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[18th Century Silver Trading Token.* Value: 10 beaver pelts.]



OLD CAMPS IN ONTARIO ... OLD CAMPS IN ONTARIO ...

Some were originally hunting camps, others were trapping camps, some are still being used, and others are just abandoned ... here are some of those camps that were submitted.



SUDBURY AREA Submitted by Chris Lachance.



Algoma District. Camp built in the 50`s.









Trapper's Shack of Mr. Charlemagne (Charles) Poirier of Iroquois Falls circa 1930s.

Donated and moved to the Cochrane Historical

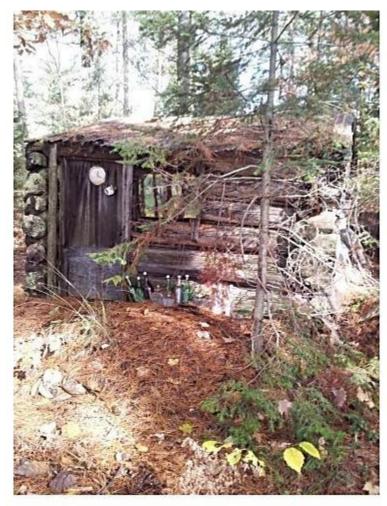
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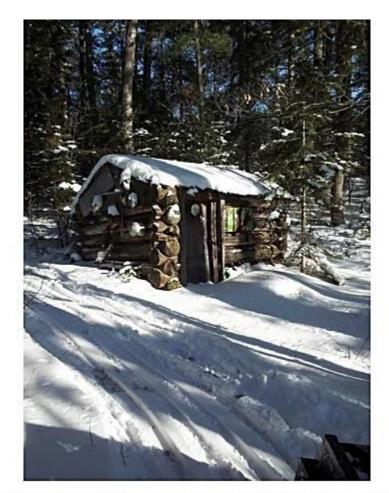
Cabin still being used by a trapper



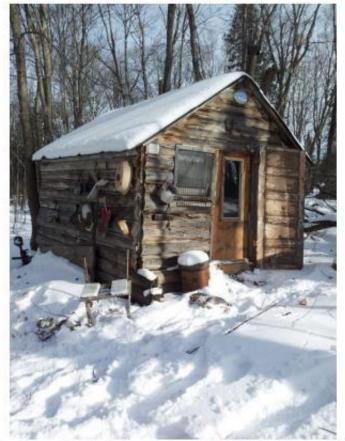
Algoma district, built in the 1930's



Was big enough for trapper and his horse...



About 8 feet by 10. Engraved on inside wall- 1940, Dec 26 1948, April 1950.



Algoma District, camp built in the 60's, the logs were cut in half so that one half of the log would make one wall the other half would make the opposite wall.



Just 10X15. Was moved by 80 year old trapper, about 20 years ago on higher grounds.



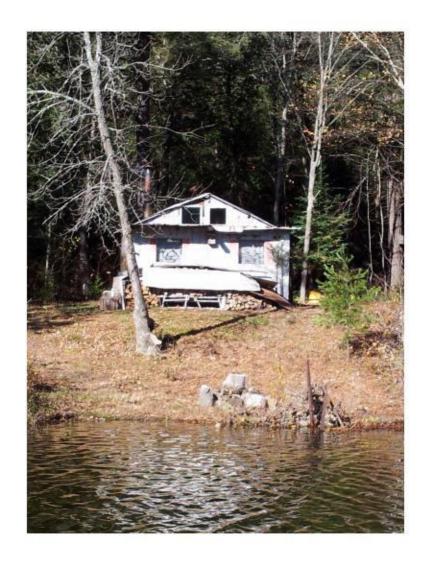
Sudbury District, abandoned camp... This camp as been fixed up ...



Thunder Bay area. Sent in by Lauri Toivonen.



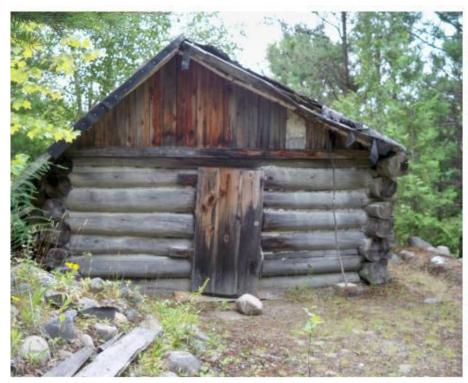
North Western Ontario. Sent by Lauri Toivonen.



Built in the 50's as a hunting camp by a group of hunters. Logs are vertical. In the late 60's the trapper built an extension.

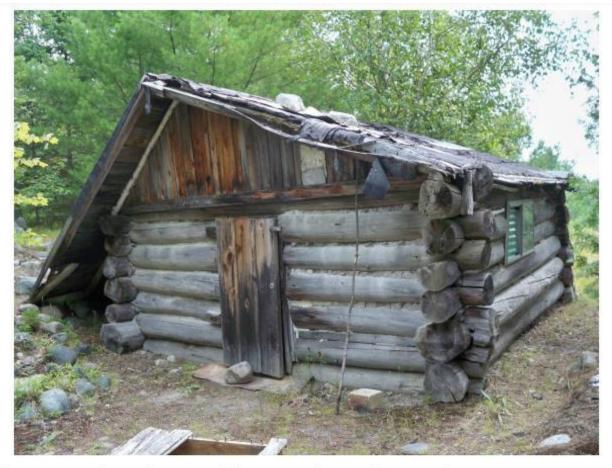


...it is still used by the area trapper.





