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Salaries of the Outside Service for the Fiscal Year 1911-12.

The bringing down of the Estimates for the fiscal year 1911-12 has an interest of such exceptional nature for the majority of the members of the Civil Service Federation and to the members of the outside service generally that *The Civilian* takes the earliest opportunity of publishing the facts. By the appended tables it will be seen that Customs, Excise and Canals services benefit to the extent of about 10% increase in each case. The increase to the Excise officers includes a still larger recognition of the higher cost of living west of the Great Lakes. It is to be regretted that the precedent created in this service some years ago has not been made applicable to the Customs and Post Office services. In the matter of increases the Post Office has not been as favoured as the other services, the advance being about 8½%. These increases will no doubt be reduced by the necessary provisions for new and enlarged staffs. The increases are not as large as was hoped for by members of the services concerned, nor as large as current increases made to employees by employers like the Bank of Montreal which has recently granted an increase from a minimum of \$200.00 upwards, applicable especially to the lower grades. The following table shows the estimates for 1911-12 and the comparison for 1910-11:—

Details.	1910-11.	1911-12.	Compared with Estimates of 1910-11.	
			Increase.	Decrease.
			\$	cts.
RAILWAYS.				
	\$	\$	\$	
	cts.	cts.	cts.	
Intercolonial Railway	9,000,000 00	9,500,000 00	500,000	00
Windsor Branch	35,000 00	35,000 00		
Prince Edward Island Railway	425,000 00	450,000 00	25,000	00
	9,460,000 00	9,985,000 00	525,000	00
CANALS.				
Staffs and Repairs.	1,106,466 00	1,213,220 00	106,760	00
CUSTOMS.				
Salaries and contingent expenses of the several ports in the Dominion, including pay for overtime of officers, notwithstanding anything in the Civil Service Act.....	1,925,000 00	2,125,000 00	200,000	00