

STATEMENT SHOWING AMOUNT OF GOVERNMENT EXPENDITURE
ON CONSTRUCTION, STAFF AND MAINTENANCE OF RAILWAYS
IN CANADA, FOR THE LAST FIVE YEARS.

RAILWAYS.	YEAR ENDED 30TH JUNE.				
	1888.	1889.	1890.	1891.	1892.
	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$
Pacific.....	52,374	87,134	41,376	37,367	66,211
Surveys.....	9,208	15,992	36,372	14,889	16,841
Statistics.....	116	561	1,904	1,426	2,221
Intercolonial.....	4,018,827	3,810,267	3,846,719	3,742,271	3,610,914
Windsor Branch.....	24,040	20,856	18,983	28,932	19,514
Prince Edward Island.....	229,640	247,559	266,486	257,990	298,007
Eastern Extension.....	90,955	124,955	79,103	3,255	
Carleton Branch.....	504				
Subsidies, general.....	1,027,042	846,722	1,678,196	1,079,106	1,061,616
Short Line Railway claims.....	397				
Annapolis and Digby.....		9,847	381,943	196,869	26,130
Cape Breton.....	689,451	1,083,277	1,170,523	521,442	99,937
Royal Commission.....	13,575				
Albert Railway.....	3,112	177			
Fredericton and St. Mary's Railway Bridge Co.....	274,947	25,053			
Oxford and New Glasgow.....	280,932	841,943	434,529	220,886	48,745
Special car for His Excellency the Governor-General.....			12,634		
Montreal and European Short Line.....				124,568	
Total on railways.....	6,715,120	7,114,343	7,968,768	6,229,001	5,250,136

PART II.—CANALS.

St. Law-
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canals.

582. The system of inland navigation in Canada is the largest and most important in the world. The St. Lawrence system alone, in conjunction with the great lakes, extends for 2,260 miles, viz., from the Straits of Belle Isle to Port Arthur, at the head of Lake Superior. Of this distance $71\frac{3}{4}$ miles are artificial navigation by means of canals, and $2,188\frac{1}{4}$ miles open navigation; from Port Arthur to Duluth, which is the principal port in that section of the United States for the produce of the western States, is a further distance of 124 miles, making altogether 2,384 miles. When it is considered that, by this means, unbroken water communication is afforded from Port Arthur and Duluth to Liverpool, a total distance of 4,618 miles, the importance of this system, and the necessity for its thorough maintenance, will be at once understood.