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|  | ITE TRINITY HOUSE of |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Paid F. Buteau, for boarding John Smith, Jr.g Supprin- <br> tendent of Pilots, on board the stoamer <br> on his |  | 81250010000 | 1861. | By Balance on the 31st December, 1860 <br> By received from F. Buteau, price of a Marino glass......... <br> do do Joseph Iludon, for deals and boards bought for beacons, but not used.. <br> By received from the following, for provisions sold to them out of the depot under their chargo, viz. :- <br> D. Vaughan, kecper of the depot at Belle Isle..... $\$ 1003$ <br> E. Trudeau, do do CapeRosiers 14250 <br> D. Ballantyne, do do West Point $\qquad$ Byr cecived from EB. Lindsay, bannce of his ac $\qquad$ By received from L. Massue, for $35 \frac{1}{2}$ gallons of refused Oil, $\qquad$ By received from Provincial Government, amount of War- <br> rants, vizu : ................................................ $\$ 800000$ | 87612126661020 |
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## Accounts of the Trintiy House of Montreal, in Account with Her Majesty's Government.-(Printed in Abstract Form.)

| 1861. | - Dr. | \$ cts. | \$ cts. |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| March 31........ | For Salaries and other Disbursements, for Quarter ending this | 2,14979 |  |
| Iune 30.......... | do do do | 1,404 65 |  |
| Soptember 30... | do do do | 3,320 49 |  |
| ]ecember 30.... | do do do | 5,663 90) |  |
|  | Cris. |  | 12,508 92 |
| December $31 .$. | By Balance in Bank of Eipper Cauala, to eredit of Treasurer ... | 2.42434 |  |
| February 23..... | By Warrant from Receiver Generil................................... | 2,000 00 |  |
| July 15.......... | By do do ........... | 4,000 00 |  |
| November 1 ..... | By do do | 4,000 00 | 12,424 34 |
| December $31 . .$. | By Balauce due Tireasurer.. |  | \$84 5S |

Examined aud found correct. Balance due Treasurer, 31st December, 1s61, eighty-four dollars and fift 5 -eight cents.

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\left.\begin{array}{l}
\text { Wr. Epmosstone, Wardem, } \\
\text { I. J. Beaddrr, }
\end{array} \begin{array}{l}
\text { Warden, }
\end{array}\right\} \text { Auditorr. }
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Montreal, 31st December, 1861.
E.D. DAVID, Treasurcr.

## Accounts of the Montreal Decayed Pilot Fund.

Dccayed Pilot Fund in account with the Treasurcr of the Trinity Housc, Montreal.

| *1861. | Dr. | \$ cts. | \$ cts. |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| March 31......... | For Pensions, for Quarter ending this day........ .................. | 15900 |  |
| June 30........... | do do do ........................... | 29400 |  |
| September 30... | do do do ......................... | 21900 |  |
| December 31... | do do do, Debentures, \&c ......... | 2,234 12 |  |
|  | Cr. |  |  |
| 1560. |  | : |  |
| December $31 .$. | By Balance in Treasurer's hands ....................................... | S57 46 |  |
| Jany. \& Foby .. | By Poundage and Interest, \&c ......................................... | 22400 |  |
| April, May and <br> June | do | 29492 |  |
| July, Aug. ictis |  |  |  |
| September.... | do do | 66528 |  |
| $\begin{aligned} & \text { Oct., Nov., \& } \\ & \text { December..... } \end{aligned}$ | do do | 1,459 78 |  |
|  |  |  | \$3,501 44 |

## Accounts of the Montreal Decayed Pilot Fund.-(Continued.)



Examined and found correct. Balance in Treasurer's hamds, 31st December, 1861, five hundrod and ninety-five dollars and thirty-two cents.
$\begin{array}{lll}\text { Wh. EDMorstone, } & \left.\begin{array}{l}\text { Warden, } \\ \text { Warden, }\end{array}\right\} \text { Auditors. } & \text { (E. E.) } \\ \text { J. BeaUdry, } & & \\ \text { E. D. DAVID. }\end{array}$
Montreal, 31st December, 1681.
No. 6.-ACCOUNTS OF THE MONTREAL TURNPIKE TRUST.
(Printed in Abstract.)
Disbursements for House at Mile End, from 1st January to 30th June, 1861

| December 30, 1860......... <br> January 26, 1861........... | Cost to dato $\qquad$ Preminim of Insurance. $\qquad$ Voucher 14... | $\$$ cts. 77353 355 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | cinedit. | 77708 |
| June 30...................... | Six months Rent, to date ..................................................... | 2400 |
|  |  | 875308 |

Disborsements Under Expense Account, from 1st January to 30th June, 1861.

| June 30, 1861. | Interest Account-Sce that Account......................................... | \$ cts. 5,974 65 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| do 30, do .............. | Petty Account-Sce that Account... | 45053 |
| do 30. do ............... | John Penner, Secretary.................................................160... | 75000 |
| do so : do .............. | William Youle, Oversecr.................................................161... | 32000 |
|  |  | * 7,525 18 |

General Toll Account, from 1st January to 30th June, 1861.


