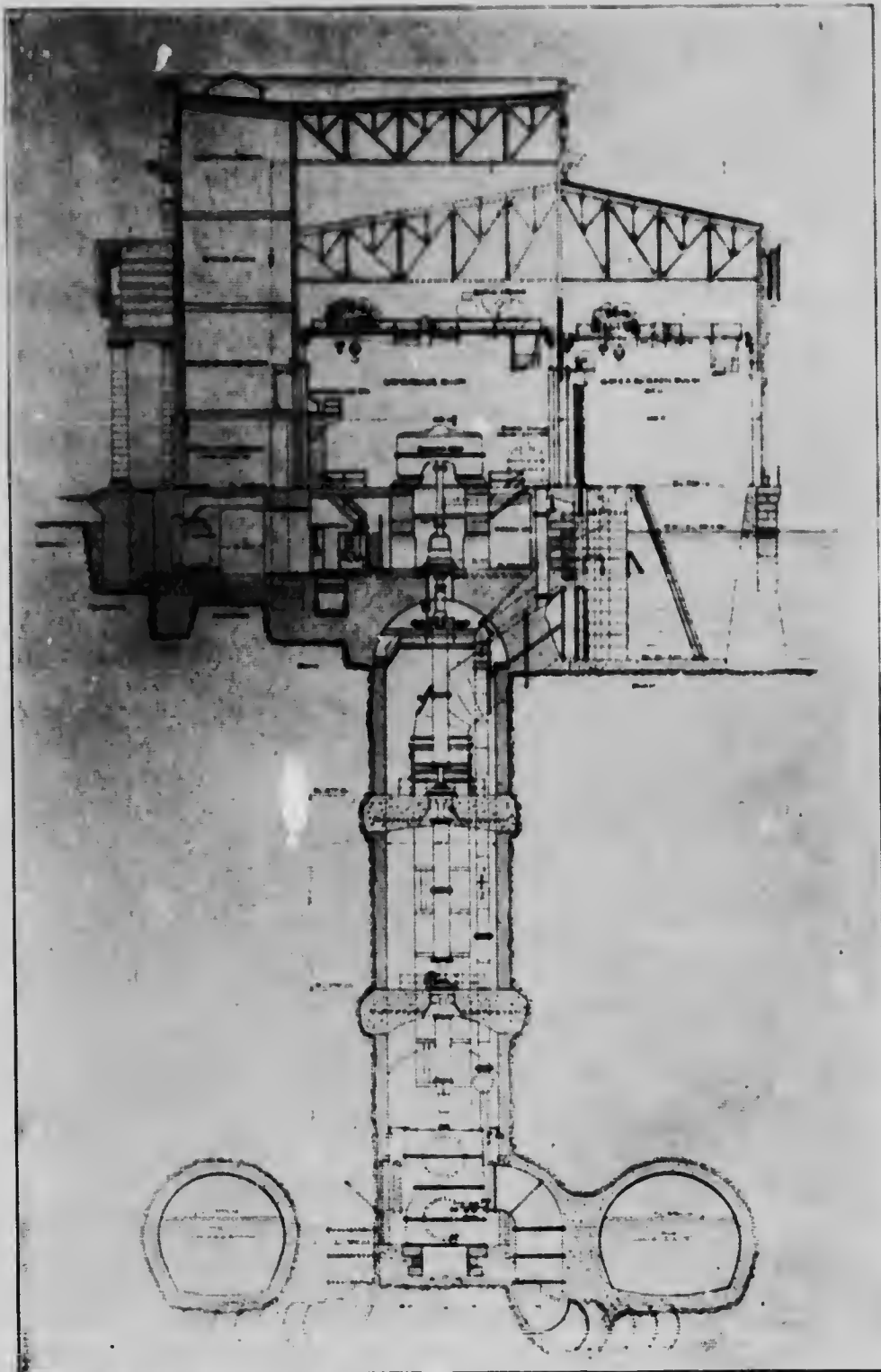
Feb. 1st, 1908. . . . .	11,324 H.P.
Aug. 1st, 1908. . . . .	13,208 H.P.
Feb. 1st, 1909. . . . .	13,575 H.P.
Aug. 1st, 1909. . . . .	18,212 H.P.
Feb. 1st, 1910. . . . .	17,579 H.P.
Aug. 1st, 1910. . . . .	18,863 H.P.
Feb. 1st, 1911. . . . .	22,157 H.P.

The license granted is for a term of 50 years from Feb. 1, 1908. The Syndicate has the option to make three renewals of the lease for a term of 20 years each, thus making 110 years in all. The Lieutenant-Governor in Council has the option, under specified notice, to require the Syndicate to continue its operations for a further term of 20 years, thus making in all 130 years. Provision is made for the readjustment of rentals at each renewal period.

This Company was incorporated by James Ross, Montreal, Toronto and Niagara Power Company and William Mackenzie, Henry M. Pellatt, Frederick Nicholls and Samuel G. Beatty, Toronto†. It is granted wide powers appertaining to the development, transmission and distribution of electric and other power, among them being the following:

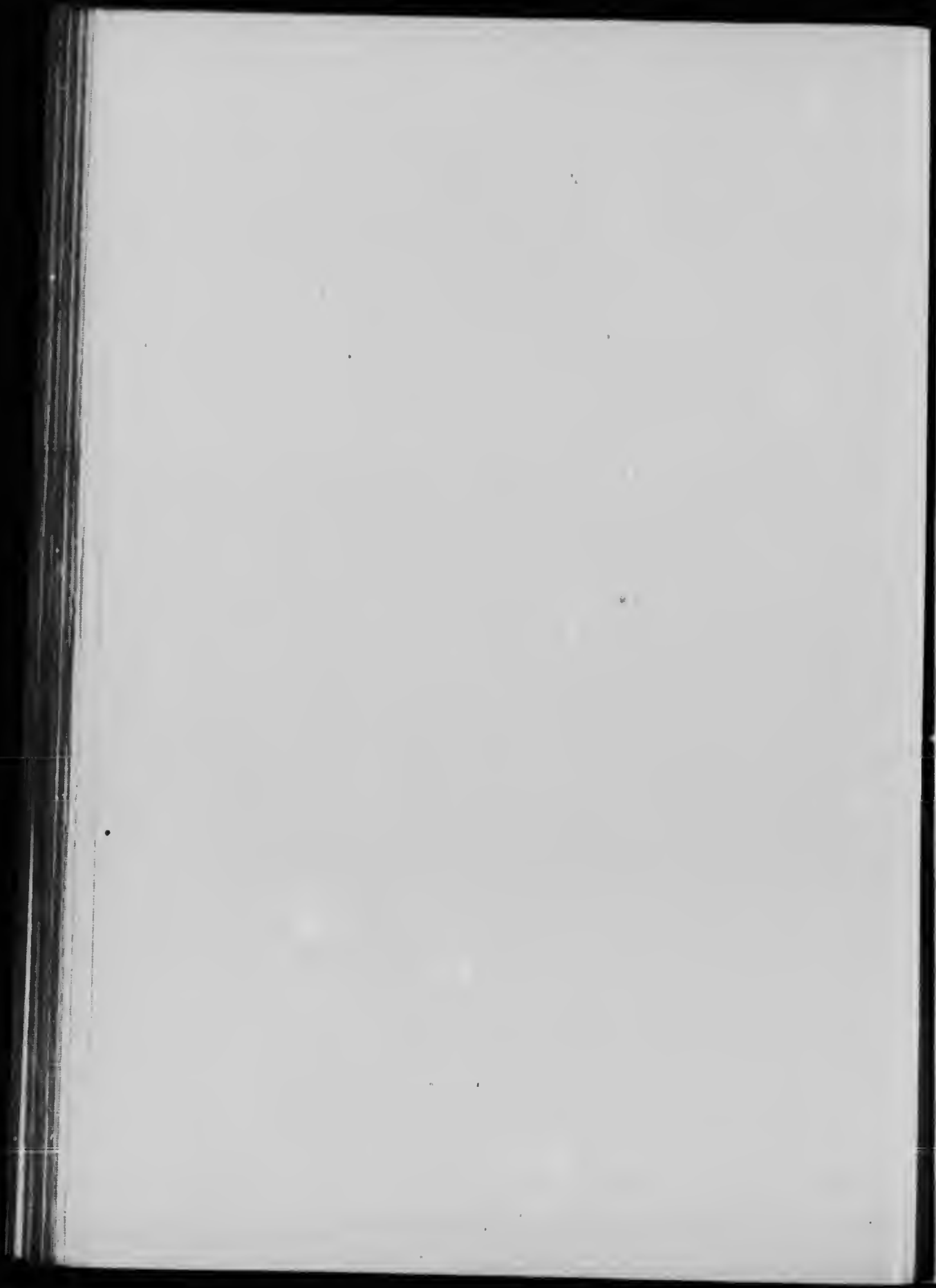
\*The last unit installed has a nominal capacity of 13,400 H.P.

† Dominion Statutes, 2 Ed. VII, chap. 107.



*Courtesy Electrical Development Co.*

CROSS-SECTIONAL VIEW OF THE POWER HOUSE AND WHEEL-PIT OF THE ELECTRICAL DEVELOPMENT CO. AT NIAGARA FALLS



"The company may supply hydraulic, electric or other power by means of cables, machinery or other appliances, and at such rates and upon such conditions as are agreed upon, and the Company may contract with any company or person having erected or having power to erect a bridge or viaduct across the Niagara River, for permission, upon such terms as are agreed upon, to carry one or more wires for electric power or other purpose upon and over the said bridge or viaduct towards the United States shore of the Niagara River, and connect the same with the wires of any electric or other company in the United States, for the purpose of enabling the Company to furnish and guarantee continuous power for the uses proposed to be served by the Company, and may contract with such company to work the said electric or other power jointly, or may acquire any existing contract of such character."

It is this company which transmits to Toronto, the power developed by the Toronto Power Co.

**Toronto Power Company** On Nov. 14, 1890, the Toronto and Mimico Electric Railway and Light Co., Ltd., was incorporated by Ontario Letters Patent. The name was changed to the Toronto and Mimico Railway Co. Ltd.,\* and on Feb. 7, 1908, by Supplementary Letters Patent, additional powers relating to the distribution of electric and other power were conferred upon the Company. On Mar. 20, 1908, by order of the Lieutenant-Governor, the name was again changed to the Toronto Power Co. Ltd.†

The Company, at present, is said to control, by leases, both the Electrical Development, Co. and the Toronto and Niagara Power Co.

**International Victoria Niagara Falls Park** On Dec. 4, 1891, the Commissioners of the Queen Victoria Niagara Falls Park entered into an agreement with a syndicate of Canadian capitalists for the construction and operation of an electric railway on the west bank of the Niagara river, from the village of Queenston to the village of Chippawa. This agreement states that

"The Commissioners will assent to an arrangement being made between the Company and the municipal corporation of the Town of Niagara Falls for the supply to the Company of power for working the railway and the machinery necessary to operate and light the railway, and if an agreement satisfactory to the Company cannot be made between the Company and the said municipal corporation, the Commissioners will grant to the Company such necessary right as will enable them to procure from the waters above the Falls the power required for the above purposes."‡

\* Ontario Statutes, 3 Ed. VII, chap. 118.

† See also Supplementary Letter Patent, June 3rd, 1908, (Ontario)

‡ See Annual Report, Q. V. N. F. Park Commissioners, 1891, p. 8.

This agreement was confirmed, and a company, under title of the Niagara Falls Park and River Railway Company, was incorporated by Act of the Ontario Legislature.\*

On May 3, 1894, the Park Commissioners, the Niagara Falls Suspension Bridge Co., and the Niagara Falls Park and River Railway Co., entered into an agreement regarding their respective properties and construction rights. This agreement was confirmed by Act of the Dominion Government,\*\* and by it the Niagara Falls Suspension Bridge Co., was empowered to

“Lay and maintain along, upon or under any new bridge hereafter built by it, and the approaches thereto, gas pipes and also wires, cables or other appliances for the transmission of electricity or other motive power.”

In 1900, the Buffalo Railway Co., incorporated by the state of New York, and owning and operating electric railways in the cities of Buffalo, Tonawanda, Lockport, Niagara Falls, N.Y., and in the county of Niagara, N.Y., obtained Canadian incorporation under a Dominion Act,† Under this Act the Buffalo Railway Co.

“May purchase the entire assets and acquire, undertake and exercise the whole, or any part, of the business, undertaking, property and liabilities, and the name, franchise, and good-will of the Niagara Falls Park and River Railway Company, the Queenston Suspension Bridge Company, the Queenston Heights Bridge Company, the Clifton Suspension Bridge Company, or of any of such companies.”

This Act was followed by an Act of the Ontario Legislature, 1 Ed. VII, chap. 86 (15th April 1901), which is stated to be

“Confirmatory legislation in order to remove any possible constitutional doubt or question respecting the purchase by the Buffalo Railway Company as under the Canadian Act 63-64 Vict. chap. 54. In this Act, however, the original Act (55 Vict. chap. 96) was amended by striking out the words ‘to work and light the said railway’ and substituting therefor the words ‘the purposes of any railway company which purchases the franchises of this company.’”

On May 15, 1902, the Buffalo Railway Co. obtained an amendment to 63-64 Vict., chap. 54, changing the name to the International Railway Co.‡ By Ontario Act, 2 Ed. VII, chap. 12, Sec. 30, the name “International Railway Company” is also substituted for the name “Buffalo Railway Company” wherever the same appears in the Statute of Ontario, 1 Ed. VII, chap. 86. The International Railway Company is, therefore, seen to be

\* 55 Vict., chap. 96. See also 57 Vict., chap. 13.

\*\* 57-58 Vict., chap. 98.

† 63-64 Vict., chap. 54.

‡ Dominion Statutes, 2 Ed. VII, chap. 43.

an amalgamation of several other companies. In October, 1903, the International Railway Co. applied to the Commissioners for approval of plans which involved the conveyance of

"Electric power to the American side of the Niagara River to operate in whole or in part the extensive electric railway system of the company in the State of New York."

This request was not granted by the Commissioners, but was referred by them to the Government.\*

The power plant of the Niagara Falls Park and River Railway Co. is situated within the Queen Victoria Niagara Falls Park. It operates under a head of from 60 to 68 feet which could be increased by about 100 feet. The quantity of water which the Company may take is not defined in the agreements, but physically, it would depend upon the velocity of flow that could be maintained through the intake works. The forebay is of irregular shape, about 62½ feet wide in its most restricted section. It slopes 6 inches in about 150 feet, attaining a depth of 5½ feet at the power house end. The intake is to be "not less than 5 feet" deep.

The quantity of water required for the complete plant has been computed to be about 1,500 cubic feet per second, and this quantity has been allotted under recommendation of the International Waterways Commission. The plant capacity for the apportionment of water was taken at 8,000 H.P. The Report of the Park Commissioners refers to a possible development of 10,000 H.P., and also to a possible future development of 20,000 H.P., if the wheel-pit is made deeper.

The quantity of power developed by the Niagara Falls Park and River Railway Co. which may be imported into the United States under the Burton Act (exclusive of the amount which may be imported under revocable permits) is 1,500 H.P. This quantity is held in reserve until a settlement is had of certain questions relating to the powers of the Company.

**TERMS OF LEASE.**—The terms for power rental in the case of the Niagara Falls Park and River division of the International Railway are included in the rental of \$10,000 per annum, which includes the right to run through the Park.†

The lease is for a period of forty years from Sept. 1st, 1892, and, subject to certain conditions, it may be extended for a further period of twenty years.‡

\* See *Annual Report Q. V. N. F. Park Commissioners, 1905, p. 14, and p. 27 et seq.*; also the *Report of the International Waterways Commission; Sessional Papers (Can.) No. 19a, 1907, p. 271.*

† See *Ontario Statutes, 1892, Chap. 96, Schedule B to the Agreement, clause 14.*  
‡ See, *Ibid, Schedule B, clauses 16-17; also 1 Ed. VII, chap. 86, sec. 3, (Ontario)*

**Niagara Falls Water Works** The intake works of the city of Niagara Falls, (Ontario) water works, are used conjointly with the intake works of the International Railway Co. The intake is a circular opening 6½ feet in diameter and, at times, the surface of the water is below the top of the opening. The head is about 25 feet, and is used to develop 500 H.P. for civic pumping purposes.

**The Mather Bridge and Power Co.** This company\* does not intend to withdraw or divert any water from the Niagara river, but proposes to erect a bridge over the Niagara river from Fort Erie to Buffalo and it is further proposed to erect, for power purposes, "under such spans of this bridge, as shall be approved by the Governor in Council, a wheel or wheels not more than two hundred feet in length and forty feet in diameter."

By subsequent acts, the time limit for the construction of the works has been extended until five years from June 26, 1906.

**Niagara-Welland Power Co.** On July 23, 1894,† the Welland Power and Supply Canal Co., Ltd., for the development of power was granted rights by which

"The Company may construct, equip, maintain and operate a canal and hydraulic raceway from some point in the Welland River, within five miles from its junction with the Niagara River, to a point or points on or under the Niagara escarpment at or near the township line between the townships of Stamford and Thorold, in the county of Welland, or in the township of Grantham, in the county of Lincoln, with such raceways or extensions of the said canal and hydraulic raceway through the said township of Grantham or the township of Niagara as are necessary to carry off the surplus water from the said canal and hydraulic raceway to Lake Ontario, with all such works, dams and wing dams, docks, sluices, conduits, accessories and buildings as are necessary to give full effect to the intent of this Act; with power to dredge, deepen or widen the Chippewa Creek or Welland River from its mouth to the point of intersection of the said canal with the Chippewa Creek or Welland River if so found expedient for the purpose of the Company: . . ."

On July 10, 1899, the name was changed to the Niagara-Welland Power Co., Ltd.‡ On May 16, 1905, the company secured the additional power to engage in the business of transportation.\*\* By various acts, the

\* Dominion Charter, 60 Vict., chap. 13; see also 1 Ed. VII, chap. 106; 6 Ed. VII, chap. 124, (Canada)

† Dominion Statutes, 57-58 Vict., chap. 102.

‡ Dominion Statutes, 62-63 Vict., chap. 129.

\*\* Dominion Statutes, 4-5 Ed. VII, chap. 133; 8-9 Ed. VII, chap. 114.



time limit for the construction of the works has been extended to five years from May 1, 1910.\*

**North American Canal Co.** This company† was authorized, amongst other things,

“To lay out, construct, maintain and operate a canal from some point on Lake Erie at or near Port Colborne to some point on Lake Ontario at or near Port Dalhousie, or to some point on the Niagara River at or near Queenston.”

The navigable channel was to be 20 feet deep and of sufficient width to permit two of the largest vessels drawing 20 feet each to pass each other at full speed. The works were to be completed within ten years from the date of the passing of the Act. The time limit for the execution of the construction works under this Act has expired.

**Erie Ontario Power Co.** This company‡ was incorporated under a Dominion charter on June 25, 1903, and is granted rights for the development, transmission and distribution of power as follows:

“The Company may construct, maintain and operate a watercourse and raceway, from some point or points on the Grand River, or Lake Erie, at or near the mouth of Grand River, northerly to a point on the Jordan River, thence to Lake Ontario; and also may construct, maintain and operate all necessary works, dams and wing dams, docks, sluices and conduits, accessories and buildings; and may construct a culvert of sufficient and necessary proportions to carry such watercourse and raceway underneath the Welland canal feeder, and may construct a sufficient aqueduct over the Welland River, and may dredge, deepen and widen the Jordan river from the point of intersection with the said watercourse and raceway to Lake Ontario, for the purposes of the Company, and may use the waters of Lake Erie or the Grand River in such quantities as are requisite and necessary for the efficient and satisfactory running and operating of the said works and for the purposes aforesaid; Provided that the undertakings of the Company shall in no way interfere with the undertakings of the Hamilton and Lake Erie Power Company.”

On June 1st, 1906, the time limit for the execution of the construction work was extended for five years from 1st June, 1906.\*\*

**Jordan-Erie Power Co.** The Hamilton and Lake Erie Power Co., was incorporated on July 22, 1895, under a Dominion charter.§ The company is granted powers for the development, transmission and distribution of electrical energy.

\* Dominion Statutes, 60-61 Vict., chap. 73; 3 Ed. VII, chap. 163; 4-5 Ed. VII., chap. 133; 8-9 Ed. VII., chap. 114.

† Dominion Incorporation, 56 Vict., chap. 66.

‡ 3 Ed. VII., chap. 119.

\*\* 6 Ed. VII., chap. 91. (Canada)

§ 53-59 Vict., chap. 78.

"The company may construct, equip, maintain and operate a watercourse and raceway from some point on the Welland River not nearer than twelve miles, nor more than thirty miles from its junction with the Niagara River, northerly, to a point on the Jordan River, thence to lake Ontario; . . . . . with power to dredge, deepen and widen the said Welland River, and also to dredge, deepen and widen the Jordan River from the point of intersection with the said watercourse and raceway to Lake Ontario if so found expedient for the purposes of the company; and the company may use the waters of Lake Erie, and the Niagara River, by way of the Welland River, in such quantities as are requisite and necessary for the efficient and satisfactory running of the said works, and for the purposes aforesaid."

On June 13, 1898, an extension of the time limit for the commencement and completion of the works was obtained, and on June 25, 1903, the name was changed to the Jordan Light and Power Co. Certain amendments and a further extension of the time limit for the execution of the construction works were authorized at the same time.\*

On Nov. 25, 1903, the Erie and Ontario Development Co. Ltd., was incorporated under the Dominion Companies Act. The charter empowered the Company to develop, transmit and distribute electrical power and to hold stock in and to amalgamate with the Jordan Light, Heat and Power Co. On November 27th, 1906, the Jordan Light, Heat and Power Co. amalgamated with the Erie and Ontario Development Co. Ltd., under the corporate name of the Jordan-Erie Power Co. The terms of the amalgamation are set forth in the incorporating Act† wherein it is stated that

"The Company may construct and operate its watercourse and raceway from Lake Erie and may take its water from lake Erie direct as well as by way of the Niagara and Welland rivers, as provided in section 4 of the Act incorporating The Jordan Light, Heat and Power Company, and for that purpose may construct a watercourse and raceway from a point on Lake Erie in the township of Wainfleet in the County of Welland, running thence northerly to and into the Welland River; thence northerly from the Welland river through the township of Gainsborough in the County of Lincoln, the township of Pelham, in the County of Welland and the township of Louth in the County of Lincoln to Lake Ontario, utilizing for a portion of the route the line of the Jordan Light, Heat and Power Company, as shown on the plan of that Company's works approved by order in council, dated the seventh day of July, A.D. 1900, and for another portion of the route the line of the Erie and Ontario Development Company, Limited; and utilizing parts of Fifteen-Mile Creek and of Sixteen-Mile Creek as reservoirs for the Company's water supply, and also with power to deepen and dredge the south branch of the Welland River."

\* Dominion Statutes, 61 Vict., chap. 104; 3 Ed. VII., chap. 136.

† Dominion Statutes, 6-7 Ed. VII., chap. 98.

The time for the commencement and completion of the works was extended for three and five years, respectively, from April 27, 1907.\*

**The Hamilton  
Cataract  
Power Co.** On July 9, 1896, Ontario Letters Patent† were granted the Cataract Power Co. of Hamilton, Ltd., by which the Company was empowered

(a) To manufacture, sell or purchase electric power whether generated by water-power, steam or other force, and to apply the same in any of the Arts or Sciences or in the manufacture of any article or in any condition in which the use of electricity is employed.

(b) To purchase any lands or purchase or erect any buildings, wharves, bridges or other structures that the company may require or to sell any of them, and

(c) To promote any industry or enterprise that may be deemed advantageous to the company, provided it is one to or from which the company may derive or supply power or the means of using or producing it under the name of "The Cataract Power Company of Hamilton, Limited."

The Letters Patent above mentioned were confirmed on Jan. 17, 1898,‡ and the Ontario Government enlarged the powers of the company; and, also, subject to provisions relating to the rights of navigation and to the rights of the city of St. Catharines and other corporations, enacted that the Company

"May construct, equip, maintain and operate a canal and hydraulic raceway from a point at or near Allanburg to some point on the Welland River, at or within two miles of the Village of Port Robinson, as an extension of their canal or raceway from the Niagara escarpment near the waterfall, known as Decew's Falls in the township of Grantham, with all such works, dams, docks, sluices, conduits and accessories as may be necessary."

On Aug. 12, 1899, by Order in Council, the name of the company was changed to the Hamilton Electric Light and Cataract Power Co., Ltd., and, on the same date, and again, on 21st of September, 1899, supplementary Letters Patent were issued increasing its powers.

On Feb. 5, 1903, Ontario Letters Patent were granted to the Hamilton Cataract Power, Light and Traction Co., Ltd., allowing it to enter into

\* For non-interference of proposed works of the Erie Ontario Power Company with the proposed works of the Hamilton and Lake Erie Power Company, see 3 Ed. VII, chap. 119, sec. 8, Dominion Statutes. For legislation empowering the Canadian Steel Company to hold stock in the Hamilton and Lake Erie Power Company, or any other power company, see 63-64 Vict. chap. 94, sec. 11, Dominion Statutes.

† Supplementary Letters Patent, were granted, May 6, 1897.

‡ Ontario Statutes, 61 Vict., chap. 68.

## THE WATER-POWERS OF CANADA

an agreement with the Hamilton Electric Light and Cataract Power Co., for the acquirement of their rights, powers, franchises, assets, etc.

In part, the powers granted the Company are as follows:

- (a) To acquire by lease, purchase, or otherwise and to utilize and develop water-powers and other powers for the production of electric, pneumatic, hydraulic, or other power, or force;
- (b) To construct, or acquire by lease, purchase, or otherwise and to operate works and appliances for the production of electric, pneumatic, hydraulic, or other power, or force, also works and appliances for the delivery and transmission under or above ground of electric, pneumatic, hydraulic or other power or force;
- (c) To acquire by lease, purchase or otherwise electric pneumatic, hydraulic, or other power, or force and to use, sell, lease or otherwise dispose of the same and of power and force produced by the company;
- (d) To construct, or acquire by lease, purchase, or otherwise and to operate in connection with the works, lines and business of the company and, for the purposes thereof, lines of telegraph or telephone or other works and means of communication;
- (e) To aid by way of bonus, loan, guarantee, or otherwise any industry or enterprise using or agreeing to use power supplied by the Company, or supplying, or agreeing to supply power to the company and to acquire stock in any corporation carrying on or having power to carry on any such industry or enterprise, and the bonds, debentures or other securities of and any indebtedness of any such corporation and to act as agent, or manager of any such industry enterprise or corporation, and
- (f) To sell, lease, or otherwise dispose of from time to time any of the assets or property of the company.

On May 22, 1904, the Ontario Government by special Act\* confirmed the Letters Patent of Feb. 5, 1903, and, also, certain agreements. Schedule B of the Act gives the agreement of Feb. 21, 1903, for the purchase of the Hamilton Electric Light and Cataract Power Co.†

**WATER RIGHTS.**—The Company, subject to non-interference with navigation, have leases for, or hold in fee simple, rights to use 1,100 cubic feet of water per second from the lake Erie level of the Welland

\* 3 Ed. VII., chap. 122.

† For other data respecting the H. C. P. L. & T. Co. Ltd., see *Ontario Gazette* 1896, p. 629; 1897, p. 901 and p. 1343; 1898, p. 1021; 1899, p. 781 and p. 1030. 62 Vict. (2) chap. 95, (Ont.) 4 Ed. VII, chap. 99, (Ont.)

canal. These rights, which consist principally of leases granted by the Department of Railways and Canals, Ottawa, may be briefly set forth as follows:

Lease No. 14816, of Dec. 31, 1902, confirmed by Orders in Council, 6th and 19th Dec., 1902, grants the Hamilton Electric Light and Cataract Power Co. Ltd., the right to divert 700 cubic feet of water per second from the Welland canal. The rental is \$30 per cubic foot per annum. The lease expires Dec. 31, 1923, but is renewable for two periods of 21 years each, after which it may be further extended at the option of the Governor General in Council.

Lease No. 14816, cancels an earlier lease No. 12699 of October 8, 1897.

Lease No. 16143 of March 31, 1906, confirmed by Order in Council Mar. 8, 1906, grants the Hamilton Cataract Power, Light and Traction Co. Ltd., 300 cubic feet of water per second additional to the 700 c.f.s. granted in lease No. 14816. The rental is \$30 per cubic foot per annum. The period of the lease corresponds to that of lease No. 14816.

Lease No. 18181—The Department of Railways and Canals, Ottawa, leased to one named Robert Cooper 100 cubic feet of water per second at an annual rental of \$413 per year. On Dec. 15, 1909, under Assigned Lease, No. 18055, of Nov. 20, 1909, Cooper assigns his right to 100 cubic feet per second, at the Allanburg weir, to the H. C. P. L. & T. Company. The Company for these water rights, gives Cooper a stipulated quantity of electric energy.

Townsend water rights—One named Townsend had water rights on a small stream, which rights were interfered with by the construction of the Welland canal, and in consequence of such interference the Department of Railways and Canals granted Townsend the right to divert 10 cubic feet of water per second from the Welland canal. Townsend's property, with the accompanying water rights, was acquired by the H. C. P. L. & T. Company, and the right to the 10 cubic feet of water per second now belongs to the Company.

City of St. Catharines—A lease No. 16058 (superseding No. 13011), from the Department of Railways and Canals was granted to the city of St. Catharines to take 50 cubic feet of water per second from the Welland canal at an annual rental of \$500 per annum. In building the storage reservoir of the H. C. L. P. & T. Company's power house the river basin from which the city of St. Catharines derived its water supply was submerged, in consequence of which the Company have entered into agreement with the city of St. Catharines, by which the City's 50 cubic feet of water per second enter, and are withdrawn from the storage reservoir of the Company.

**PLANT.**—The Hamilton Cataract, Power, Light & Traction Company, Limited, operate their plant under a static head of 263 ft., and, under full load, each penstock has an operating head of 256 feet.

The maximum winter load (1910) is about 15,000 to 22,000 K.W.

The Company has a storage reservoir of area about 500 acres, affording it is stated, a supply of water for 50,000 H.P. for thirty hours.

On account of utilising its high head, the Company obtains much more power per cubic foot of water than any other company utilising the waters of lake Erie.

**Dominion Power and Transmission Co., Ltd.** This Company\* was incorporated under Dominion charter, Jan. 11, 1907, and an Ontario license (under 63 Victoria, chapter 24) was issued on Feb. 11, 1907. The objects of the company, briefly summarised, are:

"To develop electric, steam, pneumatic, hydraulic or other powers or forces, to construct all plant necessary for such purposes; to purchase such power or force from others; to treat by electrolytic or other electric process ores, minerals, etc., and to instal all plant necessary for that purpose; to deal in logs, timber, wood and metals and manufacture articles therefrom, to carry on the business of a land improvement company; to acquire the assets, business, property and rights of other companies carrying on any business similar to this company, to carry on any other business which may be incidental to the carrying out of the objects for which the Company was incorporated."

**American Companies at Niagara** A number of companies have been incorporated with United States charters to take water from the Niagara river and lake Erie. A list of these companies follows, together with a statement of the principal rights and privileges granted each:†

\*The Dominion Power and Transmission Co. controls or operates the Hamilton Terminal Co.; Hamilton Grimsby & Beamsville Electric Railway Co.; Hamilton Cataract Power, Light and Traction Co.; Hamilton Electric Light & Cataract Power Co.; Brantford & Hamilton Electric Railway Co.; Brantford Electric & Operating Co.; Welland Electric Railway Co.; Western Counties Electric Co.; Hamilton & Dundas Street Railway Co.; Hamilton Radial Electric Railway Co.; Hamilton Electric Light & Power Co.; Dundas Electric Co.; Lincoln Electric Light & Power Co.

†For further data respecting these companies, consult U.S. *War Document*, No. 289; also booklet published by the Local Committee of the Canadian Society of Civil Engineers, entitled, "Presented by the Local Committee of the Canadian Society of Civil Engineers," at Niagara Falls, Sept. 27th, 1904; also Canada, *Sessional Papers*, No. 19a, p. 244, *et seq.*; also pp. 260-261; see also, *Transportation Corporations Law*, in *Consolidated Laws of the State of New York*, 1909, Vol. V., p. 4385, *l.f.*; or in the *Laws of 1909*, p. 219.

**NIAGARA FALLS HYDRAULIC POWER & MANUFACTURING COMPANY.**—This company, under its present name was organized under the general laws of the state of New York in 1877, and in 1881 established the first station at Niagara falls, for supplying electricity for lighting as a commercial enterprise. The company's right to divert water from the Niagara river having been questioned in 1895, the New York State Legislature passed legislation confirming its right to divert water, generate power and sell the same.\* This right was not restricted as to time but the amount of water that could be taken was limited to that which could be drawn off by a canal 100 feet wide and of an average depth of 14 feet. It is computed that the works now under construction require about 9,500 cubic feet per second; but works could be constructed under different plans to use a much greater quantity of water.

**NIAGARA FALLS POWER COMPANY.**—The initial rights granted this company were conferred in 1886 by the New York State Legislature.† It is authorized to take water sufficient to generate 200,000 H.P., computed to be about 17,200 cubic feet per second. Its franchise is for fifty years from March 31, 1886.

**THE NIAGARA COUNTY IRRIGATION AND WATER SUPPLY COMPANY,** incorporated in 1891 by New York state, may divert water from the Niagara river to supply Lewiston and other villages, and may lease and sell water for manufacturing and other purposes.

**THE NIAGARA POWER AND DEVELOPMENT COMPANY** which was incorporated by New York state in 1893, is authorized to build a town, equip plants for the public utilities therein, and divert water from lake Erie and the Niagara river for all purposes except for motive power for factories.

**THE NIAGARA, LOCKPORT AND ONTARIO POWER COMPANY,** incorporated in 1894, was empowered to take water from the Niagara river for supplying water and electricity to Lockport and other cities. In 1904 it failed to secure legislation to perpetuate its privileges and has since been operating as a transmission company.

**THE NIAGARA GORGE POWER COMPANY**‡ was incorporated in 1905 to generate, transmit and sell electricity in the counties, cities, towns and villages of the state of New York.

\* Laws of 1896, chap. 968.

† See Laws of 1886, chap. 83 and 489; 1890, chap. 109; 1891, chap. 253; 1892, chap. 418; 1893, chap. 477.

‡ Pursuant to provisions of the Transportation Corporations Law, Article VI.

## THE WATER-POWERS OF CANADA

**THE LOWER NIAGARA RIVER POWER AND WATER SUPPLY COMPANY** is empowered to divert sufficient water from the Niagara river to produce 200,000 H.P. It was incorporated in 1902 under special act\* of the state of New York and its term of existence is for one hundred years.

**THE CATARACT POWER AND CONDUIT COMPANY** was organized in 1896.† It is controlled by the Niagara Falls Power Company and has the exclusive right within the city of Buffalo to receive, use and transmit electricity, power, light and heat; also to supply Niagara falls power to the Buffalo General Electric Company and the International Railway Company.

**THE NIAGARA FALLS ELECTRICAL TRANSMISSION COMPANY** was incorporated by New York state in 1905.† It is controlled by the Electrical Development Company of Ontario, Limited, and has a franchise to distribute light, heat and power in Tonawanda, Lockport, Pendleton, Holley, Royalton, North Tonawanda, Medina and Sweden.

The following companies were granted privileges to divert water from the Niagara river but have done no construction work: Lockport Water Supply Company, Lewiston Water Supply Company, Buffalo and Niagara Power and Drainage Company.

## General Conditions Governing Power Development at Niagara

From an economic standpoint the power possibilities of the Niagara falls and river constitute to-day the most important hydro-electric power site in the world. The process of depletion of the known coal fields of the United States—especially the anthracite coal beds of Pennsylvania—will tend, in the near future, to cause the aesthetic claims made on behalf of the scenic beauty of the Niagara falls and rapids to yield before possible aggressive demands made by companies to utilize the waters discharging from lake Erie. It is noteworthy that many of the charters already granted companies for power development are kept alive, even though, as yet, no construction works have been begun.

Remarkable Regularity of Flow  
 Marvellous is the regulated flow of water from the Great lakes, as it exists under the laws of the Creator. Referring to this natural regulation of flow, the Joint International Waterways Commissioners, in 1910, reported that "no work of man ever approached, or ever will approach, this perfection of regulation," and they add that man "may disturb it, making it less uniform." The conservation, therefore, of this natural uniformity of flow is a matter

\*Laws of state of New York, 1902; chap. 539; see also, under *Power of the Lower Niagara river*, below.

†Under Transportation Corporations Law, *Consolidated Laws of the State of New York*, 1909, Vol. 5, p. 4385, f.f.



for national concern, and the public at large should have an intelligent appreciation of the menace that exists in unduly utilising the waters of the Great Lakes system whether at Niagara, the Long Sault rapids, Cedar rapids, or elsewhere, for purposes of power development.

The time is coming when people will see that the amount of water which would naturally course the entire length of Niagara's bed, and which may, even temporarily, be diverted for power purposes without proving to be a serious menace to Nature's balancing of the levels of the Great lakes, is much smaller than is popularly supposed. Some exceptional natural phenomena already seem to be manifesting themselves in the Great Lakes system. What may be the results when even all the water already authorized for diversion is in service, the future alone will disclose. It would be a wise precaution, when granting water privileges on a river, say, like the Niagara river, if the governments interested reserved the power to demand that waters diverted from a river must, if so required, be temporarily returned to the river. Such a course would increase the flow and thereby assist in averting critical conditions that might arise, as, for example, a dangerous ice jam which might be broken up by the agency of an increased flow of water taking place during the formative stages of the jam.

**Physical  
Factors of  
Lake Erie**

The Niagara river drains an area, including lake surface, of 254,708 square miles. The lake surface area is 87,845 square miles, making the ratio of lake to drainage area as 1 to 2.9.

In the Great Lakes system there is a regular annual variation in levels due to difference in rainfall, evaporation, and run-off, the water level being highest in mid-summer and lowest in mid-winter.\* The levels are affected also by the greater or less severity of the winter and by the consequent greater or less decrease in the discharging capacity of the outlets by ice. The interval of time required for an increasing supply to show its effect upon the level of lake Erie is about 76 days, and for a decreasing supply it is about 132 days.

The extreme variation of level of lake Erie during the period 1860-1907 is 3.89 feet, with a maximum range in one year (1892) of 2.28 feet, a minimum range in one year (1895) of .87 feet, and an annual average range of 1.56 feet.

\*The physical factors appertaining to the levels of the Great Lakes system have been published in two very able reports, one, the *Report of the Deep Waterways Commission, 1900*, the other the recent comprehensive *Report of the International Waterways Commission on the Regulation of Lake Erie*. These Reports have been freely quoted in the following remarks, which are given in order that a better appreciation may be had as to the main factors which determine the power possibilities of the Niagara river.

The amount of water which lake Erie discharges through the Niagara river is a variable quantity and depends upon the elevation of the water surface, or, as it is termed, the *stage*, of the lake. For the Great Lakes system it is customary to give the stages of the respective bodies of water above a fixed datum. Mean tide water at New York is the datum usually selected.

Consider an illustration. A variation in the stage of lake Erie of a single foot, at Buffalo Lighthouse, Buffalo, corresponds to a difference in the rate of the discharge from the lake of from twenty to twenty-five thousand cubic feet of water per second. The increments of discharge per foot change in stage vary for different sections of the river. They are expressed in cubic feet per second, at Buffalo Lighthouse, as follows:

STAGE	INCREMENT IN C.F.S.
572.67 (mean) .....	23,400
570-571 .....	19,600
571-572 .....	21,400
572-573 .....	23,200
573-574 .....	25,100

The knowledge such data conveys is, that if the water level of lake Erie, at Buffalo Lighthouse, for example, is 570 feet above mean tide level at New York, and the level rises to 571 feet, then, the Niagara river will discharge at the rate of 19,600 cubic feet of water per second more than it was discharging at the 570 foot stage. If, next, the stage rises from 571 to 572 feet, then the discharge rate becomes 21,400 cubic feet per second greater than it was at the 571 foot stage.

The bearing which such facts have upon the question of power development is, that the horse-power available at any specified time, at, say, Niagara falls, depends upon the quantity of water flowing in the Niagara river at that time and, as has just been pointed out, this quantity depends upon the stage, or level, of the water in lake Erie.

In addition to the monthly, yearly or other periodic changes, variations in the level of the lake's surface, due to winds and to change of barometric pressure, are frequent and irregular, and at times violent. Variations of more than 6 inches are very common, often occurring hourly for many hours in succession, while variations of 2 or 3 feet within an hour are not uncommon. It sometimes happens that the stage varies as much as 7 or 8 feet in one day. Storms raise the water level at Buffalo several feet higher than normal, and lower it at Amherstburg, by a like amount; the difference of level between the two ends of the lake in extreme cases having been as great as 15 feet.\*

\*See Report of the International Waterways Commission on the Regulation of Lake Erie, p. 11; also p. 17.

**DISCHARGE OF NIAGARA RIVER.**—The discharge of the Niagara river has been determined by measurements taken at the International Bridge located at Buffalo, N.Y., and at a point about 1,800 feet down stream at the "Open Section." Measurements were begun in 1897 and are being carried on by the engineering staff of the United States Lake Survey. The maximum monthly mean discharge from lake Erie, 257,800 cubic feet per second, equivalent to a depth of 2.44 feet on the lake, occurred in June, 1876. The minimum, 168,700 cubic feet per second, equivalent to a depth of 1.60 feet on lake surface, occurred in March, 1896. The average discharge of the Niagara river during the period 1860-1907 is 212,200 cubic feet per second.

From 1860 to 1907 the greatest excess average for any one month was for June, 1876, being 45,600 c.f.s., or twenty-one per cent.; the greatest excess average for any one year was for 1876, being 26,800 c.f.s., or twelve per cent.; the greatest deficiency average for any one month was for March, 1896, being 43,500 c.f.s., or twenty-one per cent.; the greatest deficiency average for any one year was for 1895, being 31,800 c.f.s., or fifteen per cent.\*

**POWER POSSIBILITIES OF NIAGARA FALLS.**—Many statements of a misleading character—no doubt, sometimes, through ignorance—have been published regarding the water-power possibilities of Niagara falls. *Theoretical* quantities of available horse-power have been presented to the attention of the public, while quantities of *actually developed* horse-power have been the units in which power companies have required their concessions from the government. Comparisons should be made with corresponding units.

Under conditions of average discharge the Niagara river, from lake Erie to lake Ontario, with its total fall of about 325 feet, would, theoretic-

\*The most recent and extensive published data relating to the Niagara river will be found in the *Report of the International Waterways Commission on the Regulation of Lake Erie*, Ottawa, 1910. The discharge formula is given on pages 48-49; for the average discharge in cubic feet per second for each month from 1860 to 1907 inclusive see Table No. 21; the supply factors for Lake Erie are given in Table No. 26; the mean monthly supply factors in Tables Nos. 28 and 31. These various data are shown graphically upon plates. Plate 1 shows the monthly mean stage of lakes Superior, Michigan, Huron, St. Clair, Erie and Ontario from 1860 to 1907 inclusive.

In the *Report of the Deep Waterways Commission*, 1900, Washington, 1900, Part I, the areas of the lake surfaces and watersheds, data as to rainfall and deductions as to the amount of evaporation will be found on pages 276-7; for Niagara discharge see p. 278, also p. 286. Appendix No. 7, pages 298-321, is a report on *Niagara River Discharge*, by C. B. Stewart. Plate 81 gives curves showing *Lake Ontario Water Levels and Niagara river Discharge from 1865 to 1898 inclusive*; Plate 89 gives the *Discharge Curve of Niagara River at Buffalo, N.Y.*

In the Report of the Chief of Engineers, U.S. Army for 1900, see report of E. E. Haskell, pages 5322-5326; also report of F. C. Shenehon, pages 5326-5361, (Summary, p. 5380); also, in Report 1903, report of E. S. Wheeler, pages 2855-2883 (Lake Erie, pp. 2875-76); also, in Report 1909, re Niagara River, see pp. 931-941, and pp. 2477-2507; also, in Report 1910, re Preservation of Niagara falls, see pp. 1050-1053, and pp. 2722-2725.

cally yield about 8,000,000 horse-power. The fall in the Niagara river from lake Erie to the surface of the water below the Falls is about 226 feet, and from the head of the rapids above the Falls (forebay of the Ontario Power Company's head works) to the foot of the Falls, about 212 feet. The Ontario Power Company operates under a normal head of about 180 feet; consequently, this company utilizes about eighty-five per cent. of the available head of 212 feet. This is a larger percentage of the total head than is utilized by other companies at Niagara. The combined efficiency of the turbines and generators constituting the large units at the Falls is about eighty per cent., so that only eighty per cent. of the eighty-five, which is sixty-eight per cent., of the possible development, is available as developed electrical horse-power. Hence, one of the first things we have to do is to cut the theoretically possible horse-power down over thirty per cent.

Again, in estimating possible available horse-power, it is customary to base the estimates upon the minimum discharge, or flow. Such is the basis employed for the estimates given in the Hydro-Electric Power Commission and many other reports. Now, if the power at Niagara falls is considered on this basis of minimum monthly discharge, then, a further reduction of twenty per cent. must be made from the horse-power totals customarily given for the Falls based upon average conditions of flow. Hence, reducing our sixty-eight per cent. by twenty per cent., we find that the developed horse-power possibly available at the Falls will be about fifty-five per cent. of the total theoretical horse-power estimated for average conditions.

It must not be forgotten, either, that it would never be possible to use all the water of the river. The ice must go by way of the Falls and not by way of the water-wheels. Just how much water must be reserved to go over the Falls in order to prevent the ice from lodging above the Falls and creating disastrous ice jam conditions, would be difficult to state. Possibly the diversions of water at present authorized may yet be found, when all is in service, to encroach upon the limits of safety.

Considered, therefore, in the most favourable light of the facts just mentioned, and from the viewpoint of the amounts of power obtained from present Niagara developments, all the mean low-water discharge, with the 212 feet available at Niagara falls, would give an estimated amount of about 2,765,000 H.P. Canada's share of this would be 1,382,500 H.P.

Let us, however, view the situation from another standpoint. It has been ascertained by special investigations made of existing Niagara plants by the United States Government, that it takes about .075 of a cubic foot of water per second, to actually develop one horse-power; even on this basis, the low-water discharge of 168,700 cubic feet per second would yield at the Falls about 2,250,000 H.P., of which Canada's share



AUBREY FALL, MISSISSAGI RIVER, ONT.



SIXTH FALL, WHITE RIVER, ONT.



would be 1,125,000 H.P. Franchises have already been granted, and plants partially completed, for the development on the Canadian side of the river of about 450,000 H.P. In other words, instead of 'millions' of horse-power being available, as has been sometimes stated, it appears that about half, and by all odds the better half, of Canada's usable share of Niagara falls power has already been placed under private control; and, as just intimated above, circumstances attendant upon the use of all the waters now authorized may show that ice, and other conditions, preclude the use of a further proportion of Canada's equity in the waters at Niagara falls.

We have not been dealing with theoretical quantities nor with estimates of possible actual quantities, but with quantities based upon measurements of flow and upon the percentage of the available power which the companies, who have installed operating power plants, have used under the best expert engineering advice obtainable.

**POWER OF THE LOWER NIAGARA RIVER.**—Let us briefly consider the power possibilities of the lower Niagara river. From the head of the rapids below the Falls to the mouth of the gorge in the river there is a fall of about 94.5 feet. This is about forty-five per cent. of the head available at the locality of the Falls. Assuming that as great a proportion of the available power of the rapids is used as of the power theoretically available at the Falls, and assuming further that all the water of the river is diverted, then we would have about 1,000,000 theoretical H.P. In the portion of the river in which the fall is greatest, viz., from the head of the rapids below the Falls to the foot of Foster's flats, there is a drop of 78.5 feet. This is thirty-seven per cent. of the head available at the Falls. Upon assumptions corresponding to those just made above, the river would yield about 830,000 H.P., of which Canada's share would be 415,000 H.P.

Obviously the rights to the first 10,000 or 20,000 cubic feet of water diverted from the lower Niagara river are very much more valuable, considered from the physical standpoint, than the rights appertaining to any diversions that may subsequently be authorized.

The Lower Niagara River Power and Water Supply Company, incorporated under the laws of the state of New York and empowered by the State "not to take more water than shall be sufficient to produce 200,000 effective H.P.," has applied to the United States Federal Government for authority to utilize an amount of water not exceeding 40,000 cubic feet per second from the lower Niagara river. Reporting upon this application, the International Waterways Commission, in its Report to the United States Secretary of War, states that

"It is our opinion that about 40,000 cubic feet per second can be diverted without perceptible injury to the rapids, and that any

amount greater than that will approach the danger line more and more nearly, according to its volume. We therefore recommend that no more than 40,000 cubic feet be diverted on both sides of the river taken together."\*

Theoretically, this recommended diversion of 40,000 cubic feet per second with the head of 94.5 feet would yield about 430,000 H.P., of which Canada's share would be 215,000 H.P. With a total head of 78.5 feet to the foot of Foster's flats, 20,000 cubic feet per second would yield, theoretically, about 180,000 H.P. Owing to the difficulties of hydraulic construction and the large fluctuations in head which occur in the lower river, it would be difficult to determine just what proportion of the theoretical quantities could be obtained from a diversion on the Canadian side of 20,000 cubic feet per second.

Power sites on the rapids below the Falls are much inferior to the power sites in the vicinity of the Falls. The Commissioners of the Queen Victoria Niagara Falls Park had a report made as to the possible power sites on the Canadian side of the lower Niagara river. This Report shows a number of possible power sites using the shortest possible tunnel routes, but the estimated total of all the reported sites is considerably under 50,000 H.P.†

**SUMMARY.**—In conclusion it may be said that under present methods of development, and assuming *all the water* passing over the Falls to be diverted for power purposes, Canada's share of the power may be under 1,000,000 H.P. Below the Falls, using all the water and the total head of 94.5 feet, the lower river would yield for Canada's share about 450,000 H.P. These quantities are for the mean low-water discharge; for average conditions of flow they might be increased about twenty-five per cent.

If either Canada or the United States should first exercise its right to generate 500,000 H.P. from its share of the Niagara waters, then physical conditions might probably prevent the other country from actually developing all told half a million horse-power from the remaining available waters at Niagara falls.

**UNDEVELOPED POWER SITES.**—Many municipalities of Ontario are now dependent for their supply of electricity upon a single plant at

\*See *Fourth Progress Report*, United States section, International Waterways Commission, p. 12; also *Supplementary Report*, Canadian section, International Waterways Commission. (*Sessional Papers*, Canada, No. 19a, 1910), p. 3; see also H. R. 16086 and H. R. 16748, of Committee on Rivers and Harbours, U. S. House of Representatives, *The Equities at Niagara*, pp. 41 *et seq.*

†See "Report upon the practicability of developing power for commercial purposes at various points along the West shore of the Niagara river between the Cantilever Bridge and the village of Queenstown," by James Wilson, in *Annual Report Queen Victoria Niagara Falls Park Commissioners*, 1897, pp. 11-15, with accompanying map showing proposed power sites. For suggested power sites on U. S. side see Adams, Alton, D., "Utilizing the Power of the Niagara Rapids" in *Engineering Magazine* (N.Y.), June, 1905, pp. 381-387.



Niagara falls. Any remaining power site there, or upon the Niagara river, or westward upon the Niagara escarpment, should never be permitted to be developed, except upon such terms and conditions as will absolutely and perpetually provide an alternative source for a cheap and sufficient supply of electrical energy for the municipalities of Ontario that are dependent for their electricity upon Niagara power. This provision should be made in view of a possible temporary disabling of the plant upon which the municipalities are now dependent, in view, of the future expiration of present contracts, and in view, also, of the increased light, heat and power demands of the future.

When the Ontario Power Commission was considering the selection of a site for a power plant at Niagara falls their experts pointed out four possible sites adjacent to the Falls. Three sites were situated above the head works of the Ontario Power Company; the fourth site, which involved a subterranean power house, was located just above the Horseshoe falls. The sites suggested were as follows: \*

PLANT	HEAD	LENGTH OF TUNNEL
		(in feet)
1	150.91 .....	6,220
2	156.30 .....	5,450
3	164.35 .....	4,300
4	155.00 .....	400

The Hydro-Electric Power Commission, in its First Report, makes special reference to possible additional power sites. The Report recommends particularly a site above the intake of the Ontario Power Company, and states that

“Such a plant would have a tunnel tail-race about 5,000 feet long and may be considered the cheapest and most suitable power site now available on the Canadian side of the Niagara river, the only others possible being either one between the Canadian Niagara Power Company's plant and that of the Electrical Development Company, and which would not be looked upon favorably, as its supply of water is shut out by the latter works; or else at a site between the Canadian Niagara Power Company's plant and that of the International Railway Company. This site is out of the question for two reasons: because of the extreme shallowness of the Niagara river adjacent, and because the gradual recession of the Falls would soon completely ruin even its present impracticable position, and there would be no remedy available, as the construction of a wing dam at this point would completely put out of business the plant of the International Railway Company.

\* See *Official Report of the Ontario Power Commission, Toronto, 1906*; Report by Ross and Holgate, also Plate No. 1. Compare, also, *Report of Isham Randolph, C.E., upon the Further Development of the Niagara river for Power Purposes, in Annual Report of the Queen Victoria Niagara Falls Park Commissioners, 1902, pp. 96-99*; also *Ibid.*, p. 14.

Should an additional electric power plant development be, for any reason required, it need not necessarily be constructed at Niagara Falls. In fact, there are strong reasons why a plant located about 18 miles west of Niagara Falls would be a more favorable one, as the water can there be used under 300 feet head, requiring thereby only about one-half the amount of water per H.P. which is used at Niagara Falls. The construction necessary would not disfigure the vicinity at Niagara Falls, and as the power would be generated at a point 18 miles nearer the Canadian market, this advantage would accrue to the consumer by lessening the cost of transmission. Sufficient studies and estimates have been made to show that a development can be made at this point at a cost per H..P not exceeding the cost of the Niagara developments."\*

For other possible power sites at which it is proposed to utilize the waters of lake Erie conducted over the Niagara escarpment, consult the charters of the various power companies elsewhere referred to in this report.†

#### Northern Ontario Water-Powers

No special survey has yet been made to determine the possible water-powers that may be available upon the rivers of Northern Ontario which flow into Hudson and James bays. However, Mr. L. V. Rorke, Inspector of Surveys for the Ontario Government, has made a collection of data gleaned from published reports on these water-powers and has supplemented it by data obtained by himself in travelling over some of the rivers, as well as by data from various other sources. In an address delivered before the Association of Ontario Land Surveyors, and entitled *Water-Powers on our Northern Slope to James Bay, Province of Ontario*, Mr. Rorke gave the results of his research. His introductory remarks explain the character and limitations of the tabulated data and, bearing these in mind, the address may be taken as giving a representative idea of the locations and possible amounts of the water-powers in Ontario north of the height of-land. The address, in part, is as follows:

"In attempting to get together some information with reference to the water-powers on the rivers of Northern Ontario which empty into James bay and Hudson bay, a certain amount of latitude must be granted because of the lack of accurate information with respect to the different data which necessarily enter into an accurate computation of any water-power development. Having travelled over some of these rivers from their head-waters to their mouths, and taken some cursory notes, the writer feels that the impression gained and the information obtained respecting these water-powers, may be of interest to most of our members in this progressive age of hydro-electric development.

"In looking over the map of Northern Ontario, you will notice that the rivers north of the watershed draining into James bay assume a

\* See *First Report*, pp. 14-15, also sketch map showing recommended site.

† See pp. 71 et seq.



Commission of Conservation  
Canada

**TRANSMISSION LINES  
N.E. AND N.W. ONTARIO**

Scale, 35 miles to 1 inch

Generating plants shown by solid circles  
Transformer stations shown by hollow circles  
Red figures indicate horse-power capacity - 1,000

**Transmission Lines**

- Hydro Power Co. ————
- Niagara Power Co. ————
- British Canadian Power Co. ————
- Huronian Power Co. ————
- Lorne Power Co. ————
- Manitowish Power Co. ————
- Orillia, Midland, Brantford  
and Owen Sound Municipal Plants ————





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tentacular aspect with delicate feelers reaching out from the main body of water (Hudson bay) to the large bodies of fresh water which form the head-water lakes. Visit the ground and you find, during high-water period, that those great feeders have become raging torrents, with no sense of delicacy toward their surroundings. You may also notice the absence of lake expansions, so prevalent on the southern slope. If it were possible to show every little creek, stream and brooklet, it would be seen how systematically and completely nature has provided these small laterals supplying the larger watercourses. When your canoe men, in travelling up these rivers, hug the shores to keep out of the heavy current and to take advantage of the back eddies, you will notice numerous small natural drains occurring in quick succession, which you would pass unnoticed if travelling in mid-stream. This is particularly true of the 'Great Clay Belt.'

"The rivers in many respects are similar. In the lower reaches they become wide, shallow and swift, after tumbling down over what has been termed by geologists, the Archæan boundary, where an altitude of approximately 250 feet is overcome in a distance of from 5 to 15 miles, by a series of falls and rapids. The principal falls on each river at this Archæan boundary are as follows: On the Missinaibi, at the end of Long portage, at what is known as 'Hell Gate,' a fall and rapid of 140 feet; on the Opazatika, at Break-neck falls, a descent of 60 feet; on the Mattagami, at the Long portage, falls and rapids of 150 feet; on the Abitibi, the Long rapids between the mouth of Little Abitibi river and New Post, 160 feet and a fall of 110 feet at Kawash falls on the Nettogami, a tributary of the French river. Above this Archæan boundary the current in the rivers is not so strong, and the streams are broken by a succession of falls and rapids with intervening stretches in which the velocity of the current varies from one-third of a mile to two miles an hour.

"The large lakes at or near the head-waters are fairly uniform in altitude, being approximately 1,000 feet above sea-level. They may be enumerated as follows: Abitibi lake on the Abitibi river; Frederickhouse and Nighthawk lakes on the Frederickhouse river; the Mattagami and Kenogamissi lakes on the Mattagami river; Pishkanogama, Matagaming and Rice lakes on the Kakoshisk river; the Missinaibi, Kapuskasing, Opazatika, Kabinakagami, Kenogami and Ogoki lakes at or near the heads of the respective rivers of the same name; Rainy lake, lake of the Woods, lac Seul and lake Joseph on the upper waters of the Winnipeg, English and Albany rivers. The drainage basin—within the limits of the Province of Ontario—of these several rivers, is approximately 100,000 square miles.\*

"The drainage area and head-waters of the Ottawa river adjoin the drainage areas and head-waters of some of those herein enumerated. The Ottawa has been carefully gauged and investigated in connection with the Georgian Bay canal scheme, with the result that the average annual precipitation for the ten years preceding 1906 was found to be 31.72 inches, and the average discharge was 53 per cent of the precipitation, or 16.8 inches. The drainage area is 56,000 square miles, and,

\*At this point in his address, Mr. Rorke referred to the requirements which data must meet when used as a basis for accurate estimates of possible water-power. As these requirements have already been referred to, in the foregoing pages, under sections entitled "Necessity for Reliable Data" and "Reconnaissance Surveys," they are here omitted.

for the same ten years, the average yearly mean discharge was 56,641 cubic feet per second. The maximum high-water discharge was three times the mean discharge, and the minimum low-water discharge 65-100 of the mean discharge. The results obtained from this discharge area are, that the mean discharge is one cubic foot per second per square mile of area, and the minimum low-water discharge is .65 cubic feet per second per square mile of area.

"Table No. IX on page 136 shows the area of the drainage basin, the total discharge and the discharge per square mile of area, of a number of rivers of Northern Ontario.

"The average minimum discharge of these rivers is .46 c.f.s. per square mile, and for the purpose of this paper it will be well within the limits to assume a discharge of .4 c.f.s. per square mile.

"On the western part of the slope, the total precipitation is less than in the Ottawa River basin, but the percentage of run-off is greater. The average yearly precipitation during ten years in the Winnipeg River basin has been 23 inches, and the run-off 70 per cent. of the precipitation, or 16.1 inches, practically the same as in the Ottawa River basin.

"In these rivers of the Northern Slope, the high-water run-off is more gradual than on the southern. In such rivers as the Nipigon, Magpie, Pigeon, Spanish, French and others draining the north shores of lakes Superior and Huron, the spring freshets are heavier and of shorter duration, because of the large amount of rock-exposed territory and the more broken and steep hills therein. The maximum discharge is not reached on the northern slope until late in the month of May or early in June and, owing to the gentler slopes of the land and the forest-covered area, the run-off is more gradual. Taking this into consideration, the annual discharge can be more easily and uniformly controlled and requires less storage than such rivers as are mentioned above.

"On the Abitibi river, for example, we have a storage basin of 460 square miles in the Abitibi, Nighthawk and Frederickhouse lakes. With a rise of 10 feet above low-water mark (one square mile one foot deep = .88 c.f.s.), a storage of 4,000 c.f.s. could be secured to maintain a mean discharge during the low-water months. This is quite sufficient after allowing a reasonable percentage for evaporation.

"A cross section of the Abitibi river, near where it crosses the National Transcontinental railway, gives an area of 5,000 square feet below normal water level and 10,000 square feet in mean high water. The water from an area of 6,500 square miles discharges through this sectional area, in low water at the rate of one-third of a mile per hour, in high water at the rate of one and a quarter miles per hour. This calculation is based on the principle that the low flow is .4 c.f.s. per square mile, and the mean high water, .53 c.f.s. per square mile.

"From this cross sectional point, which is 800 feet above sea level,—after deducting 280 feet in the falls and rapids, which are noted, and 200 feet for the lower reach of the river, where a uniform fall of probably two feet per mile exists,—there remains a fall of 320 feet in a distance of 200 miles, or about 1.6 feet to the mile. This, of course, includes many minor rapids, which, when estimated, would reduce the uniform river velocity to probably what is deduced from the above sectional discharge.

"It has been ascertained that on the Winnipeg river, in the province of Manitoba, an aggregate head of 247 feet is available for horse-power development, with a minimum efficiency of 486,000 H.P., which is equal to one-fourth that of the great Horseshoe fall at Niagara. It may be of provincial interest to state that seventy-five per cent. of the drainage basin of the Winnipeg river lies within the province of Ontario, and 95 per cent. of the total discharge passes through the Province before reaching the outlet into lake Winnipeg. With control dams at lakes of the Woods, Rainy, Seul and other large lakes on this river and its tributary, the English river, the minimum efficiency of all powers on this river, both within and without the Province, could be doubled.

"The large water-powers in Ontario on this river are enumerated herein, giving the same minimum low-water flow per mile as those in the more eastern portion of the slope. The White Dog fall about 15 miles below the point where the National Transcontinental railway crosses the river, is the third largest water-power in the Province, Niagara being the first and Sault Ste. Marie the second.

"In compiling this aggregate estimate, the error is a minus quantity. Many rapids on these large rivers are not noted, and many falls on the smaller tributaries, such as the French, Little Abitibi, Muskego and Wabigoon rivers, which will develop from 500 to 5,000 horse-power, do not figure in this total. The margin will be quite sufficient to balance the loss in converting from theoretical to practical horse-power, the loss in transmission of energy to points within reasonable distance, and all other losses which occur between the water-power in its natural state and the article manufactured by means of that power.

"As to the ultimate development and disposal of this great amount of water-power, it is not within the limits of this brief paper to conjecture. Suffice it to say that the power is all within a distance of 100 miles from railway facilities, and thus can be transmitted without too great a loss even at this date, to meet the raw material at shipping points; and in years to come, when these water-powers have been harnessed and put under man's control, the writer believes the results will fully substantiate these figures.

"The following tabulated list of water-powers is calculated on the drainage area basis as described.\* The natural head in feet as given in the second column, is obtained from reports by surveyors, geologists, explorers and others, and, although not always accurate in measurement, is reliable. The drainage area as given in the third column is fairly well defined on the maps of Northern Ontario. The estimated minimum flow as given in the fourth column means the minimum amount that can be counted on every day in the year without increasing the natural head and without storage. The minimum amount of horse-power that this will develop is given in the sixth column. The volume of water under controlled storage sufficient to maintain the mean discharge of 1 c.f.s. per square mile area is given in the fifth column, and the amount of horse-power that this will develop is given in the seventh column."

It will be observed that the grand total of 2,030,600 H.P. is based upon *controlled* discharge. If the minimum 24-horse-power, under

\*See Table No. LX. on page 136.

natural flowage, is the basis of consideration, as is the case in the Hydro-Electric Power Commission Reports, then Mr. Rorke's total will be only about 800,000 H.P.

#### Explanation of Statistical Tables

In the tables which follow, the principal statistical data regarding the water-powers of Canada are given. The power sites are arranged consecutively under the different rivers upon which they are situated, and in the majority of cases the tributaries are listed under the rivers into which they flow. An index number precedes the name of each power or group of powers, and corresponding numbers will be found upon the accompanying maps, thus constituting a ready means of reference, either from the maps to the listed powers, or vice versa.

In the column "Head (in feet)" is given the minimum head available under natural conditions; or, if the power has been developed, the head that is actually being used. Unless so specified, the heads given are not necessarily any indication of the heads it may be possible to secure by the construction of special conservation works.

The column "H.P." gives the estimated horse-power for conditions of minimum flow. Generally speaking, this has been arrived at in the manner described on pages 19 to 21. It should be noted, however, that, in the case of smaller rivers, there are usually some months in the year when no power whatever is available.

The column "Electrical Energy used, 1910" shows, in electrical horse-power, the maximum load carried by the plant. In most instances, the plant is called upon to deliver this load for only a few hours each day. This column is subdivided so as to indicate the amounts used for lights and for power.

In the column, "Developed (Horse-Power)" are given the amounts of power respectively used for various industries; also the total horse-power developed.

Information from the various reports from which these data were taken has been supplemented by data obtained from published descriptions of power developments, and by correspondence with persons having knowledge of power conditions in various localities.

The greater portion of the data tabulated for Ontario has been taken from the only source from which it is to be had, viz., the Reports of the Hydro-Electric Power Commission.

The data respecting the powers on the Ottawa, Mattawa and French rivers has been taken from the Report of the Georgian Bay Ship Canal Survey, while that respecting the Trent and other canals was obtained

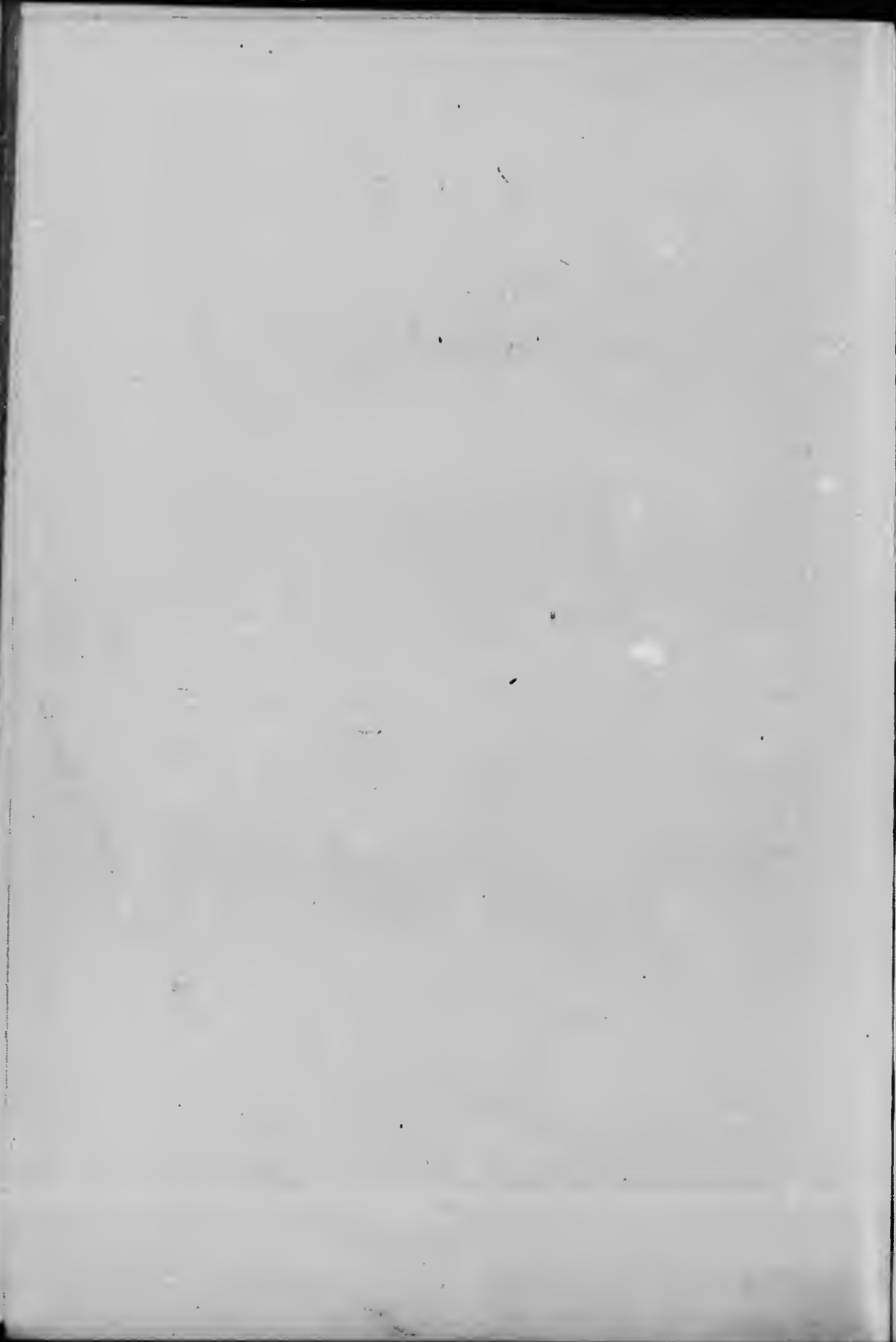




COUCHICHING FALL, ABITIBI RIVER, ONT.



GAJIGAMOK FALL, ENGLISH RIVER, ONT



from the Department of Railways and Canals. Information has also been secured from the Survey and Exploration Report of Northern Ontario in 1900, from the Reports of the Ontario Bureau of Mines, and also from the companies operating at Niagara falls and elsewhere throughout the Province.

In the Hydro-Electric Power Commission Reports the water-power data have been estimated upon the basis of 24-hour power, and an assumed efficiency for hydraulic machinery of eighty per cent. Hence the quantities given in these reports, as quoted in the following tables, would have to be increased twenty-five per cent to bring them to a theoretical basis.

The horse-power given in the tables for the Ottawa river, and for the Lower Trent river, are estimated theoretical quantities.

The amount of power given for the smaller power sites, especially those located upon the rivers having great variations in their flow, must, generally speaking, be regarded as representing the horse-power available for only those portions of the year that are not unduly affected by conditions of draught. Further, the quantities for these smaller sites frequently represent ten- or twelve-, and not twenty-four-hour power.\*

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\*Sources of information relating to the waters and water-powers of Ontario may be found at greater length in the list of reports tabulated in the *Bibliography*.

**ONTARIO**  
**DISTRICT No. 1.—ST. LAWRENCE RIVER AND TRIBUTARIES**

Power Sites	Minimum		Electrical Energy Used, 1910 (Horse-power)		Developed (Horse-power)				REMARKS
	Head (in feet)	H.P.	Power	Light	Electrical Energy	Paper and Pulp	Other Industries	Total	
<b>St. Lawrence canals:</b>									
1. Cardinal.....	6						200	200	Edwardsburg Starch Works
2. Iroquois.....	14		20	70	90		40	40	M. F. Beech
								90	Town of Iroquois pumping and electric plants
3. Morrisburg.....	11	1,410						250	Gibsons lease, 60 H.P.
			50	300	1,100			250	Town of Morrisburg pumping and electric plants
4. Cornwall Mills Roches.....	20		1,000	300	2,700			1,100	New municipal lease for electric power
Lock 20.....	8	1,000						2,700	St. Lawrence Power Co.; normal head, 28 ft.
" 19.....	6	760							
" 18.....	7.5	950				800			Toronto Paper Mfg. Co.
" 17.....	20	2,540					50	50	Municipal pumping plant
							1,500	1,500	Canada Coloured Cotton Co.
							1,200	1,200	
							200	200	
					80		50	130	Cornwall Elect. Lt. & Street Ry. Co., and Wm. Hodge flour mill

St. Lawrence river: <sup>a</sup>	15	232,000	38,000	2000	40,000	40,000	St. Lawrence River Power Co., Massena, N. Y. (Extensions are being made)
5. Galops, Cardinal and Iroquois rapids.....	11	178,000					Cowan & Britten
6. Rapids First.....	40	618,000					O. D. Cowan
7. Long Sault.....							Skinner Co.
							Spring & Axle Co; use steam auxiliary
					250		Electric light plant
8. Gananoque.....	21	365					Rolling mill
"	17						Ontario Wheel Works
"	14						Farmer & Bullock; use steam auxiliary
"							Toronto Bolt & Forge Co.
"							St. Lawrence Steel & Wire Co.
"							McClellan & Shesman, flour mill
"	7						Grist mill
"	7						Mitchell & Wilken
"							G. F. Jones, tool factory
"							W. G. Gibson
							Flour mill
Small creek at Lya:							Grist mill
9. ....							
Garry river:							
10. Alexandria.....	18						

<sup>a</sup> The estimated quantities of horse-power for the St. Lawrence river given in the Table are from the Report of the Hydro-Electric Power Commission. The estimated low-water flow as used by that Commission is 170,000 cubic feet per second. According to the latest investigations, the average discharge for the St. Lawrence river at its head, for the period 1860 to 1867 is 24,400 cubic feet per second. The greatest excess average for any one month was 94,339 c.f.s., or 55 per cent, and occurred in May, 1862; the greatest excess average for any one year was for 1862, being 49,000 c.f.s., or 19 per cent; the greatest deficiency average for any one month was 102,200 c.f.s., or 60 per cent, and occurred in February, 1867; and the greatest deficiency average for any one year was for 1866, being 62,500 c.f.s., or 25 per cent. See Report of International Waterways Commission on the Regulation of Lake Erie, Ottawa, 1916, page 19.

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**DISTRICT No. II.—TRIBUTARIES OF LAKE ONTARIO**  
 (including Trent Valley powers)

POWER SITE	MINIMUM		ELECTRICAL ENERGY USED, 1910 (Horse-power)		DEVELOPED (Horse-power)			REMARKS
	Head (in feet)	H.P.	Power	Light	Electrical Energy	Paper and Pulp	Other Industries	
<b>Napanee river:</b>								
11. Napanee .....	30						500	500
12. Strathcona .....						75		75
13. Newburgh .....							150	150
14. Camden East .....						75		75
15. Yarker .....	32						125	125
<b>Small stream at Bloomfield:</b>								
16. ....	12						30	30
<b>Meira river:</b>								
17. Belleville, first dam .....		300						
" second dam .....	6							
" undeveloped .....	15	550					110	110
" third dam .....	9.4	340					110	110
" fourth dam .....	8.6	320					65	65
" fifth dam .....	8	300					50	50
" Chisholm mills .....	10	370						
" Lost channel .....		33						
18. Tweed, old electric light plant .....	10	200						
" Deseronto Milling Co. ....	10	200						
" Electric Light Co. ....	9	200		70			100	100
" undeveloped power .....	6	140						100

<sup>a</sup> There are several lakes on this river above Belrock controlled by the Napanee River Improvement Co.

Grist mill, lumber mill and furniture factory  
 Foundry and grist mills  
 Carriage wheel factory  
 Grist and lumber mill

	8	6					Partially developed Undeveloped
19. Glen Lewis.....	30	350					
20. Actinolite.....	35	410					
21. High fall.....	50	550					
22. Long slides.....							
<b>Lower Trent river:</b>							
23. Dam 1, Trenton Junction.....	17.5	3,977	450	450	900	900	Trenton Electric and Water Co.
24. " 2.....	20.0	4,945					Miller Bros., Ltd.; was only 9 ft. of an available 27 ft. head. Could only be developed with Miller Bros.' consent.
25. " 3, Glen Miller.....	27.0	6,137			1,000	1,000	Trent River Paper Co.
" 4.....	18.0	4,000					
" 5.....	18.0	4,000					
28. " 6, Frankfort.....	16.0	3,636		40	40	1,000	
29. " 7, Glen Ross.....	5.0	1,136					
30. " 8, foot of Myers island.....	30.0	6,817					
31. " 9, head of Myers island.....	24.0	5,454					
32. " 10, Ranney fall.....	48.0	10,908			500	500	
33. " 11, Stephens rapid at Campbellford.....	23.	5,227	1,500	800	4,000	4,000	Seymour Power & Electric Co., supplying current to Campbellford, Delaware and Belleville (through Trenton Electric & Water Co.) at Subside, Stirling and Pt. Anne.
34. " 12, Middle fall.....	25.	5,681	200	330	530	530	Campbellford municipal electric plant. 76 ft. head could be obtained at considerable expense.
35. " 13, Healey fall.....	66.	11,250					
36. " 14, Hastings.....	9.	1,534		100	100	475	Lumber and grit mills and electric plant
<b>Codd Creek:</b>							
37. Frankfort.....	10.					125	Grit mill
<b>Crow river:</b>							
38. Marmora.....	15.		78	78	78	428	Lumber mill and electric plant
<b>Reaver creek:</b>							
39. St. Ols.....	12.					200	Lumber mill

<sup>a</sup> Controlled by The Electric Power Co.  
<sup>b</sup> For data in respecting discharge, levels, etc., on the Lower Trent river, consult Annual Report of the Department of Railways and Canals; *Seasonal Papers*, (Canada, No. 38, 1911: pp. 263-264 et seq.







**DISTRICT NO. II.—TRIBUTARIES OF LAKE ONTARIO—Continued**  
(including Trent Valley powers)

Power Site	Minimum		Electrical Energy Used, 1910 (Horse-power)		Developers (Horse-power)			REMARKS
	Head (in feet)	H.P.	Power	Light	Electrical Energy	Paper and Pulp	Other Industries	
<b>umber river:</b>								
61. Weston.....	12						50	Grist mill
62. Bolton.....	14						60	Grist mill
<b>Credit river:</b>								
63. Streetsville.....	10		45	45	90			Municipal electric plant
Georgetown, Lawson's.....	12						165	Grist mill
" Sykes & Ainlay.....	14			100	100		55	Use steam auxiliary
64. " Barber & Sons.....	11						77	
" J. Beaumont.....	13		75		75		90	Electric energy for paper mill
65. Norval, R. Noble.....	12						75	Paper and pulp mill
	16						300	Flour mill
<b>Oakville creek:</b>								
66. Oakville.....	32						70	Grist mill
67. Milton.....	22						60	
<b>Dundas creek:</b>								
68. Dundas.....	22						75	Grist mill

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## DISTRICT NO. III.—NIAGARA

(FOR DETAILED DESCRIPTION OF POWER CONDITIONS AT NIAGARA FALLS AND UPON THE LOWER NIAGARA RIVER  
SEE THE SECTIONS ABOVE, WHICH TREAT SPECIALLY OF THESE SUBJECTS.)

