17.—Number of Persons Killed and Injured on Steam Railways in the calendar years 1928-39.

(A) IN Accidents resulting from Movement of Trains, Locomotives or Cars.

Item.	1928.		1929.		1930.	
	Killed.	Injured.	Killed.	Injured.	Killed.	Injured.
Description of Persons— Passengers. Employees. Trespassers. Non-trespassers. Postal clerks, expressmen, etc.	15 114 156 191 3	326 2,214 181 512 24	20 104 148 139	406 2,028 177 497 36	15 81 205 122 2	488 1,477 215 472 40
Totals	479	3,257	412	3,144	425	2,692
Description of Accident (Employees and Passengers only)— Coupling and uncoupling Collisions Derailments Parting of trains. Locomotives or cars breaking down Falling from trains or cars Jumping on or off trains Struck by trains, etc Overhead obstruction Other causes	17	151 171 195 45 8 274 409 121 27 1,139	2 28 17 1 23 11 37 - 5	165 188 268 27 19 288 360 157 19	6 5 12 1 2 20 7 40	102 115 223 31 21 187 339 138 17 792
Totals	129	2,540	124	2,434	96	19,659

(B) In Accidents other then those resulting from Movement of Trains, Locomotives or Cars.

Description of Persons.	1928.		1929.		1930.	
	Killed.	Injured.	Killed.	Injured.	Killed.	Injured.
Stationmen. Shopmen. Trainmen and trackmen. Other employees. Passengers. Others.	12	872 3,472 3,722 2,346 63 73	1 5 7 1 - 5	875 3,529 3,947 2,104 145	2 14 6 -	676 2,832 3,045 1,656 60 116
Totals	28	10,548	19	10,699	38	8,37

Section 3.—Origin and Growth of Government-Owned Railways.

Canadian Government Railways.—The Intercolonial Railway, built as a condition of Confederation and completed in 1876, and the Prince Edward Island Railway, opened in April, 1875, have since their construction been owned and operated by the Dominion Government. In 1903 the Dominion Government undertook the construction of the National Transcontinental Railway from Moncton, N.B., to Winnipeg, to be leased to the Grand Trunk Pacific Railway Company for a period of 50 years. However, as a result of the conditions arising from the Great War, the company was unable to take over the operation of the road when completed in 1915. The Government itself undertook its operation and was also obliged to lease the Lake Superior branch of the Grand Trunk Pacific Railway, which was isolated from the main line. A number of eastern branch lines have been acquired in recent years, including: the New Brunswick and Prince Edward Island Railway which forms the mainland connection of the Prince Edward Island car ferry, the International Railway, the Moneton and Buctouche Railway, the Salisbury and Albert Railway, the St. Martin's Railway, the Elgin and Havelock Railway, the York and Carleton Railway, the Quebec and Saguenay Rail-