Turnpike Roads Account, from 1st January to 30th June, 1861.


Balance Sheet, from 1st January to 30th June, 1861.
Dr.
Cr.

| Turnpike Roads, cost to date. | \$ ${ }_{210,320}$ cts. | Road Bonds issued for money borrowed | $\underset{201,200}{\$} \mathbf{c t s} .$ |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Board of Works, Plans of Bridges | 66094 | Receiver General, advances to pay in- |  |
| House at Mile End, cost to date... | 75308 | terest | 25,837 59 |
| City Bank Deposits | 6,640 30 | Thomas Heaven, balance of contract. | 2432 |
| Cash in Office | 8754 | Rutherford \& Kerr, do | 40000 |
|  | \$227,461 91 |  | \$227,461 91 |

Examined and found correct.
H. Taylor,
W. J. Knox,

Montreal, 30th June, 1861.

> JOHN PENNER, Secretary.

House at Mile End, from 1st July to 31st December, 1861.

| June 30, 1861.............. | Cost to date..... | $\begin{gathered} \$ \text { ctc. } \\ 753 \\ 08 \end{gathered}$ |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Deccmber 31, 1861....... | Sis monthe rent, to date .................................... arsi.............. | 2400 |
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Disbursements under Expense Account, from 1st July to 31st December, 1861.

|  |  | \$ cts. |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| December 31, 1.861....... | Interest account-see that account | 584089 |
| ${ }_{\text {do }}$ do 31, do ..... | Petty account-see that account...................... | 129660 |
| 4, . 31, do .... | John Penner, Secretary .........................................Voucher, 147 | 83000 |
| d. 31, do ..... | William Youle, 0 verseer....................................... do 148 | 32000 |
|  |  | \$8287 49 |

General Toll Account, from 1st July to 31st December, 1861.


Turnpime Roads Account, from 1at July to 31st December, 1861.


Balance Sheet, from 1st July to 31st December, 1861.
Dr.

| Tumpike | 237714 ${ }_{22}^{\text {Sts. }}$ | Road Bonds, issued for moncy borrowed | $\begin{array}{cc} \$ & \text { cts. } \\ 201200 & 00 \end{array}$ |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Board of Works, Plans of Bridges....... | 66094 | Receiver General, advancos to pay in- |  |
| Housc at Mile End, cost to date ........... | 72908 | terest...................................... | 2583759 |
| City Bank Deposits......................... | 784680 | Thomas Heaven, Balance of Contract... | 2432 |
| Cask in office .............. ................ | 51087 | Rutherford \& Kierr, do do | 40000 |
|  | \$227461 91 |  | \$227461 91 |

Examined and found correct.
H. Taylor, Ebward Quin.

## (No. 7.)

RETURN of the Fees and Emoluments received by Registrars of Counties in Upper Canada; made in pursuance of the 76th section, cap. 89, Consolidated Statutes for Upper Canada; for the year 1861.

| County. | Niame of Registrar. | Total Receipts. | Expenses. | Net Recoipts. |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Simeoe, | George Lount,................... | ${ }_{3929}{ }^{\text {cts. }}$ | ${ }_{1230}^{\text {S }}$ ctg. | $\underset{2699}{\mathbf{S}_{59} \text { cts. }}$ |
| Durham, (East Riling | George: C. Ward,............... | 130113 | 47000 | 83113 |
| Peterboroush,. | Charles Rubidge, ......... ...... | 152456 | ¢90 00 | 83456 |
| Renfrem, | James-Morris, Jr.,............. | 40475 |  |  |
| Elgin, | J. McKay,…...... ............ | 153735 | 50000 | 103736 |
| Norfolt, | F. S. Wilib, .................... | 151213 |  |  |
| Victoria,... | Hartley Dunsiord,............. | $1764: 25$ |  |  |
| Hurun, ...... | John Galt, ...................... | 390200 |  |  |
| Stermont, | Genrge C. Wood, ............... | 71225 |  |  |
| Peel, .. | J:Brega,........................ | 126277 | 36000 | 90277 |
| Lincoln, | Jоhn Pонеl!,................... | 156688 |  |  |
| Frontenac, | James Durand,..... ............ | 1480.50 | 40000 | 1080:50 |
| Dundas, | Alex. McDonell, ................ | -654 50 |  |  |
| Welland,...... | D. D. Everardo,........ ........ | 149198 | 109500 | 39896 |
| London, (City) | W. C. L. Gill,.................. | 736-163 |  |  |
| York, .... | John,Ridout, ..................: | 359685 |  |  |
| Leeds, | David Jones, ................... | 1466.50 |  |  |

