

The following statement gives the amount expended on canal works and maintenance (chargeable to capital) to 30th June, 1898 :—

Lachine Canal	\$ 10,624,742
Beauharnois	1,636,690
Soulanges (under construction)	3,655,436
Williamsburg Canals	5,778,580
Cornwall Canal	6,525,360
St. Lawrence River Canals, surveys, &c	1,371,018
Murray Canal	1,247,470
Welland Canal	23,771,636
Sault Ste. Marie Canal	3,678,578
Ste. Anne's Canal	1,170,216
Carillon and Grenville Canal	4,114,360
Culbute Canal	379,494
Rideau Canal (including Perth Branch)	4,571,172
Trent Canal	2,376,629
St. Ours Lock	121,538
Chambly Canal	637,057
St. Peter's Canal	648,547
Lake St. Louis	192,459
Lake St. Francis	3,420
Total	\$ 72,504,402

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

Renewals	\$ 2,535,899
Repairs	5,485,652
Staff and maintenance	7,045,545
Making the total expenditure	\$ 87,571,498

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 Government interested. The total amount spent for construction and enlargement alone is \$75,040,134, including in this sum the cost of the surveys of the Baie Verte Canal, and at one time considered a feasible plan for uniting the Bay of Fundy and the Gulf of St. Lawrence.

The total cost of the construction of the Welland Canal to 30th June, 1898, was \$24,208,155. Of this amount \$222,220 was contributed by the Imperial Government, and \$7,416,020 by the Provincial Government prior to Confederation, leaving \$16,569,915 as the expenditure since Confederation. Of this last amount \$436,520 represents renewals chargeable to income.

The sum of \$2,437,789 has been paid out for staff, and \$2,126,414 for repairs. During the same period the receipts have been \$6,574,202. The expenditures for staff, maintenance, repairs and renewals was \$5,000,723, leaving \$1,573,479 to represent the surplus to meet interest.

The total revenue from canals since Confederation is \$11,710,240, being an average of \$377,750 a year.