Near Spanish, Algoma District.



Was used by a couple who would come down from Germany every summer. The last visit was around 2005. The wife came with her son after she lost her husband.

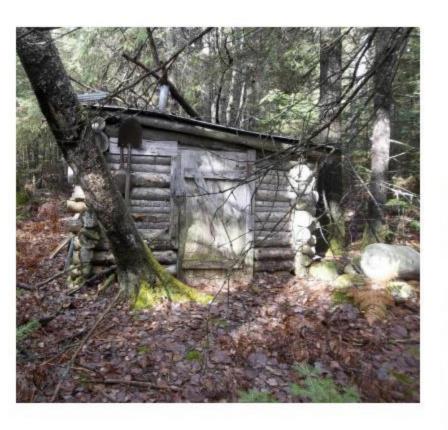
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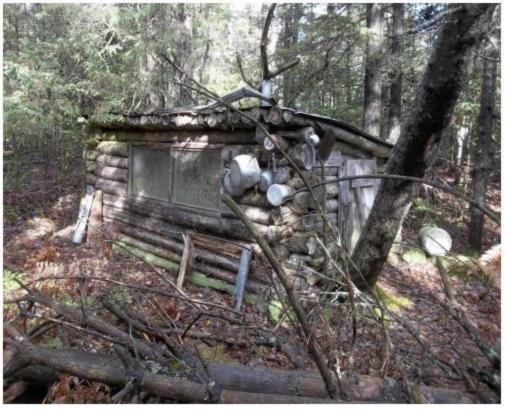


Robert Connor clearing snow from roof of his camp.



Algoma District

Built in the 50's







Algoma District

Built in the 60's





Algoma District

Built in the Early 60's

Tony Joanis at cabin in 1984

Hearst, ON

Matti Jansson (Tony's Grandfather) showing the back of the cabin







Tony Joanis outside the cabin holding a beaver, 1984

Hearst, ON





Hearst, ON

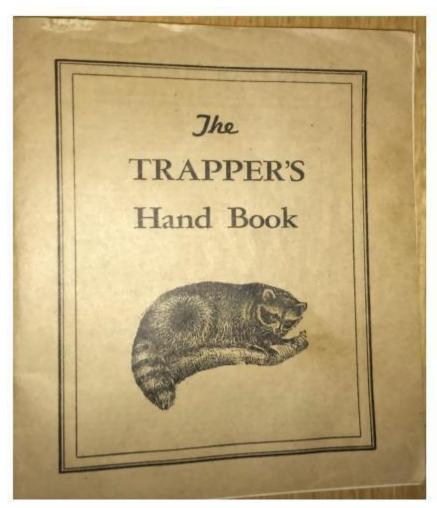
The cabin in 2023, collapsed

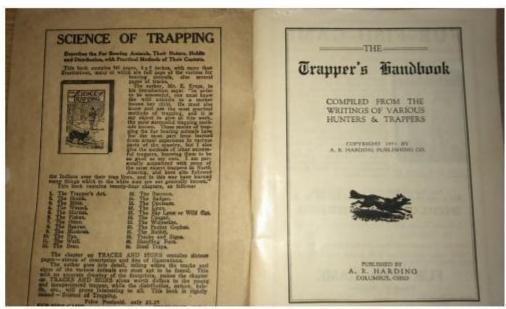


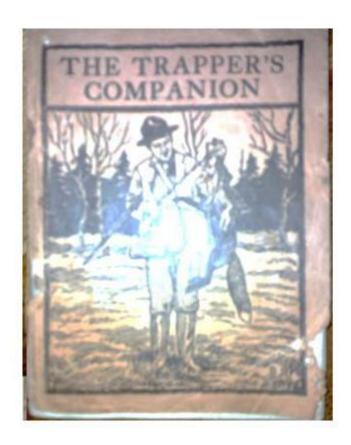
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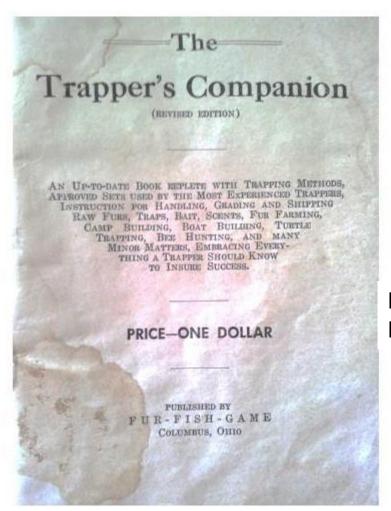
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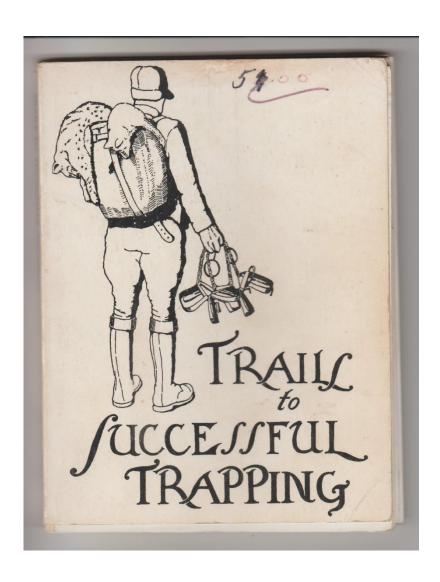