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RETURNS of Marriages, Baptisms and Burials, from certain Districts, for the $y \in a r 1861$.
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No. 5.-Quedec Provident and Savings Bank.
No. 6.-Nomtacumberland and Durham Savings Bank.
ASSURANCE COMPANIES.
No. 7.-Queem Imsura:ce Company.
No. 8.-Royal I:surance Company.
No. 9.-Home Insurance Cumpanis, New Yore.
No. 10.-Piegine Inst:rance Cusfrany, Hartford, Connecticur.
No. 11.-Harrford Fire Insurance Company.
No. 12.-Canada lifee Assurance Company.
No. 13:-Maviatitan Fire Insurance Company.
No. 14.-Provident Life Assurance and Inyestment Compamy.
No. 15.-Bhitisi Anehica Assurance Company.
No. 16.-Lifeardol asd Losdoy Fire and Life Assurance Company.

> No. 1.-City Bank of Montreal.

| LIABILITIES. | 8 ets. |
| :---: | :---: |
| Promizaory Notes in circaiation, not bearing Interest | 4520500 |
| Eills of Exchango do do do |  |
| Bills and Notes do bearing Interest. |  |
| Balances due to other Baoks... | 11648313 |
| Cash Deposits, not buaring Interest | 32795174 |
| Cosh do bouring Interest. | 33061271 |
|  | \$1228103 58 |
| ASSETB. | $\underline{\sim}$ |
| Coin ard Eullion. | 31003093 |
| loanded os otber property cf the Banl | 3800000 |
| Governmone Specrities... | 16245834 |
| Promissory Notes or Bills of otaer Ber | 6588117 |
| Balances due from othor Banks......... | 4541748 |
| Notes and Billa diseountod..... | 177297508 |
| Other debts due to the Lenk, nof includet under the for | 1601\% 33 |
|  | 82558030 gs |
| Oiff Banz, Montreal, <br> F. BIACCULLOCH, <br> April 7th, 1862. Cashier. |  |
|  |  |

## No. 2.-La Banqee de Peuple (Monthly Statement).



La Banque du Peuple, Montreal, 4th June, 1862.<br>B. H. LENOLNE,<br>Cushier.

## No. 3.-Montreal City and Diftrict Savizgs Bant.



## No. 3.-(Conitinued.)



We, the undersigned Actuary and Trustees, make oath that the above statement is currect, to the best of our knowledge and belief.


Sworn befure me at Montreal, 2-3rd April, 1862.
L. Beaudry, J. P.

## No .4.-La Caisse d'Economie (Savings Bank) of Notre Dame de Quebec.



## No. 4:-(Contïnued).

| ASSETS. | \$ cts. | $\%$ |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Debentures of the Province and of public In Shares in Banke, viz. | 127312:40: |  |
| Sharesim Banks, viz.: Bunque Nationale........ ........... |  |  |
| Bank of Upper Canada....... |  |  |
| Bank of Toronto ........ ..... ............ |  |  |
| Rank of Quebec............................ |  |  |
| Loans and investments on immovable prop institution, with collateral securities ... | $88: 5000$ |  |
| Loans on various collateral securities ......... | $\begin{array}{r} 5263469 \\ 4806385 \\ 570887 \\ 135: 68 \end{array}$ |  |
| Interest accrued and not reccived. |  |  |
| Ofince furniture... |  |  |
| Balazce evailable. | ....... ...... ....... | $\begin{array}{r} 308053=49 \\ 48874 \leq 40 \end{array}$ |
|  |  | \$35792 |
| Exainined and fonnd correct. Quebec, 7 th Jane, 1861. | $\left.\begin{array}{l}\text { CHARLES GOUIN, } \\ \text { CHARLES MOIZEN, }\end{array}\right\}$ Auditors. |  |
| O. L. ROb1Taille, Preaident. | A. B. SIROIS, Vicc-President. |  |
| C. CINQ-MARS. |  |  |  |
| GEO. H. SIMARD. | E. CHINIC. |  |
| G. MATTE. | D. DUSSAOLT. |  |
| J. T. BROUSSEAL. | M. TESSIER. |  |

