Government subsidy
Total aid from Govt\$29,447,078 Government loan 18,626,600 48,073,678
Amount provided by Com- pany from these sources: Capital stock\$29,568,123
Bonuses
People are disposed, and I have been too apt myself in the past, to confound the loan and the subsidy together. I do not think we should in any way grudge this company the subsidy. It is part of their contract. We speak of it as though they were indebted to the country for the sub-
sidy as well as the loan. For the loan they are indebted to the country. That
was a matter of grace and favor, but the sub- sidy is theirs: they earned it and have given value for it, and it is as much theirs as the price of a house would be if they had built it under contract. The following is a resume of the figures I have given :
The Company expended on the main line west of Callander
Surplus above subsidies
Expended on contract portion above both loan and subsidies
tic\$58,011,996 It received from the Gov- ernment subsidies\$29,447,078 Government loan secured.\$18,626,600 \$48,073,678
Surplus provided by the Co. on entire main line \$9,938,318
In the face of the statements which I have submitted it seems to me clear that no one can justly or truly say that the company have not expended on the main line, between Montreal and Port Moody, all the money which they received from the Government. They have expended all of that and more too, and it seems to me that is the point with which we have to deal. I do not think we have the same right to criticize the course which they pur sue with reference to their stock. It was their own, and they raised money on it and expended it partly on the main line and