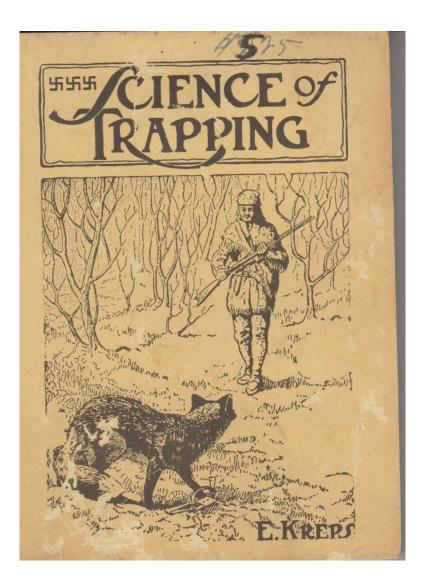


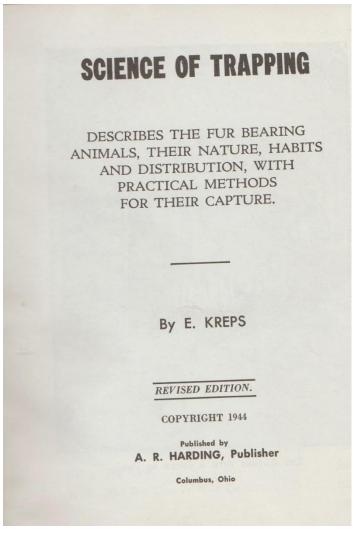
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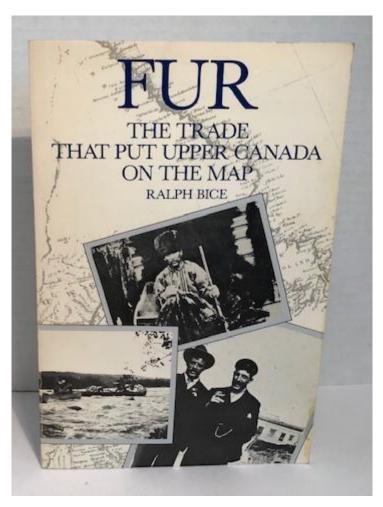


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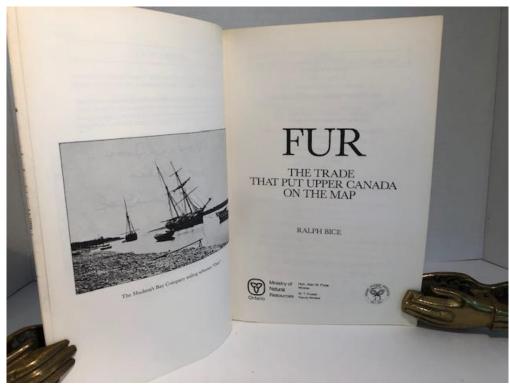






Bice, Ralph

Published by Ontario Trappers Association, North Bay, Ontario, Canada, 1983







A DANDY CATCH OF FURS FROM NORTHERN ONTARIO, CANADA



POPULAR CANADIAN DEADFALL

We show above a deadfall used in Canada.for. mink mardens: the lath, fell. 2, trunk of tree; 3, bed log; 4, bait stick; 5, guide for fall; 6, trigger; 7, weight. Some brush or a few twigs thrown on a deadfall makes it a more effective trap. It is found to be very satisfactory.



Fox Trapping 1965

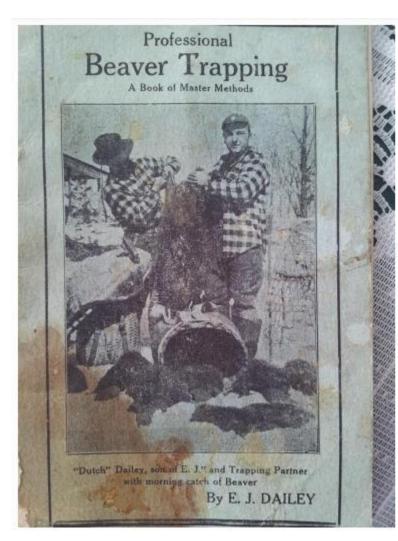
INTRODUCTORY.

If all the methods as given in this book had been studied out by one man and he began trapping when Columbus discovered America, more than four hundred years ago, he would not be half completed.

The methods given on the following pages are principally taken from articles published in the F-F-G, and as the writers give their own most successful methods, the trapper of little experience with fox will find them of great value.