## No. 5.-Quebec Providert and Savings Bank.

| Invested in Bank Stocks, viz: : <br> \$ $\quad \$$ cts. $\$$ cts. |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Banque da Pcuple Stock.. | 300000 |  |
| Quebee Bank Stock.. | 3300000 |  |
| Upper Cauada Dank Stock | 1911775 |  |
| Bank of Toronto Stock. | 2000:00 |  |
| Janque Nationale Stock | 400000 |  |
| Deposited at interest in Quebec Bank. |  | $7311775$ |
| Yested in, or losped on, Pablic Sccurities, viz. : |  |  |
| Montreal Corporation Water Worls Debentaros.. | 4400000 |  |
| Quebec Corporation Debentares.. | 4000000 |  |
| Goverament Consulidated Debentures. | 338740 |  |
| Hamilton Debentares.. | 7400000 |  |
| London Debentures.. | 5600000 |  |
| Woodstock Debentures. | 1200000 |  |
| Middlesex Debentures ( County) | 2440000 |  |
| Miontral IIarbor Debentares. | 1580000 |  |
| Xunicipal Loan Fund Debentares | $98066^{\circ} 66^{\circ}$ |  |
| Hastings Debentures (County). | 800000 |  |
| Queboc Harbor Debentures. | 3600000 |  |
| Montreal Corporation Debentures | 800000 |  |
| Kanouraska Debentures. | 24000 |  |
| Number of Depositors...................................................... 2817 |  |  |
| Total : of Deposits..................................................... .............. | ... | 53142780 |
| Accrued interest durino the year | . | 2179436 |
| Sxpenses of the Bunk during the year |  | 545904 |

We, the undersigned, do make oath and say, that the foregoing Return is just and true, to the best of cur knowledre and belief.


Sworn beforomegthis Serenth ilay of April, in the rear of Our Lord one thousand cight handred ege cixty-tifo:
T. Diegirsos. I. P.

## No. 6.-Northuaberland and Duriam Savings Bank.



## No. 7.--Queen Insurance Compant, of Liverpool.

| ASSETS. | \$ cts |
| :---: | :---: |
| Fer Balance Ebeet, to 31st August, 1S61] | 265657 67 |
| Estimated accumulation from that date to 31st Decenber, 1361. | 24493 18 |
|  | 8290150 50 |
| Said Absets coasite of Hortgegea, Doci Donde, Railway Debentaree, Cadadian Gorernmost other Socarities | Bonds, and |
| LIABILITIES. <br> Theac consist of undertakings to make good damage by Firo to property insured by the existing Fire Yolicié, sad of liabilities ander Life Policies, Annaities, Bonds, \&c. | Company in |
| CAPITAL STOCK, <br> $\$ 2,500,000$, with power to idcreage to $\$ 3,000,000$, of which $\$ 241,050$ bas been called up, repr zmem of $\$ 2,410,500$ zaligeribed by 263 Shareholderg. | recenting the |
| LOSSES. | 5 cts |
| Tho cetimated ateount of Lossos, the clains fus which, at 3180 Decomber, 1801, remained unadjudicated, was.. |  |
| Losses due, and unpaid at that date.................................... ..... .................................. | - 532000 |
| do unadjasted and not due. | - Nil. |
| do tbe pryment of which resisted......................................................................... | - Nil. |
| FIRE PREMIUMS. | \%. cte. |
| Preminme on Carreni Policies, Sist Augast, 1881........................................................ | 16011500 |
| Recoived os Policies inatued during year eadicg 3lst August, 1881. | 19658500 |

> Cisf of Momizeal, $\}$ Alexander McKenzie Forbes, being duly smorn, depores and sajb: That he is the Resi-
> to wit: $\int$ dent Eecretary end General Agent for the Company aforesaid, and that on the 31st day of
> December, 1861, last, all of the above described Assets were the absointo property of the said Compsny, and that tho forogoing fiatomont, by bim ecbecribed, is a full, true, end corruet statoment of the affairs of the said Compray, on the sist dey of Docomber lest, aocording to the best af his information, knowledge and bellef.
> A. M. EORBES.

Swosn hefors me, thls twenty-ninth day of Januay, 1863.
TO DOUCET,
T. DOUCET,

A Juetice of tho Pease, District of Montreat,

## No. 8.-The Royal Insurance Company.



[^1]
## No. 8.-Continued.



Kingdom of Great Eritaid,
Borough of Liverpool, County Palatine of Lancaster.)

We, Edward Johnston, of Livorpooi, in the suid Kingdom, Vice-President of the Board of Directo:s of the Royal Insurance Company, and Porcy Matthew Dove, of Liverpool, also in the said Kingdom, Manager and Actuary of the said Royal Insurance Company, do solemnly and sincerely declare, each for binself soloun! 5 and sincerely declares, that the annexed Sratement, compiled in compliance with the provisions of an Act of tha Legislatire Council and Assembly of Canada, sanctioned 19th May, 1S60, entitled, "An Act in relation to Fire Insurance Companics not incorporated within the limits of this Prorince," contains a full, trua, und correct account of the Assets of the said Company, as existing and arailable on tine Thirtieth day of June, one thousand eight hundred and sixts-one; and alao, of the liabilities of the said Company as ascortained at the said date. And wo make this solemn declaration, conscientiously beliering the same to be true, and bs virtue of the nrovisions of an Act made and passed in the aixth yoar of the reign of His late Majesty King William the Fourth, intituled, "An Act to ropeal as Act of the present Segsion of Parliament, intituled, 'An Art for the more effectual abolition of Oaths aud Affirmations taken and made in rarious department, of the States, and to suhstitute declarations in liou thereof, and tor the more ontire suppression of voluntary and extra-judicial Oaths and Affiavits, and to make other provisions for the sbolition of unnecessary Oaths."
(Sigued,
E. JOHNSTON,

Vice-Piesidenz.
PERCY M. DOVE, Branager and Actuary.

