

begun ten years ago with only eight millions per annum, in that time brought out over 450,000,000 of feet.

The Brockville and Ottawa Railway carries about fifty millions feet per annum.

These three Railways have brought out over one thousand million feet of lumber—over one million of tons within the last ten years.

The value of this traffic is shown from the fact, that while on the Grand Trunk the receipts from freights are less than half than from passengers, on the Northern and Brockville and Ottawa, they are three times, and on the Midland *four and a half times* greater.

The following statement shows the character of the business on the Midland Railway:—

STATEMENT SHOWING TONNAGE OF THE PRINCIPAL ARTICLES OF FREIGHT.

	1867.	1868.	1869.	1870.
Square Timber, cubic feet.....	66,878	75,831	11,278	788,640
Sawed Lumber, feet B. M.....	71,892,950	72,592,050	64,043,450	71,225,600
Wheat, bushels.....	246,277	200,649	262,626	249,752
Other Grains, bushels.....	178,427	128,407	131,447	151,914
Flour and Oatmeal, bushels.....	43,312	30,907	44,567	26,334
Potash, barrels.....	287	164	184	158
Pork, barrels.....	1,510	2,042	3,889	1,213
Other Freight, tons.....	16,966	17,681	15,296	19,540
Total No. of tons carried.....	197,324	190,005	176,448	195,698

EARNINGS.

Freight	.....	.....	.....	\$195,698 33
Passengers	.....	.....	.....	43,210 01
Mails	.....	.....	.....	3,248 88
Total	...	....	....	\$242,157 22