

**20.—Mail Subsidies and Steamship Subventions, Years Ended Mar. 31, 1946-48**  
—concluded

Service	1946	1947	1948
	\$	\$	\$
<b>Local Services—concluded</b>			
Rivière-du-Loup and Tadoussac, and other north-shore ports...	21,000	21,000	21,000
Saint John and Minas Basin ports.....	10,000	Nil	10,000
Saint John, Westport and Yarmouth, and other way ports.....	23,500	30,500	31,500
Sydney and Bay St. Lawrence, calling at way ports.....	35,000	35,000	35,000
Sydney and Bras d'Or Lake ports, and ports on the west coast of Cape Breton and Prince Edward Island.....	22,500	22,500	22,500
Sydney and Whyccomagh.....	20,500	20,500	20,500
Yarmouth, N.S. and Boston, Mass.....	43,000	43,000	28,667
Administration expenses.....	13,981	16,185	17,660
<b>Totals.....</b>	<b>993,772</b>	<b>1,118,602</b>	<b>1,739,042</b>

In addition to the regular subsidies assistance was given during the year ended Mar. 31, 1947 and 1948, to certain subsidized lines, from the Steamship Subsidies Stabilization Fund, established by Order in Council, July 2, 1942, and amended by Order in Council, July 25, 1946, for the purpose of refunding actual amounts paid out as war bonuses to crews and increased costs of fuel and marine insurance over the basic period Sept. 15 to Oct. 11, 1941. This Fund ceased to operate in 1948. Amounts paid were:—

<i>Service</i>	<i>1947</i>	<i>1948</i>
	\$	\$
Vancouver and northern British Columbia ports.....	264,427	340,655
Mulgrave and Canso.....	8,274	6,353
Mulgrave and Arichat.....	2,326	1,787
Grand Manan and the Mainland.....	4,702	Nil
Victoria and west coast Vancouver Island.....	29,351	34,452
Murray Bay and north shore (winter service).....	23,057	3,134
Pelee Island and mainland.....	1,747	3,339
Pictou, Souris and Magdalen Islands.....	14,118	18,191
Prince Edward Island and Newfoundland.....	3,026	8,246
Prince Edward Island and Nova Scotia.....	2,995	11,352
Quebec, Natashquan and Harrington.....	40,666	50,202
Quebec or Montreal and Gaspe.....	13,457	9,457
Rimouski, Matane and north shore.....	24,718	18,843
Rivière-du-Loup and St. Simeon and/or Tadoussac.....	2,348	4,205
Saint John, Westport and Yarmouth.....	546	Nil
Sydney and Bay St. Lawrence.....	5,002	2,065
Sydney and west coast Cape Breton Island and Prince Edward Island...	2,161	3,526
Sydney and Whyccomagh.....	2,768	3,727
<b>TOTAL.....</b>	<b>445,690</b>	<b>519,534</b>

### Section 3.—Water Traffic and Services

Complete statistics, comparable with those given for the railways, showing all the freight carried by water, are not available. To obtain a record of the traffic handled by small independent coasting vessels would be difficult. However, there is a record of the number and tonnage of ships calling at all ports at which there are customs collectors, of cargoes of vessels trading between Canadian and foreign ports and of all cargoes that pass through the canals.

#### Subsection 1.—Shipping Traffic

A brief description of the early development of Canadian shipping is given at pp. 597-598 of the 1941 edition of the Year Book. Shipping statistics are compiled from reports collected by customs officers at customs ports: consequently they are affected by customs regulations and include only data for vessels trading in and out of ports at which such officers are employed.