connection also must be granted to Vancouver and New Westminster. Provision is made for the construction of a bridge over the Fraser at New Westminster, at a cost not exceeding \$500,000.

#### Electric Railway Statistics.

From returns received from the 35 electric railways of Canada, Geo. Johnson, Dominion Statistician, has compiled the following statement for the year 1900:-

The number of miles of electric railways in Canada was 681, an increase of 49 miles

over 1899.

The 35 electric railways in Canada carried 118,129,862 passengers in 1900, an increase of 14,097,203. This is equal to carrying every man, woman, and child in the country 21 times.

The car mileage run was 30,924,355 miles, an increase of 1,277,508 over 1899.

The mileage run and the passengers car-

ried show that for each mile run the roads carried 3.8 passengers, against 3.5 in 1899.

The amount of paid-up capital invested in electric railways was \$20,633,000, and the bonded debt \$12,619,422.

The number of cars in active service was 1,642, an increase of 98 over 1899. The employes numbered 4,493, showing an increase of 164 over 1899.

The total receipts for the year were \$5,422,-

540, and the expenses \$3,268,001.

The steam railways carried 17,122,193 passengers in 1900, so that the total passengers transported by rail was 135,252,055. Between them the steam and electric railways carried the whole population of Canada 25 times in the year, and the proportion was a little over 87 by electric and a little under 13

by steam in every hundred persons carried.

Since 1897 the number of passengers carried by the electric railways increased from 83,811,000 to 118,130,000, an increase of 34,-319,000, which is equal to 41%, while those carried by steam railways increased from 13,-742,454 to 17,122,193, an increase of 25%.

The expenses form about 67.50% of the gross earnings of the steam railways, and about 60.27% of the gross earnings of the electric railways.

#### Mainly About People.

Mackenzie, Mann & Co., have given \$250 to the Winnipeg General Hospital.

Lord Mount Stephen has contributed £1,000 to the National Victoria Memorial Fund.

Jas. Ross, Vice-President of the Montreal Street Ry., returned to Montreal, April 18, from England.

Jas. Ross, of Montreal, is building a hospital at Lindsay, Ont., on condition that the town will maintain it.

President Shaughnessy of the C.P.R. left Montreal, April 22, for England, expecting to return about the end of May.

Captain R. M. Melville, R.N.R., general steamship agent, Toronto, was married on April 27, to Miss B. A. Pilsworth.

Mrs. Crossen, widow of the late Jas. Crossen, proprietor of the Cobourg Car Works, died at Cobourg, April 18, aged 69.

G. A. Macdonald, C.P.R. General Stationery Agent at Montreal, was married April 30 to Miss I. C. Adams, at Cardinal, Ont.

H. St. Dizier's joint ticket agency in the Balmoral Hotel, Montreal, has been closed, the hotel having gone out of business

I. I. Hill, President of the Great Northern Ry., U.S.A., will fish in the St. John River this summer, where he is having a house built.

Mrs. E. and Miss Tiffin left Totonto, April 30, for Moncton, N.B., where the Traffic Manager of the I.C.R. has taken a house.

C.P.R. Baggagemaster Robinson, of Vancouver, has been appointed as the Vancouver representative of General Baggage Agent Morris.

Sir Chas. Rivers Wilson, President of the G.T.R., and Lady Wilson, arrived in New

York from England, May 13, en route to Canada.

F. H. Clergue, President of the Algoma Central Ry., has offered to contribute \$1,000, provided \$50,000 is raised, to aid Toronto University.

R. S. Lewis, Canadian passenger agent of the Lehigh Valley Rd., is again on duty after being laid up for several months as the result of an operation.

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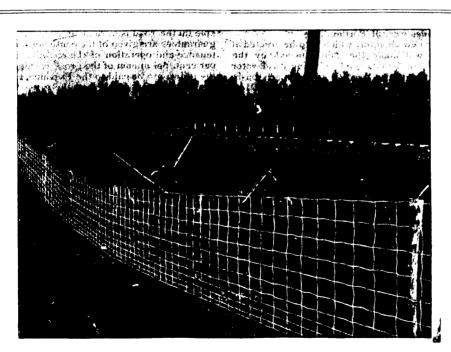
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