

the Post Office was materially larger, showing an increase of \$358,667 as compared with an increase of \$111,907 in 1887, but there was a decrease in revenue from money orders of \$48. The decrease of \$13,267 in telegraph receipts was due to the fact of the British Columbia lines having been taken over by the Canadian Pacific Railway Company, and these lines were the only ones belonging to the Government the revenue from which exceeded the expenditure thereon. The decrease also in interest on investments was large, amounting to \$58,862.

119. The following is a comparative statement of the principal items of ordinary expenditure in the years 1887 and 1888. Heads of expenditure.

HEADS OF EXPENDITURE—CONSOLIDATED FUND—1887 AND 1888.

| HEADS OF EXPENDITURE. | Amounts Expended. | | Increase. | Decrease. |
|-------------------------------------|-------------------|------------|-----------|-----------|
| | 1886-87. | 1887-88. | | |
| CHARGES FOR DEBT AND SUBSIDIES. | \$ | \$ | \$ | \$ |
| Interest on Public Debt..... | 9,682,929 | 9,823,313 | 140,384 | ..... |
| Charges of Management..... | 195,759 | 205,363 | 9,604 | ..... |
| Sinking Fund..... | 1,592,953 | 1,939,078 | 346,125 | ..... |
| Premium, Discount and Exchange..... | 91,983 | 138,229 | 46,246 | ..... |
| Subsidies to Provinces..... | 4,169,341 | 4,188,513 | 19,172 | ..... |
| Total..... | 15,732,965 | 16,294,496 | 561,531 | ..... |
| LEGISLATION. | | | | |
| Senate..... | 143,039 | 150,754 | 7,715 | ..... |
| House of Commons..... | 399,567 | 424,543 | 24,976 | ..... |
| Library..... | 30,431 | 34,181 | 3,750 | ..... |
| Election Expenses..... | 132,589 | 36,347 | ..... | 96,242 |
| Controverted Elections..... | 580 | 6,017 | 5,437 | ..... |
| Parliamentary Printing..... | 67,983 | 89,597 | 21,614 | ..... |
| Franchise Act..... | 196,575 | 65,970 | ..... | 130,605 |
| Miscellaneous..... | 6,538 | 15 | ..... | 6,523 |
| Total..... | 977,302 | 807,424 | ..... | 169,878 |