

270. There was an increase in total mileage of twenty-eight miles, in the number of passengers of 85,076, in the distance travelled of 352,329 miles, in the earnings of \$27,085, and in the working expenses of \$75,416, while there was a decrease in the total amount of freight carried of 14,831 tons.

271. The earnings per mile in 1885 were \$2,214 against \$2,244 in 1884, a decrease of \$30 per mile, while the working expenses were \$2,320 per mile in 1885 against \$2,311 in 1884, being an increase in expenditure of \$9 per mile.

272. The following table shows that in addition to the subsidy and loan accounts, the sum of \$20,744,610 has been spent by the Government during the last five years on the construction of the Canadian Pacific Railway; on construction and maintenance of the Intercolonial \$16,497,215, of the Prince Edward Island Railway \$1,498,521, and of the Eastern Extension \$1,374,676.

STATEMENT showing amount of Government Expenditure on Construction, Staff and Maintenance of Railways, for the last five years.

Railways.	Year ended 30th June				
	1881.	1882.	1883.	1884.	1885.
	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$
Pacific.....	5,205,449	3,587,167	4,729,692	3,963,381	3,258,921
do subsidy.....		2,210,000	5,323,077	7,254,208	6,862,201
do advance on rails, as per contract.....		375,000	973,752		
Surveys.....				11,313	60,465
Statistics.....				943	125
Intercolonial.....	2,368,584	2,655,226	3,977,006	3,859,558	3,636,841
do Windsor Branch.....	20,502	13,099	23,104	22,141	18,751
Prince Edward Island.....	203,122	228,662	309,994	367,092	289,651
Eastern Extension.....				1,294,346	80,330
Subsidies, general.....				208,000	403,245
Bridge at Emerson.....				50,000	
Total on Railways.....	7,797,657	9,069,154	15,336,625	17,030,982	14,610,530
Pacific Railway Loan Account.....				10,953,462	9,701,438
St. John Bridge and Railway Extension.....				143,600	135,200
Total.....				11,097,062	9,836,638