The following table is compiled from a variety of 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:—

STEAM RAILWAYS IN THE BRITISH EMPIRE.

India	Area
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^{* 4,706} miles included in Russia.