

tions for Common School lands to a nett income of \$88,683. The total nett amount realised from these lands since they have been put in the market is \$744,640.

The important branch of Woods and Forests shows the amount of revenue which has accrued during the year from timber dues and ground rents to be \$327,503, and from slide dues \$55,546, making the total accrued from these sources \$383,050. Owing in part to the unhappy civil war, the export trade in sawed lumber has suffered considerable depression. The prospect of opening up new markets is, however, encouraging, twenty cargoes of lumber having already been exported to the continent of Europe in consequence partly of the visit to its principal towns of the Supervisor of Cullers. Further enquiries continue to be made from France, Spain, and Germany in the same relation. The yield from deep sea, river, and lake fishing has been throughout last year steady and unusually large.

Respecting the mining transactions of the past year there was little to communicate. Some of the mines already opened had been worked, but the American difficulties had affected this as well as other branches of trade. There could be no doubt that the copper ore on the Canadian side of the lakes was equal to that on the southern side. What was wanted was capital, and increased means of communication and facilities for the transport of passengers and goods.

The amount of revenue accrued from timber dues and ground rent during the year 1861 was \$327,503·97, and from slide dues \$55,546·6, making the total accrued from these sources \$383,050·3, which amount includes \$4,484·38 for clergy, school, Indian, and Jesuits' estates. The amount of revenue collected from timber dues and ground rent was \$255,811·99, and from slide dues \$43,991·72, making the total revenue collected during the year 1861, \$299,803·71, in addition to which the sum of \$3,293·57 was collected for the other services mentioned. The recent decree, admitting, on better terms than formerly, Canadian ships to the French markets, would prove of great benefit to the