Power Site	Available		Electrical Excess Used 1910 (Horse-power)		Developments (Horse-power)				REMARKS
	Head (in feet)	H.P.	Light and Power	Electrical Energy	Paper and Pulp	Other Indus- tries	Total		
60. Canadian Niagara Power Co. .... Ontario Power Co. of Niagara falls	141	110,000	46,613	62,800			62,800	Six generators installed Nine generators installed and a tenth in process of installation, making, in all, 114,000 H.P.	
	176-180	200,000	54,765	102,000			102,000		
	120-145	125,000	22,157	56,200			56,200		
	60-65	10,000					500		
	25	500							
61. Electrical Development Co. of On- tario (Toronto Power Co., Ltd.) International Railway Co. .... Municipality of Niagara Falls, Ont. Rapids of lower Niagara river ...	94.5	215,000						Five generators installed This company sent no reply to enquiries. Power used for civic <del>purposes</del> <sup>lighting</sup> purposes. Estimated theoretical H.P. based upon diversion for Canals of 20,000 cubic feet per second as recommended by the International Waterways Commission	
Welland canal: 70. Port Dalhousie..... St. Catharines..... "..... "..... ".....	12						500	Rubber mfg. Welland Val. Mfg. Co. Lincoln Electric Light and Power Co. Whitman & Barrow Carbide works MILKING Co. Hair cloth mfg. Black & Son Electric Mfg. Co.	
	9.5						325		
	11			180			180		
	12						200		
	12		2,000	2,000			2,000		
71. "..... "..... "..... "..... ".....	21				600		600		
	10						200		
	13						50		
	19						100		
	19						180		



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DISTRICT No. IV.—TRIBUTARIES OF LAKE ST. CLAIR AND LAKE ERIE

Power Site	Minimum		Electrical Excess Used, 1910 (Horse-power)		Developed (Horse-power)			REMARKS
	Head (in feet)	H.P.	Power	Light	Electrical Energy	Paper and Pulp	Other Industries	
<b>Grand river:</b>								
77. Dunsville.....	7			100	100		600	Grist and woolen mills
78. York.....	4.5						25	Grist mill
79. Calumet.....	7						270	Chabert's Mill Co.
80. Brantford.....	16		550	550	1,100		275	Grist and woolen mills
81. Paris.....	8						370	
82. Gall.....	9				260		60	
Elara, lower dam.....	40	20					25	
" " ".....	42							
" " ".....	16						40	
" " upper dam.....	12	25					65	
Fergus.....	16						125	Linnard oil mill
" " ".....	15							Outmeal mill; has steam auxiliary
" " ".....	22						125	
<b>Whitman creek:</b>								
80. Brantford.....	13						80	Grist mill
<b>Rith river:</b>								
81. Paris.....	13	170	15	118	123		290	Woolen mills and electric plant
82. Wolverton.....	8						100	Grist mill
83. Ayr.....	10						260	" " etc.
84. New Hamburg.....	9						80	" " "
85. Wellesley.....	7						100	" " "

**DISTRICT No. IV.—TRIBUTARIES OF LAKE ST. CLAIR AND LAKE ERIE—Continued**

Power Serr	Measure		Electrical Demand Unit, 1910 (Horse-power)			Demand (Horse-power)			REMARKS
	Head (in feet)	H.P.	Power	Light	Elec- trical Energy	Paper and Pulp	Other Indus- tries	Total	
Speed river:									
80. Piquette.....	7						150	150	Grist mill and wooden mill
81. { Hesper (1½ miles distant).....	8	50					60	60	Wooden mill
80. ".....	14	90					200	200	Wooden mill
81. { ".....	9						100	100	Wooden mill; was steam auxiliary
81. { ".....	11				100			100	Municipal electric plant
81. { ".....	15						200	200	Grist mill; was steam auxiliary
Small creek:									
82. Waterloo.....	16						75	75	Grist mill; was steam auxiliary
Conestoga river:									
83. Conestoga.....	14						60	60	Grist mill
Manitowish creek:									
84. Waterford.....	15						60	60	Grist mill
Lynn river:									
85. Fort Dover.....	13						100	100	Grist and wooden mill
86. Lynn Valley.....	10						100	100	Grist mill
86. " (Brocks dam).....	13						125	125	
87. Simons.....	10						60	60	Grist and wooden mill
87. " (Setton).....	13						125	125	Grist mill
87. ".....	14						100	100	Sheddy mill

Spring creek:									
98.	Fort Barran.	16							Grist mill
99.	St. Williams.	12							Lumber mill
		9							Lumber mill; uses steam auxiliary
Big creek:									
100.	Delhi.	15	46						Lumber and grist mill
101.	Teeterville.	26	85	75	100	300			Grist mill
		8							
Ottar creek:									
102.	Vienna.	8							Grist mill
103.	Tilsenberg.	18	60						Grist mill; uses steam auxiliary
Clear creek:									
103.	Tilsenberg.	16							Grist mill
104.	Ponds near Fort Stanley	{							
		22							
		17							
Thomas river:									
104.	Delaware.	8							Possible development
105.	Byron mills.	8							Undeveloped
107.	Springbank.	12	135						London water works
Thomas river, South branch:									
107.	Manlove-lyly dam.	8							Undeveloped
108.	London, Hunt dam	9	60						Flour mill
109.	Dereboster.	15							Undeveloped
109.	Ingersoll.	7							Undeveloped
110.	Beachville	9							Woolen mill
111.	Tribunary at Embre.	13							Cornish
Thomas river, North branch:									
	London								Grist mill
107.	Fenby dam.	9							
	Dexter dam.	8							
	Byron dam.	9							
	Ervingdale.	9							
			30						
			40						
			50						
			50						
			50						
			15						
			10						
			5						
			50						

All have steam auxiliaries

DISTRICT No. IV.—TRIBUTARIES OF LAKE ST. CLAIR AND LAKE ERIE—Continued

Power Site	Minimum		Electrical Energy Used, 1910 (Horse-power)		Developments (Horse-power)				REMARKS	
	Head (in feet)	H.P.	Power	Light	Electrical Energy	Paper and Pulp	Other Industries	Total		
St. Mary's										
111. Carter dam.....	11							120	120	Grist mill
112. Mathewson dam.....	9							20	20	"
Thomas Cereal Co.	8							20	20	"
Nichols dam.....	10							125	125	"
113. Mitchell.....	8									Undeveloped
	12							20	20	Grist mill; was steam auxiliary
Elbow river:										
114. Arvo.....	15							60	60	Grist mill; was steam auxiliary
Trest creek:										
115. Harrington dam.....	16							70	70	Grist mill
Black creek:										
116. Knott dam.....	18							20	20	"

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Elbow river:

Trest creek:

Black creek:

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DISTRICT No. V.—TRIBUTARIES OF LAKE HURON

Power Site	Minimum		Electrical Energy Used, 1910 (Horse-power)		Developed (Horse-power)			REMARKS
	Head (in feet)	H.P.	Power	Light	Electrical Energy	Paper and Pulp	Other Industries	
Assable river:								
124. Near Arkona.....	12		73	35	108			108
125. Exeter.....	9						50	50
Warren creek river; (tributary of Assable)								
126. 1½ m. from Henall.....	16						40	40
Tributary of Bayfield river:								
127. Kippen (¾ m. north of Henall).....	14	40					40	40
Maitland river:								
128. Goderich.....	20	200						
129. Black Hole.....	50	1,000						
Maitland river, North branch:								
130. { Wingham, lower dam.....	16	53	8	107	300			300
{ Wingham, upper dam.....	10	35					100	100
131. Wroneter.....	10	100					100	100
Lacknow river:								
132. Lacknow.....	10						125	125

Electric plant; Rock Glen Power Co. Municipal water works

Lumber mill

Grist mill

Undeveloped; storage for 24 hours Undeveloped

Electric light plant; steam auxiliary for 5 months  
Flour mill and pump house; steam for 5 months  
Grist mill

Lumber and grist mills



<b>Went creek: (tributary of Saugus).</b>									
138.	Walkerton.	23					80	80	Grist mill
142.	Mildmay.	20					100	100	Lumber and grist mill
<b>Rocky Saugus river:</b>									
144.	Aberdeen.	17	108	100				100	Durham electric light plant
145.	Glen Roden.	17	108						Lumber mill
146.	Hayworth fall.	31	195						Markdale electric light plant
	Hayworth fall, possible	60	380						Possible maximum development
147.	Traverston.	18	110						Flour mill
	Traverston, possible.	50	310						Possible maximum development
<b>Muddy Saugus river:</b>									
148.	Dalglish rapids.	40	180						Flour mill
149.	Durham, at McKechnie dam.	13	60				80	80	Undeveloped below mill
	Durham, at McKechnie dam.	12	55						Flour mill
150.	Purdy mill.	20	90				60	60	
151.	Pricoville.	15	40						
		10	18						
<b>Sable river:</b>									
152.	Sable fall.	18	90	300	200		50	250	Electric light plant for Warton and saw mill

**ONTARIO**  
**DISTRICT No. VI.—TRIBUTARIES OF GEORGIAN BAY NORTHWARD TO MUSKOKA RIVER**

Power Site	Minimum		Electrical Energy Used, 1910 (Horse-power)		Developed (Horse-power)			REMARKS	
	Head (in feet)	H.P.	Power	Light	Electrical Energy	Paper and Pulp	Other Industries		Total
Glendon brook: 153. Ozenda.	22						70	70	Lumber mill
Sydenham river: 227; Owen Sound	15	15							
{ Wooden mill	33	75					140	140	
{ Electric light	14	30	20	40	60			60	Have steam auxiliary
{ Saw mill	37	84						90	Grist mill
{ Inglin mill									
Pottawatoni brook: 144. Owen Sound	20								
W.C. Derby	14								
Beaver river: 148. Hornbury	15			100	100		100	200	Grist and cereals
167. Egan's fall	45	1,000			46			46	Proposed development of Georgian Bay Power Co.; Fisherton electric light plant, 43 H.P.; utilizes 17 feet of this head
Koc silver creek: 188. Main mill	24						25	25	Grist mill

Notes: a. Stated that 2,000 H.P. can be generated by raising the dam—very doubtful.

<b>Priddy river:</b> 159. Collingwood.....	18					70	Lumber and grist mill
<b>Coldwater river:</b> 160. Coldwater.....	8				80	50	Grist mill
<b>Kettleswage river:</b> 161. The Fishery (near Ivy).....	10	72			35	35	Lumber mill
<b>Tottenham brook:</b> 162. Tottenham.....	16				25	25	Grist mill
<b>Boyne river:</b> 163. Aylston.....	18	83	180	180	180	200	Grist mills and electric plant. Electric plant has steam auxiliary
<b>Pine river:</b> 164. (Hornings mills)..... 165. Kilgeris.....	60 75 125	84 60 250					Grist mill 42 ft. head is developed. Two mills below Hornings Mills; proposed development by Dublin Light & Power Co., to transmit energy to Orangeville, Shelburne, etc.
<b>Mad river:</b> 166. Cromore..... 167. Glenclair..... 168. Glen Huron..... 169. Singampston..... 170. Lavender fall (on Noisy river).....	20 26 27 22 64	54 72	75	75	75	180 150 115	Grist mill and electric lighting plant Lumber and grist mills Undeveloped
<b>Beaverton river:</b> 171. Beaverton.....	12					100	Grist mill
<b>Tributary of Pefferlaw brook:</b> 172. Uxbridge.....	10		23	23	140	163	Grist mills
<b>Holland River:</b> 173. Newmarket.....	21					65	Furniture

DISTRICT No. VI.—TRIBUTARIES OF GEORGIAN BAY NORTHWARD TO MUSKOKA RIVER—Continued

POWER SITE	MINIMUM		ELECTRICAL ENERGY USED, 1910 (Horse-power)		DEVELOPED (H. P.—power)			REMARKS
	Head (in feet)	H.P.	Power	Light	Electrical Energy	Paper and Pulp	Other Industries	
Severn river:								
174. Fort Severn.....	11	750						
175. Little chute.....	10	680						
176. Big chute.....	56	3,250			3,000			3,000
177. Ragged rapids.....	25	2,020			1,000			1,000
Moon river:								
178. } High fall Twin falls } Curtain chute.....	60	3,300						
Severn Sisters rapid.....	6	330						
179. } Knife rapid.....	20	1,100						
Annis Rooney rapid.....	9	510						
Inland portage.....	8	460						
	15	800						
Regart creek: (trib. to Threemile lake)								
180. Uford.....	26	60					60	60
Muskegon river:								
181. } First and second falls.....	20	430						
Third fall.....	12	200						
Fourth fall.....	30	640						
182. } Eighth fall.....	24	780						
Moon chute.....	10	705						
Bala fall.....	20	1,530						

Simcoe Ry. & Power Co.; electrical energy transmitted to Midland and Peterborough.  
Orillia electric light and power plant.

Lumber mill



**ONTARIO**  
**DISTRICT No. VII.—TRIBUTARIES OF NORTH GEORGIAN BAY AND LAKE SUPERIOR**

Power Site	Minimum		Electrical Energy Used, 1910 (Horse-power)			Developers (Horse-power)			REMARKS
	Head (in feet)	H.P.	Power	Light	Electrical Energy	Paper and Pulp	Other Indus- tries	Total	
<b>Saginaw river:</b>									
187. { Pary Sound .....	15	140	140	300	500		240	240	Pary Sound Lumber Co. Electric lighting plant.
	30	160						500	
<b>Magnesian river:</b>									
188. { Rapids above Byng Inlet .....	10	240							
	15	510							
	40	1,500							
	6								
189. { E. Saye dam .....	14	200							
	8	220							
	18	740							
	9								
190. { Lower Burnt chute .....	28	900							
	30	710							
	15	360							
	7	180							
191. { Poverty Bay rapids .....	19	410							
	22	400							
192. { Almsis Lake dam and Koo- eyts rapid .....	10	120					75	75	Crest Lumber Co.
193. { Magnesian .....	10	120					100	100	Grist and lumber mill
194. { Burnt Falls .....	28	300					200	200	Knight Bros., lumber mill
<b>Magnesian river, North branch:</b>									
194. { Burnt Falls .....	23	80							





DISTRICT No. VII.—TRIBUTARIES OF NORTH GEORGIAN BAY AND LAKE SUPERIOR—Continued

Power Site	Minimum		Electrical Energy Used, 1910 (Horse-power)		Developers (Horse-power)			REMARKS
	Head (in feet)	H.P.	Power	Lights	Electrical Energy	Paper and Pulp	Other Industries	
Vermilion river:								
215. { Wabegashik rapid.	15	960						Head Water Co.; electrical energy transmitted to Victoria Mines
{ chute.	50	3,750	1,650		4,600		4,600	
216. Seo Branch crossing	15	965						Sault Ste. Marie Power Co.
217. { Island rapids.	11	667						
{ Ononda.	19	1,150						
218. MacPherson fall.	26	2,040			1,700		1,700	
219. { C. P. R. crossing.	11	500						
{ Larchwood.	9	410						
220. Onwatin lake.	18	313						
Onaping river:								
221. { High fall.	127	3,400						
{ Fall.	15	410						
222. Fall and rapids.	22	480						
223. Rapids.	17	278						
224. Onaping chute, outlet.	11	147						
Whitfish river:								
225. { Whitfish falls.	47	500						At mouth of river Combined with 9 ft. fall 3 miles from Minnow
{ Chertou.	56	485						
{ Long lake.	16	116						
Sable river:								
226. { Bridge rapids.	8	167						
{ Spanish chute.	38.5	505						
{ Graveyard chute.	54	1,120						

227.	16	334							
	19	397							
228.	36	785							
	45	949							
229.	16	334							
	24	435							
230.	29	567							
	51	606							
Serpent river:									
	01	255							
231.	03	300							
	26	400							
	26	330							
	19	342							
232.	25	128							
233.	32	116							
Blind river:									
234.	12	130							
235.	23	182							
	55	435							
	31	245							
	45	305							
Minnesota river:									
236.	20	1,910							
	21	2,000							
	32	3,045							
237.	18	1,300							
	31	2,400							
	31	1,350							
	17.5	7,980							
238.	117	915							
239.	24	425							
240.	13	425							
241.	21	342							
	26	545							

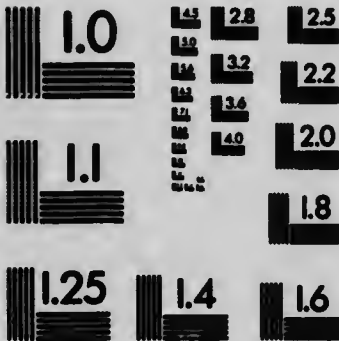
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DISTRICT No. VII.—TRIBUTARIES OF NORTH GEORGIAN BAY AND LAKE SUPERIOR—Continued

Power Site	Minimum		Electrical Energy Used, 1910 (Horse-power)		Developed (Horse-power)			REMARKS
	Head (in feet)	H.P.	Power	Light	Electrical Energy	Paper and Pulp	Other Industries	
White river:								
242. { Bell fall.....	17	327						
{ White fall.....	16	145						
Wright river:								
243. Sylvan Valley.....	9	50					50	50
St. Mary river:								
244. St. Mary rapid.....	18	98,200	3,100	1,400	4,500	9,800	350	14,650
Goisais river:								
245. { Lower fall.....	61	1,100						
{ Upper fall.....	52	591						
Chippewa river:								
246. Fall at mouth.....	61	470						
Betchawana river:								
247. { Fall at mouth.....	24	340						
{ 2nd fall.....	35	350						
Montreal river:								
248. Fall at mouth.....	165	5,100						
249. Upper fall.....	170	5,250						

Grist mill  
Lake Superior Power Co.

Artificial head









**ONTARIO**  
**DISTRICT No. VIII.—WINNIPEG AND ENGLISH RIVERS AND THEIR TRIBUTARIES**

Power Site	Minimum		Electrical Energy Used, 1910 (Horse-power)		Developed (Horse-power)			Remarks	
	Head (in feet)	H.P.	Power	Light	Electrical Energy	Paper and Pulp	Other Industries		Total
Seine river:									
288. Seine fall .....	11	800							
289. { Island fall .....	20	1,510							
{ Lynx Head chute .....	11	880							
290. Steep Rock fall .....	40	2,900							
Sturgeon fall .....	13	1,320							
Rainy river:									
291. Fort Frances, Koochiching fall	23	14,000			7,000			7,000	Minto mine adjacent
Winnipeg river:									
292. { East branch, Kenora .....	18	4,100	1,318	750	2,500			2,500	The hydraulic part of the total development has been completed. Of this, 12,000 H.P. is being utilized on the U.S. side for the manufacture of pulp. On the Canadian side, there is an electric installation of 7,000 H.P. capacity, half of which is temporarily permitted to be exported to the U.S. Some 500 I.P. are used in Fort Frances  Corporation of Kenora electric plant Lake of Woods Milling Co. Combined artificial head
293. { West branch, Kenora .....	18	18,000							
{ Island fall .....	45	59,300							



## ONTARIO

## DISTRICT No. IX.—JAMES BAY SLOPE

Power Site	Natural head (in feet)	Approximate drainage basin area (sq. mi.)	Estimated minimum flow, (c. f. s.)	Estimated mean discharge under controlled storage (c. f. s.)	Minimum 24 hr. H.P. under natural flow	Minimum 24 hr. H.P. under discharge control
<b>Albany river:</b>						
301. Martin fall . . . . .	30				17,800	44,600
<b>Ogoki river:</b>						
302. Amy fall . . . . .	30	8,000	3,200	8,000	10,800	27,000
303. Rapids below Amy fall . . . . .	10	8,000	3,200	8,000	3,600	9,000
304. Burton fall . . . . .	50	12,000	4,800	12,000	27,200	68,000
305. Rapids above mouth of Whitefish river. . . . .	50	12,000	4,800	12,000	27,200	68,000
<b>Kenogami river:</b>						
306. Kenogami fall . . . . .	25	1,000	400	1,000	1,100	2,800
307. 3rd Portage fall . . . . .	25	1,500	600	1,500	1,700	4,200
308. 7th Portage fall . . . . .	32	1,800	720	1,800	2,600	6,500
309. 10th Portage fall . . . . .	12	2,300	920	2,300	1,200	3,000
310. 11th Portage fall . . . . .	70	3,500	1,000	2,500	8,000	20,000
<b>Kawashkagama river:</b>						
310a Upper fall . . . . .	14				127	
Howard fall . . . . .	21				190	
<b>Kabinakagami river:</b>						
311. 1st Outlet fall . . . . .	35	1,000	400	1,000	1,600	4,000
2nd fall and rapids. . . . .	25	1,100	440	1,100	1,200	3,000
312. 3rd fall and rapids. . . . .	15	1,200	480	1,200	800	2,000
4th fall and rapids. . . . .	20	1,400	560	1,400	1,200	3,000
5th fall and rapids. . . . .	40	1,500	600	1,500	2,700	6,800
313. 6th fall and rapids. . . . .	12	1,600	640	1,600	800	2,200
7th fall and rapids. . . . .	25	1,700	680	1,700	1,900	4,800
8th and 9th falls and rapids. . . . .	18	1,800	720	1,800	1,400	3,600
314. 10th fall and rapids. . . . .	30	2,000	800	2,000	2,700	6,800
11th, 12th and 13th falls and rapids. . . . .	75	2,100	820	2,100	7,400	18,700
315. 14th fall and rapids	10	2,300	920	2,300	1,000	2,600
316. 15th fall and rapids	17	2,500	1,000	2,500	1,900	4,800

DISTRICT No. IX.—JAMES BAY SLOPE.—Continued

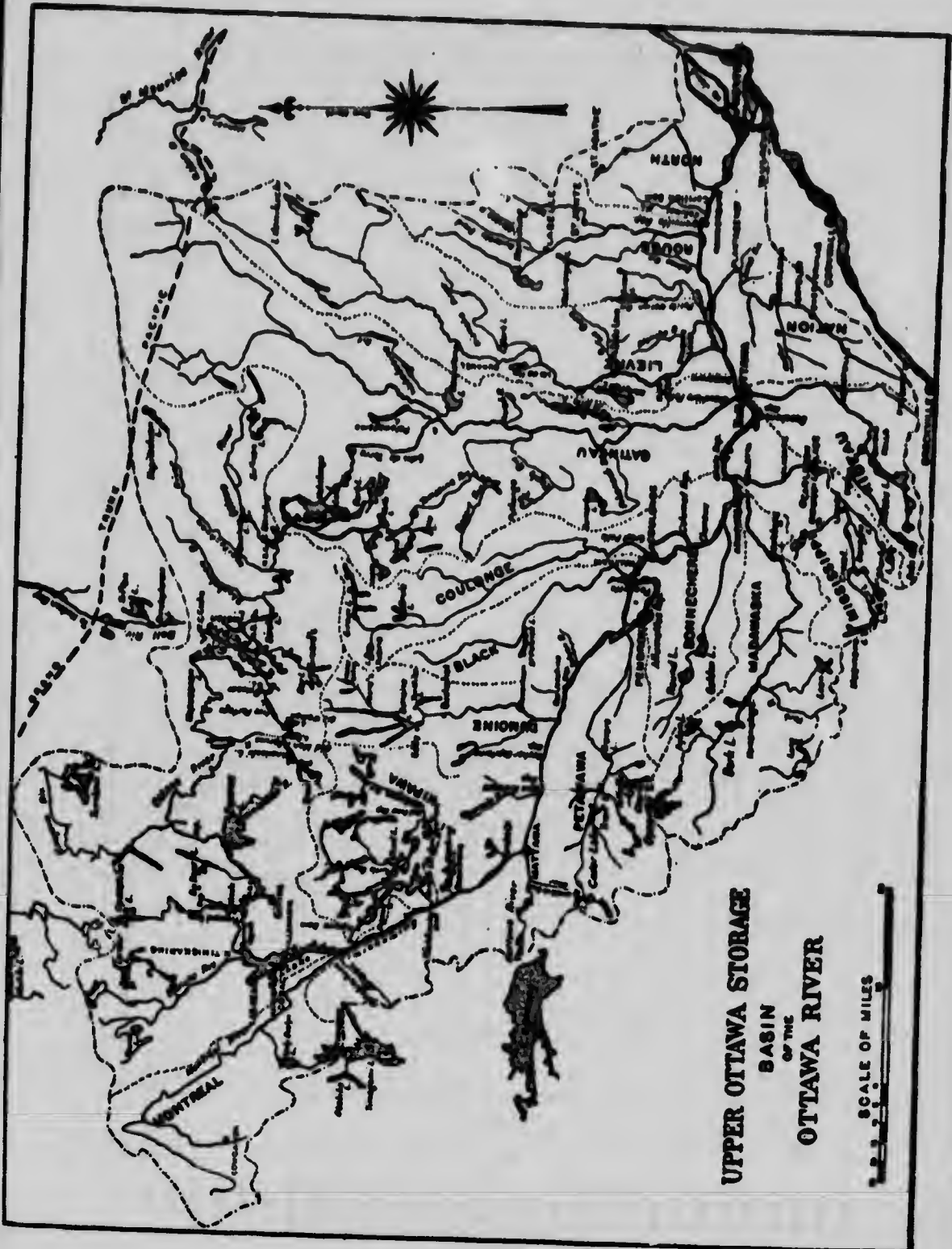
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<b>Missinaibi river:</b>						
317. Brunswick rapids.	10	2,500	1,000	2,500	1,000	2,600
318. Green Hill rapids.	10	2,500	1,000	2,500	1,000	2,600
319. St. Peter fall . . . . .	15	3,000	1,200	3,000	2,000	5,100
320. Albany rapid . . . . .	10	4,500	1,800	4,500	2,700	6,800
321. { Beaver portage. . . . .	12	5,000	2,000	5,000	2,000	5,100
{ Sharp Rock fall. . . . .	10	5,000	2,000	5,000	2,700	6,800
322. Crow rapid. . . . .	17	5,500	2,200	5,500	2,200	5,600
323. Island chute. . . . .	10	5,500	2,200	5,500	4,200	10,500
324. Tom King and Kettle rapids. . . . .	20	6,000	2,400	6,000	2,500	6,200
325. Conjuror chute and Hell Gate. . . . .	250	6,500	2,600	6,500	5,400	13,600
					73,800	184,600
<b>Opazatika river:</b>						
326. Breakneck fall and rapid above . . . . .	150	2,500	1,000	2,500	17,000	42,600
<b>Mattagami river:</b>						
327. Kenogamisi fall and rapids. . . . .	40	1,000	400	1,000	1,800	4,500
328. Wawatian fall . . . . .	16	1,000	400	1,000	5,200	13,000
329. Sandy fall, <sup>b</sup> Mount-Joy tp. . . . .	50	2,500	1,000	2,500	5,600	14,000
330. Sturgeon fall, Mahaffy tp. . . . .	16	3,500	1,400	3,500	2,500	6,300
{ Yellow fall, Bradburn tp. . . . .	18	3,500	1,400	3,500	2,800	7,100
331. { Island fall, Bradburn tp. . . . .	17	3,500	1,400	3,500	2,700	6,700
332. Smooth-rock fall, Kendry tp. . . . .	22	4,000	1,600	4,000	4,000	10,000
333. Fish rapid . . . . .	15	4,000	1,600	4,000	2,700	6,800
334. Cypress fall . . . . .	20	4,500	1,800	4,500	4,000	10,100
335. Devil fall . . . . .	12	12,000	4,800	12,000	6,400	16,200
336. { Little Long fall and rapids. . . . .	80	12,000	4,800	12,000	43,200	108,000
{ Great rapids, Long portage. . . . .	100	12,000	4,800	12,000	54,000	135,000
{ Grand rapid. . . . .	40	12,500	5,000	12,500	22,000	56,800
337. Long Rapid fall . . . . .	150	12,500	5,000	12,500	85,200	213,000
338. Forks fall . . . . .	10	12,500	5,000	12,500	5,700	14,200

<sup>a</sup> Walberg development. Contract awarded for 2 whce's, 3,500 H.P., each.  
<sup>b</sup> This development contains 2 units of 1,500 H.P. each; 12,000 volts transmission.

THE WATER-POWERS OF CANADA  
DISTRICT No. IX.—JAMES BAY SLOPE—Continued

Power Site	Natural head (in feet)	Approximate drainage basin area (sq.mi.)	Estimated minimum flow, (c. f. s.)	Estimated mean discharge under controlled storage (c. f. s.)	Minimum 24 hr. H.P. under natural flow	Minimum 24 hr. H.P. under charge control
<b>Kapuskasing river:</b>						
339. Series of falls and rapids south of Niven's base line aggregating. ....	80	3,200	1,280	3,200	11,500	28,800
<b>Kebiquashung river:</b>						
339a. Chapleau. ....	33	.....	.....	.....	250	.....
<b>Kakozhisk river:</b>						
340. Series of falls and rapids south of Niven's base line. . .	100	4,400	1,760	4,400	19,800	49,600
<b>Abitibi river:</b>						
341. Koochiching fall and rapids below. ....	50	5,000	2,000	5,000	11,000	28,000
342. Iroquois and Buck Deer falls. ....	20	6,000	2,400	6,000	5,400	13,500
343. Long Sault rapid. . . .	75	6,500	2,600	7,500	22,000	55,000
344. Kettle fall and rapids. . . . .	10	7,000	2,800	7,000	3,200	8,000
345. { 3-Carrying rapids. . . . .	25	9,500	3,800	9,500	10,600	26,500
{ Lobstick rapids. . . . .	15	9,500	3,800	9,500	6,400	16,000
346. Series of rapids above New Post. ....	100	11,000	4,400	11,000	49,600	124,000
347. Otter, Sextant, Coral and Long rapids. . .	60	12,000	4,800	12,000	31,000	77,500
<b>Black river:</b>						
348. McDougall chute. . .	14	800	320	800	500	1,260
<b>Frederickhouse river:</b>						
{ High fall, Mann. tp. ....	40	1,000	400	1,000	1,800	4,500
349. { Fall and rapids, Lot 12, Con. 4 and 5, Mann tp. . .	30	1,000	400	1,000	1,350	3,400
350. Rapids on Lots 11 and 12, Con. 5, Fournier tp. ....	12	1,200	480	1,200		1,640

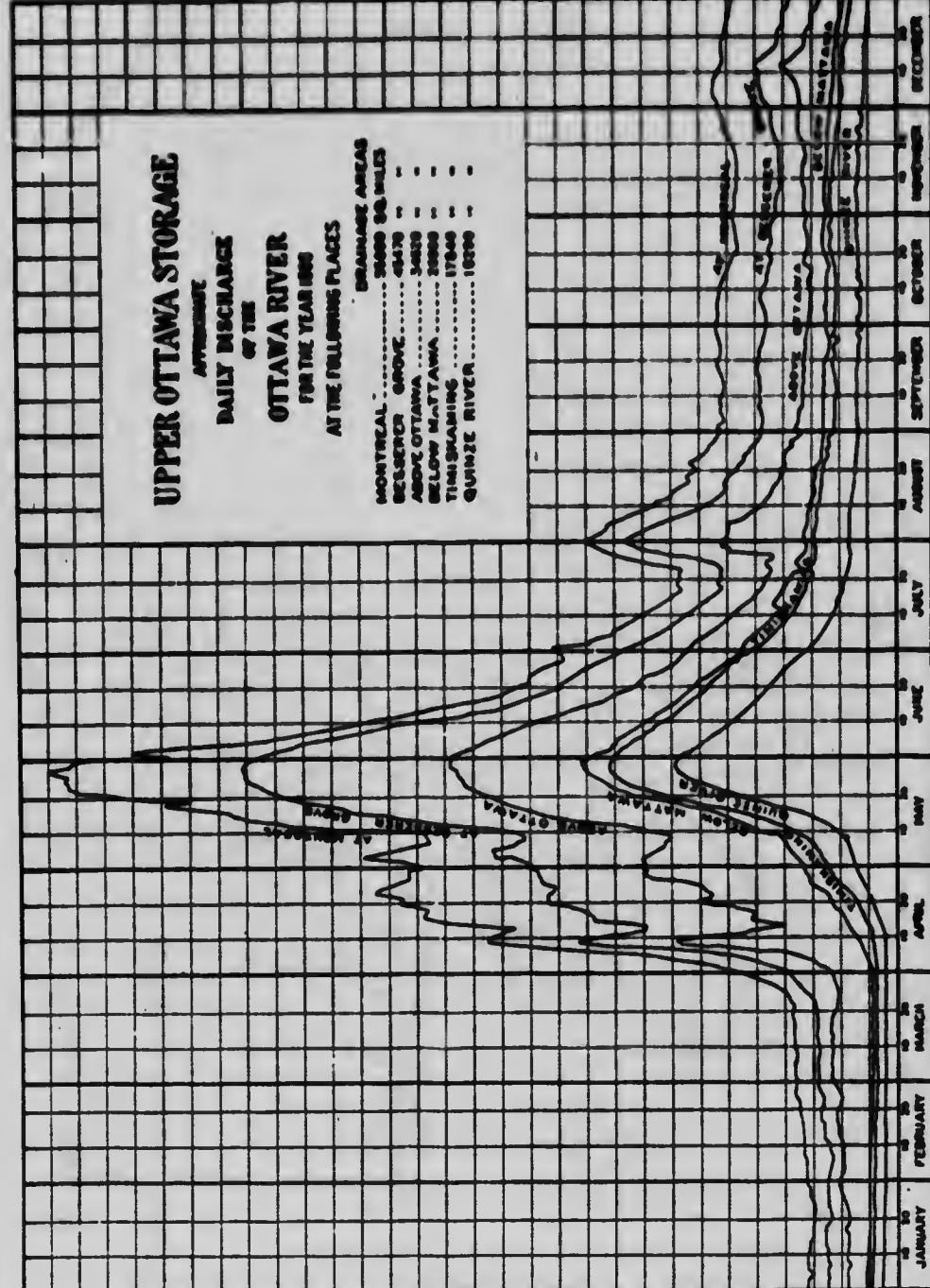
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**AT THE FOLLOWING PLACES**

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 BESSIER ..... 4470 " "  
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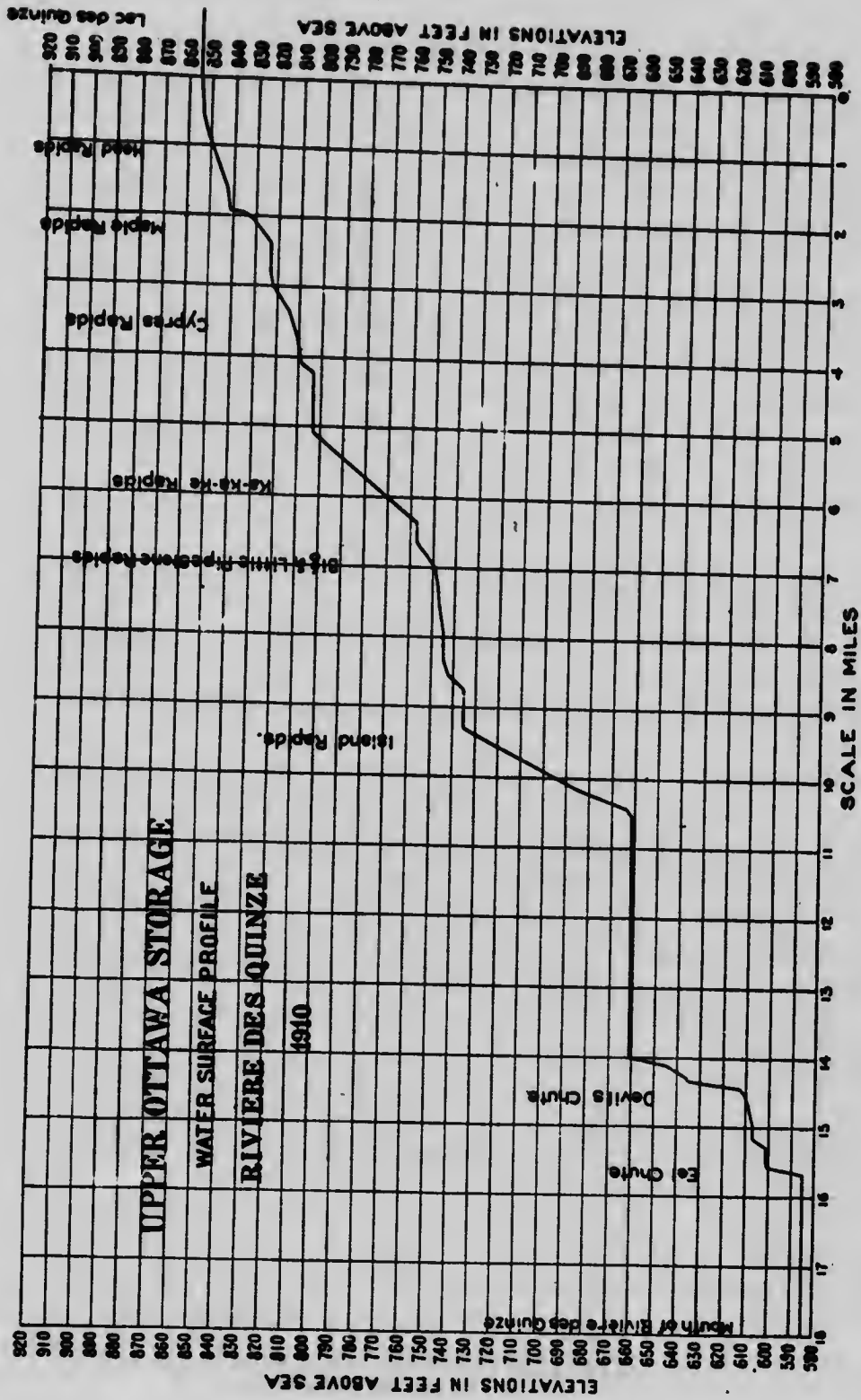
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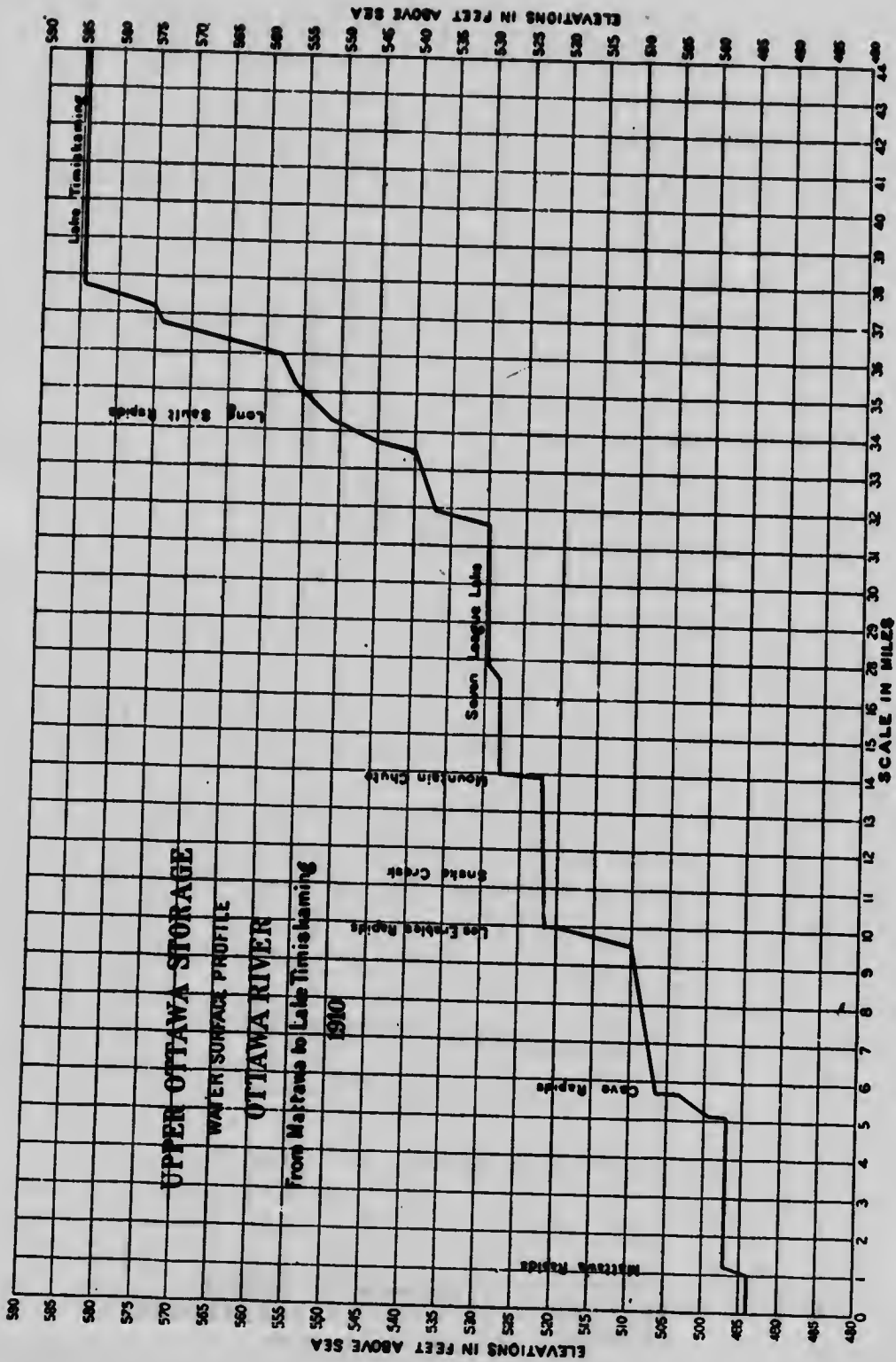
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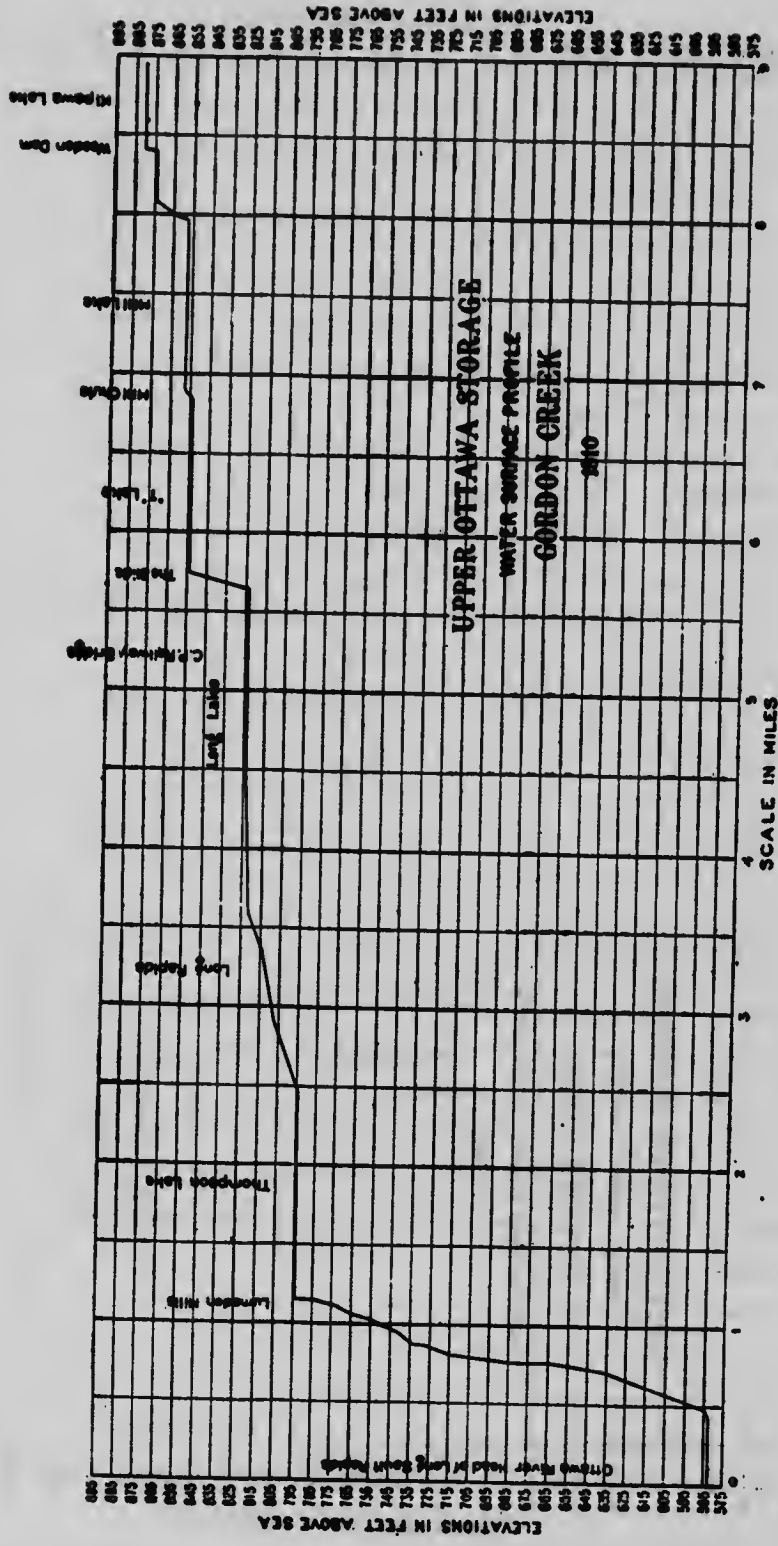




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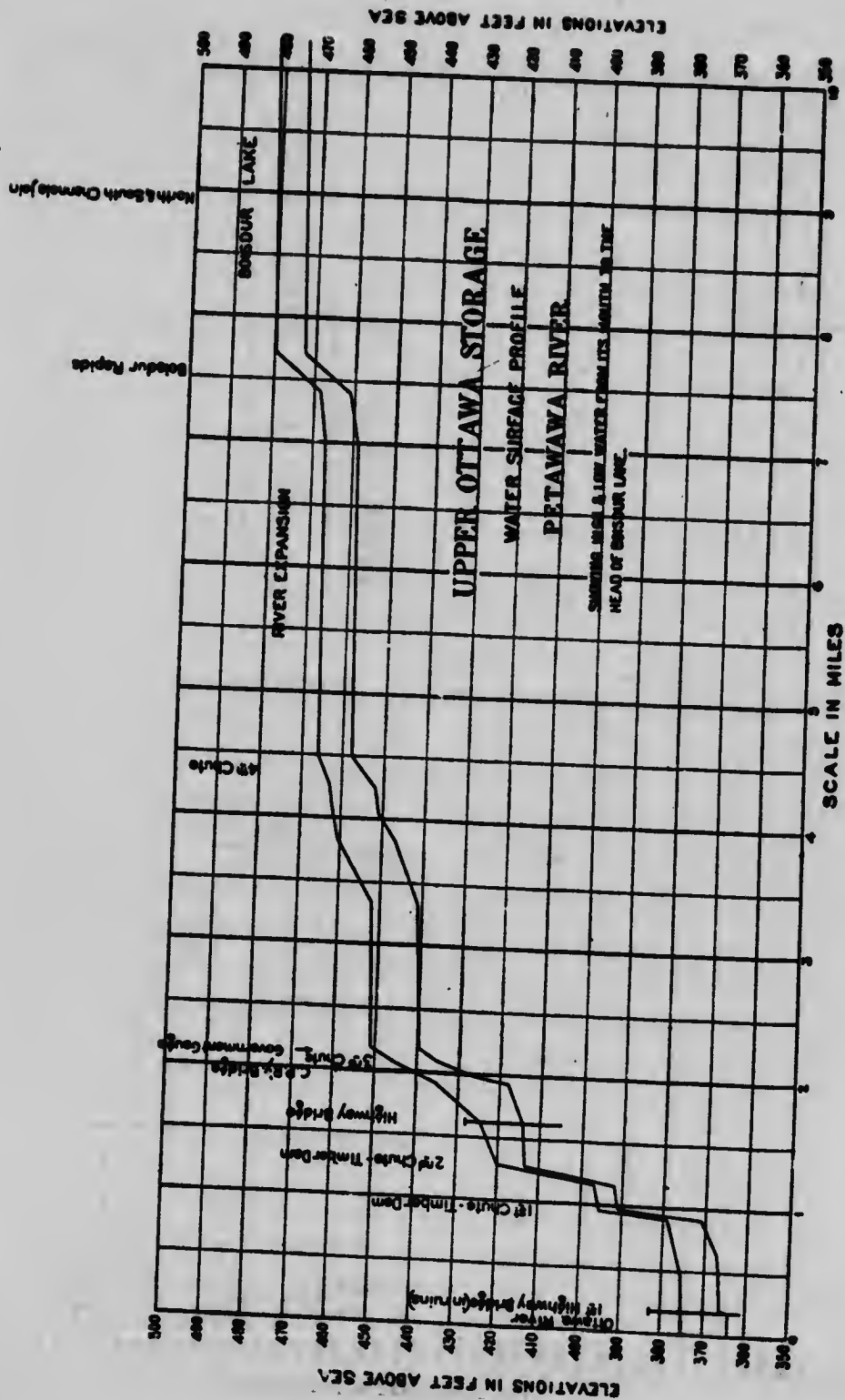
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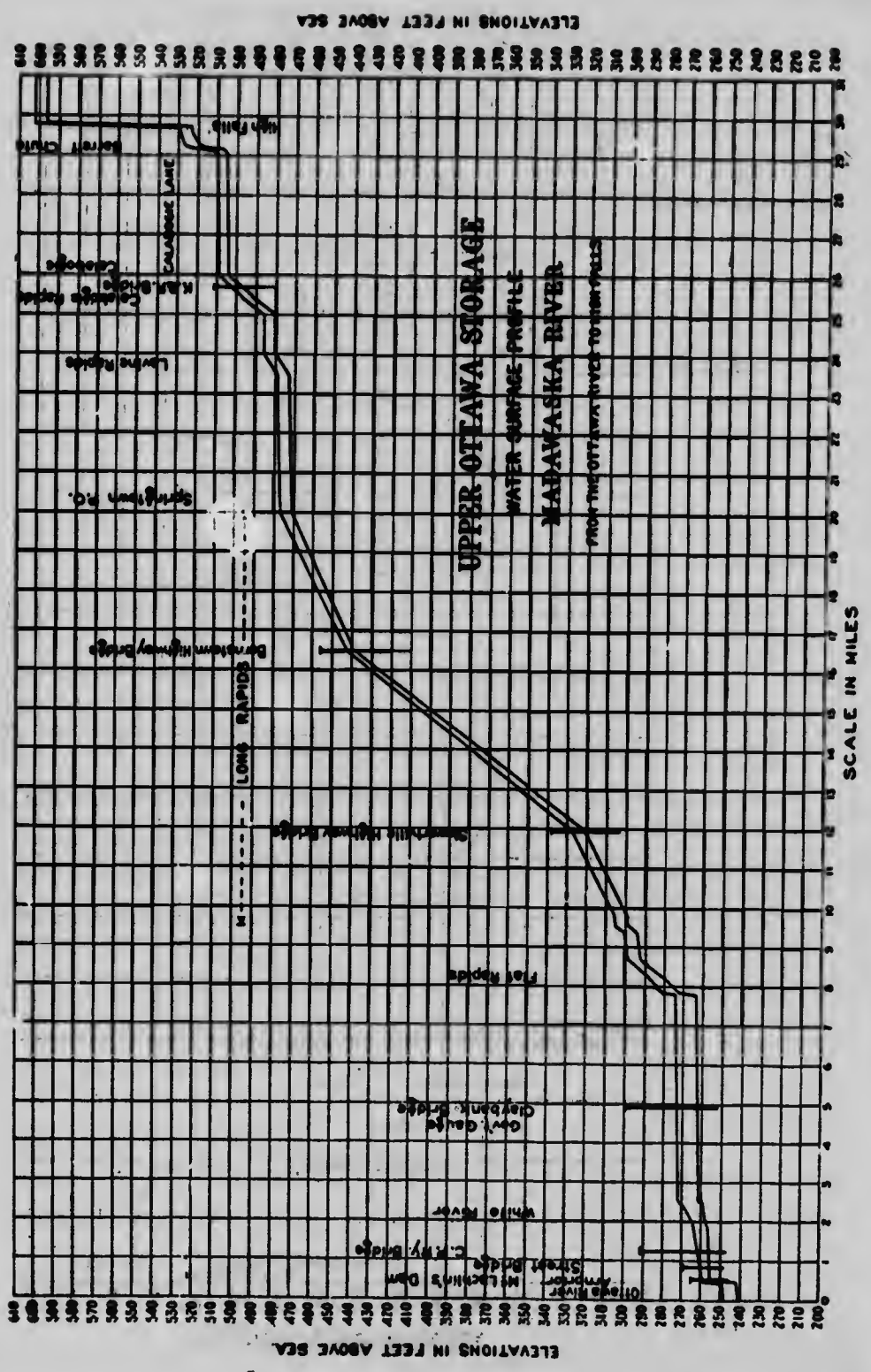


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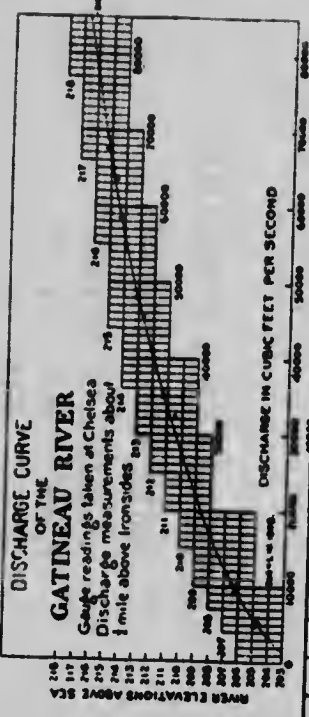
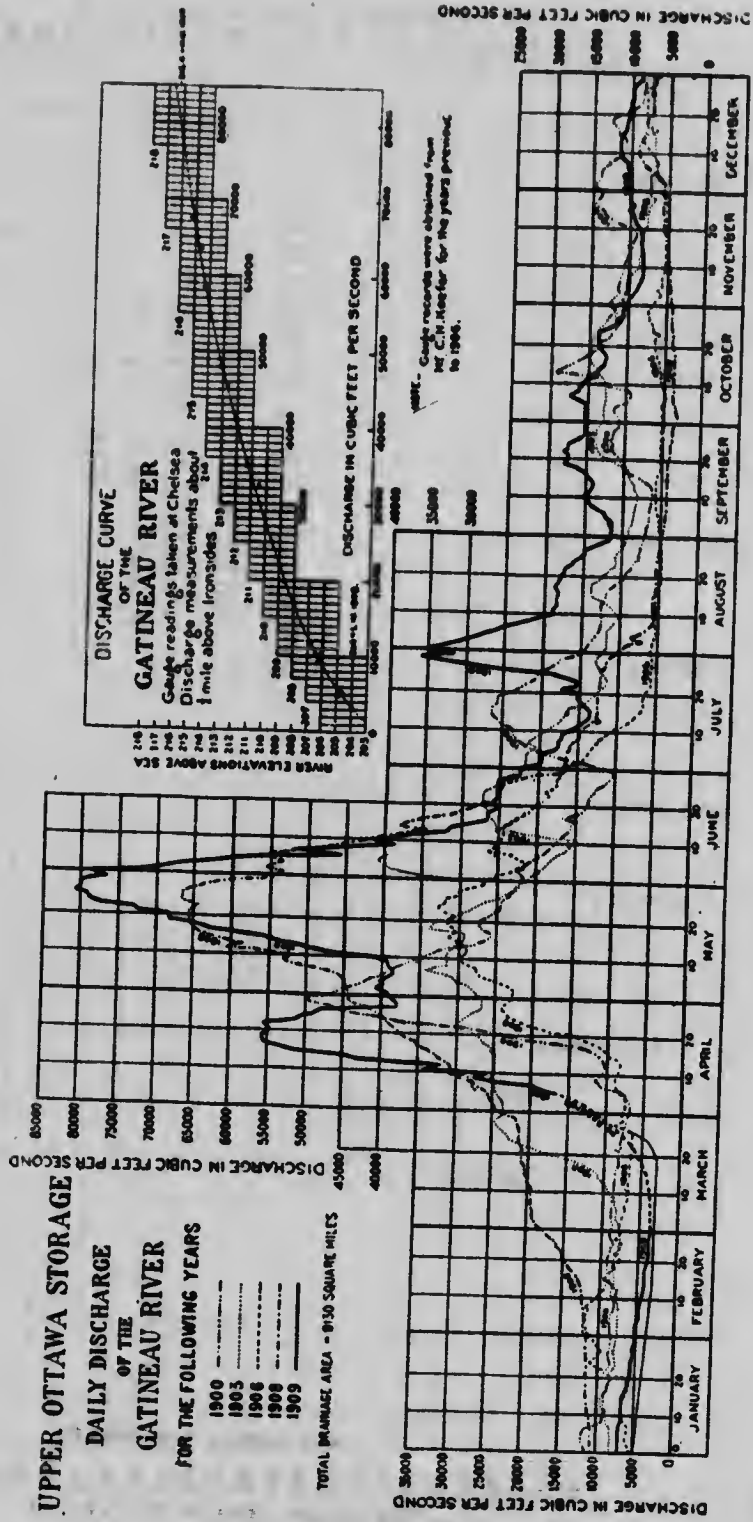




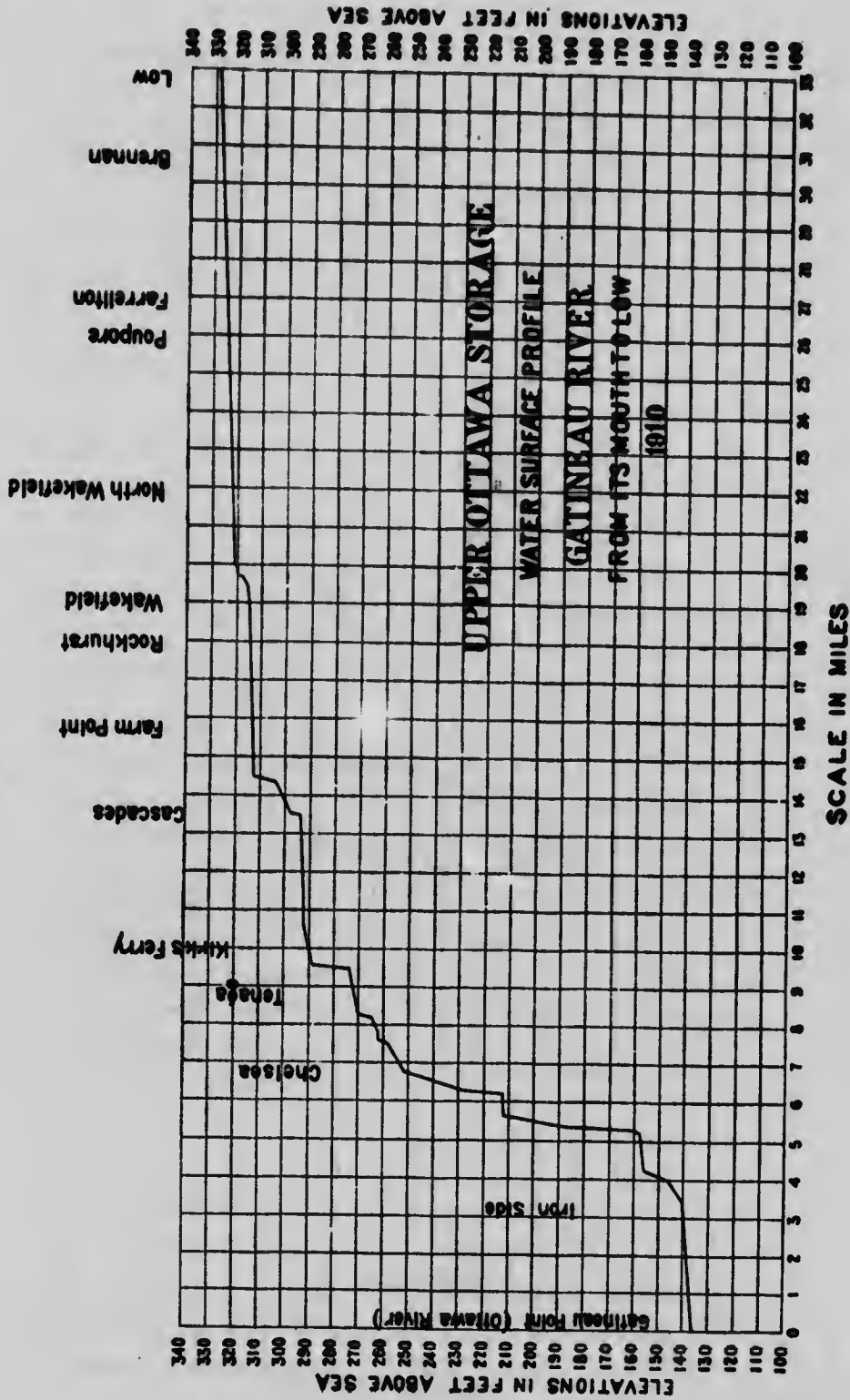
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DAILY DISCHARGE  
OF THE  
GATINEAU RIVER  
FOR THE FOLLOWING YEARS**

- 1900 ———
- 1903 - - - -
- 1906 ·····
- 1908 - - - -
- 1909 ———

TOTAL DRAINAGE AREA - 9150 SQUARE MILES



NOTE - Gauge records were obtained from Mr. C. H. Manser for the years previous to 1906.

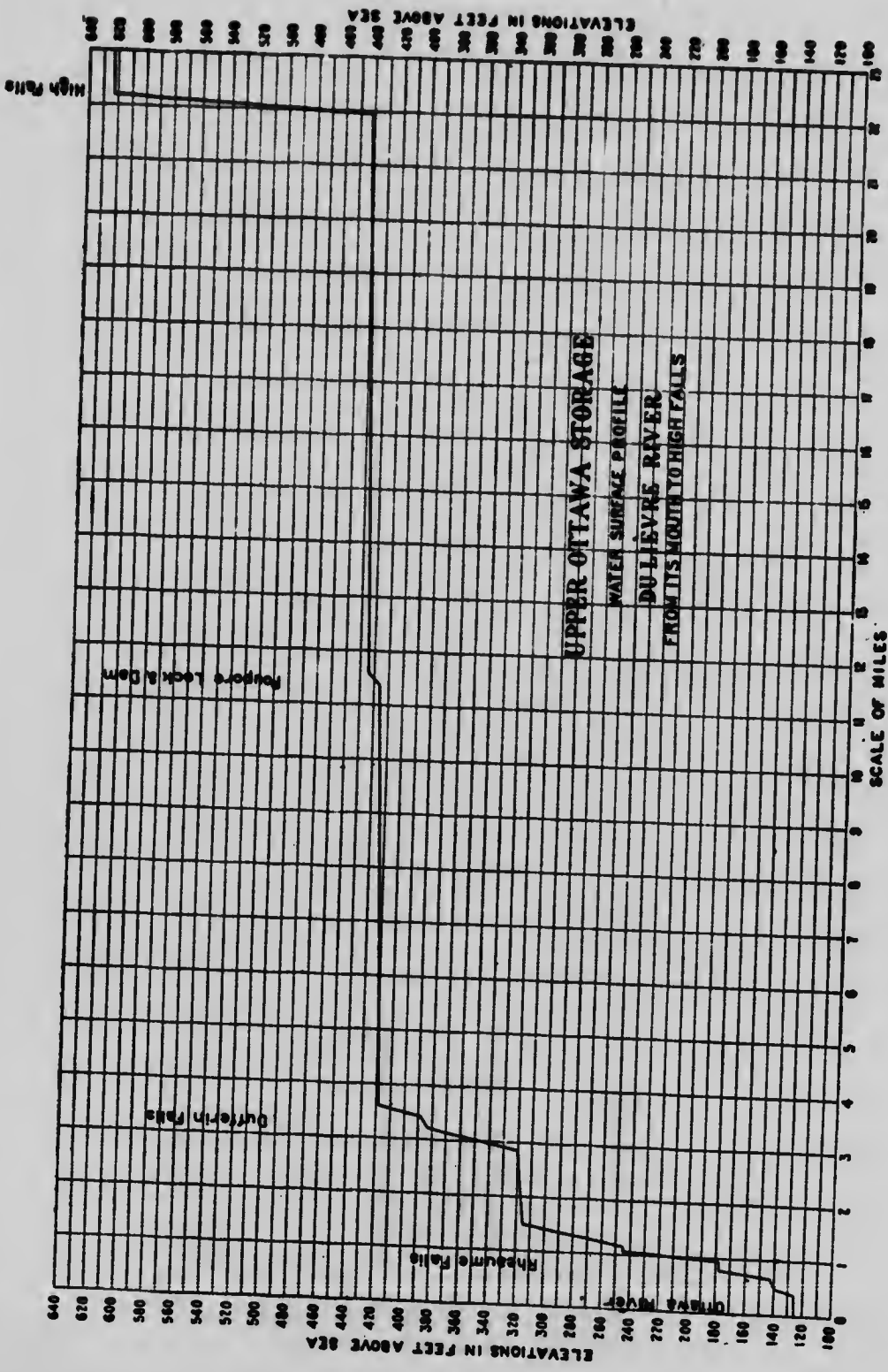


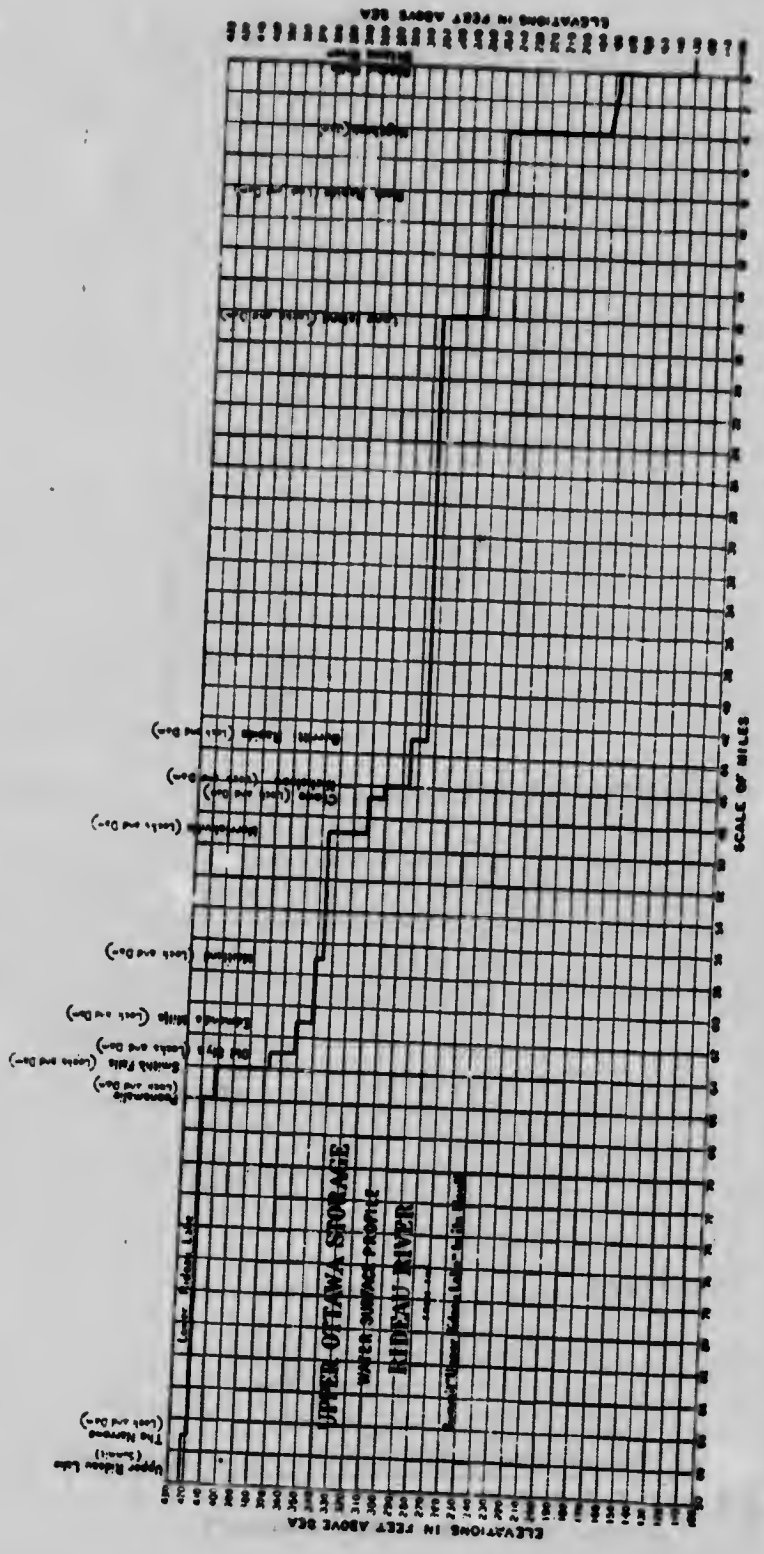
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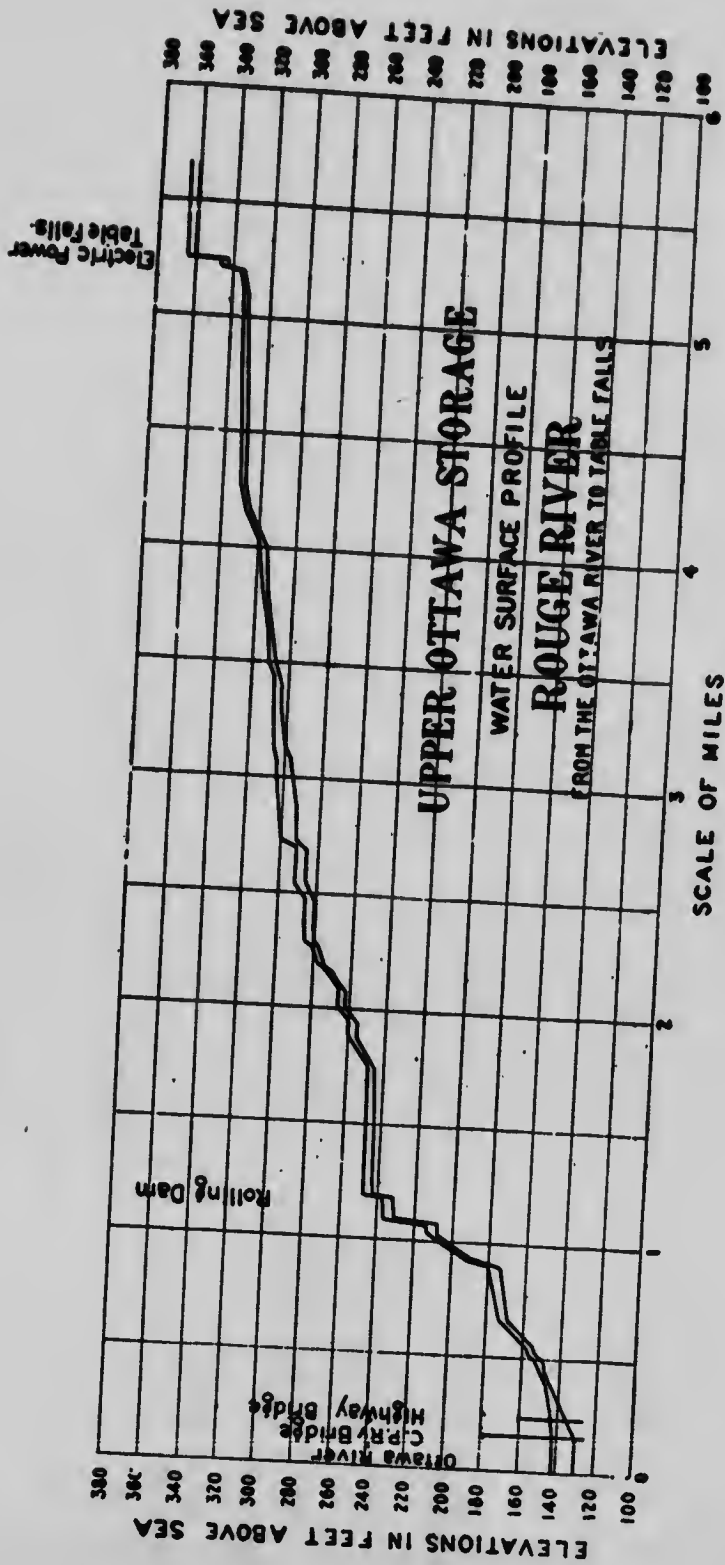


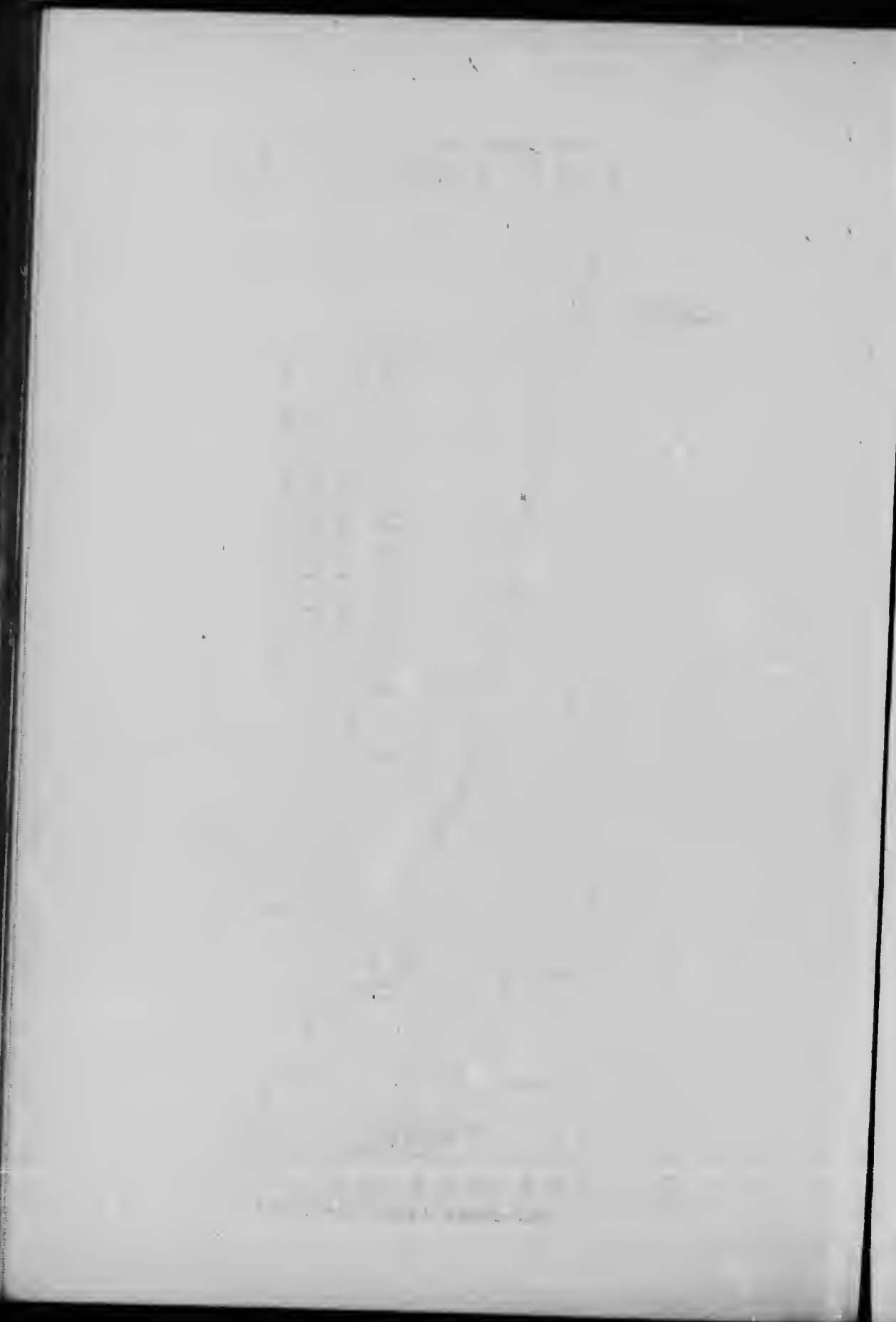
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**DISTRICT No. X.—TRIBUTARIES OF THE OTTAWA RIVER**

Power Site	Minimum		Electrical Energy Used, 1910 (Horse-power)		Developed (Horse-power)			REMARKS
	Head (in feet)	H.P.	Power	Light	Electrical Energy	Paper and Pulp	Other Industries	
Wald river:								
351. { High fall	81	220	130	250	360			Niagara Central Ry. New Linkland Light & Power Co.
{ Liskeard.	113	300						
Blanche river:								
{ Lot, 12, Con. 3, Evansville	54	640						
{ Lot, 1, Con. 3, Daek.	26	310						
{ Lot, 2, Con. 4, Daek.	34	400						
{ Lot, 7, Con. 4, Daek.	22	200						
{ Lake Windigo branch.	36	330						
{ One mile below lake Windigo.	36	330						
Metabetchuan river:								
354. Half-mile from mouth.	312	8,600	4,300	200	8,600			8,630
Montreal river:								
355. The Notch	100	6,500						
{ Fountain fall.	21	1,350						
{ Ragged chute.	36	2,300						
{ Ragged chute and rapids below and above.	54	3,500						
{ Hound chute.	18	1,180	1,500	150	3,600			5,500
								3,000

British Canadian Power Co., energy transmitted to Cobalt, Brady Lake and S. Lorrain. The available minimum power has been increased from 2,000 H.P. to 3,000 H.P. by a storage system

Cobalt Hydraulic Power Co., 80 ft head; transmits compressed air to mines in Cobalt region  
Cobalt Power Co., 33.4 ft. head; current transmitted to Cobalt, with taps along line to supply outlying mines

DISTRICT No. X.—TRIBUTARIES OF THE OTTAWA RIVER—Continued

POWER SITE	MINIMUM		ELECTRICAL ENERGY USED, 1910 (Horse-Power)		DEVELOPED (Horse-Power)			REMARKS
	Head (in feet)	H.P.	Power	Light	Electrical Energy	Paper and Pulp	Other Industries	
357. Latchford rapid	8	510						
358. Mattawapika rapid	30	270						
<b>Matnawa river:</b>								
359. Plain Chant rapid and chute	17	250						
360. Paresseux chute	33	360	17	108	125			125
Little Paresseux rapid	8	85						
Talon chute	42	230						
<b>Petawawa river:</b>								
1st series of rapids below Catfish lake	119	1,280						
2nd series of rapids below Catfish lake	41	445						
3rd series of rapids below Catfish lake	80	575						
1st series of rapids below Cedar lake	29	300						
2nd series of rapids below Cedar lake	33	435						
3rd series of rapids below Cedar lake	36	475						
1st series of rapids below Little Trout lake	18	310						
2nd series of rapids below Little Trout lake	13	225						
Lavelle creek	31	170						

Electric light plant



DISTRICT No. X.—TRIBUTARIES OF THE OTTAWA RIVER—Continued

POWER SITE	MINIMUM		ELECTRICAL ENERGY USED, 1910 (Horse-power)		DEVELOPED (Horse-power)			REMARKS
	Head (in feet)	H.P.	Power	Light	Electrical Energy	Paper and Pulp	Other Industries	
372. { Renfrew. .... " " " " " " }	27	250			500			500
	20	255					100	100
							110	110
							300	300
					1,000		50	50
York river: 373. Bancroft. .... Constaw creek: 374. Dacre. ....	36	450						1,000
	44	60					300	300
	32	420					190	190
White Lake creek: 375. Waha. ....	16						150	150
	11						60	60
Madawaska river: 376. { Palmer rapid ..... Amund rapid ..... Snake rapid ..... Slate fall ..... }	15						150	150
	17	900						
	7	410						
	30	1,820						
	23	1,510						

Renfrew Power Co.  
Woolen mills  
Lumber mill and electric plant  
Renfrew Milling Co.  
Thomas Lowe  
Municipal electric plant; uses steam auxiliary  
Town waterworks  
Sash factory

Grist and woolen mills  
Lumber mill  
Lumber mill





DISTRICT No. X.--TRIBUTARIES OF THE OTTAWA RIVER--Continued

POWER SITE	MINIMUM		ELECTRICAL ENERGY USED, 1910 (Horse-power)		DEVELOPED (Horse-power)			REMARKS		
	Head (in feet)	H.P.	Power	Light	Electrical Energy	Paper and Pulp	Other Industries			
									Total	
387.	{ 12 8 8 7 7 }	272			200	200	250	450	Possible development Electric light stations and flour mill Possible development Engines	
		182						70	70	Engines
								200	200	Flour mill
		360						100	100	Flannel mill Machine shop Woolen mills
		270						100	100	Woolen mills
388.	{ 51 24 22 18 14 14 7 }	1,390			190	300	500	300	Municipal electric plant Dress goods, etc.	
								190	190	Woolen goods
								75	75	Shoddy mill
								150	150	Knitting mill
								100	100	Woolen mill
										Grist mill Flour mill
389.	{ 23 }	670							Woolen mill	
		540								Flour mill
390.	{ 18 }	780	40	175	1,800		35	35	Galetta Electric Power Co., 28 ft. head; supplies energy to Arnprior	
								80	80	Grist mill privilege
391. Bideen river: Westport.	{ 20 8 }			80	80				Westport Electric Light & M. Co. Lumber mill	
								25	25	Lumber mill

302.	Smiths Falls	6	76						280	280	Plough works
	"	18	230					90	90	Woolen mills	
	"	17						100	100	Stove works	
	"	17						300	300	Flour and planing mills	
	"	15						500	500	Flour mill	
	"	12						800	800	Municipal pumping	
	"	18	230	100	275	750		400	400	Smiths Falls Electric Co.	
	"	26	505							Possible development	
	"	12	235		120	120				Electric light plant	
	303.	Merrickville									Lumber mill
"								100	100	Malleable iron works	
"								70	70	Flour mill	
"								170	170	Woolen mill	
"								50	50	Ploughs and stoves	
"								50	50	Grist and saw mills	
"								120	120	Furniture	
"								80	80	Kempville electric supply	
"		13	220	100	200	300		300	300	Grist mills	
"		10	330					750	750	Lumber mill	
304.	Manotick	10	330								
	Black rapid	10	330								
305.	Hogsback rapid	50	1,820								
	Ottawa, Rideau falls	45	1,640								
Toy river:											
306.	{ Near Perth (3 miles)	16	80	125	100	275					Canadian Electric & Water Power Co: electricity for Perth; have steam auxiliary
	{ " (4 miles)	12	50		50	50					Perth municipal electric plant
Devil Lake creek:											
307.	Bedford Mills	13							145	145	Lumber and grist mill

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### DISTRICT No. XA.—OTTAWA RIVER POWERS, BETWEEN THE MOUTH AND LAKE TIMISKAMING

Power Site	MINIMUM		ELECTRICAL ENERGY USED, 1910 (Horse-power)		DEVELOPED (Horse-power)			REMARKS	
	Head (in feet)	H.P.	Power	Light	Electrical Energy	Paper and Pulp	Other Industries		Total
<b>Ottawa river:*</b>									
398. Riv. des Prairies.....	23	46,000 <sup>b</sup>							
399. At proposed Recollet lock.....	10					400	175	575	
400. Riv. Jesus at Terrebonne.....	35	23,000 <sup>b</sup>							
	10			200	200			200	
401. Carillon rapid.....	13.5	26,000 <sup>c</sup>							
	40	200,000 <sup>b</sup>							

Practically no power available under present conditions  
 Head reduced considerably at high water;  
 Mr. C. E. Gauvin gives 23,727 H.P. under present conditions  
 Total power not estimated; electrical energy supplied to Terrebonne, pop. 2,000

\*For a detailed discussion on the regulation and storage possibilities of the Ottawa river and its tributaries, including data upon the drainage areas of the various sections of the river, gaugings, discharges, etc., consult *Report Georgian Bay Ship Canal*, 1902, pp. 246 et seq. For *Map of Ottawa River* by electrical, see *Publ. Plate III*. For more recent and extensive data respecting the storage possibilities of the waters of the upper Ottawa river basin, consult *Ottawa River Storage, Progress Report*, (fiscal year 1908-1910), *Sectional Papers*, Canada, No. 198-1911. Also, consult *Hydrography*, in Appendix.  
<sup>b</sup> Shows possible development under present conditions.  
<sup>c</sup> Shows development with regulated water and canalized river.

