

tion, being an increase of 182 per cent. After deducting the war expenditure from the expenditure of 1886 (in that year it was charged to Consolidated Fund and subsequently to capital account) it will be seen that the ordinary expenditure has been exceeded in two years since Confederation, viz. : in 1888 and 1889, and that the expenditure of 1891 exceeded that of 1868 by \$22,857,476, being an increase of 169 per cent. The revenue, therefore, as the figures at present stand, has increased in a larger proportion than the expenditure, a fact which, in view of the difficulties and expenses attending the opening up of new country and of the large extent of territory brought under control since Confederation, must be considered as very encouraging. Increase in revenue and expenditure.

159. The following is a detailed comparative statement of the various receipts on account of the Consolidated Fund from all sources in the years 1890 and 1891, showing the increase and decrease in each item :— Heads of revenue, 1890-1891.

HEADS OF REVENUE—CONSOLIDATED FUND—1890 AND 1891.

HEADS OF REVENUE.	Amounts Received.		Increase.	Decrease.
	1889-1890.	1890-1891.		
<b>TAXATION.</b>				
	\$	\$	\$	\$
Customs . . . . .	23,968,954	23,399,301	.....	569,653
Excise . . . . .	7,618,118	6,914,850	.....	703,268
<b>Total</b> . . . . .	<b>31,587,072</b>	<b>30,314,151</b>	.....	<b>1,272,921</b>
<b>LAND REVENUE.</b>				
Ordinance Lands . . . . .	29,922	54,230	24,308	.....
Dominion " . . . . .	220,141	264,592	44,451	.....
<b>Total</b> . . . . .	<b>250,063</b>	<b>318,822</b>	<b>68,759</b>	.....
<b>PUBLIC WORKS.</b>				
Canals . . . . .	324,220	320,180	.....	4,040
“ on acc't Hydraulic Rents . . . . .	31,473	29,995	.....	1,478
Railways . . . . .	3,204,271	3,181,889	.....	22,382
Slides and Booms . . . . .	105,888	76,094	.....	29,794
Minor Public Works . . . . .	13,780	12,723	.....	1,057
Hydraulic and other Rents . . . . .	71,733	3,988	.....	67,745
Earnings of Dredges . . . . .	3,504	.....	.....	3,504
Telegraphs . . . . .	11,829	13,230	1,401	.....
Harbour Improvements . . . . .	4	9	5	.....
Esquimalt Graving Dock . . . . .	13,564	29,467	15,903	.....
Lévis Graving Dock . . . . .	19,848	18,064	.....	1,784
<b>Total</b> . . . . .	<b>3,800,114</b>	<b>3,685,639</b>	.....	<b>114,475</b>