

FINANCE.

Provincial Subsidies.—Tables 13 and 14 show the amounts of the subsidies and other payments made by the Dominion to the provincial governments for each of the years 1908 to 1913 (Table 13) and the totals paid from Confederation to date (Table 14). The provincial subsidies payable by the Dominion Government were originally settled by the British North America Act, 1867 (30 and 31 Viet., c. 3, s. 118), but were revised by the British North America Act, 1907 (7 Edw. VII, c. 11). Under the revised settlement each provincial government receives (a) a fixed grant according to population and (b) a grant at the rate of 80 cents per head of the population up to 2,500,000, and at the rate of 60 cents per head of so much of the population as exceeds that number. The province of British Columbia receives an additional grant of \$100,000 per annum for a period of 10 years from 1907¹. An additional grant of \$100,000 per annum is payable to Prince Edward Island under an Act of 1912 (2 Geo. V., c. 42), and the payments to Manitoba were revised by the Extension of Boundaries (Manitoba) Act (2 Geo. V., c. 32.) Other payments to the provincial governments by the Dominion Government consist of special grants as compensation for lands and allowance for buildings, allowances in lieu of debt, etc.

1.—Receipts and Expenditures on Consolidated Fund Account, 1910-1913.

RECEIPTS.

Items.	1910.	1911.	1912.	1913.
	\$	\$	\$	\$
Customs.....	60,156,133 98	72,965,394 46	85,051,872 18	113,554,913 07
Excise.....	15,253,352 65	16,869,837 36	19,261,661 97	21,447,444 97
Post Office.....	7,958,547 72	9,146,952 47	10,492,394 18	12,051,728 86
Railways.....	10,114,990 16	10,818,834 05	11,034,165 83	12,442,203 46
Miscellaneous.....	8,020,686 42	7,979,391 44	10,268,123 20	9,193,600 09
Totals.....	101,503,710 93	117,780,409 78	136,108,217 36	168,689,903 45

EXPENDITURE.

Charges on debt.....	13,456,454 27	12,910,697 95	12,706,850 22	13,089,495 13
Sinking Funds.....	1,441,030 96	1,203,416 40	1,156,456 16	1,384,285 36
Provincial Subsidies...	9,361,388 20	9,092,471 80	10,281,044 98	13,211,800 37
Civil Government....	4,268,390 26	4,463,094 87	4,774,678 00	5,109,458 60
Public Works ²	7,261,218 22	8,621,431 25	10,344,487 21	13,468,505 20
Defence.....	4,679,956 24	6,868,651 29	7,580,600 29	9,114,533 09
Collection of Revenue	21,811,194 90	24,951,636 34	28,256,779 70	33,006,200 50
Other items.....	17,132,114 07	19,662,798 42	23,060,541 21	23,675,259 16
Totals.....	79,411,747 12	87,774,198 32	98,161,440 77	112,059,537 41
Surplus.....	22,091,963 81	30,006,211 46	37,946,776 59	56,630,366 04

¹See Canada Year Book 1907, pp. xxxiii-iv.²Expenditure from Income.