

SENECA LAKE BOATS

On Sunday evening 9 Sept. 1906 steamer "Colonial" in making Dresden Landing ran into one of the old stone piers which are now about 2' under water. She was carrying about 150 excursionists. Some became frightened and were conveyed to shore by row boats. After all efforts to relieve her from her unpleasant position the state boat at Willard was summoned and in an attempt to tow her off broke a large rope and finally gave up the task and took off the passengers taking them to Willard and from there to Geneva. At midnight the boat was still astride the pier, but between that time and morning she in some way became loose and pursued her journey. An effort has been made to get an appropriation from the state to clean these obstructions away, making a safe and convenient landing here, but to no avail. It is claimed that when the state sold the old canal to the RR Compay that this was part of the property and consequently belongs to the NYCRR Co.