

TRANSPORTATION AND COMMUNICATIONS.

52.—Wire Mileage by Classes of Wire, June 30, 1912.

Class of Wire.	Urban.	Rural.	Total.
	Miles.	Miles.	Miles.
Galvanized.....	34,731	236,460	271,191
Copper.....	4,137	15,960	20,097
Cable—Overhead.....	232,271	122	232,393
Underground.....	364,855	20	364,875
Submarine.....	968	48	1,016
Totals.....	636,962	252,610	889,572

53.—Capital Liability, Cost, Revenue and Operating Expenses of Telephones, June 30, 1912.

Provinces.	Capital Stock.	Funded Debt.	Cost of Property and Equipment.	Revenue.	Operating Expenses.	Net Revenue.
	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$
Alberta.....	90,000	2,440,668	3,439,515	482,797	286,183	196,614
British Columbia.....	2,871,923	700,000	4,100,961	1,195,390	932,230	263,160
Manitoba.....	—	9,919,723	9,621,968	1,360,043	1,096,998	263,045
New Brunswick.....	1,307,810	107,850	1,564,232	355,624	195,452	160,172
Nova Scotia.....	1,527,339	1,182,600	3,120,452	434,711	308,127	126,584
Ontario.....	1,428,258	1,344,541	3,426,761	649,516	377,261	272,255
P.E.Island.....	100,000	—	135,818	35,930	30,969	4,961
Quebec.....	13,675,467	5,525,230	27,480,160	7,242,057	5,567,880	1,674,177
Saskatchewan.....	532,808	3,522,635	3,997,932	517,559	299,589	217,970
Totals.....	21,533,605	24,743,247	56,887,799	12,273,627	9,094,689	3,178,938

Postal Statistics.—The Post Office Department reports an increase in the fiscal year 1911-12 of 1,336 miles in the system over which the mails are carried by railway, thus bringing the total actual track mileage for the carriage of mails to 26,639 on March 31, 1912. The total mileage of mail conveyance in the fiscal year 1912 was 52,065,274, of which 31,242,201 was by railway, 2,328,841 was by water and 18,494,232 was by stage or road. The total represents an increase in mileage as compared with 1911 of 1,869,467, of which 1,046,868 was by railway, 247,243 by water and 575,356 by road. The increase in the estimated number of letters and postcards sent during the fiscal year 1911-12 was 67,321,000, or 12 p.c. The expenditure of the Department increased by \$1,217,812, and the surplus from the operations of the Service was \$1,320,220. During the fiscal year 1911-12 the postage rates on parcels from Canada to Newfound-