

The Niagara Falls Park & 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.

1039. The following table is compiled from the Statesman's Year-Book and other sources, and gives the date of the opening of the first railway in the British Empire, and in all the principal countries in the world, the length of railway lines therein and the proportion of railway mileage to area:—

RAILWAYS IN THE BRITISH EMPIRE.

COUNTRIES.	Date of Opening,	Miles of Railway.	Square Miles of Area to each Mile.
United Kingdom	Sept. 17, 1825	20,908	5·8
India	April 18, 1853	18,782	57
Canada	July 23, 1836	16,091	206
Australasia—			
New South Wales	Sept. 25, 1855	2,595	119
New Zealand	Dec. 1, 1863	2,168	48
Victoria	Sept. 14, 1854	3,020	29
Queensland	July 31, 1865	2,379	239
South Australia	April 16, 1856	1,832	493
Tasmania	Feb. 19, 1871	475	55
Western Australia	Jan. 21, 1864	1,184	824
Cape of Good Hope	June 26, 1860	2,975	90
Natal		399	51
South Africa	Oct. 7, 1893	218
Ceylon	“ 1, 1865	271	94
Jamaica	Nov. 21, 1845	119	44
Mauritius	May 13, 1862	105	7
Newfoundland	“ 13, 1867	400	105
Trinidad	“ 13, 1880	54	32
Barbados	Sept. 10, 1883	24	7
British Guiana	“ 1, 1864	23	5,190
Jersey, Malta, &c.		68

RAILWAYS IN FOREIGN COUNTRIES.

Europe—			
Austria-Hungary ..	Sept. 20, 1828	18,317	14
Belgium	May 5, 1835	3,401	4
Denmark	Sept. 18, 1844	1,386	12
France	Oct. 1, 1828	24,780	8
Germany	Dec. 7, 1835	27,863	8
Greece	Feb. 18, 1869	569	57
Holland and Luxembourg	Sept. 13, 1839	1,924	7
Italy	Oct. 3, 1839	9,280	12
Norway	July 14, 1853	1,002	128
Portugal	“ 9, 1854	1,454	27
Roumania	Oct. 4, 1860	1,617	30
Russia and Finland	April 4, 1838	20,785	112
Servia		336	58
Spain	Oct. 30, 1848	7,105	32
Sweden	Feb. 9, 1851	5,457	35
Switzerland	June 15, 1844	2,267	7
Turkey	Oct. 4, 1860	1,130	114