

REPORT OF THE DIRECTORS.

TORONTO, February 13, 1861.

To the Proprietors of the Northern Railway of Canada :

THE Directors, in presenting the Annual Reports for 1860, of the Executive Officers of the Company, congratulate the Proprietary upon the highly satisfactory nature of the Company's transactions for the past year.

The trade and revenues of the road have largely increased, as will appear from the following abstracts of the returns attached.

FREIGHT TONNAGE OF ALL CLASSES.

	1859.	1860.	Increase.
Through Freight.....	28,373	36,558	8,185
Local Freight.....	63,029	88,787	25,758
Total in tons.....	91,402	125,345	33,943

PASSENGER TRAFFIC.

	1859.	1860.	Increase.
Total number of Passengers carried.....	78,072	91,582	13,510

GROSS EARNINGS FROM ALL SOURCES.

1859.	1860.	Increase.
\$240,044 86	\$332,967 01	\$92,922 15

TOTAL EXPENDITURE.

\$197,199 91	\$260,466 56	\$63,266 65
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NET EARNINGS.

\$42,844 95	\$72,500 45	\$29,655 50
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available for interest.

Thus illustrating important advances in every department of the Company's operations.

The undermentioned appropriation of the net revenue of the year to the payment of interest will be a source of satisfaction to the proprietary, as denoting the early and rapid restoration of the Com-