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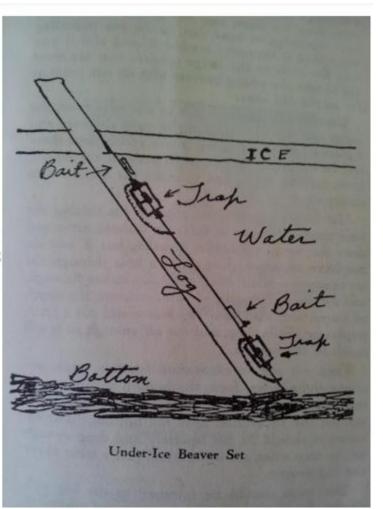
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From:

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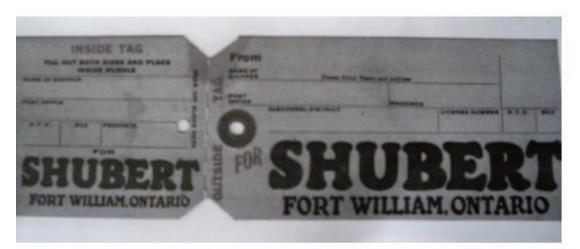
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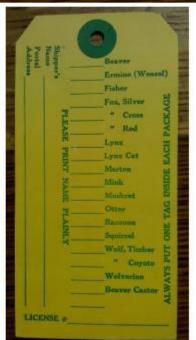
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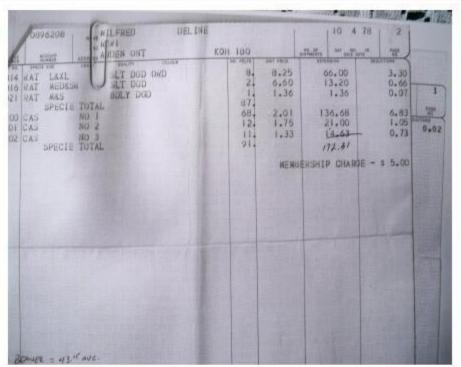


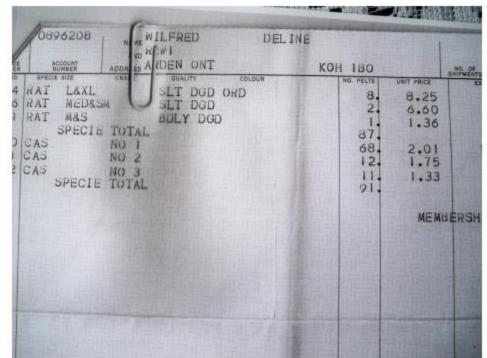




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1978 AUCTION STATEMENT

He credited the big increase in sales to the high prices buyers were willing to pay for the pelts and the high quality of fur. Sable

Other fur prices established at Tuenday's fur sale:

Beaver sold at an average pelt price of \$51.83 and peaked at \$142.

unchanged from the last sale.

Raccoon, wild fox, ranch fox, otter, muskrat, and timber wolf pelts will be on the auction block today.

North Bay, Wednesday, January 21, 1987 2-THE NUGGET, THURSDAY, JANUARY 22, 1987 80th year - Vol. 181-40

All-time record set

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Ontario Trappers Association

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LAST RECEIVING DATE

By DONNA HOOPER Nugget Staff Reporter

The Ontario Trappers Association has set an all-time record for fur sales at its auction in North Bay this week.

According to Jim Dennelly, OTA sales manager, sales at the end of the second day of the three-day auction reached \$11

The previous record for sales at a January auction was 19.9 million, set in 1981.

"What can I say. We're very, very pleased," said Mr. Donnelly, after Wednesday's sale wrapped up late in the evening.

Tuesday, the first day of the sale, brought in the most sales with \$7.3 million worth of fur

Buyers from around the world have been buying furs at record high prices at the OTA head-quarters on Bond St., Mr. Don-nelly described the buyers as a "very positive group" who spoke "in glowing terms about spoke "in |

Fur prices established at Wednesday's sale:

Raccoon sold at an average pelt price of \$25 and a top price of \$74, a small decline in price since December.

Red fox sold at an average price of \$50.94 and peaked at \$152, prices even with the De-cember sale but up about 48 per-cent from last year. Ranch silver fox sold sold at an average of \$170 and a high of \$275, up about eight per cent

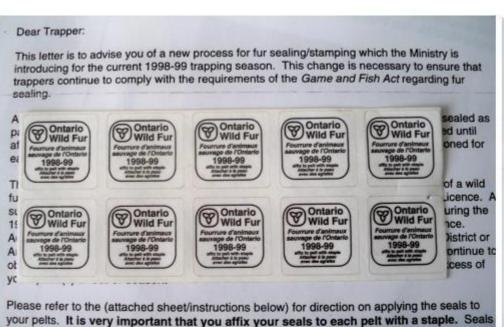
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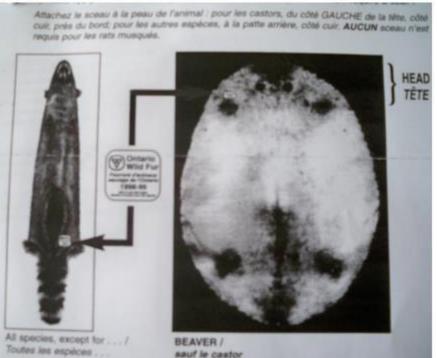
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which fall off or are lost in transit will unnecessarily delay the processing and sale of your pelts