402. Long Sault.....	12	23,000 <sup>a</sup>									2,000	2,000	Used for lumber mill; Hawtisbury Lumber Co.
	19	94,000 <sup>b</sup>											Electrical energy supplied to Ottawa, Hull and suburbs; total pop. 100,000
403. Chaudière fall.....	30	50,000 <sup>a</sup>				7,800	14,000	23,000	18,500	55,500			"Other industries" include lumber mill and waterworks
	30	95,000 <sup>b</sup>											
404. Deschênes and Britannia rapids	8.5	14,000 <sup>a</sup>											
	20	63,000 <sup>b</sup>											
405. Chats falls.....	48	58,000 <sup>a</sup>											
	48.5	150,000 <sup>b</sup>											
406. Chenaux rapid.....	35	91,000 <sup>b</sup>											
407. Portage-du-Fort rapid.....	9	400											
408. Grand Calumet fall and rapids	56	30,000 <sup>a</sup>											
	60	76,000 <sup>b</sup>											

This power is in the Portage-du-Fort channel on the Quebec side, but most of the water flows on the Ontario side.

Mr. C. E. Geavrin subdivides the "Grand Calumet" into the following falls which are all on the Quebec side:

(a) Sable rapids (confluence of Calumet and Hocher Fensils channels, 4.2 ft. fall, 3,800 H.P.)

(b) Mountain rapid, } 19,000 H.P.  
15 ft. fall, }

(c) Dargis rapid, 6 ft. fall, }

(d) Grand Calumet fall, 57 ft. fall } 50,000 H.P.

<sup>a</sup> Shows possible development under present conditions.  
<sup>b</sup> Shows development with regulated water and canalized river.

DISTRICT No. XA—OTTAWA RIVER, BETWEEN THE MOUTH AND LAKE TIMISKAMING—Continued

Power Site	Minimum		Electrical Energy Used, 1910 (Horse-power)		Developed (Horse-power)			REMARKS	
	Head (in feet)	H.P.	Power	Light	Electrical Energy	Paper and Pulp	Other Industries		Total
Rocher Fendu No. 1. ....	{ 47	28,000 <sup>a</sup>							<p>Mr. C. E. Garvin gives the following data respecting the falls and rapids of the Rocher Fendu channel:—In Quebec: (a) Garvin chute, 10.5 ft. fall, 5,000 H.P. (b) Timber slide, 12 ft. fall, 1,400 H.P. (c) Desjardins' rapid, 9 ft. fall, 3,000 H.P.</p> <p>In Ontario and Quebec: (d) Rocher Fendu chute, 5.5 ft. fall, 5,000 H.P. (e) Long rapid, 16 ft. fall, 16,000 H.P. (f) Munkrat rapid, 7 ft. fall, 7,000 H.P. (g) Mico rapid, 3.2 ft. fall, 3,200 H.P. (h) Crawford rapid, 20 ft. fall, 7,000 H.P. (i) Black fall, 10 ft. fall, 5,700 H.P.</p>
Rocher Fendu No. 2. ....	{ 35	51,000 <sup>b</sup>							
	{ 35	51,000 <sup>b</sup>							
410. Paquette a. d Allumette rapids	{ 16	12,000 <sup>a</sup>							
411. { Culbute rapid.....	20	34,000 <sup>b</sup>							
	20	6,000 <sup>b</sup>							
	14	2,000 <sup>a</sup>							

409.

<sup>a</sup> Shows possible development under present conditions.  
<sup>b</sup> Shows development with regulated water and canalised river.

412. Des Joachim's rapid.....	35	31,200 <sup>a</sup>					
413. Rocher Capitaine rapid.....	40	80,800 <sup>b</sup>					
414. Deux Rivières rapid.....	50	50,000 <sup>a</sup>					
415. Johnson and Mattawa rapids..	15	108,000 <sup>b</sup>					
416. { Cave rapid.....	30	13,000 <sup>a</sup>					
{ Les Erables rapid.....	8	54,000 <sup>b</sup>					
	9.2	7,000 <sup>a</sup>					
	13	8,300 <sup>b</sup>					
417. Long Sault rapids.....	56	11,300 <sup>a</sup>					
		41,362 <sup>b</sup>					

"Les Erables" and "Cave" could be combined, giving a total of 20,000 H.P.

These rapids extend from Seven Lorges lake to lake Timiskaming (6 miles) and include:

- (a) First rapid, 10 ft. fall, 7,200 H.P.
- (b) Fourneau rapid, 11 ft. fall, 8,124 H.P.
- (c) Crooked rapid, 12 ft. fall, 8,964 H.P.
- (d) Flat rapid, 16 ft. fall, 11,818 H.P.
- (e) Foot of lake Timiskaming, 7 ft. fall, 5,170 H.P.

<sup>a</sup> Shows possible development under present conditions.

<sup>b</sup> Shows possible development with regulated water and canalized river.

## CHAPTER IV

### The Water-Powers of Quebec

**T**HE important part which water-powers have played in the industrial development of the province of Quebec may be realized from a recent estimate of the different kinds of power utilized. This elicited the information that over eighty per cent. of the total power used in the Province was water-power. The local government, becoming aware of the importance of this natural resource, has of late devoted a good deal of attention to gauging the streams of the Province and investigating their power possibilities. Since 1897 the reports of the Department of Lands, Forests and Mines contain much useful data respecting many of the water-powers of the Province, more attention being paid to the undeveloped sites for which applications for purchase have been made to the Government. As may be gathered from the tables of water-powers which follow, the wood-pulp and paper industry has contributed a great deal to the development of this kind of energy; but other industries have also taken advantage of it, such as lumber mills, textile mills and rubber factories. By the use of electrical energy as a transmission medium, the benefits of water-powers have been extended to the important asbestos mining region, to electro-chemical works, and to cement works; and, it may be further stated, that all the important centres of population of the Province have been, for a number of years, supplied with electrical energy generated by water-power, one of them, Three Rivers, claiming the first long distance transmission line in existence in the British Empire.

#### Disposal of Water-Powers

The regulations\* under which water-powers have been disposed of in Quebec are summed up in a "Return" to the Legislative Assembly, Feb. 28, 1907. It also contains a detailed statement of all sales, leases or grants of water-powers made by the Province, between June 30th, 1867 and January 1st, 1907. The powers were referred to four periods, as follows:

**FIRST PERIOD: JULY, 1867, TO MAY, 1897.**—During this period,

\* "There is no Act or printed Regulations in this Province laying down rules for the disposal of water-powers. Within the last few years, however, it has been the custom to grant rights to develop and utilise falls, under emphyteutic leases, for periods varying between 75 and 99 years. The grantee is requested to pay to the Crown an annual royalty proportionate to the importance of the power, and to further make a deposit sufficient to guarantee said payments. He is, moreover, under obligation to begin works and supply power at certain fixed dates. Failing to do this, his deposit may be forfeited and the power is returned to the Crown."—(Letter from E. E. Taché, Deputy Minister of Lands and Forests, Quebec, March 28th, 1911.)





QUIATCHUAN FALLS, LAKE ST. JOHN, QUEBEC



water-powers were sold without special conditions, and were considered as forming part of the adjacent lots sold as mill-sites, with which they were conceded.

**SECOND PERIOD: MAY 30, 1897, TO JUNE 30, 1904.**—The return contains a list of some forty-eight water-powers. In all cases these powers were sold outright, although there were instances where certain conditions had to be fulfilled, such as developing a certain horse-power or expending a certain amount within a fixed time. Many of these sales were for sites which had been occupied for a long time by the ultimate purchasers, who had probably acquired their rights as under the First Period, the sale being, apparently, made to quiet the title.

**THIRD PERIOD: JULY 1, 1904, TO JUNE 30, 1906.**—Includes eight water-powers which were sold and three which were leased for ninety-nine years, the purchaser or lessee having to fulfil conditions similar to those stipulated for the Second Period.

**FOURTH PERIOD: JULY 1, 1906, TO JAN. 1, 1907.**—In this period eight water-powers were sold without any special obligation on the part of the purchaser regarding development or expenditure within a stated time.

From January 1st, 1907, the disposal of water-powers, as given each year in the Report of the Department of Lands and Forests, may be summarized as follows:

Jan. 1st, 1907 to June 30, 1907: Seven water-powers sold. No special obligations regarding development mentioned.

June 30, 1907, to July 1, 1908: Seven water-powers sold and one leased for ninety-nine years. No special obligations regarding development mentioned.

July 1, 1908, to June 30, 1909: Three water-powers sold. No special conditions mentioned.

In the report covering this period, there is also shown an offer to lease two large water-powers on the Quinze river for a period of seventy-five years, with certain conditions regarding the amount to be expended on development.

Since June 30th, 1909, two water-powers were sold outright and one leased for ninety-nine years, the latter being the Cedars rapid on the St. Lawrence river.

The provincial statutes deal more particularly with the rights of the owners or lessees of water-powers than with the manner in which the powers are to be disposed of by the Government. The following is a summary of the different articles of the Revised Statutes, 1910, pertaining to water-powers:

Statutory  
Enactments

**MINING LOCATIONS.**—Owners of mining locations bounded by rivers may use said rivers for their work, provided they do not hinder one another or change the courses of the rivers to the detriment of riparian owners farther down the stream. (Arts. 2160 and 2175.)

**EXPROPRIATION RIGHTS.**—After plans prepared by a Quebec land surveyor have been submitted, and after approval has been given by Lieutenant-Governor in Council, the proprietor of a water-power of at least 200 gross H.P., may proceed to expropriate immovable properties and riparian rights necessary to utilize such water-power, provided industries or water-works already established are not interfered with. The expropriation proceedings and the indemnity are to be subject to the provincial law relating to railways, and the expropriating party shall not take possession of the property until after the award of the arbitrators is rendered and the indemnity paid. (Arts. 7287 to 7294.)

A riparian proprietor may improve any stream bordering on or passing through his property and may utilize the same by the construction of mills, flumes, dams or other works. The proprietors or lessees of such works, however, are held responsible for damages caused by their construction; such damages to be ascertained by experts or arbitrators. If damages are not paid, the works are to be destroyed. This does not apply to dams, booms and fallen trees, unless the flow of the water or the passing of rafts be impeded. (Arts. 7295 to 7297.)

**TIMBER DRIVING COMPANIES.**—A company formed to construct and maintain works to facilitate the transmission of timber in streams, has no right to any water-power created by any of said works. (Arts. 6315 to 6319.)

A good idea of privileges granted by the Government regarding water-powers may be formed by considering some of the Acts of Incorporation granted to companies from time to time. The following is a summary of a number of these:

**ACT TO INCORPORATE CHAMBLY HYDRAULIC & MFG. Co.**—The Company is given the right to construct and maintain a dam across the Richelieu river near "Yule bridge" and to conduct water therefrom by canals; while it may also acquire necessary lands, and sell water-power. These privileges shall be forfeited by non-user during three consecutive years.\*

**ACT TO INCORPORATE SHERBROOKE WATER-POWER Co.**—The Company was given the right to acquire lands, construct dams and canals within their own lands, and were permitted to erect factories and sheds, which they might occupy, sell or lease.†

\* Quebec Statutes, 1868, chap. 46.

† Quebec Statutes, 1870, chap. 42.





SHAWINIGAN FALLS, ST. MAURICE, QUEBEC

**AN ACT TO INCORPORATE THE CANADIAN ELECTRIC LIGHT CO.**—The Company was given the right, after acquiring necessary lands and property, to use hydraulic power, erect and maintain dams across rapids of any river, divert water through canals or flumes and sell surplus water. The Act also states that the Company has no rights under Federal jurisdiction without previous sanction of the Dominion Government.\*

**AN ACT TO INCORPORATE THE HYDRAULIC & MFG. CO. OF ST. JOHNS AND IBERVILLE.**—The Company was granted the right to dredge the Richelieu river between Jones' bridge and St. Thérèse mill; to construct a moveable dyke or dam at the head of the rapids between the towns of St. Johns and Iberville, the dam to open completely when the water was high, to avoid floods. Further, the Company was to have the right to acquire and utilize all water-powers on each side of the rapids, and to use, sell, transfer or lease any or all said water-powers. The Company could not, however, construct a dyke across the Richelieu river, nor do anything to affect navigation without the consent of the Parliament of Canada.†

**AN ACT TO INCORPORATE THE COATICOOK RIVER WATER-POWER CO.**—The Company was authorized to construct and maintain reservoirs at the head-waters of the Coaticook river and improve the water-power in said river. Tolls for the use of water-power may be levied.‡

**ACT TO INCORPORATE THE SHAWINIGAN WATER AND POWER COMPANY.**—By the terms of the Act, the Company was given the right to erect and maintain dams on the north-west bank of the St. Maurice river, near Shawinigan falls, to take water through canals or flumes for hydraulic and manufacturing purposes, to construct the necessary locks, piers and power houses, to take possession of the bed and the beach of the river at the entrance of canals and flumes and at the outlets of water from the canals or tail races. The Company was permitted to use, sell or lease the water coming from the flumes to drive machinery. It was granted the further right to manufacture, supply and sell gas, electricity and carbide. The right was also given to enter upon land for surveys on the line of the rapids, and to purchase lands along the sides of the flumes.\*\*

**AN ACT TO INCORPORATE THE RIVIÈRE DU NORD WATER-POWER CO.**—The preamble of this Act sets forth what rights the Company desired to obtain, and also points out that the deforestation of the lands on the Rivière du Nord and its tributaries had caused a decreased flow in the river, and endangered the various industries along its course. The Company was given the right to purchase, lease and operate water-

\* Quebec Statutes, 1881, chap. 69.

† Quebec Statutes, 1887, chap. 43.

‡ Quebec Statutes, 1890, 54 Vict., chap. 73.

\*\* Quebec Statutes, 1898, chap. 70.

powers on the above-named river and its tributaries; to purchase, construct and use dams, canals and other improvements on the said river and on its tributaries and lakes, for the purpose of storing water and for the purpose of regulating the flow according to the needs of the water-power users. It was permitted to charge tolls for the use of its works, the tariff to be fixed by the Lieutenant-Governor in Council.\*

#### List of Principal Water-Powers

For purposes of reference, the Province has been divided geographically into ten districts, as follows:

- (1) Ottawa river tributaries.
- (2) North shore of the St. Lawrence between the Ottawa and St. Maurice rivers.
- (3) St. Maurice river and tributaries.
- (4) North shore of St. Lawrence, between the St. Maurice and Saguenay rivers.
- (5) Saguenay river and tributaries.
- (6) North shore of St. Lawrence, below the Saguenay and Hamilton River basin.
- (7) South shore of St. Lawrence, below River du Loup.
- (8) South shore of St. Lawrence, between River du Loup and the Chaudière river (incl.).
- (9) South shore of St. Lawrence above Chaudière river, including St. Lawrence above Montreal.
- (10) James Bay slope.

In the list which follows, the water-powers have been classified under the different districts above mentioned and grouped under the different rivers on which they are situated. As most of the water-powers on the Ottawa river, below Quinze river are common to the provinces of Ontario and Quebec, they are not included in this list, but are given separately on page 144.

The list has been divided into two general divisions:

- (a) Water-powers on which fairly accurate information was obtainable.
  - (b) Water-powers on which only approximate figures were obtainable.
- Some of the districts, viz: V, VI and VII include water-powers of both classes. For District No. X, only approximate data were obtainable.

#### Notes on Power Possibilities of Principal Rivers

A general idea of the main water-power characteristics of the more important rivers mentioned in the foregoing tables is given below:

\* Quebec Statutes, 1908, chap. 115.





TRANSMISSION LINES IN QUEBEC AND NEW BRUNSWICK



## DISTRICT No. I.

**Quinze River** This name is applied to the portion of the Ottawa river—18 miles in length—lying between lakes Quinze and Timiskaming and is derived from the fifteen rapids by which its course is broken. It is the connecting link between the lower Ottawa, so called, and the upper Ottawa and carries the drainage of a large timbered basin, with an area of 9,500 square miles.

In following its course from Quinze lake, the following rapid and falls are met with:

Head rapids, Maple rapid, Cypress rapid, Kakaki rapid, Pipestone rapid, Little Pipestone rapid, Island rapid. The falls and rapids (including Devils falls) are owned by the Bronson Company, of Ottawa.

The capacity of Head rapid has been estimated at 4,420 H.P.; that of Maple rapid at 6,120 H.P., and that of the Cypress rapid at 6,800 H.P.

About 12 miles from the Indian village of North Timiskaming. Pipestone, Little Pipestone and Island rapids are situated about eight miles from the same village.

**Little River** This river, one of the principal tributaries of the Ottawa, has a basin of 4,000 square miles, which contains a number of large lakes. It rises in the county of Maskinonge, flows through the county of Ottawa and, after a course of 200 miles, falls into the Ottawa at Buckingham station, 15 miles from the Dominion capital. It has several water-powers, of which the following may be mentioned as most important:

1. Original rapid, between the township of Campbell and Robertson, which has a capacity estimated at about 2,200 H.P.
2. High fall, 24 miles above Buckingham, and 28 miles in a straight line from the city of Ottawa. This is a series of falls and rapids extending over a distance of about 4,000 feet. Mr. C. E. Gauvin states that the total height of the falls, including the rapids below, is 154 feet, and the absolute minimum capacity, 34,600 H.P. in round numbers. He says that it is one of the finest and most important water-powers of the whole Ottawa valley. The Ottawa River Storage Report for 1909-10 (p. 63) shows a minimum flow of 1500 cubic feet per second, which, assuming a head of 180 feet, would give 32,000 H.P. In Messrs. Holgate, McDougall & Ker's report for the city of Ottawa, High fall is given as capable of developing a head of 180 feet, with an output at the generator terminals of 40,000 H.P. High fall also has the great advantage of being on a very fine navigable river, watering a richly timbered country where there are deposits of graphite, phosphate of lime, mica and other minerals.

The James MacLaren Company, of Buckingham, acquired this water-power in 1901.

3. The Buckingham and Rheame falls, near the mouth, have a total capacity of over 50,000 H. P.

**Gatineau River** This is one of the largest tributaries of the Ottawa, and is some 225 miles long, with a drainage area of 9,500 square miles. Like the Ottawa, it is broken by falls and rapids capable of generating a large amount of power.

The Six Portages rapids on this river are a series of rapids which, altogether, are nearly five miles long. They extend from lot 14 of the first range of the township of Kensington to lot 51 of the third range of the township of Cameron. Their aggregate capacity has been estimated at 16,500 H.P.

The possibilities of development at Chelsea have been very carefully studied in the interest of the city of Ottawa, with a view to transmitting power to that city, by Messrs. H. Holgate, A. McDougall and N. J. Ker. In their report on this, they say, in part:

"Without going into all the details, which, however, have all been carefully studied, we would say that the area drained by the Gatineau river is about 9,000 sq. miles, or a little more. The ascertained minimum flow of the river is about 6,000 cubic feet per second, which is liable to reduction for short periods in excessively dry seasons, which occur in most rivers at intervals. As a basis for commercial development it would be proper to design the development works for the utilization of a flow of at least 7,500 cubic feet per second.

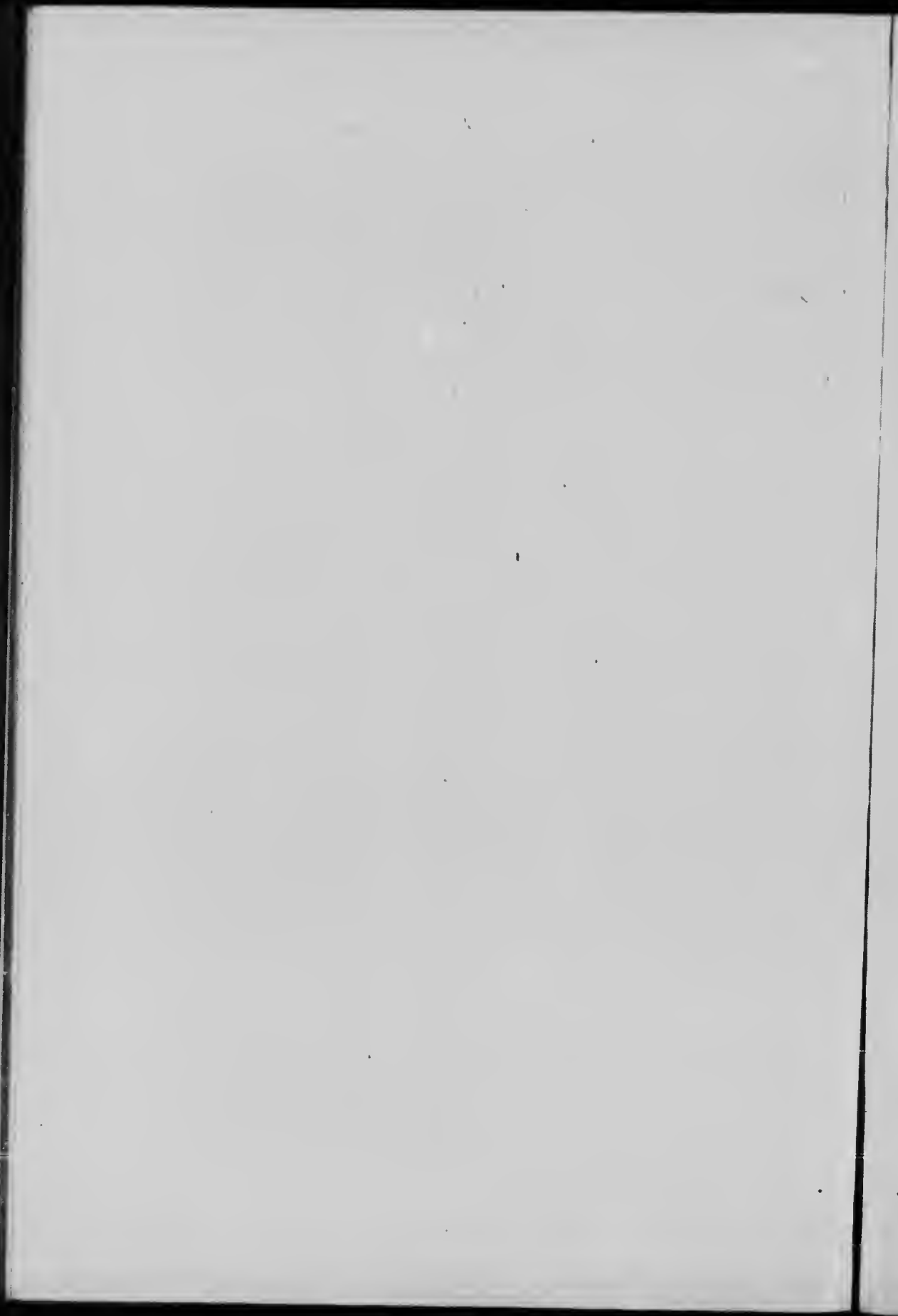
"Messrs. Gilmour & Hughson, owners of the property, have already studied the question of this development to some extent and, according to their plans, contemplate using 55 feet head. However, upon examination by us of the physical features of the river, we find that this plan is open to serious objection, owing to the fact that it does not permit the raising of the river sufficiently to drown Eaton chute, about three miles above Chelsea island, and the obliteration of Eaton chute is necessary to ensure the freedom of the power from interruption due to the formation of frazil. With Eaton chute drowned, there will be a body of quiet water for about eight miles above Chelsea, which will render the power reliable at all times, and the raising of the head water to this extent increases the potentiality of the river here by 45 per cent. owing to the fact that the working head will be 80 feet instead of 55 feet. The conditions are, therefore, that the development should be made on the basis of 7,500 cubic feet flow per second, operating under a head of 80 feet.

"The total development is equivalent to 50,000 H.P. at the outgoing terminals of a power house at Chelsea.

"As this power site is an ideal one for the establishment of a pulp and paper industry, it was not surprising to us to learn that the proprietors have this in view as a means of utilizing a part of the power. A plant



DAM ON CHAUDIERE RIVER, NEAR LEVIS, QUE.



for this purpose, built on a generous scale, would require a maximum of, say, 20,000 H.P. to 25,000 H.P., leaving 25,000 H.P. for other purposes."

Since the publication of the above report further observations show that the flow of the river has gone down as low as 3700 cubic feet per second (Ottawa River Storage Report for 1909-10, p. 66.) However, as this seems to have occurred during an exceptionally dry year, a minimum flow of 5,700 cubic feet per second has been assumed in the tables for the sites on the lower portion of the river.

#### DISTRICT No. II.

##### River du Loup

This river is a navigable stream in the county of Maskinonge. Its basin embraces an area of about 600 square miles, of which about 550 are above St. Paulin, where the highest fall on the river (chute à Magnan) is situated. The head here is 120 feet, giving 2,000 H.P.

At a short distance below the chute à Magnan, two falls are met with at a distance of about 200 feet from each other, each having a height of 25 to 30 feet. Their collective capacity, at low water, is about 1,000 H.P. Most of these water-powers were conceded in 1907 to Mr. Henri L. Auger, of Montreal.

##### Maskinonge River

The Maskinonge river ranks among the important streams this district. The total area of its basin is nearly 450 square miles. The river proper takes its rise in the lake of the same name, four to five square miles in area. Maskinonge lake might be made an important reservoir to regulate the flow of the Maskinonge river. Its banks are everywhere high enough, except in the neighbourhood of the head of the river in question.

Mr. C. E. Gauvin, of the Department of Lands, Quebec, investigated several cascades of some importance along the course of this river. Among these were Lauzon fall, with a possible development of 900 H.P., the Post fall of 540 H.P., and the great fall of Ste. Ursule, a very remarkable water-power, with a head of 220 to 230 feet and a capacity of 4,000 H.P. Mr. Théodore Lefebvre, of Montreal, acquired all these powers in 1907.

##### L'Assomption River

On this river, in the county of Joliette, a fall called the Mont-à-peine is worthy of note. The water-power here possesses remarkable facilities for development.

##### Ouareau River

This stream flows through the county of Montcalm. It is the chief branch of l'Assomption river, and, from certain points of view, is more important than the latter itself above their confluence, as it is fed by two large lakes, lake Archambault and lake Ouareau, which could be used as reservoirs to regulate the flow. The average distance of these three falls from the nearest station of the Canadian Northern Railway is about eight miles.

## DISTRICT No. III.

**St. Maurice River** The drainage area of this river and its tributaries is 16,200 square miles in extent, and may be divided into—the settled portion, and the forested portion. The settled portion, whose natural centre is the city of Three Rivers, on the St. Lawrence, contains a considerable farming population. The forested portion of the St. Maurice region, covers an area of over 15,000 square miles. This territory contains, throughout its area, valuable pine, spruce, cedar and hardwood. There is also an abundance of iron, mica, and other minerals. The most important point to note is that nature has distributed throughout this region, side by side with the raw material, great water-powers capable of being easily developed.

The St. Maurice river, which waters the whole of that vast territory, is one of the largest tributaries of the river St. Lawrence. It flows into the latter near Three Rivers and takes its rise in the watershed dividing the St. Lawrence slope from that of Hudson bay. The St. Maurice flows from west to east, about 350 miles, through a mountainous region, and is broken here and there by a series of cascades. The more important of these are the Shawinigan, La Tuque, Grand'nère and the rapide des Hêtres, nearly all of which are utilized by large industrial concerns.

There is a considerable storage in the upper river, in the lakes used by the lumber interests; and the different water-power users on the river are now endeavouring to plan in collaboration with the Provincial Government, works that will utilize the natural reservoirs which exist at the headwaters of the river.

## DISTRICT No. IV.

**St. Anne River** On the great plateau of St. Féréol, behind St. Joachim, at a distance of four or five miles from the St. Lawrence, is a series of falls known as Seven falls. The head here is one of the highest known in Canada, 375 feet. It is estimated that from these cascades formed by the St. Anne river, an amount of energy equivalent to 5,000 H.P. can be obtained.

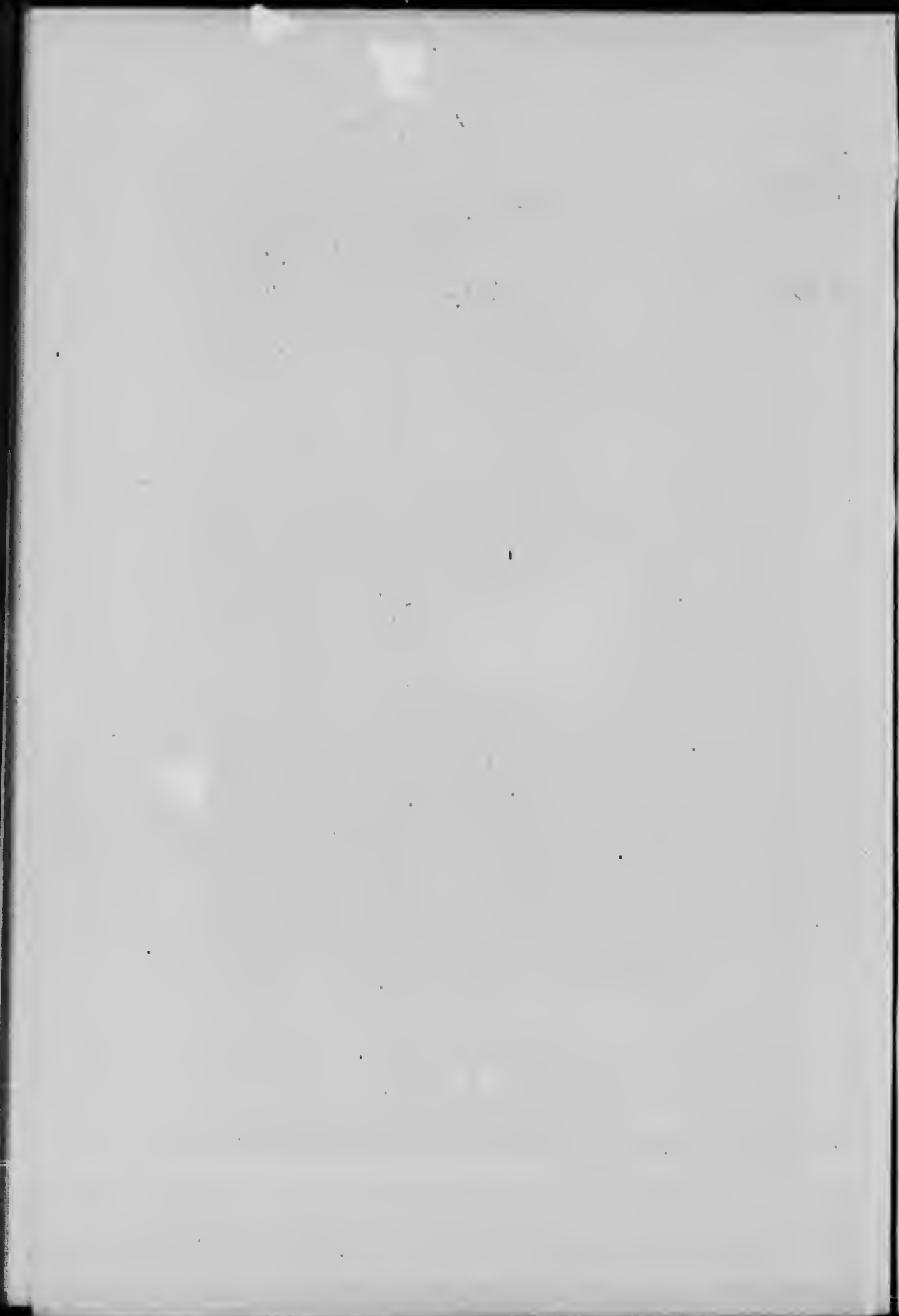
The Great fall on this river is distant a couple of miles from the shore of the St. Lawrence, in a fold of the St. Joachim mountain. It is encased in a narrow and steep gorge. The head is 190 feet and there is a possible minimum development of 2,500 H.P.

**Montmorency River** The Montmorency falls have a head of nearly 270 feet. The tramway system in Quebec city and the suburban service to Ste. Anne de Beaupré are operated by power from this fall, which also supplies electrical energy in Quebec for other purposes and operates a large cotton mill situated at the foot of the falls.





LAURENTIDE PAPER COMPANY'S PLANT, GRAND MERE, QUEBEC



**Jacques  
Cartier  
River**

The Jacques Cartier Company, a subsidiary company of the Quebec Railway, Light, Heat & Power Company, has leased one of the water-powers in this river and supplies current for street lighting to the city of Quebec, besides furnishing light and motive power to many private establishments. Four powers of some importance at Pont Rouge, on the same river, are also to be noted. The power from the Jacques Cartier river would be greatly increased if the waters of Jacques Cartier lake were conserved by storage works. The water-powers of the Jacques Cartier, and all the other rivers which take their rise in the Laurentides National Park possess a special importance which they owe to the fact that they all drain heavily wooded lands.

**Batiscan  
River**

Another very interesting river, from the point of view of its numerous water-power potentialities is the Batiscan. The Quebec and Lake St. John railway follows its valley for a considerable distance. It is broken by many falls and rapids. One of these occurs near the line of the Quebec & Lake St. John railway, below the mouth of the Jeannotte river, 81 miles from Quebec. It is estimated that 1,000 H. P. can be obtained from it. Other power sites nearer the mouth are of more importance, and are only partly developed.

The total drainage area of this river is about 1,700 square miles, of which over 100 square miles are in lakes. There are over a hundred of these, varying in area from 26 square miles (lake Edward) to 0.2 square miles.

**DISTRICT No. V****Saguenay  
River**

This is one of the great tributaries of the St. Lawrence, and flows out of lake St. John by two channels, the Grand Discharge and the Little Discharge. These two channels, separated by Alma island, unite at a point nine miles farther down. Its total drainage area is 35,900 square miles. The Saguenay could furnish water-powers of great importance, especially at the chute à Caron, the Little Discharge and the Grand Discharge.

It is broken by a series of falls between the chutes à Caron and the Shipshaw river, whose capacity is estimated at over 150,000 H.P. They are owned by Mr. Thomas L. Wilson, but have not yet been utilized.

**Ashwapmu-  
chuan River**

This river enters lake St. John a mile and a half north-west of St. Prime. It is three-quarters of a mile wide at its mouth, is four hundred feet wide a hundred miles farther up, and is navigable to St. Félicien. It is true that the forest land drained by the Ashwapmuchuan formerly suffered through fires, but, even in its present state, a vast field for lumbering still remains. Mr. J. C. Langelier, Superintendent of Forest Rangers, is of the opinion that

in the portion of this territory above Bear falls, ten million cords of white and black spruce of the best quality for making pulp and paper could be cut.

**Peribonka River** The largest of the tributaries of lake St. John is the Peribonka river. Its length, from the mouth to the source, is about three hundred miles, while its width, in some places, is from one-third of a mile to a mile. It has a drainage area of 12,000 square miles.

This river, which is navigable for a distance of fourteen miles, is fed by a large number of lakes, some of which are 25 miles long, so that the volume of its waters is not seriously affected by summer droughts.

From the terminal point of steam navigation, about 14 miles from lake St. John, and for a distance of five to six miles as one ascends the river, it forms a series of seven cascades or falls, one above the other, whose total capacity has been estimated at 80,000 H.P.

**Mistassini River** This is a large stream 200 miles long and three miles wide at its mouth. It borders the townships of Parent, Racine, Albabel and Pelletier, and falls into lake St. John at the extremity of Racine township. It has a drainage area of 9,000 square miles. It is navigable for a distance of 18 miles, and contains several notable cascades and rapids. The first falls are at the terminus of steamboat navigation, about 18 miles from the mouth of the river. There are two other falls, 11 and 16 miles respectively above the first, and finally at the 120th mile there is a splendid fall 80 feet high.

So much for the chief sources of power of the lake St. John region. Some of them are already used for industrial purposes on a large scale; but most of them are still awaiting capital for development.

**Chicoutimi River** The magnificent cascade at the mouth of this river, in the town of Chicoutimi has a minimum capacity estimated at over 13,000 H.P. A syndicate has installed here one of the largest pulp mills in the province. At the beginning of its operations, the Chicoutimi pulp mills were turning out 14 tons of wood pulp daily. At present, the company has so increased its plant that the mills can now produce 100 to 150 tons of pulp per day. All this output is shipped to the English and French markets in steamships which load in the port of Chicoutimi. Shipments have also been made for some years past, to the United States.

In the same region is the river au Sable, whose power is estimated at 3,000 H.P. This has been utilized since 1901 by the Jonquières Pulp Company.



CHICOUTIMI FALL, CHICOUTIMI RIVER, QUE.



## DISTRICT No. VI

**Hamilton  
River**

This river, which empties into the Atlantic ocean, forms part of the boundary between the province of Quebec and Ungava peninsula. It is about seven hundred miles long and has a drainage area of 29,100 square miles. According to Dr. A. P. Low, Deputy Minister of the Department of Mines, the Grand falls of the Hamilton river have a perpendicular fall of 302 feet, while, if we include a series of smaller falls and rapids, above and below, extending over a distance of 12 miles, the total fall is 760 feet. In his report describing the Grand falls, Dr. Low says in part: "Such a fall (760 feet) would not be extraordinary for a small stream, in a mountainous country, but is phenomenal in a great river like the Hamilton. The basin into which it precipitates itself at this point is nearly circular and about 200 yards in diameter. It is surrounded on all sides by nearly perpendicular rocky walls, 500 feet high, except at the narrow cut at the head of the falls, and where the river issues from the basin. The noise of the fall has a stunning effect, and although deadened because of its enclosed situation, can be heard for more than ten miles away, as a deep, booming sound. The cloud of mist is also visible from any eminence within a radius of twenty miles."

Other rivers of importance in this district are the Natashkwan, Romaine, Moisie, Pentecôte, Manikuagan, Outarde and Bersimis, which flow into the Gulf of St. Lawrence and have falls at, or near, their mouths affording easy development and exceptional transportation facilities, being accessible both from the ocean and that great inland waterway, the St. Lawrence river.

**Manikuagan  
River**

This is one of the large rivers on the north shore of the St. Lawrence and empties into the latter river 205 miles below Quebec. Its length is 350 miles and it is broken by numerous cascades. Its drainage area is 15,000 square miles. Experts found that it would be comparatively easy to utilize the immense water-powers on this river. In 1906, a French syndicate leased the first falls, but has not yet begun to utilize them.

The forests of the region, which cover a very large extent of country, consist of white birch, white and black spruce, aspen, poplar, balsam, fir, balm of Gilead, black and yellow birch and banksian pine.

**Rivière  
aux  
Outardes**

Although smaller than its neighbour, the Manikuagan, the rivière aux Outardes is one of the finest streams flowing into the St. Lawrence. Mr. J. Bignell, Q.L.S., who examined it, estimates its average depth at 8 feet and its width as varying from 450 to 1,000 feet. It has a drainage area of 7,000 square miles. The principal falls are seven and a half miles from pointe

aux Outardes. The height of these cascades is about 200 feet. According to the calculation made by Mr. J. C. Langelier, in 1901, their capacity would be 180,992 H.P., but a more recent estimate gives 59,000 H.P. as the minimum. There is no access by navigation to these falls; but it would be easy to connect them with the falls on the Manikugan by a tramway or railway.

The forest along this river, whose length is 300 miles, equals that of the Manikugan basin. There is an abundance of pulpwood. According to official explorers, two cords per acre could be obtained. This would represent a total of 9,400,000 cords.

#### DISTRICT No. VII

Magdalen  
River

The Great fall (Grande chute) of the Magdalen is only seven and a half miles from the mouth of this river, whose drainage area is 450 square miles. This cascade is perpendicular and the water falls from a height of 62 feet. With a dam 15 feet in height to form a head race, it would be possible, according to Mr. J. C. Langelier, to get a total head of 77 feet, capable of developing 13,000 H.P. during the low-water period of ordinary seasons. Besides the Great fall there is also the Little fall (Petit Sault), ending in a series of rapids and cascades, which begins at the foot of the Great fall. According to Mr. J. C. Langelier, a dam 55 feet high, erected 1,500 feet above the fall, would give a head of 130 feet at the foot of the latter, with a capacity of 22,000 H.P. in the ordinary stage of the water, and of at least 6,680 at the very lowest stage of the water.\* The water-powers of the Magdalen were adjudged, in 1902, to be the property of Mr. Chas. W. Mullen, of Bangor, Maine.

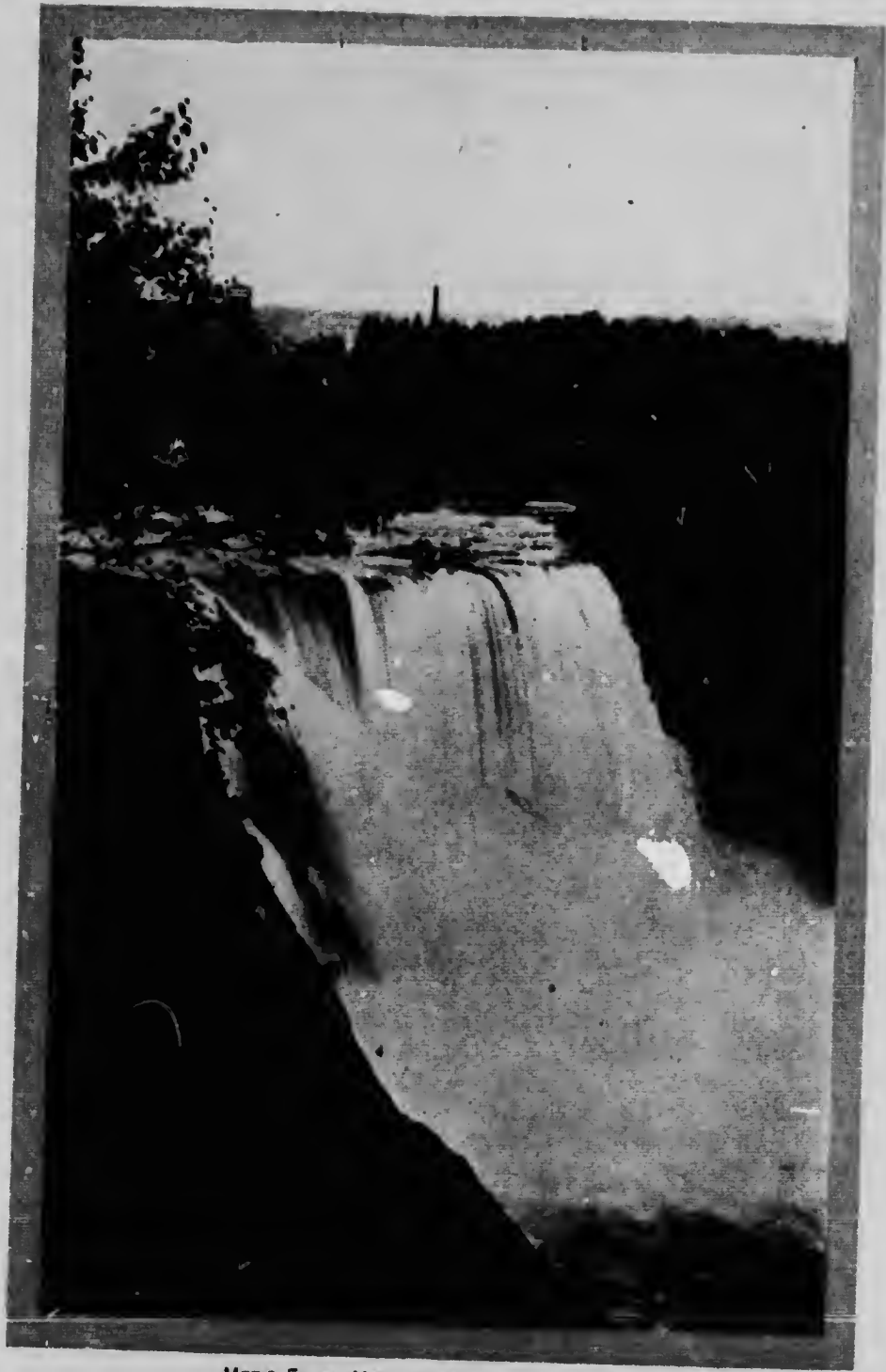
Little  
Cascapedia  
River

In the county of Bonaventure is the Little Cascapedia river, 75 miles long and with a drainage area of 700 square miles, flowing from the east, and parallel to the great river of the same name. It runs through the whole township of New Richmond. The falls on this river were granted, in 1901, to the New Richmond Lumber Company. With a head of 22 feet, 2,400 H.P. could be obtained, but a dam can be built to raise the head to 50 feet, giving 5,000 H.P. The minimum discharge is 970 cubic feet per second. It should be noted that in order to obtain the 50 foot head, valuable farm lands would have to be flooded.

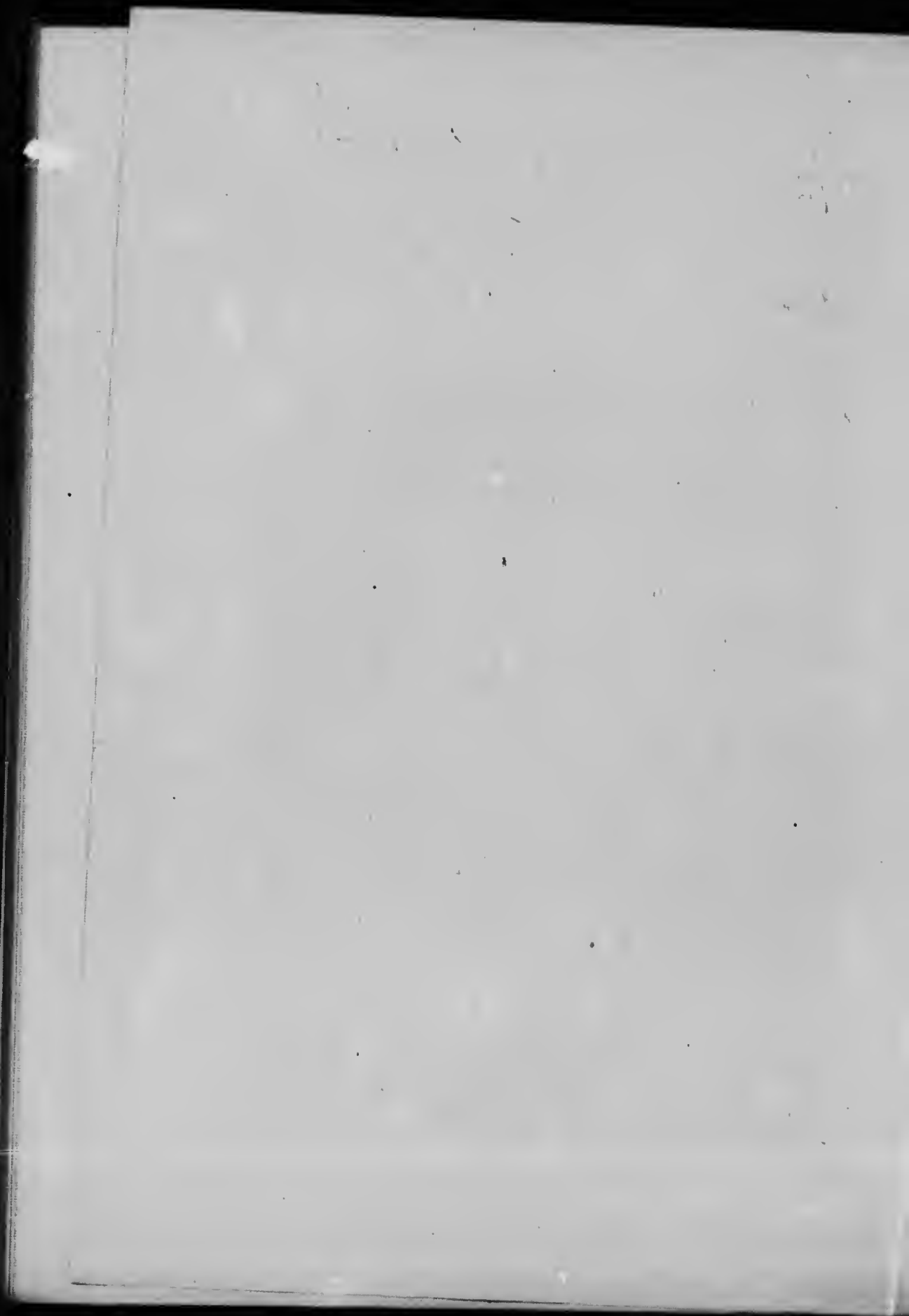
By erecting storage dams at different points on the river or on its tributaries, above the rear line of New Richmond, an almost constant discharge, much greater than the 970 cubic feet per second above referred to, could be obtained and with this, of course, a greater constant power would result.

\* Report of Department of Lands, Forests, and Fisheries, Quebec, 1901, p. 157





METIS FALLS, METIS RIVER, MATANE, QUEBEC



## DISTRICT No. VIII

**Chaudière River** Fifty small streams and some twenty lakes feed this river whose drainage area is 2,000 square miles. The Chaudière falls, especially in the spring, when the water is at its highest stage, are very imposing. They are utilized by the Canadian Electric Light Company, to operate the Lévis County railway, and furnish electric light to Quebec, Lévis and the surrounding municipalities.

**Etchemin River** The Etchemin river, which takes its rise in the highlands of Bellechasse and which, from St. Anselme, in the county of Dorchester, flows close to the Chaudière river, is another important watercourse. It empties into the St. Lawrence three miles above Quebec and is broken in its course at St. Anselme, St. Jean Chrysostôme and St. Romuald by several small falls, which are utilized by a number of mills.

**Rivière du Sud, Ouelle and du Loup** In the vicinity of the Intercolonial railway, to the east of Quebec, the falls susceptible of being utilized for industrial purposes are equally numerous. They are found on the river du Sud at St. Raphael and Montmagny; on the Bras St. Nicholas, at St. Cyrille de L'Islet, and at St. Aubert on the river Trois-Saumons. A little farther down the line we meet other water-powers on the river Ouelle, at St. Pacôme, in the township of Ixworth, on the Kamouraska river, at St. Paschal, at Trois-Pistoles, and then at River du Loup, on the river of the same name, where a splendid fall has been developed to operate a pulp mill. Unfortunately definite figures could not be secured for some of the above, and for this reason they are not included in the tables.

## DISTRICT No. IX

**St. Lawrence River** The question of diverting water for power purposes on this river, between lakes St. Francis and St. Louis is a very important one. There are several mills and plants utilizing hydraulic energy at this point, the most important of which are the Montreal Cotton Company's mills at Valleyfield, and the Montreal Light, Heat & Power Company's plant at Cedars. The Canadian Light and Power Co. have just completed the construction of a plant at St. Timothée to transmit electrical energy to Montreal, using the old Beauharnois canal for an intake. Another company proposes to draw water for power purposes at the head of the Coteau rapids through the so-called St. Louis feeder, enlarging it and constructing a canal parallel to the St. Louis river as far as the foot of the Cascades rapids.

All this will mean a large amount of water drawn from lake St. Francis through artificial outlets, and fear is entertained that the level of this

lake will be so lowered as to interfere with navigation. Mr. J. L. Michaud, of the Public Works Department, in a report on this problem, comes to the following conclusions: "I do not think that it will be advisable to allow any company to divert water from lake St. Francis without building remedial works. It would not be advisable either to completely close the outlet of lake St. Francis, as many of the boats go down the rapids. The most practical way of solving the problem would be to block a portion of the river, which has now a discharge at least equal to the discharge required by the companies. This dam should be movable, of sluice gates or stop logs type, and should be controlled by the Government.

"The fall between lake St. Francis and lake St. Louis totals 83 feet, divided in three separate pitches: the Rapide du Côteau, Rapide des Cédres, and Rapides des Cascades. A partial dam at the head of the first pitch would tend to raise the water at that point, but would lower it at the other falls. There is no complete set of soundings throughout the rapids, but according to those shown on the plans of the Public Works Commissioners made in 1854, and on the plan of the Hydrographic Survey, after a personal examination made by shooting the rapids in one of the Richelieu and Ontario Navigation Company's boats, it would seem as if the blowing up of a few points, and the building of a submerged dam at the head of the other pitches, would be sufficient. In order to decide that question, it would be necessary to make some accurate gaugings of the discharge through this channel, but judging by the data at hand, there is no doubt, if proper compensating or remedial works were to be built, water could be diverted from the lake without interfering with navigation.

"But before any work is commenced, plans and descriptions should be submitted to the Honourable Minister for his approval, and the execution of the proposed works should also be supervised by some engineers or officials of the Department."

Subsequently, the case was presented before the Dominion Government by the interested parties, and, as a result, the matter was referred to a board of experts to report upon.

The exceedingly low ratio of the low-water flow to the high-water flow—about 1 to 2—makes the St. Lawrence a very valuable one for power purposes. This is due to the Great lakes which form immense balancing reservoirs and give it a steadiness and flow not possessed by any other great river. This uniformity of discharge also makes it absolutely unique from a navigation standpoint.

As the interests of navigation must always be paramount and, particularly in view of the probability that the St. Lawrence canals will be deepened in the near future, no works should be permitted that will injure this





MONTMORENCY FALL, MONTMORENCY RIVER, QUE.

magnificent river from a scenic point of view or that may be detrimental to the interests of navigation, either at the present time or in the near future, when the largest lake vessels will descend the river to Montreal. Twelve years ago the largest lake vessels were 250 feet long and had a capacity of 2,500 tons. To-day they carry from 10,000 to 15,000 tons. What will they be twelve years hence?

**Richelieu  
River**

This is one of the principal tributaries of the St. Lawrence. It takes its rise in the state of Vermont, some 117 miles south of the boundary line (45th parallel) between Canada and United States and receives, by its numerous tributaries, the waters of a basin whose area is estimated at 9,500 square miles. The surface of the part of this area that lies above Chambly basin is equivalent to about 9,000 square miles. From a point situated approximately a mile below Ste. Thérèse island, the Richelieu river may be said to be an uninterrupted rapid to Chambly basin, or for a total distance of four and a half miles, and affords fine mill sites on both banks. Above Chambly basin, the Richelieu has always been famed for its water-powers and for many years back mills have used this stream for power purposes.

In the village of Richelieu are the works of the Chambly Manufacturing Company and the Willett works, of lesser importance.

Negotiations are now in progress to build a dam, at a point seven miles below St. Johns, right across the river, in connection with the Chambly canal, thus drowning out the St. Johns rapids. This will, at the same time, create a water-power of about 3,500 H.P., which the Government proposes to offer for rental.

Near the village of St. Ours, the river has a fall of 10 feet and is capable of developing 2,500 H.P. It is important to note that there is no frasil or anchor ice in the river at St. Ours, and there is the further very great advantage of being near Montreal and Sorel.

**St. Francis  
River**

This river flows into the St. Lawrence from the south. It has a large number of tributaries, some of them, like the Magog, quite large. The basin of the St. Francis is rather narrow near the mouth, but broadens out in the upper portion, where it is fed by good-sized lakes, among which are the Memphremagog and Massawippi in the south-west, and the St. Francis and Aylmer in the east.

This river is very rich in water-powers; on the river itself these are estimated at about 12,000 H.P., while, distributed on its different tributaries, are about 10,000 H.P. A large percentage of these water-powers

is now being utilised for different industries, such as the manufacture of textiles, lumber and paper, and the generation of electricity.

**Béancour River** This river traverses the counties of Megantic and Nicolet. Its course is broken in several places by falls and rapids. One of the largest, known as Maddington fall, is situated in the village of Daveluyville at a short distance only from the Intercolonial Railway bridge. This fall affords a water-power with many advantages both as to situation and on account of the facilities offered for its development. The height of the fall at the village is 44 feet, and the minimum flow of the river about 185 cubic feet per second. This would give 1,000 H.P.

#### DISTRICT No. X

The main arteries of this district are the Eastmain, the Rupert, and the Nottaway rivers. The Harricanaw river is another important stream in this district. Except near the mouth, it flows through Quebec.

All these rivers have been explored, either by members of the Geological Survey or by surveyors for the Department of Lands, Quebec; in some cases by both. The reports on these explorations give numerous figures respecting the situation and heights of falls and rapids along rivers followed by the explorers but, naturally, do not attempt to indicate the minimum flow of the rivers. In some cases, what appears to be the mean or average flow is given, but this can hardly be used, even as a guide, to obtain the minimum flow—the indispensable factor in order to arrive at the horse-power which can be depended upon throughout the year. An approximation has been computed by proportioning the flow to the drainage area above the point under consideration; the factor used to convert drainage to minimum discharges of rivers was chosen as 0.4 cubic feet per second per square mile, which is the same factor used by Mr. L. V. Rorke for the rivers on the Ontario slope of James bay where similar conditions should obtain. If this factor (0.4) seems a little high, this will be more than compensated, on the whole, by the fact that several sites described by the explorers simply as “rapids” or “falls” have been unavoidably omitted as no figures were obtainable.

The Nottaway river and its tributary, the Bell, being nearest the present settled portion of the Province, will probably be the first to attract the attention of capital; they are both broken by numerous falls and drain innumerable lakes which extend over a large area and which could be used to regulate the flow.



The Rupert river, whose basin lies a little farther north, is fed by the large Mistassini lake and also affords numerous water-power sites of large capacity.

The Eastmain river flows parallel to the Rupert and some 50 miles further north. It forms part of the boundary between the province of Quebec and the territory of Ungava. It is remarkable for its numerous high falls, there being a series of no less than four, of 100 feet or more in height, in a stretch of less than one hundred miles.

**QUEBEC**  
**DISTRICT No. 1—TRIBUTARIES OF THE OTTAWA RIVER**

POWER SITE	AVAILABLE		ELECTRICAL ENERGY USED, 1910 (Horse-power)		DEVELOPED (Horse-power)			REMARKS
	Head (in feet)	H.P.	Power	Light	Electrical Energy	Paper and Pulp	Other Industries	
Quebec river: <sup>a</sup> (the portion of the Ottawa between Quebec lake and lake Timiskaming; drainage area—9,500 sq. m.) { 1st. lower falls (2 m. from North Timiskaming)								
418. { 2nd lower fall . . . . .	16	5,700						
3rd lower fall . . . . .	5	2,000						
4th lower fall . . . . .	27	9,800						
Island rapid . . . . .	24	8,700						
419. Pipestone rapid . . . . .	95	32,000						
420. Kakaki rapid . . . . .	9	3,000						
421. Cypress rapid . . . . .	46	15,000						
Maple rapid . . . . .	20	6,800						
422. Head rapid . . . . .	18	6,120						
	13	4,420						
Rigaud river: 423. Rigaud . . . . .	30	100					100	100
North river: 424. St. Andrews . . . . .	11	250					100	100
Lechute . . . . .	12	250					250	250
425. { . . . . .	40	1,700					500	500
								Use for flour-milling
								Grist mill
								Lumber mill
								Felt manufacture

<sup>a</sup> For the Ottawa river between Montreal and Lake Timiskaming, see pp. 147-149

426.	St. Jérôme	23	250	.....	.....	650	.....	650	Paper mill; uses steam auxiliary
	"	8	400	.....	.....	400	.....	400	Lumber and grit mills
	"	13	800	.....	.....	125	.....	300	Electricity used in St. Jérôme
427.	Sanderson rapids (2 m. above St. Jérôme)	30	800	.....	175	500	.....	300	
428.	Sta. Adèle	70	1,800	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	
		98	1,300	.....	.....	1,300	.....	1,300	
Cambria river:									
429.	Cambria	20	60	.....	.....	.....	.....	60	
Rouge river:									
430.	Seven chutes to Nigger rapid	80	5,000	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	
	Table fall	50	3,000	.....	1,500	.....	.....	1,500	Electric plant supplying Calumet, Crossville, Hawkesbury, etc.
431.	Walker chute	15	900	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	
	La Cheche and McTavish fall	45	2,700	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	
432.	Rochway fall	15	800	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	
	Huberdeau fall	15	800	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	
433.	Bust fall	15	800	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	
434.	Irequis fall	15	750	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	
435.	Rapide Plat (8 m. below Nomining river)	25	1,250	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	
436.	On Devil river (6 m. from St. Jovite)	11	500	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	There is a total descent of 43 ft. in 1 1/2 mile
437.	From Trembling Mt. lake	15	220	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	By using lake as reservoir
		36	800	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	
Petite Estrie river:									
438.	Orbow falls (Lot 4, Hartwell)	15	400	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	
Libre river: (1/2 acre area 4,000 sq. m.)									
439.	Abbasville fall	196	35,000	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	
	Blackburnham	98	16,000	.....	.....	3,500	.....	3,500	Development has a 65 ft. head
440.	High fall (24 m. above Buckingham)	180	32,000	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	Including two rapids below
441.	I.C. Canal rapid (80 m. from mouth)	19	2,200	.....	.....	100	.....	100	

DISTRICT No. II--TRIBUTARIES OF THE OTTAWA RIVER--Continued

Power Sites	AVAILABLE		ELECTRICAL ENERGY USED, 1910 (Horse-power)		DEVELOPED (Horse-power)			REMARKS	
	Head (in feet)	H.P.	Power	Light	Electrical Energy	Paper and Pulp	Other Industries		Total
Geticeen river: (drainage area 9,500 sq. m.)									
Farmer rapid	17	10,000							
Chelsea rapid	50	31,000							
High fall, Manitou and Hardwood rapids and Eaton chute	80	50,000							
Cascades	22	13,700							
Faugan fall and rapid	37	23,000							
Mountain rapid	20	13,500							
Bully rapid	23	12,700							
"Six Portages" (70 m. from mouth) include the following:									
(a) Cedar rapid	9	3,200							
(b) Bocan rapid	14	4,900							
(c) Corbeau rapid	15.8	5,500							
(d) Head of Six Portages rapid	8	2,800							
Des Eaux rapid	8	2,700							
St. Joseph rapid (7 m. above Maniwaki)	15	5,200							
Big Eddy fall	12	4,200							
Burnt fall	15	5,200							
Mountain fall and rapid	34	12,000							
Quatre Pattes fall	15	5,200							
Bitobi rapid	12	4,200							



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DISTRICT No. III—NORTH SHORE OF ST. LAWRENCE RIVER, BETWEEN THE OTTAWA AND ST. MAURICE RIVERS

POWER SITE	AVAILABLE		ELECTRICAL ENERGY USED, 1910 (Horse-power)		DEVELOPED (Horse-power)			REMARKS
	Head (in feet)	H.P.	Power	Light	Electrical Energy	Paper and Pulp	Other Industries	
Yamachiche river: 452. St. Ellis de Claxton .....	23	60					60	60
River du Loup: (Machinago county) (1 m. cascades (1,000 ft. below Magnum fall) .....	55	1,000						
453. } Magnum fall (½ m. below C.N.Q. Ry.) .....	120	2,000						
454. } Chaudière fall .....	35	600						
454. } Huntersdown fall .....	25	400					100	100
454. } Baribou fall .....	15	276						
455. } Chute aux Trembles .....	60	1,060						
455. } On Six Falls branch .....	105	700						
455. } On Sorcier branch .....	133	1,086						
Machinago river: (total drainage area, 450 sq. m.)								
456. St. Ursule fall .....	225	4,000						
457. Crête de Poste .....	30	540						
458. Lauson fall, near St. Didace .....	40	900						
Machinago river: 459. St. Damien .....	14	25					25	25

Two lakes could be used as reservoirs

a Lake Machinago could be raised 10 ft. to 15 ft. to form a reservoir.

L'Assomption river:									
460.	{ Joliette	6	30						
461.	{ Mont-à-peine fall (s.w. of St. St. Jean-de-Matha)	14	450	450			30	30	
		100	2,300					450	
Achigan river: (tributary of L'Assomption)									
462.	L'Epiphane	12	250						250
463.	Laurentides		200						200
464.	Kilkenny	22	60						60
Ouareau river: (tributary of L'Assomption river, Montcalm county)									
465.	{ Magan fall, (1 m. from Rawdon village)	25	1,125						
	{ Darwin fall, (3 m. from Rawdon village)	66	3,000						
	{ Manchester fall (1 m. from Rawdon village)	37	1,700						
									Lumber and grist mills
									Lumber and grist mills

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DISTRICT No. IV—ST. MAURICE RIVER BASIN

POWER SITE	AVAILABLE		ELECTRICAL ENERGY USED, 1910 (Horse-power)		DEVELOPED (Horse-power)			REMARKS
	Head (in feet)	H.P.	Power	Light	Paper and Pulp	Other Industries	Total	
St. Maurice river:								
466. "Les Forges" rapid (8 m. from mouth) . . . . .	12	12,000						
467. { Les Grès rapid } 15 m. from mouth	40	40,000						
468. { Fer-à-cheval rapid } from mouth								
468. { Gabelle rapid } mouth								
468. Shawinigan falls (21 m. from mouth) . . . . .	135	130,000	80,000	15,000	12,000		107,000	Electricity transmitted to Montreal, Eastern Townships and Sagard with about 30 sub-stations leading the different municipalities along the transmission lines; 30,000 H.P. of electrical energy is used in Shawinigan for the production of aluminum and carbide
469. { Rapide des Hôtres (26 m. from mouth) . . . . .	17	7,000						
470. { Grand'mère fall . . . . .	45	40,000			17,000		17,000	
471. { Chutes des Piles . . . . .	10	9,000						
471. { La Tuque . . . . .	100	86,000						
472. { Demicharge rapid . . . . .	20	6,800						
472. { Iroquois rapid . . . . .	10	3,400						
472. { Rocher rapid . . . . .	10	3,400						
472. { L'Isle rapid . . . . .	37	12,500						
472. { Weymontachi rapid . . . . .	10	3,400						Being developed for pulp and paper mill



Shawinigan river: 468. Near Shawinigan Falls. ....	1,500	1,500	1,500
River du Millon: (tributary of the Metewin) Chute des Aulnaines. ....	11		
473. { Rapids above chute des Aulnaines	25		
Beauport river: (drainage area 550 sq. m.)	26		
471. Falls near La Tuque			
Vermilion river: (tributary of the St. Maurice) 474. Iroquois fall (21 m. above La Tuque) .....	35	1,200	
Moulin River: 475. 1st fall (4½ m. from mouth) .....	30	1,000	
Ribbon river: 476. Rapids and falls near Nat. Trans. Ry. (mile 677) .....	80	1,000	

Head could be raised to 26 ft. and, by storage in lake Majunand, power would be doubled

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DISTRICT No. IV—NORTH SHORE OF ST. LAWRENCE RIVER BETWEEN ST. MAURICE AND SAGUENAY RIVERS

Power Site	AVAILABLE		Electrical Energy Used, 1910 (Horse-power)		DEVELOPED (Horse-power)			REMARKS	
	Head (in feet)	H.P.	Power	Light	Electrical Energy	Paper and Pulp	Other Industries		Total
Murray river: 477. Murray Bay .....	26				350			350	
St. Anne-de-Bessopé river: (Drainage area, 265 sq. m.) 478. St. Joachim fall, .....	190	2,500							
479. St. Fédor, seven falls .....	375	5,000							
Petit-Pis River: 480. Ange Gardien .....		1,000					175	175	Leather manufacture
Montmorency river: 481. { Montmorency fall .....	268	5,000	2,000	2,000	4,000		1,000	5,000	Electricity used in Quebec (pop. 70,000) and suburbs; 1,000 H.P. used in textile mill
481. { "Natural steps" dam .....	62	1,000	500	500	1,000			1,000	
Jacques-Cartier river: 482. Pont Rouge .....	12	500		50	50		50	100	Electricity used in village (pop. 1,000)
483. St. Gabriel .....	30	1,000	500	1,500	2,000			2,000	Electricity used in Quebec (pop. 70,000); has steam auxiliary plant
Portneuf river: 484. Portneuf .....	20	300				300		300	

	25	426	80	426	100	426	80	80	180	426	180	Electricity used in St. Raymond (pop. 1,500)
St. Anne-de-la-Pérade river:												
495. { St. Raymond (3 m. below village).....	15	180										
{ St. Raymond.....			80									
Charent river:												
496. St. Anne-de-la-Pérade.....	16	80										
Batiscan river: (drainage area 1,700 sq. m.)												
497. { Last Falls rapid.....	45	2,700										
{ Grande chute (St. Narcisse).....	55	3,200										
{ Chute Pinte.....	23	1,300	800									
{ Des Islets fall.....	45	2,700	1,140				1,940					
{ Murphy fall.....	12	720										
{ Somerville old mill.....	15	900										
498. Falls just below Jeannotte river.....	17	1,000										
499. Rickaby rapid (Little Batiscan river).....	19	700										
												Electricity used in Three Rivers (pop. 10,000)

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**DISTRICT No. V—SAGUENAY RIVER BASIN\***

POWER SITE	AVAILABLE		ELECTRICAL ENERGY USED, 1910 (Horse-power)		DEVELOPERS (Horse-power)			REMARKS
	Head (in feet)	H.P.	Power	Light	Electrical Energy	Paper and Pulp	Other Industries	
Saguenay river: Chute à Caron .....	24	82,800						
Cros-Sarré (just below chute à Caron) .....	14							
Rapids above L'Anse-de-Sable (Chute de L'Anse-Croix) .....	15	153,000						
Little Discharge (St. Joseph d'Alma) .....	16							
112		4,300						
Ma-la river: 402. Grands-Bals (Chicoutimi county)	19	150		150	150			150
Chicoutimi river: 403. Chicoutimi, 1st fall .....	45	3,000						
Chicoutimi, 2nd and 3rd falls .....	150	10,000	200	300	300	7,000	50	7,300
Falls 6 m. above Chicoutimi .....	35	2,300						
Shipshaw river: Wilson dam .....	31	1,700						
Murdoch fall .....	20	4,800						
Guineed fall .....	25	1,800						

\* Other data, for which only approximate figures are available, are given on page 128.  
† In a report for 1909, Mr. C. E. Guerin gives a value of 20,000 cubic feet per second for the discharge of the river, but a calculation based on the area of its drainage basin, gives a result of about 14,000 cubic feet per second.

496. Noyé, Gagnon and Fortage census	50	2,000							
Belle river:									
495. Jaqueiras	65	3,000	3,000					3,000	
Murumbi river: (tributary of lake St. John)							100		
497. Chato das Feras	42	12,000						100	
Ouatichuanah river:									
498. At mouth	17			200					200 Electrical electric plant
Ouatichuan river:									
499. Ouatchuan falls (Chicoctimi county)	250	13,000	5,000					5,000	
Metachuan river: (tributary of lake St. John)									
500. La Martins falls, upper group	67	2,000							
La Martins falls, lower group	86	2,700							
L'Esperance fall (St. André- de-Époufante)	50	2,100							
501. Les Cascades (17 m. from lake St. John)	32	1,300							
White falls (19 m. from lake St. John)	32	1,300							
Belle river:									
502. Hiberville (Chicoctimi county)	23	200	200	200				200	

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DISTRICT No. VI—NORTH SHORE OF ST. LAWRENCE RIVER BELOW THE SAGUENAY AND THE HAMILTON RIVER BASIN

POWER SITE	AVAILABLE		ELECTRICAL ENERGY USED, 1910 (Horse-power)		DEVELOPED (Horse-power)			REMARKS	
	HEAD (in feet)	H.P.	POWER	LIGHT	ELECTRICAL ENERGY	PAPER AND PULP	OTHER INDUSTRIES		TOTAL
St. Marguerite river: 503. Clark City (9 m. from mouth)	125					9,000		9,000	
Outarde river: (drainage area 7,000 sq. m.) 504. Falls and rapids 7½ m. from mouth	151	50,000							
Sault-au-Cochon river: 505. 1st falls (1 m. from mouth)	60	2,000							
Beauceville river: 506. Les Escoumains (Chicoutimi county)	23	450					450	450 Lumber	

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DISTRICT No. VII—SOUTH SHORE OF THE ST. LAWRENCE RIVER, BELOW RIVER DU LOUP

POWER SITE	AVAILABLE		ELECTRICAL ENERGY USED, 1910 (Horse-power)		DEVELOPERS (Horse-power)			REMARKS
	Head (in feet)	H.P.	Power	Light	Electrical Energy	Paper and Pulp	Other Industries	
Milnick river:								
507. { Dam near mouth.....	12	110					110	110
{ Milnick .....	20	200					200	200
{ Head created by dam entirely { Used for lumber								
Couacouac river:								
508. Couacouac .....	10	55						
Little Cascapédia river:								
509. Rapids at lot 22, R. 7, New Richmond.....	50	5,000						
{ Creating the 30 ft. head would flood valuable farm lands								
Little Bonaventure river:								
510. Baimeau Lobane.....	20	55					55	55
Bonaventure river:								
511. Rapids Malin (6 m. above mouth).....	6.2	900						
Port Daniel river:								
512. Port Daniel .....	18	80					80	80
Mein river:								
513. Falls 2½ m. from Mount Joli village.....	115	3,000						
{ There are three lakes which can be conserved								

**DISTRICT No. VII.—SOUTH SHORE OF THE ST. LAWRENCE RIVER BELOW RIVER DU LOUP—Continued**

Power Site	AVAILABLE		Electrical Energy Used, 1910 (Home-power)			Developed (Home-power)			REMARKS
	Head (in feet)	H.P.	Power	Light	Electrical Energy	Paper and Pulp	Other Industries	Total	
Rimouski river:									
514. Rimouski.....	52	500	.....	.....	.....	.....	2,700	2,700	Lumber
515. Grand Sault (16 miles from Rimouski).....	50	200	.....	.....	.....	.....			