The above declaration was solemnly made and anbscribed by the said Edward Johnston and Percy BIatthem Dove, at Liverpool aforesaid, thís oleventh day of January, one thousand eight hurdred and sisty-tro.

Before me,
(Signed, S. BOOKER,
A Commiseioner to administer Oathf in Chancery in England.
Tho above ia cops of Statement this day furnished the 3yinister of Ficsace, in aceordance bith 11th Section of 23 Vic., Cap. 83.

## Royal Insurance Ofrice, Montreal, 31 st Jannary, 1888.

I, James Stewart Ilunter, a Notary Public, duly commissioned and sworn in and for that part of the Province of Canada berstofore constituting the Province of Lower Canads, rosiding in the City of Montroal, in the said Province, do bereby certify and attest unto all to whom these presents shall come, or whom the same may in anywise concern. that the foregoing is.a just, truo, and faithful copy of a Etatemont of tio Assets anci Liabilitics of "the Royal Lusurance Company,". With the declaration thercunto ancexed, the same having been by ma therewith duly collated.

Act whereof being requested by Mavilland LeMesurier Ronth, Esquire, Agcnt for Canada of tio said Company, I have granted the samo under my Notarial Form and Sen! of Ofice; to serve and avail as occasion ahall or may require.

Done and passed at the said City of Montreal, this Seventeanth day of March, in the year of Our Lord one thousand eight hundred and.sizty-tyo.
[L.S.]
J. S. Henter, N. 2.

## No. 9.-Home Insurance Company of New York.

## NAME AÑD LOCATION.

The name of thiy Company is The Home Insurance Conpasy incorporated in 1853 , and located in the City of New York.

CAPITAL.

$$
\begin{aligned}
& \text { The Capital of said Company , actually paid up in Cash, is.:...................................... } \$ 1,000,00000 \\
& \text { The Surplua, on the Ist day of July, } 1861 \\
& \text { 358,402 } 44 \\
& \text { Total amonnt of Capital and Surplus. } \\
& . \$ 1,358,40244
\end{aligned}
$$



The greatest amount insured on any one risk is $\$ 30,000$, but will not as a general rulo exceed $\$ 10,000$.
The Company has no general rule as to the amount allowed to be insured in any city, town, rillage or block, being governed in this matter, in each caso, by the general character of buildings, width of stroets, facilities for putting out fires, \&c.

An attested copy of the Charier or Act of Incorporation accompaniod a provious statement.
Amount of earned Premium during the vear.......................................................... $\$ 95302960$
Amount of ubearned Premium. ............................................................. ............. 36470188

State of Net Yofk.
City and County of Neio York. \}sa.
Charles J. Martin, Presidedt, and John McGee, Secretary. of the Home Insurance Company, being severally and duly swo:n, dopose and say, and each for himself says, that the foregoing is a true, full and correct statement of the affairs of the said Corporation, and that they are the above doscribed officers thereof.
(Signod,)
(Signed,)
Enbecribed and sworn before me, this 20 th day of February, A. D., 1862.
(L.S.)
(Signed,)
GHARLES J. MARTIN;
President.

JOHN McGEE,
Secretary.
I. H. WASHBURN,

Notary Public.

No. 10.-Pigenix Insurance Company, of Harteord, Conn.

| 1et. The name of the Company is the Pneencx Instrance Costranr, and is located at Hartford, Conp. <br> 2nd. The amount of its Capital Stock is. $\qquad$ $\$ 400,00000$ 400,00000 |  |
| :---: | :---: |
|  |  |

4tb.
TIIE ASSETS OF TUE COMPANY ARE AS FOLLOWS:

5. 50 Sbarcs U. S. Trust Co.'s Stock. New York, Par Value, $\$ 5000$. Market value, $\$ 6,50000$ 200 "American Exchango Bank Stock, N. Y., Par value $\$ 20,000$ Market Valuc. 15,000 00


