

and nearly four times as much as the average earnings of all the roads in Canada. Considering the enormous length of line to be maintained, the expenditure per mile on the Canadian Pacific Railway is remarkably small. The working expenses on the Intercolonial Railway were \$433 per mile in excess of the receipts, as compared with an excess of \$600 per mile in 1891.

Receipts  
per mile in  
various  
countries.

543. The receipts per train mile in Canada were \$1.16 per mile, being lower than those of the United Kingdom and most of the Australasian colonies, but higher than in the principal European countries, as shown by the following table :—

#### GROSS RECEIPTS OF RAILWAYS PER TRAIN MILE.

New Zealand.....	\$1 86	Austria-Hungary.....	\$1 04
New South Wales.....	1 60	Russia.....	1 01
South Australia.....	1 58	Italy (State lines).....	1 01
United Kingdom.....	1 33	Germany.....	0 91
Victoria.....	1 29	France.....	0 78
Canada.....	1 16	Belgium.....	0 60
Queensland.....	1 11		

Receipts  
per ton of  
freight  
carried.

544. The average amount received per ton of freight carried in Canada was \$1.49, being lower than in the Australasian colonies, Russia, Roumania, Italy and France, but higher than in the other countries named below.

#### AVERAGE AMOUNT RECEIVED PER TON OF FREIGHT CARRIED.

Queensland.....	\$3 14	Canada.....	\$1 49
South Australia.....	2 90	Austria-Hungary.....	1 48
Russia.....	2 90	Denmark.....	1 11
New South Wales.....	2 02	Switzerland.....	1 11
Roumania.....	1 98	Norway.....	0 85
Italy.....	1 82	Germany.....	0 79
Victoria.....	1 68	Holland.....	0 75
New Zealand.....	1 58	United Kingdom.....	0 67
France.....	1 52	Belgium.....	0 64

The greater distances to be travelled no doubt account for the average amount being higher in the colonies, than in the United Kingdom, and European countries.

Capital  
cost per  
mile.

545. The average capital cost per completed mile of railroad in Canada has been, up to the present time, \$56,825, which is lower than in European countries, but higher than in the United States and most of the Australasian colonies, as shown by the following table taken from the Victorian Year Book, 1890-91, the conversions having been made in this office :—