You are reminded that all pelts - with the exception of the pelts of muskrats - must be sealed

prior to sale. I would also like to remind you that it is an offense to transfer to another person any seals which have been issued to you, or to apply your seals to pelts which were not lawful



98-99 New process

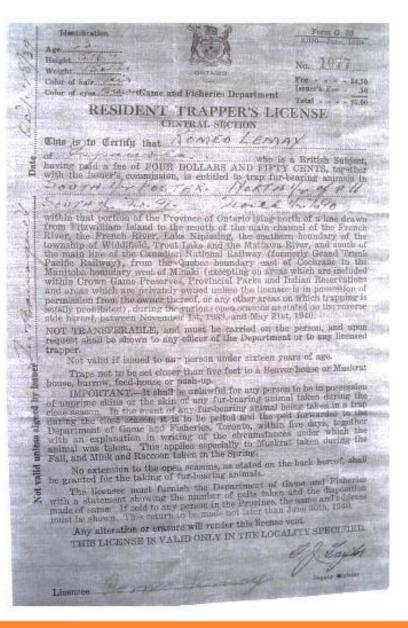
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APPLICATION FOR TRAPPER'S LICENCE

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RESIDENT TRAPPER'S LICENCE

The following information is given for your convenience only.

- This licence is valid only within that port on of Ontario designated on the face of the licence.
- 2. This licence authorizes the licensee to trap within the area designated on,
 - (i) Crown lands; and
 - (ii) Privately owned lands when the license: has the written permission of the owner.
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- 4. This licence does not convey any authority to enter private lands for the purpose of trapping, without the consent of the owner.
- This licence is only valid for trapping beaver when the quota and the place to traphave been entered in the space provided on the face of the licence by the Conservation Offsier who issues the licence.
- 6. This licence is not valid for trapping fishe: or lyest or marten.
- No person shall hold more than one Resident Trapper's Licence, nor shall the leader of a Resident "trapper's Licence be the holder of a Trapillar Licence.
- Si The licenses shall dispose of unsealed pelts within 10 days after the expiration of the open states.
- The licensee shall make a true annual return in form 7 of the fur taken by him not lister than July 15th, 1959, and send it to the local Conservation Officer, or to the District Forester of the district in which the licence was issued.

SEASONS

Only as provided by Regulations.

ROYALTIES

The royalties for taking or shipping to any point outside Ontario, fur-bearing unimals or their pelts or sending any of them to a taxour or taxideemist to be tanned or plucked or treated in any way shall be as follows:

Beaver	\$1.00	Minis	126
Fisher		Muskest	.05
Fox (white)		Otter .	1.25
Lynx		Weasel (ermine)	.05
Marten		Wolverine	.40

REGULATIONS

The stand barrane trunks, packages and parcels of every kind in which the aking of in-dearing animals or the skins or pells of protected animals, game or fish are parted for transportation shall be plainly marked on the outside in such manner as to give a lat and description of the contents, and the name and address of the consignee and manner, and this shall apply to pelts, tkins, game or fish when being transported by hand or otherwise, and shipments of skins or pelts of fur-bearing animals shall only a maje by express or parcel past provided no shipment of the skins or pelts of furmaner not provided for

BENS, SEC. 31 (2).—It shall be unlawful for any person to molest or destroy a few or usual place of habitation of any fur-bearing animal, other than wolf, bear and simple.

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It shall be unlawful for any person to ship to any point outside of the Province, or attenut to take or ship to any point outside of the Province, any fur-bearing animal arraw or undressed skin or pelt thereof, or to have such animal, skin or pelt sent to a tamer or a tanidernist to be dressed or plucked or treated in any way, without first having outsined a permit from the Department, and paying a royalty on each and swarz animal, skin or pelt, as follows:

Bear	\$0.50	Marten	\$1.00
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For (White)	1.50	Weasel (Ermine)	.05
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OPEN SEASONS

BEAVER.-No open season except as may be provided by Order-in-Council.

Excellent Navember 1st to December 31st, both days inclusive.

PRINCER, FOX. MINK, MARTEN AND OTTER.—November 1st to February 28th ment, both days inclusive.

Contain Council.

TEN DATS AFTER THE CLOSE OF THE OPEN SEASONS ALLOWED TO DISPOSE OF FURS

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RESIDENT TRAPPER'S LICENSE

This is to Certify that NORMAN YORKSIYE

of A 3 62-7 fig Pwho is a British Subject, having paid a fee of FOUR DOLLARS AND FIFTY CENTS, together with the issuer's commission, is entitled to trap fur-bearing animals within that portion of the Province of Ontario lying south of a line drawn from Fitzwilliam Island to the mouth of the main channel of the French River, the French River, Lake Nipissing, the southern boundary of the township of Widdifield. Trout Lake and the Mattawa River (excepting on areas which are included within Crown Game Preserves, Provincial Parks and Indian Reservations, and areas which are privately owned unless the licensee is in possession of permission from the owner thereof, or any other areas on which trapping is legally prohibited), during the various open seasons as stated on the payerse side hereof, between November 1st, 1944, and April 30th, 1946.