150 " Continental " " " $\quad$ " $\quad 15,000 \quad$ " 0,90000

500 " Phedix " " " $\quad$ ". $10,000 \quad$. . 3,00000
200 " Merchants' Exchange " $\quad$ ". $\quad$ " $\quad$ " $\quad 10.000$ ". $\quad \$, 50000$
100 " Merchants $\because \quad$ ". $\because \quad \because \quad \because \quad 5,000 \quad$ " $\quad 4,25000$

300 ". Farmers \& Mechanies " ." Hartiord. ". 30,000 " 34,50000


200 " IEtu:
200 " Pheenix
200 " Merch'ts \& Manufetrs"
200 " Mercantile
125 (. State
50 ' Jiartforl
50 " Conn. River
10. "Hartford County

100 " Citizens
38 " Waterbury
50 " Niasmara Distric
250 "Ontirio a "Brwmanville"
100 " Halyoke Water Power Company"s Stock.
20 New Britain Water Bonds.
10 Hartford City Bonds.
20 Tennessce State Bonils.
U. S. Stock, 18S1,

Obio State Stock of 1870 .
f. Accumulated Iuterest on Investments.

Total Assets.
. $\$ 476,02264$
TIIE LIABILITIES ARE AS FOLLOWS:

[^2]
## No. 11.-The Hartford Fire Insurance Company.

Ist. The nemo of this Company is Tbe Hartford Fire Insurance Company, and is located at Hartford, Conu.
Capital.
2nd. The amount of Capital Stock is....................................... ...... .............. .................... 8500,00000
3rd. The amount of Capital Stoek paid up is.......................................................................... 500,000 00 the ASSETS.

Stocks and Donds as follows, via.:
511 Shares Hartford Bank Stock,

| 401 | * | Phonix " * |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 100 | 6 | Connecticut River Bauking Co. | Stock. |
| 200 . | " | Exchange Bank |  |
| 150 | - | Bank of Hartford County | : |
| 200 | . | Charter Oak Bank | . |
| 260 | $\cdots$ | Farmers' and Mechanics' Buak | . |
| 150 | $\because$ | Mercantile Bank | . |
| 132 | - | Merchants and Manul'r: Bauk | $\cdots$ |
| 315 | $\cdots$ | Etnu - | . |
| 208 | $\cdots$ | City | . |
| 200 | 6 | American Lixchange | $\cdots$ |
| 100 | " | Bank of Commerce | : |
| 300 | " | Importers' and Traders' Bank | : |
| 300 | " | Bank of America | - |
| 200 | ${ }^{6}$ | Manhattan Compuny | " |
| 300 | * | Merchants' Bank | " |
| 200 | * | Ocean : " | . |
| 200 | ' | Union " | . |
| 100 | ${ }^{6}$ | Bank of North America | : |
| 300 | : | Metropolitan Bank | $\because$ |
| 100 | " | Blackstone " | \% |
| 100 | " | Bank of Commerce | " |
| 100 | ${ }^{6}$ | Granite Bank | ، |
| 10 | " | Suffolk " | " |
| 100 | " | Hide and Leather Bank | : |
| 100 | : | Webster * | : |
| 100 | : | National ** | " |
| 100 | " | Atlantic '• | ' |
| 100 | " | Safety Fund | " |
| 100 | $:$ | Boylston | : |
| 100 | ، | Revere * ${ }^{\text {a }}$ | " |
| 200 | " | Bank of the State of Missouri | \% |
| 200 | " | Merchants' Bank | * |
| 57 | " | State Bank of Wisconsin | " |
| 125 | " | Union " | * |
| 50 | s | Montreal Eank | \% |



## No. 11.-(Continued.)

## LIABILITIES.

sth. Nu liabilities to Banks, or others, due or not due.
6th. No losses adjusted and due
7th. Lossez either unadjustod or
Sth. Aljusted and not duc.
$\$ 47,66245$
9th. Losses iu suspense, waiting further proof, included in last answer above......
10th. All other claims against the Company, dividends unpaid............................ 1,26500
'Total Liabiitics
\$48,92745
11th. Premiums fur the past yenr, earned......... ........................... ....................................... $\$ 323,66803$
12th. Premiums for the past year, unearned.............................................................................. 235,917 41
$\left.\begin{array}{l}\text { State of Connecticut, } \\ \text { County of Hartford. }\end{array}\right\}$ es.
IIezekiah Iuntington. President, and Timothy C. Allyn, Secretary, of the Hartford Fire Insurance Company of Hartford, Conn., being duly sworn, depose and say, and each for himself says, that they are the above deseribed officers of the Company aforesaid, and that on the thirty-first duy of December last, all the above described Assets were the absolute property of said Company, full and clear from any claims thereon by any person or corporation, except as herein stated; and that the foregoing statement by them subseribed, is a true, full and correct statement of the condition and affairs of the said Company, on the thirty-first day of Docember lust, according to the best of their information, knowledge and belief.
(Signed,)
(Signed,)

HEZEKIAF HUNTINGTON,
President.
TIMOTHY C. ALLYN,
Secretary.

