

Subsidies, etc.—The conveyance of mail by land and water entailed a total expenditure during 1923 of \$14,465,425. Land transportation (largely that by rural delivery) cost \$6,187,422; railway carriage cost \$7,477,483; while that by steamship amounted to \$558,394. These amounts were paid solely for services rendered as carriers. In addition, however, considerable mail is carried, on both the Atlantic and Pacific coasts, by steamships and steamship lines which are especially subsidized by the government. Table 85, showing amounts so paid in 1921, 1922 and 1923, is appended.

85.—Mail Subsidies and Steamship Subventions, fiscal years ended Mar. 31, 1921-1923

Service.	1921.	1922.	1923.
	\$	\$	\$
Canada and the West Indies or South America, or both.....	327,564	340,667	340,667
Canada and South Africa.....	146,000	133,833	121,667
Canada and Australia or New Zealand, or both, on Pacific Ocean..	124,642	127,162	119,633
Canada (Atlantic) and Australia and New Zealand.....	140,000	-	-
Canada, China and Japan.....	-	88,229	-
Canada and Newfoundland.....	20,295	30,513	26,923
Ferry service between Campment, l'Ours island and mainland of Georgian bay.....	3,000	2,000	1,000
St. John and Digby.....	9,584	9,648	14,520
St. John, Digby, Annapolis and Granville.....	2,000	2,000	2,000
St. John, N.B., and Minas Basin and Margaretsville, N.S.....	3,750	5,724	7,786
St. John, Westport and Yarmouth.....	10,000	10,000	10,000
St. John and Bridgetown.....	2,000	1,500	1,500
Halifax, La Have, and La Have river ports.....	3,731	4,961	5,827
Halifax and Newfoundland.....	5,000	5,000	5,000
Halifax, Canso and Guysboro.....	6,596	6,798	9,000
Halifax and Spry bay and ports in C. Breton.....	3,846	5,885	6,000
Halifax and West Coast of C.B.....	4,000	6,000	6,000
Halifax, south Cape Breton and Bras d'Or lake ports.....	6,000	6,000	6,000
Pictou, Souris and the Magdalen islands.....	-	24,000	24,000
Grand Manan and mainland.....	15,000	15,000	15,000
Miscou and Shippegan islands and mainland.....	-	-	3,300
Quebec, Montreal and Paspebiac.....	-	29,000	30,000
Quebec, Natashquan and Harrington.....	-	50,000	85,000
Quebec and ports on the shores of the gulf of St. Lawrence and between ports in P.E. Island, Nova Scotia, Newfoundland and Magdalen islands.....	68,906	-	-
Ste. Catherine's Bay and Tadoussac.....	-	-	1,500
Pictou and Montague, Murray Harbour, etc., and Georgetown.....	6,000	6,000	3,360
Pictou and New Glasgow and Antigonish County ports and Mulgrave.....	1,500	1,397	1,500
Pt. Mulgrave and Guysboro.....	6,560	6,918	9,395
Pt. Mulgrave, St. Peter's, etc.....	6,208	6,500	8,000
Pt. Mulgrave and Canso.....	11,500	13,370	13,500
Pictou, Mulgrave and Cheticamp.....	7,500	7,500	11,000
Petit de Grat and Mulgrave I.C.R. terminus.....	8,062	9,916	9,968
Baddeck and Iona.....	6,825	8,000	9,000
Sydney and Whycomagh.....	4,000	4,000	4,825
Sydney to Bras d'Or lake ports and ports on east and west coasts of C.B.....	14,000	14,000	14,000
Sydney and bay St. Lawrence ports.....	9,000	9,000	9,000
Charlottetown, Pictou and New Glasgow.....	-	2,000	7,939
Victoria, Vancouver and Skagway.....	23,594	24,219	25,000
Charlottetown, Victoria and Holliday's Wharf.....	2,500	3,500	4,000
Victoria and Vancouver island (west coast).....	15,000	15,000	15,000
Victoria and San Francisco.....	2,740	2,135	2,827
Newcastle, Neguac and Escuminac, Miramichi river and bay.....	3,000	3,939	5,000
Pelee island and mainland.....	8,000	8,000	11,000
Prince Rupert, B.C., and Queen Charlotte islands.....	21,000	21,000	21,000
Vancouver and ports on Howe sound.....	3,202	3,066	3,358
St. John and St. Andrews, N.B.....	4,000	4,000	4,000
St. John, Bear River and way ports.....	-	-	2,000
St. John and Wedgeport, N.S.....	-	-	5,000
Vancouver and northern ports of B.C.....	24,800	24,800	24,800
Expenses in connection with the supervision of subsidized steamship services.....	3,604	3,716	3,890
Total subsidies and subventions.....	1,094,509	1,105,896	1,070,684

NOTE.—The figures in the above table are taken from the "Canada Public Accounts," as issued by the Finance Department; they represent the amounts paid in connection with contracts made under statutory authority by the Department of Trade and Commerce for trade services, including the conveyance of mails.