NOT TRANSFERABLE, and must be carried on the person, and upon request shall be shown to any officer of the Department or to any licensed trapper.

Not valid if issued to any person under sixteen years of age.

Traps not to be set closer than five feet to a Beaver house or Muskrat house, burrow, feed-house or push-up.

It is unlawful to use snares for the taking of beaver at any time.

IMPORTANT.—It shall be unlawful for any person to be in possession of unprime skins or the skin of any fur-bearing animal taken during the close season. In the event of any fur-bearing animal being taken in a trap during the close season, it is to be petted and the pelt forwarded to the Department of Game and Fisheries, Toronto, within five days, together with an explanation in writing of the circumstances under which the animal was taken. This applies especially to Muskrat taken during the Fall, and Mink and Raccoon taken in the Spring.

Any alteration or erasure will render this license void.

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Deputy Minister.

THE GAME AND FISHERIES ACT

TRAPPERS' RETURNS OF FUR BEARING ANIMALS AND PELTS

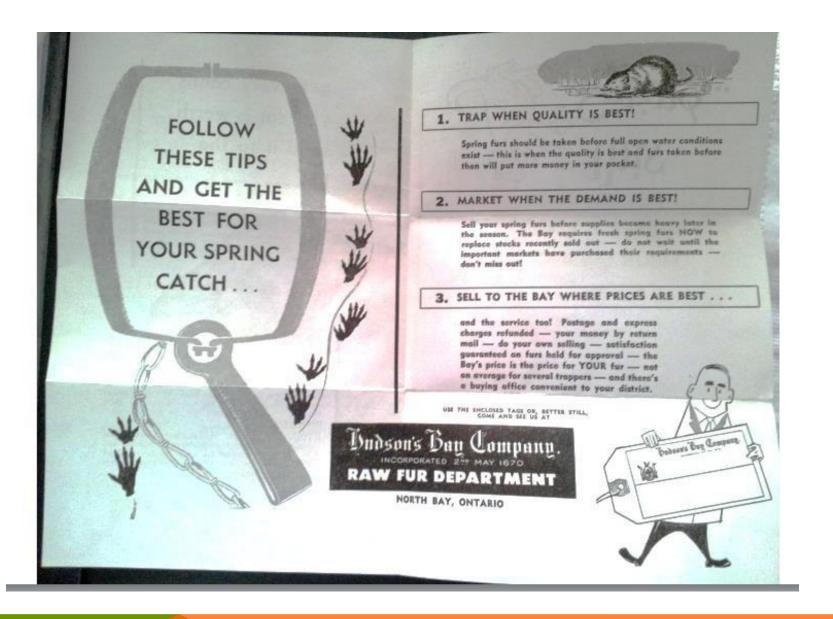
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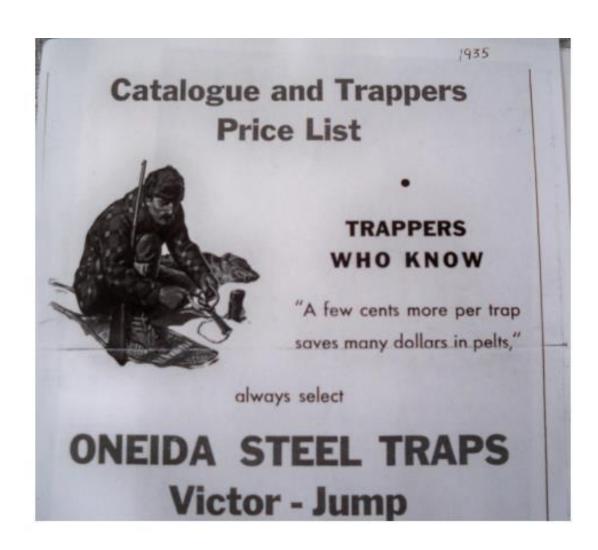


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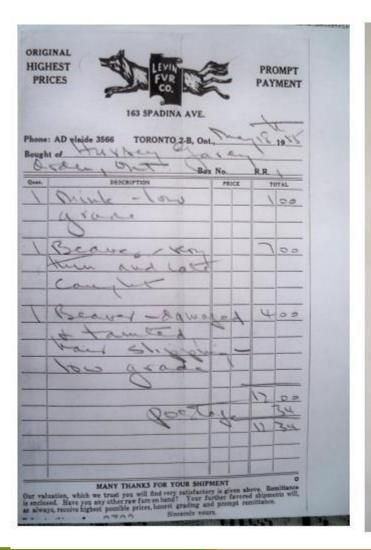








1935 Niagara Falls





1982-83 Fur Sales Schedule



STEVE CHIUPKA RAW FUR DEALER 221 WILSON STREET - PORT ARTHUR, ONT. GUARANTEED TOP MARKET PRICES FOR IMMEDIATE SHIPMENTS - F.O.B. PORT ARTHUR BEAVER WILD MINK LAKE OF THE WOODS. OTTER LYNX SELVERY 1111111 BOBCAT 13:30 - 1:00 WEASEL SHORT TAIL FOX INCHES DESCRIPTIONS DESCRIPTION 1100 100 MUSKRAT 150 - 100 FISHER FRANK 00 PG | 12.00 | NAIL OR SERVICE | 12.00 - 4.00 | Aug OR SERVICE | 12.00 - 4.00 ? CASTOREUMS (Glonds) AREFULLY GRADED 55 PAID FOR ANDLED PELTS



NEWSPAPER STORIES

and of Ten Thousand Lake

Longlac, aptly called "The Hub of the North because of it being located on Highway 11 and on the main line of the C.N.R., is also located in the heart of a chain of lakes and rivers reaching from James Bay to Lake Superior. These lakes, all contribute something to supporting the natural wildlife which the country abounds.