Subseribed and sworn to before me, at IIartford, this 20th day of January, A. D., 1862.
(L.S.) (Signed,)

TIIEODORE LYMAN,
$\left.\begin{array}{l}\text { State of Connceticut, } \\ \text { Cosenty of Alartford. }\end{array}\right\}=$
Be it remembered, that $I$, Theorlore Lyman, a Nutary Public, duly confirmed and sworn, and dwelling in the City of Hartford, do hereby certity, that I have examined the Assets of the Inartford Fire Insurance Company of Flartord, Conn., as stated in its report, that it is the bona fide owner of them, and that they are al the rilue in cash at which they are returned in said statement. I further certity that I am not directly interested in the atfairs of the Company.

In testimony wherof, I have tereunto set my hand and affived my oflicial seal, this 20 th day of Janagry, A. D., 1862.

$$
\text { (L. S.) } \quad \text { (Signed, }
$$

THEODORE LYMAN,
Notary Public.
No 12.-Canada Lifi Assurance Company.


## No. 13.-The Manhattan Fire Insurance Company of New York.


(Signed,)
(Signed,)
W. P. PALMER, President. ANDREW J. SMITH, Secretary.

## No. 14.-Provident Life Assurance and Investment Company.

General Statement for the year endiag August 31, 1861.


Cash Statement for the year ending August 31, 1861.

No. 15.-British Ambrica Absurance Company.


## No. 16.-Liverpool and London Fife and Life Insurance Company.



| ASSETS. |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Awount of Stucks and Donds held hy the Company in Great Eritain, viz.: |  |  |  |
| Threc per cent. consols at 92\% ................................................... $\mathcal{L}$ | 20,346 1s | 1 |  |
| Turkish Lonn | 2,065 8 | 0 |  |
| ( Fovernment Annuities. | 1,118 | 0 |  |
| Fritish and Irish Magnetic Telegraph Eonds. | 12,600 0 | 0 |  |
| West Inartlepool Railway $4 \frac{1}{2}$ Preference Donds. | 250000 | 0 |  |
| Birkenhead Improvement Donds. | 2,000 -1 | 1 |  |
| Jondon and North Western Stuck | 22.99610 | 1 |  |
| Jublin and Drogheda Shares. | 740 | 10 |  |
| South Eastern Railway Stock. | 60, 81412 | 6 |  |
| Midland Stock... | 1.2801 .5 | 1 |  |
| io Jis \& ]). | 1620 | 0 |  |
| do (i per cent. | 5475 | 0 |  |
| do dy per cent. | 11,809 9 | 10 |  |
| North Eustorn aud Berwick Stock | 50056 | 3 |  |
| Londou and Brighton Stock.. | 3540 | 11 |  |
| do do do 6 per cent | 2160 | 0 |  |
| Lecds Northern. | 1,93.5 0 | n |  |
| Gircat Western Lailmay Stock. | 1,931 4 | 10 |  |
| Glasgow and South Western Stuck | 1,819 \% | 4 |  |
| Edinburgh and Glasgow do | 1,487 10 | 0 |  |
| Forth British do | 1.8832 | 6 |  |
| Dutch Rhenish Railway Shares. | 2850 | 0 |  |
| Birkenhead Railwny Stock. | 47915 | $\bigcirc$ |  |
| Ronds Clyde Trustees.. | 5.00011 | 0 |  |
| (ireat Western Bunds.. | 3,5000 | 0 |  |
| do 4 per cent. Stock. | 1,800 0 | 0 |  |
| Jondon and South Western Stock. | :1,325 6 | 2 |  |
| do do do do 7 percent | $\bigcirc 0210$ | 0-C199,583 | $\because 3$ |
| Tash Value of Real Estate owned by the Company. |  | 181,750 | 09 |
| Amount of Cash on hand and in Banks... |  | 45,309 | 40 |
| d. do in hands of Agents |  | 30,084 | 7. 9 |
| do Snaned on Mortgage of Real Estate |  | 115,842 | 1. |
| do Loancd on Collateral, viz. : Life Interests......................... |  | \$6,902 | 19 亿 |
| Amount of all other Investments, being the aggregate investnents made at Foreign Branches for the greater gecurity of Insurere there, under the control of Directors, who mast be Proprictory: the sufficiency of such investments being certifed twice a year in the form which can be seen at the Montreal Offee of the Companr. |  | \% 60,347 | $111$ |
|  |  | ¢1,253,826 |  |
| 31st December, $1860 . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . ~$ |  | $\begin{array}{r}  \pm 1,259,826 \\ 35,000 \end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{ll}2 & 0 \\ 0 & 0\end{array}$ |
| Asets. as correctly as can be stated. (30th .Iune. IS61). |  | £1,294,826 | 20 |

