

1229. The following statement gives the amount expended on canal works and maintenance :—

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| Lachine Canal..... | \$ 9,751,030 |
| Beauharnois..... | 1,611,690 |
| Soulanges Canal (under construction)..... | 987,953 |
| Williamsburg Canal (being enlarged)..... | 3,438,941 |
| Cornwall Canal..... | 5,054,565 |
| St. Lawrence River Canals, surveys, &c..... | 956,900 |
| Murray Canal..... | 1,247,470 |
| Welland Canal..... | 23,763,866 |
| Sault Ste. Marie Canal (under construction)..... | 2,791,874 |
| Ste. Anne's Canal..... | 1,170,216 |
| Carillon and Grenville Canal..... | 4,025,939 |
| Culbute Canal..... | 379,494 |
| Rideau Canal (including Perth Branch)..... | 4,560,286 |
| Trent Canal..... | 1,091,896 |
| St. Ours Lock..... | 121,538 |
| Chambly Canal..... | 637,207 |
| St. Peter's Canal..... | 646,432 |
| Total..... | <u>\$ 62,237,296</u> |

In addition to the above there have been expended from income :—

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| Renewals..... | \$ 2,050,414 |
| Repairs..... | 4,730,432 |
| Staff and maintenance..... | 5,903,108 |
| Making the total expenditure..... | <u>\$ 74,921,250</u> |

1230. Of this amount the sum of \$20,692,244 was expended before Confederation, \$4,173,921 by the Imperial Government and \$16,518,323 by the Provincial Governments interested. The total amount spent for construction and enlargement alone is \$64,287,710, including in this sum the cost of the Baie Verte Canal, at one time considered a feasible plan for uniting the Bay of Fundy and the Gulf of St. Lawrence.

1231. The total cost of the construction of the Welland Canal to 30th June, 1894, was \$24,100,286. Of this amount \$222,220 was contributed by the Imperial Government, and \$7,416,020 by the Provincial Government prior to Confederation, leaving \$16,447,044 as the expenditure since Confederation. Of this last amount \$337,991 represents renewals chargeable to income.

The sum of \$2,086,462 has been paid out for staff, and \$1,914,781 for repairs. During the same period the receipts have been \$5,855,368. The expenditures for staff, maintenance, repairs and renewals was \$4,339,234, leaving \$1,516,134 to represent the surplus to meet interest.

The total revenue from canals since Confederation is \$10,238,368, being an average of \$379,199 a year.

1232. The following table is a statement of the number, tonnage and nationality of vessels that passed through the several canals during the season of navigation in each of the years 1883 to 1893, inclusive, and of the number of passengers and tons of freight carried and tolls received :—