

SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT.

ONTARIO, SIMCOE AND HURON RAILWAY,
SUPERINTENDENT'S OFFICE,
Toronto, July 15th, 1855.

To the President and Directors:—

GENTLEMEN,—I have the honour of submitting to you my Annual Report, with a statement of the traffic transactions of the past year.

Referring to the appendix, it will be seen that the earnings from local traffic during the year terminating on the 1st inst., amounted to £49,101 19s 9½d cy.; and from through traffic to £4,256 19s 11½d cy., being a gross amount of £53,358 19s 9d.

The expenditure for traffic account during the same period, has been £37,818 14s 9½d.

Although regular trains were run over the whole length of the road early in January, the then state of the track, and the small amount of local traffic on the northern division, early made it evident that the earnings would be quite insufficient to pay the working expenses and the maintenance of that portion of the permanent way. The state of the works at Collingwood Harbour, however, made it imperative, in order to insure their construction in time for the spring business, that the track should be kept open; and under these circumstances it was decided to run a daily train for the accommodation of the local business.

Comparing the total cost of working the line with the