

berland from the Bay of Fundy, which was being rapidly built, and which, it is expected, will transfer vessels across in two hours, saving a distance of 500 miles, has been subsidized by the Government; but, for financial reasons, the works are at present suspended.

861. The St. Clair frontier tunnel, which was subsidized by the Government to the extent of \$375,000, is now opened for traffic. Of the above subsidy, the company had received \$316,400 up to 31st December, 1891. St. Clair tunnel.

862. The following table shows the amounts spent by the Government during the last five years on the construction, staff and maintenance of railways :— Government expenditure on railways 1887-1891.

STATEMENT SHOWING AMOUNT OF GOVERNMENT EXPENDITURE ON CONSTRUCTION, STAFF AND MAINTENANCE OF RAILWAYS IN CANADA, FOR THE LAST FIVE YEARS.

RAILWAYS.	YEAR ENDED 30TH JUNE.				
	1887.	1888.	1889.	1890.	1891.
	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$
Pacific	471,795	52,374	87,134	41,376	37,367
do subsidy	460,087				
Surveys	17,103	9,208	15,992	36,372	14,889
Statistics	1,200	116	561	1,904	1,426
Intercolonial	3,525,418	4,018,827	3,810,267	3,846,719	3,742,271
Windsor Branch	26,042	24,040	20,856	18,983	28,932
Prince Edward Island	210,037	229,640	247,559	266,486	257,990
Eastern Extension	94,254	90,955	124,955	79,103	3,255
Carleton Branch	2,300	504			
Subsidies, general	1,406,533	1,027,042	846,722	1,678,196	1,079,106
Short Line Railway claims	24,157	397			
Annapolis and Digby			9,847	381,943	196,869
Cape Breton	76,502	689,451	1,083,277	1,170,523	521,442
Windsor and Annapolis	125,937				
Royal Commission	13,831	13,575			
Albert Railway	11,437	3,112	177		
Fredericton and St. Mary's Railway Bridge Co.		274,947	25,053		
Oxford and New Glasgow		280,932	841,943	434,529	220,886
Special car for His Excellency the Governor General				12,634	
Montreal and European Short Line					124,568
Total on railways	6,466,633	6,715,120	7,114,343	7,968,768	6,229,001