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DISTRICT No. VIII—SOUTH SHORE OF THE ST. LAWRENCE RIVER BETWEEN RIVER DU LOOP AND CHAUDIÈRE RIVER (INCLUSIVE)

Power Site	AVAILABLE		ELECTRICAL ENERGY USED, 1910 (Horse-power)			DEVELOPED (Horse-power)			REMARKS
	Head (in feet)	H.P.	Power	Light	Electrical Energy	Paper and Pulp	Other Industries	Total	
River du Loop:									
516. { Fraserville .....	70	800	.....	400	400	.....	100	500	Electricity used in Fraserville (pop 2,000)
" .....		2,000	.....			3,000		2,000	
Kamouraska river:									
517. Kamouraska .....	18	30	.....				30	30	
Ferfèe river:									
518. Vill. des Aulnains (L'Islet co.) ..	25	30	.....				30	30	
Rivière du Sud:									
519. Montmagny .....	27	1,800	130	100	230	1,300	.....	1,430	Electricity used in Montmagny (pop 2,700)
Echemin river:									
520. { Echemin bridge .....	24	800	.....				800	800	Lumber
" .....	10	50	.....				50	50	
521. 4 m. from St. Henri-de-Lévis .....	77	1,000	.....				.....	.....	Installation being completed by Deschênes Electric Co.
Chaudière river:									
522. Chaudière fall .....	140	3,500	1,000	2,800	3,800	.....	.....	3,800	Electricity used in Lévis and neighbourhood (total pop. 15,000) and also transmitted to Quebec
523. St. George (Desros co.) .....	22	350	.....	250	250	.....	.....	350	

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DISTRICT No. IX—SOUTH SHORE OF THE ST. LAWRENCE RIVER ABOVE CHAUDIÈRE RIVER, AND ST. LAWRENCE RIVER ABOVE MONTREAL

POWER SITE	AVAILABLE		ELECTRICAL ENERGY USED, 1910 (Horse-Power)		DEVELOPED (Horse-Power)				REMARKS
	Head (in feet)	H.P.	Power	Light	Electrical Energy	Paper and Pulp	Other Industries	Total	
<b>St. Lawrence river:</b>									
524. Maddington falls	44	1,000							
	50								
	25	300							
	60								
525. Lakes Sunday and Breches									
<b>Nicolet river:</b>									
526. Ste. Brigitte-du-Saults (Nicolet co.)	10	60					60	60	Using lakes as reservoirs
527. Small trib. at Lorne (Richmond co.)	35	25							
<b>St. Francis river:</b>									
(Drummondville)	9								
528. Henning falls (2 m. above Drummondville)	35	5,500					90	90	Best and shes factory and iron smelter
529. Windsor Mills	16	2,000				6,000		6,000	
530. East Angus		1,000				1,000		1,000	Use steam and electric auxiliary
531. Small tributary at Bishop Crossing	11	60					60	60	
532. Durseli	2,000		2,500		2,800		2,000	2,000	Used for lumber
								2,800	



**DISTRICT No. IX—SOUTH SHORE OF THE ST. LAWRENCE RIVER ABOVE CHAUDIÈRE RIVER AND  
ST. LAWRENCE RIVER ABOVE MONTREAL—Continued**

POWER SITE	AVAILABLE		ELECTRICAL ENERGY USED, 1910 (Horse-power)		DEVICES (Horse-power)			REMARKS	
	Head (in feet)	H.P.	Power	Light	Electrical Energy	Paper and Pulp	Other Industries		Total
Salmon river: (tributary of St. Francis)									
545. Scotstown.....	18			75	75			75	
	12						25	25	
Yamaska river:									
546. St. Ovide.....	12						125	125	
547. Farnham.....	14			250	250			250	
	10						200	200	
548. Freepoint.....		200					200	200	
549. Cowasville.....	48						100	100	
	16			175	175		200	375	
549. Granby.....	25						1,000	1,000	
Davis river: (tributary of Yamaska)									
550. St. David & Yamaska.....	24	15					15	15	
Black river: (tributary of Yamaska)									
551. Berton Falls.....	20	400					400	400	
Moose and Black rivers:									
552. Actonvale.....	9	200					200	200	
Brome lake:									
553. Brome.....		300		300	300			300	
Richardson river:									
554. St. Ours.....	10	2,500					100	100	

558. Chambly.....	34	20,000	12,000	8,000	20,000	20,000	Electricity used in Montreal; power also owned by Montreal Light, Heat and Power Co.
556. Chamblé canal.....	18	1,000	.....	.....	.....	1,000	Woolen mill
..... { 7 m. below St. Johns.....	25	200	.....	200	.....	200	Electricity used on canal
.....	17	3,500	.....	.....	.....	.....	This power will shortly be available in connection with new Dominion Government work on the canal
Lacolle river: (tributary of Richelieu)	10	30	.....	.....	.....	30	Used for lumber
557. Lacolle.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Pike river: (tributary of lake Champlain)	15	275	.....	.....	.....	275	Asm and tool factory
558. Bedford.....	.....	650	.....	.....	.....	650	Used for grist mill and sawmills
Orford lake: (tributary of Missisquoi)	13	45	.....	.....	.....	45	Box factory
559. Eastman.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Chateauguay river:	8	1,000	.....	.....	.....	1,000	Lumber and grist mill
560. Ste. Martine.....	12	1,000	.....	.....	.....	400	"
561. Ormstown.....	10	700	.....	.....	.....	500	"
562. Huntingdon.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	"
St. Louis river:	25	365	.....	.....	.....	365	Grist mill
563. Beaubarnois.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
St. Lawrence river:	80	960,000	.....	.....	.....	.....	By damming whole river and obstructing navigation through rapids
564. Coteau, Cedar and Cascade rapids.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Note.—The above power has been partly utilized at the following places:	50	.....	7,800	5,200	13,000	.....	Electricity used in Montreal
Soulanges canal, (near Cedar)	19	.....	.....	650	.....	650	Electricity used to light canal and operate locks
Soulanges canal.....	10	.....	.....	135	.....	7,000	Utilized by Montreal Cotton Co.
565. Valleyfield.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
565A. Beaubarnois canal, St. Timothée.....	50	.....	.....	21,000	.....	21,000	In construction, current to be used in Montreal

**DISTRICT No. IX—SOUTH SHORE OF THE ST. LAWRENCE RIVER ABOVE CHAUDIÈRE RIVER AND  
ST. LAWRENCE RIVER ABOVE MONTREAL—Continued**

POWER SITE	AVAILABLE		ELECTRICAL ENERGY USED, 1910 (Horse-power)		DEVELOPED (Horse-power)			REMARKS
	Head (in feet)	H.P.	Power	Light	Electrical Energy	Paper and Pulp	Other Industries	
506. Lachine rapids .....	35	400,000						
<p>Note.—The above power has been partly utilized at the following places:</p>								
Lachine rapids.....	14							
Côte St. Paul (Lachine canal)	8.5		7,800	5,200	13,000			13,000
Côte St. Paul (Lachine canal)	8.5			310	310			310
Mill street (Lachine canal)	11						1,400	1,400
Mill street (Lachine canal)	17			332	332			332
St. Gabriel locks (Lachine canal) .....	8.5						2,000	2,000

By damming whole river and obstructing navigation through rapids

Electricity used in Montreal  
Electricity used on canal  
Electricity used on canal  
Used for flour mills, rolling mills, etc.

Notes:  
 For No. 6, 567-582, see page 189 (District V)  
 " " 6, 583-619, " pages 190-191 (District VI)  
 " " 6, 620-694, " page 192 (District VII)

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DISTRICT No. V—SAGUENAY BASIN

Power Site	Approx. Head in feet	Estimated H.P.	Remarks
<b>Saguenay river:</b>			
567. Grand Discharge .....		375,000	
<b>Shipshaw river:</b>			
568. Caribou falls .....	15	1,000	
569. Galats falls .....	75	4,000	
570. Chute de l'Equorre .....	60	3,000	
<b>Paribonka river:*</b>			
571. { Great fall, 14 m. from mouth .....	21	10,500	
{ Savanne fall, 1/2 m. up..	20	10,000	
{ Willie fall (just below Alex river) .....	20	10,000	
572. { Bonhomme fall (1/2 m. above Alex river) .....	20	9,600	
{ L'Islet fall (1 1/2 m. above div. line bet. Tallon and Dolis tps.) .....	10	4,800	
{ Devil falls (1/2 m. up) ...	35	17,000	
573. McLeod falls (4 m. above Belly river) .....	40	19,000	
574. 5 m. above Manuan river..	100	20,000	
575. 20 m. above Manuan river	50	13,000	
<b>Little Paribonka river:*</b>			
576. { Below White fall, 5 m. above mouth .....	20	630	
{ White fall .....	25	900	
<b>Mistassini river:</b>			
576a. 1st and 2nd falls .....	35	10,800	
576b. 33 m. from mouth .....	27	7,500	
576c. 180 m. " " .....	50	9,700	
<b>Rat river:*</b>			
577. First seven miles from mouth	{ 30	650	
	{ 40	880	
	{ 60	1,300	
<b>Ashwaganachuan river:</b>			
578. { Bridge rapid, lot 20, R.I., Desnoeules .....	20	6,000	Gauvin's report
{ Rapid, lot 15, R.I., Desnoeules .....	6.5	2,000	Gauvin's report
{ St. Ange rapid .....	12	2,000	Langelier's report
579. Great Bear fall, 8 m. from St. Félicien bridge .....	80	100,000	Easily developed; Langelier's report
580. { Petite Chute à l'Ours ...	39	11,500	At mean low water
{ Rapide des Roches .....	30	30,000	Langelier's report
581. Pemoka and rapids above.	100	.....	" " "
582. Chaudière falls, 75 m. from lake St. John .....	60	12,000	" " "

\*The amount of power on these rivers is based on a flow of 0.4 cubic feet per second per square mile of drainage area.

## THE WATER-POWERS OF CANADA

## QUEBEC

DISTRICT No. VI.—NORTH SHORE OF THE RIVER ST. LAWRENCE  
BELOW THE SAGUENAY RIVER

Power Site	Approx. Head in feet	Estim- ated H.P.	Remarks
<b>Hamilton river:*</b>			
583. Muskrat fall .....	70	88,000†	It would be extremely difficult to develop all of this power
{ Grand fall .....	308	120,000†	
584. { Grand fall (including 12 miles of rapids above and below) .....	780	300,000†	
<b>Otemanashibe river:*</b>			
585. 2 m. from mouth .....	25	2,100	
586. 40 m. from mouth .....	30	1,300	
<b>Wasibirui river:*</b>			
587. Fall at mouth .....	47	740	
<b>Mashware river:*</b>			
588. 8 m. from mouth .....	15	800	
<b>Kagashka river:*</b>			
589. { 2 m. from mouth .....	40	700	
{ 4 m. from mouth .....	30	500	
<b>Watashwan river:*</b>			
590. { 2 m. from mouth .....	100	17,800	
{ 4 m. from mouth .....	30	5,300	
591. 55 m. from mouth .....	30	4,000	
<b>Agwanus river:*</b>			
592. 4 m. from mouth .....	40	3,100	
593. 12 m. from mouth .....	40	2,500	
594. { 20 m. from mouth .....	30	1,800	
{ 22 m. from mouth .....	25	1,300	
<b>Habipi river:*</b>			
595. 5 m. from mouth .....	70	2,000	
597. 22 m. from mouth .....	30	400	
<b>Remaine river:*</b>			
598. At mouth .....	15	4,100	
599. 25 m. from mouth .....	30	21,000	
600. 165 m. from mouth .....	50	5,700	
<b>St. John river:*</b>			
601. 1st fall, 18 m. from mouth	165	12,300	
<b>Manitou river:*</b>			
602. 1st and 2nd falls, $\frac{1}{2}$ m. from mouth .....	230	10,000	
<b>Ste. Marguerite river:*</b>			
603. 40 m. from mouth .....	40	3,300	

\*The amount of power on these rivers is based on a flow of 0.4 cubic feet per second per square mile of drainage area.

†Dr. A. P. Low's estimate of a discharge of 50,000 cubic feet per second for the Hamilton river was made during a period of high water.



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DISTRICT No. VI—NORTH SHORE OF THE RIVER ST. LAWRENCE  
BELOW THE SAGUENAY RIVER—Continued

Power Site	Approx. head in feet	Estimated H..P	Remarks
<b>Pontecôte river:*</b>			
604. { 5 m. from mouth. ....	42	2,800	
{ 8 m. from mouth. ....	71	4,700	
<b>Godbout river:*</b>			
605. 6 m. from mouth .....	60	1,750	
606. 14 m. from mouth .....	32	900	
607. 18 m. from mouth .....	63	1,800	
<b>Manisuegan river:*</b>			
608. { 12 m. from mouth. ....	110	88,000	
{ 12 m. from mouth (more recent) .....	86	68,800	
609. 22 m. from mouth .....	165	120,800	
610. 44 m. from mouth .....	115	82,900	
611. 124 m. from mouth .....	175	69,800	(in four falls) (succession of falls and rapids, 2 m. long. The H.P. given only assumes utilizing 100' head)
612. 120 m. from mouth .....	20	13,000	Rapids, 1 m. long
<b>Ostardo river:*</b>			
613. 80 m. from mouth .....	20	3,200	
614. 104 m. from mouth .....	40	4,400	
615. 110 m. from mouth .....	20	2,700	
<b>Bermaine river:*</b>			
616. 1st and 2nd falls, 45 m. from mouth .....	122	30,000	
616a. Falls, 55 m. from mouth ..	30	5,000	
616b. Falls, 65 m. from mouth ..	80	18,000	
617. Foot of Natuakiminu lake	100	22,000	
<b>Fermeuf river:</b>			
618. 1st fall, 4 m. from m'th...	40	4,500	
619. 2nd fall, 6 m. from m'th..	70	8,000	

\* The amount of power on these rivers is based on a flow of 0.4 cubic feet per second per square mile of drainage area.

## QUEBEC

DISTRICT No. VII.—SOUTH SHORE OF THE RIVER ST. LAWRENCE  
BELOW RIVER DU LOUP.

Power Site	Approx. Head in feet	Estim- ated H.P.	Remarks	
<b>Magdalen river:*</b>				
630. {	Fork sault, 1½ m. below Grande chute . . . . .	130	6,000	At extreme low water
	Grande chute, 7½ m. from mouth . . . . .	75	13,000	For mean low water
	660 yds. above Grande chute . . . . .	140	.....	This combined with "Grande chute" would give 200 ft. head and an estimated de- velopment of 38,000 H.P. at mean low water, or 10,000 H.P. at extreme low water
631. Part of Terrace Mountain rapid, 20 m. from mouth	263	10,000	Fall in 3½ miles	
632. Part of Flat rapid, 20 m. from mouth . . . . .	65	2,200	Fall in ½ mile	
623. Clearwater rapid, 45 m. from mouth . . . . .	58	920		
624. Long rapid, 60 m. from mouth . . . . .	383	.....	Fall in 5½ miles, near head- waters	

\* The amount of power on this river is based on proportion of the flow as estimated at Fork sault.

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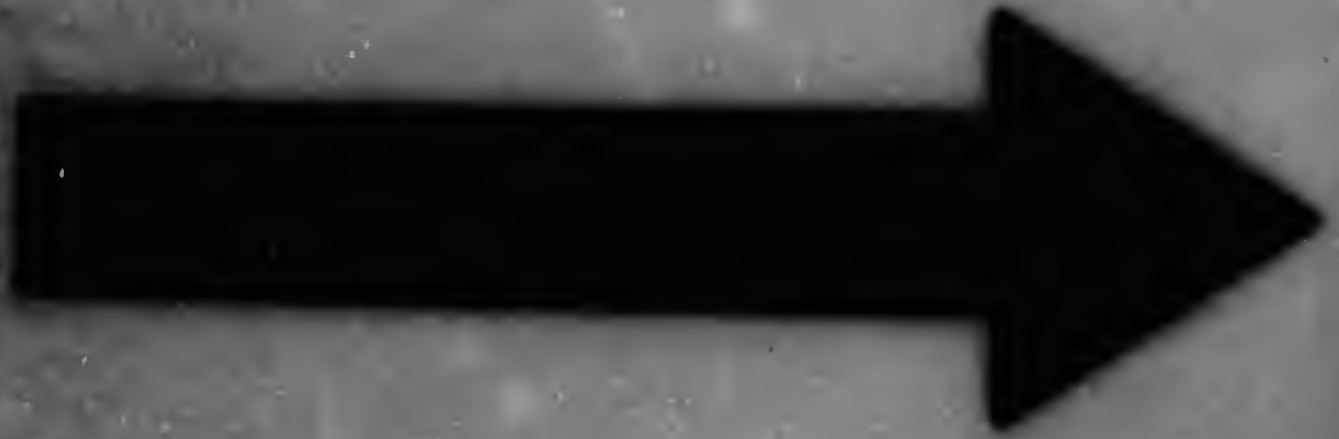
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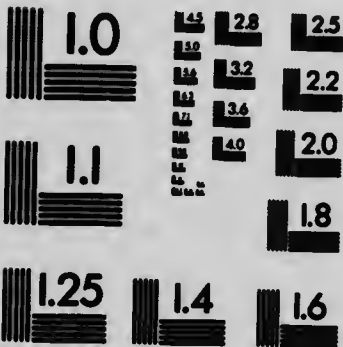
Power Site	Approx. Head in feet	Estimated H.P.	Remarks
<b>Whitefish river: (tributary of lake Abnham)</b>			
626. { Near N. T. Ry. line. ....	13	.....	} These chutes are well adapted for use as small water-powers
{ Near N. T. Ry. line. ....	15	.....	
{ Near N. T. Ry. line. ....	30	.....	
<b>Harrisonaw river:*</b>			
628. Fall, 37 m. from mouth. . . . .	30	22,000	
627. Fall, 48 m. from mouth. . . . .	150	107,000	
628. Fall, 70 m. from mouth. . . . .	20	13,000	
629. Fall, 80 m. from mouth. . . . .	20	9,700	
630. Fall, 118 m. from mouth. . . . .	48	20,000	
631. 30 m. below N. T. Ry. . . . .	26	5,000	
<b>Nottaway river*</b>			
632. 26 m. from mouth . . . . .	20	22,000	
633. 31 m. from mouth . . . . .	50	54,000	
634. 36 m. from mouth . . . . .	25	27,000	
635. 45 m. from mouth . . . . .	20	21,000	
636. 62 m. from mouth. . . . .	36	38,000	
<b>Bell river: (tributary of Nottaway)</b>			
637. Kink fall. . . . .	30	8,400	
638. Red Flower fall . . . . .	30	7,100	
<b>Megikan river:</b>			
639. { Near mile 820, N.T.Ry.	67	17,000	} Represents total fall in 27 miles; only portions of this could be utilized
{ Rapids below (to lake Shabogama) . . . . .	110	.....	
<b>Atik river:</b>			
640. Near mile 908, N.T.Ry. . . . .	70	1,700	
<b>Rupert river:*</b>			
641. Smoky Hill fall . . . . .	50	33,000	
642. Cat fall, 21 m. from mouth . . . . .	74	47,500	
643. Four falls, First fall. . . . .	30	18,800	
" " Second fall . . . . .	50	31,400	
" " Third fall . . . . .	75	47,000	
" " Fourth fall. . . . .	50	31,400	
644. Oatmeal fall . . . . .	18	11,000	
645. 80 m. from mouth . . . . .	60	37,000	
<b>Eastmain river:*</b>			
646. Talking fall. . . . .	20	14,000	
647. Island fall. . . . .	65	45,000	
648. { Coulton gorge, 47 m.	105	73,000	
{ from mouth . . . . .			
{ 45 m. from mouth. . . . .	100	70,000	
649. 73 m. from mouth . . . . .	100	66,000	
650. 140 m. from mouth . . . . .	100	46,000	
651. 163 m. from mouth . . . . .	60	27,000	

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## CHAPTER V

### Water-Powers of Nova Scotia

**N**OVA Scotia has no such large individual water-powers as are to be found in some of the other provinces of Canada having watersheds of large area. Nevertheless, they should not be considered as too small to merit serious attention. As a matter of fact, they are particularly well-suited to some of the economic requirements of the Province, and, what is more, they are well distributed. If care be exercised in their development and conservation, they will become an increasingly valuable asset. In the following treatment, it is desired to emphasize the value of the waters of the Province as a resource necessary for domestic and municipal water supply, and for the development of power for mining, lumbering and other industrial purposes.

Some misapprehensions which have gained currency should be cleared away at the outset. The statement has been made that Nova Scotia has a surplus of inland waters, and from this it has been inferred that the conservation of this resource was therefore not a matter of pressing concern. The fact was lost sight of, that, in a large portion of the Province, the depth of the soil is not great and, instead of the water being stored as underground water, it lies exposed on the surface of the earth.

In the second place, it has been stated that, since the water-powers are largely under private control, it is not worth while expending effort on their conservation because the provincial revenue would not be directly increased thereby. This is a mistaken line of reasoning. One might as well say that, since the farms of the Province are all privately owned, the Government would not be wise in seeking to improve agriculture. The point to notice is that Government exists for the good of the people, not merely for the purpose of amassing a state treasure. Though most of the water-powers of Nova Scotia have passed from the ownership of the Crown, nevertheless, the conservation and intelligent use of the waters are matters of public concern, both from the point of view of power for industrial purposes, as well as from the standpoint of municipal and domestic water supply.

**Law Relating to Waters** The present situation as regards water-powers can be intelligently understood only after the historical evolution of the legislation of the Province respecting Crown lands, and water rights and privileges connected therewith, is known.

In the early days large tracts of land were granted, chiefly for purposes of inducing colonization, to New Englanders, especially those who took

part in the capture of Annapolis and Louisburg, and also to the United Empire Loyalists. For example, in 1765, a grant in Guysboro county of 150,000 acres, was made to James Lyon and others. Another grant made in 1769, in Halifax county, comprised 100,000 acres, and an area of equal amount was conveyed in the Mira grant, in Cape Breton, in 1787. Thus, in large grants such as these, a considerable portion of the lands, and the water-powers situated on them, passed from the possession of the Crown.

Up to 1899, the Crown lands were granted to applicants at a nominal price, subject to certain conditions as to settlement. From 1899 to 1910 grants were made of lands for agricultural purposes, while for lumbering purposes leases were given.

It has been the policy in making grants of land to reserve the minerals, but, previous to the enactment of the Crown Lands Act of 1910, no reservations had been made of the waters, of the beds of rivers, nor of lakes comprised within the land grants. The significance of this, in so far as water resources are concerned, will be realized when it is known that about ninety per cent. of the Crown lands have been granted, 1,500,000 acres having been disposed of since 1867. The estimated amount ungranted in 1909 was 1,446,160 acres, or approximately ten per cent. of the area of the Province. Thus, in consequence of these grants, large areas of inland waters became removed from the possession and immediate control of the Government of the Province.

Provision has been made by statute for the conveying of timber and lumber on rivers and streams, and for the removal of obstructions from the rivers and streams, subject to the rights of riparian owners.\*

Apart from the Common Law respecting the rights of riparian proprietors, there is no restriction by statute against the pollution of the inland waters.

With one exception—the Mersey Hydraulic Co.,† incorporated, 1902—no grants, or leases, have been made for water-power or other water privileges. The Mersey Hydraulic Co., was empowered to dam the Mersey (Liverpool) river, for the purpose of storing water, generating power and conveying lumber, the rates for the use of such water to be subject to the approval of the Lieutenant-Governor in Council.

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\* See Act, *Of the Conveying of Timber and Lumber on Rivers, and the Removal of Obstructions Therefrom*, Revised Statutes of Nova Scotia, 1900, chap. 95.

† Nova Scotia Acts of 1902, chap. 138.

**Crown Lands Act of 1910** Under the Crown Lands Act of 1910\* no grants are made of tracts exceeding 150 acres in area, and all grants are made under conditions requiring settlement and cultivation. No leases for lumbering purposes are given; licenses to cut timber are given instead. Leases of Crown Lands and lands covered with water, and rights of flowage may be given for the purpose of storing water, for developing water-power, for mining, and for conveying timber. Furthermore, no existing lease of timber lands confers any exclusive right to waters or lands covered with water.†

The Government of Nova Scotia may yet find it in the interest of the Province to undertake competent and systematic supervision of the Provincial inland waters. The subjects of diversions of water, stream pollution, fish-ways, the preservation of scenic beauty, log driving and the development of water-powers, are matters well worthy of attention.

The Maritime Provinces may learn from such instances, as the pollution of Toronto harbour, the Great Lakes system and the Ottawa river, and from what pollution by summer travel has done for some of the Muskoka waters, that there is need to safeguard their own inland waters against similar pollution.

Those persons upon whom it devolves to provide for domestic and municipal water supplies should have their hands strengthened in every reasonable endeavour they make to safeguard waters which are now, or which, in the future, may become, sources of supply for the growing cities, towns and villages of the Province.

**Pollution by Industrial Wastes** No effort should be spared to prevent the pollution of waters by the improper disposal of domestic sewage and industrial wastes. Special precautions must be exercised to insure that industrial wastes are not permitted to foul inland waters and harbours. The deposit of saw-dust, mill refuse and crusher sand in harbours and inland waters of Nova Scotia is a fruitful source of pollution. Apart from its effects upon navigation, one of the detrimental effects is to smother the growth of foods for various kinds of fish, and other forms of aquatic life.

Commenting upon the effects of pollution by industrial wastes, H. A. Russell, District Engineer for the Department of Public Works, Halifax, says :

\* *An Act to amend and Consolidate the Acts Relating to Crown Lands*, 10 Ed. VII, chap. 4 (Nova Scotia), passed April 22, 1910. See also, Revised Statutes of Nova Scotia, 1900, chap. 24. *The Marsh Act* is R.S. 1900, chap. 66; *The Ditches and Water Courses Act*, is R.S. 1900, chap. 67. See also, *Timber Regulations Under the Crown Lands Act*, chapter 4, Acts of 1910; (14 pp. pamphlet).

† See Crown Lands Act (Nova Scotia), 10 Ed. VII, chap. 4. sec. 34-36.

"At Moser River, Sheet Harbour, Tangier, Ship Harbour, Musquodoboit Harbour and Margaret Bay, irreparable damage has already resulted from these causes, while at Salmon River (Beaver Harbour) an excellent little harbour has been almost destroyed by deposits of crusher sand. At Sheet Harbour there are some millions of tons of saw-dust piled about the banks of the river at its mouth, from which the erosion must be very great. Large quantities of this are no doubt being carried out into the harbour with every freshet and every rain.

"Though a law prohibiting the dumping of saw-dust in harbours and streams is now being partially enforced, considerable carelessness is, nevertheless, apparent, especially in the case of smaller mills situated furthest from the shore, and even in some cases by large mills, whose interests would be better secured by more carefully guarding against the destruction of harbours which to them are of great value. Proper appreciation of the value of navigable harbours appears to be lacking in a large majority of mill and mine owners."

It is, indeed, anomalous to find mill operators casting saw-dust or other refuse from their mills into a river, or harbour, while, at the same time, public money is being expended upon dredging operations in order to remove such industrial waste deposits, and thereby afford an entrance for shipping.

**Forests and  
Inland  
Waters**

Quite apart from the general question of the effect of deforestation on run-off, there are several consequences following the denuding of land of timber which deserve some attention.

Incidentally referring to the effects of deforestation, Road Commissioner Hiram Donkin, in his Report for 1909, states that

"It is of the utmost importance in the construction of small bridges that, in future, ample allowance be made in the span of the structures, to provide against conditions arising from the fact that as the country becomes cleared up, or denuded of timber, the rain-fall must of necessity flow to the streams more quickly and the freshets become more severe."

while in the same report, Assistant Commissioner James W. Mackenzie writes, that

"It seems to have been the custom for years as wood became scarce, to narrow up and confine the streams in smaller vents. If it is a fact that the clearing up of the country is the cause of the water running off suddenly in case of heavy downfalls, our bridges must be enlarged to carry the increased streams, and this has been my experience during the last twenty years."



LIVERPOOL RIVER AT LOW WATER, SHOWING BOULDER-STREWN BED



With regard to the character of the damage that may result from careless lumbering, Mr. Mackenzie says,

"The most destructive summer freshet experienced in the counties of Antigonish and Pictou for the last twenty years, was the freshet of August 2nd, 1908. Some forty-six bridges in Antigonish county and fifty-six in Pictou were carried out, and in some sections every structure in wood was cleaned away. I took particular notice that where the lumber trimmings had been thrown into the stream, the destruction was the greatest."

and, in a letter dealing with these matters he states, that

"Wherever the streams passed through cultivated lands, the bridges escaped destruction, but where they passed through wooded lands, culled over by lumbermen, boughs, trimmings of trees, brush and sticks of every description, logs, etc., were carried down, forming jams at every turn, and carrying away all the bridges."

Debris of this kind is a serious menace not only to bridges and public highways, but also to water-power developments and to log driving.

**Fish-ways  
and  
Dams** On some of the principal rivers of Nova Scotia, there are power and other dams which have no fish-ways. The Fisheries Act\* explicitly provides that fish-ways shall be built wherever the Minister of Marine and Fisheries determines they are necessary. It says:

1. "Every dam, slide, or other obstruction across or in any stream where the Minister determines it to be necessary for the public interest that a fish-pass should exist, shall be provided by the owner or occupier with a durable and efficient fish-way, which shall be maintained in practical and effective condition, in such place and of such form and capacity as will admit of passage of fish through the same.
2. "The place, form and capacity of the fish-way may be prescribed by any fishery officer by notice in writing.
3. "Fish-ways shall be kept open and unobstructed and shall be supplied with a sufficient quantity of water to fulfil the purposes of this enactment, during such times as are required by any fishery officer."

The absence of suitable and efficient fish-ways, properly maintained, is a decided loss to the fisheries of the Province, especially in the case of salmon and gaspereau, a branch of industry which results in revenue to the people of Nova Scotia of about \$150,000 per year. The loss may

\* R.S. Canada, 1906, chap. 45.

also be viewed from the standpoint of the tourist traffic: Baedeker says that "every salmon caught by tourists in the Maritime Provinces involves an expenditure in the country of from \$25 to \$35."

Suitable fish-ways require comparatively little water—the amount discharged by an opening about twenty inches wide by about twelve inches deep under a head of about twelve inches. The periods during which the fish-ways should be kept full vary somewhat with the habits of the fish, but, in Nova Scotia, a representative season may be taken as from April 1st to July 1st, and, again, from Sept. 15th to December 1st. Thus the fish-way season, not coinciding with the low-water season, is one which conflicts comparatively little with power development.

**Log Driving  
and Boulders**

The beds of many rivers are strewn with large boulders, and, in log-driving seasons, it becomes necessary to flood these boulders so that the logs may pass over them. To flood these river bottoms often entails great loss of water, which might otherwise be used, and be made available for use for power, and other purposes during the low-water seasons. In some instances it may be possible for logging, water-power, or other interests to co-operate in sharing the expenses incident to the improvement of river-beds.

**Inland Waters  
Attract  
Tourists**

The value of the inland waters of Nova Scotia, and New Brunswick, as an attraction for tourists is well known. Care should be exercised to conserve the scenic and sporting attractions afforded by these waters. If water is to be stored in lakes and rivers for the purpose of augmenting the water supply for power, or for log-driving purposes, it should be ascertained what the effect will be upon the tourist traffic. For example, if the surface of a lake is to be raised, say, eight or ten feet above its accustomed level, the water will, in the majority of instances, destroy all the shore line vegetation. Pleasure seekers are not attracted by a lake, or river, fringed with five or ten feet of dead and whitened shrubs. In some cases of this kind in Ontario, the Government has had to intervene and prevent private interests from so raising the levels of certain lakes as to spoil their scenic beauty.

**Diversions  
of Waters**

In some instances portions of the waters of one watershed may, more or less readily, be diverted to another watershed. Government approval and sanction should be had to make particular diversions of waters before any such works are permitted.

**"The Long  
Wharf"**

A study of the map of Nova Scotia reveals the fact, that the majority of the large rivers empty along the southerly coast of the Province. This coast is famous for its many excellent harbours, and has been referred to as the "Long Wharf of America." It is note-



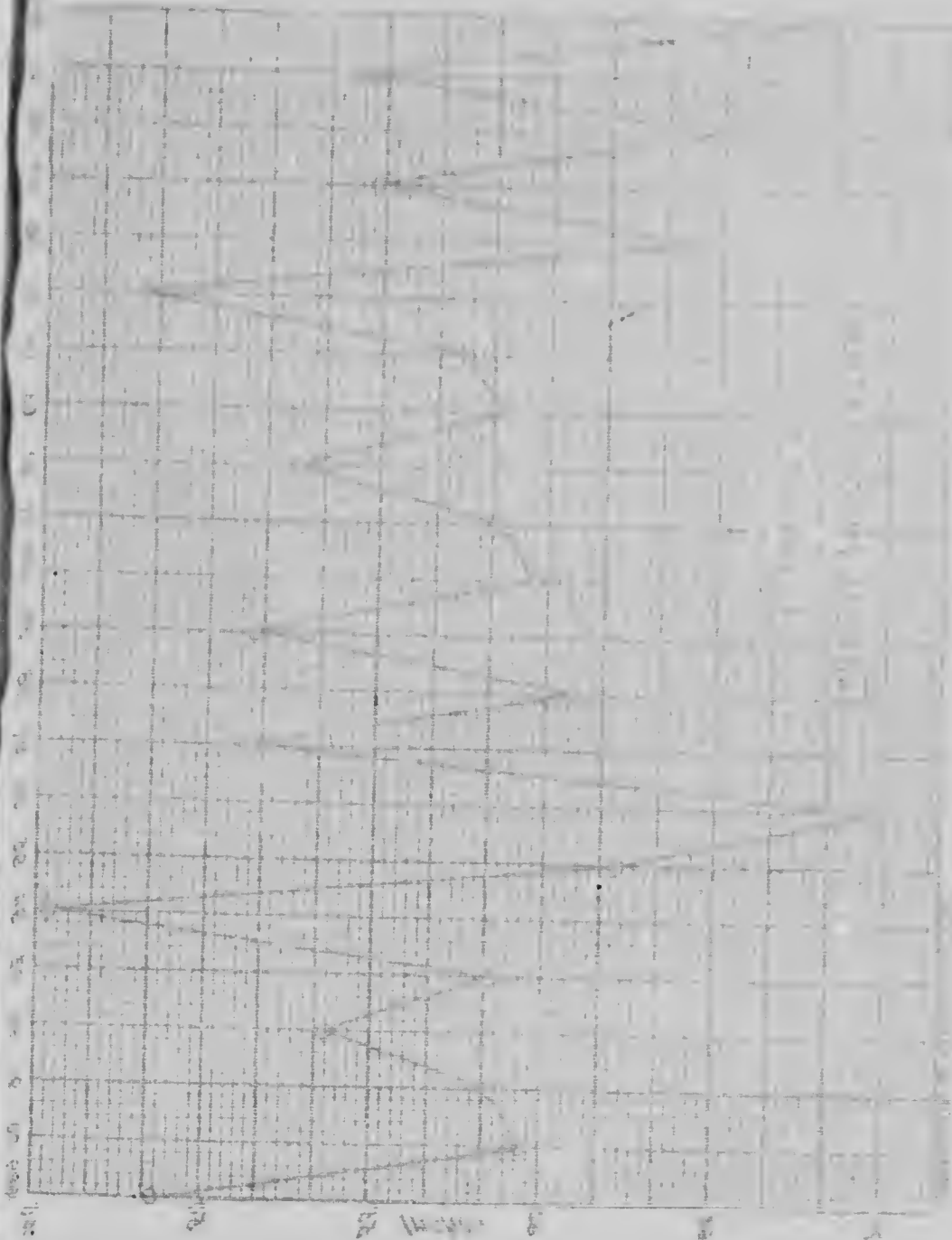
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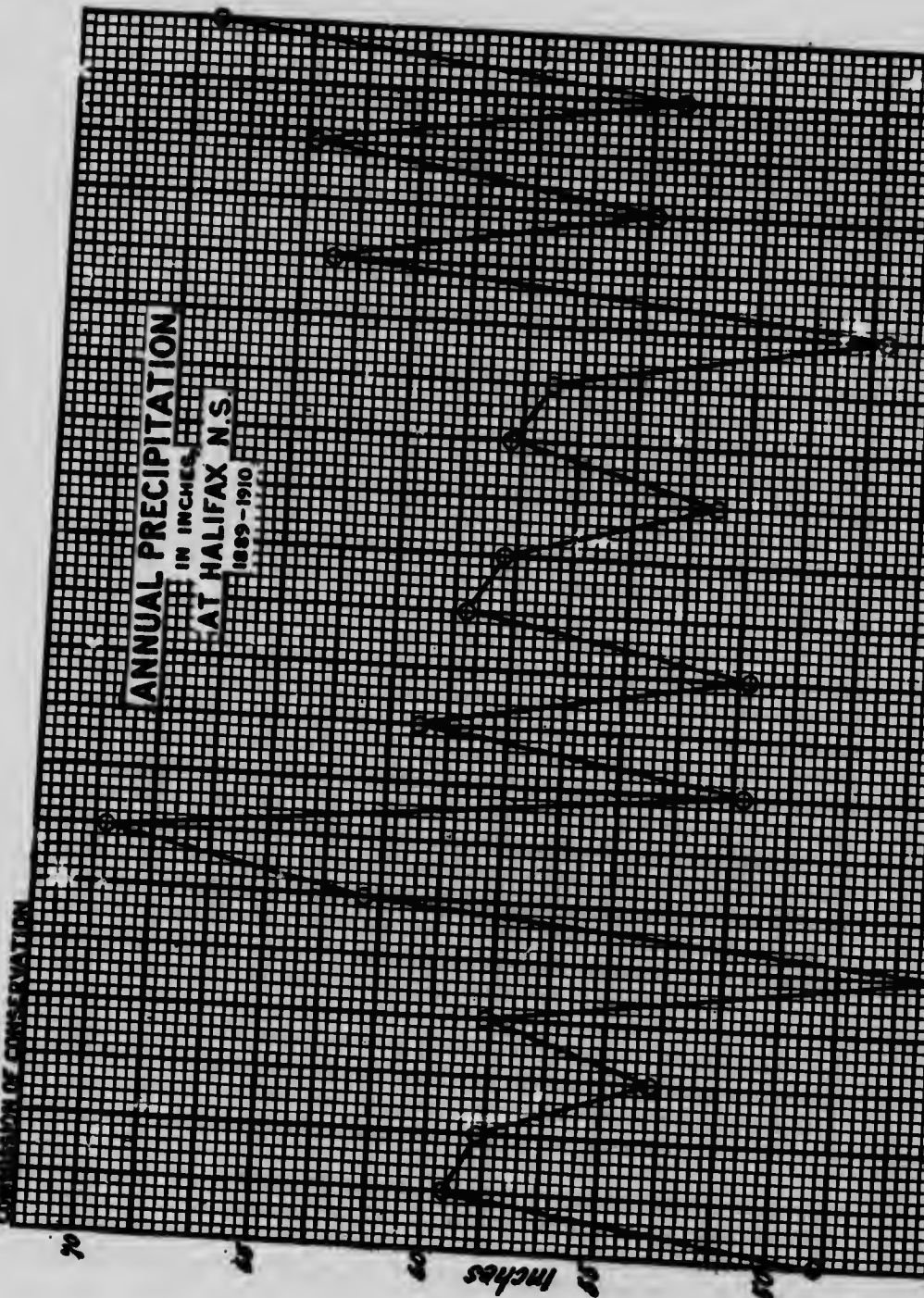
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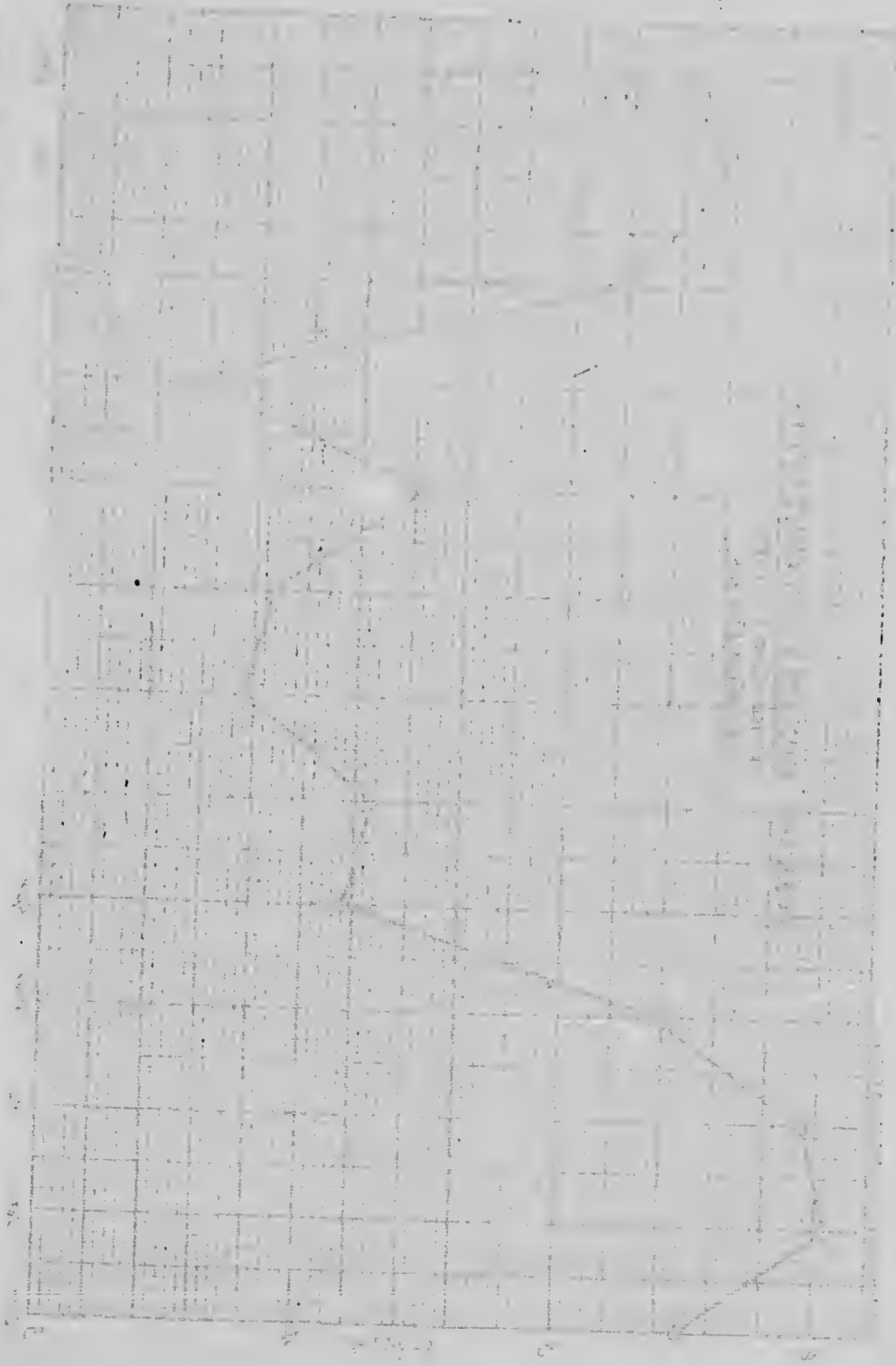
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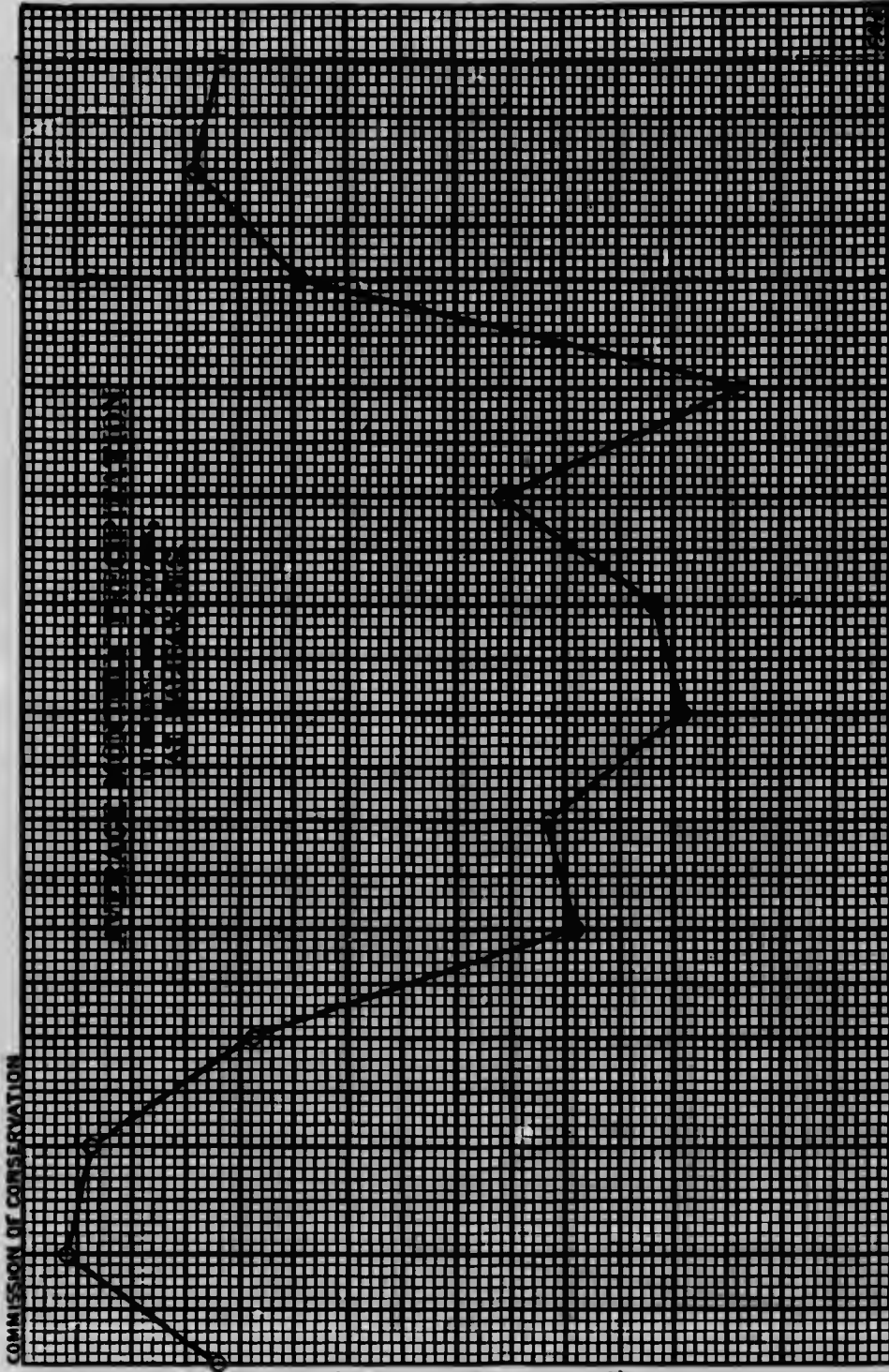




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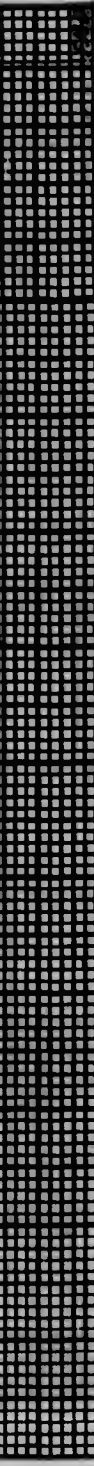
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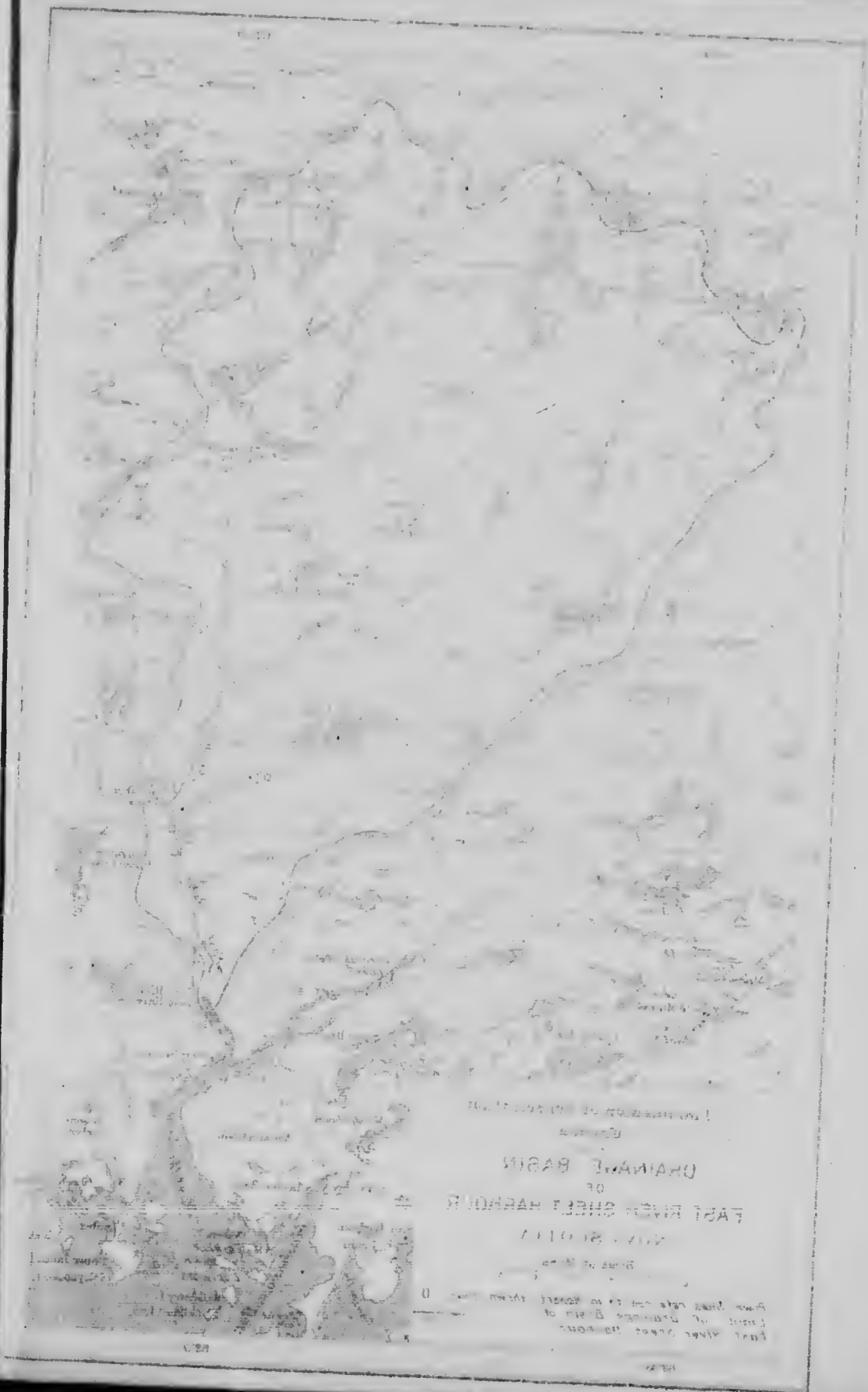
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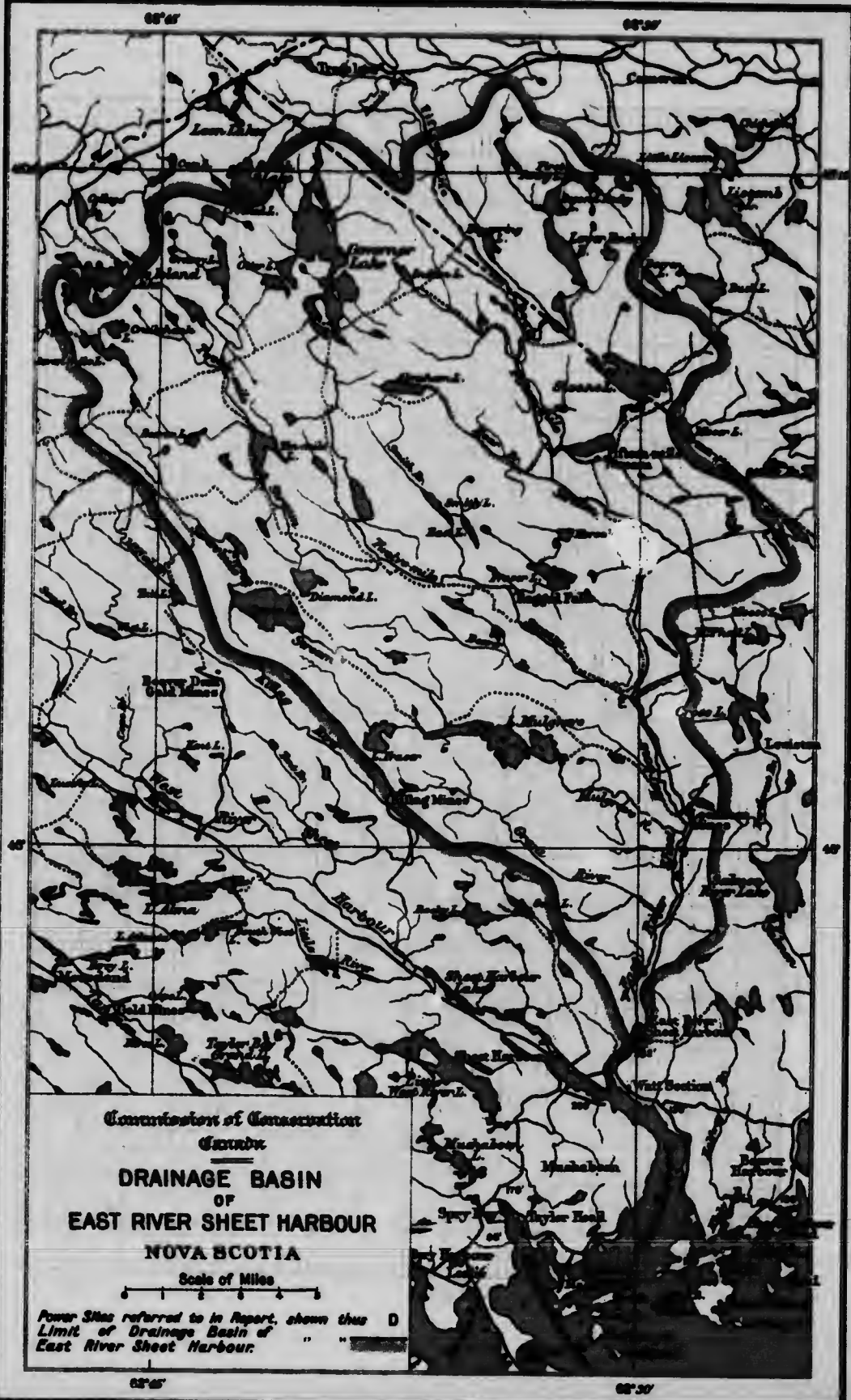


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**NOVA SCOTIA**

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Four Sites referred to in Report, shown thus D  
 Limit of Drainage Basin of East River Sheet Harbour.

worthy that many of the larger falls on the rivers of Nova Scotia occur just at, or near, the head of these harbours. Occurring in this way, where both power and shipping facilities are available, the falls afford exceptional opportunities for manufacturing plants to receive certain kinds of raw material, manufacture them, and then ship the products.

**Heavy Precipitation** There are two factors which contribute to enhance the value of the water-powers of Nova Scotia. One is the large precipitation.\* The rainfall is seventy-five per cent., or more, greater than the average rainfall throughout Canada. Rainfall records are not available except for a comparatively few stations in the Province. However, the accompanying charts which, for Halifax, show the annual precipitation in inches, and the average precipitation during each month for thirty-seven years, may be taken as representing the average for the whole Province. Ten inches of snow have been considered as the equivalent of one inch of rainfall.

**Storage Possibilities** The other factor is the great number of inland lakes that may be utilized for the storage of waters to supplement the flow of various rivers during the low-water season, which usually lasts about three or four months. The majority of the inland lakes could have their levels raised from five to ten feet. These storage possibilities may be well illustrated by considering the watershed of East River Sheet Harbour. This watershed, which is typical of many in the Province, is shown in the plan given herewith.

An inspection of the area shows that there are lakes that may be dammed for storage on each of the chief branches which enter the main river. The estimated amount of the storage is shown in the following table.

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\* Data relating to the annual precipitation for Halifax, New Glasgow, Parrsboro, Port Morien, Port Hastings, Pictou, Sydney, Sable island, Sable Island M. Station, Truro, Wolfville, White head, Windsor, Yarmouth, will be found in *Rain and Snow-Fall of Canada to the end of 1902*, Ottawa, 1906 (Dept. Marine and Fisheries), pp. 52-53; For monthly records for Sydney see pp. 104-105, and 116-117, and 168-169; for Halifax, pp. 106-107, and 118-119, and 170-171; for Yarmouth, pp. 112-113 and 176-177.

Consult also *Meteorological Notes*, by F. W. W. Doane, in *Transactions of the Nova Scotian Institute of Science*; vol. XI., Part 3, pp. 361-372; also, *The Rainfall in 1896*, by Doane, *ibid.*, vol. IX., Part 6, pp. 279-290; also, *The Frost and Drought of 1905*, by Doane, *ibid.*, vol. XI., Part 4, pp. 623-639. For Halifax, tabular data, giving totals and details of precipitation, will be found in the *Annual Report of the City Engineer of the City of Halifax*.

**NOVA SCOTIA**  
**WATER STORAGE POSSIBILITIES**

Possible storage basin	Area (in square miles)	Estimated depth of storage (in feet)	Equivalent storage (in square-mile-feet)
Lake Mulgrave .....	1.5	9	13.50
Lake Fraser .....	.43	6	2.58
Como lake .....	1.3	7	9.10
Seven-mile lake .....	.7	6	4.20
Fraser lake .....	.30	5	1.50
Ten-mile lake .....	.45	10	4.50
Above Ten-mile lake .....	.30	6	1.80
Governor lake .....	2.63	20	52.60
Flowages .....	.30	5	1.50
Sloan lake .....	1.0	5	5.00
Bay Spring lake .....	.3	5	1.50
Lower Rocky lake .....	.75	5	3.75
Flowages .....	.3	5	1.50
<b>Total .....</b>	<b>10.26</b>		<b>103.03</b>

The equivalent of the estimated storage is 103.03 square miles of water one foot deep. Assuming an allowance for evaporation of 15 inches over 10.26 square miles, there would be left 90.21 square mile feet. Now one square mile of water one foot deep is sufficient to maintain a flow of about .88 cubic feet of water per second for one year. Hence, 90.21 square miles of water should maintain a flow of about 80 cubic feet per second for one year. This is equivalent to 320 cubic feet per second for three months, or 640 cubic feet per second for three months for daily run of twelve hours. It is not profitable, in the absence of essential data, to speculate as to how power obtained from these stored waters might be distributed throughout low-water periods, nor as to what the resulting minimum power might be. However, if the low-water flow without storage should drop, say for three months, to 50 cubic feet per second, storage might be utilized to increase this several fold. It should be remembered that, where the storage sites are scattered, several dams will be required. The cost of construction and operation of such may, in some instances, more than offset any advantages to be derived from the use of the stored waters. Each case must be decided upon its own merits.

**Municipal Power Plants** Municipalities in Nova Scotia might profitably, follow the example of some of the towns of the Province, and secure control of any suitable nearby water-power, the development of which would provide hydro-electric light and power.



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SHELburne MUNICIPAL HYDRO-ELECTRIC PLANT, ON THE MEDWAY RIVER, NOVA SCOTIA



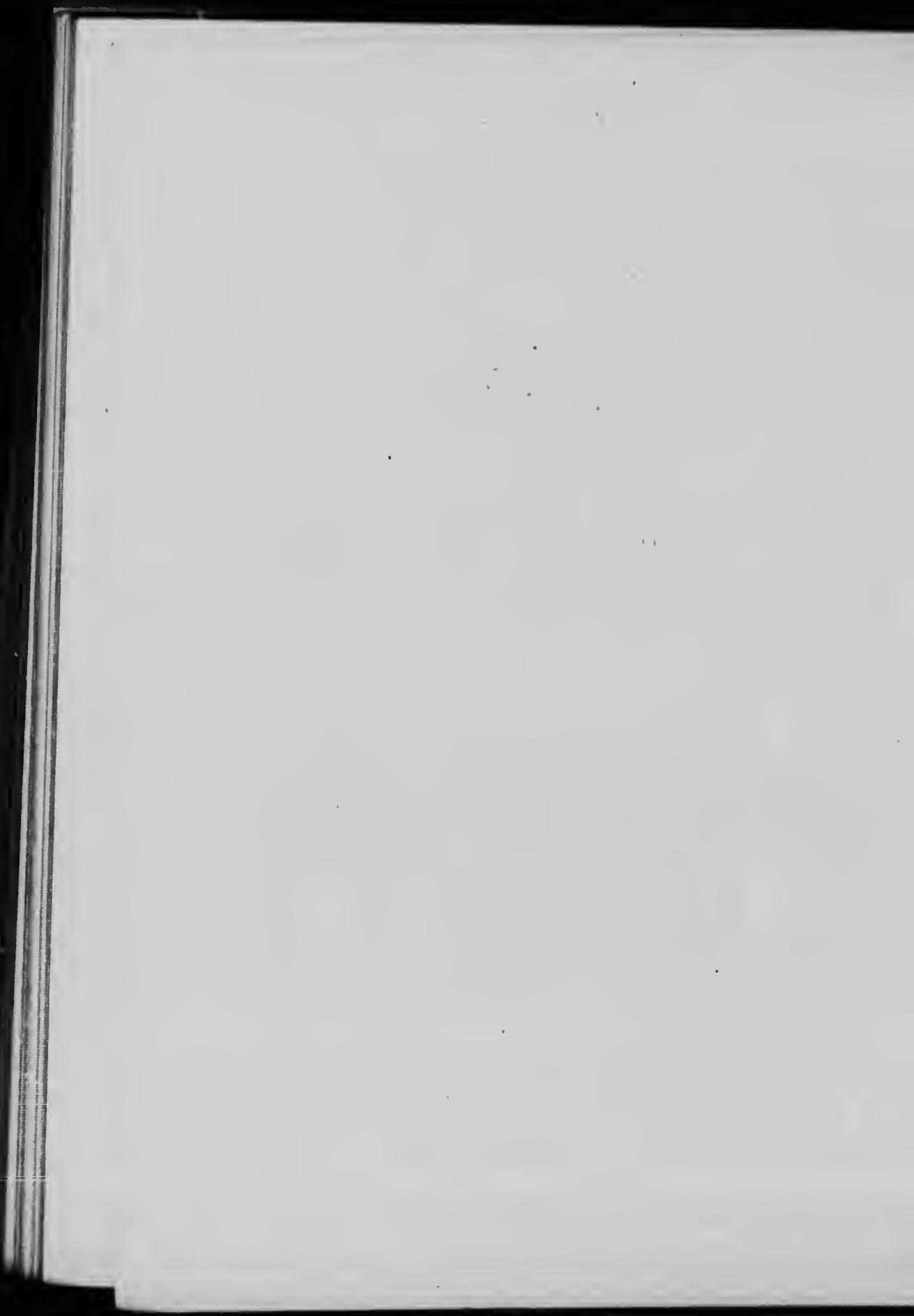
A MINE POWER HOUSE AT ISAAC HARBOUR, NOVA SCOTIA, WHICH UTILIZES  
SMALL WATERSHED WITH HIGH HEAD



NOVA SCOTIA—A TYPICAL LOG-DRIVING DAM. NOTE THE DEAD TREES.  
THE RESULT OF FLOODED BANKS



A DIFFICULT PROBLEM IN FISHWAYS—PULP MILL DAM. SISSIBOU RIVER, NOVA SCOTIA



The following towns are now lighted from hydro-electric plants, the majority of which are municipally owned: Bridgewater, Lunenburg, Mahone, Liverpool, Shelburne, Annapolis, Bear River and Bridgetown. Other towns have proposed developments under consideration. Many towns operate steam-driven electric plants which pay from \$2 to over \$5 per ton for their coal.

**Power for Manufacturing** Nova Scotia has iron and coal, advantageously situated relatively, the one to the other, so that huge centralized industries could be founded upon the exploitation of these resources. It is, however, not with regard to their relation to large centralized industries that the water-powers of Nova Scotia have their importance, but in their relationship to smaller industries to which cheap power and water are of vital importance.

In passing through the less travelled portions of the Province one is struck with the bad effects which have resulted from shipping timber, say, as deals and dimension timber, and other raw material, out of the country, in forms and conditions requiring but a minimum of manufacturing. This means non-utilization of available water-powers and a decided loss to the labouring interests of the Province.

An effort is being made by the Factory Inspection Branch of the Provincial Department of Public Works and Mines to collect data respecting power plants installed in manufacturing establishments. Although this work is only in the initial stages, the data collected in 1910 are cited to show the magnitude of certain branches of manufacturing and their general distribution throughout the Province.

Power, in the counties named in the table below, is installed for manufacturing purposes approximately as follows:\*

INDUSTRY	HORSE-POWER
Pulp and paper mills. (The majority of these plants are usually operated for only eight or nine months in the year.) . . . . .	11,000
Saw and planing mills. (The majority of these plants are usually operated for only six or seven months in the year.) . . . . .	10,200
Wood-working plants. . . . .	5,000
Metal industries . . . . .	9,300

\* The data given below must not be construed as an accurate statement of engineering facts, and, further, it must be recognized that the figures are not given to show the totality of the horse-power used. At the time these figures were compiled, the data had not been gathered in the counties of Antigonish, Guysboro, Richmond, Inverness and Victoria and some of the counties mentioned in the list have not, as yet, been fully canvassed. No mining nor electric light and power plants, nor laundries, are included. Data for the large centralized steel and coal industries located at Sydney, New Glasgow and Springhill, which, of course, use steam power, are not here included.

Car building .....	2,500
Food products .....	4,700
Fabrics .....	1,400
Miscellaneous, including tanneries, boots and shoes, cement, brick and tile, plaster, etc. ....	5,100

Some idea respecting the number of manufacturing plants, the number of persons employed therein, and the power used in the operation of the plants, may be obtained from the following table.

**NOVA SCOTIA**  
**POWER USED IN CERTAIN COUNTIES**

County	Number of Establishments visited	Number of Employees	HORSE-POWER INSTALLED*			
			Steam	Electric	Water	Total
Halifax .....	116	4026	8038	622	1253	9913
Lunenburg .....	29	432	730	.....	1408	2228
Queens .....	29	561	370	.....	7185	7555
Shelburne .....	10	125	290	.....	140	430
Yarmouth .....	16	752	965	31	.....	995
Digby .....	16	342	555	.....	2676	3431
Annapolis .....	14	472	1453	2	11	1467
Kings .....	35	383	1142	.....	197	1339
Hants .....	56	1002	3350	.....	1867	5317
Colchester .....	22	540	1303	.....	178	1591
Cumberland .....	55	3034	5762	283	120	6135
Pictou .....	44	2102	4530	555	15	5410
Cape Breton .....	26	4465	3095	917	.....	4012
Totals .....	468	15536	31883	2569	18272	49724

Power for  
Mining  
Operations

The Department of Mines of Nova Scotia is of the opinion that some of the gold and other mines of the Province would be much benefited if small water-powers were developed to supply hydro-electric power for operation of the plants. The transportation charges on coal to many mines makes the cost of steam power excessive, and this excess of cost, in comparison with hydro-electric power, becomes the more pronounced when 24-hour operation of the mine is taken into account. The cost of power from coal for 24 hours is nearly double the cost for 12 hours; whereas, for 24-hour hydro-electric power the cost may be but a relatively small fraction over the cost of the same amount of power for 12 hours. In the majority of instances the user of power has no sufficiently correct idea of what his power costs him, and he would be much surprised to learn by how much the actual cost exceeds

\* It will be noticed that the power is that installed and it is not, therefore, necessarily all in continuous use.

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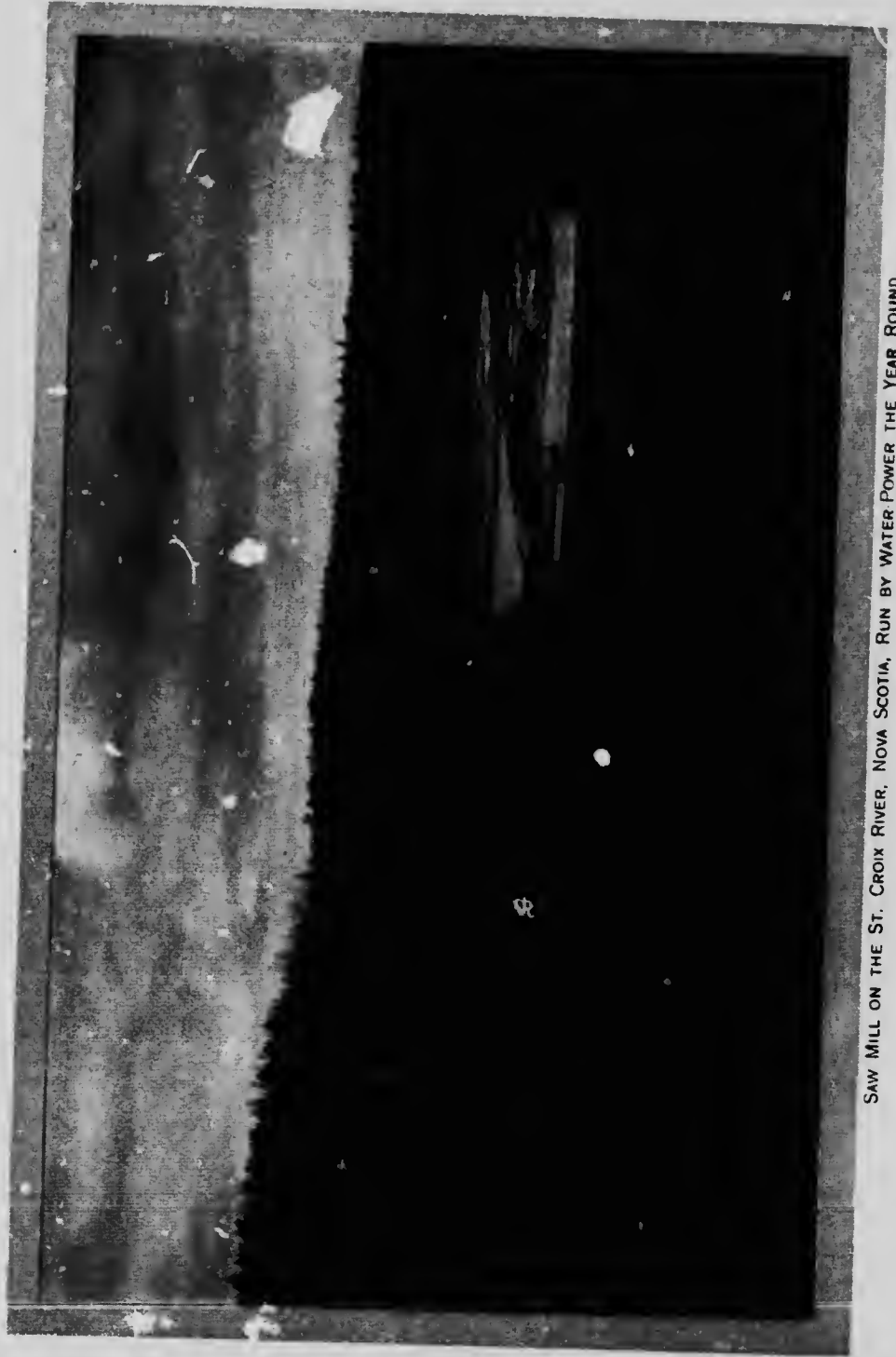
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SAW MILL ON THE ST. CROIX RIVER, NOVA SCOTIA, RUN BY WATER POWER THE YEAR ROUND





SUITABLE FOR A POWER-DAM SITE, ECUMSECUM RIVER, NOVA SCOTIA

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his estimate. In the case of the gold mining companies, enquiry shows that they are paying for fuel delivered about \$5 per ton for coal, and from \$3 to \$4 per cord for wood.

**Water-Power with Steam Plant Auxiliary** There are many water-powers which are not large enough to satisfy certain power requirements, and, in consequence of their limitations, are frequently passed over as not worthy of development. Careful investigation will, however, often show that these may be profitably developed to work in co-operation with auxiliary plants operated by steam or other prime agencies. In such cases it is essential that the best engineering talent be secured to obtain the most economic results.

**General Character of some Nova Scotia Rivers** The Liverpool river,\* commercially the most important river in the Province, has exceptional storage facilities in its head-water lakes. While some falls have been developed, there is still a large total fall in the river which has not yet been utilized. Somewhat corresponding remarks will also apply to the Gaspereau river.

Portions of some of the rivers, as, for example, parts of the St. Croix river, run between well defined rocky banks. Along such rivers, dams might be built between the banks, and water-powers thereby created, although water-power possibilities of this class are not apparent to the casual observer.

Sometimes, as in a notable instance upon the Ecumsecum river, a river will narrow up into a gorge-like passageway, affording a splendid dam site. This would result in holding the waters back to form a large storage reservoir.

There are rivers like the Tusket, Musquodoboit, and St. Mary, with quite a marked fall in portions of their courses, but with low banks affording no possible sites for dams. Again, in the case of such rivers, it sometimes happens that, even though dam sites are found, raising the water would overflow valuable agricultural land, and the damage thus incurred might more than off-set the advantages resulting from such development.

Rivers like the Annapolis, the Avon, and the Shubenacadie are tidal for many miles up from their mouths, and, where falls may occur near the headwaters, the conditions are frequently unfavourable for power developments, partly on account of the small watershed area, and partly on account of the liability of the rivers to 'silt up' above the dams.

In Pictou, Cumberland and Antigonish counties the country is flat and the lower portions of the rivers have no falls. The same is true in a large portion of Cape Breton—although there are some high falls on the

\* See *Water-Powers in the Mersey River, N.S.*, by W. G. Yorston, in *Proceedings and Transactions of the Nova Scotian Institute of Science*; vol. XI., Part 4, pp. 651-666.

Indian brook, the North river and other coastal streams. At the place where the view is taken a tape line dropped from the top of the bank to the water showed precipitous rocky banks nearly 60 feet in height. At such situations dams may be placed and, relatively large reservoirs created to make power available for portions of the year.

**Meterings of Rivers** In the fall of 1910, the quantity of water flowing in some of the rivers of Nova Scotia was ascertained by metering the flow. Deductions from such meterings are given in the following table. The column headed "Discharge in cubic feet per second per square mile" shows how small the run-offs may become on even the larger rivers of the Province. It must be understood that no comparisons between the run-off from the various rivers mentioned, could be based upon the figures given in the table, because it has not been possible to make compensation for local causes affecting the run-off, such, for example, as recent rainfall, the temporary storing of waters, etc. The data, however, emphasize the need for great caution in order to keep proposed developments within conservative limits.

**Sources and Character of Tabular Data.** In the latter part of 1910, a reconnaissance survey was made of many of the water-powers of the Province, a large part of the information being collected by the Nova Scotia engineers of the Department of Public Works, Canada.\* The results of the survey are given in the tables which follow. Many small powers are included because some of them have already been advantageously developed, and also because two or more heads may frequently be combined into one development.

The column headed "Approximate area of watershed in square miles" gives the approximate areas, as measured from the best available maps.† Later maps of Nova Scotia are in process of publication, and such will permit more accurate measurements of watershed areas to be made.

The column headed "Approximate head in feet," in the majority of instances, gives the natural head. Sometimes however, the possible head, and sometimes the developed head, are given. The statements made under the column of "Remarks" must be considered in connection with the column relating to head. These heads were generally ascertained by

\*Acknowledgment is gratefully made to the following District Engineers of the Department of Public Works, Canada, for supplying data:—H. A. Russell, C. E. W. Dodwell, E. G. Millidge and T. Locke; also to R. H. Cooper, L. Cunningham, T. M. Schenk and N. C. Ralston; to R. McColl, Provincial Engineer and to H. S. and R. Freeman, Asst. Engineers; B. H. Annis, Francis Dawson, and corps of students of the Provincial Department of Technical Education; A. H. Drew, A. MacKay, Hiram Donkin, J. W. MacKensie, H. B. Pickings, J. S. Hughes, T. G. Nicol, E. G. Partington and others.

†Consult, p. 20, above.

means of aneroid barometer, or by hand level. When possible, and in cases of existent structures, the heads were measured by tape line. Generally speaking, they must be regarded, only as approximations.

The column headed "Estimated low-water 24-hour horse-power for 8 months"† may be explained as follows:—Numerically considered, the majority of Nova Scotia's water-power sites would be practically inoperative for from three to four months of the year, namely, during the summer dry season. In many cases, however, artificial storage may be employed to tide over, to some extent, this low-water period. Considering the situation as a whole, the power possibilities of Nova Scotia's waters, from the standpoint of usability, may more fairly be presented in tables on an eight, than a twelve months' basis. The eight months column therefore gives the *estimated* least amounts of water-power that may be obtained continuously for 24 hours for eight months of the year. In some instances the estimated quantities of power given in the tables could not be obtained without utilizing some storage. On the other hand, at certain seasons much more power than is indicated may, in some instances, be developed. In addition to such general storage facilities, if means exist for locally storing the water for say 12 hours, then, practically double the listed amount of the horse-power might be obtained for the other 10 or 12 hours of the day. The fourth column gives *theoretical* quantities of horse-power. In practice only from about 65 per cent. to 80 per cent. of the theoretical horse-power may be obtainable.† Ice conditions which may limit operation during a portion of the assumed eight months period are not here taken into account, nor have allowances been made for the requirements of log driving.

If powers are to be dealt with individually and for special purposes, then data are demanded of a more precise and special nature than those here given.

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†For description of methods adopted in preparing tables, consult pp. 19-21 above.

