

Fredericton and Grand Lake Coal and Railway.....	879 20
Galt, Preston and Hespeler.....	929 44
Grand Trunk Railway.....	553,419 21
Grand Trunk Pacific Railway ..	145,199 00
Great Northern.....	8,354 00
Hamilton and Dundas.....	248 00
Hamilton, Grimsby and Beamsville.....	749 75
Hamilton Radial.....	238 14
Hull Electric.....	1,600 00
International.....	557 00
Inverness Railway and Coal.....	3,447 72
Kent Northern.....	715 28
Kettle Valley.....	9,766 18
Kitchener and Northern.....	250 00
London and Port Stanley.....	2,516 76
Lotbiniere and Megantic.....	1,305 60
Maine Central.....	2,971 00
Maritime Coal and Railway.....	602 88
Michigan Central.....	54,845 72
Montreal and Southern Counties.	227 12
Napierville Junction.....	3,451 65
Nelson and Port Sheppard.....	1,499 52
New Brunswick Coal and Railway	1,456 96
New Westminster and Southern.	3,667 57
New York Central.....	8,240 50
Niagara, St. Catharines and Toronto.....	495 29
Northern Pacific.....	4,326 40
Pacific Great Eastern.....	1,399 65
Pere Marquette.....	13,856 58
Port Arthur Electric.....	350 00
Quebec Central.....	33,233 04
Quebec, Montreal and Southern..	5,722 72
Quebec Oriental.....	7,819 92
Quebec, Railway, Light and Power	3,620 00
Quebec and Saguenay.....	920 64
Red Mountain.....	251 20
Roberval and Saguenay.....	704 48
St. John Bridge and Railway Extension.....	500 00
Sandwich, Windsor and Amherstburg.....	1,806 46
Sydney and Louisburg.....	1,004 80
Temiscouata.....	6,233 74
Temiskaming and Northern Ontario.....	24,263 44
Thousand Islands.....	652 80
Toronto, Hamilton and Buffalo..	4,466 85
Toronto Suburban.....	100 00
Toronto and York Radial.....	4,206 84
Vancouver, Victoria and Eastern.	3,366 03
Vancouver, Westminster and Yukon.....	2,144 86
Victoria and Sidney.....	35 11
Wellington Collieries.....	340 26
Windsor, Essex and Lake Shore.	967 12
Total.....	\$3,608,745 71

(a) Comprising Intercolonial Railway—P.E. Island Railway—Grand Trunk Pacific east of Winnipeg and smaller subsidiary lines.

(b) Comprising Canadian Northern Railway and smaller subsidiary lines.

MR. LEMIEUX: I do not wish to delay the work of the committee unduly because I understand that time is of the essence of things before prorogation. Therefore, I will state the case for my district very briefly to the committee. There is an old French saying: "Chacun prêche pour sa paroisse." "Every one preaches for his own parish." Therefore, hon. members will not be sur-

prised if, this evening for a few moments only, I present my brief on behalf of the constituency which I have the honour to represent. It may say at once that I speak for the hon. member for Bonaventure (Mr. Marcil) who, unfortunately, is unavoidably absent from the House this evening. The question was brought to the notice of the Government by numerous petitions which have been signed throughout the district of Gaspé and Bonaventure. As you are aware, Mr. Chairman, the region known as Gaspesia comprises two of the largest and oldest counties of the Dominion. It is one of the old-settled districts of Canada. I have stated to Parliament before, and I take pride in repeating the statement this evening, that when Jacques Cartier discovered Canada, he planted the cross and the flag of France on the shore of the county which I have the honour to represent. I have been at Fontenelle on various occasions. It is in the bay of Gaspé. Gaspesia is peopled by a thrifty population of farmers, lumbermen, fishermen and seagoing folk, and it has a very special feature of our Canadian life: It is settled by the best representatives of the four great races which form the basic element of this country. We have there the Loyalists who came from the Thirteen colonies at the time of the war of Independence. We have there the Scotchman, the Irishman, the French-Canadian and a very large quota of Acadians from the Maritime Provinces. In fact, I consider that the interests of Gaspé are linked very intimately with the interests of the Maritime Provinces, especially the neighbouring province of New Brunswick. Its territory is immense. The Gaspesian Peninsula comprises 10,000 square miles. I have already described before a committee of this House the enormous potential wealth of that district. We have there not only timber, but asbestos mines, and rich deposits of zinc. We have also shale in large quantity. As to our other resources, they are well known. It is the great fishing centre of the province of Quebec. Our fish has been from time immemorial exported to all the markets of the world. For generations the people of that district have contributed their full quota to the upbuilding of Canada. In the late war, I am proud to say, hundreds of our young men served at the front and many, unfortunately, were killed. It will be my privilege next month to be present at the unveiling of a monument at Gaspé which is being erected by my electors in honour of the memory of the young lads who fought so nobly in the