

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS,  
ACCOUNTANT'S OFFICE,  
OTTAWA, 9th April, 1887.

A. GOBEL, Esq.,  
Secretary.

SIR,—I have the honor to transmit herewith statements of expenditure which should have appeared in Appendix No. 27 of the Report of the Minister of Public Works for the year ended the 30th June last, but which could not be prepared sufficiently early to permit of their publication at the same time.

These tables having now to be published as a "*Supplement*," I trust I may be allowed to profit by this circumstance to submit to you a statement in detail of the expenditure on PUBLIC WORKS of the Dominion from the 1st of July, 1867 (the date of Confederation) to the 30th June, 1886.

Appendix No. 1 of the "*General Report on Public Works*" from 1867 to 1882, contained two abstracts of the expenditure up to the latter date. In the first appeared that for the ten years following the date of Confederation (up to 30th June, 1877), and in the second, that for the fifteen years ended the 30th June, 1882.

The same order has been adopted in the tables now submitted. You will find therein: an abstract of the expenditure up to the 30th June, 1877, another up to the 30th June, 1882—details of which were published in the Report from 1867 to 1882—and a third up to the 30th June, 1886; the whole covering a period of nineteen years.

For fuller information, however, I have thought it advisable to precede these abstracts by statements showing the expenditure incurred *each year for each Province* of the Dominion.

In order to simplify and facilitate the consultation of these statements, I have divided them into two parts, the first comprising the expenditure for "*CONSTRUCTION and IMPROVEMENTS*," the second that for "*MAINTENANCE and REPAIRS*," in such manner that a reference to the abstracts in question will show at a glance the amount expended under each of these headings for the periods covered by such abstracts respectively.

As a complement to the above mentioned statements, you will find a table showing separately the amounts expended under "*Capital*" and under "*Consolidated Fund*." The same information is given in a table, which follows, for *each Province* of the Dominion.

I have the honor to be, Sir,

Your obedient servant,

O. DIONNE,

*Accountant.*