## NOVA SCOTIA

## DISTRICT No. I.—MAINLAND EAST OF HALIFAX

Site	Approximate Area of Watershed (in square miles)	Approximate Head (in feet)	Estimated low-water 24-hour H.P. 8 months. (Theoretical)	Remarks	
<b>Kearney Lakes district:</b>					
652.	Outlet of Birch Cove lake.....	6.2	10	7	Fall from Kearney lake to Paper-mill lake is 80 ft. in about $\frac{1}{2}$ mile 200 H.P. developed, Moir's paper mills
	Outlet of Kearney lake .....	11.7	80	100	
	Outlet of Paper-mill lake .....	14.7	60	100	
<b>Beaver-bank Lake district:</b>					
653.	Long lake to Shubenacadie Grand lake .....	45.3	40	200	Fall of 40 ft. in about $\frac{1}{2}$ mile Fall of 29 ft. in about $\frac{1}{2}$ mile
	Beaver-bank lake to Long lake....	38.5	29	125	
<b>Waverley Lake district: (Shubenacadie river)</b>					
654.	Fletcher locks ...	49	11	60	Partly developed. Descent Miller lake to lake Thomas is 93 ft. in about 1,500 ft. Dam 12 ft. high Old dam here. Descent of 155 ft. in 2 miles from Soldier lake to lake Thomas From Soldier lake to Miller lake 58 ft. descent in about $\frac{1}{2}$ mile 100 H.P. developed Fall of 30 ft. in about $\frac{1}{2}$ mile Partly developed by Star Co. 200 H.P.; 67 ft. fall in about 2,000 ft. Lake Charles watershed included; fall 25 ft. in about 1,000 ft.
	Foot of Miller lake	17.2	31	60	
	Rutherford's dam	14.3	28	45	
	Foot of Soldier lake .....	13.2	11	16	
	Acadia Powder Co	10.4	20	25	
	Portobello locks..	7.4	30	25	
<b>Dartmouth lakes:*</b>					
655.	First Lake to sea .	12.4	67	95	Lake Charles watershed included; fall 25 ft. in about 1,000 ft.
	Lake Charles to Second lake ...	6.7	25	20	

\*See Water-power of Halifax County; N.S.: Dartmouth Lakes Power, by F.W.W. Doane, in Proceedings and Transactions of the Nova Scotian Institute of Science, Vol. xii. Part 1: pp. 21 to 23.

DISTRICT No. I—MAINLAND EAST OF HALIFAX—Continued

Site	Approximate Area of Watershed (in square miles)	Approximate Head (in feet)	Estimated low-water, 24-hour H.P., 8 months. (Theoretical)	Remarks	
<b>Lake Major:</b>					
656.	1st fall.....	28.9	20	65	Partly developed; fall of 20 ft. in about 400 ft.
	2nd fall.....	28.9	20	65	
<b>Echo lake:</b>					
657.	1st fall.....	39.7	12	50	Fall of 12 ft. in about 600 ft. Old logging dam; fall of 26 ft. in about $\frac{1}{2}$ mile.
	2nd fall.....	18.0	26	50	
<b>Chesetcook lakes:</b>					
658.	Lower pond to sea Chesetcook lake to pond.....	36	10	40	Fall of 10 ft. in about 1,000 ft.
	Conrod lake to Chesetcook lake	36	25	100	Fall of 25 ft. in about $\frac{1}{2}$ mile.
		11	49	60	Dam at lake. Two small mills. Fall of 49 ft. in about 2,000 ft.
<b>Musquodoboit river:</b>					
659.	Logan mills.....	280	16	500	Old logging dam. Dam for logging. Fall of 24 ft. in about 500 ft. Fall of 29 ft. in about 500 ft.
	Rollings mills.....	280	24	750	
	Jam falls.....	280	29	950	
<b>Mill lakes (Near headwaters of Musquodoboit):</b>					
660.	Mill lake to Mill pond.....	17.7	80	160	Fall of 80 ft. in 1 mile; small dam here.
	Mill pond and Main river.....	17.7	160	300	Small dam; fall of 160 ft. in about $1\frac{1}{2}$ miles.
<b>Jeddore lakes:</b>					
661.	Jeddore lake to sea	29.5	65	200	Fall of 65 ft. in about 1,800 ft.; logging dam at head; mill at foot.
<b>Ship Harbour lakes:</b>					
662.	Ship Harbour lake to sea.....	145	20	330	Fall of 20 ft. in about 1,000 ft.; old dam and saw mill.
663.	Fish river, 1st rapid.....	70.8	64	500	Fall of 64 ft. in about $\frac{1}{2}$ mile. Fall of 82 ft. in about $\frac{1}{2}$ mile.
	2nd rapid.....	70.8	82	660	

## DISTRICT No. I.—MAINLAND EAST OF HALIFAX—Continued

Site	Approximate Area of Watershed (in square miles)	Approximate Head (in feet)	Estimated low-water, 24-hour H.P., 8 months. (Theoretical)	Remarks	
<b>Tangier river:</b>					
664.	Tangier lake to sea	104	50-60	650	Fall of 50-60 ft. in about $\frac{1}{2}$ mile; head partly developed by Dominion Lumbering Co.
	1st stillwater to Tangier .....	83	80	830	Fall of 80 ft. in about $\frac{1}{2}$ mile.
	O'Brien lake to 1st stillwater .....	83	25	200	Old logging dam; fall of 25 ft. in about $\frac{1}{2}$ mile.
<b>Little West river:</b>					
665.	West lake to sea.	18.5	48	100	Fall of 48 ft. in about $\frac{1}{2}$ mile.
	Grand lake to West lake .....	18.5	62	130	Old logging dam; fall of 62 ft. in about $\frac{1}{2}$ mile.
<b>West river Sheet Harbour:</b>					
665.	Sheet Harbour lake to sea ...	113	63	890	Fall of 63 ft. in about 1,000 ft.; about 25 ft. of head is now developed by saw mill.
	Union dam and Sheet Harbour lake (Little river) .....	14.3	170	280	Fall of 170 ft. in about $1\frac{1}{2}$ miles.
<b>East river Sheet Harbour:</b>					
666.	1st fall .....	142	12	230	
	2nd fall .....	142	12	230	
	Gaspereau fall ..	142	25	480	
	Ruth fall .....	142	40	770	
	Malay fall .....	131	40	710	
	Marshall fall .....	131	35	620	
	Mulgrave river ...	35.1	15	60	Mulgrave river below Mulgrave lake, has a fall of 100 ft. in about 4 miles.
667.	Seven-mile stream	20.0	7	16	Seven-mile stream below lake Como has a fall of 150 ft. in about 4 miles.
668.	Board Camp fall (15-Mile stream)	65.5	30	220	
	Cameron fall .....	93	20	210	
	Ragged fall .....	79	20	180	
	Governor Lake dam .....	13.3	20	30	Old logging dam.
	Ten-mile dam .....	23.8	15	40	Old logging dam.
	Fifteen mile river (below Sloan lake)	42.9	12	60	



DISTRICT No. 1.—MAINLAND EAST OF HALIFAX—Continued

Site	Approximate Area of Watershed (in square miles)	Approximate Head (in feet)	Estimated low-water 24-hour H.P. 8 months. (Theoretical)	Remarks
Salmon river: (Halifax co.) 669. Salmon river fall.	53.7	25	150	Fall of 12 ft.; banks 13 ft. high.
Moose river:				
670. { 1st fall (old mill). 2nd fall ..... 3rd fall ..... Round Lake dam.	57.3 57.3 57.3 41.4	10 10 12 15	65 65 80 70	Old broken dam.  Logging dam.
Ecumsecum river:				
671. { Ecumsecum fall.. Ball Alley dam site	35.5 23.3	13 23	52 61	Head obtainable by dam at gorge.
Liscomb river:				
Liscomb Mills fall	155	15	290	Situated at Highway bridge; old dam here.
Crooked fall . . . . .	155	17	330	Steep rocky banks.
Big Still rapid (26 ft.) and Big fall	148	45	830	Developed for mining Company.
Little Liscomb River fall . . . . .	62	40	280	Fall of 26 ft. which could be developed for 40 feet.
Mitchell Lake dam	57	15	100	Old dam.
McIntosh rapid. . . . .	73	35	290	Fall of 35 ft. in about 1/2 mile.
672. Mulloy rapid . . . . .	72	23	190	Fall of 23 ft. in about 2,000 ft.
Rainy Valley rapid (West br.)	72	23	190	Fall of 23 ft. in about 2,000 ft.
Camp lake fall and rapid (West br.) . . . . .	71	22	180	Fall of 22 ft. in about 700 ft.
Ladle Lake dam and rapid (West br.) . . . . .	69.3	18	140	Dam 8 ft. high; balance of fall occurs in 2,000 ft. of rapids.
Glencross rips (West br.) . . . . .	65	40	290	Narrow; high rocky banks; 40 ft. would back water up about three miles.
Keyhole to Jordan stillwater . . . . .	16.0	72	130	High rocky irregular banks; 73 ft. would back water up about three miles.
673. Rush dam and Keyhole rapid. . . . .	15.4	20	35	Fall of 20 ft. in about 3,000 ft.
Big Liscomb dam	8.8	10	10	

## DISTRICT No. I—MAINLAND EAST OF HALIFAX—Continued

Site	Approximate Area of Watershed (in square miles)	Approximate Head (in feet)	Estimated low water, 24-hour H.P., 8 months. (Theoretical)	Remarks
St. Mary river; 674. Stillwater bridge to tidal water..	525	22	1,100	Head could be obtained by means of dam and flume.
Isaac Harbour river; 675. Mining Co. dam..	30.3	98	340	Developed by about 4,000 ft. of flume; Dolliver Mining Co.
Larry river; Fall near tide-water .....	32.2	40	140	Fall of 40 ft. in about 600 ft.
Between Pine lake and forks .....	25.7	80	230	Could be developed by damming Duck run and diverting water from Bonnet lake, etc., into Round lake
East river; Pictou Eureka dam (west branch) .....	51.7	12	40	About 50 ft. head might be developed on west branch by placing a dam about one mile up from Eureka dam and fluming down.
677. Forks at Ferrona junction (East branch) .....	90.6	50	400	About 50 ft. might be developed on East branch by dam about $\frac{1}{2}$ mile from Forks. The flowage from East branch might possibly be diverted near Forks into the West branch.
Salmon river (Colchester Co.) 678. McMullen dam. . .	93	38	320	Fall of 58 ft. in about 3 miles; about 8 miles above Truro.
Stewiacke river; (Colchester Co.) 679. Dickie's driving dam .....	374	7	240	About 4 miles above Stewiacke; dam 250 ft. long would give about 22 ft. head.

DISTRICT No. II.—MAINLAND WEST OF HALIFAX.

Site	Approximate Area of Watershed (in square miles)	Approximate Head (in feet)	Estimated low-water 24-hour H.P., 8 months. (Theoretical)	Remarks	
<b>Sackville river:</b>					
Foot of Webber lake .....	37.5	25	100	37 ft. available with Ellis' mill and flume. Partly developed. 25 H.P. developed. 25 H.P. developed. By dam near 1st stillwater 20 H.P. developed; runs part of time only. Old dam.	
Ellis mill .....	37	12	50		
690. Outlet McCabe lake .....	36	8	30		
Helfer and Webber mill .....	32	10.5	38		
Between 1st and 2nd stillwater ..	13	16.7	24		
Maxwell mill ....	2.5	10.5	3		
Fenerty's old dam	12	10	13		
<b>Pennant river: (Grand lake to Ocean)</b>					
First fall above tide water. ....	30	30.6	100	Fall occurs in rapids 1,800 ft. long.	
Second fall above tide water .....	30	29.6	100	Fall occurs in about 600 ft.	
<b>Pennant river: (West Branch)</b>					
681. Upper end of run, Ragged lake to Grand lake. ...	16	22	50	One quarter mile between falls; rapids 500 ft. long.	
Lower end of run, Grand lake ....	16	5			
<b>Pennant river: (East branch)</b>					
681. Shehea lake to Grand lake, ...	12	14.5	20	High banks; fall in 450 ft. Fall in about 360 ft.; high rocky banks.	
Shingle fall .....	6.5	10	7		
Otter fall .....	5.5	12	7		
<b>Prospect river:</b>					
682. Above Nichols lake	9	8	8	Rapids; head of 14 ft. obtainable.	
Little Indian lake fall .....	8	10	9		
<b>Nine-mile river:</b>					
683. McGrath fall ....	36	11	45	Rapids 700 ft. long; might be dammed to 14 ft.	
684. {	Grand fall. ....	25	6	17	Low banks.
	Horse Cross .....	24.5	6	17	Low banks.
	Fall .....	24.0	11	60	This fall and Gaspereaux about 1/4 mile apart. High banks
	Gaspereau .....	24.0	12		

## THE WATER-POWERS OF CANADA

## DISTRICT No. II.—MAINLAND WEST OF HALIFAX—Continued

Site	Approximate Area of Watershed (in square miles)	Approximate Head (in feet)	Estimated low-water, 24-hour H.P. 8 months. (Theoretical)	Remarks
Margaret Bay road.....	22.5	11	23	Rapids 1,200 ft. long.
Oder river:				
685. { Albert lake .....	24.5	6	16	Dam here with 9 ft. head. High banks admit of 18 ft. head.
{ Coucher lake .....	19.5	9	20	
East river:				
{ Slangenwhite mill	13.4	20	30	About 80 H.P. installed with 10 ft. dam, and 500 ft. steel flume. A long dam required. Proximity of Railway would probably prevent development.
686. { Fall at Railway ..	11.1	12	18	
{ Little Lake fall ..	10.6	10	12	
Northeast river:				
{ Mason's mill. ....	35	10	40	60 H.P. developed. River drops 90 ft. in about $\frac{1}{2}$ mile to bay. Log driving dam.
Outlet, Mill lake Foot of Coon pond .....	34.5	10	40	
686. { Above Coon pond Foot of Wright lake .....	32.1	17	60	Falls of 111 ft. in about 1-3 mile, or fall of 130 ft. in about $\frac{1}{2}$ mile. Pond could be raised 10 ft.
{ Wright mill. ....	31.2	39	130	
{ Marsden's mill ...	22.2	8	20	
{ Haverstock's mill	22.1	21	50	
{ Indian river:				Developed. Natural fall 19 ft.; partly developed Small development here.
686. { Mouth of River ..	70	105	840	Fall of 105 ft. in about $\frac{1}{2}$ mile. Fall of 80 ft. in about $\frac{1}{4}$ mile.
{ Foot of Sandy lake	68	80	620	
Ingram river:				
687. { New dam .....	58	16	100	High banks farther down stream. Logging dam; 30 ft. head obtainable. Old dam; banks admit of possible 20-25 ft. head. About 300 ft. above this, head of 35-40 ft. obtainable.
{ Snake Lake dam .	57	11	70	
{ Pogwa Lake dam .	54.5	13	80	
{ Davidson dam ...	48.0	12	65	
688. { Hand Lake dam ..	35.4	10	40	
{ Foot of South lake	29.0	10	35	

DISTRICT No. II.—MAINLAND WEST OF HALIFAX—Continued

Site	Approximate Area of Watershed (in square miles)	Approximate Head (in feet)	Estimated low-water 24-hour H.P., 8 months. (Theoretical)	Remarks	
690. {	Mouth of river ..	20.8	13	45	Old mill not in use. 11 ft. head obtainable. Log driving dam. Fall of 20 ft. in 200 ft. 12 ft. head obtainable.
	Above Round lake	7.5	7	6	
	Cascade .....	6.8	20	18	
	Old dam .....	6.5	6	5	
	Outlet, Vinegar lake .....	14	21	30	
	Vinegar lake to Otter pond ....	8.5	51	50	
690. {	Foot of Quack lake .....	8.3	14	13	Fall of 31 ft. in about 300 ft. and 51 ft. in about 600 ft. Old driving dam; between Vinegar and Quack lake. Drop of 110 ft. in about 1½ miles.
	Dauphinee lake; Outlet Sawlor lake	5.4	5	3	
690. {	Head of Sawlor lake .....	4.0	10	6	10 ft. head could be obtained 195 ft. fall between Dauphinee and Sawlor lakes.
	Outlet Dauphinee lake .....	4.1	5	2.4	
690. {	Gold river:				
	The Mining Co. ..	120	9	140	About two miles above tide; partly developed. 35 ft. in about 1,000 ft. About one mile above Mosher. 35 ft. fall in about 600 ft.; on main river near Holden Lake branch, said to be possible 70 ft. head in this vicinity.
	Mosher fall .....	118	35	540	
	Myra fall .....	117	5	75	
Salmon fall .....	80.0	35	320		
691. {	Holden lake outlet to Gold river ..	20	130-147	310	147 ft., or possibly 180 ft. head expected with dam at Holden lake and special development in connection with Gold river.
Martia river:					
692. {	Daury mill .....	41	5.5	20	Some possible sites further up river.
Mushamush river:					
693. {	Lunenburg Gas Co (electric plant).	55	22	140	Possible 24 ft. head. 400 H.P. Saw and stave mill Might be developed with Ernst site.
	E. A. Ernst .....	44	8	40	
	Lunenburg Gas Co	44	14	70	

## THE WATER-POWERS OF CANADA

## DISTRICT No. II.—MAINLAND WEST OF HALIFAX.—Continued

Site	Approximate Area of Watershed (in square miles)	Approximate Head (in feet)	Estimated low-water, 24-hour H.P., 8 months. (Theoretical)	Remarks	
<b>Lahave river:</b>					
694.	1st mill . . . . .	616	12	925	Davison Lumber Co. Davison Lumber Co.
	2nd mill . . . . .	616	14	1,080	
	3rd mill (Cook's) . . . . .	616	19	1,470	
	4th Mill Hirtles (West Northfield) . . . . .	598	14	1,000	Saw and grist mill. High banks; possible 40 ft. head.
	Freda's . . . . .	520	13.3	870	
	Wentzel lake . . . . .	520	15	980	
695.	Morgan fall. . . . .	304	32	1,220	Saw mill. Pulp mill at New Germany; 1,500 H.P. developed.
	Choley . . . . .	304	5	190	Grist mill.
	Zwicher . . . . .	304	10	380	Old saw mill.
	Wheelock fall. . . . .	136	10	155	Old saw mill site.
	Sink Spout . . . . .	136	10.5	160	Fall of 10.5 ft. in about 400 ft.; high banks.
<b>North River:</b>					
(Branch of Lahave river)†					
696.	Robar mill. . . . .	87	13	130	Fall of 13 ft. in about 600 ft.; high banks. Fall of 22½ ft. in about 500 ft.; good banks. Fall of 37 ft. in about 800 ft.; partly developed for saw mill. Fall of 23 ft. in about 500 ft. Fall of 24 ft. in about 300 ft.; high banks.
	Apron Rock fall. . . . .	87	22.5	220	
	Chute fall . . . . .	87	37	370	
	James fall . . . . .	73	23	190	
	Veinot's . . . . .	73	24	200	
<b>North branch:</b>					
(branch of Lahave river)					
697.	Black Rattle . . . . .	191	10.5	230	Fall of 10.5 ft. in about 700 ft.; high banks. Saw mill, box, sash and door factory. Fall takes place in about 600 ft. Saw and grist mill.
	Mackie mill . . . . .	191	6.0	130	
	Indian fall . . . . .	137	27.8	430	
	Jodrie fall . . . . .	137	8.0	125	

\* First branch on the eastern side of Lahave river, above Wentzel lake.  
† Above New Germany lake.

WATER-POWERS OF NOVA SCOTIA

DISTRICT No. II—MAINLAND WEST OF HALIFAX—Continued

Site	Approximate Area of Watershed (in square miles)	Approximate Head (in feet)	Estimated low-water 24-hour H.P., 8 months. (Theoretical)	Remarks
<b>Petite riviére:</b>				
Petite riviére . . . . .	76	5	45	Saw mill; near head of tide.
Fault saw-mill . . . . .	70	4	30	Saw mill.
Harmon . . . . .	52	5	30	Partly developed for saw mill.
Crousetown . . . . .	52	7	40	Partly developed.
Naus . . . . .	46	15	78	Saw mill.
Crouse . . . . .	39	35	155	Fall takes place in about three miles.
698. Conquerall fall . . . . .	37	9	38	
Kaulbach . . . . .	37	6	25	Might be combined with Conquerall fall.
Bridgewater Electric Light Co. . . . .	26	25	74	Between Hebb and Fancy lakes; 325 H.P. developed.
Between Milapskegechk and Hebb lakes . . . . .	10	5	6	Between lakes.
Between Milapskegechk and Minamkeak lakes . . . . .	10	22	25	Between lakes.
<b>Port Medway river:</b>				
099. Mill Village . . . . .	602*	9.7	730	Saw mill; Davison Lumber Co.
Salter fall . . . . .	545	16.0	1,100	Nova Scotia Pulp and Paper Co.; 1,800 H.P. developed
Big Salmon fall . . . . .	532	4.9	330	Fall in about 300 ft.
Poultice fall . . . . .	508	9.0	570	Fall in about 750 ft.
Glodes fall . . . . .	486	8.3	500	Fall in about 500 ft.
700. Big Rocky fall . . . . .	486	12.0	730	Fall in about 800 ft.
Bear fall . . . . .	453	5.8	330	Fall in about 300 ft.
Bangs fall . . . . .	453	7.0	400	Shingle mill; possible to obtain 16 ft.
701. Ponhook fall . . . . .	437	17.6	960	Saw and shingle mill.
Harmony pulp mill . . . . .	125	30	470	Pulp mill; 1,000 H.P. developed.
<b>Liverpool river:†</b>				
702. Milton lower fall . . . . .	558	7-10	560	Several small mills and Milton electric plant.
Milton upper fall . . . . .	558	7-10	560	Saw mills.
Cowie fall . . . . .	558	20-22	1,550	Pulp mill; 1,500 H.P. developed.
Rapid fall . . . . .	540	33	2,250	Pulp mill; 3,000 H.P. developed.
Guzzle fall . . . . .	534	20-22	1,400	Town of Liverpool electric plant; 750 H.P. installed.

\* This does not include the watershed of Salter, Aukle Jack, Long and Beavertail lakes, an area of twenty square miles.  
 † See *Water-Powers on the Mersey River, N.S.*, by W. G. Yorston in *Proceedings and Transactions of the Nova Scotian Institute of Science*, Vol. XI, Part 4, pp. 651-666.

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Site	Approximate Area of Watershed (in square miles)	Approximate Head (in feet)	Estimated low-water, 24-hour H.P., 8 months. (Theoretical)	Remarks	
703. {	Lower Great Brook fall .....	496	7	435	Banks high on eastern side at foot of falls; fall in about 1,000 ft. Banks high on western side not very high close to river on eastern side; fall in about 800 ft. Banks low on west side some distance from river bank. Banks fairly high on east side, falling off on west side; fall in about 5,000 ft. Banks receding with drop of river on each side; fall in about 3,000 ft. Banks flat; fall in about 500 ft. Banks high near Gardens, but low and flat from Pollard river to foot of Lake fall; distance from Gardens to foot of Lake fall about 14,750 ft.
	Third Stillwater fall .....	496	5	310	
	Cowpen fall.....	492	6	370	
	Big fall .....	488	42	2,570	
	Hemlock river ...	475	10	600	
	Spring Bridge river .....	475	2.5	150	
	Lake fall (Indian Gardens).....	453	73	4,200	
Broad river:					
704. {	Leslie fall .....	94	27	230	
	Campbell fall .....	94	20	170	
Tom Tidney river:					
705. {	Freeman dam.....	15	6	7	Developed; saw mill. Developed; saw mill; dam might be raised to 10 or 12 ft. Developed; carding mill. Developed; saw mill. Fall of about 50 ft. in $\frac{1}{2}$ mile.
	Harlow dam.....	15	7	9	
	A. Harlow dam...	15	7	9	
	Harlow & Freeman Fall.....	15	8	10	
			50	60	
Jordan river:					
706. {	Miller & Son.....	184	10	230	Developed; mill; possible 15 or 20 ft. Fall of 50 ft. in about $\frac{1}{2}$ mile. Fall of 12-15 ft. in about $\frac{1}{2}$ mile. Fall of 12-15 ft. in about $\frac{1}{2}$ mile.
	Old dam .....	184	12	275	
	Big fall.....	170	50	1,040	
	Crane-neck fall...	117	12	180	
707. {	Devils Back fall..	117	12	180	Fall of 12-15 ft. in about $\frac{1}{2}$ mile. Fall of 10 ft. in about $\frac{1}{2}$ mile.
	Hand fall .....	41.4	10	50	



DISTRICT No. II—MAINLAND WEST OF HALIFAX—Continued

Site	Approximate Area of Watershed (in square miles)	Approximate Head (in feet)	Estimated low-water 24-hour H.P., 8 months. (Theoretical)	Remarks
<b>Roseway river:</b>				
Bowers dam . . . .	166	10	200	Developed; saw mill.
Electric light dam	163	27	550	Shelburne municipal plant; 200 H P. installed.
Hervey dam. . . .	163	23	470	Dam, not completed.
708. Bowers dam . . . .	163	8	160	Developed; saw mill; possible 15 ft. head.
Miller Island fall.	163	12	245	
T. Bower dam. . . .	163	7	140	Former saw mill site.
B. Bower dam . . .	148	7	130	Developed; saw mill.
J. I. Bower dam. . .	148	7	130	Developed; saw mill.
Big fall . . . . .	6.8	8	6	Fall of 8 ft. in about 1,000 ft.
709. Jones & McGill dam . . . . .	115	10	130	Developed; saw mill.
<b>Clyde river:</b>				
710. Clyde River Pulp & Paper Co. . . .	229	30	850	Developed; pulp mill.
<b>Barrington river:</b>				
711. Doane dam . . . .	69	6	35	Developed; woollen mill.
Long fall . . . . .	69	6	35	Fall of 6 ft. in 300 ft.
Inland fall . . . . .	65	8	45	Fall of 8 ft. in 400 ft.
Sorrow fall . . . . .	65	10	60	Fall in over 200 ft.
Weir fall . . . . .	60	3	17	Fall of 3 ft. in 200 ft.
<b>Tusket river; (West Branch)</b>				
Hulbert rapids . . .	487	12	730	Rapids $\frac{1}{2}$ mile long, low banks.
Reynard fall. . . .	110	23	320	Rapids one mile long; low banks.
Nine Partners . . .	100	25-30	340	Developed by Yarmouth Electric Light & Power Co.
Oak fall. . . . .	97	8	100	Dam 8 ft. supplying water for three mills at Carleton Centre.
712. Bad fall. . . . .	84.8	30	320	Succession of rapids 1 mile long; good banks.
{ Britain run. . . .	85	3	230	Succession of rapids $\frac{1}{2}$ mile long; good banks.
{ Dennis run . . .	85	3		Succession of rapids $\frac{1}{2}$ mile long; good banks.
{ Moody run . . .	85	6		Succession of rapids $\frac{1}{2}$ mile long; good banks.
{ Harley run . . .	85	3		Succession of rapids $\frac{1}{2}$ mile long; good banks.
{ Hicks dam . . .	85	7		Log driving dam.
713. French mill-dam .	60	9	60	Developed at foot of lake Wentworth for lumbering purposes.

\* These five small heads, it is said, might be used under special development with the head of 30 ft. at Bad fall.

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Site	Approximate Area of Watershed (in square miles)	Approximate Head (in feet)	Estimated low-water, 24-hour H.P., 8 months. (Theoretical)	Remarks	
<b>Tusket river:</b>					
<b>(East Branch)</b>					
714.	Gavel Run. ....	369	8	370	Succession of rapids $\frac{1}{2}$ mile long.
	Longs fall. ....	369	6	280	Succession of rapids $\frac{1}{2}$ mile long.
	Benneth falls. ....	369	5	230	Succession of rapids $\frac{1}{2}$ mile long.
715.	Bad fall. ....	172	18	380	Succession of rapids $\frac{1}{2}$ mile long.
	Mill dam (Prosser) . . . . .	149	7	130	Developed by saw mill.
<b>Salmon river:</b>					
<b>(Yarmouth Co.)</b>					
716.	Wyman mill. ....	59.5	8	40	Developed saw mill.
	Haley mill. ....	41	6.6	25	Developed saw and shingle mill.
717.	Durkee mill. ....	38	8.6	30	Developed saw, shingle and small flour mill.
	Cook mill. ....	35	9	30	Developed saw mill.
	Crosby mill. ....	30.4	9	25	Developed; saw and shingle mill.
<b>Salmon river:</b>					
<b>(Digby Co.)</b>					
718.	Saulnier mill. ....	52.5	8	35	Developed; wood working mill.
	Harrington mill. . . . .	35.2	6	20	Shingle mill.
	Robicheau mill. . . . .	19.3	24	40	Developed
<b>Metagan river:</b>					
719.	Deveau Mill. ....	67	14	95	Developed; high banks From Saulnier's (all to Blackadar's mill river has high perpendicular banks; between these places there is a fall of over 50 ft. Fall of 30 ft.; high banks Fall of 20 ft.; high banks. Developed; saw mill " " " " " "
	Saulnier fall. ....	52	8	40	
	Fall. ....	52	5	27	
	Fall. ....	52	5	27	
	Split-rock fall. ....	49	8	40	
	Blackadar mill. . . . .	49	10	50	
	Raymond mill. ....	46	12	55	
	Alphonse Com- eau's mill. ....	46	1.	55	
	J. R. Co deau's mill. . . . .	44	8	35	

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Site	Approximate Area of Watershed (in square miles)	Approximate Head (in feet)	Estimated low-water 24-hour H.P., 8 months. (Theoretical)	Remarks	
<b>Weymouth river:</b>					
720.	Pulp mill dam . . .	293	60	2,000	G. P. Campbell pulp mill; 2,000 H.P. developed Pulp mill, not now in operation
	Sissibou fall . . . .	235	40	1,400	
	Schooner Passage fall . . . . .	208	12	400	
721.	Moose fall and rips	236	15	440	Fall of 15 ft. in about $\frac{1}{2}$ mile. Fall of 27 ft. in about $\frac{1}{2}$ mile. Fall of 10 ft. in about 400 ft. Fall of 15 ft. in about 800 ft. Fall of 20 ft. in about 1,800.
	Wagner ledge . . . .	236	3	90	
	Devils Island fall.	222	27	750	
	Burnt Camp rip . . .	191	10	240	
	Gannet rip . . . . .	191	15	360	
	The Gundy . . . . .	191	20	480	
<b>Bear river:*</b> (East Branch)					
722.	Rice's mill dam . . .	68.6	12	75	Developed; W. H. Rice's mill.
	Old Welch mill site	68.6	102	630	Continuous rapids making 102 ft. fall in $\frac{1}{2}$ mile to Little Salmon hole; high banks.
	Big fall . . . . .	64	120	700	High bank; Clark Bros.; 120 ft. fall of rapids in about 4,300 ft.
	Flat-rock rapid . . .	64	.....	.....	$\frac{1}{2}$ mile long; high banks, estimated fall, rate 100 ft. per mile.
	Marshall fall . . . .	64	.....	.....	$\frac{1}{2}$ mile long; high banks, estimated fall, rate 100 ft. per mile.
	Sheep rips . . . . .	60	.....	.....	$\frac{1}{2}$ mile long; high banks, estimated fall, rate 100 ft. per mile.
	Stave Bridge rips.	53	.....	.....	$\frac{1}{2}$ mile long; high banks, estimated fall, rate 100 ft. per mile.
	Old Thomas mill site . . . . .	46	.....	.....	$\frac{1}{2}$ mile long; low banks, estimated fall, rate 100 ft. per mile.
	Mulgrave Lake fall	37	.....	.....	$\frac{1}{2}$ mile long; low banks, estimated fall, rate 100 ft. per mile.

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Site	Approximate Area of Watershed (in square miles)	Approximate Head (in feet)	Estimated low-water, 24-hour H.P., 8 months. (Theoretical)	Remarks
<b>Bear River* (West Branch)</b>				
Granite Works dam .....	43	12	50	Developed
Bear River Elec. Lt. plant .....	43	65	25	Dam and pipe line development; installed 80 H.P. Fall of 10 ft. with total drop of 30 ft. in 300 ft.
Parker fall .....	38	30	100	½ mile rapids; high banks; estimated fall of 100 ft. per mile.
Old Mill fall .....				
Ansley Morgan mill site .....	35			½ mile rapids; high banks; estimated fall of 100 ft. per mile.
723. Sam Morgan mill site .....	35			Small head available; low banks.
Long ripe .....	32			½ mile rapids; low banks; small head
Big Stillwater dam	29	10	25	Driving dam.
Cornell fall. ....	24			½ mile rapids; low banks; small head.
Lake Jolly fall. ...	21			½ mile rapids; low banks; small head.
Lake Jolly dam. ...	21	10		Log driving dam (steam mill).
<b>Lequille brook:</b>				
Dargie mill .....	49	8	45	Developed small mill.
Town of Annapolis lighting plant	49	40	220	Dam 10 ft. and pipe line 630 ft.; development, 120 H.P.
724. Carr's carding mill dam .....	49	9	50	Developed
Corbett mill dam.	46	24	125	Developed
Harnish mill dam	18	10	20	Developed; lumber mill
725. Harnish upper dam .....	8	8	16	Storage dam being built
<b>Bloody creek:</b>				
726. Town of Bridgetown plant .....				

\* The character of the banks of Bear river admits of dams being placed at a number of sites, as indicated. No attempt has been made to insert estimates because of the optional character of the heads.

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Site	Approximate Area of Watershed (in square miles)	Approximate Head (in feet)	Estimated low-water 24-hour H.P. 8 months. (Theoretical)	Remarks
<b>Paradise river:</b>				
727. Old mill site . . . . .	40	20	70	Old 8 ft. dam; high banks; could be developed to 20 ft.
Old dam . . . . .	40	12	40	Log driving dam
Fall . . . . .	40	27	100	Falls and rapids; high banks 27 ft. drop in about 600 ft.;
Old dam . . . . .	38	12	40	J. Longley
727. Chutes fall . . . . .	38	15	50	Log driving; high banks. Fall of 15 feet in 100 feet;
Sluice fall . . . . .	38	120	400	high banks. Falls 22 feet, drop of 120 ft. in about 600 ft.
Big fall . . . . .	33	30	85	Drop of 30 ft. in 200 ft.; might be used with Sluice fall.
Devils jaw . . . . .	33	20	60	Drop of 20 ft. in 200 ft.; might be used with Sluice fall.
Sanders dam . . . . .	31	12	30	Lo driving dam
<b>Nictaux river:</b>				
728. Rodger mill . . . . .	118	3.6	48	Wood working mill; power used to good advantage
Old McKeown mill site . . . . .	118	10	130	Possible small development.
728. Nictaux fall . . . . .	118	30	400	About 20 ft. drop in 100 ft. and, in all, 30 ft. drop in about 600 ft.
Wambott fall . . . . .	109	35	400	High rocky banks; 35 ft. drop in 1,200 ft.; possible development of 100 ft.
729. Alpena falls . . . . .	98	24	260	Rapids and falls giving 24 ft. in about 1,500 ft.
Scotsman rip . . . . .	90	20	200	Rapids about 20 ft. in 1,200 ft.
<b>Gaspereau river:</b>				
730. Whiterock dam and Kneeland dam and run . . . . .	126	12	190	Half-mile above White rock fall of 12 ft. between dams. Above Kneelands the river rises 41 ft. in 2½ miles.
McCurdy fall . . . . .	122	25.7	390	Series of rapids 1,200 ft. long; high banks.
731. Jimines rips . . . . .	108	18	240	Series of rapids 1,200 ft. long
McAloney fall . . . . .	108	56.5	350	Series of rapids 3,000 ft. long
Redman run . . . . .	108	10	130	Rapids 600 ft. long.
Dories run . . . . .	74	5	45	
731. River near Lake . . . . .	74	66.6	600	Series of falls and rapids ½ mile long, largest at Fish rock; 10 ft. high.

## THE WATER-POWERS OF CANADA

## DISTRICT No. II—MAINLAND WEST OF HALIFAX—Continued

Site	Approximate Area of Watershed (in square miles)	Approximate Head (in feet)	Estimated low-water, 24-hour H. P., 8 months. (Theoretical)	Remarks
<b>Avon river:</b>				
732. Avon fall . . . . .	70	40-45	360	
<b>St. Croix river:</b>				
733. { Woolen mill dam.	92	7-8	80	Near highway bridge; developed.
{ Spence dam . . . . .	92	20-25	260	Fall in about 4,000 ft.
{ Paper Co. dam . . . . .	92	33	380	About $\frac{1}{2}$ mile above bridge; 1,000 H.P. developed.
{ Lumber Co. dam . . . . .	92	30	350	About $\frac{1}{2}$ mile above Paper Co.; developed.
{ Little dam . . . . .	89	40-50	400	About $\frac{1}{2}$ mile above Lumber Co.
734. { The falls . . . . .	83	8	82	About $1\frac{1}{2}$ miles below Ponhook lake.
{ Ponhook dam . . . . .	78	8	77	At Ponhook lake.
<b>Wallace river:</b>				
735. { Carr's mill dam . . . . .	189	8	120	Developed; saw mill.
{ Howard dam . . . . .	189	8	120	Developed; saw mill possible
36. Ogilvie dam . . . . .	168	7	95	12-15 ft. Developed; saw mill possible
<b>Philip river:</b>				
737. Ross mill . . . . .	225	6	110	10-12 ft. Grist mill; 40 H.P.; 225 sq. miles, area of watershed at Oxford.

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DISTRICT No. III.—CAPE BRETON\*

Site	Approximate Area of Watershed (in square miles)	Approximate Head (in feet)	Estimated low-water, 24-hour H.P., 8 months. (Theoretical)	Remarks
Indian brook: 738. Indian Brook ....	84	100	600	Fall 50ft.; banks 100 ft.
North river: St. Ann 739. { Little fall .....	61	60	290	High, vertical, rocky banks About $\frac{1}{2}$ mile above Little fall.
{ Big fall .....	60	35	170	

\*There are some other small powers on some of the other rivers of Cape Breton, but it was not practicable to secure data respecting them in time for publication in this report.

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## MEASUREMENTS OF FLOW OF RIVERS

Name of River and Location of Metering Station	Date	Hydrographer	Width of River where metered (in feet)	Area of River section (in sq. ft.)	Discharge (in cubic ft. per second)	Effective Drainage Area above Metering Station (in sq. miles)	Discharge in cub. ft. per sec. per sq. mile	Remarks
Labare river above new highway bridge and opposite cottage on high hill.....	Sept. 17, 1910....	A. V. White.....	84	176.8	195	600	.33	Surface of river 9-3 feet, from the top of top flange of lower chord of I.C. Ry. bridge
Shubenacadie river at I. C. Ry. bridge at Enfield.....	Sept. 19, 1910....	H. A. Russell.....	60	108	70	143	.50	
St. Mary river, one mile above still-water bridge.....	Sept. 17, 1910....	R. H. Cooper.....	65	125.7	258	525	.69	After rainfall
Under still-water bridge.....	Sept. 27, 1910....	R. H. Cooper.....	120	413	586	525	1.11	
Clyde river, at bend near roadside about half-mile below pulp mill.....	Sept. 27, 1910....	A. V. White.....	73	93.7	267	229	1.16	267 inches 29 c.f.s. for a quantity of water which did not pass directly through the metering station
Jordan river, about 300 feet above Deep landing, which is about one mile above tide water....	Sept. 28, 1910....	A. V. White.....	90 ( 228 )	68.6	100	153	.60	



S. Sibou river just below pulp mill dam at Weymouth.....	Oct. 5, 1910.....	A. V. White.....	28	28-6	24	190	.13	New dams being placed at outlets of certain lakes were holding back the main portion of flow. 196 sq. m. above the Gandy
East river, Fictou, (West branch) at Hopewell, foot bridge.....	Oct. 7, 1909.....	R. H. Cooper.....	50	57-5	99	52	1-90	River surface 14 feet from bottom of iron floor, 1 beam nearest north end of bridge
Medway river, at Mill Village bridge.....	Oct. 10, 1910.....	A. V. White.....	110	175-8	100	602	.16	Only one gate said to have been open at the Gaspereau. Two gates usually open at this season of year
Liverpool river, in canal below head gates leading to municipal pond.....	Oct. 11, 1910.....	A. V. White.....	44	90-5	127	534	.24	Dam at outlet of Gaspereau lake said to have been observed at time of marking. The 77 sq. miles extends Gaspereau lake and includes Black river
Gaspereau river, about 200 yds. below junction of Black creek, near White Rock.....	Oct. 23, 1910.....	A. V. White.....	54	50-9	75	77	1-03	

## CHAPTER VI

### The Inland Waters of Prince Edward Island

**T**HE province of Prince Edward Island has no considerable areas of elevated land and has, practically, no inland lakes. The areas of the individual watersheds of its rivers are small, and, in addition, the majority of the rivers are tidal for several miles up from their mouths. The inland waters of the Province are, therefore, not capable of producing much water-power.

The Crown lands have all been granted. There are no laws upon the statute books relating to the control, regulation, or pollution of rivers. Neither is there any legislation relating to the valuable underground waters of the Island\* either as regards their conservation or the rights to them.

During certain seasons of the year, small water-powers having heads of from 8 to 12 or 15 feet, and developing from 5 or 10 up to 50 horse-power, are in use upon the majority of the rivers. These developments are generally used in small grist, wool-carding and other mills. In a few instances, individual developments may be had of from 50 to 100, or more, horse-power.

The lands of the Province are held in relatively small holdings. Consequently, even where higher heads, or larger areas for storage reservoirs for power development, might be obtained, the compensation to owners of overflowed property would be prohibitive to such undertakings.

In Kings county the principal rivers are the Murray, the Montague—upon which is located a hydro-electric plant supplying the village of Montague—and the Morrell, which is said to admit of some further water-power development. Some good small powers are in use upon such waters as Big Pond, the Midgell, the Sturgeon and Seal rivers.

In Queens county the prominent Hillsborough river is tidal up to the aboideau at Mount Stewart. Considered from the standpoint of power development, the large rivers are the Winter, the West and the Tryon, upon the latter of which is a small hydro-electric development at Tryon. Upon some smaller rivers such as the Westmorland, Sable, Wheatley and Old Mill, small mills, driven by water-power, are in operation.

In Prince county the principal river, from a power standpoint, is the North Dunk upon which are some small mills. Other small mills are situated upon such rivers as the Ellis, Trout and the Tignish.

Some maps of Prince Edward Island indicate a large number of saw and grist mills, but many of the small mills formerly in service have been

\*Regarding underground waters see pages 3-6, above.

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HYDRO-ELECTRIC DEVELOPMENT, MONTAGUE RIVER, PRINCE EDWARD ISLAND

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abandoned. Reporting upon the inland waters of the Island, James B. Hegan, District Engineer of the Department of Public Works, Canada, says:

"In years past before the clearing away of the forests and when lumber was abundant, there was much more water; many streams then of good size and having on them several mills have now become almost dry, and quite useless for power, and as such change is going on further with the clearing up and cultivation of the land, Prince Edward Island may be considered as being, practically, about without water-power."

The chief value of the inland waters of the Province consists, not in their water-power possibilities, but in their use for domestic and municipal water supply, for agricultural purposes, and as waters for the propagation of trout and other salt-water fish.

The value of the fishing as an attraction to tourists is very considerable and should not be underestimated. There are dams upon some rivers which have no fish-ways in them, such, for example, as the Sturgeon, West, Seal and other rivers. Failure to facilitate the entrance of fish to the upper reaches of the rivers for spawning purposes and failure, also, to protect them, not only makes the fish scarce in the rivers themselves, but also causes depletion of the supplies of smaller fish in the vicinity of such rivers. This, in turn, renders the coast less attractive as a feeding ground for the fish caught for the various food markets.

## CHAPTER VII

### The Water-Powers of New Brunswick

THE province of New Brunswick has a remarkable and valuable river system. The larger rivers, for the most part, are long, and their fall gradual. Many which flow into the sea have fine harbours at their mouths, while the larger ones are themselves navigable for large vessels for many miles. The St. John river, while navigable in its lower reaches for large vessels, is practically navigable for small craft to Grand falls, a distance of about 225 miles from the sea. The Miramichi, the Restigouche and the Petitcodiac, are also navigable for, say, fifteen to twenty-five and more miles from their respective mouths. Tributaries of some of these rivers, such for example, as the Tobique, Madawaska, and the branches of the Miramichi, are navigable for small craft.

If the rivers of New Brunswick are viewed from the standpoint of water-power development, two facts stand out prominently, first, that important interests connected with navigation and lumber driving have already been established, and are dependent for their successful operation, upon the maintenance of the navigable properties of the water highways of the Province. Any development for power purposes upon the main rivers would, therefore, have to be very seriously weighed before being undertaken, in order not to interfere with the rights and privileges of existing interests. Secondly, there are comparatively few lakes in the upper portions of the watersheds of the majority of the rivers and, hence, little facility is afforded for the natural storage of waters for the purpose of equalizing the flow during the low-water periods.

The south-westerly portion of the Province, lying between the St. John and the St. Croix rivers, is studded with a number of lakes where waters may be stored. The principal rivers in this district, the Magaguadavic (see illustration), Lepreau, Musquash (see illustration) and especially the St. Croix, have marked falls throughout their lower sections, several of which have already been developed. Power developments exist upon the Aroostook (see illustration) and the Meduxnekeag, while others of various magnitudes exist elsewhere throughout the Province. The point to emphasize here, however, is that a cursory inspection of the map of the Province reveals the fact that New Brunswick is not studded with lakes, as is the case in Maine and in Nova Scotia.\* A careful and

\* New Brunswick has an estimated land area of 27,804 square miles and an inland water area of 181 square miles. Compared with this Nova Scotia has land, 21,608 square miles, and water, 820 square miles (See White's *Atlas of Canada, 1906*), and Maine has land, 29,895 square miles, and water, 3,145 square miles.

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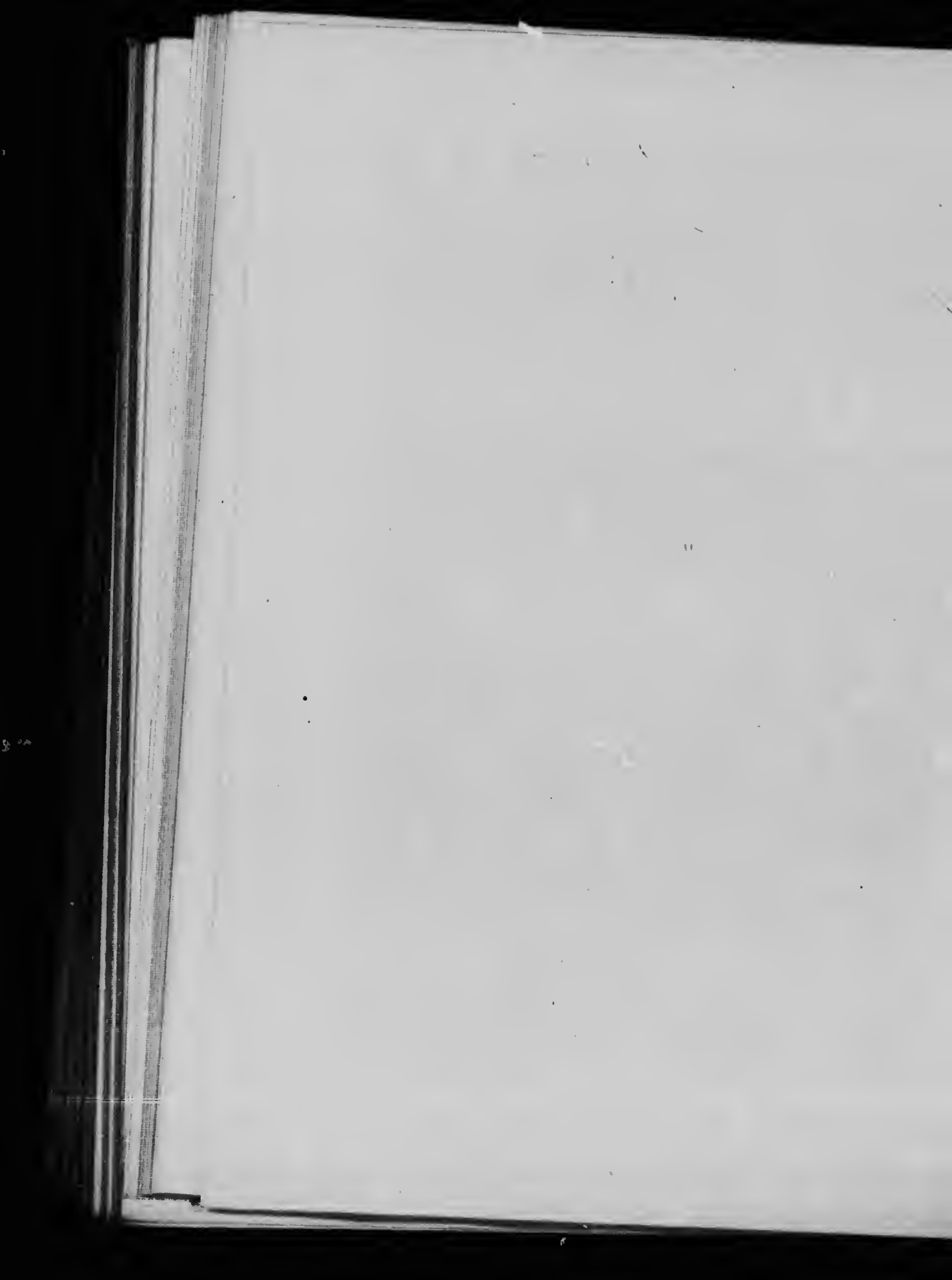
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GRAND FALLS, ST. JOHN RIVER, NEW BRUNSWICK

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adequate investigation in the field is required before anything like a proper statement can be presented respecting the water-powers of the Province; and such an investigation is the more necessary on account of the comparative scarcity of inland lakes, or known storage reservoir sites. Certainly, if basins where artificial storage may economically be created, be not found, then the watershed areas will have to be discounted when viewed as a chief factor governing continuous water-power development.

The tributaries of the large rivers, and also, the majority of the smaller rivers directly entering the sea, may be said to be mountain streams, which, in most instances, have a rapid fall, and a rapid run-off. The general character of such streams may be appreciated from the accompanying illustration which is a view looking over the brink of Tetagouche falls down the valley of Tetagouche river. Here are seen the steep, wooded, side hills so markedly characteristic of the majority of New Brunswick's smaller rivers.

**Laws Relating to Inland Waters of New Brunswick** In addition to the claims which domestic and municipal water supply have upon the inland waters of New Brunswick, various rights and privileges to make use of the inland waters, have been granted by the Provincial Legislature, to fishery, boom, log-driving and other interests. Such interests have, now, vested rights, which must be protected against any encroachment that might result from the development of water-powers upon waterways already in use for other purposes. The following indicates, very briefly, the general character of some of the rights and privileges which have precedence over proposed water-power developments.

With regard to the rights of navigation,\* it need here only be stated that, while the New Brunswick Legislature has conferred various powers upon boom, log-driving and other companies, yet, such powers have only been granted conditionally upon the maintenance of free navigation for "vessels, boats or other craft."

The Fisheries Act† provides for the granting of leases, licenses or permits, for fishing in the inland waters. These are granted for various terms up to ten years, and are disposed of by public auction. The revenue to the Province from such sales amounts to about \$15,000 per annum. In some instances the development of water-power sites would spoil natural salmon pools, and thus lessen the rental values of some of the fishing privileges.\*\*

\*Respecting some of the general factors involved in the protection of navigation interests, see, above pp. 1 *et seq.*; especially pp. 6-9.

†See *Consolidated Statutes*, 1908, chap. 34; also, "An Act to Amend the Fisheries Act", 7 Ed. VII, chap. 31. Consult also, "An Act to regulate the Leasing of the Fishery Rights in the non-tidal waters pertaining to the Crown as Riparian Proprietor of un-granted Crown Lands, and for the Protection of the Fisheries," being 47 Vict., chap. 1. (N.B.)

\*\*Respecting fishways in dams, see p. 198

**Log Driving  
And Boom  
Companies**

arious companies have been incorporated to engage in the business of log driving. The general character of the powers conferred upon these companies may be understood from the following clause taken from the Act\* relating to one of such companies. The rivers having been named, and the portions of the rivers involved having been specified, the Act empowers the company

"to place, use and maintain all such necessary and reasonable booms and piers as will facilitate the said driving, and to do anything upon said rivers, or either of them, between the points aforesaid, that any person or persons, might or could hitherto legally have done, for the purpose of driving logs down said rivers or either of them, between the points and places aforesaid, and they may remove from the beds of said rivers stones, rocks, and such like obstructions to the free running of the water and the driving of the logs down the said rivers between the points aforesaid, and may generally improve the said rivers as highways for the driving and running logs down the same, and it shall be the duty of the said company, and any person or persons acting under authority of this Act, in driving logs as is herein provided, to do such driving with all reasonable speed, and to make a clean drive of the same between the points and places mentioned in this Act."

Again, various companies have been incorporated by the government for the purpose of constructing, maintaining and operating, upon many of the large rivers of the Province, booms for use in connection with the driving of logs and lumber.†

Under the Act intituled "Respecting Dams and Sluiceways"\*\*, subject to the recommendation of the surveyor of dams, and to the approval of the county council, a sluiceway to drive lumber over any dam erected, or to be erected across a stream, or river, must, upon the request of any person requiring such sluiceway, be provided by the owner or occupier of the dam.

\*See Section 4 of "An Act to consolidate and amend the various Acts relating to the St. John River Log Driving Company", being 9 Ed. VII, chap. 76. (N.B.). See also, 49 Vict., chap. 51; 50 Vict., chap. 64; 53 Vict., chap. 64; 57 Vict., chap. 79; 4 Ed. VII, chap. 82; and 7 Ed. VII, chap. 59, relating to the acquirement of the property and assets of the Fredericton Boom Co.

†The general character of the rights and privileges enjoyed by boom companies may be understood from "An Act to continue the Fredericton Boom Company, and to consolidate and amend the several Acts relating to the said Company," being 51 Vict., chap. 53. See also, New Brunswick Acts, 7 Vict., chap. 34; 8 Vict., chap. 90; 11 Vict., chap. 50; 18 Vict., chap. 14; 32 Vict., chap. 28, also 31; 35 Vict. chap. 38.

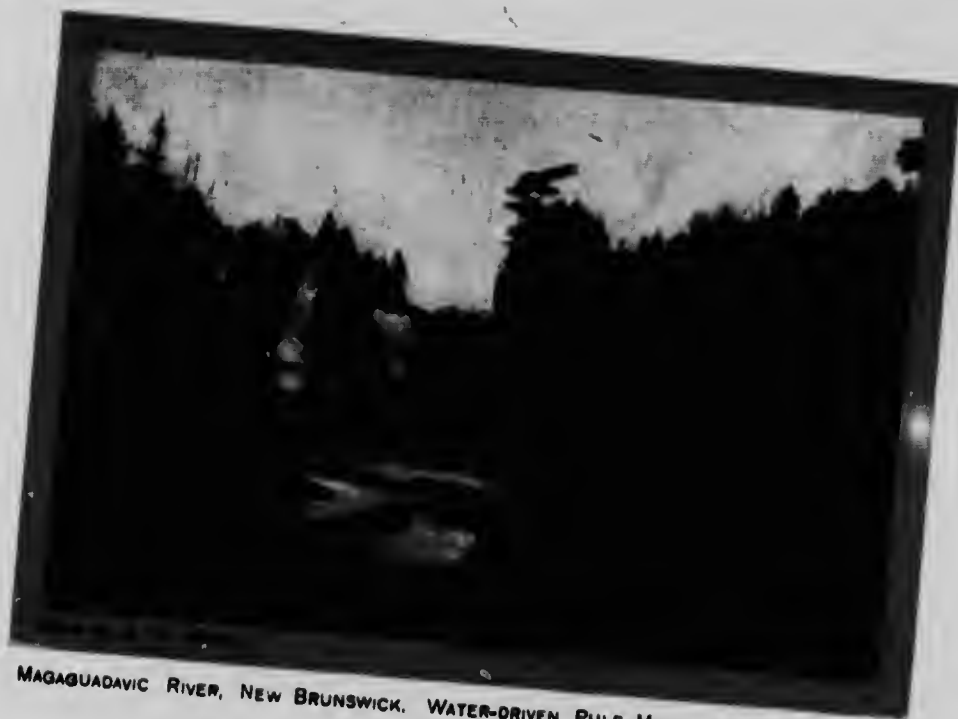
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MAGAGUADAVIC RIVER, NEW BRUNSWICK. WATER-DRIVEN PULP MILL, CONTAINING ALSO AN ELECTRIC GENERATING STATION



POWER HOUSE NEAR MOUTH OF AROOSTOOK RIVER, NEW BRUNSWICK



LOOKING DOWN THE TOBIQUE RIVER, NEW BRUNSWICK



FIRST FALLS, HEAD OF TIDE, MUSQUASH RIVER, NEW BRUNSWICK



**Riparian  
Ownership**

There are between seven and eight millions of acres of land yet in the possession of the Crown. The status of the Province as a riparian owner is defined by a special provincial Act\* passed on April, 1, 1884, which states that,

"In all Grants hereafter to be made of Crown Lands adjacent to the following rivers and streams:—Nepisiguit River, Jaquet River, Upsalquitch River, Quatawamkedwick River, Restigouche River, Charles River, Patapedia River, Middle River, Little River, Tattagouche River, Big Tracadie River, Tabucintac River, Dungarvon River, Renous River, North West Miramichi River and Branches, Kouchibouguac River, Kouchibouguacis River, Richibucto River, Green River and Branches, Tobique River and Branches, and all such other rivers, lakes and streams as the Governor in Council may hereafter declare by Proclamation published in the Royal Gazette,—there shall be reserved to the Crown a strip or portion of land, four rods in width from the banks of the streams or lakes on each side thereof, and the riparian ownership of the said streams shall remain wholly vested in the Crown; provided always, that the owner or occupier of any lot abutting upon said strip of land shall have a right of way across the same to and from the said river or stream."

**Statutes  
Relating to  
Water-Powers**

Special legislation respecting water-powers was enacted by the Province consequent upon an application to develop the Grand falls—the most important water-power in the Maritime Provinces, and one of the larger water-powers of Canada.

On April 16, 1903, an Act intituled "An Act to authorise the leasing and development of water-power at Grand falls"† was passed, empowering the Lieutenant-Governor in Council by letters patent, to incorporate, upon expressed conditions, a company for the purpose of developing the power. Provision was made for the acquirement of lands, rights and privileges at Grand falls, and for the payment of rental for leases, etc., to the Government.

Later, it was deemed desirable to extend the authority conferred by this Act upon the Lieutenant-Governor in Council, to include all the water-powers that then were, or that might come, under the control of the Province. Consequently, on April 20, 1904, the Legislature passed an Act\*\* giving the required extension of authority, and stating that,

\*See "An Act to provide for the Survey, Reservation and Protection of Timber Lands." 47 Vict., chap. 7. (New Brunswick.) By 53 Vict., chap. 17, exception respecting the reservation is made in the case of persons who had made *bona fide* application for lands prior to the passing of the Act, 47 Vict., chap., 7. See, also, *Consolidated Statutes*, 1903, chap. 27, sect. 4, pp. 331-2. This reserved strip is also referred to in the Fisheries Act. *Con. Stat.*, 1903, chap. 34, p. 450.

†Act, 3 Edward VII, chap. 3, (New Brunswick).

\*\*4 Ed. VII, chap. 22, (New Brunswick).

"Whenever the Lieutenant-Governor in Council may think it desirable in the public interest so to do, he may acquire by agreement, or by expropriation, as hereinafter provided for, in the name of His Majesty, any water-powers, rights or privileges within the Province, and the necessary land to enable such water-powers to be properly developed; provided, that he shall not expend or incur a liability for upwards of ten thousand dollars for such purpose without the approval of the Legislative Assembly first being obtained by resolution, which approval shall not be granted unless any water-powers already acquired under this section have been re-sold or leased on terms satisfactory to the Legislative Assembly."

The Act provides for expropriation powers, defines the manner in which they shall be exercised, and provides for the payment of damages by the Government when such are incurred.

The Act further states that,

"The Lieutenant-Governor in Council is hereby authorized to lease, or sell, either by public auction or private contract, any such lands, rights and privileges to any corporation desiring to utilise any such water-power and convincing the Lieutenant-Governor in Council of its ability to develop and utilize the same for industrial purposes, upon such terms and conditions as to the development and utilisation of the same as the Lieutenant-Governor in Council may prescribe, and it shall be lawful for the Lieutenant-Governor in Council by letters patent to incorporate a company to acquire any such water-power, property, rights and privileges; and the Lieutenant-Governor in Council may embody in such letters patent all necessary provisions for the acquiring and expropriation of such lands, interest in lands, rights and privileges, as he may deem necessary, and all the powers, rights and privileges which shall be conferred on such company by such letters patent, shall be as valid and effectual as if the same had been conferred by Act of the Legislature of New Brunswick."

The Legislature, therefore, has it within its power to do much to harmonize the various interests concerned in the use of the inland waters. By thus harmonizing interests, waters may be apportioned to the best general advantage, and, wherever it is deemed advisable, they may be made available for power development.

In the autumn of 1910, a hasty reconnaissance was made of some of the inland waters of New Brunswick in order to judge of their water-power possibilities. Data were gathered by the New Brunswick offices of E. T. P. Shewen, J. K. Scammel, and Geoffrey Stead of the Department of Public Works, Canada. Other data, especially that relating to the discharges of the rivers, below given, were kindly furnished by the International Commission Pertaining to the St. John River. Again, data were also obtained by special enquiry and

**Reconnaissance  
Survey**



by correspondence. Such data have been tabulated in order to represent the estimated possible horse-power at various power sites. It must be regarded as a rough estimate only, based on information now widely insufficient, but, nevertheless, the best procurable under the circumstances.\*

International Commission, River St. John

Prior to 1904, certain piers and other works had been constructed in the St. John river for use in connection with the operations carried on by certain lumbermen and mill-owners. These works were said to be a menace to other commercial interests dependent upon the use of the river. Some conception of the magnitude of the interests involved may be formed from a knowledge of the fact, that, for the last few years, there has been an average annual drive of 120,000,000 feet of lumber (logs) on the St. John river above Grand falls. About seventy-five per cent. of this quantity passes over the falls to points farther down the river. During 1904, application by the St. John Lumber Co.—a United States company—requesting the power to construct more piers and other obstructions in the river, was pending before the legislature of the state of Maine. This application prompted the Executive Council of New Brunswick, in 1904, to bring the matter to the attention of His Excellency the Governor General of Canada; and in 1905, lumber interests at St. John, N. B., also petitioned His Excellency to take steps to bring the condition of affairs existent upon the St. John to the attention of the United States Federal Government.†

It was claimed by the petitioners that the works which had been constructed constituted a violation of what is commonly known as the Ashburton Treaty, of 1842, Article III of which states that:‡

“In order to promote the interests and encourage the industry of all the inhabitants of the countries watered by the river St. John and its tributaries, whether living within the state of Maine or in the province of New Brunswick, it is agreed that, where, by the provisions of the present treaty, the river St. John is declared to be the line of boundary, the navigation of the said river shall be free and open to both parties, and shall in no way be obstructed by either; that all the produce of the forest, in logs, lumber, timber, boards, staves or shingles, or of agriculture, not being manufactured, grown on any of those parts of the state of Maine watered by the river St. John, or by its tributaries of which fact reasonable evidence shall, if required, be pro-

\*Consult Chapter II, above, on *Water Power Data*; also, p. 19, on *Reconnaissance Surveys*.

† For early references to the difficulties existing upon the St. John river, see, *Report of the International Waterways Commission, 1906*, being *Sessional Papers*, (Canada), No. 19 a, 1907, pp. 4 *et seq.*; also, for diplomatic correspondence between Canadian and United States governments, see *Ibid.*, pp. 19 and 20 *et seq.*

‡ See Hertslet's *Commercial Treaties*, (London, 1845), Vol. VI., pp. 856-7; or, *Treaties and Conventions concluded between the United States of America and other Powers since July 4, 1776.* (Gov't. Pub.), Washington, 1889, pp. 434-5.

duced, shall have free access into and through the said river and its said tributaries, having their source within the state of Maine, to and from the seaport at the mouth of the said river St. John and to and around the falls of the said river, either by boats, rafts or other conveyance; that when within the province of New Brunswick, the said produce shall be dealt with as if it were the product of the said province; that, in like manner, the inhabitants of the territory of the upper St. John, determined by this treaty to belong to Her Britannic Majesty, shall have free access to and through the river, for their produce, in those parts where the said river runs wholly through the state of Maine: Provided, always, that this agreement, shall give no right to either party to interfere with any regulations not inconsistent with the terms of this treaty which the governments, respectively, of Maine or of New Brunswick may make respecting the navigation of the said river, where both banks thereof shall belong to the same party."

**Appointment  
of Joint  
Commission**

It had been thought that the subjects in dispute would be taken up by the then recently appointed International Waterways Commission, but it was afterwards decided that the St. John river was outside the scope of its investigation. Consequently, a new commission, now known as the International Commission Pertaining to the St. John River, was appointed "to investigate and report upon the conditions and uses of the St. John river, and to make recommendations for the regulation of the use thereof by the citizens and subjects of the United States and Great Britain, according to the provisions of treaties between the two countries."\*

The personnel of the commission is constituted as follows: On behalf of Canada†, Commissioners: A. P. Barnhill, St. John, N. B., John Keefe, St. John, N. B.; Counsel: A. J. Gregory, Fredericton, N. B.; W. P. Jones, Woodstock, N. B.; Consulting Engineer: S. J. Chapleau. On behalf of the United States\*\*, Commissioners: George A. Murchie, Calais, Maine, P. C. Keegan, Van Buren, Maine; Counsel: Oscar F. Fellows,

\* See *Report of the Privy Council, Canada*, August 13, 1906, for circumstance associated with the formation of the Commission. For legislation by U.S., see *Statutes at Large*, 59th Cong., 1st sess., Vol. XXXIV., chap. 337, p. 292; also *Ibid.* 60th Cong. 1st sess. Vol. XXXV., chap. 183, pp. 177-178; also *Ibid.* 61st Cong., 2nd sess., chap. 62, p. 203; also *Ibid.* 61st Cong. 3rd sess., Chap. 240, p. 1290.

† The appointment of the Canadian Commissioners was approved by the Governor General on December 3, 1902.

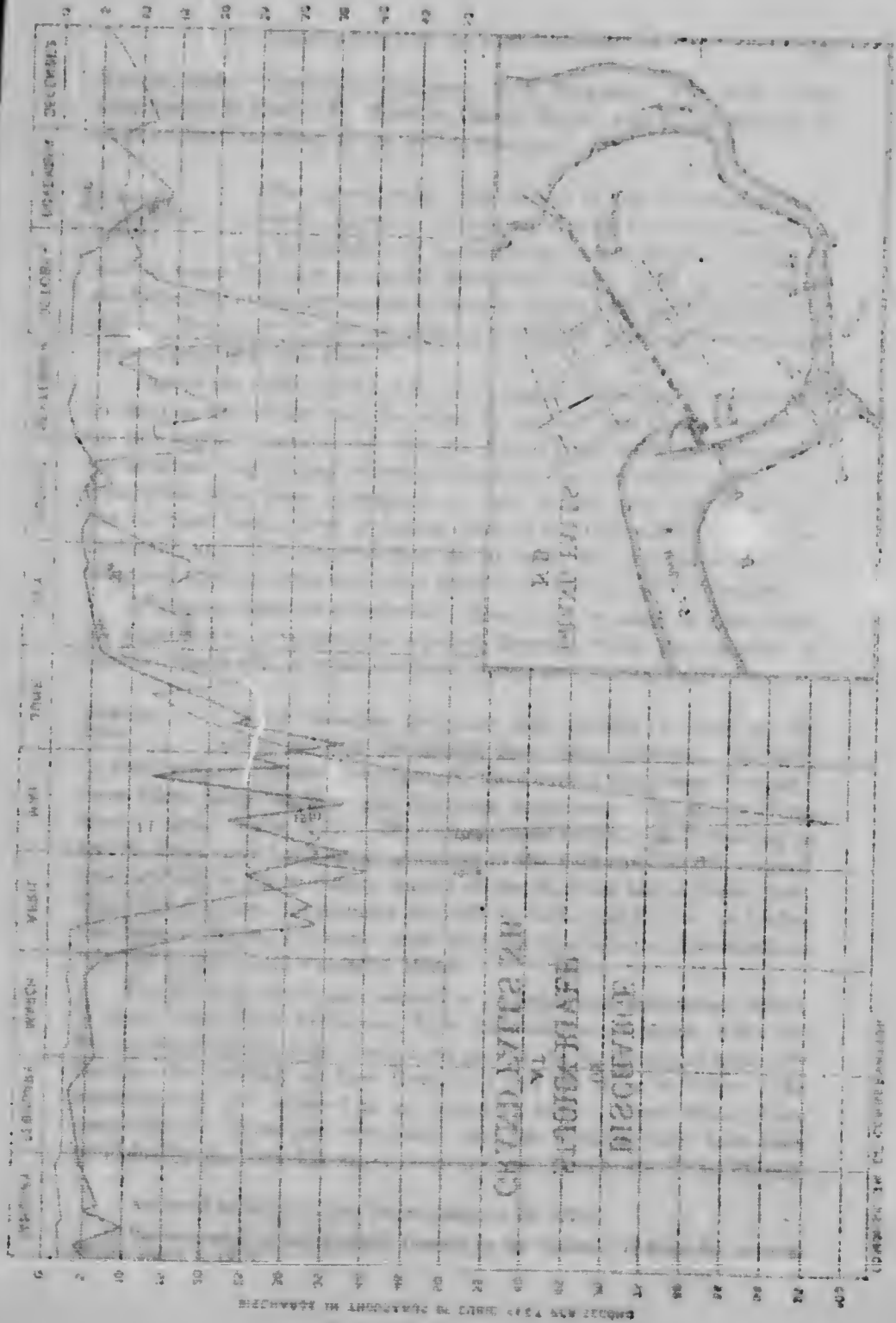
\*\*The appointment of the United States Commissioners was made by the President, on January 12, 1909. The document appointing the Commissioners defines their functions, in part, as follows: "I do appoint him a commissioner on the part of the United States in a Joint Commission to investigate and report upon the conditions and uses of the St. John river, and to make recommendations for the regulation of the use thereof by the citizens and subjects of the United States and Great Britain, according to the provisions of treaties between the two countries." On February 18, 1910, the Department of State considered the instructions already issued as sufficient to authorize the Commissioners "in their discretion to examine and report upon the proposed water-power development at Grand falls on the St. John river, in relation to the provisions of Article III of the Treaty of 1842 between the United States and Great Britain." For subsequent legislation, see *Statutes at Large*, 61st Congress, 2nd Sess., chap. 62, page 203, also 61st Congress, 3rd Sess., chap. 240, p. 1290.

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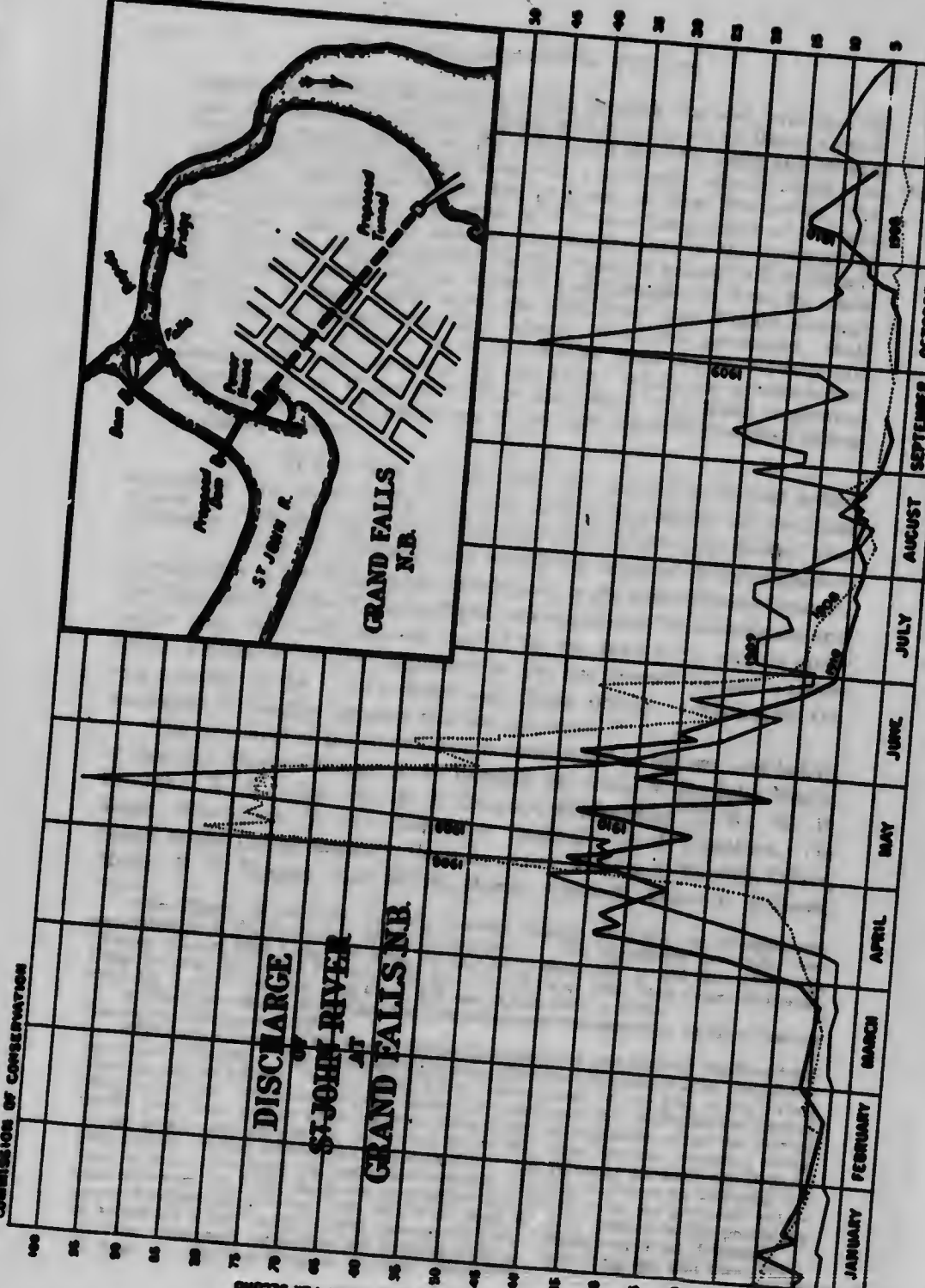


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COMMISSION OF CONSERVATION

# DISCHARGE OF ST-JOHN RIVER AT GRAND FALLS, N.B.

DISCHARGE IN THOUSANDS OF CUBIC FEET PER SECOND



Bangor, Maine; Consulting Engineer: H. S. Ferguson. The clerk of the Commission is Harold H. Murchie, Calais, Maine., and M. H. Ranney is chief engineer in charge of the field operations.

**Scope of Commission Defined**

After appointment, the powers of the Commission were expressly stated to include an inquiry "into the feasibility and advisability of constructing a dam for the storage of surplus water tributary to the St. John river, which could be released at the beginning of the dry season in order to prolong the period for floating logs on that river;"\* also an enquiry "into the proposed water-power development at Grand Falls."†

One of the chief objects of the Commission, therefore, is to ascertain to what extent waters may be stored in natural and created reservoirs on the upper portions of the St. John river and its tributaries to facilitate log-driving operations during the low-water period. In connection with these investigations, field parties have now been sent out for more than a year gathering data for the Commission. Once the hydraulic, and other physical data, are in hand, the Commission will consider construction costs, and other features pertaining to their research.

If storage dams be constructed, these could be made of great value to water-power developments affected thereby, while the creation of reservoir dams will, in some instances, create new water-power.

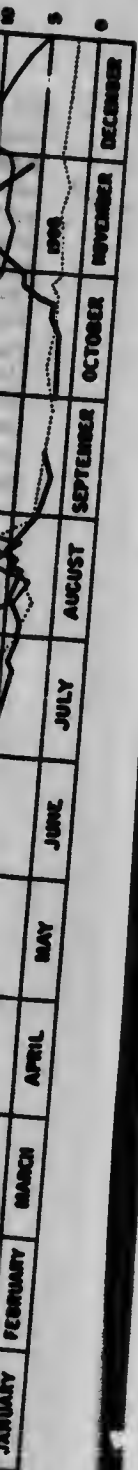
**Hydraulic Data**

Some valuable hydraulic data relating to some of the rivers of New Brunswick have been collected. Incident to their proposed power development, the Grand Falls Power Company have taken gauge readings and discharge measurements of the St. John river at Grand Falls, N. B. The International Commission Pertaining to the St. John river has already gathered in the field considerable original data relating to the tributary waters of the St. John above Grand falls. The United States Government through its Geological Survey and, also, the state of Maine, for some years past, have conducted investigations relating to the inland waters of Maine.

The St. John river, and several of its important tributaries, which, in part, course New Brunswick, have their sources in Maine, while the St. Croix and the St. John rivers, form part of the International boundary between the province of New Brunswick and the state of Maine. The investigations, just referred to as carried on in the United States, have comprised the rivers just mentioned, and the resulting data have been published by the United States Geological Survey, and by the Water Storage

\* Approved by the Governor General, January 24, 1910.

† Recommended to the Governor General, by the Secretary of State for External Affairs, March 8, 1910.



Commission of the state of Maine. These data are of value in connection with the study of the water-power possibilities of many of the rivers of New Brunswick, as well as of those elsewhere in Canada, and, consequently, have been drawn upon for some of the statements which follow.

**Rainfall Records** In New Brunswick, the annual precipitation ranges from about 35 to 47 inches.\* The records of rainfall in various parts of the Province are comparatively meagre, and, quite insufficient to enable estimates of rainfall supply of respective watersheds to be made. This absence of records makes the data already available as the result of stream gauging and metering, much less serviceable than it would otherwise be.

It would be an advantage to have an additional number of rainfall gauging stations established under the direction of the Meteorological Service. The equipment for such stations is inexpensive, being about three dollars for a rainfall station only, and about twenty-five dollars additional for a thermometer equipment, including cabinet. The Meteorological Service will be glad to furnish apparatus to establish rainfall stations, free of charge, to any person, suitably situated, who will voluntarily attend to making and transmitting the observations.

**Evaporation** The United States Geological Survey has had measurements made to determine the evaporation in the state of Maine. Evaporation stations were established and maintained as follows:†

\* Consult, *Rain and Snow-Fall of Canada to the end of 1902*, Ottawa, 1906. (Meteorological Service, Department of Marine and Fisheries). Mean annual precipitation records for the following New Brunswick stations: Bass river, Bathurst, Chatham, Dorchester, Dalhousie, Fredericton, Grand Manan, Moncton, Point Secuminac, Point Lepreaux, Parker's Ridge, St. Andrews, St. Stephens, St. John, Sussex, Woodstock, will be found. *Ibid*, pp. 48-49. Since 1902, some of these stations have been discontinued and others established.

Respecting monthly records of rainfall and snowfall for Chatham, see pp. 102-103, also pp. 166-167; for St. John, see pp. 106-109, also pp. 118-119, also pp. 172-173; for Grand Manan see pp. 110-111, also pp. 174-175. See, also, chart of *Mean Annual Precipitation* embracing the Maritime Provinces, p. 193. (A new edition is in course of publication). For precipitation records at St. John consult *Annual Report of City Engineer*, 1909, p. 116, where monthly averages are given for 49 years.

Later records may be found in the *Annual Report of the Meteorological Service of Canada*. (Central Office at Toronto.) Last report issued, Ottawa, 1911, is for the year 1907. Also, consult the *Monthly Weather Review* of the Meteorological Service, which gives tables of "Pressure, Temperature, Wind, and Precipitation of stations in the Dominion of Canada." The state of Maine has published rainfall records for forty-six stations, some of which are near the international boundary. See *First Annual Report, State of Maine Water Commission*, pp. 40-50.