In the larger bodies of water can be found lake trout and sturgeon, giant northern pike, walleyes or pickerel. Speckeled trout, brook trout and brown trout are plentiful. Many of the lakes contain beds of wild rice which makes feeding grounds for ducks and geese. Even in the smaller ponds and bays moose can be found feeding on the beds of lily pads.

Although Longlac is the home of the Woodlands Division of the Kimberly-Clark Pulp and Paper Company which pumps \$11,000,000 into the economy of the area, it is also the center of a rapidly expanding tourist industry whose investments of many thousands of dollars have opened up many new frontiers to the hunter, fisherman and sportsman.

The value of furs trapped in this area for the season 1961/62 was \$112,000.00 which is a fraction of what could be taken owing to the decline in prices over the past few years. This was made up from ten species of animals: beaver, fisher, marten, lynx, mink, otter, muskrat, squirrel, weasel and fox. This does not include wolves taken for bounty of bears shot by sportsmen.

PEOPLE AND PLACES

In Years Gone By ...

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TRAPPERS REVIEW REGULATIONS DISCUSS NEW BEAVER SEASON

Blind River - The Bi-Annual eight pelts it is said. Blind River Trappers Association Chambers recently.

Forests local trappers get together. In the Spring and in the Fall, through these maps. meetings are held a lively ex-

From resolutions passed at itit 'too long for everyone."
these meetings the department Mr. Albert stated that

This meeting featured an elecof Lands and Forests was re-elected president for a third M. W. Q. Smith, Sault Stc. Ma-

The Blind River Trapper's only. Council works under the Chief In this area the deer season Ranger J. A. Huppe. Their ter- opens November 1st and closes

our the recent change in the beaver and otter season, shortened by three weeks. The season the change in deer season on April 30th. The season formerly that wolf snaring be allowed all ended on May 31st. There was year. One trapper commented beaver season and it was pointed cause someone wants to run dogs out that the longer season had the best season of snaring can't been bad for trappers because, be used. been bad for trappers because, although more beaver were caught in the late spring, the plits were of poor quality, brought a very low price and flooded the market.

pelts sold for as low as two dol- men merely prospecting.

Forests has passed a new regula- have destroyed several trappers tion which stipulates that a trap- grounds. It was pointed out that

plained that the 75 per cent of as well as the potential food sup-the beaver quota required was ply for the animals surviving in so placed in order to keep none the area. The Department of trappers from holding ground Lands and Forests announced useful to active trappers. In past that they were willing to assist years, some trappers with a bea- those with trap-lines burned

Two maps were distributed to meeting was held in the Council each trapper on which to fill in the location of beaver houses on Twice a year with the co-oper- his trap-line and the Department ation of the Trappers Council hopes to determine the reason and the Department of Lands and why only one in three possible are being trapped,

Trappers were strongly against change of ideas and opinions re- the long hird season from September 17 to Nov. 10 and termed

gets a fund of information on lo- triend reported getting partridge cal conditions and learns what on the first day of the season this opinions prevail on recent change year and when they were cleaned es in government trapping regu- they were as small as robins not worth eating.

Trappers in general, do not This meeting featured an effection of officers for the 1955-56 hunt partridge until the colder season. George Albers, veteran weather because they have found trapper, who has worked in close that the young birds often are co-operation with the department wormy under the wings in warm

term. Other re-elected were Ray. rie, District Trap-line Manage term. Other re-elected were Ray and ment Officer pointed out that the council members W. Meawisegie, W. Vincent and Roy Murphy. Nov. 12 to Dec. 15, for residents

ritory extends from Thessalon to November 26th. A motion was the "Sevens." The Sevens are passed recommending that deer the sevens. The sevens are the season in this area be put back to the number "7". The trappers appeared to fav. with the season to close on Nov.

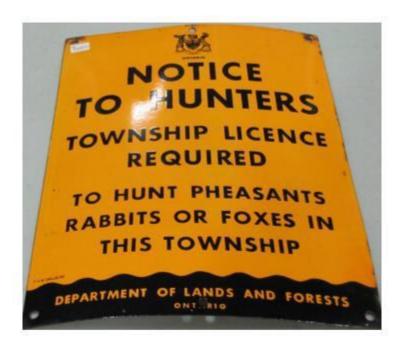
now extends from Nov. 1st to snaring resulted in the motion considerable discussion on the that it seemed a shame that be-

Beaver caught during the cold that in order to diamond drill months of December and Janu- sink a shaft or put up buildings ary have prime pelts of high qual- it is often necessary to destroy ity and Fall prices on Tuck the beaver houses. However, it prime beaver pelts were as high was pointed out that a lot of unas \$28. While the poorer quality necessary destruction is done by

Bush fires which ravaged the The Department of Lands and forests during the past summer tion which stipulates that a trap- grounds. It was pointed out that per must bring in 75 per cent of his beaver quota or "lose his beaver quota or "lose his broad at the segment of the segments."

