

APPENDIX No. 12.

INTERCOLONIAL RAILWAY.

DEPARTMENT OF RAILWAYS AND CANALS,
GOVERNMENT RAILWAYS IN OPERATION,
CHIEF ENGINEER'S OFFICE,
OTTAWA, November, 1879.

SIR,—I have the honor to submit my annual report on the operations of the Intercolonial Railway for the year ending 30th June, 1879, and beg to transmit herewith the accounts for the year comprising 10 returns.

- No. 1. Capital Account.
 “ 2. Revenue Account.
 “ 3. Locomotive Power (Abstract No. 1.)
 “ 4. Car Expenses (“ 2.)
 “ 5. Maintenance of Way and Works (“ 3.)
 “ 6. Station Expenses (“ 4.)
 “ 7. General Charges (“ 5.)
 “ 8. General Stores Accounts.
 “ 9. General Balance.
 “ 10. Comparative Statement of Averages,

Accompanying which will be found the reports of the Chief Superintendent, the Engineer and the Mechanical Superintendent.

CAPITAL ACCOUNT.

The total cost of the railway on the 30th June, 1878, was... \$36,091,065 85

And there has been expended during the year—

On the Halifax extension.....	\$ 21,282 78
“ St. John deep water terminus.....	45,771 70
“ completion of Intercolonial Railway....	159,584 71

226,639 19

Making a total cost up to 30th June, 1879, of..... \$36,317,705 04

As a further charge on the Halifax extension (to North Street) there remains to be paid a balance due contractor for freight house and cattle sheds, and also a sum due the contractors for rebuilding and fitting the car shop at Richmond, which was torn down in the re-arranging the tracks in the Richmond yard.

The works at the St. John deep water terminus have progressed satisfactorily during the year, and it is believed the wharf will be completed about the end of December next. There then remains to be done to complete the present design, some earth filling, the laying of a number of switches and sidings, the erection of a fence, and the necessary freight and other buildings.

All fresh work undertaken on the line between Rivière du Loup and Truro is charged to working expenses. The only charges made against the completion of the line between these points is for the payment of unsettled claims for work done on construction in previous years.