† Consult chapter on *Evaporation*, in *First Annual Report, State of Maine Water Storage Commission*, pp. 60-63.

EVAPORATION RECORD STATIONS IN MAINE

Station	Location	Date Established	Date Discontinued
Soldier pond.....	Soldier pond.....	July 1, 1905	Nov. 7, 1908
Millinocket.....	Ferguson pond.....	July 1, 1905	Oct. 31, 1907
Lewiston.....	Androscoggin river.....	July 1, 1905	Oct. 31, 1907
Upper dam.....	Mooselucmaguntic lake...	Aug. 19, 1905	Oct. 29, 1907

While the observations were not as continuous as could be desired, nevertheless, it is believed that they are fairly representative of the evaporation in the State, especially during the portion of the year which is most important regarding water storage. The results will be of interest when considering some New Brunswick waters. A summary of the results is given below. It will be seen that the average annual evaporation from water surface in Maine is about 26 inches, while in Boston the average is 39 inches.

AVERAGE MONTHLY EVAPORATION IN THE STATE OF MAINE

(In inches)

Month	Soldier Pond	Millinocket	Lewiston	Mooselucmaguntic Lake	Composite Average	Average evaporation near Boston
January.....			1.0		(0.7 ±)	0.98
February.....			.8		(0.7 ±)	1.01
March.....			1.7		(1.1 ±)	1.45
April.....			2.8		(1.6 ±)	2.39
May.....	1.5	2.7	2.5		(2.1)	3.82
June.....	2.5	2.8	3.3		(2.8 ±)	5.34
July.....	3.9	4.8	5.3	3.3	4.82	6.21
August.....	4.6	5.7	5.2	4.5	5.00	5.97
September.....	2.9	3.8	3.6	3.0	3.32	4.86
October.....	2.2	2.7	2.3	2.2	(2.2)	3.47
November.....			1.3		(1.3 ±)	2.24
December.....			0.7		(0.7 ±)	1.38
Total.....					25.84	39.12

It would be an advantage to have some observations respecting evaporation made in the province of New Brunswick.

**St. John River**

The St. John river drains the largest basin between the St. Lawrence and Susquehanna rivers. Its headwaters lie in the mountainous region between Canada and Maine. From the junction of the North-west and South-west branches, where the river first takes its name, to its junction with St. Francis river, a distance of 90 miles, its course is, in general, north-eastward and lies wholly in Maine, although a portion of the tributary drainage area lies wholly in Canada. From its junction with the St. Francis, the St. John flows eastward, forming the international boundary for 70 miles, and receiving in this stretch two important tributaries—Fish river, from the south, at Fort Kent, and Madawaska river, from the north, at Edmundston. Above its intersection with the eastern boundary of Maine the drainage area of the St. John measures 8,765 square miles, of which 4,670 square miles are in Maine and 4,095 square miles in Canada. From source to mouth its length is about 450 miles, and its total drainage area measures about 26,000 square miles.

The ponds and lakes in the St. John basin have an aggregate area of about 314 square miles, the largest of these lakes being tributary to the Allagash and Fish rivers. On some of the lakes rough timber crib dams are used to store water for log driving, but little attempt is made to store water after the driving season is over. In the state of Maine previous to 1845, a canal was cut from Telos lake, in the Allagash river, to Webster lake, in the Penobscot basin, and a dam was constructed between Chamberlain and Eagle lakes. In this way Cumberland lake, with its drainage area of 270 square miles, was rendered, in part, tributary to the Penobscot. This diversion continues at the present time. Its general use is to supply water to the Penobscot during the log-driving season. After the gates at the dams are opened more water flows towards the St. John as the gate sills are 0.6 feet lower than those at Telos lake.\*

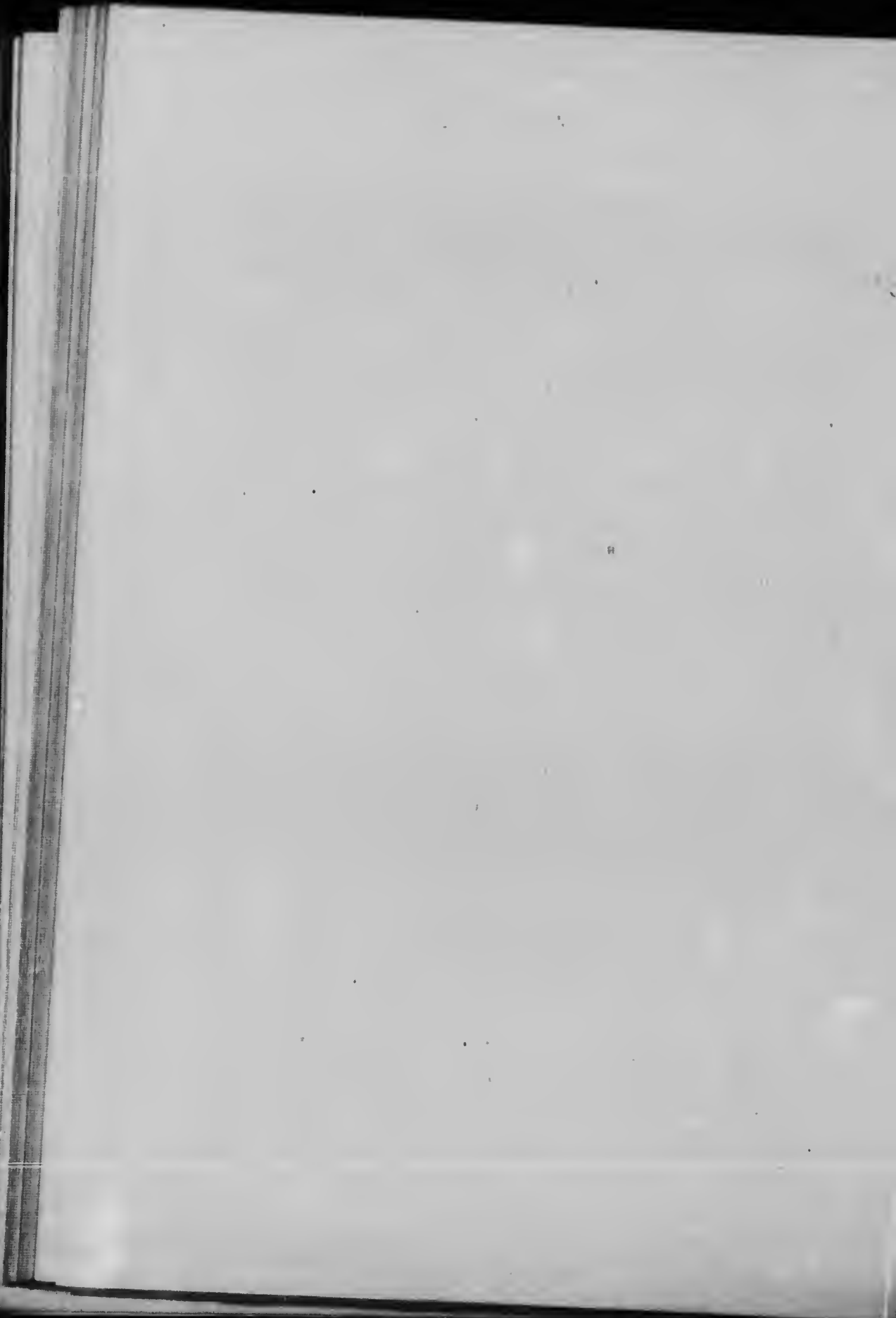
The characteristics of the watershed of the St. John river, in many important particulars, resemble those of several of its tributaries. The basin above Grand falls is largely in forest. Above the Allagash, the river may be considered as rather closely resembling several New Brunswick rivers and the data for this portion of the St. John may, for the purposes of making deductions regarding run-off, etc., be regarded as of especial value. The general contour of the drainage surfaces, the density of the forests, and the low annual temperature, are factors, which, both in the main river and many of its branches, contribute towards retaining the precipitation so as to help eke out the low-water flow.

Precipitation records in the basin of the St. John are very meagre, but from the best information now available, it seems probable that the mean annual rainfall is not over 30 to 35 inches.

\* See *First Annual Report, State of Maine Water Storage Commission*, p. 76.







**REVERSIBLE FALLS.**—The St. John river at its mouth has a restricted area, and the bed of the river has a ledge of rock from shore to shore. At the lower stages of the tide in the harbour, the river rushes over this ledge creating turbulent and unnavigable rapids. During the higher stages of the tide the flow is reversed. These features, coupled with the high tides, result in unique phenomena possessing latent water-power possibilities.

Schemes have been suggested for utilizing power from this "Reversible" fall, and some plan may yet be devised to take advantage of the power. No attempt, however, should be made to alter the natural conditions which now exist in the Reversible falls without the most mature consideration.

If we take the elevation of the bench mark at the Customs House as 100.00, low water in St. John harbour is 44.40, and high water, 71.40. Low water at Indiantown above the Reversible fall, is 59.53 and high water, 60.53.

**POWER SITES.**—Upon the Upper St. John river and its tributaries there are a number of valuable power sites in the state of Maine. On the northerly international boundary there is a possible power sit at "The Ledges." After the river enters New Brunswick there is the well-known power site at Grand falls. Suggestions have been made that power developments may be created on the St. John respectively above the mouths of the Aroostook and Pokiok rivers. Such proposals, however, would require very careful consideration before being undertaken.

**ELEVATIONS.**—In this connection the elevations in feet above sea-level of the low-water surface of the St. John river are instructive. These, for some portions of the river, as taken by the International Commission Pertaining to the St. John River, are approximately as follows:\*

**ELEVATION OF ST. JOHN RIVER ABOVE SEA-LEVEL**

(In feet)

Grand falls ..... 288.79 (Lower basin)	Tobique river, below mouth..... 221.78	Presquille, at mouth..144.96
Ortonville..... 262.61	Monquart river..... 166.74	Camel brook, mouth at Hale.....182.28
Salmon river..... 200.22	Shiktahawk river at mouth..... 150.78	Becaguimec river at mouth.....120.02
Aroostook river, near mouth..... 230.45	Below Florenceville . 151.75	Hartland, 2½ miles below.....119.51

\* The datum is that of the National Transcontinental railway.

## THE WATER-POWERS OF CANADA

The following approximate low-water levels of the St. John river are selected from the survey made for the Department of Public Works, Canada, by C. Le B. Miles. The datum is the elevation of the Canadian Pacific railway at Woodstock, rail 136.00 (*White's Altitudes*). More complete data respecting levels on the St. John will be available as the result of surveys now (1911) being made by the engineers of the St. John River Commission.

WATER LEVELS, RIVER ST. JOHN

Station, Feet		Elevations, Feet	Station, Feet		Elevations, Feet
	Woodstock, near Mc-Elroy mill.....	98.00	100,800	Below the bar.....	56.26
34,676	Opposite Riordan island.....	82.40	104,400	Near the Governors Table.....	53.92
52,200	Where channel narrows.....	73.96	114,700	Head of Meductic falls.....	49.72
67,800	Near Meductic ferry	69.88	117,000	Foot of Meductic falls.....	44.80
85,000	At Patterson mill...	63.88	123,400	Opposite Pokioh stream.....	41.43
89,800	Near Hatfield ferry*	63.38	136,181	Hawthaw bridge..	41.36
97,025	Near Belvoir bar...	61.36			

Discharge Data and Curves

There next follows a selection of data appertaining to the St. John river, and its larger tributaries above Grand falls. These data, which represent the chief component elements of the discharge at Grand falls, may be studied in connection with the diagram showing discharge curves of the upper St. John. In this diagram the zeros shown have been arbitrarily selected in order to enable the data to be presented on a single sheet. The zeros of the curves, therefore, must not be confounded with the zeros of the gauges erected upon the respective rivers. The actual elevations of the various water surfaces, above the National Transcontinental Railway datum† may be obtained from the vertical scales of the diagrams, by adding to each zero on the diagram its corresponding elevation above the National Transcontinental Railway datum as follows: St. John river above the Allagash, 534.00; Allagash, river 590.00; St. Francis river, 529.00; St. John river at Fort Kent, 486.70; Madawaska river, 475.50. Fish River zero is the Bench Mark of the United States Geological Survey, which is a copper bolt in the ledge near Wallagrass stream. Thus, by way of example, the numeral "6" above the zero on the Discharge Curve diagram for the St. John above the Allagash, corresponds to a water surface elevation of 584.00 + 6 = 590 feet above the National Transcontinental Railway datum; or, numeral "6" for the Madawaska to an elevation of 475.5 + 6 = 481.5 feet.

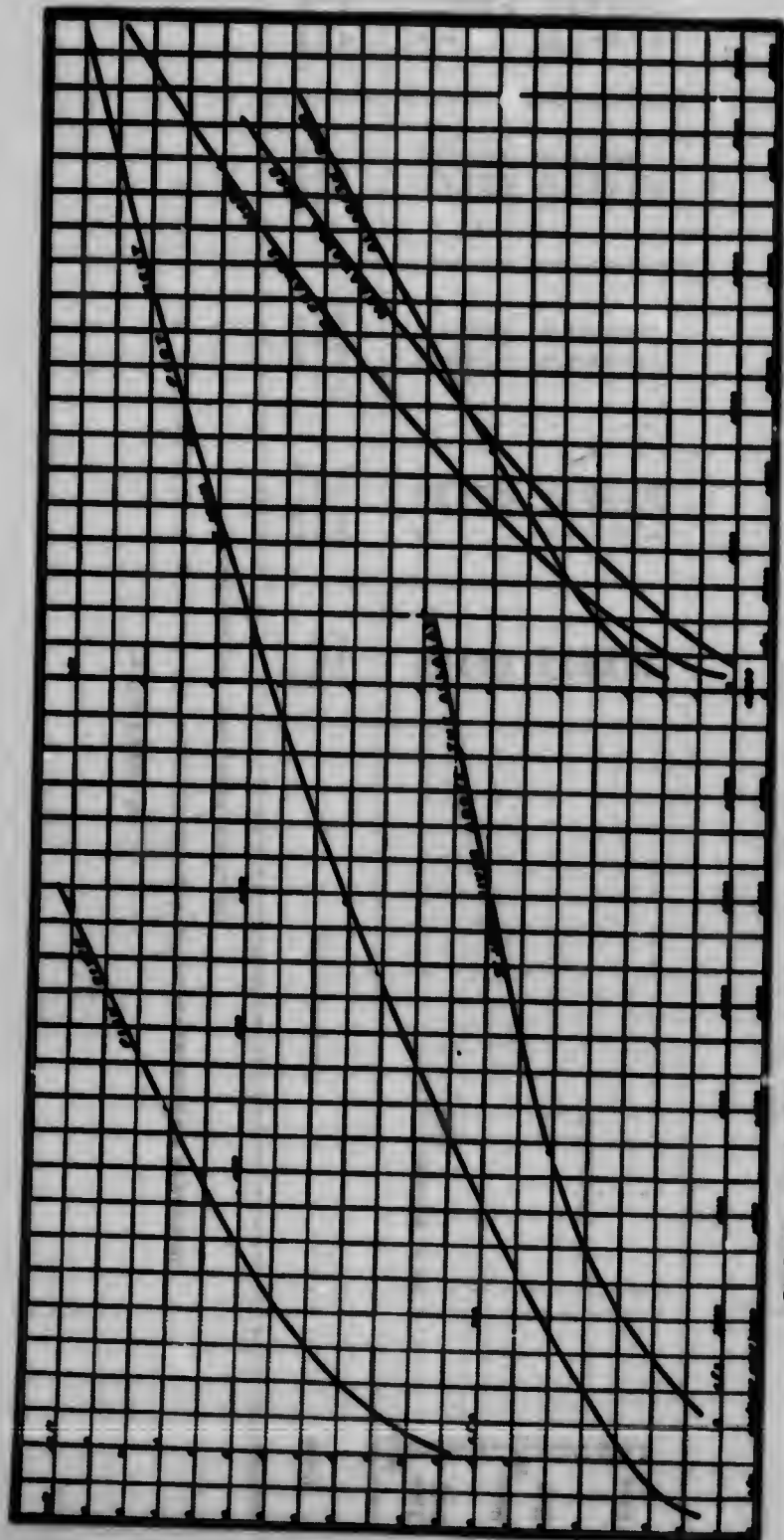
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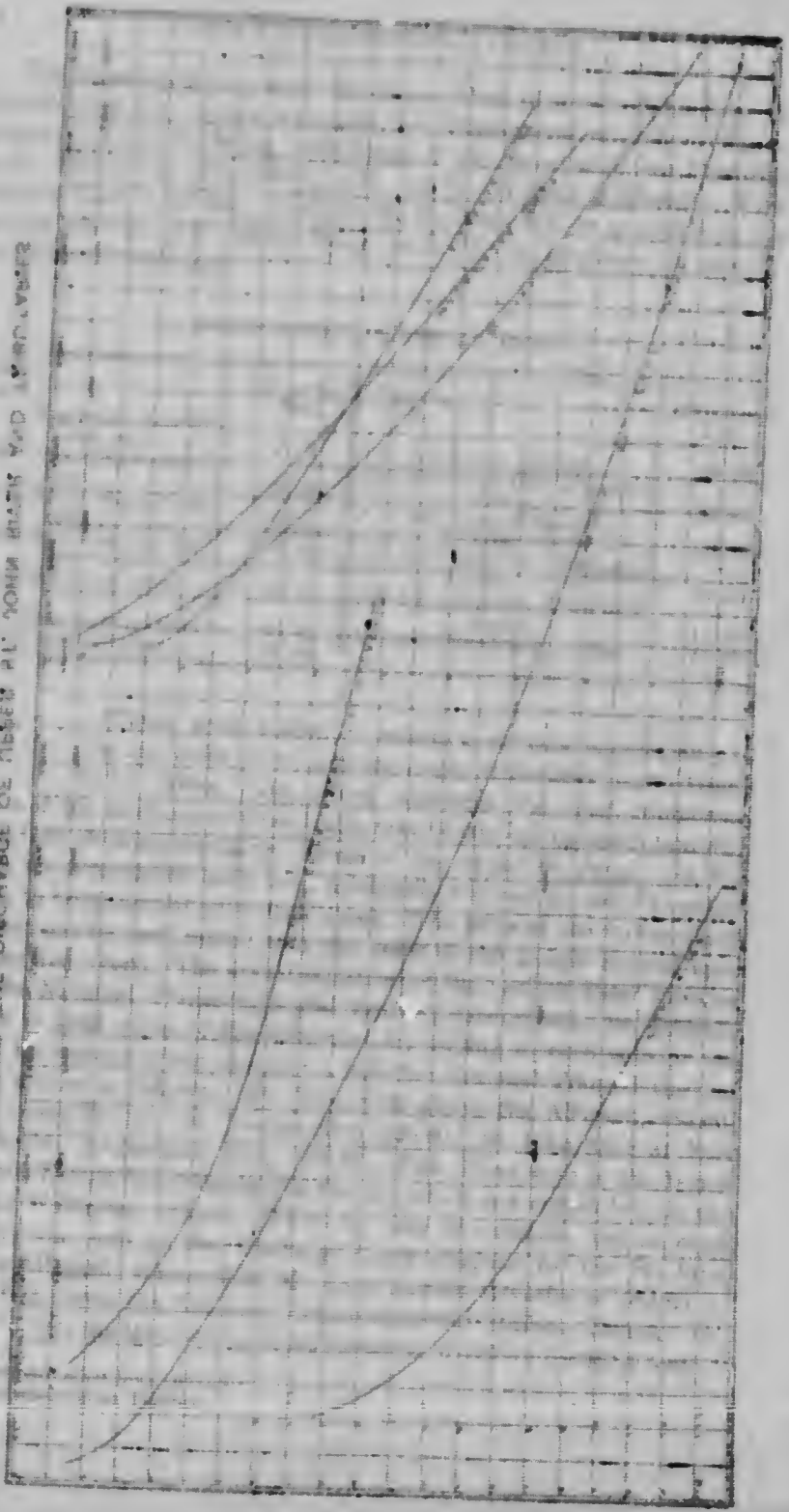
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CURVES SHOWING THE DISCHARGE OF UPPER ST. JOHN RIVER AND TRIBUTARIES

GRAPH SHOWING THE DISCHARGE OF PAPER AT 1000 PSI AND 1000 LBS



ST. JOHN RIVER

DISCHARGE MEASUREMENTS OF ST. JOHN RIVER ABOVE THE ALLAGASH, NEAR DOCKET F. O., ME., IN 1910-11  
DRAINAGE AREA, 2,627 SQUARE MILES

DATE	HYDROGRAPHER	WIDTH (feet)	AREA OF SECTION (sq. ft.)	MEAN VELOCITY (ft. per sec.)	GAGES ELEVATION (feet)	DISCHARGE (cub. ft. per sec.)
1910						
June 16.....	D. L. McLean.....	421	1,028	2.41	267.0	2,671
July 5.....	".....	295	529	2.13	266.2	1,146
" 18.....	".....	295	262	1.20	265.7	685
" 22.....	".....	295	243	1.12	265.5	295
Sept. 7.....	".....	305	485	1.27	265.7	511
1911						
May 6.....	".....	533	4,290	5.48	268.6	23,130
" 12.....	".....	533	4,270	4.84	268.6	21,260
" 21.....	A. M. Kirkpatrick.....	483	1,645	2.46	268.5	4,940
" 29.....	".....	460	1,473	2.41	268.1	3,310
June 6.....	".....	456	1,416	2.28	268.0	3,273
" 15.....	".....	470	1,645	1.62	267.0	2,670

**ST. JOHN RIVER**  
**DAILY GAUGE ELEVATIONS, IN FEET, ABOVE MEAN SEA-LEVEL,\* OF THE ST. JOHN RIVER ABOVE THE ALLAGASH,**  
**NEAR DUCKETT P. O., ME., FOR 1910†**  
**ZERO OF GAUGE IS 264-61 FT. ABOVE MEAN SEA-LEVEL.‡**

DAY	JULY	AUG.	SEPT.	OCT.	NOV.	DEC.
1.....		267-6	265-5	266-6	266-1	
2.....		267-1	265-4	265-6	267-9	
3.....		266-9	265-4	266-6	267-7	
4.....		266-7	265-4	266-6	267-0	
5.....		267-5	265-4	265-6	267-1	
6.....						
7.....	266-3					
8.....						
9.....	266-1	267-5	265-5	266-7	266-1	
10.....	266-2	267-1	266-6	266-7	266-1	
11.....	266-2	267-0	266-6	266-9	266-5	
12.....	266-1	266-9	266-4	266-4	266-5	
13.....	266-0	266-5	267-9	266-4	266-3	
14.....		266-5	266-1	266-9	267-7	
15.....		265-9	267-6	267-7	267-4	
16.....		265-9	267-0	267-2	267-1	
17.....		265-8	267-4	267-0	267-0	
18.....		265-8	267-7	266-7	267-0	
19.....		265-7	267-2	266-3	266-7	
20.....		265-7	266-5	266-2	266-6	
21.....		266-7	266-5	266-1	266-4	
22.....		266-6	266-6	266-1	266-3	
23.....		266-5	266-1	266-2	266-3	
24.....		266-2	266-0	266-2	266-2	
25.....		266-4	266-0	266-1	266-2	
26.....		266-4	266-9	266-6	266-3	
27.....		266-4	265-7	266-6	266-3	
28.....		266-5	266-3	266-3	266-1	
29.....		266-3	266-6	266-2	266-1	
30.....		266-0	266-5	266-2	266-0	
31.....		266-9	266-5	266-3	266-0	
1.....	266-1	266-6	266-5	266-1	267-9	

\*As determined by the National Transcontinental Ry.  
 †Gauging station is located at L. V. Henderson's, between the Allagash and Little Black rivers.



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ST. JOHN RIVER—Continued

Date	July	Aug.	Sept.	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.
29	586-3	585-7	585-5	586-3		
29	586-6	585-7	585-5	586-9		
29	586-5	585-7	585-5	587-3		
30	587-6	586-6	585-6	587-4		
30	587-7	585-6	585-6	588-0		
31	587-7	585-5		587-7		

ALLAGASH RIVER, MAINE

DISCHARGE MEASUREMENTS OF THE ALLAGASH RIVER AT ITS MOUTH, IN 1910-11  
DRAINAGE AREA, 1,397 SQUARE MILES

Date	Hydrographer	Width (feet)	Area of section (sq. ft.)	Mean velocity (ft. per sec.)	Gauge elevation (feet)	Discharge (cub. ft. per sec.)
1910						
June 17	D. L. McLean	268	525	2.64	583-3	2,203
July 4	"	190	370	.70	581-5	253
July 16	"	247	511	1.20	582-2	281
" 21	"	169	166	1.57	581-7	269
1911						
May 5	"	340	1,260	4.29	588-5	8,125
May 11	"	305	1,505	4.13	585-9	6,457
" 20	"	289	1,080	3.77	584-0	3,900
" 29	A. M. Kirpatrick	280	1,046	4.02	584-4	4,213
June 6	"	280	1,325	2.72	583-5	2,344
June 15	"	280	711	2.125	583-05	1,512

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**DAILY GAUGE ELEVATIONS, IN FEET, ABOVE MEAN SEA-LEVEL, OF THE ALLAGASH RIVER, AT ITS MOUTH, FOR, 1910**  
**ZERO OF GAUGE IS 500-53 FT. ABOVE MEAN SEA-LEVEL.**

DAY	JULY	AUG.	SEPT.	OCT.	NOV.	DEC.
1.....		531.9	531.8	531.9	532.4	
2.....		531.9	531.9	531.9	532.5	
3.....		531.9	531.9	531.9	532.5	
4.....		532.0	532.0	531.8	532.5	
5.....		532.0	532.0	531.8	532.4	
6.....		532.0	532.0	531.9	532.3	
7.....		532.0	532.0	531.9	532.3	
8.....		532.0	532.0	531.9	532.3	
9.....		532.0	532.0	531.9	532.3	
10.....		532.0	532.0	531.9	532.3	
11.....		531.9	532.0	531.7	532.1	
12.....		531.8	532.4	531.8	531.7	
13.....		531.8	532.4	531.9	531.7	
14.....		531.8	532.4	531.9	531.7	
15.....		531.8	532.4	531.9	531.7	
16.....		531.8	532.4	531.9	531.7	
17.....		531.8	532.4	531.9	531.7	
18.....		531.8	532.4	531.9	531.7	
19.....		531.8	532.4	531.9	531.7	
20.....		531.8	532.4	531.9	531.7	
21.....		531.8	532.4	531.9	531.7	
22.....		531.8	532.4	531.9	531.7	
23.....		531.8	532.4	531.9	531.7	
24.....		531.8	532.4	531.9	531.7	
25.....		531.8	532.4	531.9	531.7	
26.....		531.8	532.4	531.9	531.7	
27.....		531.8	532.4	531.9	531.7	
28.....		531.8	532.4	531.9	531.7	
29.....		531.8	532.4	531.9	531.7	
30.....		531.8	532.4	531.9	531.7	
31.....		531.8	532.4	531.9	531.7	

As determined by the National Transcontinental Ry.

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551-8	551-9	552-2	552-2

**ST. FRANCIS RIVER, NEW BRUNSWICK**  
 DISCHARGE MEASUREMENTS OF THE ST. FRANCIS RIVER AT ITS MOUTH, NEAR CONROSS P. O., IN 1910-11  
 DRAINAGE AREA, 530 SQUARE MILES

DATE	HYDROGRAPHER	WIDTH (feet)	AREA OF SECTION (sq. ft.)	MEAN VELOCITY (ft. per sec.)	GAUGE* ELEVATION (feet)	DISCHARGE (cub. ft. per sec.)
1910						
June 1	D. L. McLean	110	376	2.16	554.6	1,188
July 1	"	100	237	1.60	553.5	461
" 14	"	96	206	1.64	553.2	326
" 24	"	94	179	1.21	553.0	216
Oct. 20	"	94	174	1.26	552.9	219
Nov. 24	"	96	207	1.60	553.2	331
1911						
May 4	"	113.5	1,120	8.22	538.3	9,300
" 13	"	113.5	765	6.22	535.1	4,760
" 19	"	113.5	512	4.32	532.8	2,212
" 27	A. M. Kirkpatrick	113	343	3.18	531.4	1,080
June 5	"	112	333	3.11	531.3	1,036
" 14	"	105	260	2.22	530.5	578

\* During 1910, the gauge was located at Morris; during 1911, at Harveya.

**ST. FRANCIS RIVER, NEW BRUNSWICK**  
**DAILY GAGE ELEVATIONS, IN FEET, ABOVE MEAN SEA-LEVEL OF THE ST. FRANCIS RIVER, NEAR CORROSA, N. B., FOR 1910**  
**ZERO OF GAGE AT MORRIS, IN 540.46 FT. ABOVE MEAN SEA-LEVEL**

DAY	JAN.	FEB.	MAR.	APR.	MAY	JUNE	JULY	AUG.	SEPT.	OCT.	NOV.	DEC.
1						557.7	553.8	553.5	570.7	552.6	553.2	
2						558.7	553.4	553.5	552.7	552.6	553.2	
3						558.7	553.4	553.6	552.6	552.6	553.1	
4						558.7	553.4	553.6	552.6	552.6	553.1	
5						558.6	553.4	553.5	552.6	552.6	553.1	
6						558.6	553.4	553.5	552.6	552.6	553.1	
7						558.6	553.4	553.5	552.6	552.6	553.1	
8						558.6	553.4	553.5	552.6	552.6	553.1	
9						558.6	553.4	553.5	552.6	552.6	553.1	
10						558.4	553.4	553.5	552.6	552.6	553.1	
11						558.2	553.5	553.5	552.7	552.6	553.2	
12						558.1	553.5	553.5	552.7	552.6	553.4	
13						558.0	553.4	553.4	552.7	552.7	553.5	
14						558.0	553.4	553.3	552.7	552.7	553.8	
15					557.0	558.0	553.4	553.3	552.9	552.7	554.0	
16					557.0	554.9	553.3	553.3	552.9	552.7	554.1	
17					556.8	554.8	553.2	553.2	552.9	552.8	554.1	
18					556.4	554.7	553.2	553.2	552.9	552.9	554.0	
19					556.4	554.6	553.2	553.2	552.9	552.9	554.0	
20					556.0	554.6	553.2	553.1	553.0	552.9	553.8	
21					555.8	554.5	553.1	553.0	552.9	552.9	553.8	
22					555.5	554.4	553.1	553.0	552.9	552.9	553.7	
23					555.5	554.3	553.1	553.0	552.9	552.9	553.7	
24					555.8	554.2	553.1	553.1	552.8	552.9	553.6	
25					556.0	554.1	553.0	553.0	552.8	552.9	553.6	
26					556.7	554.0	553.0	553.0	552.7	552.9	553.6	
27					556.4	553.9	553.0	553.0	552.7	552.9	553.5	
28					556.3	553.9	553.0	553.0	552.7	552.9	553.5	
29					556.0	553.8	553.0	552.9	552.7	552.9	553.4	
30					555.0	553.7	553.0	552.9	552.7	552.9	553.3	
31					555.7	553.7	553.0	552.9	552.7	552.9	553.3	

\*As determined by the National Transcontinental Ry.

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ST. JOHN RIVER

DAILY GAUGE ELEVATIONS, IN FEET, ABOVE MEAN SEA-LEVEL, OF THE ST. JOHN RIVER AT FORT KENT, ME., IN 1910† ZERO OF GAUGE IS 480.70 FT. ABOVE MEAN SEA-LEVEL. DRAINAGE AREA, 5,230 SQUARE MILES.

DAY	JAN.	FEB.	MAR.	APR.	MAY	JUNE	JULY	AUG.	SEPT.	OCT.	NOV.	DEC.
1						483.7	480.6	491.4		480.7	491.2	490.0
2					487.4	494.8	490.5	491.7		480.7	491.2	490.0
3					487.3	495.3		491.5		480.7	491.2	490.0
4					487.8	394.9		491.1		480.7	491.5	490.0
5		483.1	483.4	486.2	488.6		490.3	491.1		480.7	482.6	480.8
6					486.1	483.4	490.2	491.2		480.8	488.8	491.0
7					486.1	493.8	490.2	491.4		480.2	484.4	491.2
8						483.8	490.2	491.2		480.7	494.6	
9					486.1	483.7	490.1	491.0		491.1	494.3	
10					485.8	493.7	490.1	491.0		491.2	494.8	
11						493.6	490.0	490.6	492.2	491.1	482.5	
12		492.9	492.5	490.9	493.4	493.6	490.9	490.6	492.0	490.8	491.7	
13				497.3	494.9	496.2	490.9	490.7	491.9	490.5		
14	493.4			495.6	494.5	493.1	490.9	490.9	491.5	490.3	491.4	
15				495.3		493.9	490.3	491.2	491.3	490.2	491.1	
16				495.2	493.8	492.6	490.7	491.0	490.8	490.1	491.0	
17				493.6	493.6	492.4	490.6	490.6	490.6	490.9	490.9	490.8
18				496.1	495.3	492.3	490.0	490.4		490.0	490.7	
19		492.7	492.6	495.3	492.9	491.8	490.1	490.4	490.6	490.3	490.7	
20	493.4			496.7	492.7	491.8	490.0	490.4	490.7	490.4		
21				496.8	492.5	491.6	490.0	490.4	490.5	490.2	490.6	
22				500.4		491.6	490.1	490.3	490.4	490.2	490.5	
23				502.3	492.1	491.6	490.1	490.3	490.1	490.4	490.5	
24				503.3	491.7	491.6	490.1	490.2	490.9	490.4	490.4	
25				502.8	491.9	491.6	490.2	490.3	490.9	490.3	490.3	491.3
26					491.9	491.6	490.2	490.3	490.7	490.2	490.2	

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ST. JOHN RIVER—Continued

DAY	JAN.	FEB.	MAR.	APR.	MAY	JUNE	JULY	AUG.	SEPT.	OCT.	NOV.	DEC.
26.			403.9	502.3	402.4		400.5	400.2	400.7	400.2	400.3	
27.				502.0	402.3	401.3	400.6	400.1	400.7	400.5		
28.				501.3	403.4	401.1	400.8	400.0	400.7	401.0		
30.				500.8		400.8	401.0	400.0	400.7	401.0		
31.				400.8	403.0	400.6	401.1	400.0	400.7	401.1	400.1	
					403.2			400.0	400.7		400.0	
								400.9		401.3		

\* As determined by the National Transcontinental Ry.  
 † This station is located at the foot bridge that crosses the St. John near Fort Kent P. O., a short distance above the confluence of the Fish river with the St. John. The gaugings here given have been taken by the State of Maine Water Storage Commission.

Data respecting the St. John river at Fort Kent, Me., will be found in the following: U. S. Water Supply Papers; for 1905, No. 165, pp. 21 to 24; for 1906, No. 201, pp. 23 to 25; for 1907 and 1908, No. 241, pp. 20 to 23. For discharge measurements consult No. 241, p. 21. The correspondences, or otherwise, between the series of the Water Storage Commission, and U. S. Geological Survey gauges should be ascertained before data collected by these organizations may, heretofore, be correlated.

ST. JOHN RIVER  
 RUN-077 OF ST. JOHN RIVER AT FORT KENT, ME., IN CUBIC FEET PER SECOND PER SQUARE MILE, AND DEPTH, IN INCHES

1905

	1905		1906		1907		1908		1909		1910		AVERAGE	
	Feet per sec. per sq. mile	Depth in inches	Feet per sec. per sq. mile	Depth in inches	Feet per sec. per sq. mile	Depth in inches	Feet per sec. per sq. mile	Depth in inches	Feet per sec. per sq. mile	Depth in inches	Feet per sec. per sq. mile	Depth in inches	Feet per sec. per sq. mile	Depth in inches
January					.19	.23	.83	.61	.81	.94	.28	.32	.45	.32
February					.14	.15	.27	.20	.08	.08	.29	.51	.32	.34
March					.14	.16	.45	.55	.00	.05	.74	.08	.49	.56
April			4.41	4.02	1.27	1.42	1.47	1.64	2.00	3.12	5.08	6.07	3.17	3.55
May			4.55	5.25	7.54	8.00	7.00	8.00	7.00	9.02	3.08	3.08	3.17	7.10
June			1.24	1.50	2.95	3.26	3.00	3.40	1.25	1.51	1.07	1.07	2.07	3.51
July			.58	.67	2.25	2.99	.58	.66	1.63	1.58	.37	.53	1.06	1.24
August			.20	.23	1.09	1.26	.51	.55	.94	1.06	.53	.61	.65	.75
September			.10	.11	.61	.66	.17	.19	1.53	2.04			.83	.76
October	.26	.20	.48	.55	1.42	1.64	.20	.23	2.23	2.57			.83	1.06
November	.75	.84	.42	.47	1.17	1.35	.23	.26	1.13	1.22			1.06	1.17
December									.63	.95			.74	.85
Total						24.52								
Mean					1.79	1.29			1.67	25.51			1.74	20.21

.....	1.70	.....	1.29	.....	1.87	.....	25-51	.....	20-21
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**FISH RIVER, MAINE**

**DISCHARGES MEASUREMENTS OF FISH RIVER AT U. S. GOVERNMENT STATION BELOW WALLACRAS STREAM, IN 1910\***  
DRAINAGE AREA, 823 SQUARE MILES

DATE	HYDROGRAPHER	WIDTH (feet)	AREA OF SECTION (sq. ft.)	MEAN VELOCITY (ft. per sec.)	GAUGE ELEVATION (feet)	DISCHARGE (cu. ft.)
1911						
May 16.....		166	1,157	3.70	9.54	4,290
" 22.....		182	845	3.85	7.26	2,402
" 31.....		183	694	3.12	6.20	1,443
June 7.....		151	611	3.22	5.82	1,354
" 17.....		145	542	3.00	5.06	1,065

\* Data respecting Fish river will be found in U. S. *Water Supply Papers* for 1903, No. 97, pp. 16 to 17; for 1904, No. 124, pp. 21 to 23; for 1905, No. 165, pp. 21 to 24; for 1906, No. 201, pp. 25 to 27; for 1907 and 1908, No. 241, pp. 23 to 26 and 342. See, also, No. 187, pp. 23 to 25, 26, 33 to 34, 73, 77, 82, 86 for a study of conditions under ice cover. See, also, Maine Water Storage Commission, *Fish Annual Report* p. 52, for a summary of run-off of Fish river from 1903 to 1910.

**FINE RIVER, MAINE**  
**DAILY GAUGE HEIGHT IN FEET, OF FINE RIVER AT WALLAGRAM, ME., FOR 1910. ZERO OF GAUGE IS B. M. OF U. S. GEOLOGICAL SURVEY**

DAY	JULY	AUG.	SEPT.	OCT.	NOV.	DEC.
1	.....	3.5	2.4	2.3	2.4	2.4
2	.....	3.4	2.3	.....	2.3	2.3
3	.....	3.4	2.5	.....	2.3	2.3
4	.....	3.4	.....	2.2	2.4	2.4
5	.....	3.4	2.2	.....	2.4	2.4
6	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
7	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
8	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
9	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
10	.....	3.3	2.2	2.1	.....	.....
11	.....	.....	2.2	2.2	.....	.....
12	.....	3.2	2.2	2.1	2.0	2.0
13	.....	3.2	2.2	2.1	2.0	2.0
14	.....	3.2	2.4	.....	2.0	2.0
15	.....	.....	2.5	.....	.....	.....
16	.....	3.2	.....	.....	.....	.....
17	3.7	3.2	2.5	2.0	2.0	2.2
18	3.9	3.0	2.5	2.0	2.0	2.2
19	4.0	3.0	2.5	1.9	.....	.....
20	3.9	3.0	2.6	1.9	2.4	2.4
21	.....	3.3	2.6	.....	.....	.....
22	3.7	3.3	2.6	1.9	2.4	2.4
23	3.6	3.3	.....	1.9	2.4	2.4
24	.....	3.3	2.5	2.3	2.5	2.5
25	.....	3.3	.....	.....	.....	.....
26	.....	3.5	2.3	2.0	2.0	2.4
27	3.7	3.7	2.3	2.1	2.4	2.4
28	.....	3.5	2.3	2.0	2.4	2.4
29	.....	3.7	2.3	2.0	2.4	2.4
30	.....	3.6	2.3	2.0	2.4	2.4
31	.....	3.3	2.3	2.1	2.3	2.3
.....	.....	2.5	2.3	2.2	2.4	2.4
.....	.....	2.5	2.3	.....	.....	.....
.....	.....	2.4	.....	2.4	.....	.....

\*Copper bolt in ledger near Wallagram stream.



**MADAWASKA RIVER, QUEBEC**

**DISCHARGE MEASUREMENTS OF THE MADAWASKA RIVER AT STA. ROSE, P. Q., NEAR FOOT OF TEMMOCOUATA LAKE, IN 1910-11**  
**DRAINAGE AREA, 963 SQUARE MILES**

DATE	HYDROGRAPHER	WIDTH (feet)	AREA OF SECTION (sq. ft.)	MEAN VELOCITY (ft. per sec.)	GAGE ELEVATION (feet)	DISCHARGE (cub. ft.)
1910						
June 13.....	D. L. McLean.....	60	222	1.80	479-9	3,440
June 24.....	".....	221.4	1,899	.73	479-1	1,920
July 8.....	".....	221.4	2,570	2.29	477-2	1,145
July 23.....	".....	227.0	2,845	2.05	478-6	794
Oct. 20.....	".....	219.5	2,648	2.00	478-1	480
Oct. 22.....	".....	221.5	2,404	2.07	478-9	480
Nov. 26.....	".....	221.5	2,143	1.72		689
1911						
May 4.....	".....	221.5	1,870	1.31		1,120
" 10.....	".....				480-2	5,000
" 18.....	".....				482-2	7,300
" 26.....	A. M. Kirkpatrick.....				483-6	6,803
June 3.....	".....				480-8	4,900
June 13.....	".....				479-7	3,065
					478-5	2,464

**DAILY GAGE ELEVATIONS, IN FEET, ABOVE MEAN SEA-LEVEL,<sup>o</sup> OF THE MADAWASKA RIVER AT STE. ROSE, P. Q., NEAR FOOT OF TEMISCOUATA LAKE, FOR 1910**  
**MADAWASKA RIVER, QUEBEC**  
**ZERO OF GAGES IS 475.70 FT. ABOVE MEAN SEA-LEVEL.**

DAY	MAY	JUNE	JULY	AUG.	SEPT.	OCT.	NOV.	DEC.
1		479.5	477.4	476.9	478.1	478.9	478.3	478.8
2			477.3	476.9	478.0	478.9	478.3	478.8
3		479.8	477.3	476.8	478.0	478.9	478.3	478.8
4			477.2	476.8	478.6	478.9	478.3	478.8
5		479.4	477.2	476.8	478.6	478.9	478.3	478.8
6		479.3	477.2	476.8	478.6	478.9	478.3	478.8
7			477.1	476.8	478.1	478.9	478.3	478.8
8		479.3	477.1	476.8	478.1	478.9	478.3	478.8
9		479.2	477.2	476.8	478.1	478.9	478.3	478.8
10		479.2	477.3	476.7	478.6	478.9	478.3	478.8
11		478.1	477.1	476.7	478.1	478.8	478.7	478.7
12			477.1	476.7	478.1	478.8	478.7	478.7
13		483.1	477.1	476.8	478.1	478.8	478.8	478.7
14		482.8	477.1	476.8	478.1	478.8	478.8	478.7
15		482.8	477.1	476.8	478.1	478.8	478.8	478.7
16		482.3	477.0	476.8	478.1	478.8	478.8	478.7
17			477.0	476.8	478.1	478.8	478.8	478.7
18		482.0	477.0	476.8	478.1	478.8	478.8	478.7
19		481.8	476.9	476.8	478.1	478.8	478.8	478.7
20		481.3	476.9	476.8	478.1	478.8	478.8	478.7
21		481.1	476.7	476.8	478.1	478.8	478.8	478.7
22		480.9	476.7	476.8	478.1	478.8	478.8	478.7
23		480.7	476.8	476.8	478.1	478.8	478.8	478.7
24		480.4	476.6	476.8	478.1	478.8	478.8	478.7
25		480.2	476.6	476.8	478.1	478.8	478.8	478.7
26		480.1	476.6	476.8	478.1	478.8	478.8	478.7
27		480.0	476.6	476.8	478.1	478.8	478.8	478.7
28		480.1	476.7	476.8	478.1	478.8	478.8	478.7
29		479.9	476.6	476.8	478.1	478.8	478.8	478.7
30		479.8	476.7	476.8	478.1	478.8	478.8	478.7
31		479.7	476.7	476.8	478.1	478.8	478.8	478.7
		479.8	476.9	476.1	478.9	478.3	478.5	478.5

<sup>o</sup>As determined by the National Transmission of N.Y.

**Aroostook River** The Aroostook river is the largest tributary of the St. John. Its drainage area of 2,330 square miles is nearly all in the state of Maine. The United States Geological Survey, since 1903, has maintained a gauging station at the steel highway bridge in the village of Fort Fairfield, Me., about three miles from the international boundary line.<sup>6</sup> The power development at Aroostook falls is just over the boundary in New Brunswick. On account of the comparative lack of storage facilities upon the Aroostook, and its resemblance in some marked features to some of New Brunswick's rivers, results obtainable at Fort Fairfield may profitably be studied as illustrative of the regimen of such rivers. During the low-water season, which frequently occurs in both the fall and midwinter, its flow has been known to reach a minimum of .06 cubic feet per second per square mile, a remarkably low figure for such a stream in the East.

**AROOSTOOK RIVER, MAINE**

**RUN-OFF OF AROOSTOOK RIVER AT FORT FAIRFIELD, MAINE, IN FEET PER SECOND PER SQUARE MILE, AND DEPTH, IN INCHES DRAINAGE AREA, 2,330 SQUARE MILES**

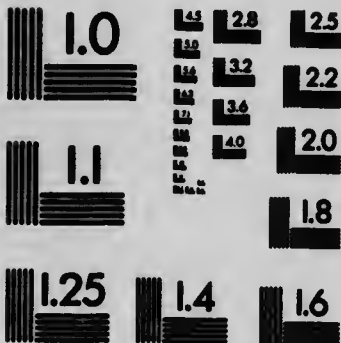
	1903		1904		1905		1906		1907		1908		1909		1910		Averages		
	Feet per sq. mile	Depth in inches	Feet per sq. mile	Depth in inches	Feet per sq. mile	Depth in inches	Feet per sq. mile	Depth in inches	Feet per sq. mile	Depth in inches	Feet per sq. mile	Depth in inches	Feet per sq. mile	Depth in inches	Feet per sq. mile	Depth in inches	Feet per sq. mile	Depth in inches	
Jan.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Feb.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Mar.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Apr.	..	..	..	..	..	..	7.31	8.16	3.06	3.32	3.07	3.42	3.32	7.48	7.48	3.28	3.34	3.34	3.34
May	..	..	..	..	..	..	8.25	9.51	7.78	8.06	7.88	9.20	7.69	8.33	4.23	4.86	7.42	8.26	8.26
June	..	..	..	..	1.18	1.32	1.79	3.09	3.76	3.08	3.75	3.67	1.06	1.20	3.26	3.03	1.94	2.16	2.16
July	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Aug.	.29	.33	.82	.94	.35	.15	.72	.83	2.40	3.77	2.36	.41	1.03	1.03	1.32	1.32	1.03	1.76	1.76
Sept.	.21	.24	.33	.26	.13	.09	.29	.32	2.32	2.08	.36	.44	1.22	1.03	.30	.34	.66	.66	.66
Oct.	.10	.11	1.50	1.49	.08	.09	.11	.13	1.08	1.16	.16	.18	3.06	3.07	..	..	.19	.19	1.14
Nov.	.41	.46	.00	.73	.07	.08	1.40	1.61	1.41	1.65	.19	.22	3.05	3.32	..	..	.88	.88	1.47
Dec.	.33	.38	.04	.67	.18	.20	.78	.87	3.71	3.02	.34	.27	3.19	3.44	..	..	.68	.68	1.47
Total.	..	..	..	..	..	..	1.32	1.53	1.53	3.11	2.23	2.20	1.62	1.57	..	..	23.17	23.17	23.28
Mean.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2.10	..	..	19.79	..	..	..	..	2.43	2.43	1.36

<sup>6</sup> See Aroostook river, consult, U. S. Water Supply Papers, for 1903, No. 97, pp. 17-18; for 1904, No. 124, pp. 23-26; for 1905, No. 163, pp. 24-27; for 1906, No. 201, pp. 27-28; for 1907 and 1908, pp. 26-30 and 31-2. See, also, *Ibid.*, Plate III, which gives the Discharge, Area, and Mean Velocity curves for the Aroostook river at Fort Fairfield, Me. See also, *Flood Annual Report, State of Maine Water Storage Commission*, pp. 52-53.



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**St. Croix River**

The St. Croix river, including the East branch, also known as the Upper St. Croix, forms nearly half of the boundary between the province of New Brunswick and the state of Maine. The total drainage area is 1,630 square miles, the East branch having 690 square miles and the West branch, at their junction, 670 square miles.

The mean annual precipitation is probably about 41 inches, varying from 44 inches at Eastport, on the coast, to 38 inches in the northern portions. The St. Croix, owing to its extensive lake system, which comprises about one-tenth of the total drainage area, has an unusually uniform flow. Since 1905, the United States Geological Survey have maintained a gauging station near Woodland, Me., about one and a half miles downstream from Sprague falls.\* The station is about ten miles below the junction of the West with the East branch, and about fourteen miles above the mouth of the St. Croix river.

**ST. CROIX RIVER, MAINE**

**RUN-OFF OF ST. CROIX RIVER NEAR WOODLAND, ME., IN FEET PER SECOND PER SQUARE MILE, AND DEPTH, IN INCHES. DRAINAGE AREA, 1420 Sq. MILES**

	1903		1904		1905		1906		1907		1908		1909		1910		AVERAGE	
	Feet per sq. mile	Depth in inches	Feet per sq. mile	Depth in inches	Feet per sq. mile	Depth in inches	Feet per sq. mile	Depth in inches	Feet per sq. mile	Depth in inches	Feet per sq. mile	Depth in inches	Feet per sq. mile	Depth in inches	Feet per sq. mile	Depth in inches	Feet per sq. mile	Depth in inches
Jan. . . . .	4.65	5.36							1.23	1.42	1.90	2.19	1.64	1.89	1.75	2.02	2.53	2.58
Feb. . . . .	3.60	3.75						.68	.71	1.27	1.37	1.11	1.16	1.16	1.73	1.80	1.68	1.76
Mar. . . . .	5.53	6.37						.96	1.10	4.55	1.79	1.81	2.09	2.09	2.05	2.36	2.98	2.74
Apr. . . . .	3.48	3.88	4.34	4.84	3.26	3.64			2.20	2.46	2.37	2.64	5.24	5.85	2.06	2.30	3.28	3.66
May. . . . .	1.59	1.83	5.05	5.82	1.79	2.06	3.29	3.79	3.30	3.80	3.68	4.24	3.30	3.82	1.87	2.16	2.98	3.44
June. . . . .	1.82	2.03	1.87	2.09	1.63	1.82	2.18	2.43	2.98	3.32	2.46	2.74	1.63	1.82	1.87	2.09	2.06	2.29
July. . . . .	1.95	2.25	2.22	2.56	2.26	2.61	1.70	1.96	2.42	2.79	2.46	2.74	1.42	1.58	1.42	1.64	1.81	2.08
Aug. . . . .	1.32	1.52	1.08	1.24	1.00	1.15	1.48	1.71	2.32	2.68	1.27	1.46	1.41	1.63	1.46	1.68	1.42	1.63
Sept. . . . .	.52	.58	.82	.92	.68	.76	.81	.90	2.20	2.46	1.06	1.18	2.94	3.28	1.43	1.60	1.31	1.46
Oct. . . . .	.52	.60	.98	1.13	.39	.45	1.42	1.64	1.74	2.01	.88	1.01	3.09	3.56	1.34	1.54	1.30	1.49
Nov. . . . .	.74	.83	.79	.88	.53	.59	1.63	1.82	1.78	1.99	.70	.79	1.82	2.03	.89	1.00	1.11	1.24
Dec. . . . .	1.32	1.52	1.02	1.18			1.44	1.66	2.06	2.38	.63	.73	1.51	1.74	.95	1.10	1.28	1.47
Total. . . . .		30.52								27.12		21.36		30.43		21.29		29.84
Mean. . . . .	2.25								1.99		1.57		2.24		1.57			1.98

\*Re St. Croix River, consult, U. S. Water Supply Papers, for 1902, No. 82, p. 14; for 1903, No. 97, pp. 20-23; for 1904, No. 124, pp. 27-30; for 1905, No. 165, pp. 28-30; for 1906, No. 201, pp. 29-31; for 1907 and 1908, No. 241, pp. 41-43, and 342. Also, consult, State of Maine, Water Storage Commission, First Annual Report, pp. 84-91. Also, Water-Powers of Maine, (U. S. Water Supply Paper, No. 69) pp. 20-27.

Annual Report, pp. 84-91. Also, *Water-Powers of Maine*, (U. S. *Water Supply Paper*, No. 69) pp. 20-27. [ 256 ]

**ST. JOHN RIVER, NEW BRUNSWICK**

DAILY GAUGE HEIGHTS, IN FEET, FOR THE ST. JOHN RIVER, IN UPPER BASIN, GRAND FALLS, N. B., FOR 1908-09-10  
 ZERO OF GAUGE IS ASSUMED AS 216.3, WHICH CORRESPONDS TO AN ELEVATION, IN FEET, OF 405.01, ABOVE MEAN SEA-LEVEL AS DETERMINED BY THE  
 NATIONAL TRANSCONTINENTAL RY.\*

DAY	JAN.	FEB.	MAR.	APR.	MAY	JUNE	JULY	AUG.	SEPT.	OCT.	NOV.	DEC.
1908												
1		217.8	218.9	219.1	232.3	229.5	221.1	217.9	217.2	216.0	216.0	216.4
2			218.9	219.3	233.6	229.5	221.0	217.6	217.0	216.0	216.0	216.5
3			218.9	218.7	233.6	229.5	220.9	217.3	217.0	216.0	215.9	216.9
4	220.1	217.8	218.7	219.4	232.1	229.2	220.7	217.1	216.8	216.4	216.0	216.0
5		217.8	218.6		232.7	227.6	220.5	217.0	216.7	216.8	216.1	216.0
6	219.9	217.8	218.4	219.5	232.5	226.5	220.4	217.2	216.6	217.1	216.1	216.3
7	219.7	217.7	218.4		232.1	225.7	220.5	217.8	216.5	217.0	215.0	216.5
8		217.7			232.4	225.0	220.7	217.9	216.7	216.8	215.8	216.4
9		217.6	218.3	219.5	232.5	224.8	220.7	218.0	216.5	216.8	216.0	216.4
10	220.0	217.5	218.2	219.3	232.5	224.4	220.5	218.1	216.4	216.6	216.2	216.3
11		217.4	218.1		232.3	223.9	220.4	218.0	216.3	216.4	216.1	216.3
12		217.4	218.0		231.9	223.6	220.2	217.9	216.3	216.2	216.0	216.2
13		217.4	217.9	219.5	232.0	223.3	220.1	217.8	216.2	216.0	216.1	216.4
14		217.3	217.9		232.1	222.9	219.9	217.8	216.1	216.3	216.1	216.4
15		217.3		219.6	232.5	222.6	219.8	217.8	216.0	216.4	216.2	216.3
16			218.1	219.9	232.5	223.1	219.7	218.4	216.0	216.3	216.2	216.4
17		218.9	218.4		232.3	223.6	219.6	218.2	215.9	216.3	215.9	216.4
18	219.0	218.9		220.2	232.2	223.9	219.2	218.4	215.8	216.3	215.7	216.3
19		218.9	218.5		232.4	224.1	218.9	218.6	215.9	216.3	215.5	216.2
20	219.0	218.9		220.4	232.4	224.6	218.8	218.8	215.8	216.2	215.5	216.4
21		219.0	218.6	220.4	232.4	225.1	218.7	219.5	215.6	216.2	215.4	216.3
22	218.6	219.1		220.4	231.4	225.5	218.5	219.8	215.9	216.1	215.3	216.4
23		218.8			230.6	225.2	218.4	219.8	215.9	216.1	215.3	216.4
24		218.6	218.7	220.7	229.8	224.6	218.4	219.3	215.8	216.1	215.6	216.3
25		218.4		221.0	229.1	223.9	218.4	218.8	215.8	216.0	215.8	216.3

\* The gauge readings, above given, may be converted into gauge elevations above sea-level, (N. T. Ry.) by adding 188.71.

ST. JOHN'S RIVER, NEW BRUNSWICK—Continued

DAY	JAN.	FEB.	MAR.	APR.	MAY	JUNE	JULY	AUG.	SEPT.	OCT.	NOV.	DEC.
26	218-3	219-3	218-9	222-6	220-3	223-4	218-3	218-4	215-7	215-9	215-8	216-3
27	218-2	219-2	218-9	223-6	227-7	223-0	218-3	218-1	215-6	216-0	216-0	216-2
28	218-2	219-2	218-9	226-6	227-9	223-6	218-0	218-0	215-5	216-3	216-1	216-3
29	218-2	219-1	218-9	229-5	228-0	222-2	218-0	217-6	215-7	216-3	216-4	216-2
30	218-1	.....	218-9	.....	227-9	221-6	218-0	217-5	215-9	216-2	216-4	216-2
31	218-1	.....	219-0	.....	228-7	.....	217-9	217-2	.....	216-1	216-4	216-1
1909												
1	215-8	216-1	216-4	217-0	224-4	224-8	220-3	220-6	221-4	227-0	220-2	221-0
2	215-6	216-1	216-3	216-9	224-5	224-0	220-2	220-6	221-2	226-5	220-2	221-4
3	215-6	216-0	217-1	217-1	224-8	223-5	220-2	220-3	221-3	225-5	220-1	221-7
4	215-6	216-0	217-1	217-1	224-6	223-0	220-8	219-3	221-3	224-8	220-1	221-6
5	215-7	216-1	217-2	217-1	224-1	222-9	221-0	219-0	222-4	224-3	222-0	221-4
6	216-4	216-2	217-2	217-2	224-4	222-6	221-3	218-6	222-5	223-8	220-0	221-4
7	216-3	216-5	217-3	217-6	224-8	222-4	221-8	218-3	222-8	223-4	219-9	221-2
8	216-2	216-4	217-3	218-3	224-5	222-2	221-9	218-0	222-8	223-0	219-9	221-2
9	216-2	216-4	217-1	218-9	227-3	222-0	221-8	218-3	222-5	222-6	219-9	221-0
10	216-1	216-3	217-1	219-1	228-5	221-8	221-9	218-3	222-2	222-0	219-8	221-0
11	216-1	216-3	217-2	219-1	231-8	221-3	221-6	.....	221-8	221-5	219-7	220-9
12	216-3	216-2	217-2	219-8	234-6	221-2	220-7	.....	221-4	221-0	219-6	220-9
13	216-3	216-2	217-2	220-1	236-9	221-1	221-0	217-3	221-3	220-8	219-6	220-8
14	216-2	216-3	217-1	220-9	236-7	221-3	221-3	218-0	221-0	221-0	220-6	220-7
15	216-1	216-3	217-1	222-2	235-4	221-1	221-0	218-5	220-8	220-9	220-2	220-5
16	216-0	216-3	217-0	222-5	234-7	221-1	221-0	219-7	220-6	221-0	220-3	220-2
17	215-9	216-3	217-0	222-5	234-5	221-5	221-3	219-3	220-5	220-8	220-4	220-2
18	215-9	216-2	216-7	223-0	234-2	221-8	221-5	219-5	220-3	220-6	220-4	220-0
19	215-9	216-3	216-7	223-1	233-8	222-3	221-8	219-1	220-0	220-4	220-2	220-0
20	215-8	216-3	216-6	223-3	233-2	222-9	222-1	218-9	219-9	220-4	220-2	220-1



21	215-7	216-2	216-7	224-0	232-1	223-4	221-9	218-8	219-8	220-4	220-1	220-2
22	215-7	216-2	216-7	224-1	231-0	223-0	222-1	218-6	219-6	220-3	220-2	220-3
23	215-7	216-2	216-7	224-5	229-8	223-3	221-8	218-4	219-4	220-5	220-2	220-3
24	215-6	216-3	216-5	224-8	229-5	220-0	221-4	218-2	219-6	220-5	220-1	220-0
25	215-5	216-5	216-5	224-9	229-3	221-8	221-3	218-0	219-8	220-4	220-2	219-8
26	215-5	216-5	216-6	225-6	228-3	221-4	221-2	219-0	220-0	220-4	220-3	219-7
27	215-5	216-4	216-8	225-9	226-6	221-0	221-0	220-7	220-7	220-3	220-3	219-5
28	215-5	216-4	217-1	225-1	226-3	220-7	220-9	221-8	220-8	220-3	220-3	219-3
29	215-7	.....	217-1	224-8	225-8	220-5	221-0	222-1	222-5	220-3	220-6	219-0
30	215-8	.....	217-1	224-6	225-4	220-5	220-7	222-4	226-1	220-2	220-7	218-9
31	216-0	.....	217-0	.....	225-0	.....	220-7	221-9	.....	220-2	.....	218-8
1910												
1	218-5	218-0	219-0	219-8	225-1	223-5	218-8	217-0	216-5	215-8	218-8	.....
2	218-3	217-9	218-9	220-0	225-0	224-5	218-8	217-0	216-3	215-7	219-1	.....
3	218-0	217-8	218-9	220-1	225-8	225-6	218-7	217-0	216-0	215-8	219-6	.....
4	217-6	217-8	218-9	220-2	224-6	225-4	218-7	217-2	215-8	215-9	220-0	.....
5	218-4	217-8	218-8	222-3	224-4	224-6	218-6	217-7	215-6	216-0	220-2	.....
6	219-5	217-7	218-7	223-4	224-0	223-5	218-5	218-0	215-4	216-1	220-4	.....
7	220-6	217-8	218-9	224-1	223-8	223-1	218-4	218-2	215-3	216-0	220-7	.....
8	220-4	217-7	218-8	224-5	223-5	223-5	218-3	218-1	215-5	216-0	221-5	.....
9	220-3	217-7	218-9	224-7	223-2	223-3	218-3	218-0	215-7	216-1	221-4	.....
10	220-2	217-7	218-7	224-7	222-9	223-1	218-2	217-9	215-6	216-2	221-1	.....
11	219-9	217-6	218-7	225-1	223-4	222-8	218-2	217-8	215-8	216-1	220-9	.....
12	219-2	217-5	218-6	224-8	223-6	222-6	218-1	217-7	216-0	216-2	220-6	.....
13	218-8	217-4	218-6	224-6	224-1	222-7	218-2	217-6	216-3	216-2	220-4	.....
14	218-5	217-3	218-7	224-4	224-8	222-7	218-0	217-6	.....	216-3	220-1	.....
15	219-1	217-2	218-7	224-8	225-5	222-3	217-9	218-0	.....	216-4	220-0	.....
16	219-4	217-2	218-7	224-0	224-9	222-0	217-8	218-0	216-5	216-5	219-8	.....
17	219-3	217-1	218-7	225-0	224-5	221-6	217-8	218-2	216-7	216-7	219-7	.....
18	219-3	217-0	218-7	224-9	223-8	221-4	217-7	213-1	216-7	216-7	219-6	.....
19	219-2	217-0	218-7	224-8	223-4	221-2	217-7	218-0	216-6	216-6	219-6	.....
20	219-2	217-2	218-6	224-7	223-1	221-0	217-7	217-9	216-3	216-3	219-4	.....

ST. JOHN'S RIVER, NEW BRUNSWICK—Continued

DAY	JAN.	FEB.	MAR.	APR.	MAY	JUNE	JULY	AUG.	SEPT.	OCT.	NOV.	DEC.
21	219-2	217-3	218-6	224-5	222-9	220-9	217-6	217-8		216-2	219-2	
22	219-1	217-5	218-5	224-3	222-7	220-8	217-6	218-7		216-2	219-0	
23	219-0	217-6	218-6	224-2	222-4	220-7	217-8	218-6		216-7	219-0	
24	218-9	217-7	218-6	224-0	221-9	220-6	217-9	218-5		217-5	219-0	
25	218-8	217-9	218-6	223-6	221-4	220-5	217-8	218-3		218-0	219-0	
26	218-7	218-3	218-6	223-4	221-7	220-0	217-7	217-9		218-3	219-1	
27	218-6	218-5	218-7	224-0	221-9	219-6	217-7	217-6		218-3	219-2	
28	218-6	219-0	218-9	224-2	223-7	219-5	217-6	217-4		218-6	219-2	
29	218-4		219-2	224-4	224-1	219-3	217-4	217-2		218-8		
30	218-2		219-4	224-6	223-8	219-0	217-3	217-0		218-8		
31	218-1		219-6		223-4		217-2	216-7		218-8		

**ST. JOHN RIVER, NEW BRUNSWICK**  
**RATING TABLE, GRAND FALLS, N. B.\***

Gauge height	Dis-charge	Gauge height	Dis-charge	Gauge height	Dis-charge	Gauge height	Dis-charge	Gauge height	Dis-charge	Gauge height	Dis-charge	Gauge height	Dis-charge
215 00	1,300	218 00	4,350	221 00	13,200	224 00	27,600	227 00	45,300	230 00	82,806		
10	1,375	10	4,400	10	13,650	10	28,200			00	88,000		
20	1,450	20	4,650	20	14,100	20	28,800	20	46,460	00	94,000		
30	1,525	30	4,775	30	14,550	30	29,400	40	47,020	00	100,000		
40	1,600	40	5,000	40	15,000	40	30,000	60	48,780	00	106,000		
50	1,675	50	5,125	50	15,450	50	30,600	80	49,940	00	112,000		
60	1,750	60	5,350	60	15,900	60	31,200				118,000		
70	1,825	70	5,575	70	16,350	70	31,800				124,000		
80	1,900	80	5,750	80	16,800	80	32,400				130,000		
90	1,975	90	5,975	90	17,250	90	33,000				136,000		
216 00	2,050	219 00	6,200	222 00	17,700	225 00	33,600	228 00	51,100				
10	2,150	10	6,425	10	18,150	10	34,200						
20	2,250	20	6,650	20	18,600	20	34,800	20	52,270				
30	2,350	30	6,825	30	19,050	30	35,400	40	53,440				
40	2,450	40	7,200	40	19,500	40	36,000	60	54,610				
50	2,550	50	7,500	50	19,950	50	36,600	80	55,780				
60	2,650	60	7,800	60	20,400	60	37,200						
70	2,750	70	8,150	70	20,850	70	37,800						
80	2,850	80	8,500	80	21,300	80	38,400						
90	2,950	90	8,850	90	21,750	90	39,000						
217 00	3,050	220 00	9,200	223 00	22,200	226 00	39,600	229 00	56,950				
10	3,175	10	9,600	10	22,650	10	40,000						
20	3,300	20	10,000	20	23,100	20	40,600	20	58,020				
30	3,425	30	10,400	30	23,600	30	41,250	40	59,290				
40	3,550	40	10,800	40	24,100	40	41,700	60	60,400				
50	3,675	50	11,200	50	24,650	50	42,300	80	61,630				
60	3,800	60	11,600	60	25,200	60	42,900						
70	3,925	70	12,000	70	25,800	70	43,500						
80	4,050	80	12,400	80	26,400	80	44,100						
90	4,200	90	12,800	90	27,000	90	44,700						

\*This table is applicable for open channel conditions.

## MONTHLY DISCHARGE AT GRAND FALLS, N. B. FOR 1908-09-10\*

DRAINAGE AREA 8279 SQUARE MILES

Month	Discharge in cubic feet per second				
	Maximum	Minimum	Mean	Per square mile	Run off depth in inches on drainage area
<b>1908</b>					
January . . . . .	19600	4400	6074	.734	.85
February . . . . .	6825	3300	5086	.614	.64
March . . . . .	6200	4200	5192	.627	.72
April . . . . .	59870	6425	14826	1.791	2.00
May . . . . .	83840	49360	70649	8.534	9.84
June . . . . .	59870	15900	32657	3.944	4.40
July . . . . .	13650	4200	8223	.993	1.12
August . . . . .	8500	3050	4710	.569	.66
September . . . . .	3300	1675	2248	.272	.30
October . . . . .	3175	1975	2361	.285	.33
November . . . . .	2450	1300	2013	.243	.27
December . . . . .	2950	1975	2525	.305	.35
The year . . . . .	83840	1300	13047	1.576	21.48
<b>1909</b>					
January . . . . .	2450	1675	1976	.239	.28
February . . . . .	2550	2050	2318	.280	.29
March . . . . .	3425	2350	2993	.362	.42
April . . . . .	39000	2950	17663	2.134	2.38
May . . . . .	103120	28200	58417	7.056	8.13
June . . . . .	32400	11200	18042	2.180	2.43
July . . . . .	18150	10000	14200	1.715	1.98
August . . . . .	19500	3425	8166	.986	1.14
September . . . . .	40000	7200	14516	1.753	1.96
October . . . . .	43300	10000	17389	2.100	2.42
November . . . . .	12000	7800	9707	1.172	1.31
December . . . . .	16350	5750	10900	1.317	1.52
The year . . . . .	103120	1675	14691	1.774	24.46
<b>1910</b>					
January . . . . .	11600	3800	6504	.786	.91
February . . . . .	6700	3050	3900	.471	.49
March . . . . .	7800	5125	5770	.697	.80
April . . . . .	34200	8500	26825	3.240	3.62
May . . . . .	38400	15000	26019	3.143	3.62
June . . . . .	37200	6200	18444	2.228	2.49
July . . . . .	5750	3300	4390	.530	.61
August . . . . .	5575	2750	4056	.490	.56
September . . . . .	2550	1525	1933	.234	.26
October . . . . .	5750	1750	2063	.353	.41
November . . . . .	15450	5750	9052	1.093	1.22
December . . . . .					
The year . . . . .	38400	1525	9987	1.206	14.99

\*For number of days entering into the determination of the means consult tables of gauge heights, above.

Sources and  
Character of  
Tabular  
Data

The column headed "Approximate area of watershed in square miles" gives the areas as measured from the best available maps.\* Later maps of portions of New Brunswick are in preparation, and will permit more accurate measurements of watershed areas to be made.

The column headed "Approximate head in feet" gives, sometimes, the natural head, sometimes, the possible head, and, sometimes, the developed head. The statements made under the column of "Remarks" must be considered in connection with the column relating to head. Wherever possible, the heads were measured by instrumental, or by hand levelling, but, in many instances, the data were supplied in answer to enquiry sent by mail. On this account considerable allowance must be made for the "personal factor." Although discretion has been exercised in sifting the data, yet, generally speaking, the heads given must be regarded only as approximations.

The column headed "Estimated low water 24-hours horse-power for 8 months" may be explained as follows:† Numerically considered, the majority of New Brunswick's water-power sites would practically be inoperative for at least three to four months of the year, namely, during the summer and early fall. In considering the situation as a whole, it has been concluded that the power possibilities of New Brunswick's waters, from the standpoint of usability, may more fairly be presented in tables on an eight, than on a twelve months' basis. The eight months' column, therefore, gives the *estimated* least amounts of water-power that may be obtained continuously for eight months of the year. In most instances, and, especially in the cases of the smaller streams, the estimated quantities of power given in the tables could not be obtained without the special utilization of storage. On the other hand, at certain seasons of the year, much more power than is indicated may be developed. If, in addition to such general storage facilities as each individual case demands, additional means exist for locally storing the flow for, say, twelve hours, then, practically double the listed horse-power would be available for the other ten or twelve hours of the day. The column gives *theoretical* quantities of horse-power. In practice, only from sixty-five to eighty per cent. of the theoretical horse-power is recoverable and, with the limited data at hand, it is not possible to differentiate between the various powers. In such a list some powers may be over-estimated, others, under-estimated.

\* The principal maps of New Brunswick are as follow: *Topographical Sheet of New Brunswick*, No. 13, (Dept. of Interior, Ottawa), includes the whole of N. B. with exception of Madawaska and portions of Westmorland and Albert counties. For Madawaska, see *Serial Sheets*, and other maps published by Geological Survey of Canada, listed in *Catalogue of Publications*; *Map of the Province of New Brunswick*, by T. G. Loggie, 1885, scale 4 m. 1 in.; *Map of the Province of New Brunswick*, by T. G. Loggie, 1907, scale, 10 m. = 1 in.; *Map of the Maritime Provinces*, (Mackinlay), 1910, scale, 7.63 m. = 1 in.

† For description of methods adopted in preparing tables, consult pp. 19-21.

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Allowances have not been made for the requirements of log driving. In a word, the *estimated, theoretical* quantities of horse-power, given in the fourth column, simply indicate the magnitude of the power possibilities at the respective water-power sites. If powers are to be dealt with individually, and for special purposes, then data are demanded of a more precise and special nature than those here given.\*

NEW BRUNSWICK†  
DISTRICT NO. IV—SOUTHWESTERN NEW BRUNSWICK

Site	Approximate area of watershed (in square miles)	Approximate head (in feet)	Estimated low-water 24-hour H.P. for 6 months. (Theoretical)	Remarks
St. Croix river;‡ (Main river).....				
{ Todd dam.....	1,630	8-12	2,550	Saw mill on both banks, at head of tide; also electric light station developing 600 H.P.
{ Salmon fall ..	1,530	21	5,480	
740. { Milltown (Murchie & { Son's mill).....		9	450	Canadian Cotton Mills Co., Ltd.; three 54-inch Hercules turbines installed; about 1,100 H.P. actually in use
{ Milltown { Eaton Dam	1,530	12	3,130	On U. S. side, saw and planing mill. A wing dam diverts only a portion of the water in the river; about 450 H.P. developed
{ Baring dam..	1,120	8-10	2,180	
741. { Sprague fall. ...	1,390	46	10,900	Eaton's saw mills on both sides of river
{ Grand falls { (Lower pitch)	1,360	15-20	4,000	Old saw mill site 5 miles below Sprague; said to have 12 ft. fall from pond to foot of rips below the dam
742. { Grand falls { (Upper pitch)	1,360	15-20	4,000	14,350 H.P. developed by the St. Croix Paper Co., (U. S. A.)
				Similar to upper pitch, and about half a mile below it
				Just below mouth of West branch. Abrupt fall of 6 ft., also heavy rapids below

\* Respecting the use of auxiliary plants see, above p. 205

† This list is not complete for the power sites of New Brunswick. Although every effort was made, it was not possible, in the time available, to obtain satisfactory data respecting some rivers, as, for example, the Restigouche and parts of the Miramichi. Such additional data may be made available should more comprehensive survey in the field be undertaken.

‡ For discharge data respecting St. Croix river see table above.

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DISTRICT NO. IV—SOUTHWESTERN NEW BRUNSWICK—Continued

Site	Approximate Area of Watershed (in square miles)	Approximate Head (in feet)	Estimated low-water 24-hour H.P. 8 months (normal)	Remarks
St. Croix river: (East branch) ..	600	20	2,190	Located two miles above mouth of West branch
743. Spedic falls.....	660	11	1,150	Fall of 11 ft. in about half mile; 12 miles below Little fall
744. Canoe rapids....				
745. Little fall .....	500	3-4	270	High banks at dam site; 3 to 4 ft. fall in 300 or 400 ft.; 8 miles below Vanceboro
746. { Old tannery dam.....	420	8	535	Abandoned site; tannery destroyed by fire
	Vanceboro storage dam....	420	13.5	
Porter Mill stream; 747. Maritime Edge Tool Co.....	40	20	65	90 H.P. developed
Bocabec river: 748. Saw mill dam ..	12	20	19	Sawmill
Digdeguash river: 749. Mouth of river..	181	30	430	Possible dam site. About 20 miles from mouth
750. Rolling mill dam	144	13	150	
Linterna river: 756. Mill dam.....	40	6-8	22	Saw mill near Bonney river
Magaguadavic river: 751. St. George fall ..	688	45	3,500	3,000 H.P. developed by St. George Pulp Co. Gillmor Bros. saw mill; possible, 18-20 ft.
{ Second fall ...	572	12	780	
752. { McDougall fall .....	552	16	1,000	About 5 miles above Gillmor dam; 16 ft. fall in about 500 ft.; high rocky banks
753. Little fall .....	468	6	320	
754. Magaguadavic Lake dam....	150	9	150	About 6 miles above McDougall fall

## DISTRICT No IV—SOUTHWESTERN NEW BRUNSWICK—Continued

Site	Approximate area of watershed (in square miles)	Approximate head (in feet)	Estimated low-water 24-hour H.P. for 8 months. (Theoretical)	Remarks	
<b>Magaguadavic river:</b> (N. E. branch)					
755.	D. Little, mill dam.....	48	18	70	Excelsior mill
	York woollen mill dam...	48	18-20	70	Orist mill; also woollen and carding mill
	R. Little, mill dam.....	40	15	48	Saw mill
<b>Lepreau river:</b>					
757.	First fall .....	90	50	350	At tidewater; possible dam site
	Big fall .....	90	80-90	600	Log-driving dam. Fall in about 500 ft
758.	Ragged fall ..	76	80	480	80 ft. fall in about $\frac{1}{2}$ mile; possible dam site
750.	Forks dam....	63	8	40	
	Victoria Lake dam .....	20	10	16	
<b>Musquash river:</b> (West branch)					
760.	Mill dam.....	76	15	100	Abandoned mill site, about $1\frac{1}{2}$ miles from forks
	Big fall .....	76	30	200	Dam site; high rocky banks
<b>Musquash river:</b> (N. E. branch)					
761.	Mill dam.....	68	22	135	Head might be increased 10-15 ft.
	First roll.....	68	8	50	High rocky banks 50-60 ft. high
	Second roll...	68	10	60	High rocky banks, 50-60 ft. high
	Loch Alva dam.....	51	20-30	115	Head might be obtained by crossing rocky ridge between lake and river



DISTRICT No. V—SOUTHEASTERN NEW BRUNSWICK

Site	Approximate area of watershed (in square miles)	Approximate head (in feet)	Estimated low-water 24-hour H.P. for 8 months. (Theoretical)	Remarks
Misepoc river: 762. Misepoc fall .....	52	60	.....	Owned by city of St. John only surplus water available for power purposes; at present in use by pulp mill
Little river: 763. Silver fall .....	16	30.8	.....	Partly owned by city of St. John, only surplus water available for power purposes
Salmon river: 764. First dam.....	108	29	250	Saw mill. Fall of 29 ft. in about $\frac{1}{2}$ mile above dam
Seadouc river: 765. Electric Co. dam	31	25	55	Shediac Elec. Lt. & Pr. Co.
Cocagne river: (Kent co.) 766. Lockhart dam ..	50	17	58	Possible 24 feet. Old saw mill site; 6 miles above mouth
Kouchibouguacis river: 767. McLeod mills ..	112	18	135	Former saw mill site Possible 24 ft. head
Kouchibouguac river: 768. Atkinson & Sullivan dam site	144	50	490	High rocky banks, said to be possible head of 100 ft. due to rapid fall of river
Bay-du-Vin river: (Northumberland co.) 769. Old dam.....	88	30	180	Old dam site, about 8 or 9 miles above mouth

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## DISTRICT No. VI—MIRAMICHI RIVER AND TRIBUTARIES

Site	Approximate area of watershed (in square miles)	Approximate head (in feet)	Estimated low-water 24-hour H.P. for 8 months. (Theoretical)	Remarks
<b>Barnaby river:</b> 770. Saunders dam...	192	40	520	Old mill dam, about half-mile above mouth
<b>Sabbie river:</b> 771. Underhill dam...	80	30	160	Abandoned mill dam, .. about 9 miles above mouth of Cain bridge
<b>N. W. Millstream:</b> 772. Old mill dam...	76	28	145	Possible dam site near mouth of N. W. Miramichi
<b>Southwest Miramichi:</b> 773. { Grey rapids... Doctor Island	2,032 1,800	30 10-15	5,000 2,000	Possible dam site Possible dam site at Blackville
<b>Renous river:</b> 774. Possible dam site	280	30	660	Possible dam site, 3 to 7 miles above Indian town
<b>Bartholomew river:</b> 775. Old saw mill site.	152	15	180	At Blackville; former saw and grist mill
<b>Taxes river:</b> 776. Old mill site....	196	30	460	Abandoned mill dam
<b>Burntland Brook:</b> 777. Grist mill dam..	56	10	38	Head, it is said, might be increased to 20 ft.
<b>Little S. W. Miramichi:</b> 778. Red Stone rapids	544	30	1,400	Possible dam site near mouth of Catamaran brook
779. { Beachy rapids Rocky island.	308 300	30 20	800 500	Possible dam site
780. Mains ledges....	276	20-25	550	Possible dam site; rapids Possible dam site
<b>North Pole branch:</b> 781. Falls.....	60	20-30	100	About half-mile above mouth
<b>Northwest Miramichi:</b> 782. The Falls.....	116	60	470	Possible dam site; dam, it is said, might be about 100 ft. high
<b>Sevogle river:</b> (North branch) 783. Sevogle fall ....	84	30	170	Fall of 10 ft.; possible 30 ft. head, about one mile above the "Square Forks"

DISTRICT No. VII—NORTHERN NEW BRUNSWICK

Site	Approximate area of watershed (in square miles)	Approximate head (in feet)	Estimated low-water 24-hour H.P. for 8 months. (Theoretical)	Remarks	
<b>Caraquet river:</b>					
784. Walker dam....	70	16-18	95	At Burnsville; possible 25 ft. head	
<b>Nipisiguit river:</b>					
785. Pabineau fall ...	730	25	1,600	Fall in about 1,200 ft.	
786. Midlanding rapids.....	716	30	1,900	Fall is about 1/2 mile; high rocky banks	
787. {	Chain-of-rocks rapld .....	658	35	2,000	Fall in about 1/2 mile; high rocky banks
	Grand fall and rapids .	644	00-125 1	6,500	Falls, 57-85 ft.: rapids below falls have descent of 30-40 ft.
788. The Narrows....	628	30	1,700	Possible head of 50-60 ft	
789. Indian fall .....	344	.....	.....		
<b>Tetagouche river:</b>					
790. {	Browns dam .	152	12	145	Might be raised to 35 ft., one mile below Bathurst
	Bathurst Elec. Co. dam....	148	24	280	Might be raised to 50 ft.; 300 H.P. developed
<b>Jacquet river:</b>					
791. Dam at mouth..	160	12	150	Proposed dam	
<b>Charlo river:</b>					
792. {	Falls on N. branch.....	72	40	225	Possible dam site, 3 miles above forks
	Falls on S. branch.....	60	18-25	105	Possible dam site; 1 mile from mouth
<b>Upsalquitch river:</b>					
793. Little fall .....	872	18	1,250	Actual fall 8 ft.; high banks	
794. Big fall .....	800	25	1,600	Actual fall 6 ft.; high banks	
795. Southeast fall...	320	25	640	Actual fall 8 ft; high banks	
<b>Restigouche river:*</b>					
796.	.....	.....	.....		

