

and kept an account of every occupation of the main line, upon the dates and during the hours as per subjoined table, which I hereby certify to be correct :

Date. 1879.	No. hours.	No. minutes.	Time occupied.	Time clear.	Engines entr'd upon or left Main Line.
Nov. 6th 7.00 a.m. to 6.00 p.m.	11	660	459	201	356 times.
" 7th " "	11	660	496	164	424 "
" 8th " "	11	660	528	132	508 "
" 10th " "	11	660	502	158	400 "
" 11th " "	11	660	517	143	423 "
" 12th " "	11	660	522	138	432 "
" 13th " "	11	660	559	101	439 "
" 14th " "	11	660	544	116	428 "
" 15th 7.00 a.m. to 4.00 p.m.	9	540	429	111	359 "
TOTALS.....	97	5820	4556	1264	3768

Percentage of time line was occupied..... 78.28

" " clear..... 22.72

Line entered upon or left once in..... 1.54 mins.

Average occupation per hour..... 46.86 "

Total time of occupation, 75 hours 56 minutes.

M. MACLEOD.

# NORTHERN RAILWAY OF CANADA, TRAFFIC DEPARTMENT,

TORONTO, 16th December, 1879.

DEAR SIR,—With reference to the shunting in the yard, of which a record was kept for a few days, in April last, by Mr. Dodds, I desire to say that it does not show anything like our usual shunting movements, as at that time navigation had not fully opened, and we were running very few freight trains. As a matter of fact there was not so much business as in the preceding winter months, February and March, as is proved by the annexed statement, certified by our Yard Master.

In November, when Mr. McLeod made a similar record, we were doing more business, but were *not so active* as in September and October, as the Yard Master's statement of arrivals and deliveries of loaded freight cars for the corresponding period, in the months of September, October and November will show.

Yours truly,

J. HARVIE.

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General Manager.