The segment was pointed out that the segment of t President George Albert ex- stroyed a great deal of wild life ver quota of 80 brought in only out. However, at present the only trapping ground open is north of the Montreal river.

SIGNS





CORTES

Significant Dates related to Trapping. 1822 to today...

Some information was taken from OFMF 1996 Fall magazine.

- First of two laws were passed, allowing for duty-free importation of beaver and furs of all kinds from South America, the West Indies and United States.
- Indians are eligible to receive the bounty for wolf pelts.
- First live-trapped beaver for transplant from mainland to Akimiski Island in Hudson Bay.
- **1849** Prohibition of the use of strychnine and other poisons for the destruction of certain kinds of wild animals.
- First furbearer regulations beavers, muskrats, mink, marten otter and fisher were not to be trapped hunted taken or killed between May 1 and November 1 in any year.
- 1868 Open season on beaver mink muskrat, sable, otter, and fisher was extended to run from November 15th to May 1st . No limit on take during open season. The sale of game was allowed only 14 days of the season closing date, after which time it was prohibited. \$2 to \$25 penalties were given each head of game taken illegally.

- **1871** Open season shortened to Nov 1st to March 1st. Except for muskrat Feb 1st to May 1st season.
- 1872 Raccoon added to the rank of furbearer and the term sable was changed to marten. The destruction of muskrat house was also banned. Open season on furbearers was extended to Nov 1st to May 1st.
- **1880** Game Inspectors were appointed. Season for mink was shortened of one month.
- **1892** Season for beaver otter and fisher was closed down until the start of Nov 1897.
- 1902 The first fur farm in Ontario was established.

- 1913 Non-resident's trapping license was set at \$20.
- 1914 Dealers in raw fur became licensed.
- 1916 Beaver and otter after 23 years reopened. A coupon system was introduced / a trapper could only buy 10 coupons per season. Beaver pelt required 1 coupon and otters 2 each. Trapper's license was \$5
- 1918 A resident fur buyer's license was introduced
- **1919** Fur dresser's and tanner's license was instituted. Records had to be kept.
- **1924** Beaver and otter harvest cancelled throughout southern Ontario.
- **1927** Non residents forbidden to trap in Ontario.

- **1929** Frank Conibear began work on a more humane and efficient trap.
- 1933 Use of dogs prohibited for taking beaver mink and otter.
- **1935** The first zoned traplines were established. With one license issued per zone. Surveyed townships were assigned as trapline areas.
- **1941** The Association for the Protection of Furbearing Animals was formed.
- 1947 Two types of licenses were issued- Trapline License for zoned areas and Resident Trapper's License. Beaver skins and pelt had to be sealed or marked by an officer before sale. The Ontario Trappers Association was formed.

- 1949 Appointment of fur management officers.
- 1950 Fisher and marten joined beaver on the list of furbearers whose pelt needed sealing or official marking to be sold.

 Raccoon hunting at night with dog permitted.
- **1953** Lynx, mink, and otter joined the list of furbearers whose pelts require sealing to be sold.
- 1955 First trapper's convention was held in Huntsville.
- **1959** Frank Conibear 's quick kill traps are being sold. OTA Fur Sales Services was established in North Bay.
- **1963** A Trap Inventor Assistance Program was started to encourage the development of more human traps

- The stamping of fur with an official stamp available only at special sealing offices became mandatory.
- Ontario began trap research to improve traps and trapping methods. Ralph Bice delivered the first formal trapper education course in Elliot Lake.
- Milan Novak of the Ontario MNR developed a new trap, the Novak foot snare.
- The Fur Harvest Fur Management and Conservation course became mandatory.
- The Fur Institute of Canada was formed.
- 1995 Merger of three fur organizations gave the Ontario Fur Managers Federation recognized by MNR
- OFMF first major victory- policy regarding trapline cabins and their use. Cabins will now be accessible in off season under the new legislation.

- 1997 OFMF office open in Sault Ste Marie / mid April at 531 Second Line East.
- 1999 Cancelation of the Spring black bear hunt.
- 2000 In August, the launch of the OFMF web site: http://www.furmanagers.com . By the end of the year firearm owners must have a firearm licence to possess a firearm and buy ammunition. BillC-68 (gun control) is implemented.
- 2001 Leghold traps prohibition regulation limits the use of the "conventional steel jawed leghold restraining trap" on land for taking wolf, coyote, lynx and bobcat
- 2002 Trappers got exempted from the requirements to pay trail permit fee when traveling on OFSC trail for trapping purposes.

- 2013 Youth Trapper Program- after 12 years of working on this program, the OFMF Board received approval for 2013-14 trapping season. Youths 12-15 years old age could now get a youth trapping license.
- 2016 Relaxing Cable Restraint (RCR) can be used, January 1st .

 Spring Bear Hunt "pilot program" for 5 years.