

the number of letters having remained stationary. But it is to be observed that the above numbers of letters are simply estimated or calculated on averages. The foreign correspondence of this country is unquestionably very large in proportion to population.

Proportion per head of letters in various Provinces.

365. The largest number of letters per head were sent in Manitoba and the Territories, though the combined population is much smaller than in any of the older Provinces, with the exception of Prince Edward Island. The second largest number were sent in Ontario, and the third in British Columbia. Quebec, with the second largest population, stands fifth only in the amount of correspondence per head.

Revenue and expenditure—1867-1886.

366. The following table gives the postal revenue and expenditure for every year, since Confederation, and the proportion of each year per head of population:—

POSTAL REVENUE AND EXPENDITURE OF CANADA FROM
1868 TO 1886.

YEAR ENDED 30TH JUNE,	Revenue.	Expendi- ture.	Expenditure in excess of Revenue.	AMOUNT PER HEAD.	
				Rev- enue.	Expen- diture.
	\$	\$	\$	\$ cts.	\$ cts.
1868	1,024,710	1,053,570	28,859	0 30	0 31
1869	973,056	1,079,828	106,772	0 29	0 32
1870	1,010,767	1,155,261	144,493	0 29	0 33
1871	1,079,767	1,271,006	191,238	0 31	0 36
1872	1,193,062	1,369,163	176,100	0 33	0 38
1873	1,406,984	1,553,004	146,619	0 38	0 42
1874	1,476,207	1,695,480	219,272	0 39	0 44
1875	1,536,509	1,873,241	336,731	0 40	0 48
1876	1,484,886	1,959,758	474,871	0 38	0 50
1877	1,501,134	2,075,618	574,483	0 37	0 52
1878	1,620,022	2,110,365	490,343	0 40	0 52
1879	1,534,363	2,167,266	632,902	0 37	0 52
1880	1,648,017	2,286,611	638,593	0 39	0 54
1881	1,767,953	2,333,189	565,236	0 41	0 54
1882	2,022,098	2,459,356	437,258	0 46	0 56
1883	2,264,384	2,687,394	423,009	0 50	0 59
1884	2,330,741	2,931,387	600,646	0 51	0 64
1885	2,400,062	3,097,882	697,820	0 51	0 66
1886	2,469,379	3,380,429	911,050	0 51	0 70