

1217. The following statement shows the amount of Government expenditure on construction, staff and maintenance of railways in Canada, for the last six years :—

GOVERNMENT EXPENDITURE ON RAILWAYS.

RAILWAYS.	YEAR ENDED 30TH JUNE.					
	1889.	1890.	1891.	1892.	1893.	1894.
	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$
Pacific.....	87,134	41,376	37,307	66,211	413,836	146,540
Surveys.....	15,992	36,372	14,889	16,841	4,314	4,453
Statistics.....	561	1,904	1,426	2,221	.....	176
Intercolonial.....	3,810,267	3,846,719	3,742,271	3,610,914	3,274,302	3,148,034
Windsor Branch.....	20,856	18,983	28,932	19,514	16,890	17,645
Prince Edward Island..	247,559	266,486	257,990	298,007	226,422	226,891
Eastern Extension.....	124,955	79,103	3,225	.....	.....	.....
Subsidies, general.....	846,722	1,678,196	1,079,106	1,061,616	624,794	1,043,585
Annapolis & Digby.....	9,847	381,943	196,869	26,130	2,191	1,675
Cape Breton.....	1,083,277	1,170,523	521,442	99,937	59,983	.....
Albert Railway.....	177	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Fredericton & St. Mary's Railway Bridge Co....	25,053	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Oxford & New Glasgow.	841,943	434,529	220,886	48,745	7,923	112,383
Special car for His Ex- cellency the Governor General.....	.....	12,634	.....	.....	.....	.....
Montreal and European Short Line.....	.....	.....	124,568	.....	.....	18
Miscellaneous, gratuity. Reporting evidence be- fore Railway Commit- tee Privy Council....	.....	.....	.....	.....	280	.....
Total.....	7,114,343	7,968,768	6,229,001	5,250,136	4,630,935	4,701,626

1218. Mention has been made of one electric railway in Canada, as included in the list of railways published by the Department of Railways. Electricity has been adopted as a motive power by thirty railway companies doing business in Canada.

Returns from 21 show that there were 354 miles of railway on which electricity is used as the motive power.

Every province of Canada, excepting Prince Edward Island has adopted the electric system.

The following particulars have been collected :

Miles of track.....	354½	Miles run during year 1894....	15,587,226
Motor cars.....	658	Passengers carried.....	55,348,612
Trailers.....	341	Emploves.....	2,614
Snow sweepers.....	39	Paid up capital.....	\$ 13,035,263
Motors.....	891		

The Niagara Falls Park and River Electric Railway Co. make returns to the Railway Department. These returns show that the Company has 13½ miles of railway; that it had last year a train mileage of 196,192 miles; carried 478,879 passengers; earned \$64,563; expended \$52,231, and has a paid up capital of \$1,134,366.