

1037. 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.					
	1890.	1891.	1892.	1893.	1894.	1895.
	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$
Pacific.	41,376	37,307	66,211	413,836	146,540	49,210
Surveys	36,372	14,889	16,841	4,314	4,453	4,544
Statistics	1,904	1,426	2,221	.....	176	977
Intercolonial.	3,846,719	3,742,271	3,610,914	3,274,302	3,148,034	3,263,937
Windsor Branch.	18,983	28,932	19,514	16,890	17,645	14,640.
Prince Edward Island.	266,486	257,990	298,007	226,422	226,891	232,905
Eastern Extension.	79,103	3,225	.....	.....	.....	.....
Subsidies, general.	1,678,196	1,079,106	1,061,616	624,794	1,043,285	1,310,549
Annapolis & Digby.	381,943	196,869	26,130	2,191	1,675	.....
Cape Breton.	1,170,523	521,442	99,937	59,983	158,771	.....
Oxford & New Glasgow.	434,529	220,886	48,745	7,923	112,383	.....
Special car for His Excellency the Governor General.	12,634	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Montreal and European Short Line. . . . .	.....	124,568	.....	.....	18	.....
Miscellaneous, gratuity. . . . .	.....	.....	.....	280	.....	.....
Reporting evidence before Railway Committee Privy Council. . . . .	.....	.....	.....	.....	226	.....
Total.	7,968,768	6,229,001	5,250,136	4,630,935	4,860,097	4,711,831

During the year 1895 the sum of \$327,605 was expended on capital account of the Intercolonial, of which sum \$56,113 was for increased accommodation at Halifax, \$56,595 for Halifax extension, \$108,611 for branch between Windsor Junction and Halifax Harbour, and \$62,570 for the Cape Breton and Oxford & New Glasgow sections. For increased accommodation at Moncton the sum of \$7,494 was expended.

1038. 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	Employees.	2,614
Snow sweepers.	39	Paid up capital	\$ 13,035,263
Motors	891		