

HEADS OF EXPENDITURE—CONSOLIDATED FUND—*Concluded.*

HEADS OF EXPENDITURE.	Amounts Expended.		Increase.	Decrease.
	1885-86.	1886-87.		
IMMIGRATION AND QUARANTINE.	\$	\$	\$	\$
Immigration	257,354	341,236	83,882	.....
Quarantine	90,220	121,628	31,408	.....
Total	347,574	462,864	115,290	.....
CHARGES ON REVENUE.				
Customs	800,107	819,132	19,025	.....
Excise	310,022	329,572	19,550	.....
Wood Naphtha		15,119	15,119	.....
Weights and Measures		84,363	84,363	.....
Gas Inspection		85,492	1,120	.....
Liquor License Act.....	53,513	186,342	132,827	.....
Inspection of Staples.....	1,797	1,802	5	.....
Adulteration of Food.....	13,523	21,334	7,811	.....
Post Office.....	2,763,186	2,818,907	55,721	.....
Public Works	191,836	173,613		18,223
Railways	2,819,972	3,152,649	332,677	.....
Canals	519,698	521,245	1,547	.....
Dominion Lands.....	194,965	195,726	761	.....
Culling Timber.....	49,284	51,121	1,837	.....
Minor Revenues	6,478	3,973		2,505
Total	7,808,751	8,376,027	567,276	.....
Total Expenditure on account of Consolidated Fund	35,834,392	35,657,680		176,712

NOTE.—The items of exceptional expenditure are printed in italics.

Increase and decrease of expenditure under various heads.

177. There was a decrease of \$454,079 in the amount of interest paid on the public debt, and of \$86,631 in the charges of management, and in the total charges for debt and subsidies, a decrease of \$539,761. The amount of investments for sinking funds was less by \$13,317 than in the preceding year; this fund it will of course be remembered consists of money set aside for the redemption of the public debt, and is therefore, though entered as an expenditure, practically a reduction of liability. Although a general election was held during the year, there was a decrease in the