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called Second Vice-President, Third Vice-President & so on, no one of whom need necessarily be a director; providing that after 1900 the annual general meeting of share-holders shall be held on the 1st Wednesday of October.

The following were unanimously elected directors: Lord Strathcona, Sir Wm. Van Horne, T. G. Shaughnessy, R. B. Angus, E. B. Osler, Sir Sandford Fleming, G. R. Harris, W. D. Matthews, Hon. D. MacInnes, T. Skinner, J. W. Mackay, General S. Thomas, C. R. Hosmer.

At a meeting of the Board held subsequently, Sir Wm. Van Horne was re-elected Chairman, & T. G. Shaughnessy President, & the following were appointed the Executive Committee: Sir Wm Van Horne, T. G. Shaughnessy, Lord Strathcona, R. B. Angus, E. B. Osler. The Executive Committee heretofore consisted of 4 members, Mr. Osler having now been added. No election was made to the office of Vice-President. D. McNicoll was appointed Second Vice-President & General Manager.

G.T.R. SEMI-ANNUAL MEETING.

The semi-annual meeting was held at the Cannon St. Hotel, London, Eng., April 5, the President, Sir C. Rivers Wilson, in the chair. The report for the 1-year ended Dec. 31, 1899, was presented as follows:

Following is a comparison of the 1-year's revenue account with that of the corresponding 1-year, ended Dec. 31, 1898:-

Dec. 31,	1898.	Dec. 31, 1	899.	
£2,140,580 1,428,000	Gross receipts			
712,580	Net traffic receipts		12	 9
12,931	Add received from Interna- tional Bridge Co	12,930	12	9
4,742	Interest on Toledo, Saginaw & Muskegon bonds		3	10
3.087	Interest on Central Vermont		-	

7,17	& Muskegon bonds	4,415	3	10
3,087	Interest on Central Vermont		_	
	Ry. bonds	3,087	10	8
64,781	Interest on securities of con-			
	trolled lines & on St.			
	Clair Tunnel bonds ac-			
	quired by issue of G.T.			_
	4% debenture stock	64,781	3	6
0, 138	Balance of general interest ac-			
	count	21,924	14	5
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Net revenue receipts.... £936,187 17 11

Following are the net revenue	charges	fo	or
the ½-year:			
Rents (leased lines) Interest on debenture stocks & bonds of	£73,174	8	3
Interest on debenture stocks & bonds of	440 558	Q.	٥

443,578 18 8 the Co....
Interest on debenture stock & bonds of lines consolidated with the G.T. Co...
Interest on Michigan Air Line bonds... 72,406 4 10 7,750 0 0

£818,259

Leaving a net revenue balance for the ½-year of

1/2-year to Dec. 31..... 5,088 7 8

14, 169 17 0 £611,079 8 9 325,108 9 2 £936,187 17 11

596,909 11 9

The above amount of £325,108 9s. 2d. added to the balance from last 1/2-year of £2,052 6s. od., makes a total of £327,160 155. 2d., from which the directors recommend the declaration of the following dividend, viz:-

£3 5s. / on the 2nd preference stock...

82,173 0 5 £323,242 1 11

leaving £3,918 13s. 3d., to be carried forward to next 1/2-year's accounts.

The net revenue balance for the 1/2-year ended Dec. 31, 1898, was £208,841 12s. 3d. The result of the past ½-year's working is, therefore, more favourable by £116,266 16s. 11d. For the 12 months ended Dec. 31, 1899. the net revenue balance was £461,512 185 od., compared with £315,493 10s. 10d., for 1898, an improvement of £146,019 7s. 2d.

This table gives a comparison of receipts for the ½-years ended Dec. 31, 1899 & 1898.

Description of receipts.	1899.	1898.	Increase
Passengers Mails and express Freight & live stock Miscellaneous	£ 685,249 110,281 1,561,672 66,597	£ 581,429 104,632 1,388,711 65,808	£ 103,824 5,644 172,961 784
	2,423,799	2,140,580	283.219

TRAFFIC STATISTICS

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	½ year, Dec, 31, 1899.	½ year, Dec. 31, 1898.	In- crease	De- crease
Passengers car-	3,761,262	2 822 614		72,352
Average fare per		3,033,014		12,30
passenger Tons of freight	3s. 7¾d.	3s. o½d.	7}d.	
and live stock Average rate per	5,422,537	4,756,205	666,332	
ton	5s. 9d.	5s. 10d.		ıd.
train mile		59.92d.	3.79d.	

The average receipt per ton per mile on the entire freight business was 0.62 of a cent, compared with 0.68 of a cent in the corresponding 1/2-year.

The working expenses, including taxes, amounted in the ½ year to £1,594,750, or 65,80% of the gross receipts, as compared with £1,428,000, or 66.71%; an increase in amount of £166,750, but a decrease in the proportion to the gross receipts of 0.91%

This table gives a comparison of the revenue expenditure, including taxes, for the 1-year ended Dec. 31, 1899 & 1898:

Description of expenditure.	1899.	1898.	În- crease.	De- crease.
Maintenance of way, & struc-	£	£	£	£
tures Maintenance of	421,461	397,110	24,351	_
equipment	283,393	213,143	70,250	
Conducting transportation General ex-	802,501	731,247	71,254	
penses	55,884	55,042	842	
Total Percentage of	£1,563,239	£1,396,542	£166,697	
gross receipts Expenditure per	64,50	65.24		0.74
train-mile	41.09d.	39.09d.	2d.	
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The train mileage of the 1/2-year compares with that for the ½-year ended Dec. 31, 1898, as follows :-

Description of mileage.	1899,	1898.	Increase
Passenger Freight Mixed trains	5,218,334	3,270,604 4,758,402 544,519	86,266 459,932 11,428
Total	9,131,151	8.573.525	557.626