\* At the date of publication, data for the Restigouche river could not be obtained. Owing to the lateness of the season, it was not practicable to prosecute field-work in this territory.

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## DISTRICT No. VIII—ST. JOHN RIVER AND TRIBUTARIES

Site	Approximate area of watershed (in square miles)	Approximate head (in feet)	Estimated low-water 24-hour H.P. for 8 months. (Theoretical)	Remarks
<b>Belleisle creek:</b>				
797. { Northrop mill dam.....	32	26	47	Saw mill, about 4 miles from mouth
{ Sharpe mill dam.....	30	26	44	Grist mill, about 7 miles from mouth
<b>Smith river:</b>				
798. Oldfield mill dam	76	26	110	Grist mill; possible 50 ft. head, about 2 miles from junction
799. Pierce mill dam.	60	26	88	Saw and grist mill, about 5 miles from junction
800. Robinson mill dam.....	34	25	48	Saw mill, about 8 miles from junction
<b>Newcastle creek:</b>				
801. Mill dam.....	78	10	44	Saw and grist mill
<b>Nerepis river:</b>				
802. Fowler fall.....	175	5	50	Near Nerepis; low banks, meadow land
803. {	20	20	22	Possible dam site
{	20	20	22	Possible 40 ft. head; rocky banks
Flaglor brook: Falls near mouth.....				
<b>Oromocto river:</b>				
(South branch)				
804. So. Branch falls.	160	22	280	10 miles from mouth; head might be increased to about 40 ft.
<b>Oromocto river:</b>				
(North branch)				
805. Near Tracey....	212	20-25	350	Fall of 23 ft. in 3 miles from Fredericton junction to Tracey
<b>Nashwaak river:</b>				
806. Marysville mill dam.....	660	25	1,100	
807. Douglas mill dam	236	8	125	At Stanley
<b>Cross creek:</b>				
808. Robbin mill dam	64	10	40	

DISTRICT No. VIII—ST. JOHN RIVER AND TRIBUTARIES—Continued

Site	Approximate area of watershed (in square miles)	Approximate head (in feet)	Estimated low-water 24-hour H.P. for 8 months. (Theoretical)	Remarks	
<b>Nacawic river:</b>					
809. Mouth of river...	172	20	230	Old mill site	
810. Temperance Vale mill dam.....	92	26	160	Saw and grist mill. Said to be a drop of about 130 feet in 2 miles above dam	
<b>Pokiok river:</b>					
811. { Factory dam to St. John river.....	82	100	650	Head of 28 ft., now utilized for sash and door factory by Gilman and Burden	
{ The Narrows..	70	100	560		Fall of 100 ft. in about half a mile
<b>Shogomoc river:</b>					
812. Dam at mouth..	100	70-90	700	It is stated that a 16 ft. dam on ledge above highway bridge would give 90 feet head in about 1,500 feet	
<b>Eel river:</b>					
813. White mill.....	224	10	200	Saw and grist mill. Possible 40-50 ft. head	
814. Eel River falls..	160	50	700	Near Benton. Possible dam site	
<b>Meduxnekeag river:</b>					
815. First dam.....	520	13	500	Grist mill, 275 H.P. developed	
815. { Woodstock Electric Co.	520	27-32	1,100	600 H.P. developed for light and power	
816. Oakville mill dam.....	160	15	190		On N. W. Branch; Briggs' saw mill
<b>Little Presquille river:</b>					
817. { Waterville mill	56	14	54	About 3 miles from mouth; saw mill	
{ Clark mill dam	48	10	33		About 4 miles from mouth; grist mill
{ Burpee mill dam.....	48	10	33		About 5 miles from mouth; saw mill
818. { Carvill grist mill dam...	28	19	37	About 10 miles from mouth; grist mill	
{ Williamstown lake dam...	28	15	29		About 10 miles from mouth; saw mill

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## DISTRICT No. VIII—ST. JOHN RIVER AND TRIBUTARIES—Continued

Site	Approximate area of watershed (in square miles)	Approximate head (in feet)	Estimated low-water 24-hour H.P. for 8 months. (Theoretical)	Remarks
<b>Becaguimec river:</b> 819. Near mouth of river.....	208	20	280	Possible dam site about one mile from mouth; rocky banks; said to be about 50 ft. high
<b>Presquille river:</b> 820. Sherwood dam..	156	17	180	At Centreville; grist mill 50 H.P. plant, lights Centreville
<b>Shiktahawk river:</b> 821. Saw mill dam...	76	9	39	About 3 miles from mouth
<b>Monquart river:</b> 822. Dam at mouth...	68	8	31	Saw mill; might be increased to 20 ft. head
<b>Des Chutes river:</b> 823. Mill dam.....	28	80	125	Saw mill, Miller Bros
<b>Muniak river:</b> 824. Dam at mouth..	21	19	21	Saw mill
<b>Tobique river:</b> 825. The Narrows....	1,728	30	5,000	High rocky banks; 30 ft. would back the water up about 3½ miles
826. Red rapid .....	1,656	10	1,600	Possible dam site
827. Fraser mill dam.	1,276	5-10	1,000	At Plaster Rock, Fraser Bros. have a 5 ft. dam It might be raised to 10 ft.—possibly more
<b>Pokiok stream:</b> (branch of Tobique) 828. Sadler mill dam.	32	46	80	At mouth
<b>Otella river:</b> 829. Fall .....	20	90	100	Fall of 90 ft. in about half a mile; bottom is ledge; steep banks about 8 miles from mouth
<b>Odell river:</b> Sluice fall ....	20	60	68	Fall of 60 ft. in about 400 ft.; on Right Hand branch, half a mile above forks; good banks
830. Big fall .....	16	80	72	3 miles above Sluice falls
Black Jaws....	12	25	17	3 miles above Big falls

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Site	Approximate area of watershed (in square miles)	Approximate head (in feet)	Estimated low-water 24-hour H.P. for 8 months. (Theoretical)	Remarks
<b>Sisson branch:</b> 831. Sisson falls.....	90	80	490	High banks
<b>Right-hand branch:</b> 832. Fall .....	340	50	1,600	Fall of 25 ft., 50 ft. fall in about $\frac{1}{2}$ mile
<b>Serpentine river:</b> 833. McCarty fall ...	148	40	470	Fall, 15 ft.; 40 ft. descent in about half a mile; 4 miles from mouth; Good banks
834. {	Big fall .....	100	45	Fall, 15 ft.; 45 ft. in about half-a-mile. Banks fair. About 8 miles from mouth
	Little fall ....	92	55	Descent of 10 ft. in about half a mile; banks fair; about 2 miles above Big fall
<b>Aroostook river:*</b> 835. Aroostook fall ..	2,280	77	13,000	1800 H.P. developed by the Maine and New Brunswick Electric Power Co.; proposed to add 2,000 H.P. unit
<b>Limestone river:</b> 836. {	First three falls.....	80	94	Partly owned by municipalities of Perth and Andover
	Edwards mill dam .....	80	21	Grist mill
<b>Little river:</b> (Enters St. John at Grand fall) 837. Burgess dam....	146	12	120	Burgess saw mill
<b>Grand river:</b> 838. Michaud dam...	164	10	110	Abandoned mill site; near mouth
<b>Green river:†</b> 839. Mill dam .....	544	15	650	Saw mill; at mouth of river; might be increased to 25 ft.

\* For discharge data respecting the Aroostook river, see Table, page 255

† On June 22nd, 1910, the discharge of the Green river was 910 cubic feet per second, with a drainage area of 215 square miles above the metering station.

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Site	Approximate area of watershed (in square miles)	Approximate head (in feet)	Estimated low-water 24-hour H.P. for 8 months. (Theoretical)	Remarks
840 Emerson farm. Foot of First lake.....	496	15-20	690	Being developed (1911)
841. Dam site.....	104	20	166	Possible dam site; rocky banks Possible dam site on right hand branch, above forks
	212	20	330	
Iroquois river:				
842. Saw mill dam.	75	12	60	At highway bridge Saw mill, about 5 miles up
Rosseau dam.	67	20	90	
Madawaska river:*				
843. Murchie dam...	1,090	12-15	1,600	Saw mill at Edmundston
Baker brook:				
844. Fraser mill dam.	170	12	180	Saw mill, at mouth
845. Foot of Baker lake.....	22	15	30	Possible dam site
Little river:				
846. Pelky mill.....	40	12	27	Saw mill
St. Francis river:†				
847. Foot of Glasier lake.....	539	30	1,200	Possible dam site Possible dam site, known as the "Mill Privilege;" exceptional natural site for storage reservoir
848. Outlet of Cross lake.....	357	23	800	
St. John river:‡				
849. Pokiok site.....	14,600	20	33,000	Proposed site of the St. John River Electric Power Co. Natural fall 119½ ft.; fall itself is 74 ft.; descent in chasm 45½ ft.; contemplated developed head, 130 ft. Rocky banks, but there is a possibility of flooding improved properties
850. Grand fall.....	5,280	120-130	120,000	
851. "The Ledges"...	5,280	15	9,000	

\* For discharge data respecting the Madawaska river, see Table on page 283

† For discharge data respecting the St. Francis river, see Table on page 247

‡ For discharge data respecting the St. John river see tables above. It has been proposed to erect a dam at a site about 750 feet above Grand falls. The proposed dam will give a head of 130 and its crest will be at about elevation 232 (Grand Falls Power Co. datum). The storage in the head waters of the St. John river will greatly enhance the value of power sites upon this river. Part of this storage would be required to produce the quantities of estimated power given in the table.



## CHAPTER VIII

### Water-powers of Manitoba, Saskatchewan, Alberta, Yukon and North West Territories

*Owing to the paucity of information available, it has not been possible to do more than refer briefly to the more immediately accessible powers in Manitoba, Alberta, Saskatchewan, British Columbia, North West Territories and Yukon. Statements without any reliable basis have been made respecting the powers in these provinces and territories but, with a few exceptions, they can only be characterized as guesses. Information of a more exhaustive character will, however, be prepared at the earliest date possible and published as a report on the Water-powers of Western Canada. The brief reports herein published will serve as a reconnaissance of the more accessible powers of the Prairie Provinces and British Columbia, pending the collection of more complete information.*

**T**HE rivers and streams of Manitoba, Saskatchewan, Alberta, North West Territories, the Railway Belt and the Peace River Block of British Columbia are under the control of the Dominion Government. The disposal and use of the water-powers in Manitoba, Saskatchewan, Alberta, North West Territories and the Peace River Block\* are regulated by Section 35 of the Dominion Lands Act, 1908, and by regulations established thereunder by Orders in Council. These regulations were also made applicable to water-powers in Dominion Forest Reserves and Parks by an Order in Council of June 6, 1911. Litigation regarding jurisdiction over the water-powers in the Railway Belt has resulted in Federal control of the powers in that section being upheld and legislation governing their disposal is now (July, 1911) before the Dominion Parliament.† Irrigation in Saskatchewan, and Alberta is regulated by the Irrigation Act (R.S.C., 1906, chap. 61).

The application of the foregoing acts and regulations is under the direction of the Minister of the Interior.

#### Laws and Regulations

**Regulations under the Dominion Lands Act**      Section 35 of the Dominion Lands Act provides as follows:  
**35.** Land required for the development of any water-power shall only be sold or leased under regulations made by the Governor in Council.

\*For the text of Bill 124, "A Bill relating to the water in the Railway Belt and Peace River Block of land," see chap. X.

†The above-mentioned bill—No.124—it will be noted, also makes provision for the disposal of water-powers in the Peace River Block.

2. Subject to rights which exist or may be created under *The Irrigation Act*, the Governor in Council may make regulations: (a) for the diversion, taking or use of water for power purposes, and the granting of the right to divert, take and use water for such purposes, provided that it shall be a condition of the diversion or taking of water that it shall be returned to the channel through which it would have flowed if there had been no such diversion or taking, in such manner as not to lessen the volume of water in the said channel; (b) for the construction on or through Dominion or other lands of sluices, races, dams or other works necessary in connection with such diversion, taking or use of water; (c) for the transmission, distribution, sale and use of power and energy generated therefrom; (d) for the damming of and diversion of any stream, watercourse, lake or other body of water for the purpose of storing water to augment or increase the flow of water for power purposes during dry season; (e) for fixing the fees, charges, rents, royalties or dues to be paid for the use of water for power purposes, and the rates to be charged for power or energy derived therefrom.

3. Any person who under such regulations is authorized to divert, take or use water for power purposes, or to construct works in connection with the diversion, taking or use of water for such purposes, shall for the purposes of his undertaking have the powers conferred by *The Railway Act* upon railway companies, including those for the acquisition and taking of the requisite lands, so far as such powers are applicable to the undertaking and are not inconsistent with the provisions of this Act or the regulations thereunder, or with the authority given to such person under such regulations,—the provisions of the said *Railway Act* giving such powers being taken for the purposes of this section to refer to the undertaking of such person where in that Act they refer to the railway of the railway company concerned.

4. All maps, plans and books of reference showing lands other than Crown land necessary to be acquired by any such person for right-of-way or other purposes in connection with his undertaking shall be signed and certified correct by a duly qualified Dominion land surveyor.

5. Such maps, plans and books of reference shall be prepared in duplicate, and one copy thereof shall be filed in the office of the Minister at Ottawa, and the other shall be registered in the land titles office for the registration district within which the lands affected are situated.

6. The Minister, or such officer as he designates, shall in case of dispute be the sole and final judge as to the area of land which may

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be taken by any person without the consent of the owner for any purpose in connection with any water power undertaking.

Under the present regulations, the application for a license must go through three distinct stages before the license is finally granted. These may be briefly summarized as follows: First, the applicant, having obtained the necessary information regarding the proposed development, applies to the Minister for the license, his application being accompanied by a description of the site and proposed works. Second, if the Minister approves of the works, he then enters into an agreement with the applicant for a license, by which the latter is allowed to proceed with the construction of the works. Third, when the works are completed and the Minister is satisfied that the terms of the agreement have been fulfilled, he then issues the license to the applicant.

Following is the text of the regulations now in force:—

1. Under these regulations the word "works" shall be held to mean and include all sluices, races, dams, weirs, tunnels, pits, slides, flumes, machines fixed to the soil, buildings and other structures for taking, diverting and storing water for power purposes, or for developing water-power and rendering the same available for use.

**Application for License** 2. Every applicant for a license to take and use water for power purposes shall file with the Minister of the Interior a statement in duplicate setting forth:

- (a) The name, address and occupation of the applicant.
- (b) The financial standing of the applicant so far as it relates to his ability to carry out the proposed works.
- (c) The character of the proposed works.
- (d) The name, or if unnamed, a sufficient description of the river, lake or other source from which water is proposed to be taken or diverted.
- (e) The point of diversion.
- (f) The height of the fall or rapid of such river, lake or other source of water at high, medium and low stages, with corresponding discharges of water per second, reckoned approximately in cubic feet.
- (g) A reasonably accurate description, and the area, of the lands required in connection with the proposed works, such lands, if in surveyed territory, to be described by section, township and range, or river or other lot, as the case may be, and a statement whether such lands are or are not Dominion lands.
- (h) If such lands be not Dominion lands, then the applicant shall give the name of the registered owner in fee, and of any registered mortgagee or lessee thereof, and of any claimant in actual possession other than a registered owner, mortgagee or lessee.
- (i) The minimum and maximum amount of water-power which the applicant proposes to develop, and the maximum amount of water which he desires for such purpose.

(j) Sketch plan showing approximate locations of the proposed works.

(k) Elevations of head water and tail water of the nearest existing works, if any, below and above the proposed works.

(l) Particulars as to any water to be taken, diverted or stored to the detriment of the operation of existing works, if any.

(m) Particulars as to any irrigation ditches or reservoirs, or other works for irrigation within the meaning of the *Irrigation Act*, in use or in course of construction within the vicinity of the proposed works, and which might affect or be affected by the operation of the proposed works.

3. If the applicant be an incorporated company, the statement shall, in addition to the foregoing information, set forth:

(a) The name of the company.

(b) The names of the directors and officers of the company, and their places of residence.

(c) The head office of the company in Canada.

(d) The amount of subscribed and paid-up capital, and the proposed method of raising further funds, if required, for the construction and operation of the proposed works.

(e) Copy of such parts of the charter or memorandum of association as authorize the application and proposed works.

4. If the applicant be a municipality, then, excluding the special information to be given by a company, the following information shall be given:

(a) The location, area and boundaries of the municipality.

(b) The approximate number of its inhabitants.

(c) The present estimated value of the property owned by such municipality, and the value of the property subject to taxation by such municipality.

5. The Minister of the Interior shall have the power to call for such other plans and descriptions, together with such measurements, specifications, levels, profiles, elevations and other information as he may deem necessary, and the same shall be furnished by and at the expense of the applicant.

Agreement  
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6. Upon receipt and consideration of the application, and information accompanying same, the Minister of the Interior may, if he approve of the proposed works, enter into an agreement with the applicant, which agreement, in addition to usual conditions and covenants, shall contain clauses to provide as follow:

(a) For a time within which the proposed works shall be begun.

(b) For a stated minimum amount of expenditure to be made in connection with the works annually during the term of the agreement.

(c) For a stated amount of water-power to be developed from the water applied for within a fixed period not exceeding five years.

(d) For summary cancellation of the agreement by the Minister if any of the above conditions have not been complied with.

(e) For defining and allotting the areas of Dominion lands within which the applicant may construct and operate the proposed works; and if there be no Dominion lands available for such purposes then for defining and allotting the lands in regard to which the applicant may exercise the powers given under section 35, subsection 3, of *The Dominion Lands Act*.

(f) For granting a license to the applicant, upon fulfilment of the said agreement, to take, divert and use for power purposes a stated maximum amount of water, in accordance with the application, and plans and specifications as approved by the Minister; the term of such license to be twenty-one years at a fixed fee payable annually, and such license to be renewable as provided for in these regulations.

(g) For granting a lease to the applicant of such Dominion lands as may be allotted under paragraph (e) of this section, and approved of by the Minister, such lease to be at a fixed rental for a term of twenty-one years running concurrently with the said license, and renewable in like manner, and as near as may be subject to all the terms and conditions thereof. When there are no Dominion lands available for such purpose, or when other lands are considered by the Minister to be more suitable for such purpose, then the Minister shall define such lands in regard to which the applicant may exercise the powers given under section 35, subsection 3, of the *Dominion Lands Act*.

7. During the construction of any works for the development of water power the Minister of the Interior, or any engineer appointed by him for that purpose, shall have free access to all parts of such works for the purpose of inspecting same, and ascertaining if the construction thereof is in accordance with the plans and specifications approved of by the Minister, and whether the terms of the agreement as provided for in the preceding section, are being fulfilled.

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8. Upon fulfilment by the applicant of all conditions of the said agreement, the Minister of the Interior shall grant to the applicant a license as agreed upon; and such license shall contain clauses to provide as follows:

(a) The term of the license shall be twenty-one years, renewable for three further consecutive terms of twenty-one years each, at a fixed fee payable annually, and to be readjusted at the beginning of each term, as hereunder provided.

(b) At the expiry of each term of twenty-one years the Governor in Council, may, on the recommendation of the Minister, order and direct that the license and any lease granted in connection therewith be cancelled: Provided that the Minister shall have given at least one year's notice to the licensee of intention so to cancel.

(c) If the licensee shall refuse to pay the license fee as readjusted by the Governor in Council, or as fixed by arbitrators chosen as provided in paragraph (e) hereunder, then in such case the Minister may renew the license at the former fee, or the Governor in Council may, on the recommendation of the Minister, order and direct that the license and any lease issued in connection therewith be cancelled.

(d) In either of the above cases compensation shall be paid to the licensee as provided for in paragraph (e) hereunder.

(e) On termination of the third renewal of such license, except in case of default on the part of the licensee in observance of any of the conditions thereof, or of any lease granted in connection therewith, compensation shall be paid for the works to the amount fixed by arbitration, one arbitrator to be appointed by the Governor in Council, the second by the licensee, and the third by the two so appointed. If the licensee fails to appoint an arbitrator within ten days after being notified by the Minister to make such appointment, or if the two arbitrators appointed by the Governor in Council and the licensee fail to agree upon a third arbitrator within ten days after their appointment or within such further period as may be fixed by the Minister in either such cases such arbitrator or third arbitrator, as the case may be, shall be appointed by the Judge of the Exchequer Court of Canada. In fixing the amount of compensation only the value of the actual and tangible works and of any lands held in fee in connection therewith shall be considered, and not the value of the rights and privileges granted, or the revenues, profits or dividends, being, or likely to be, derived therefrom.

(f) The license shall state the maximum amount of water which the licensee may divert, store and use for power purposes, and shall provide for the return to the stream, or other source of water, of the full amount so diverted.

(g) The licensee shall develop such power as, in the opinion of the Minister, there shall be a public demand for, up to the full extent possible from the amount of water granted by the license.

(h) Upon a report being made by the Minister of the Interior to the Governor in Council that the licensee has not developed the amount of power for which there is a public demand, and which could be developed from the amount of water granted by the license, the Governor in Council may order to be developed and rendered available for public use the additional amount of power for which there is, in the opinion of the Minister, a public demand, up to the full extent possible from the amount of water granted by the license, and within a period to be fixed by the Minister, which period shall not be less than two years after the licensee or person in charge of the existing works shall have been notified of such order, and in default of compliance with such order the Governor in Council may direct that the license, together with any lease issued under these regulations shall be cancelled, and the works shall thereupon vest and become the property of the Crown without any compensation to the licensee.

(i) Upon a report being made by the Minister of the Interior to the Governor in Council that a greater amount of water-power could be developed advantageously to the public interests from the same stream or other source of water from which the existing works derive power, and (1st) that the existing works could be enlarged or added to for such purpose, then the Governor in Council may authorize the Minister to offer the licensee the privilege of constructing and operating such enlarged or additional works at or in the vicinity of the existing works, and to grant such supplementary license as he may consider proper for such purpose, and if the licensee fail within six months thereafter to accept such offer, and in good faith to begin and carry on to completion such enlarged or additional works, and to complete



same in accordance with plans and specifications approved of by the Minister, and within a fixed period not to exceed five years, and upon like conditions as the existing works were begun and completed; or (2nd) if the Minister shall report to the Governor in Council that the existing works, owing to their location or construction, cannot advantageously be enlarged or added to in order to develop further power sufficient to meet the probable demand, or would be a hindrance to other works contemplated for such purpose; or, (3rd) that the existing works cannot, or will not, be any longer advantageously operated owing to the exercise of rights existing or created under *The Irrigation Act*; then in every such case, the Governor in Council may order and direct that the license, and any lease in connection therewith, and all rights thereunder, shall be cancelled, and the existing works shall thereupon vest in and become the property of the Crown; Provided always that in every such case compensation shall be paid to the licensee as provided for in paragraph (e) of section 8 of these regulations, together with a bonus apportioned as follows:

(1) If the works have been in operation less than five years, a thirty per cent. bonus upon the value of the works.

(2) If in operation more than five, and less than ten years, a twenty-five per cent. bonus.

(3) If in operation more than ten, and less than fifteen years, a twenty per cent. bonus.

(4) If in operation more than fifteen, and less than twenty years, a fifteen per cent. bonus.

(5) If in operation twenty years or more, a ten per cent. bonus.

(j) That the license shall not be transferable without the written consent of the Minister, and that if the licensee fail to keep and observe all or any of the conditions of the license, or any renewal thereof, or of any lease to be issued in connection therewith, then the license, together with such lease, shall in every such case be subject to cancellation by the Exchequer Court on the application of the Crown.

(k) That a schedule of rates and prices to be charged to the public for the use of power shall first be submitted by the licensee to the Board of Railway Commissioners of Canada for adjustment and approval before being put into effect, and that no rates or prices for power shall be legal or enforceable until such schedule has been so adjusted and approved nor if they shall exceed the amount fixed by such schedule; and that such schedule shall be readjusted and approved by the Board every seven years during the term of the lease and license, and all renewals thereof.

(l) That for the purpose of ascertaining the quantity of power actually developed, or capable of being developed, from the amount of water granted by such license, the Minister, or any engineer appointed by him for that purpose, shall have free access to all parts of the works, and to all books, plans or records in connection therewith, bearing on the quantity of power developed, and may make measurements, take observations and do such other things as he may consider necessary or expedient for such purpose, and the findings of the Minister, or such engineer, thereon shall be conclusive and binding upon the licensee.

(m) For the proper provision, as required by law, for the passage of logs and timber down the stream or other waterway affected by the works.

(n) For the erection and maintenance by the licensee of a durable and efficient fishway in the stream or other waterway affected by the works when so required by the proper officer or authority in that behalf.

(o) That the licensee shall have no right to any water beyond the amount stated in the license.

(p) For the indemnifying of the Crown against all actions, claims or demands against it by reason of anything done by the licensee in the exercise, or purported exercise, of the rights and privileges granted under the lease or license.

9. The agreements and licenses to be issued hereunder shall, subject always to the provisions of these regulations, be in such form and contain such provisions as the Minister may from time to time determine.

10. If at any time it is proposed by the applicant or the licensee to divert water from any lake or body of water for storage purposes, or to dam same in order to augment the flow of water in any stream from which water-power is to be developed, the applicant or licensee shall, in addition to other information required under these regulations, file plans as follows:

(a) A general plan in duplicate, on tracing linen, showing the location of such lake or other body of water, and the lands to be submerged or otherwise affected, and contour lines showing the water level at high and low stages, and the level to which it is proposed to raise such water for storage, and the estimated storage capacity of such lake or other body of water.

(b) A plan in duplicate, from actual survey, by a Dominion Land Surveyor, and certified to by him, showing the lands to be submerged or otherwise affected by the proposed storage; the name of the registered owner in fee of such lands, and of any registered mortgagee or lessee thereof, and of any claimant in actual possession other than a registered owner, mortgagee or lessee.

(c) A detail plan in duplicate on tracing linen, showing all dams and other works proposed to be constructed in connection with such storage.

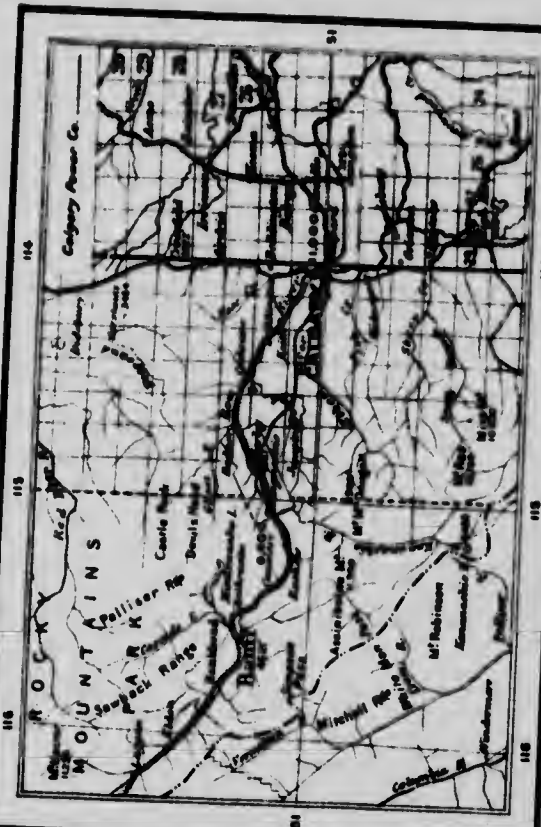
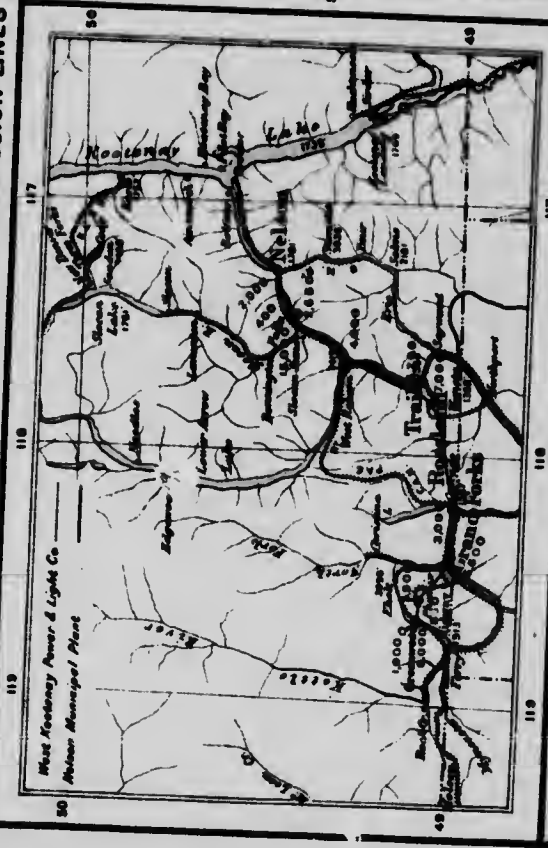
11. When the plans for such storage of water have been approved of by the Minister of the Interior, provision for same shall be made in the agreement for a license, or in the license itself, or in a supplementary license to be issued for such purpose, upon such terms and conditions as may appear to the Minister reasonable or expedient in the circumstances of each case, and subject to these regulations.

**Irrigation Act** This Act applies to the provinces of Saskatchewan, Alberta and to the North West Territories with the exception of the districts of Mackenzie, Franklin, and Ungava; its application being governed by the Minister of the Interior. Companies formed to promote irrigation are subject to its provisions and upon proper application

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may acquire any water owned by the Crown, the granting of which does not deprive other persons of the water necessary for domestic use.

The Act provides that the applicant, after submitting a general description of his proposed works and paying a nominal fee, may obtain a license from the chief engineer; this license permits him to enter public and private lands for survey to enable him to prepare the full description and detail plans which must accompany his final application. Once the application is in, the applicant must also give public notice of the fying of the plans and memorials, which are to be open for examination by the public in the Department and at the office of the Commissioner.

The Governor in Council may authorize companies whose works are contiguous to amalgamate; but, again, in this case, plans of proposed works must be fyled and public notice given in the same manner as for new works.

If the expropriation of any land is necessary, the proceedings are to be practically the same as for railways under the Railway Act.

In case of dispute respecting the quantity of water diverted, the Minister may order an inspection by an officer whose report shall be final; and, further, the Minister may cancel the license if water is wasted or if the works are abandoned.

The Governor in Council may take over and operate or otherwise dispose of the works of any licensee, provided the users or prospective users do not suffer and proper compensation is allowed as determined by arbitration.

Each company subject to this Act must make returns to the Minister on or before January 31st, under specified heads which include financial statements and descriptive data respecting the works and proposed extensions.

### I. Manitoba

By far the largest water-powers of Manitoba are situated in the Winnipeg river and, owing to the advancement made in long distance transmission of electrical energy, all are now within easy transmitting distance of the principal centres of population of the Province.

A survey of the Winnipeg river, with special reference to its water-powers, has been made by Mr. W. Thibaudeau for the Department of the Interior, and most of the information given in the table which follows, has been extracted from his report.\* Two important power sites on this stream have already been developed, to supply electrical energy to the city of Winnipeg, one at Pointe du Bois and the other in the Pinawa channel. Work on other developments will, probably, be commenced at an early date.

\* Topographical Survey report, 1907-3.



There are also water-powers in the western portion of the Province in the Little Saskatchewan, Assiniboine, and other rivers; but these, although of some importance on account of their geographical positions, are smaller than those of the Winnipeg river.

Notes on  
Some of the  
Power Sites

**WINNIPEG RIVER.\***—The Winnipeg river has its source in the lake of the Woods, which lies, partly, in Manitoba, partly, in Ontario, and partly, in Minnesota. The lake has an area of over 1,850 sq. miles and is controlled at Kenora by a dam. The Winnipeg river with its tributary, the English, has a drainage basin of some 44,000 sq. miles. Of its length of 158 miles, 105 miles are in Manitoba and 53 miles in Ontario. Of this basin, the English river drains 20,600 sq. miles. Practically the whole of this drainage basin is underlain by Archæan rocks. It has a considerable portion of forested area untouched by the lumberman, and a multitude of lakes of various sizes whose total area aggregates 5,650 sq. miles. The largest of these is the lake of the Woods.

Various discharges are given for the Winnipeg river, and, from these, minimum flows have been estimated by several engineers. The lowest estimate is 16,000 cubic feet per second, and has been adopted in the accompanying table.

The numerous lakes, swamps, and muskegs of this region have, naturally, tended to make the discharge of the river more uniform. The forest denudation which has taken place through lumbering operations, through fires, and through settlement, sparse though it is, has doubtless increased the range of variation in discharge, but, on the other hand, the improvements at the outlets of the lake of the Woods have had the contrary effect. This lake has an estimated storage capacity of seventy per cent. of the yearly run-off and could be so controlled as to almost double the present minimum flow of the Winnipeg river, but, as a portion of it is in the United States raising the level would involve an international question.

The first important fall in ascending the river, is Pine fall, situated on Sec. 29, Tp. 18, R. X. A dam resting on solid granite and about 860 feet long would raise the head to 11.87 feet. Silver and Whitemud falls could be combined by a dam 21 feet high and about 800 feet long, which would give a total head of 43.62 feet. Grand du Bonnet fall is situated on Secs. 14, 15, 22 and 23, Tp. 17, R. XI. Here, a dam could be built to raise the water 14 feet, obliterating McArthur fall and giving a total head of 48.09 feet and a minimum horse-power of 87,250. The total length of the dam across the two channels of the river would be

\* Most of the information given here respecting this river was secured from W. Thibaudeau's report already referred to, and from a paper read before the Canadian Society of Civil Engineers, Jan., 1911, by W. G. Chace, who had charge of the construction of the Winnipeg municipal plant at Pointe du Bois.

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about 795 feet, and it would rest on solid granite. The Pinawa channel is used by the Winnipeg Street Railway Co., for their 25,000 H.P. plant. They have had to cut away a large amount of rock from the head of this channel for a distance of four miles. Their diversion weir, which is built across the main channel, raises the water about six feet and has the effect of diverting from the main stream to the Pinawa channel the additional water required at their generating station. At Slave fall, a dam could be built to raise the water 8.19 feet, obliterating the Eight-foot fall and giving a total head of 25.58 feet with a minimum of 46,450 horse-power. This dam would be some 350 feet long, and would rest on solid granite.

Pointe du Bois and Lamprey falls are to be utilized by the city of Winnipeg municipal generating plant. They have been combined by a dam and system of works at the head of Pointe du Bois fall, giving a total head of 45.8 feet. Improvements are being carried out by the city which will improve the regulation of head at this site, so that a maximum variation of not over three per cent. each way from a standard of 45 feet will occur. There was, originally, a stillwater expanse, eight miles long and about 3,600 acres in extent above Pointe du Bois and below Lamprey falls. By the new construction, this acreage has been increased to nearly 6,000, with very considerable advantage to the operation of the city's power plant, since, by using this as a reservoir to take care of the daily variations in load, it is estimated that a peak load of almost double the minimum 24-hour capacity of the river can be carried without objectionable variations of head.

## II. Saskatchewan and Alberta

In connection with irrigation, much data have been collected and many observations have been made for the Department of the Interior on streams in the southern portions of these provinces. The Irrigation Survey reports contain valuable data on the flow of streams at different stages. This information can be used in connection with water-power estimates where the available head at the different rapids and falls on the streams is obtainable from other sources or from actual observations. In 1908, stream measurement investigations became a distinct feature of the work and a report by P. M. Sauder on "Progress of Stream Measurements" was published in 1910, giving the results of observations taken on different streams during the years 1908 and 1909.

An investigation of the water-powers of south-western Alberta was made by Mr. W. Thibaudeau for the Topographical Surveys Branch and the report published on this in 1910, gives very complete and comprehensive information on the water-powers in that territory. Some of the water-powers of these provinces have also been investigated by private corporations.

**Notes on More  
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Streams and  
Power  
Developments**

**NORTH SASKATCHEWAN RIVER.**—Notwithstanding the various rapids, the North Saskatchewan river may be considered a navigable stream throughout its length from the head of the Grand rapids, near lake Winnipeg, to Edmonton and beyond. For many years, it has been navigated by the Hudson's Bay Company's steamboats, which make one or two trips a year to carry supplies for the posts. Between Prince Albert and the Grand rapids, a distance of 525 miles along the river, there are only two points where difficulty is experienced in navigating the river on account of rapids. Difficulties are encountered at Cole rapids, which consists of a series of short rapids, and at Tobin rapids, 140 miles below Prince Albert, where there is a series of rapids eight miles in length. Navigation usually begins about the end of May and continues till the low-water season in August. The boats used have a maximum draft of three feet. The proposed development at Cole rapids has for its principal object the supply of electrical energy to Prince Albert, 25 miles distant. It includes the building of a heavy dam and lock to provide for the navigation of the river. The minimum discharge of the river at this point is taken to be 4,600 cubic feet per second, and, under the head of 28 feet which can be obtained, would give 14,700 theoretical horse-power.

**Bow River.**—The Bow river rises in the watershed of the Rocky mountains, and flows in a southeasterly direction until it reaches the foothill country at the "Gap." It then turns to the east as far as Calgary, and, thence, runs south and east to its confluence with the Belly river. Between its source and the "Gap," a number of streams flow into it from the various mountain valleys that it intersects. Almost immediately after leaving the mountains it is joined from the south by the Kananaskis river, a stream of good size and fairly uniform flow, which has its source in the eastern ranges of the Rocky mountains in muskegs and lakes lying at a considerable elevation. From this point to its confluence with the Belly river, the Bow furnishes the run-off channel for the eastern slope of the Rocky mountains and is fed by numerous streams. It flows in a deep valley, some hundreds of feet below the surrounding bench land, in a well-defined channel, with banks and bottom of coarse gravel, large stones and boulders. It is broken in several places by falls and rapids. At Calgary, a hydro-electric plant, operating under a low head of 14 feet, derives its power from one of these. A large development at Horseshoe and Kananaskis falls, where a head of 70 feet is obtained, is now completed and will supply electrical energy to the city of Calgary and to other interests. The initial installation comprises two generators each of 2,500 K. W. capacity, but the development is designed for an ultimate capacity of some 15,000 H.P. There is another fall of some importance near Banff, a head of about 64 feet being available. As this is much nearer the head-waters, less power than that which can be obtained at the sites previously referred to, is available.

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The Bow river is tapped at Calgary to supply the Canadian Pacific Railway Company's irrigation canal, which, at times, takes over 450 c. f. s. or more than one-third of the low-water flow of the river at this point.

**ST. MARY RIVER.**—The upper St. Mary river valley which is well defined, and consists of rolling slopes and "cut banks," is half a mile wide. Through it the river flows at an average depth of 145 feet below the surface of the surrounding country. From Secs. 23 to 25, Tp. 1, R. XXX, the valley takes the form of a cañon which averages 150 feet in depth. The bottom is of solid sandstone and limestone, visible nearly everywhere. The upper portion of the river valley to the international boundary consists, alternately, of flats and cut banks, 50 to 100 feet high. The drainage conditions are favourable for a quick run-off. Power could be developed at Sec. 25, Tp. 1, R. XXV, by building a dam, but a higher head could be obtained by carrying the water from the international boundary by a canal and pipes to the point above mentioned, a total distance of about ten miles. The lower portion of the St. Mary river can hardly be depended upon for water-power, at least during the season of irrigation, as the Alberta Railway and Irrigation Company have secured the right to use practically the whole flow of the river for irrigation purposes.

Other streams in southwestern Alberta, in which water-power varying from 600 to 2,700 H.P., could be developed, are Tib creek, Blakiston brook and Waterton, South Fork, Oldman, Crownest, Livingstone, Sheep and Elbow rivers. All the streams in the Rocky mountains, the Red Deer, Clearwater, North Saskatchewan and its mountain tributaries, the Athabaska, Smoky, Wapiti, Peace and many other rivers will permit large developments and, in most instances, are fed by glacier streams with a summer flow that is rendered fairly uniform by the discharge from the melting *mers de glace*.

**ATHABASKA RIVER.**—Rising in the watershed range of the Rocky mountains and receiving many glacial tributaries, the Athabaska contains many valuable power sites between its source, at an altitude of about 5,000 feet, and its *débouchement* into lake Athabaska at an altitude of 690 feet. Of these, the most noted are at the succession of falls and rapids known collectively, as the Grand rapids. As they can only be rendered navigable by canals, the question of interference with navigation does not require consideration.

**PEACE RIVER.**—The remarks respecting the Athabaska also apply in large measure to this river. In addition to the power sites in the ranges west of the Rockies, there are two important sites on this stream. The upper is at Rocky Mountain portage. At this point the river is a raging torrent flowing 25 miles through a cañon, and has a total fall of 270 feet. The lower is situated at Vermilion fall, the only interruption to navigation between its confluence with Slave river and above Dunvegan, a distance of upwards of 530 miles.

## III. Yukon

There is very little information available respecting the water-powers of Yukon territory, though it contains many magnificent powers, only one of which has been developed. This power has been developed by the Yukon Gold Company, on Little Twelve-mile creek, near Dawson. It operates all their dredges and hydraulic lifts and their machine shops. The dredges are among the largest of their kind in the world. This power-plant receives 60 cu. ft. of water per second under an effective head of 650 feet. It has a capacity of 2,000 H.P., which is transmitted, at a tension of 33,000 volts, 36 miles straight across country.

The table below gives the discharge of some of the principal rivers of Yukon and of the Mackenzie.

River	Discharge	Remarks
<b>Yukon river:</b>		
At Fort Selkirk.....	66,955	Flood discharge, 167,400
Lewis river, at Fort Selkirk.....	37,672	
" " above mouth of Teslin....	18,664	
" " above mouth of Takhini, about.....	7,200	Low water discharge, 15,600
Teslin river, at mouth.....	11,436	Fall in Miles cañon and White-horse rapid about 35 ft.
Big Salmon river, at mouth.....	2,726	
Takhini river.....	3,600	Fall in Hoole cañon, 20 ft; rapid 17 miles east of Hoole cañon, fall 8 ft.
Pelly river, at Fort Selkirk.....	29,283	
" " at Pelly Banks.....	4,898	
Macmillan river, at mouth.....	9,796*	
Ross river, at mouth.....	4,898*	
<b>Liard river:</b>		
† Upper Liard river, at junction with Dease river, estimated.....	19,000	Approximate mean stage
Frances river, at Upper cañon.....	500,000	
*† Mackenzie river, about.....		Fall, about 30 ft.
		Approximate mean stage

\* The discharge of the Ross is taken as equal to that of the Pelly at "Pelly Banks;" that of the Macmillan is as equal to the combined waters of the Pelly and Ross.

† In British Columbia, near southern boundary of Yukon.

\*† In North West Territories.



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WHITE HORSE RAPIDS, LEWIS RIVER, YUKON

WHITE HORSE RAPIDS, LEWES RIVER, YUKON



HYDRAULICING IN AMERICAN GULCH, YUKON



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NORTH WEST TERRITORIES

WATER-POWERS\*

Power Site	Approximate Head, in feet	Estimated Horse-power	Remarks
<b>Nelson river: †</b>			
903. Limestone rapid .....	85*†	1,140,000	
904. Long Spruce " .....	85	1,140,000	
905. Kettle " .....	96	1,290,000	
905. Gull " .....	67	900,000	
907. Birthday " .....	24	320,000	
908. Grand " .....	20	270,000	
909. Rapids above Sepewesk lake.	31	416,000	
910. Bladder rapid .....	10.6	147,000	
911. Whitemud fall .....	30	403,000	
912. Ebb-and-Flow rapid .....	11	148,000	
913. Rapids above Cross lake....	45	608,000	
<b>Saskatchewan river:</b>			
914. Grand rapids ‡.....	100	80,000	

**Stream Flow** The following table gives information respecting the flow of some of the streams in Saskatchewan and Alberta.\*\* It was obtained at points where regular observations were taken as described in the first part of this section. No observations were taken during the winter months (December, January, February, March nor, in most cases, November).

SASKATCHEWAN  
MEASUREMENTS OF STREAM FLOW

Observation Point	Yearly maximum (in c. f. s.)	Yearly minimum (in c. f. s.)	Drainage area in sq. miles	Remarks
Maple creek Near Maple Creek.....		0.04	91	Gaugings in 1909 only
Piapot creek Sec. 17, Tp. 11, R. XXIV.....	552	1.35	50	Gaugings in 1909 only
Bear creek Sec. 18, Tp. 11, R. XXIII.....	741	1.8	95	
Frenchman river Sec. 31, Tp. 6, R. XXI.	1,534	16.4	635	Gaugings in 1909 only
Fairwall creek Sec. 30, Tp. 6, R. XXIV.....	471	3.25	135	Gaugings in 1909 only

\* No reliable data are available respecting the numerous other powers in the rivers of the North West Territories and they have, therefore, been omitted pending the collection of reliable information respecting them.

† Drainage area of Nelson river = 430,000 square miles; the estimated H. P. is based on a flow of 118,400 c. f. s. obtained from a gauging taken just below Sepewesk lake when the river was stated to be at a very low stage.

\*† In many cases it would be difficult to utilize the full head.

‡ The estimated H.P. is based on the combined minimum flow of the North Saskatchewan at Prince Albert and of the South Saskatchewan at Saskatoon (7,100 c. f. s.)

\*\* From observations taken in 1908 and 1909 for the Department of the Interior.

## THE WATER-POWERS OF CANADA

## ALBERTA

## MEASUREMENT OF STREAM FLOW

Observation Point	Yearly maximum (in c. f. s.)	Yearly minimum (in c. f. s.)	Drainage area in (sq. miles)	Remarks
Bow river Calgary, below El- bow river and Can. Pac. canal.....	22,051	1,290	3,823	Water in Can. Pac. canal has been added to dis- charges taken below its intake
Can. Pac. canal.....	468			
Banff.....	11,000	375	876	No water withdrawn ex- cept during season of irrigation Gaugings in 1909 only
Highwood river High river.....	9,180	115	735	
Sheep river Okotoks.....	7,635	72	602	
Fish creek Near Priddis.....	556	5	105	
Elbow river Calgary.....	5,615	212	466	
Jumpingpound creek Near Jumpingpound P. O.....	829	20	178	
Belly river Standoff.....	3,330	132	423	Gaugings in 1909 only
Mosquito creek Near Nanton.....	931	5	178	
St. Mary river Kimball.....	7,280	200	472	Gaugings in 1909 only
Lee creek Cardston.....		7	103	
Oldman river Cowley.....	8,285	170	798	Gaugings in 1909 only
Trout creek Sec. 1, Tp. 12, R. XXVIII.....	437	15	168	
Waterton river Waterton mills.....	7,750	200	238	

**MANITOBA**  
**LIST OF WATER-POWERS\***

POWER SITES	MINIMUM		DEVELOPED (Horse-power)			REMARKS
	Head (in feet)	H.P.	Elec- trical Energy	Flour- mill	Total	
<b>Winnipeg river:†</b>						
842. Pine fall and rapids above.....	11.8	21,500	.....	.....	.....	Winnipeg Electric Ry. plant
843. Silver fall.....	22.7	41,100	.....	.....	.....	
844. Whittemud fall and falls above.....	21.	38,200	.....	.....	.....	
845. Grand du Bonnet fall.....	34.1	61,800	.....	.....	.....	
846. McArthur fall and falls above.....	13.8	25,000	.....	.....	.....	
847. Pinawa channel (Winnipeg street Ry. dam).....	33.6	25,200	.....	.....	25,000	
848. Seven rapids.....	{ 17.6	18,700	.....	.....	.....	
	{ 6.5	6,900	.....	.....	.....	
	{ 23.1	24,700	.....	.....	.....	
			.....	.....	.....	
<b>Main channel</b>						
859. Otter fall and diversion weir.....	7.2	7,700	.....	.....	.....	Winnipeg municipal electric plant
860. Sturgeon fall.....	4.3	7,800	.....	.....	.....	
861. Slave fall.....	17.4	31,000	.....	.....	.....	
862. Eight-foot fall.....	8.3	15,000	.....	.....	.....	
863. Pointe du Bois and Lamprey falls.....	45.8	83,300	.....	.....	21,000	
<b>Assiniboine river:</b>						
864. Eight miles east of Brandon.....	.....	2,000	.....	.....	.....	Proposed development by the Western Power & Light Co.
865. Near Brandon.....	9	1,000	.....	.....	.....	Proposed development by city of Brandon
<b>Little Saskatchewan river:</b>						
866. Near mouth.....	32	300	1,200	.....	1,200	Brandon Electric Light Co. have steam auxiliary.
867. Half-mile above Minnedosa.....	24	.....	450	.....	450	Minnesota Power Co.; under construction
<b>Birdtail creek:</b>						
868. Birdle.....	.....	200	.....	.....	.....	Undeveloped
<b>Shell river:</b>						
869. Assinippi.....	12	.....	.....	50	50	Flour mill

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 † The horse-power of the Winnipeg river powers is based on a minimum flow of 16,000 cubic feet per second. Paper by W. G. Chase, Can. Soc. C.E. meeting, Winnipeg, January, 1911. According to W. Thibaudsen, the minimum flow is 19,400 cubic feet per second.

## SASKATCHEWAN

### LIST OF WATER-POWERS\*

POWER SITES	MINIMUM			DEVELOPED HEAD-POWER		REMARKS
	Head (in feet)	H.P.	Elec- trical Energy	Saw- mill	Total	
<b>Black river:</b>						
870. Below Middle lake.....	160					
871. Above ".....	120					
872. 8 miles below Porcupine river.....	25					
873. Brink rap., 10 miles above Hawk-rock river.....	25					
874. Thompson rapid, 8 miles below Koodaw lake.....	30					
<b>Barrie river:</b>						
875. 18 miles south of Star City.....	3			45	45	Lumber mill; has steam auxiliary
<b>North Saskatchewan river:</b>						
876. Cole rapid.....	28	14,700				Proposed development for Prince Albert
<b>Battle river:</b>						
877. 10 miles above Battleford.....	65	2,000				Proposed development for Battleford; head to be created by dam
<b>South Saskatchewan river:</b>						
878. 15 miles below Saskatoon.....	15	3,500				Proposed electrical development

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**ALBERTA**  
**LIST OF WATER-POWERS\***

POWER SITE	MINIMUM		DEVELOPED (Horse-power)		REMARKS
	Head (in feet)	H.P.	Electrical energy	Saw- mill	
Peace river: 879. Vermilion fall and rapids .....	20				
†Athabaska river: Cascade rapid.....	7				Grist mill; at low water, 15 to 20 feet; at high water they become greatly reduced and have been run by a York boat
Little Cascade rapid.....	10				
Rock .....	12				Three miles long
879a. Crooked .....	13				
Long .....	28				
Middle .....	25				
Boiler .....	25				
Brulé .....	8				
*†880. Grand rapids.....	55				Falls extend over one mile
881. Joli Fou .....					
882. Stony .....					
883. Pelican .....	12				
884. 160 miles west of Athabaska Landing.....	80**				Proposed development of a minimum capacity of 10,000 H.P.
North Saskatchewan river: 885. Rocky rapids, 60 miles above Edmonton.....		35,000**			
Sturgeon river: 886. Near Fort Saskatchewan.....					Hydro-electric plant; under consideration

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 † The rapids of the Athabaska begin below the Pelican river and continue at short intervals all the way to the junction of the Clearwater; average fall per mile, 5 to 10 feet.  
 \*† The Grand rapids, in about half-a-mile, descend 50 to 60 feet; fall between the head of the Grand rapids and mouth of the Clearwater, 360 feet.  
 \*\* Approximate figures only.

**ALBERTA**  
**LIST OF WATER-POWERS—Continued**

Power Sites	Minimum		Developed (Horse-Power)			REMARKS
	Head (in feet)	H.P.	Elec-trical energy	Saw-mill	Total	
Red Deer river:		3,000†				Undeveloped
887. 3 miles from Blackfolds.	30		200		200	Leasdale electric plant; has steam auxiliary
Blindman river:						
888. At junction with Red Deer river.	14		500		500	Calgary Water Power Co.; has steam auxiliary
889. Calgary	70	6,200	6,000		6,000	Calgary Power Co. development
890. Horseshoe and Kananaskis falls.	64	3,000				
891. Banff falls.						
Belly river:						
892. Sec. 33, tp. 8, range 24.		1,200				
St. Mary river:						
893. Sec. 24, tp. 6, range 23.	90					Almost entire flow of river has been secured for irrigation during irrigation season
894. Sec. 25, tp. 1, range 25.	238	14,833				For main flow of river; intake 10 miles distant
Lee creek:						
895. Cardston.	127	172				Intake 4 miles distant
Tib creek:						
896. Tp. 1, range 28.	340	1,364				Intake 4 miles distant
Blainston brook:						
897. Sec. 6, tp. 2, range 29.	158	712				Intake 3 miles distant
Waterton lake:						
898. Sec. 24, tp. 1, range 30.	50	1,127				Intake half-mile distant
Old creek:						
899. Sec. 23, tp. 1, range 30.	250	302				
South Fork river:						
900. Sec. 24, tp. 6, range 2.	120	2,700				
Crownest river:						
901. Sec. 28, tp. 7, range 2.	40	630				
Gold creek:						
902. North of Frank.	100					Undeveloped

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MAIN CANAL, CANADIAN PACIFIC RY. IRRIGATION BLOCK, ALBERTA

## CHAPTER IX

## Irrigation in Western Canada\*

**I**RRIGATION, or the artificial watering of land, is not by any means a modern achievement. Remains of elaborate systems constructed and used by the ancients, may be seen to-day in Mexico, Southern Europe, Egypt and in parts of Asia. It is, however, only within comparatively recent times that irrigation has been used in reclaiming many areas lying west of the Mississippi, and in Western Canada, that had hitherto been almost waste land.

Portions of the provinces of Saskatchewan, Alberta and British Columbia, usually have a very erratic rainfall. In some instances, as in the case of the Thompson River valley in British Columbia, the rainfall is usually sufficient, but it is unevenly distributed, while in the Okanagan and Columbia valleys it is never large, and irrigation is a necessity.

Water rights for irrigation purposes in British Columbia have heretofore been obtained under the old placer mining laws and have, in several cases, resulted in a clash between the two interests. To obviate that, the Provincial Legislature has formed a commission to adjust the matter of water rights and provide, if possible, a uniform system of dealing with the water for both irrigation and mining purposes. Until some such arrangement is arrived at, the irrigation interests will be in more or less trouble with the prior rights to the water for mining purposes, even though those rights may not have been exercised in a long period of years.

In Southern Alberta, too, the rainfall varies greatly from year to year, and the distribution is a very uncertain quantity. There are very few years, however, that a crop would be a total failure, but, in the most favourable seasons, an application of water at the right time would increase the harvest to such an extent that the construction of an expensive irrigation system would be justifiable.

There are several such systems in existence, notably that of the Alberta Railway and Irrigation Company at Lethbridge, the Southern Alberta Land Co. at Medicine Hat, and that of the Canadian Pacific railway at Calgary.

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**Alberta Railway and Irrigation Co.** The Alberta Railway and Irrigation Co. at Lethbridge, by Junction, Alta., and to Great Falls, Montana, earned a land subsidy of approximately 1,000,000 acres, which they selected along the line of their track east and south of Lethbridge. As these holdings were in alternate sections, arrangements were, later, made with the government whereby the company was able to select its land in a solid block. With this done, the company constructed a canal leading out of the St. Mary river about three miles north of the international boundary, thence across the divide which separates the river from a creek known as Spring Coulee, and out of this again into Pothole creek, from which stream it was taken out onto the Lethbridge plains.

This canal made available for settlement a large area of hitherto worthless land whose development, subsequent to the construction of the canal, has been very rapid. Where in 1899 and 1900, one could not see a fence or building there are now prosperous farms. Three new towns, Sterling, Raymond and Magrath sprang into existence in a few months after the land was placed on the market. At Raymond, is a half-million dollar beet sugar refinery, which is kept busy making sugar from beets grown on what was considered a few years ago, as worthless land and over which roamed the cattle of the ranchers.

**Southern Alberta Land Co.** The Southern Alberta Land Co., Medicine Hat, obtained by purchase and from the Dominion Government under the North West Irrigation Act, approximately half a million acres of raw prairie land and are, at present, building an irrigation system to serve it. This land lies between the Bow and Belly rivers and, when the system is finally completed, it will probably irrigate about 300,000 acres.

The construction of the main canal presented some engineering difficulties that almost prevented the building of the system. The water, owing to the nature of the country, had to be taken from the Bow river. The elevation of the land was so much higher than the bed of the river, that, at one time, it was seriously proposed to pump the necessary water by steam produced by natural gas, but the idea was abandoned in favor of a gravity system in open canals.

The dam is approximately 5,000 feet long and crosses the entire valley of the Bow which is, at that point, about 300 feet deep. The river is in two channels at high water and both were closed by a solid concrete spillway 14 feet high, and the intervening space filled by an earth dam 25 feet high with  $1\frac{1}{2}$  to 1 slopes on the upper side and  $1\frac{1}{2}$  to 1 slopes on the downward side. The face of this earth fill was heavily riprapped with

river boulders to prevent scour and wave wash. The foundations were carried to a depth of about ten feet where a heavy blue gumbo clay was found and both the earth fill and the concrete spillways were securely embedded in this. The headgates are of concrete with sliding steel gates raised and lowered by a rack and pinion and may be operated by hand or by power. The main canal is 25 miles long and leads from the river to a reservoir 35 miles long and averaging two miles wide, made by damming both ends of a valley. The canal is 25 feet wide on the bottom and carries at full capacity, six feet of water.

When this system is finally completed, it will open for settlement a large part of the last of the open, free range which the cattlemen have heretofore enjoyed.

Throughout Southern Alberta there are several small private irrigation systems built and operated by private parties for their own benefit. The Bar-U ranch near High River has several hundred acres of timothy and alfalfa under irrigation, and the Conrad Circle Cattle Co. have two dams and reservoirs on their home ranch south of Gleichen, Alberta, from which they watered several hundred acres of grain and hay as well as root crops and garden. Along the Highwood river and numerous other streams which come down from the foothills, there are a great many of these small private systems, which are the result of the settlers experiencing irregularity of rainfall. These small systems are responsible for some of the enormous crops of roots and hay which come from these creek and river bottoms.

**Canadian Pacific Irrigation Block** The largest and most important in point of size and engineering skill in Canada, and probably the largest block of irrigable land under one irrigation system on the North American continent, is that of the Canadian Pacific railway immediately east of Calgary, Alberta.

In order to appreciate the influence which this great work has had on the development of Southern Alberta, it must be remembered that, six years ago, the entire territory between Calgary and Medicine Hat was without settlement of any kind, with the exception of one small town known as Gleichen. This place was a shipping point for the cattle interests. The distance between the two points was approximately 180 miles and the land traversed has since proven, with the aid of the water supplied, to be of exceptional fertility. The Company could, under the terms of its grant, select alternate sections throughout the block. The income from 180 miles of railway was practically nothing. It had been demonstrated by surveys made by the Department of the Interior that a very large portion of this land was susceptible of irrigation. The matter was taken up by the officials

of the Canadian Pacific railway, and, after considerable discussion, they decided to have a report from a consulting engineer with a view to ascertaining the possibilities of the tract. After this report was received, negotiations were entered into with the Dominion Government with a view to obtaining the balance of their land grant in a solid block. These negotiations were successful and the result was the acquisition of a block of land lying between the Red Deer river and the Bow river and from the Eastern boundary of Range 11, West of the 4th Meridian to the 5th Meridian, which is about a mile east of the city of Calgary. This block contained a few hundred acres over three million. The Company then began to ascertain the exact amount of land which could be irrigated. For convenience in handling, the block was divided into three sections, each comprising one million acres. As it was decided to irrigate the Western section first, the intake of the main canal was constructed on the Bow river about two miles below Calgary.

**West. Section  
Can. Pac.  
Irrigation  
Block** Further topographical surveys developed the fact that out of the total area of this section—one million acres—about 36 per cent. could be irrigated.

The main channel for the Western section leaves the Bow river and follows an old back channel very closely, to the foot of the 'cut bank' on the east side of the Bow for a distance of approximately two and a half miles. At this point a ridge of gumbo and gravel was encountered, which necessitated the moving of about 750,000 yards of material to get through it. This waste material was hauled backward and put into a fill which practically paralleled the 'cut bank,' the entire distance between the head gates and the ridge referred to, and which formed the outer bank of the canal. From this point on, the canal followed an old river channel for a distance of approximately three miles, at which point the canal grade reached the bench and very rapidly left the banks of the Bow, as that stream falls at the rate of 25 feet per mile, while the canal falls only one foot per mile. After reaching the bench or level prairie, the canal continues in a north-easterly direction until it reaches a point approximately 16½ miles from its head gates, where it empties into what is known as Reservoir No. 1, or Chestermere lake. This canal is 44 feet wide on the bottom, 84 feet on the water-line, 10 feet normal depth and is designed to carry approximately 2,100 cubic feet per second. The banks, however, are four feet higher than the normal depth of water—ten feet—and thus, a larger amount than the calculated capacity may be carried. This canal should not be considered as an irrigation ditch as there is no water taken from it directly onto the land. It is a transportation channel only and, delivering its water as it does into Chestermere lake, may be said to be designed only for that purpose.



From Chestermere lake, which is a depression in the prairie dammed at one end, radiate what are known as secondary canals. There are three of these, A, B and C, and from them, lead the distributing canals to the different parcels of land. Secondary canal A takes care of most of the land lying on the Bow slope, or that portion of the watershed which drains into the Bow river. At its head, it is a canal 18 feet wide on the bottom and carrying water to a depth of eight feet. It is approximately 65 miles long; has tributary to it about 500 miles of distributing canals and supplies water for 140,000 acres of irrigable lands.

Secondary canal B takes water to the central portion of the Western section which lies in a valley running almost east-and-west to the centre of the block. It is not as large as Secondary canal A in point of water carried, but owing to the necessity of flat grades at different points, it is much larger in point of excavation. It provides water for about 90,000 acres of land; is 28 feet wide on the bottom and 8 feet deep.

In the Western section, the following mileage of waterways has been constructed:—

	Miles
Main canal. . . . .	17
Secondary canals. . . . .	254
Distributing ditches. . . . .	1,329
	1,600

In addition to the above, there are hundreds of miles of small ditches constructed by the farmers to distribute the water over their farms.

Secondary canal C supplies the land lying in the northern portion of the Western section lying along the Red Deer river and easterly for a distance of about 45 miles. It has tributary to it 130,000 acres of irrigable land; is 40 feet wide on the bottom and 8 feet deep.

All these canals are bridged at every road crossing with pile bridges, and all the structures, including drops and head gates on the secondary canals, are of timber, but under Secondary canal C, and, in a few instances under A and B, the structures in the distributing ditches or small canals which take the water to the land, are of concrete, reinforced to prevent the possibility of cracking from the action of the frost; for they have no foundation except the heavy clay in which they are embedded. In operation these have proven vastly superior to wooden structures of a similar nature and, no doubt, in any future construction, they will be used entirely.

It may be noted here that this scheme differs from any heretofore designed inasmuch as it provides water at the highest possible

point in each quarter section, a thing which has never been provided by any system before. It is doubtless owing to this fact that the development of the Western section has been so rapid.

In designing the system, the aim was to make the maximum number possible of what are known as combination farms, that is to say farms with about an equal area of irrigable and non-irrigable land, and this idea has been carried out throughout the whole block. It should be noted that irrigable land under this system includes all land lying at a lower elevation than the point of delivery, whereas the general classification of irrigable land in other schemes comprises all that lying at a lower elevation than the distributing canal from which the water is drawn. It will be seen from this that combination farms were made quite possible, and land which, under any other system of classification would have been irrigable, is classed as non-irrigable.

The land was put on the market in 1907, and, in spite of the endeavours of the engineers to classify the land, it was necessary, early in 1909, to stop the sales until more could be classified. There is no doubt that the classification of land in the manner described above is responsible for the remarkable sales, and for the wonderful development which has taken place throughout the western section. Of the total area—irrigable and non-irrigable—only 5 per cent. remained unsold in September, 1911. The water was turned into this canal in 1906, and ran the entire distance of the main canal and Secondary canal A without serious accident.

For the convenience of British settlers, the "ready-made" farm scheme was devised. The Company developed a certain number of farms, broke the land, put in the crops, built houses and barns, erected fences, and, in many cases, planted a crop, so that the settler, on arrival, had only to buy his household goods, live stock, implements, etc., and, practically, begin life where he left off on his old farm in England or Scotland. This has proved to be very successful and the demand for these "ready-made" farms has exceeded the supply many times over. The payments for this development work are included in the payments for the land. The total payment is divided up into ten annual instalments, which cover the price of the land and buildings, but do not include the charge for water, which is payable each six months.

East. Section  
Can. Pac.  
Irrigation  
Block

The Eastern section contains 1,156,224 acres of which 440,000 will be irrigated. Most of the land is gently rolling and susceptible of good drainage.

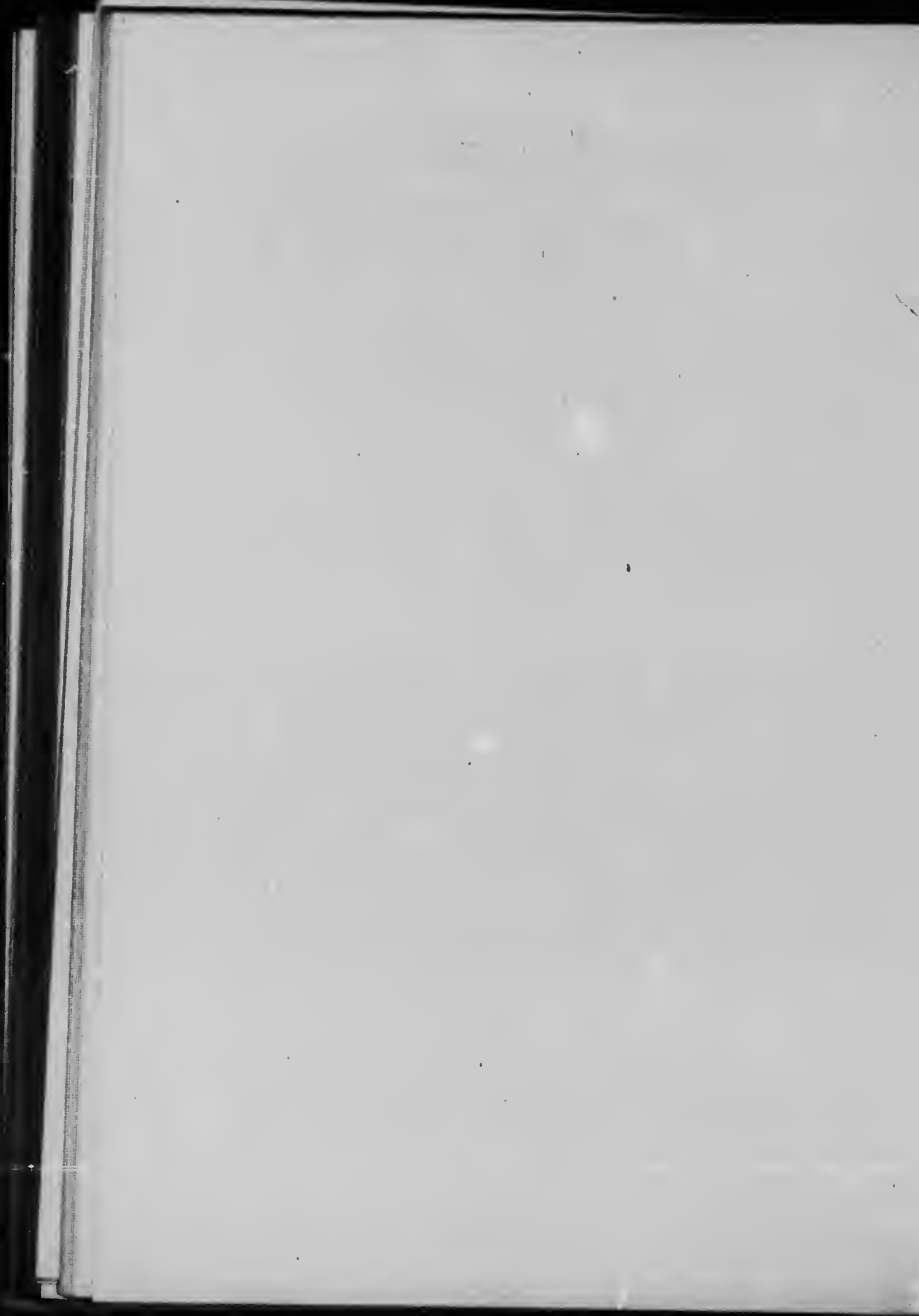
This system is independent of the Central and Western sections. The intake is situated on the Bow river, three miles southwest of Bassano and 83 miles east of Calgary. Advantage is taken of a low pass through the



MAIN CANAL, EASTERN SECTION, CANADIAN PACIFIC RAILWAY IRRIGATION BLOCK  
AUG. 10, 1911.



BASSANO DAM, BOW RIVER, EASTERN SECTION CANADIAN PACIFIC RAILWAY  
IRRIGATION BLOCK. AUG. 10, 1911.



rim of the Bow valley at "Horseshoe Bend." The dam under construction at this point, will raise the water 46 feet, giving a normal depth of water in the canal of 11 feet. It is a composite structure consisting of a reinforced concrete spillway in the present river channel and of an earth embankment  $1\frac{1}{2}$  miles long. The earthen portion has a maximum height of 45 feet, and a maximum width at the base of 350 feet.

The main canal is 70 feet wide at the bottom and, when carrying 11 feet of water, will have a capacity of 3,000 cub. ft. per sec. Five miles from the intake it will discharge into a reservoir formed by the construction across the valley of an earthen dam nearly a quarter of a mile long and 35 maximum height.

From this reservoir the North Branch canal—30 feet bed width and carrying  $6\frac{1}{2}$  feet of water—will serve the country north and east of Matsiwin creek. North of the railway, it will follow the west flank of Crawling valley, and, eight miles from its intake, will cross the valley by a siphon or flume. Thence, it will run northerly to its termination at Red Deer river.

The East Branch canal—70 feet bed width and carrying 9.3 feet of water—will serve the remainder of the Eastern section. The first branch, the Spring-hill canal, leaves the East Branch at Lathom and waters a large area between the two forks of Matsiwin creek. It has a bed width of 35 feet and carries 7 feet of water. The East Branch canal reaches the divide between the Bow and the Red Deer at the head of Antelope creek. At this point, it divides, the southeasterly branch—the Bow Slope canal—carrying 5 feet of water and 17 feet bed width, serving all the land in the Bow River slope. At Cassils, two smaller canals will be taken off and, just south of Brooks, the East Branch will discharge part of its water into Lake Newell reservoir occupying a depression in the Little Rolling hills. Lake Newell will have a storage capacity of about 185,000 acre feet and is formed by the construction of a number of dams, the largest of which will be two-fifths of a mile long and 30 feet high.

The remainder of the East Branch water will be carried along the east flank of the Rolling hills in the Rolling Hills canal, 20 feet bed width and carrying  $5\frac{1}{2}$  feet of water.

The outlet from lake Newell will be a canal 40 feet bed width, carrying 7 feet of water and five miles long. At its easterly end, it will discharge into a siphon or flume, two miles long, which will carry the water over the divide and deliver it to the Bantry canal. The latter will serve the country north and south of the Bantry hills. It will have a bed width of 45 feet and will carry  $7\frac{1}{2}$  feet of water.

The Eastern Section system is a very large undertaking and includes many large and important structures. To ensure permanency, reinforced concrete or other permanent construction will be used in all important

structures. The estimated mileage of canals and ditches in this section is as follows:

	Miles
Main canal. . . . .	5
Secondary canals. . . . .	475
Distributing ditches. . . . .	2,020
	2,500

The earth work in connection with the excavation of the above canals and ditches will aggregate upwards of 20 million cub. yds., the whole of which is now (Sept. 1911) under contract.

**Central Section** This contains an area of 901,737 acres, of which it is proposed to irrigate about 70,000 acres. The preliminary surveys are now about completed, and the non-irrigable areas are being rapidly disposed of. The irrigable lands in this section will be served through an enlargement of the system already constructed to serve the Western section of the Block, the head-works of which are situated near Calgary.



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## CHAPTER X

### British Columbia

**A**s the population of British Columbia is concentrated in the southern portion of the Province the water-power development, thus far, consists of a few plants near the two principal cities, viz., Vancouver and Victoria, and a few in the so-called, Boundary district. Some additional plants are projected or under construction along the main line of the Canadian Pacific railway but fully ninety-five per cent. of the powers are either unknown or have not been gauged.

#### Disposal of Water-Powers

**Statutory Enactments** The water-powers of the Province are disposed of under the provisions of the Water Act,\* which was enacted in 1909 to amend and consolidate the laws relating to the acquisition and use of water.

The following is a synopsis of this Act with amendments up to and including March, 1911, so far as it relates to the disposal and use of water for power purposes.

The Act is divided into seventeen parts as follows:

Part I—Confirming to the Crown the ownership of all water

Part II—The Unit of Measurement

Part III—The Determination of Existing Rights and Claims and the Creation of a Tribunal for that Purpose

Part IV—Priority of Purpose and of Right in Acquisition of Water

Part V—Procedure to obtain Water Licenses and the general Rights acquired by the Licensee

Part VI—Procedure to obtain Approval of Works

Division (1) By Licensees taking and using a small quantity of Water on their own land for other than Power Purposes

Division (2) By other Licensees taking and using Water for any Purpose

Part VII—General Powers and Privileges of Municipalities and Companies using Water for Domestic Purposes

Part VIII—Special Powers and Privileges of Municipalities using Water for Domestic Purposes

Part IX—Powers and Privileges of Power Companies

Part X—Municipalities as Power Companies

Part XI—Clearing streams for Driving Logs

Part XII—Storing Water

\* Statutes of British Columbia, Chap. 48, 1909

## THE WATER-POWERS OF CANADA

Part XIII—The Taking and Using of Land

Part XIV—The Obligations, Duties and Limitations Imposed on Licensees

Part XV—Miscellaneous

Part XVI—Rules, Regulations and Penalties

Part XVII—Saving Clauses and Repeal

**PART I: CONFIRMING TO THE CROWN THE OWNERSHIP OF ALL WATER.—**  
The use of the unrecorded water of a stream belongs to the Crown. Riparian owners shall have the right to use such water for domestic purposes, but no right to the permanent diversion or to the exclusive use of any water shall be acquired by any riparian owner or by any other person by length of use or otherwise, unless the same may have been acquired under this Act.

**PART II: THE UNIT OF MEASUREMENT.—**The unit of measurement and quantity shall be the cubic foot and acre foot respectively.

**PART III: THE DETERMINATION OF EXISTING RIGHTS AND CLAIMS.—**  
The Chief Commissioner may divide the Province into Water Districts.

The Lieutenant-Governor in Council may appoint a Chief Water Commissioner and Water Commissioners for any one or more Water Districts.

