

1874-75.....	37,176
1875-76.....	27,834
1876-77.....	30,053

and call for no special comment.

**PUBLIC WORKS.**

35. During the past fiscal year there has been a small increase in the revenue from Canals; a more decided increase in the revenue from Slides and Booms and from minor public works, while the collections from Hydraulic rents have been considerably diminished. The following Comparative Statement gives the exact figures :—

Small increase of revenue.

	1875-76.	1876-77.	Increase per cent.	Decrease per cent.
	\$	\$		
Canal Tolls, &c.....	372,264	373,954	00.45	.....
Slides and Booms.....	101,868	115,862	13.73	
Hydraulic and other Rents.....	57,444	50,017		12.92
Minor Public Works.....	5,450	7,545	38.44	.....
	537,026	547,378		

*Canals.*

36. The following Statement gives a summary of the Canal revenue from the several Canals, shewing the increase and decrease in each case :—

Summary of canal revenues.

Canals.	1875-76.	1876-77.	Increase per cent.	Decrease per cent.
	\$	\$		
Welland.....	215,327	218,779	1.6	.....
St. Lawrence.....	88,534	81,370	.....	8.09
Chambly.....	22,613	20,727		8.34
Ottawa.....	34,868	43,362	24.36	.....
Rideau.....	6,153	5,259	.....	14.53
Burlington.....	4,014	3,793	.....	5.05
St. Peter's.....	655	.....	.....	100.09
Newcastle District Works.....	100	664	564.0	.....
	372,264	373,954		