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months of 1898 compared unfavorably with the corresponding period of 1897. It is satis-factory to know that from August onwards, when the traffic compared with what may be called the normal traffic, increases were again shown. The Manager says that generally, with the exception of lumber shipments to the U. S., business has been good, trade in a healthy condition, & the prospects for the future encouraging. He has sent a telegram announcing the earnings up to the end of May this year, which were \$168,512, an increase over the corresponding period of \$29,069. The net earnings for the same period were \$50,824, an increase over those of the corresponding period of \$8,168. He ends his telegram by saying, 'The outlook is good.'"
The report was adopted, & the retiring

directors, other than the Provincial Government one, were re-elected. Special meetings of the prior lien bondholders, income bondholders & shareholders were afterwards held to approve the Act obtained from the Quebec Legislature for the purpose of rearranging the bonded debt of the Co.

The President stated that by the Act the prior lien bonds would be repayable at par Feb. 1, 1908, and that it authorized the creation of first debenture stock bearing interest not exceeding 4% per annum, the total interest upon which shall not exceed an annual sum of £20,000. It was proposed to offer now to the holders for their 5% prior lien bonds 4% 1st debenture stock at par, exchangeable up to Aug. 1, 1899, & to pay in cash £3 as a bonus, besides £2,-10s. for the 1/2 yearly coupon due on that date. For the past two years the net revenue of the Co. had exceeded £30,000 a year, being £10,000 or 50% more than the interest on the total amount of 1st debenture stock which the directors were enabled by the Act to issue. Assuming that the future net revenue continued at the present rate of \$30,000, there should be a surplus of about \$15,000, or sufficient to pay increased interest on the income bonds. The directors were authorized to exercise the power conferred by the Act.

General Manager Grundy states that the shipments of dairy produce over the line are increasing rapidly. The shipments of butter & cheese for export to Great Britain amounted in 1898 to nearly 3,800 tons, an increase of 400 tons over 1897. The shipments of asbestos show an increase, while those of chrome ore show a reduction of some 600 tons.

Traffic receipts for May, \$42,127.44; increase over May, '98, \$358.92. Receipts Jan. 1 to May 31, \$168,511.60; increase over corresponding period \$9,825.53. There is a variation between these figures & those attributed to the Chairman above, which is probably owing to an error in reporting.

Michigan Central Railway.

The annual report of this Co.'s subsidiary, the Canada Southern, for 1898, just issued, shows that the Co. has 457.30 miles of 1st track, 97.56 of 2nd track & 238.06 miles of sidings, which does not include the 15 miles of the London & Port Stanley, over which its trains run between St. Thomas & London, Ont. The financial statement is as follows:

RESOURCES OF THE YEAR 1808.

Net earnings... \$300,666.69 Received from M. C. R. R. Co. balance of 1897 account.... 132,244.07 Receipts from other sources ... 1,859.12 Cash & cash assets, Dec. 31, 1897..... 24,241.95

\$459,011.83

DISPOSITION OF RESOURCES.

Dividends 26 & 27, paid Feb. 1 & Aug. 1, 1898..... \$300,000.00

Balance net earnings, 1898, due from M. C. R. R. Co..... Cash & cash assets, Dec. 31,

1898.....

150,666,69 8,345.14

The annual meetings of the C. S. & other absidiary companies were held a C. subsidiary companies were held at St. Thomas June 7, when the following directors were elected:

CANADA SOUTHERN Ry.—C. Vanderbilt, W. K. Vanderbilt, C. M. Depew, S. F. Barger, E. A. Wickes, J. E. Brown, C. F. Cox, York; H. B. Ledyard, Detroit; N. Kings mill. Toronto.

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Grand Trunk Earnings, Expenses, &C.

The following statement of earnings supplied from the Montreal office, includes he G.T. of Canada, the Chicago & G.T., & the Detroit, Grand Haven & Milwaukee Rys.:

	1899	1898	Decrease	Inci
Jan Feb Mar April May	.\$1,956,281	\$1,916,332		\$ 3
	1,824,434	1,674,453		14
	. 2,186,359	2,048,970		
	. 1,942,543	1,918,477		\$2
	. 2,039,239	1 ,940,98 0		٠,
				\$44
	\$9.948,856	\$9,499,212		24 4

The following figures are issued from London, Eng., office:

GRAND TRUNK RAILWAY.

Revenue statement for Apl., 1899:

1898 Increase Decrease 1899 Gross receipts....£321,700 Working expenses. 205,700 £318,000 £3,700 203,902 1,798 Net profit £116,000 £114,098 £1,902 Aggregate for 4 months, from Jan. I Apl. 30, 1899:

1898 Increase Decrease 1800 Gross receipts ... £1,288,900 £1,238,006 £50,894
Working expenses 893,900 877,955 15,945 £360,051 £34,949 Net profit £395,∞0

CHICAGO & GRAND TRUNK RAILWAY. Revenue statement for Apl., 1899:

1808 Increase Decrease 1899 £61,280 £1,320 49,754 6,646 Gross receipts.... £62,600 Working expenses. 56,400

£11,526 £7,966 £5,3 Net profit £ 6,200 Aggregate for 4 months, from Jan. 1

Apl. 30, 1899: 1898 Increase Decrease

£255.331 £24.369 205.095 29.705 Gross receipts....£279,700 Working expenses. 234,800 £5.336 £50,236 Net profit..... £44,900

DETROIT, GRAND HAVEN & MILWAUKEE R^{V.} Revenue statement for Apl., 1899.

1898 Increase Decreas 1899 Gross receipts.... £14,700 Working expenses. 12,300 £14,926 10,910 £1,390 £1,616 £ 4,016 Net profit £2,400

Aggregate for 4 months, from Jan. 1 Apl. 30, 1899:

Gross receipts..... £56,400
Working expenses.. 49,500
Net profit 1898 Increase Decrease £59.434 48,890 610

Net profit £6,900 £10,544