Total milage of single track line showed little increase during the war and postwar years because of the abandonment of certain unprofitable lines. However, three important lines have recently been completed—the 43-mile Terrace-Kitimat line in British Columbia, the 144-mile Sherridon-Lynn Lake line in Manitoba, and the 360-mile Quebec, North Shore and Labrador Railway—two others, one in northern Quebec and the other in northern Ontario, are in the planning stage (see also pp. 846-847). Yard and siding track and extensions serving industrial plants have been added to considerably in recent years. Of the 42,953 miles of single track operated in 1952, over 50 p.c. were Canadian National Railway lines.

Rolling-Stock.—The figures in Table 2 may be supplemented by the statement that, between 1948 and 1952, the average capacity of box cars increased from 43,402 tons to 44,712 tons, of gondola cars from 60,581 tons to 63,324 tons, flat cars from 43,190 tons to 44,081 tons, hopper cars from 56,938 tons to 61,189 tons and of all freight cars from 44,980 tons to 46,822 tons. The average tractive power of the locomotive varied but slightly over the years 1948 to 1952 with 42,051 lb. in 1948, 42,488 lb. in 1951 and 42,283 lb. in 1952. The steady growth in diesel operation is illustrated by the advance from 148 units at the end of 1948 to 763 units at the end of 1952.

2.-Rolling-Stock of Steam Railways, as at Dec. 31, 1948-52

Rolling-Stock	1948	1949¹	1950	1951	1952
	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.
Locomotives					
Steam— Coal burning	)		3.730	3,553	3,423
Oil burning	4,340	4,351 {	542	555	591
Diesel electric	148	246	350	574	763
Electric	33	30	33	33	33
Totals, Locomotives	4,521	4,627	4,655	4,715	4,810
Passenger Cars		Ì			
First class	1,953	1,996	2,043	3 2,169	2.088
Second class	172	177	168	)	
Combination	344 353	337 347	337 333	339 315	339 302
Immigrant	186	195	333 196	196	302 183
Parlour	175	175	176	153	162
Sleeping.	761	775	795	803	805
Baggage, express and postal	1,677	1,766	1.808	2,201	2,244
Motor-cars	60	54	52	49	55
Other	418	402	430	141	150
Totals, Passenger Cars	6,099	6,224	6,338	6,366	6,328
Freight Cars					
Automobile	5,057	6,075	6,087	6.396	7,330
Ballast	1,705	1,772	1,862	1,803	1,847
Box	118,482 r	118,576	116,332	121,318*	121,828
Flat	10,326 13,114	10,951 14,135	11,263	11,062	11,748
Goudola	7,996	9.100	13,922 8,903	14,098 8,897	16,552 10,083
Ore	1,923	1,902	1.954	1,902	1.878
Refrigerator	7.240	7,921	8.050	8.231	8.691
Stock	6,115	6.648	6,655	6,509	6.284
Tank	353	454	469	460	268
Other	95 r	80 r	100 r	49 г	48
Totals, Freight Cars	172,406	177,614	175,597	180,725	186,557

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Includes for the first time 46 steam and 3 diesel locomotives, 98 passenger cars, and 1,004 freight cars in service in Newfoundland.