A Board of Investigation is created, under this Act, for the purpose of hearing the claims of all persons holding or claiming to hold, records of water, or other water rights under any former public Act or Ordinance, of determining the priorities of the respective claimants, and of prescribing the terms upon which new licenses will be issued. The Board shall consist of the Chief Water Commissioner, and such other two or more persons as the Lieutenant-Governor may appoint.

The Board may cause to be made on each stream, in the order settled by the Board, a proper measurement of the low-water, high-water and flood discharge, and an examination of all the works constructed for conveying or utilizing water from each stream, and the report of such measurement and examination may be used by the Board when inquiring into and determining rights and claims upon any stream,

The Board shall fix the time and place for hearing claims and determining rights to water on each and every stream, and shall then give such notice thereof to the persons interested, but in no case shall less than ten days' notice be given.

The Board shall, by advertisement in some newspaper published or circulating in the District, give one month's notice of their intention that, on a certain date, they will proceed to adjudicate upon the claims to water on any certain stream, and directing all persons having claims to water on such stream, on or before a certain date, to come in and present their claims. No license shall be issued for water in respect of such stream,



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after the date mentioned above, until after the Board has finally settled and determined the priorities of all claimants on such stream.

A claimant may bring on any claim before the Board by presenting a memorandum in writing, setting out:

- (a) An exact copy of the record or records claimed;
- (b) The area of land held to which it is claimed the water is appurtenant;
- (c) The area of irrigable land held;
- (d) The character and brief description of the works;
- (e) Maps or plan (if any) in the possession of the claimant relating to the land or mine, or the water rights claimed;
- (f) The purpose for which the water has been used;
- (g) The quantity of water generally used by the claimant each year, expressed either in miner's inches, cubic feet per second, or acre feet;
- (h) The quantity of water, expressed as aforesaid, that is claimed;
- (i) Set out the title to the land held.

The Board shall, among other things:

- (a) Examine the claim presented for their consideration, and hear evidence in support of and in opposition to each claim respectively;
- (b) Determine the priorities of the respective claimants to water out of any particular stream;
- (c) Establish such priorities by numbering them in their order and directing that entry be made in the Record of Licenses of the District accordingly, showing the priority and the issuance of a license to the company or person entitled thereto;
- (d) In the case of water used for irrigation or mining purposes, determine the quantity of water to which each claimant shall, in their opinion, be entitled;
- (e) Direct and establish the character of the works of each claimant, and herein have due regard to existing storage works;
- (f) From time to time give such directions and make such orders as they may think necessary for the improvement of any works to prevent waste;
- (g) Direct the officer having charge of the Record of Licenses to enter in a book kept for that purpose—
  - (1) The name and post office address of the company or person entitled to the water;
  - (2) The proper number of the licenses in the order of their priority;
  - (3) The quantity of water to which the company or person is entitled;
  - (4) The name of the stream;
  - (5) The point of diversion;

- (6) A brief concise description of the works;
  - (7) The purpose for which the water is to be used;
  - (8) The name of the place where the water is to be used;
  - (9) If the license be for a limited time, then the period of time.
- (A) Direct the cancellation of the old records.

Municipalities and companies holding records of water and whose works have been approved by the Lieutenant-Governor in Council, pursuant to the "Water Clauses Consolidation Act", shall be entitled to a license under this Act for the same quantity of water.

Where records of water have been given before May 8th, 1897, and no works have been constructed for the purpose of utilising such record, the Board may grant the applicant a license. In such license, the Board shall state the fact of such non-utilisation, and shall give the licensee one year to begin the actual construction of such works as the Board may think fit to order, and shall further state the time within which such works are to be completed.

If the works shall not be begun or completed on or before the date so fixed by the Board (unless such time has been extended by the Board) the license shall be null and void.

**PART IV: PRIORITY OF PURPOSE AND OF RIGHT IN ACQUISITION OF WATER.**—All licenses to use water shall issue with due regard to the purpose for which it is required, which shall have priority in the following order:

First—Domestic purposes;

Second—Municipal purposes, which shall mean and include the supply of water by any company to city; town, village, or unincorporated locality for domestic purposes;

Third—Irrigation of land for agricultural or horticultural purposes;

Fourth—Industrial purposes, which shall mean and include water required for the production of steam and all other purposes save domestic, municipal, irrigation, the production of power for sale, barter or exchange, and mining;

Fifth—Power, which shall include the use of water for generating power for sale, barter, or exchange.

**PART V: PROCEDURE TO OBTAIN WATER LICENSES AND THE GENERAL RIGHTS ACQUIRED BY THE LICENSEES.**—Save as aforesaid no license shall issue to any individual for the sale, barter or exchange of water. Licenses for these purposes shall issue only to the municipalities and companies that are either incorporated, licensed or registered in this Province.

Whenever application is made for the use of water on any particular hereditaments, no license shall issue unless the applicant holds the land.

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OPENING OF VANCOUVER POWER COMPANY'S TUNNEL CONNECTING  
COQUITLAM LAKE WITH BUNTZEN LAKE, B. C.





POWER HOUSE, NORTH ARM, BURRARD INLET, BRITISH COLUMBIA



Any municipality, company or person may acquire a license to divert any unrecorded water and store the same in any manner as provided for by this Act.

At least thirty days previous to applying, the applicant shall, at conspicuous points in the locality, post a notice of his intention to apply for a license. Such notice shall be on a form to be supplied by the Water Commissioner and a copy of the notice shall be filed in the office of the Water Commissioner concurrently with publication of a notice in a newspaper. In addition to this notice, the applicant shall insert a copy of the notice forthwith and continuously for one month in some newspaper published in the Water District and in the immediate locality, and if the application be for more than four cubic feet per second, then a notice describing the right sought to be acquired, shall be inserted in the British Columbia Gazette. In the case of an applicant seeking water rights not exceeding eight cubic feet per second, for placer-mining purposes, the Water Commissioner may authorize the applicant to dispense with advertising.

No license shall issue for more than one purpose. When mentioned in the license, the licensee shall have the power to store water and to lower lakes and other standing bodies of water below their normal level.

The grant of a license shall entitle the holder to the flow of water specified therein. A licensee may enter upon Crown or other lands for the purpose of surveying the route for conveying water. The licensee shall, before entering upon the lands of private owners, give adequate security for the payment of any damage caused thereby.

**PART VI: PROCEDURE TO OBTAIN APPROVAL OF WORKS:—**Division 1.—Users of Small Quantities of Water for Other than Power Purposes.

When a license for not more than four cubic feet per second has been granted to an individual for the use of water on his own land for other than power purposes, the licensee shall forthwith proceed to survey and lay out the works proposed to be constructed and shall forward in duplicate, the map or plan of the works together with a description of the works to be constructed and the name and position of all private lands, roads, etc. crossed or touched by the proposed works. The licensee shall not proceed with the construction of the proposed works until the Water Commissioner has given written authority to proceed. Such works shall be completed within the time set by the Water Commissioner.

Division 2.—Licensees Using Water for any Purpose.

Any municipality or company for the purpose of supplying water to one or more municipalities or unincorporated localities, or any other company desiring to use water for any purpose may, from time to time, apply for and obtain in manner aforesaid one or more licenses to take, use and divert water.

Any company, individual or municipality that has obtained a license for more than four cubic feet of water per second for use on their own lands for other than power purposes shall, before proceeding with the construction of the proposed works, obtain the approval of the Lieutenant-Governor in Council to the proposed undertaking and works.

The Lieutenant-Governor in Council may issue a certificate, setting forth that the proposed undertaking and works has been approved, or that the same has been approved subject to division into parts, the alterations, limitations, restrictions and conditions to be set forth in such certificate.

If such certificate is issued to a Company, it shall contain further information relating to the capital which shall be subscribed and paid up before the company shall begin the construction of the works; or, if the work has been divided into parts, then the amount of capital to be subscribed and actually paid up in respect of each part, before beginning the works on each particular part; the time within which the work shall be begun, and if divided, then the time within which each part shall be begun; the time within which the works shall be completed and in operation; the area within which the company may exercise its powers.

**PART IX: POWERS AND PRIVILEGES OF POWER COMPANIES.**—Any company having obtained the approval of the Lieutenant-Governor in Council to the undertaking and work of the company for power purposes, and a certificate of such approval having been granted, may, upon the terms and conditions mentioned in the certificate and subject to the provisions of this Act, enter upon and expropriate other lands. The company may construct their works on the lands referred to in the map or plan submitted to the Lieutenant-Governor in Council at the time when the application was made for the approval of the undertaking. In addition to the general powers conferred on all licensees, the company may construct, operate, maintain and repair houses, factories, shops, electric and power-plants and tramways, produce power, generate, transmit and supply electricity, compress air and supply same, and may erect and maintain poles, wires and other apparatus required for the above purposes. The company shall also have the power to sell or let for use, light, heat, power and any and all apparatus used for measuring same, to fix the rates and charges for the use of light, heat and power, and the carriage of goods and passengers.

**PART X: MUNICIPALITIES AS POWER COMPANIES.**—Whenever a municipality, pursuant to any authority conferred by any act of the Legislature of this Province, has passed a by-law or by-laws for any of the following reasons:

(a) For purchasing, constructing and operating works for supplying electric light or gas, and regulating the conditions and terms under which the same may be supplied and used;

(b) For purchasing, constructing and operating tramways, street railways, and ferries;

then such municipality may apply for a license to take and use water pursuant to this Act, and shall, if and when such license is granted, have all the rights, powers and privileges of a power company, and be subject to all the obligations of a power company.

**PART XI: CLEARING STREAMS FOR LOG DRIVING.**—Sec. 171 states—  
If as the result of the construction of any works by a licensee under this Part, any water-power is created, the licensee shall not by reason of such construction only, have any right, title or claim to use the power so generated.

**PART XII: STORING WATER.**—Any licensee whose license includes the right to store water, and whose works have been approved pursuant to Part VI, may proceed with the construction of the works necessary for such storage purposes and, pursuant to the Rules in that regard, the requisition of the land required. But the right to store water shall be subject to prior rights to its uninterrupted flow for so much as is required for actual use for domestic purposes.

When two or more licensees using the same reservoir for storing water cannot agree upon the quantity to be withdrawn by each, the quantity to which each is entitled shall be settled by the Water Commissioner.

**PART XIII: THE TAKING AND USING OF LANDS.**—No entry shall be made on the lands of private owners if the works can be reasonably constructed upon Crown lands without such entry.

The licensee shall before entering upon any private lands.—

(a) File in the Land Registry Office of the district a map or plan of the land intended to be entered upon or used;

(b) Serve the owner with a notice of such intended entry.

(c) Attach a description of the proposed works to the plan, and state the amount of compensation to be given.

In case of failure to arrive at an agreement as to the amount of compensation, the same shall be determined by arbitration.

**PART XIV: THE OBLIGATIONS, DUTIES AND LIMITATIONS IMPOSED ON LICENSEES.**—Without lawful authority, no licensee shall obstruct any navigable stream.

When water is not used beneficially by any licensee or is used in excess of the requirements of such licensee, any person may apply for a license and take and use so much thereof as the Water Commissioner may deem just to all parties.

A license shall be subject to cancellation if the powers granted under license be not exercised for three successive years; for waste; or for non-use of the privileges granted, save where such non-use has arisen from circumstances that were accidental or not wholly within the control of the licensee.

Every licensee shall with respect to the property of others do as little damage as possible.

Power companies shall not interfere with the public right of travelling or using any roads, streets or highways.

No undertaking or work of any municipality and no privilege appurtenant thereto shall be purchased by any other municipality or by any company under this Act except—

(a) With the consent of the municipality; or

(b) Under authority of an Order in Council made by the Lieutenant-Governor in Council upon its being made to appear that such taking or purchase is necessary in the public interest.

No land or works of any company under this Act shall be purchased by any other company engaged in constructing or operating similar work except in accordance with (b) above.

**PART XV: MISCELLANEOUS.**—The Lieutenant-Governor in Council may at any time, by notice signed by the chief Commissioner and published in the British Columbia Gazette, reserve the unrecorded water in any stream for the use of the Crown or for municipal purposes. Licenses may be obtained for the purpose of using such reserved water in the interim prior to the establishment of such a system; but no rights to compensation shall be acquired by virtue of any license so issued.

#### **Water-Powers in the "Railway Belt" and Peace River Block**

The provisions of the Dominion Lands Act (1906) do not apply to the public lands comprised within the British Columbia "Railway Belt." The provision excluding this area was inserted pending a decision by the Imperial Privy Council respecting the ownership of the water-powers therein, whether they belonged to the Dominion or to British Columbia. In November, 1910, the Privy Council decided that the title was vested in the Dominion.

The text of the decision is as follows :

"This is an appeal, by special leave, from the judgment of the Supreme Court of Canada, affirming a judgment of the Exchequer Court of Canada rendered on the 10th May, 1900.

The only question raised upon the appeal is whether certain water rights in the Railway Belt of British Columbia are vested in the Dominion Government so as to preclude the Provincial Legislature from dealing with them. The circumstances in which the dispute has arisen are shortly as follow. The Province of British Columbia was admitted into the Dominion of Canada in the year 1871 under the provisions of the British North America Act, 1867. The admission was subject to the provisions of that Act and also to certain Articles of Union duly sanctioned by the Parliament of Canada and by the Legislature of British Columbia. The 11th of these Articles stipulated that the Dominion Government should secure the construction of railway communication between the railway system of Canada and the seaboard of British Columbia, and that the Government of British Columbia should convey to the Dominion Government "in trust to be appropriated in such manner as the Dominion Government may deem advisable in the furtherance of the construction of the said railway," certain public lands along the line of railway throughout its entire length in British Columbia. In consideration of the land to be so conveyed in aid of the construction of the said railway the Dominion Government agreed to pay to British Columbia from the date of the union the sum of \$100,000 per annum. The conveyance contemplated by this part of the 11th Article was effected by subsequent statutes of the Legislature of the Province and the land so conveyed is known as the "Railway Belt." The railway has now been built.

By the Water Clauses Consolidation Act, 1897, 61 Vict., chap. 190 (Revised Statutes of British Columbia) section 4, the right to the use of the unrecorded water in any river, lake, or stream was declared to be vested in the Crown in the right of the Province, and it was enacted that save in the exercise of any legal right existing at the time of such diversions or appropriation no person should divert or appropriate any water from any river, watercourse, lake, or stream, excepting under the provisions of the Act. By section 5 it was provided that no right to the exclusive use of such water should be acquired by any person by length of use or otherwise than as might be acquired or conferred under the provisions of the Act or of some existing or future Act. By section 2 "water" was declared to mean all rivers and water-power not being waters under the exclusive jurisdiction of the Parliament of Canada and "unrecorded water" was declared to mean all water not held under a record under the Act or under certain repealed Acts or under special grant by public or private Act and should include all water for the time being unappropriated or unoccupied or not used for a beneficial purpose.

On the 7th April, 1906, the Water Commissioners for the district of New Westminster, British Columbia, purporting to act under the provisions of this Act, granted to the appellants, the Burrard Power Company, Limited, at an annual rental of \$566, a water record for

25,000 inches of waters out of the Lillooet Lakes and the Lillooet River to be used for generating electricity. These waters are within the Railway Belt.

On the 26th December, 1906, the Attorney General for the Dominion of Canada filed an information in the Exchequer Court of Canada against the Power Company, claiming a declaration that the record was invalid and conveyed no interest to the Defendant Company and asking that the same should be cancelled. The information (which will be found set out on pages 717, 718 and 719 of the Record) alleged that the works of the Power Company if carried out would have the effect of diverting the water of the river, thereby interfering with its navigation, and would otherwise materially diminish the value of the lands of the Dominion Government in the Railway Belt. In support of the claim reliance was placed on the agreement contained in the Terms of Union, and on the provisions of the Acts of the Provincial Legislature passed for the purpose of giving effect to that agreement. Reliance was also placed on the provisions of section 91 of the British North America Act, 1867, which declares that the exclusive legislative authority of the Parliament of Canada shall extend to all matters coming within certain classes of subjects, including the Public Debt and Property and Navigation. It was further submitted, that having regard to sub-section 2 of section 131 of the Water Clauses Consolidations Act, 1897, the grant of the record by the Commissioners was not authorized by the Water Clauses Act.

After the filing of the information the Attorney General of British Columbia was added as a party to represent the interests of the Province.

On the 23rd December, 1907, the determination of the issue of fact was referred for enquiry and report to Mr. Justice Archer Martin, who found the facts to be in accordance with the allegations of the Dominion Government and reported accordingly. Thereupon the Attorney General of Canada prayed judgment as asked by the information. On the 13th April, 1909, the case came on for argument before Mr. Justice Cassels, and on the 10th May, 1909, that learned judge declared that the grant of the record of water in question was invalid and conveyed no interest to the defendant company. The judgment proceeded on three grounds: first, that the grant was an interference with property subject to the exclusive authority of the Dominion of Canada; secondly, that the diversion of water intended to be authorized thereunder would be a very serious interference with the navigability of the river; and thirdly, that the record was not authorized by the provisions of the Water Clauses Act under which it had been granted. The judgment as drawn up will be found at page 715 of the Record. From this judgment an appeal was brought to the Supreme Court of Canada. The appeal was dismissed on the 15th February, 1910.

Their Lordships are of opinion that the judgments of the Courts below are right. The grant by the Province of British Columbia of "public lands" to the Dominion Government undoubtedly passed the water rights incidental to those lands. In the argument addressed to their Lordships this was not really questioned. But it was said that though the proprietary rights of the Province in the



land and in the waters belonging thereto were transferred to the Dominion Government, the legislative powers of the Province over the same, neither were nor could be parted with, and that therefore it was competent for the Provincial Legislature to enact the Water Clauses Act of 1897 under which the record was granted. In support of this contention a passage was cited from the judgment of Lord Watson in *the Attorney General of British Columbia vs. the Attorney General of Canada* (1889), 14 Appeal Cases, p. 301. Their Lordships are of opinion that the contention is wrong, and that the passage in Lord Watson's judgment affords no kind of support for it. The object of Article II of the Terms of Union was on the one hand to secure the construction of the railway for the benefit of the Province and on the other hand to afford the Dominion a means of recouping itself in respect of the liabilities which it might incur in connection with the construction by sales to settlers of the land transferred. To hold that the Province after the making of such an agreement remained at liberty to legislate in the sense contended for would be to defeat the whole object of the agreement, for if the Province could by legislation take away the water from the land it could also by legislation resume possession of the land itself; and thereby so derogate from its own grant as to wholly destroy it. Lord Watson's reference in the Precious Metals Case to the 11th Article so far from supporting the appellants' contention is against it. He says, "the conveyance contemplated was a transfer to the Dominion of the provincial right to manage and settle the lands and to appropriate their revenues." The grant of the water record in the case now under consideration is an attempt on the part of the Province to appropriate the revenues to itself, and would if carried into effect violate the terms of the contract as interpreted by Lord Watson. It is true that Lord Watson adds that the land is not by the transfer taken out of the Province, and that once it is "settled" by the Dominion it ceases to be public land, and "reverts to the same position as if it had been settled by the Provincial Government in the ordinary course of its administration." But this also is against the appellants' contention, for it implies that until settled by the Dominion it remains public land under the Dominion's control.

Their Lordships are of opinion that the lands in question, so long as they remain unsettled are "public property" within the meaning of section 91 of the British North America Act, 1867, and as such are under the exclusive legislative authority of the Parliament of Canada by virtue of the Act of Parliament. Before the transfer they were public lands, the proprietary rights in which were held by the Crown in right of the Province. After the transfer they were still public lands, but the proprietary rights were held by the Crown in right of the Dominion, and for a public purpose, namely, the construction of the railway. This being so no Act of the Provincial Legislature could affect the waters upon the lands. Nor, in their Lordship's opinion, does the Water Clauses Act of 1897 purport or intend to affect them; for, by clause 2, the Act expressly excludes from its operation waters under the exclusive jurisdiction of the Dominion Parliament.

Their Lordships will humbly advise His Majesty that the appeal should be dismissed with costs.

As a result of this decision, a Bill, No. 124, to provide for the water-powers in the Railway Belt and Peace River Block, is now (July 1911) before the House of Commons. The provisions of this Bill are as follows:

1. This Act may be cited as *The Railway Belt Water Act*.
2. In this Act, unless the context otherwise requires,—
  - (a) "domestic purposes" means and includes household, sanitary and fire protection purposes and the purpose of watering live stock;
  - (b) "municipal purposes" means and includes the supply of water to any city, town, village or locality, whether incorporated or unincorporated, for domestic purposes and street sprinkling;
  - (c) "irrigation purposes" means and includes the use of water for all agricultural and horticultural purposes and the sale or barter of water for such purposes by any person or municipality;
  - (d) "steam and manufacturing purposes" means and includes the use of water for the production of steam for working railways, steam factories and other machinery propelled by steam or for any manufacturing or industrial process;
  - (e) "power purposes" means and includes the use of water for generating power for any purposes whatever, and includes the storage, transmission, application, distribution and sale or barter of such power or of electricity obtained by means of such power for any purpose whatever;
  - (f) "mining purposes" means and includes the use of water for any purpose in connection with the developing or working of a mine, but does not include the sale or barter of water for any such purposes;
  - (g) "lumbering purposes" means and includes the clearing, control and use of lakes, rivers, streams, creeks and other waters in so far as may be necessary for driving and storing logs and other timber;
  - (h) "Minister" means the Minister of the Interior;
  - (i) "Railway Belt" means the lands granted to the Crown in the right of Canada by sections 2 and 7 of chapter 14 of the Statutes of British Columbia of 1884 for the purpose of constructing and to aid in the construction of the Canadian Pacific Railway;
  - (j) "riparian proprietor" means a person lawfully occupying lands adjoining and bordering upon any lake, river, stream, creek or other body of water or waterway within the Railway Belt;
  - (k) "works" means and includes all dykes, dams, weirs, flood-gates, measuring devices, breakwaters, drains, ditches, canals, basins, reservoirs, tunnels, bridges, culverts, cri embankments, head-works, flumes, aqueducts, pipes, pumps, and all contrivances for holding, carrying, or conducting water, and the power-houses and other buildings and structures required in connection with the development or utilization of water-power and all contrivances for holding or carrying transmission wires or pipes and all other works which are authorized to be constructed under this Act or under any regulation made pursuant thereto.
3. The property in and the right to the use of all the water at any time in any river, stream, watercourse, lake, spring, creek, ravine,

cañon, lagoon, swamp, marsh, or other water within the Railway Belt shall for all purposes be deemed to be vested in the Crown, unless and until and except only so far as some right therein or in the use thereof inconsistent with the right of the Crown, and which is not a public right common to the public, is established.

(2). No grant made by the Crown of lands in the Railway Belt or of any interest therein shall vest in the grantee any exclusive or other right, title or privilege in, to or in respect of any river, stream, watercourse, lake, spring, creek, ravine, cañon, lagoon, swamp, marsh or other body of water, or in, to or in respect of the bed or shores of any such river, stream, watercourse, lake, spring, creek, ravine, cañon, or other body of water, saving only the right of every grantee to appropriate in the ordinary manner so much of the water as to which he is a riparian proprietor as may be reasonably necessary for his domestic purposes.

4. No right to divert, or, except for domestic purposes, to use any water from any river, stream, watercourse, lake, creek, spring, ravine, cañon, lagoon, swamp, marsh or other body of water or to the use of any land or shore underlying or adjacent to any water within the Railway Belt shall be granted or acquired otherwise than by license under regulations made pursuant to this Act.

5. All such licenses shall be issued with due regard to the purposes for which they are required and according to the following order, except in so far as such order is varied by regulation or by direction of the Minister: First, licenses for domestic purposes; second, licenses for municipal purposes; third, licenses for irrigation purposes; fourth, licenses for steam or manufacturing purposes; fifth, licenses for power purposes; sixth, licenses for mining purposes; seventh, licenses for lumbering purposes.

6. Any person having a license under this Act to take, divert, store, use, distribute or sell, water or power or electricity generated for any purpose from water, may take and acquire any lands or easements or any rights or privileges with respect to lands or affecting riparian rights which may be reasonably required in connection with the taking, diversion, storing, using, distributing or disposing of such water, power or electricity: Provided that no such lands, easements, rights or privileges shall be compulsorily taken or acquired unless or until the person desiring to take or acquire the same has first obtained the approval of the Governor in Council in such manner and subject to such conditions as may be prescribed by regulations made pursuant to this Act.

2. In and for all purposes connected with the taking or acquiring of any lands, easements, rights or privileges so authorized to be acquired or taken the provisions of *The Railway Act* as to the taking, acquiring or using of lands and making compensation for lands shall apply as nearly as may be and so far as applicable and not inconsistent with this Act or with regulations made thereunder.

3. For the purpose of the acquisition by His Majesty of any lands or of any rights or privileges connected with lands or any interest therein or of any works required in connection with the taking, diversion, storing, using, distribution or disposal of water, power or electricity, *The Expropriation Act* shall apply, so far as applicable and not inconsistent with this Act or with regulations made thereunder, and any powers which by *The Expropriation Act* are conferred upon a Minister may be exercised by the Minister of the Interior.

7. The Governor in Council may make regulations—

- (a) for the issue of licenses for the storing or use of water, and for the use and occupation of the beds and shores of the waters aforesaid and for the construction of works in connection with the use of water in the Railway Belt.;
- (b) for regulating the order and priority to be observed in the issue of licenses for the various purposes named in this Act;
- (c) prescribing the several forms in which the licenses shall be issued, the terms and conditions upon which they shall respectively be granted, and the payments, fees, charges, rents, royalties and dues to be paid by the applicants for and by the holders of such licenses;
- (d) for preventing the use or occupation of any of the beds, shores or waters aforesaid, except as authorized under this Act;
- (e) for the determination, recognition and confirmation of existing rights, records, powers, privileges and priorities which have been exercised or enjoyed by any person;
- (f) for defining the powers, duties and jurisdiction of any officers or persons necessary to give effect to this Act;
- (g) for carrying out this Act.

**Water-Power Districts** For the purpose of reference, the Province has been divided geographically into the following water-power districts:

- I. Columbia River watershed.
- II. Fraser River watershed.
- III. Vancouver Island watershed.
- IV. Pacific Coast watershed.
- V. Northern and North-eastern watersheds.

The areas of the principal drainage systems within these districts are as follows:

1. Columbia river and tributaries (flows into Pacific ocean in United States territory.)	41,220	sq. miles.
2. Fraser river and tributaries.....	47,318	" "
3. Area of Vancouver island.....	12,900	" "
4. Rivers that flow into the Pacific ocean		
Taku river.....	7,850	" "
Stikine river.....	18,828	" "
Nass river.....	8,778	" "

Sheena river.....	18,678 sq. miles	
5. Rivers in north and north-eastern portion:		
Peace river.....	47,058 "	"
Liard river (tributary of the Mac- kensie).....	52,306 "	"
Hay river (flows into Great Slave lake,.....	5,145 "	"
Lewis and Teslin rivers (tributaries of the Yukon).....	9,630 "	"

**Principal Power Developments**

**Vancouver**

The principal power developments in the vicinity of the city are the North Arm and Stave Falls power plants.

The North Arm plant is operated by the Vancouver Power Co., a subsidiary company of the British Columbia Electric Railway Co. The power developed by this plant is utilized and distributed by the parent company and is employed for lighting, power and street railway and inter-urban railway operation in the lower mainland of British Columbia, especially in Vancouver and vicinity, New Westminster and the Fraser valley east of New Westminster. The power plant is situated on the North arm of Burrard inlet. Buntzen lake, a small sheet of water over 400 feet above the plant, is utilized as reservoir, the water being diverted from Coquitlam lake and carried through a tunnel 12,775 feet long—stated to be the longest purely hydro-electric tunnel in the world. The present installation in the power house consists of six units, four of 3,000 H.P. each, and two of 10,500 H.P. each; a total of 33,000 H.P. The wheels operate under a head of 400 feet.

The Stave Falls plant is under construction by the Western Canada Power Company and will be completed in 1911 or early in 1912. This development is situated at the Upper Stave River falls, about six miles north of the confluence of the Stave and Fraser rivers at Ruskin, and seven miles south of Stave lake. Stave river is a large glacier-fed stream, discharging Stave lake, a sheet of water nine miles long and about one mile wide. Between the lake and the Upper falls, there is a descent of eleven feet which will be "drowned out" by the dam. At Upper Stave falls the river has a fall of eighty feet. When completed the plant will have a head ranging from 100 feet at low water to 120 feet at high water. "With an average head of 110 feet, a flow of 300 cubic feet per second will produce 28,000 electrical horse-power continuously, and under usual operating conditions a peak load of 44,000 to 48,000 H.P. can be provided for."\* The company also owns a water right below the present plant where, by the construction of a dam 120 feet high in a narrow, rocky gorge, an equal amount of power can be developed. With a complete installation, a peak

\*Information received from the Western Canada Power Co.

load of 100,000 H.P. could be carried. The present power house will contain an installation of two 13,000 H.P. turbines and two 7,500 K.W. generators and is designed to comprise double the present installation. The power will be transmitted at 60,000 volts to the receiving station near Vancouver, 35 miles distant; from the receiving station, it will be delivered to a number of small sub-stations, located in various convenient centres of distribution in Vancouver, North Vancouver, South Vancouver, New Westminster Burnaby, Port Moody and Coquitlam; whence it will be distributed at 2,000 volts.

**Victoria** The principal power developments in the vicinity of the city of Victoria are the Goldstream and Jordan River power plants. Both plants are operated by the British Columbia Electric Railway Company.

The Goldstream watershed is situated about seventeen miles north-west of Victoria. The water is collected in five storage reservoirs and led by means of stream-bed and ditches to the forebay reservoir; from the forebay reservoir it is carried in a 33-inch steel pipe line 8,000 feet in length, to the power house. The power house equipment consists of a 4,600 H.P. turbine operating under a head of 650 feet and a 2,900 K.W. generator together with the necessary step-up transformers, etc.

The Jordan River watershed is situated about 45 miles north-west of Victoria. The water is collected in storage reservoirs and led to the forebay by natural stream bed and a wooden flume nearly six miles long; from the forebay reservoir the water is carried to the water-wheels by a steel pipe line 9,000 feet in length. The power house equipment consists of a 6,000 H.P. turbine operating under a head of 1,150 feet, a 4,000 K.W. generator with the necessary step-up transformers, etc. The ultimate capacity of this development will be 24,000 H.P.

The most important power development in the interior of British Columbia is that of the West Kootenay Power & Light Company. This company owns and operates the South Kootenay Water Power Co., the Cascade Water, Power & Light Co., the Roseland Water & Light Co. and the Okanagan Water Power Co. Power and light are furnished to Trail, Roseland, Grand Forks, Phoenix, Greenwood and Boundary Falls, the smelters and mines forming much the largest consumers.

The Company owns three power plants in all, viz.: (1) Lower Bonnington Falls, (2) Upper Bonnington Falls, (3) Cascade. The Upper Bonnington plant is the largest, and, at the present time, is supplying all the needs of the company, power houses 1 and 3 being held as auxiliaries.

Power House No. 1 is situated at Lower Bonnington Falls, about 18 miles from Nelson. The equipment includes three 1,100 volt 3-phase 60 cycle generators, with a combined capacity of 3,000 K.W. and twelve 250 K.W. 1,100/20,000 transformers.

Power House No. 2 is situated about half-mile above No. 1 and has an ultimate capacity of 32,000 H.P. at present, it contains two 5,625 K.W., 2,200-volt 3-phase, 60-cycle generators, one 12,000 K.W. and one 3,700 K.W. 2,200/22,000-volt transformers. There are 84 miles of double transmission lines, carrying 60,000 volts and 50 miles of double line carrying 20,000 volts.

Power House No. 3 is situated at Cascade. It contains three generators, 750 K.W. each, and nine 250 K.W., 2,200/22,000 volt transformers. Twenty-five miles of duplicate transmission lines to Grand Forks, Phoenix, Greenwood and Boundary Falls are so connected that power can be supplied from Bonnington Falls at 60,000, or from the Cascade system at 20,000 volts.

There are sub-stations at Trail, Rossland, Grand Forks, Phoenix and Greenwood.

**Columbia River Basin** The Columbia river has a total length of 1,150 miles, of which 465 miles are in Canada. It drains, in Canada, an area of 39,300 square miles. It rises in Upper Columbia lake in the great "Inter-montane" valley between the Rockies and the Selkirks. From the lake, it flows northward to latitude 52°, turns westward at the "Big bend" to flow round the north end of the Selkirks, then flows southward through the valley between the Gold range and the Selkirks. Above Golden, it is a sluggish, navigable stream and, therefore, not available as a source of power. The tributaries that fall in from the east are small mountain torrents of little value from a power standpoint. The Dutch, Toby, Salmon and Spillimacheen are important tributaries with a large low-water discharge from the glaciers and snow-fields of the Selkirks. The Beaver, a western tributary and the Kicking Horse, an eastern branch, carry a large volume of water, but owing to the construction of the Canadian Pacific along their banks, economic development on a large scale might be difficult. The Blacberry is an important stream and falls nearly 2,000 feet between its source in the Howse pass and the Columbia. Wood river and other tributaries of Canoe river, are glacier-fed torrents and, doubtless, contain many valuable powers; similarly with Goldstream, Downie, Carnes, Incomappleux, Illecillewaet and other streams that fall in below the "Big bend," although the same remark applies to the last named as to the Beaver.

The Kootenay has a total length of 400 miles, drains an area of 15,500 square miles and rises in the Rocky mountains about 20 miles south-east of Leanehoil station on the Canadian Pacific. As, in the upper portion of its course, it flows in a great valley parallel to the upper Columbia, then crosses the ranges to get into the "Inter-montane" valley and then, follows this valley, it is probable that most of the large powers must be looked for where it crosses the ranges. The Simpson, Cross, Palliser, White, Bull,

St. Mary, Elk and other tributaries of the Kootenay, are large streams with heavy falls and rapids.

The Kootenay follows the "Inter-montane" valley southward into Montana, turns westward and then, northward into Canada, to empty itself into Kootenay lake, thence westward to its confluence with the Columbia. Between Kootenay lake and the Columbia, it falls 350 feet in 25 miles, affording many valuable powers. The Slocan, Lardo, Duncan and other tributaries of the lower Kootenay are large streams with considerable fall.

The Pend d'Oreille river falls into the Columbia near the International boundary. With the exception of about 12 miles near its mouth and the upper portion of the Flathead tributary, it lies wholly within the United States. It has a total drainage area of about 30,000 square miles. It has been gauged by the United States Reclamation Service just below the mouth of Priest river; the minimum flow recorded was 5,419 cubic feet per second, on February 3, 1905, the next lowest, 7,852 cubic feet per sec., was taken on Jan. 19, of the same year. There are two power sites on this stream, near Waneta, B.C., which can be developed under heads of 75 and 50 feet, respectively, giving an estimated capacity of 65,000 and 45,000 H.P., respectively.

The Kettle and the Similkameen and their tributaries are also, affluents of the Columbia. While they contain numerous water-power sites, the summer flow is considerably less than that of the glacier-fed streams.

**Fraser River  
Basin**

The Fraser river is 605 miles long and receives the drainage of an area of 91,700 square miles. Of its principal tributaries, the Thompson drains 21,800 square miles and is 270 miles long; the Chilcotin, 7,500 square miles and is 145 miles long; the Blackwater, 5,000 square miles and is 140 miles long; the Nechaco, 15,700 square miles and is 255 miles long; the Stuart is 220 miles long, the North Thompson, 185 miles and the South Thompson, 120 miles.

The Fraser rises near the summit of the Yellowhead pass at an altitude of 3,710 feet. In 52 miles it falls to 2,400 feet near Tete Jaune Cache; thence, flows northwest in the "Inter-montane" valley to latitude 54°; then, like the Columbia at the "Big bend," it turns westward and southward. At Fort George, near its most northerly point, it is at an altitude of 1,900 feet—a descent of 500 feet in about 200 miles. Steamers have ascended it to Tete Jaune Cache, a circumstance which indicates a swift-flowing stream without considerable fall at any one point. The Grand Trunk Pacific grade on its banks would probably debar extensive damming except below the mouth of Bear river. During the season of navigation, steamers ply between Fort George and Soda Creek, which would, for the present, prevent the utilization of power sites on this stretch—such as Cottonwood cañon. The construction of the Vancouver branch



of the Grand Trunk Pacific railway down this river, however, will, probably, result in the abandonment of this steamship line. Below Chimney creek, the river enters the Fraser cañon to emerge near Hope. Between Fort George and Lillooet, about 255 miles, it falls 1,240 feet. Allowing a fall of, say,  $3\frac{1}{2}$  feet per mile for the 150 miles between Fort George and Chimney creek, there is left a descent of nearly 740 feet in the 105 miles between the latter and Lillooet. Between Lillooet and Lytton bridge, it falls 244 feet in 40 miles, and between the bridge and Hope, it falls 300 feet in 60 miles, having an altitude at Hope of about 115 feet above sea.

Below Lytton, irrespective of the difficulty—if not impossibility—of harnessing this raging torrent, the presence of the Canadian Pacific and Canadian Northern lines debar any attempt to generate power in this portion of its course. Above Lytton, as indicated above, there is even a greater fall per mile than below; but here, again, the construction of the Vancouver branch of the Grand Trunk Pacific may make it impossible to utilize this stretch—irrespective of the difficulties connected with the handling of the flow of a great river that has, in places, a range of 50 feet between high water and low water.

The Thompson is the largest affluent of the Fraser. It is 270 miles long—to the head of the North Thompson—and drains an area of 21,800 square miles. The foregoing remarks respecting the Fraser River cañon apply in large measure to the cañon of the Thompson above its confluence with the Fraser. The North Thompson—main branch—is 155 miles long and rises near Tete Jaune Cache, at an altitude of about 2,400 feet. Forty miles below, at the head of the cañon it is at elevation 2,066, a descent of 336 feet—eight feet per mile. At the "stillwater" below the cañon it is 1,925 feet, a fall of 141 feet in four miles. At its confluence with the South Thompson, near Kamloops, it is at altitude 1,133, a descent of 1,207 feet in the 170 miles from the head-waters. The Raft, Mad, Blue and Clearwater tributaries are important streams with steep descents.

The South Thompson is 120 miles long. It is navigable from Kamloops to Shuswap lake and contains no water-powers. Its upward continuation, the Shuswap, falls 130 feet between Enderby and Mabel lake. It drains Mabel lake, a reservoir 20 miles long and from half a mile to a wide. Adams river carries the discharge of Adams lake, a magnificent sheet of water, 37 miles long and one and a half miles wide. Between Adams lake and the South Thompson, the river descends 220 feet in five miles. The proposed installation on this stream will utilize a head of 165 feet.

The North Arm and Stave River powers have been described in connection with actual developments and further reference to them is unnecessary. In the Chilliwak, one of the southern tributaries of the Fraser, a development to utilize a head of 1,000 feet has been proposed. The

Coquihalla flows into the Fraser near Hope. It falls 3,400 feet in the 33½ miles between Summit lake and Hope. The Lillooet river drains a large area in the Coast range, a region of excessive rainfall. Between Lillooet and Harrison lakes, it falls 500 feet in about 20 miles. Its eastern branch, the Birkenhead, falls 500 feet in the first 16 miles above its confluence with the Lillooet. Green river, another tributary, descends nearly 1,400 feet in the 18 miles from Green lake to Pemberton meadows.

Cayoosh creek empties into the Fraser opposite Lillooet village. Between Anderson and Seton lakes, it falls 58 feet in four miles. Between Seton lake and the Fraser, there is a descent of 134 feet in seven miles. Bridge river is a considerable tributary and drains a portion of the Coast range to the north of Cayoosh creek. By driving a tunnel from the valley of the latter, a head of 1,500 feet could be obtained.

The Chilcotin river drains an area of 7,500 square miles and is 145 miles long. Between Puntasee lake in its upper waters, and the mouth, it falls 1,750 feet. Its south branch, the Chilko, falls about 2,400 feet between Chilko lake and the Fraser. As Chilko lake is about 50 miles long and from four to five miles wide, there is excellent storage available.

The Queneel river drains the southern portion of the Cariboo mountains. Between Queneel lake and the mouth it falls 350 feet. Between Cariboo lake and the Fraser, its north branch falls 650 feet. Queneel lake, 60 miles long and three miles wide, would provide excellent storage.

The Blackwater river drains an area of 5,600 square miles and 140 miles long. It falls about 1,700 feet between Tsacha lake—an expansion—and the Fraser.

The Nechaco drains an area of 15,700 square miles and is 255 miles long. Between Ootsabunkut lake and the Fraser, it falls 800 feet, of which 82 feet is in the short stretch between Ootsabunkut and Nataklus lakes. Its north branch, the Stuart, is 220 miles long. The Nechaco basin contains a number of large lakes, including Ootsabunkut, 40 miles long, Cheslatta, 25, Français, 60 and Fraser, 12 miles; also Stuart lake with an area of 221 square miles and Tacla, 135 square miles.

On the North fork of the Fraser, about 35 miles from its confluence with the main stream, there is a fall 30 feet high.

#### Vancouver Island

The rivers of Vancouver island are short and steep. Except at the southeastern extremity of the island, where there is a comparatively small rainfall, there is a very heavy precipitation, especially on the west slope of the mountains. Near Victoria, however, storage is necessary in the summer. There are a number of lakes in the interior of the island that could be utilized for storage. Cowichan lake is 18 miles long, Sproat lake, 10, Central lake, 20, Buttle lake, 15 and Nimpkish lake, 12.

Malindang,  
Pacific  
Coast

Between the Skeena and the Fraser, no stream cuts across the Coast range. Consequently, in this area, all the rivers are short and steep but, on account of the very heavy precipitation on the west slope of the Coast range, they carry a heavy flow of water.

The Squamish empties into Howe sound. It is 34 miles long and between Green lake and its mouth, a distance of 33 miles, falls 2,070 feet. Eight hundred feet of this fall occurs between Daisy lake and the mouth of the Minatch, a distance of nine miles, and 450 feet between the former and the "forks" of the Tcharkamish.

Powell river is a short stream and carries the discharge of Powell lake, twenty miles long and four miles wide. The lake forms an excellent reservoir and a head of 140 feet is obtainable with the power plant on tidewater.

The Homathko river rises in the Coast range at an altitude of 3,530 feet and is 92 miles long. Between Waddington cañon, 20th mile from tidewater, and Murderers bar, 32nd mile, it falls 350 feet; between the junction with the West branch, 37th mile, and head of Great canon, 40th mile, it falls 470 feet.

The Bellaçoola river also rises in the Coast range and is about 60 miles long. Between the mouth of Driver river and Bentinck North arm, it falls 1,100 feet.

Dean river (also called Salmon river) rises in the Coast range near the headwaters of the Blackwater and Nechaco. Between the confluence with the Iltasyouco and the mouth, 45 miles, it falls 2,321 feet in 46½ miles; between "Salmon House," at the 24th mile, and the "3rd crossing," quarter of a mile below, it descends 181 feet.

The Kemano river empties into Gardner inlet. Between Siffleur lake and tidewater, 18 miles, it falls 3,753 feet. Between the 9th and 12th miles from the mouth it descends 1,035 feet; of this descent, 214 feet occur in 1,000 feet horizontal.

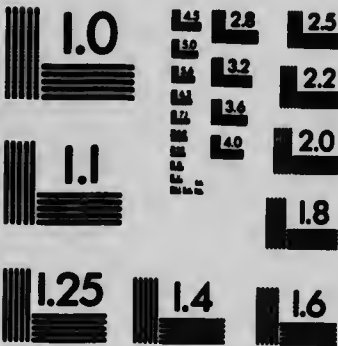
Other rivers, south of the Skeena, that are known to contain valuable powers but for which no details are available, are: the Southgate, falling into Bute inlet; the Klinaklini, into Bute inlet; the Owikano, into Rivers inlet; the Kitlope, into Gardner canal; and the Kitimat into Douglas channel.

The Skeena river drains an area of 19,300 square miles and is 335 miles long. Between Hazelton and its mouth it has a fall of 725 feet but the construction of the Grand Trunk Pacific will probably prevent damming it to raise the water to any considerable height. The Babine river, a tributary, drains Babine lake, which has an area of 306 sq. miles. Between the lake and Kitkargas village, a distance of about 40 miles, it falls 1,000 feet.



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Other important streams are: the Nass draining 7,400 square miles and 205 miles long; the Stikine, with a drainage basin 20,300 square miles in area, and 335 miles long and the Taku, draining 7,600 square miles.

The Peace river drains the northeastern portion of British Columbia. Between the junction of the Finlay and Parsnip—where it takes the name "Peace"—and the eastern boundary of the Province, there are no water-powers. Its south branch, the Parsnip is 145 miles long. Below the confluence of McLeod river, there are no rapids in the Parsnip. Above the McLeod, it is unsurveyed except the rough survey made by Mackenzie, in 1793. Some of its eastern tributaries, such as the Misinchinca, are torrential streams carrying a good flow of water. The Nation river, another tributary, is unexplored.

The north branch of the Peace—the Finlay—is 250 miles long. It ranges in width from 90 feet, where it issues from the Fishing lakes, to 900 feet near its mouth. Its navigation, for two hundred miles above its mouth, with the exception of Deserter cañon, is easy. Deserter cañon is situated about 90 miles above the mouth; is about half a mile long and, in the narrowest places, scarcely exceeds a hundred feet in width. The walls at the lower end are high. Where the Finlay flows through the Long cañon, above its confluence with the Tochieca, it is a succession of cañons, riffles and rapids, for many miles. The Long cañon is five miles long. The river, in places, is narrowed to less than 100 feet in width and contains numerous wild rapids. The total depth of the gorge, at the upper end exceeds 600 feet.

The Omineca, or south branch of the Finlay, is by far the largest tributary of the latter. The Black cañon, five miles from its mouth, is about half a mile in length and varies in width from one hundred to two hundred feet. Its walls are usually vertical and, in places, exceed 150 feet in height. Six miles above the mouth of the Oslinca, the Omineca flows through the Little cañon. Between the mouth and quiet water nine miles above Little cañon, the river falls 425 feet in a distance of 35 miles, an exceptionally high grade for a river of this size.

The following is a list of the principal known water-powers in these districts:



## BRITISH COLUMBIA

### DISTRICT No. II—FRASER RIVER AND TRIBUTARIES

Power Site	MINIMUM			HORSE-POWER DEVELOPED			REMARKS
	Head, in feet	Horse-Power	Electrical Energy	Mining	Other Industries	Total	
933. North arm, Burrard inlet .....	400	52,000					
934. { Stave river, Upper fall .....	100	28,000					B.C. Electric Ry. Co.: water diverted from the Coquitlam river; 16 miles from Vancouver.
934. { Stave river, Lower fall .....	100	50,000					
935. Nicoamen river .....	280	4,000	33,260			33,260	Western Canada Power Co.: under construction; flow 3,000 cub. ft. per sec. "under usual operating conditions a peak load of 44,000 to 48,000 H.P. can be provided for."
936. Chilliwak river .....		50,000†	20,000			20,000	
936a. Chehalis river .....		50,000†					Undeveloped
936b. Green river .....		25,000†					
937. Lillooet lake .....	320	50,000†					Undeveloped
938. { Hunter creek .....	350	4,500					
938. { Coquihalla river .....	70	8,000					
938. { Silver creek .....	80	7,000					
939. Emory creek .....	30	500					
940. Yale creek .....	40	500					
941. Siwash creek .....	500	4,000					
942. Spuzum creek .....	80	3,500					
943. Anderson river .....	100	5,000					
944. Salmon river .....	70	15,000					
945. Quoteek creek .....	200	10,000					
946. Bridge river .....	1,500	100,000					
947. Thompson river .....	1,200	100,000					Rapids between Lytton and Thompson; total fall
947a. Adams river (tributary of South Thompson) .....	165	37,400					With storage, minimum, 2,000 cub. ft. per sec.; present low water flow, 1,000 c.f.s.; primary development, 65 ft. head

† These estimates of water-power are based on the utilization of the available storage in the different drainage basins and are only approximate (H. M. Barwell, C. E., Aug. 10, 1916.)





**BRITISH COLUMBIA**  
**DISTRICT No. IV—MAINLAND, PACIFIC COAST**

POWER SITE	MINIMUM		HORSE-POWER DEVELOPED				REMARKS
	Head, in feet	Horse-Power	Electrical Energy	Mining	Other Industries	Total	
966. Powell river.....	140	100,000†					26,000 H.P. development under construction  Proposed 8,000 H.P. development for Prince Rupert Proposed development of 15,000 H.P.
966a. Clowhom river.....	130	25,000†					
966b. Cheakamus river.....	560	50,000†					
967. Link river.....	110	19,500			8,500	8,500	
968. Khtads river.....	300	16,000					
969. Union creek.....							

†These estimates of water-power are based on the utilization of the available storage in the different drainage basins and are only approximate (H. M. Burwell, C. E., Aug. 10, 1910)

**DISTRICT No. V—NORTHERN AND NORTH-EASTERN WATERSHEDS**

970. Peace river, rapids between Custs House and Hudsons Hope.....	270					
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## APPENDIX I

### TREATY BETWEEN THE UNITED KINGDOM AND THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA RELATING TO BOUNDARY WATERS AND QUESTIONS ARISING ALONG THE BOUNDARY BETWEEN CANADA AND THE UNITED STATES

*Signed at Washington, January 11, 1909. Ratifications exchanged at Washington, May 5, 1910.*

**H**IS Majesty the King of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland and of the British Dominions beyond the Seas, Emperor of India, and the United States of America, being equally desirous to prevent disputes regarding the use of boundary waters and to settle all questions which are now pending between the United States and the Dominion of Canada involving the rights, obligations, or interests of either in relation to the other or to the inhabitants of the other, along their common frontier, and to make provision for the adjustment and settlement of all such questions as may hereafter arise, have resolved to conclude a Treaty in furtherance of these ends, and for that purpose have appointed as their respective plenipotentiaries:

His Britannic Majesty, the Right Honourable James Bryce, O.M., his Ambassador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary at Washington; and

The President of the United States of America, Elihu Root, Secretary of State of the United States;

Who, after having communicated to one another their full powers, found in good and due form, have agreed upon the following articles:

#### PRELIMINARY ARTICLE

For the purposes of this Treaty boundary waters are defined as the waters from main shore to main shore of the lakes and rivers and connecting waterways, or the portions thereof, along which the international boundary between the United States and the Dominion of Canada passes, including all bays, arms, and inlets thereof, but not including tributary waters which in their natural channels would flow into such lakes, rivers, and waterways, or waters flowing from such lakes, rivers, and waterways, or the waters of rivers flowing across the boundary.

## ARTICLE 1

The High Contracting Parties agree that the navigation of all navigable boundary waters shall for ever continue free and open for the purposes of commerce to the inhabitants and to the ships, vessels, and boats of both countries equally, subject, however, to any laws and regulations of either country, within its own territory, not inconsistent with such privilege of free navigation, and applying equally and without discrimination to the inhabitants, ships, vessels, and boats of both countries.

It is further agreed that so long as this Treaty shall remain in force, this same right of navigation shall extend to the waters of Lake Michigan and to all canals connecting boundary waters, and now existing or which may hereafter be constructed on either side of the line. Either of the High Contracting Parties may adopt rules and regulations governing the use of such canals within its own territory, and may charge tolls for the use thereof, but all such rules and regulations and all tolls charged shall apply alike to the subjects or citizens of the High Contracting Parties and the ships, vessels, and boats of both of the High Contracting Parties, and they shall be placed on terms of equality in the use thereof.

## ARTICLE 2

Each of the High Contracting Parties reserves to itself or to the several State Governments on the one side and the Dominion or Provincial Governments on the other, as the case may be, subject to any treaty provisions now existing with respect thereto, the exclusive jurisdiction and control over the use and diversion, whether temporary or permanent, of all waters on its own side of the line which in their natural channels would flow across the boundary or into boundary waters; but it is agreed that any interference with or diversion from their natural channel of such waters on either side of the boundary, resulting in any injury on the other side of the boundary, shall give rise to the same rights and entitle the injured parties to the same legal remedies as if such injury took place in the country where such diversion or interference occurs; but this provision shall not apply to cases already existing or to cases expressly covered by special agreement between the parties hereto.

It is understood, however, that neither of the High Contracting Parties intends by the foregoing provision to surrender any right which it may have to object to any interference with or diversions of waters on the other side of the boundary the effect of which would be productive of material injury to the navigation interests on its own side of the boundary

## ARTICLE 3

It is agreed that, in addition to the uses, obstructions, and diversions heretofore permitted or hereafter provided for by special agreement between the Parties hereto, no further or other uses or obstructions or diversions, whether temporary or permanent, of boundary waters on either side of the line, affecting the natural level or flow of boundary waters on the other side of the line, shall be made except by authority of the United States or the Dominion of Canada within their respective jurisdictions and with the approval, as hereinafter provided, of a joint commission, to be known as the International Joint Commission.

The foregoing provisions are not intended to limit or interfere with the existing rights of the Government of the United States on the one side and the Government of the Dominion of Canada on the other, to undertake and carry on governmental works in boundary waters for the deepening of channels, the construction of breakwaters, the improvement of harbours, and other governmental works for the benefit of commerce and navigation, provided that such works are wholly on its own side of the line and do not materially affect the level or flow of the boundary waters on the other, nor are such provisions intended to interfere with the ordinary use of such waters for domestic and sanitary purposes.

## ARTICLE 4

The High Contracting Parties agree that, except in cases provided for by special agreement between them, they will not permit the construction or maintenance on their respective sides of the boundary of any remedial or protective works or any dams or other obstructions in waters flowing from boundary waters or in waters at a lower level than the boundary in rivers flowing across the boundary, the effect of which is to raise the natural level of waters on the other side of the boundary unless the construction or maintenance thereof is approved by the aforesaid International Joint Commission.

It is further agreed that the waters herein defined as boundary waters and waters flowing across the boundary shall not be polluted on either side to the injury of health or property on the other.

## ARTICLE 5

The High Contracting Parties agree that it is expedient to limit the diversion of waters from the Niagara River so that the level of Lake Erie and the flow of the stream shall not be appreciably affected. It is the desire of both Parties to accomplish this object with the least possible

injury to investments which have already been made in the construction of power plants on the United States' side of the river under grants of authority from the State of New York, and on the Canadian side of the river under licences authorized by the Dominion of Canada and the Province of Ontario.

So long as this Treaty shall remain in force, no diversion of the waters of the Niagara River above the Falls from the natural course and stream thereof shall be permitted except for the purposes and to the extent hereinafter provided.

The United States may authorize and permit the diversion within the State of New York of the waters of said river above the Falls of Niagara, for power purposes, not exceeding in the aggregate a daily diversion at the rate of twenty thousand cubic feet of water per second.

The United Kingdom, by the Dominion of Canada, or the Province of Ontario, may authorize and permit the diversion within the Province of Ontario of the waters of said river above the Falls of Niagara, for power purposes, not exceeding in the aggregate a daily diversion at the rate of thirty-six thousand cubic feet of water per second.

The prohibitions of this article shall not apply to the diversion of water for sanitary or domestic purposes, or for the service of canals for the purposes of navigation.

#### ARTICLE 6

The High Contracting Parties agree that the St. Mary and Milk Rivers and their tributaries (in the State of Montana and the Provinces of Alberta and Saskatchewan) are to be treated as one stream for the purposes of irrigation and power, and the waters thereof shall be apportioned equally between the two countries, but in making such equal apportionment more than half may be taken from one river and less than half from the other by either country so as to afford a more beneficial use to each. It is further agreed that in the division of such waters during the irrigation season, between the 1st of April and 31st of October, inclusive, annually, the United States is entitled to a prior appropriation of 500 cubic feet per second of the waters of the Milk River, or so much of such amount as constitutes three-fourths of its natural flow, and that Canada is entitled to a prior appropriation of 500 cubic feet per second of the flow of St. Mary River, or so much of such amount as constitutes three-fourths of its natural flow.

The channel of the Milk River in Canada may be used at the convenience of the United States for the conveyance, while passing through Canadian territory, of waters diverted from the St. Mary River. The provisions of Article 2 of this Treaty shall apply to any injury resulting to property in Canada from the conveyance of such waters through the Milk River.



The measurement and apportionment of the water to be used by each country shall from time to time be made jointly by the properly-constituted reclamation officers of the United States and the properly-constituted irrigation officers of His Majesty under the direction of the International Joint Commission.

## ARTICLE 7

The High Contracting Parties agree to establish and maintain an International Joint Commission of the United States and Canada composed of six commissioners, three on the part of the United States appointed by the President thereof, and three on the part of the United Kingdom appointed by His Majesty on the recommendation of the Governor in Council of the Dominion of Canada.

## ARTICLE 8

This International Joint Commission shall have jurisdiction over and shall pass upon all cases involving the use or obstruction or diversion of the waters with respect to which under Articles 3 and 4 of this Treaty the approval of this Commission is required, and in passing upon such cases the Commission shall be governed by the following rules and principles which are adopted by the High Contracting Parties for this purpose:

The High Contracting Parties shall have, each on its own side of the boundary, equal and similar rights in the use of the waters herein before defined as boundary waters.

The following order of precedence shall be observed among the various uses enumerated hereinafter for these waters, and no use shall be permitted which tends materially to conflict with or restrain any other use which is given preference over it in this order of precedence:

- (1) Uses for domestic and sanitary purposes;
- (2) Uses for navigation, including the service of canals for the purposes of navigation;
- (3) Uses for power and for irrigation purposes.

The foregoing provisions shall not apply to or disturb any existing uses of boundary waters on either side of the boundary.

The requirement for an equal division may in the discretion of the Commission be suspended in cases of temporary diversions along boundary waters at points where such equal division can not be made advantageously on account of local conditions, and where such diversion does not diminish elsewhere the amount available for use on the other side.

The Commission in its discretion may make its approval in any case conditional upon the construction of remedial or protective works to compensate so far as possible for the particular use or diversion proposed, and in such cases may require that suitable and adequate provision, approved by the Commission, be made for the protection and indemnity against injury of any interests on either side of the boundary.

In cases involving the elevation of the natural level of waters on either side of the line as a result of the construction or maintenance on the other side of remedial or protective works or dams or other obstructions in boundary waters or in waters flowing therefrom or in waters below the boundary in rivers flowing across the boundary, the Commission shall require, as a condition of its approval thereof, that suitable and adequate provision, approved by it, be made for the protection and indemnity of all interests on the other side of the line which may be injured thereby.

The majority of the Commissioners shall have power to render a decision. In case the Commission is evenly divided upon any question or matter presented to it for decision, separate reports shall be made by the Commissioners on each side to their own Government. The High Contracting Parties shall thereupon endeavour to agree upon an adjustment of the question or matter of difference, and if an agreement is reached between them, it shall be reduced to writing in the form of a protocol, and shall be communicated to the Commissioners, who shall take such further proceedings as may be necessary to carry out such agreement.

#### ARTICLE 9

The High Contracting Parties further agree that any other questions or matters of difference arising between them involving the rights, obligations, or interests of either in relation to the other or to the inhabitants of the other, along the common frontier between the United States and the Dominion of Canada, shall be referred from time to time to the International Joint Commission for examination and report, whenever either the Government of the United States or the Government of the Dominion of Canada shall request that such questions or matters of difference be so referred.

The International Joint Commission is authorized in each case so referred to examine into and report upon the facts and circumstances of the particular questions and matters referred, together with such conclusions and recommendations as may be appropriate, subject, however, to any restrictions or exceptions which may be imposed with respect thereto by the terms of the reference.

Such reports of the Commission shall not be regarded as decisions of the questions or matters so submitted either on the facts or the law, and shall in no way have the character of an arbitral award.

The Commission shall make a joint report to both Governments in all cases in which all or a majority of the Commissioners agree, and in case of disagreement the minority may make a joint report to both Governments, or separate reports to their respective Governments.

In case the Commission is evenly divided upon any question or matter

referred to it for report, separate reports shall be made by the Commissioners on each side to their own Government.

## ARTICLE 10

Any questions or matters of difference arising between the High Contracting Parties involving the rights, obligations, or interests of the United States or of the Dominion of Canada either in relation to each other or to their respective inhabitants, may be referred for decision to the International Joint Commission by the consent of the two Parties, it being understood that on the part of the United States any such action will be by and with the advice and consent of the Senate, and on the part of His Majesty's Government with the consent of the Governor General in Council. In each case so referred, the said Commission is authorized to examine into and report upon the facts and circumstances of the particular questions and matters referred, together with such conclusions and recommendations as may be appropriate, subject, however, to any restrictions or exceptions which may be imposed with respect thereto by the terms of the reference.

A majority of the said Commission shall have power to render a decision or finding upon any of the questions or matters so referred.

If the said Commission is equally divided or otherwise unable to render a decision or finding as to any questions or matters so referred, it shall be the duty of the Commissioners to make a joint report to both Governments, or separate reports to their respective Governments, showing the different conclusions arrived at with regard to the matters or questions so referred, which questions or matters shall thereupon be referred for decision by the High Contracting Parties to an umpire chosen in accordance with the procedure prescribed in the fourth, fifth, and sixth paragraphs of Article XLV of The Hague Convention for the pacific settlement of international disputes, dated October 18, 1907. Such umpire shall have power to render a final decision with respect to those matters and questions so referred on which the Commission failed to agree.

## ARTICLE 11

A duplicate original of all decisions rendered and joint reports made by the Commission shall be transmitted to and filed with the Secretary of State of the United States and the Governor General of the Dominion of Canada, and to them shall be addressed all communications of the Commission.

## ARTICLE 12

The International Joint Commission shall meet and organize at Washington promptly after the members thereof are appointed, and

when organized the Commission may fix such times and places for its meetings as may be necessary, subject at all times to special call or direction by the two Governments. Each Commissioner, upon the first joint meeting of the Commission after his appointment, shall, before proceeding with the work of the Commission, make and subscribe a solemn declaration in writing that he will faithfully and impartially perform the duties imposed upon him under this Treaty, and such declaration shall be entered on the records of the proceedings of the Commission.

The United States and Canadian sections of the Commission may each appoint a secretary, and these shall act as joint secretaries of the Commission at its joint sessions, and the Commission may employ engineers and clerical assistants from time to time as it may deem advisable. The salaries and personal expenses of the Commission and of the secretaries shall be paid by their respective Governments, and all reasonable and necessary joint expenses of the Commission, incurred by it, shall be paid in equal moieties by the High Contracting Parties.

The Commission shall have power to administer oaths to witnesses, and to take evidence on oath whenever deemed necessary in any proceeding, or inquiry, or matter within its jurisdiction under this Treaty, and all parties interested therein shall be given convenient opportunity to be heard, and the High Contracting Parties agree to adopt such legislation as may be appropriate and necessary to give the Commission the powers above mentioned on each side of the boundary, and to provide for the issue of subpoenas and for compelling the attendance of witnesses in proceedings before the Commission. The Commission may adopt such rules of procedure as shall be in accordance with justice and equity, and may make such examination in person and through agents or employees as may be deemed advisable.

#### ARTICLE 13

In all cases where special agreements between the High Contracting Parties hereto are referred to in the foregoing articles, such agreements are understood and intended to include not only direct agreements between the High Contracting Parties, but also any mutual arrangement between the United States and the Dominion of Canada expressed by concurrent or reciprocal legislation on the part of Congress and the Parliament of the Dominion.

#### ARTICLE 14

The present Treaty shall be ratified by His Britannic Majesty and by the President of the United States of America, by and with the advice and consent of the Senate thereof. The ratifications shall be exchanged at

Washington as soon as possible, and the Treaty shall take effect on the date of the exchange of its ratifications. It shall remain in force for five years, dating from the day of exchange of ratifications, and thereafter until terminated by twelve months' written notice given by either High Contracting Party to the other.

In faith whereof the respective plenipotentiaries have signed this Treaty in duplicate and have hereunto affixed their seals.

Done at Washington the 11th day of January, in the year of our Lord one thousand nine hundred and nine.

(L.S.) JAMES BRYCE.

(L.S.) ELIHU ROOT.

#### PROTOCOL OF EXCHANGE\*

On proceeding to the exchange of the ratifications of the treaty signed at Washington on January 11, 1909, between Great Britain and the United States, relating to boundary waters and questions arising along the boundary between the United States and the Dominion of Canada, the undersigned plenipotentiaries, duly authorized thereto by their respective Governments, hereby declare that nothing in this treaty shall be construed as affecting, or changing, any existing territorial, or riparian rights in the water, or rights of the owners of lands under water, on either side of the international boundary at the rapids of the St. Mary's River at Sault Ste. Marie, in the use of the waters flowing over such lands, subject to the requirements of navigation in boundary waters and of navigation canals, and without prejudice to the existing right of the United States and Canada, each to use the waters of the St. Mary's River, within its own territory; and further, that nothing in this treaty shall be construed to interfere with the drainage of wet, swamp, and overflowed lands into streams flowing into boundary waters, and also that this declaration shall be deemed to have equal force and effect as the treaty itself and to form an integral part thereof.

The exchange of ratifications then took place in the usual form.

In witness whereof, they have signed the present Protocol of Exchange and have affixed their seals thereto.

Done at Washington this 5th day of May, one thousand nine hundred and ten.

(L.S.) JAMES BRYCE.

(L.S.) PHILANDER C. KNOX.

\*The British Ratification of this further Instrument was deposited with the United States Government on July 23, 1910.

## APPENDIX II

### AN ACT FOR THE PROTECTION OF THE PUBLIC INTERESTS IN THE BED OF NAVIGABLE WATERS

I GEORGE V, CHAP. 6 (ONTARIO)

Assented to

**H**IS Majesty, by and with the consent of the Legislative Assembly of the Province of Ontario, enacts as follows:—

1. This Act may be cited as "The Bed of Navigable Waters Act."
2. Where land bordering on a navigable body of water or stream has been heretofore, or shall hereafter, be granted by the Crown, it shall be presumed, in the absence of an express grant of it, that the bed of such body of water or stream was not intended to pass to the grantee of the land, and the grant shall be construed accordingly and not in accordance with the rules of the English Common Law.
3. Section 2 shall not affect the rights, if any, of a grantee from the Crown or of any person claiming under him, where such rights have heretofore been determined by a court of competent jurisdiction in accordance with the rules of the English Common Law, or of a grantee from the Crown, or any person claiming under him who establishes to the satisfaction of the Lieutenant-Governor that he or any person under whom he claims has previous to the passing of this Act developed a water power or powers under the *bona fide* belief that he had the legal right to do so, provided that he may be required by the Lieutenant-Governor in Council to develop the said power or powers to the fullest possible extent, and provided that the price charged for power derived from such water power or powers may from time to time be fixed by the Lieutenant-Governor in Council. And the Lieutenant-Governor in Council may direct that letters patent granting such right be issued to such grantee or person claiming under him, under and subject to such conditions and provisions as may be deemed proper for insuring the full development of such water power or powers, and the regulation of the price to be charged for power derived from them.
4. This Act shall not apply to the bed of the river where it runs through Lot 8 in the 6th Concession of the Township of Merritt, in the District of Sudbury.
5. Notwithstanding anything herein contained the case of any person setting up on special grounds a claim to receive from the Crown a grant or lease of any part of the bed of a navigable body of water or stream shall be dealt with by the Lieutenant-Governor in Council as he may deem fair and just.
6. This Act shall not come into force until a day to be named by the Lieutenant-Governor by his proclamation.

## APPENDIX III

### AN ACT TO REGULATE THE EXPORTATION OF ELECTRIC POWER AND CERTAIN LIQUIDS AND GASES

6-7 EDWARD VII, CHAP. 16, (CANADA)

(Assented to 27th April, 1907)

**H**IS Majesty, by and with the advice and consent of the Senate and House of Commons of Canada, enacts as follows:—

1. This Act may be cited as *The Electricity and Fluid Exportation Act*.

2. In this Act, unless the context, otherwise requires,—

(a) "export" and "exportation," when used with reference to electrical power of energy, mean respectively export and exportation from Canada by lines of wire or other conductor, and when used with reference to petroleum, natural gas, water or other fluid, whether liquid or gaseous, capable of being exported, mean respectively export and exportation from Canada through pipe lines or other like contrivances;

(b) "power" means electrical power or energy produced in Canada;

(c) "fluid" means petroleum, natural gas, water or other fluid, whether liquid or gaseous, capable of being exported by means of pipe lines or other like contrivances, and produced in Canada.

3. No person shall export any power or fluid without a license, or any power or fluid in excess of the quantity permitted by his license, or otherwise than as permitted by such license; Provided that any person who, immediately prior to the passing of this Act, is lawfully engaged in the exportation of power or fluid shall not, with respect to such exportation, be subject to the provisions of this Act until six months after this Act comes into force or until he has sooner obtained a license under this Act, unless and except in so far as his exportation at any time during the interval ratably exceeds in quantity of power or fluid the amount which he was exporting prior to the passing of this Act.

(2) No person shall, without a license, construct or place in position any line of wire or other conductor for the exportation of power, or any pipe line or other like contrivance for the exportation of fluid.

4. Subject to any regulations of the Governor in Council in that behalf, the Governor in Council may grant licenses, upon such conditions as he thinks proper, for the exportation of power or fluid where a right to export exists by lawful authority; and such license shall be revocable upon such notice to the licensee as the Governor in Council deems reasonable in each case.

5. Any such license may provide that the quantity of power or fluid to be exported shall be limited to the surplus, after the licensee has supplied for distribution to customers for use in Canada power or fluid to the extent defined by such license, at prices and in accordance with conditions, rules and regulations prescribed by the Governor in Council.

(2) Every such license shall be revocable at will by the Governor in Council if the licensee refuses or neglects to comply with any of the conditions imposed with regard to the supply and distribution of power or fluid in Canada.

6. Subject to any regulations of the Governor in Council in that behalf, the Governor in Council may grant licenses for the construction placing or laying of any line of wire or other conductor for the exportation of power, or of any pipe line or other like contrivance for the exportation of fluid.

7. Every person who exports any such power or fluid contrary to the provisions of this Act shall, for each day on which any such export takes place, be liable to a penalty not exceeding five thousand dollars and not less than one thousand dollars.

8. Every person who, contrary to the provisions of this Act, constructs, places or lays in position any line of wire or other conductor for the exportation of power, or any pipe line or other like contrivance for the exportation of fluid, shall for each such offence be liable to a penalty not exceeding five thousand dollars and not less than one thousand dollars, and to forfeiture and confiscation of such line of wire or other conductor, or of such pipe line or other contrivance, which may forthwith upon such conviction be destroyed or removed by direction of the Governor in Council.

9. The Governor in Council may make regulations not inconsistent with this Act for giving effect to the object and intention thereof, and by such regulations may impose fees to be paid thereunder by applicants for licenses or others.

(2) Such regulations shall be laid before Parliament within fifteen days after the making thereof, or, if Parliament is not then in session, within fifteen days after the opening of the next session thereof.

10. The Governor in Council may, by proclamation published in *The Canada Gazette*, impose export duties, not exceeding ten dollars per annum per horse power, upon power exported from Canada, or not exceeding ten cents per thousand cubic feet on fluid exported from Canada, and such duties shall be chargeable accordingly after the publication of such proclamation.

(2) The Governor in Council may, by proclamation published in like manner, from time to time remove or re-impose such duties or vary the amount thereof.



(3) The Governor in Council may, by proclamation published in like manner, exempt from the payment of such duties such persons as comply with the direction of the Governor in Council with regard to the quantity of power or fluid to be supplied by such persons for distribution to customers for use in Canada.



## APPENDIX IV

### REGULATIONS OF 4TH NOVEMBER, 1907, UNDER THE ELECTRICITY AND FLUID EXPORTATION ACT

**T**HESE Regulations are to be construed as subject in all respects to the provisions of the Act and the several words, terms and expressions which by the Act meanings are assigned shall have therein the same to respective meanings:—

- (a) "Minister" means the Minister of Inland Revenue;
- (b) "Department" means the Department of Inland Revenue;
- (c) "Contractor" means any person or Company undertaking to generate or produce electrical energy, gas or fluid for exportation from Canada;
- (d) "Purchaser" means any person or Company to whom electrical energy, gas or fluid is furnished by the Contractor;
- (e) The expression "Unit of Supply of Electrical Energy" means one Kilowatt hour, i. e., 1000 watts passing for one hour;
- (f) The expression "Electrical Horse-Power Year" means the passing of 746 Watts of electrical energy for one year.

2. Before commencing to supply any electrical energy, gas or fluid for exportation, the contractor shall obtain from the Department a license in respect of such exportation, the application for which license shall contain full and exact information as to the quantities proposed to be exported from Canada.

3. The contractor, shall, on or before the 1st day of April of each year, make application for the license referred to in the previous paragraph and shall pay therefor the following fee, namely:—

- (a) In the case of an electrical plant generating not more than 10,000 horse-power, twenty-five dollars;
- (b) In the case of an electrical plant generating over 10,000 horse-power, fifty dollars;
- (c) In the case of a natural gas plant, fifty dollars.

4. Any license issued hereunder shall be revocable at will by the Governor in Council if the licensee refuses or neglects to comply with any of the conditions from time to time imposed by the Governor in Council with regard to the supply and distribution of electrical energy, gas or fluid in Canada, and moreover, whenever such electrical energy, gas or fluid is required for the use of purchasers in Canada any such license shall be revocable upon such notice to the licensee as the Governor in Council deems reasonable in each case.

5. Monthly reports shall be made to the Department by the contractor containing full particulars as to the output of the generating plants

or wells of production, showing separately the total number of units generated for export and for consumption in Canada.

6. For the measurement of electrical energy integrating watt-meters of approved design shall be installed in such a manner as to show the total number of units generated for export and for consumption in Canada respectively.

7. Before commencing to construct, subsequent to the issuance of the license, transmission lines of wire for the exportation of electrical energy, or lines of pipe for the exportation of gas or fluid, the contractor shall obtain from the Department a license for such construction.

The contractor shall furnish a drawing or map showing the proposed location of the transmission lines or any extension thereof; also:—

(a) The gauge of the wire conductors for the transmission of electrical energy;

(b) The diameter in inches of the pipe lines for gas or fluids, and

(c) The number of conductors or pipe lines that it is proposed to build or construct.

8. Where a supply of electrical energy, gas or fluid is provided in any part of Canada by the contractor for export and home consumption then the price charged to any person or company in Canada by the contractor shall not exceed the prices at which electrical energy, gas or fluid is sold by the contractor for export in like quantities under similar circumstances.

9. Any officer authorized by the Minister for the purposes of the Act may at all reasonable times, and not less frequently than once in every year, enter any premises in which electrical energy, gas or fluid is generated or produced in order:—

(a) To inspect the generating plant, to test any wires, pipes meters or other measuring devices through which electrical energy, gas or fluid may be supplied to any purchaser, or

(b) To inspect the contractor's books for the purpose of ascertaining the quantities and prices of the commodities sold and such other information as may be deemed necessary for the proper administration of the Act, and

(c) To inspect all contracts entered into between the contractor and the purchaser for a supply of electrical energy, gas or fluid.

10. The accuracy of any meter or other measuring device through which electrical energy, gas or fluid may be sold, either for export or home consumption, shall be determined by the Department in accordance with the provisions of the Electricity and Gas Inspection Acts, Chapters 14 (1907) and 87 R. S. (1906) respectively and the regulations made thereunder.



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## BOOKS, REPORTS AND PAMPHLETS CONTAINING DATA RELATING TO THE WATER-POWERS OF THE DOMINION OF CANADA

(Compiled by Arthur V. White)

*"Knowledge is of two kinds. We know a subject ourselves, or we know where we can find information upon it. When we enquire into any subject, the first thing we have to do is to know what books have treated of it."*—Samuel Johnson.

THE following list of books, reports and pamphlets enumerates the publications which contain data relating to the water-powers of the province of Ontario. The list is not complete; but it contains the representative publications, and may be regarded as a safe guide to the literature which relates, both directly and indirectly, to Ontario's water-powers.

On account of the great importance which attaches to the water-power possibilities of the international waterways constituting the southerly boundary of the province of Ontario, there have been included in the following list the more important recent reports made by some of the commissions upon waterways appointed by the United States government. Thus, reference is made to Reports by the Deep Waterways Commission, the Inland Waterways Commission, the National Waterways Commission, and the International Waterways Commission.

On account of the water-powers situated upon interprovincial waters, it is concluded advisable to include in the list here given some reports which deal with issues relating to portions of Ontario's provincial boundaries. And again, owing to the increasing commercial values of water-powers connected with Government canals, it has been considered profitable to make mention of some of the chief reports relating to Canadian canals.

Some reports, as, for example, those by E. B. Borron, have been listed because, generally speaking, but little clue can be found even to the existence of some of them.

Some of the smaller pamphlets enumerated in the list derive their importance from the fact that they occupy prominent places in the history of the development of the hydro-electric policy of the Ontario Government.

For convenience of reference the publications have been broadly grouped under certain subject headings. It must be understood, however, that the contents of the various reports are by no means restricted to the particular subjects under which classification has been made. The subject headings are as follow:

1. Works of Reference containing data which Relate to the Waters of the Province of Ontario.
2. Reports, etc., by the Hydro-Electric Power Commission of the Province of Ontario.

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3. Miscellaneous Reports, etc., having relation to Hydro-Electric Power matters.
4. List of Reports made to the Ontario Government by E. B. Borron (Stipendiary Magistrate).
5. Reports relating to the Niagara River and Falls.
6. Reports by Dawson, Russell, and Hind re the country between Lake Superior and Lake Winnipeg.
7. Reports relating to the St. Lawrence River, St. Mary River, Rainy River, etc.
8. Some Reports relating to Canadian Canals.
9. Reports (chiefly by the United States Government) relating to Waterways.
10. Reports by the International Waterways Commission.
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	Lease of Ordnance Lands at Queenston. . . . .	19th March, 1895
	Grants to Province, lands at Queenston Heights . . . . .	17th Dec., 1895
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	Map of Park System. . . . .	9th Dec., 1895
	Tenth Annual Report of Commissioners . . . . .	Feby., 1895
	Report of Park Superintendent on lands included in Park System . . . . .	2nd March, 1895
	Report by Park Superintendent on Brock's Monument Grounds . . . . .	28th July, 1895
	Annual Report of Park Superintendent . . . . .	12th Sept., 1894
	Map of the Niagara River showing Park Lands . . . . .	1st Feby., 1896
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It is highly desirable that comprehensive and summary digests be made by competent authorities, of the laws and decisions which relate, directly or indirectly, to the waters of the Dominion, and of the various provinces, both surface and underground. In the case of the Dominion of Canada, the scope of a research such as is suggested should include the international law applicable to the international waters and waterways. Such digests would serve as a guide to future conservation legislation, making it possible to utilise the waters in each particular instance, in the most efficient manner.

Since no descriptive list of digests, text-books, and treatises relating to the laws of waters has been published, it has been considered advisable to give here a bibliographical list of works relating to the law for waters and other cognate matters. The fuller titles of the respective volumes are given, and the works have been grouped under certain broad subject headings.

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