

**SAVE  
ONTARIO  
SHIPWRECKS**

# FRED MERCUR

Built in 1882, the 238 foot wooden-hulled Fred Mercur was one of six wooden steamers built by Union Dry Dock Co. of Buffalo for the hard coal trade. On July 3, 1925, while carrying 1200 tons of slack coal from Ashtabula to Montreal, she burned to the water's edge in a rush bed near Glen Walter, halfway between Cornwall and Stanley Island. A nearby resident, hearing the ship's distress call, was able to rescue all sixteen crew members, using his row boat, but the vessel was a total loss.

This plaque was erected by Save Ontario Shipwrecks, Ottawa Chapter and the Forces Sub-Aqua Club, to remind all divers who visit that Ontario's marine heritage is a resource worth conserving.

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