

The Government operated the Baie des Chaleurs Railway in connection with the Intercolonial Railway from the end of December to the end of May. During that time the expenditure was \$18,680, while the earnings only amounted to \$6,725. The road was transferred back to the company on the 31st May, 1897.

Earnings on Government railways in Canada, 1876-97:

YEAR.	Miles.	EARNINGS.				
		Passenger Traffic.	Freight Traffic.	Mail and Express.	Other Sources.	Total.
	No.	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$
*1876 .....	837	435,525	501,056	59,420	138	996,138
*1877 .....	912.5	520,725	670,779	93,123	483	1,285,110
*1878 .....	912.5	540,267	863,866	110,049	664	1,514,847
*1879 .....	912.5	510,361	810,351	98,796	448	1,419,956
†1880 .....	1,038.5	546,866	977,733	109,098	464	†1,634,161
†1881 .....	1,038.5	609,368	1,192,389	110,431	553	1,912,741
1882 .....	1,038.5	723,111	1,380,499	127,430	6,543	2,237,584
1883 .....	1,038.5	813,333	1,573,775	144,279	9,820	2,541,206
1884 .....	1,045.5	846,836	1,546,025	147,604	11,473	2,551,938
1885 .....	1,151.6	821,510	1,631,886	170,397	449	2,624,243
1886 .....	1,156.6	836,083	1,614,170	178,185	896	2,629,336
1887 .....	1,170.6	902,630	1,765,334	171,844	941	2,840,748
1888 .....	1,184.1	938,967	2,029,100	177,434	752	3,166,252
1889 .....	1,181.6	990,456	2,000,333	170,036	716	3,167,542
1890 .....	1,181.6	974,863	2,056,952	171,378	681	3,203,874
1891 .....	1,352.6	1,045,355	1,954,627	181,518	388	3,181,888
1892 .....	1,352.6	1,044,575	1,893,677	197,716	425	3,136,394
1893 .....	1,352.6	1,081,877	1,966,816	213,412	400	3,262,505
1894 .....	1,352.6	1,035,559	1,928,409	214,570	482	3,179,020
1895 .....	1,352.6	1,039,735	1,875,017	214,236	461	3,129,450
1896 .....	1,360.5	1,033,784	1,854,205	215,738	388	3,104,117
1897 .....	1,360.5	1,041,701	1,756,923	220,495	352	3,019,471

\* Earnings of Windsor Branch not included.

† Includes \$3,754 over-credit in 1880, on Windsor Branch.

‡ Earnings C. P. R. not included; the road during part of these two years was operated by the Government.