

RAILWAY SUBSIDIES.—A return recently brought down shows that the total amount of subsidies voted to railways since Confederation has been \$31,015,491, on a mileage of 4,236¾ miles. Divided by provinces the figures are :

Province.	Mileage.	Sum paid.
Ontario.....	1,397½	\$7,000,506
Quebec	2,060¼	11,419,507
New Brunswick.....	496½	2,784,304
Nova Scotia	392½	7,466,373
P.E.I.	3	9,600
British Columbia.....	157	102,200
N.W.T.....		2,310,000
	4236¾	\$31,015,491

NOVA SCOTIA CENTRAL RAILWAY.—Chief Justice McDonald has rendered a decision in the case of the New York Farmers' Loan and Trust Company v. The Nova Scotia Central Railway, ordering the foreclosure and sale of the road. The road is 70 miles long, and connects with the Windsor and Annapolis at Middleton and runs to Lunenburg, its Atlantic terminus. It was originated and constructed by Thomas G. Stearns, George W. Bedford, Geo. S. Hutchinson, and other New York and Boston capitalists, who put \$400,000 into the undertaking. The Dominion and Provincial Governments gave \$700,000 in subsidies, and \$400,000 was advanced by the Halifax Banking Company, upon bonds for which the Farmers' Trust and Loan Company are trustees. The foreclosure by the bondholders will give them the road at a nominal figure, and the Americans who put their money in it stand a chance to lose every dollar.

GENERAL MEETING OF C. P. R. COMPANY.—The adjourned general meeting of the shareholders of the Canadian Pacific Railway was held on August 24, at the office of the company, at Montreal. The shares represented amounted to 329,075 out of a total of 650,000 shares. W. C. Van Horne, president and general manager of the company, occupied the chair, and the other shareholders present were: Lord Mount Stephen and Lord Elphinstone, of England; Charles Drinkwater, secretary of the company; R. B. Angus, T. G. Shaughnessy, of Montreal; George Kirkpatrick, of Kingston; Arnold McInnis, of Hamilton; G. R. Harris, of Boston; E. B. Osler, of Toronto; W. D. Matthews, of