

133. In the past year the revenue was 6 cents per head more than in 1884, and \$2.93 more than in 1867; it was, however, 94 cents less than in 1883, and 56 cents less than in 1862. The expenditure was 71 cents per head more than in 1884, and was 48 cents per head in excess of revenue. With the exception of the years 1876 to 1880, inclusive, this was the only year since Confederation in which the proportion of expenditure was higher than that of revenue.

134. The following table gives the proportion of revenue and expenditure to population in 1884, in the United Kingdom and her principal possessions:—

Country.	Population.	Revenue per Head.	Expenditure per Head.
		\$ cts.	\$ cts.
United Kingdom	36,400,000	11 52	11 49
British India.....	199,000,000	1 75	1 70
Cape Colony.....	1,122,000	12 80	15 20
Natal	424,495	7 00	8 56
Canada	4,605,654	6 92	6 75
Australasia, including Tasmania and New Zealand.....	3,162,032	34 48	35 09

135. Thus it will be seen that in 1884, with the exception of the United Kingdom and India, Canada was the only country whose revenue exceeded the expenditure, and that the excess in those countries was 3 and 5 cents per head respectively, as against 17 cents in Canada, and if the figures for this country for the past year are taken, it will be found that the normal excess of expenditure over revenue in the Australasian Colonies in 1884 was 13 cents more than that of Canada with her exceptional war expenditure in 1885; while in Cape Colony and Natal it was \$1.92 and \$1.08 more, respectively.

136. As previously stated, the sums of money which go to make up the ordinary revenue are derived: 1st, from taxation; and 2nd, from other sources, and the following figures give the amount raised under each head in 1884-85.

Raised by taxation.....	\$25,384,529
do from other sources	7,412,472
Total.....	<u>\$32,797,001</u>

137. From these figures it appears that 77.39 per cent. of the total revenue was raised by taxation, leaving 22.61 per cent. derived from other sources. Estimating the population for the year at 4,695,864, the amount of taxation per head is found to have been \$5.40. There was a decrease in the amount raised as compared with 1884 of \$98,670, and of \$3,885,169 as compared with 1883.