## LIABILITIES.

Fire Liabioities being amount estimated as suflicient to reinsuro all unexpirod risks
£1119.921 14 5
All known Fire Losses remaining unpaid on 30th June, 1801 (incleding the Great Lonclon Fire which occurred on 24th June: 1861, at which the laves vere $\mathbf{5} 40,000$ )

50,785 1911$]$
bife Liabilities being tho total to the credit of the Lifo Insurance account. at 30th June, 1861, as estimated

707,784 $7 \quad 3$
lnelnimed Dividends

## 105 EE .

 on 24th June, 7S61) the claims for which on the 30th June, 1861, ro mained unadjusted was.
b.asses due and unpaid at that date. 진.
to adjusted and not due. N12.
;hi: the parment of which is resised
ज木1,

## No. 16.-(Cuntimed:

## FIRE PREMIUMS.


I. John Horatius Maitland, of tho City of Montreal. Fesident Sccretary and General Agent of the Canada Brench of The Liverpool and London Fire and Life Insurance Company: do bereby certify that to the best uf my knorledge and bolief, the abore statement is correct.
(Signed)

> T. SI. MAITLAND,
> Wemilemt Sueverry and Geperni algent.

Smord berereme, at the City uf Moutreal, this 2?nd dey of Marel). A. D., 1862.
(Signed.)
I. A. IABADIE. I. I.

CANADA BRANCH (only).


They consist onct of undertakings :a make enood, damage by fire tr property insured hy the companys existing Fire Policies, which amount to the sum of $\$ 11,401,020$.

## MoSOES.

> The estimated amount of hosses, the clains for which on the 30th June. 1861. remained unadjusted, was
> logses due, aud unpaii.
> Nil.
> so adjusted, and not due
> Nil.
> in the payment of which is resisted
> Sil.

## FIRE PREMIUMS.

Luearveri on stith June, 1861
Earned on Policies expired during year
:101,3ジ: 7:
_ـ_
I. Toln Horatius Maitiand, of the City of Montreal, Resident Secretary and Geberal Agent of the Canada Branch of The Liverpool and London Fire and Lifo Insurance Companr. do herely certify. that, in the best ne mer arolndge any helief. the abovo statement is correct.
licsident Snemofarin and Genarmi Agent.
Storu before tas: at the City of Montreal, this If th day of Fehruary, 1862.
(Signedi): J. A. LAEADIF: J.E:

RETURN of the distribution of the Provincial Statutes, 24th Vistoria, 1861, English and French versions, half bound sheep, for account of the Government of Canada.

| fate inf Tranemission. | Tu whom Sest or Dehueret. | Total copies, English. | Total copies French. |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 3S6J. | Cipuer Sornadu section. |  |  |
| Tune | Newspapers | 143 |  |
|  | Superiur Julges, Clerks and Registrars of Courts, Masters and Registrars in Chancery, Recorders. Pulice Mayistrates. aud County Attorneys $\qquad$ | 41 |  |
| June 29............. | Sudges of County Courts............. ...................................... | 325 |  |
| " 24............ | Members of the Legislative Council, 4 copies each...................... | 12.4 |  |
| $\because \quad 20$ | Inspectors of Prisons.......................................................... | 1 | 1 |
| .. $:$............ | City, Town and Village Magistrutes newly appointel... ......... ..... Clerks of Peace-67 cases transmitted per 13. A. Express. hetween <br> January 20 and July $10,1861$. $\qquad$ <br> County Clerks. 32 cases transmitted per 1. A. Express, between <br> January 29 and July 10, 1 \$01 $\qquad$ | 178 0 0 |  |
|  | Tutal copics delivered in Crper Canada........... | 7,081 | 1 |
| 1861. | Lonecr Cemadn Statim. |  |  |
| Itune 14. | Newspapers and l'ress. | 46 | 13 |
| " . .......... | Recorders and Police Miavistrates.......................... | 4 | 4 |
|  | Julges Courts of Queen's Bench and Superior Courts, Assistanis to do, Judges Commissioners for Codification of Laws and Secretary |  |  |
| June 22............ | Members of the Legislative Assembly, 5 copics cach ................. | 320 | 320 |
|  | Members of the Legislative Council............... ....................... | 120 | 120 |
| . $20 . . . . . . . . . .$. | Governmental Departmeuts................................................. | 132 | 111 |
| : $29 . . . . . . . . . .$. | Inspectors of Prisons ...... ............................................ ...... | 4 | 4. |
| July 6... | Clerks of the Peace 8, Circuit Coutt 60).......................... ...... | 68 | 68 |
| Jı | Sherifis 21. Prothonotarics 22.............................................. | 43 | 43 |
| 9.............. | Recristrars of Counties....................................................... | 59 | 69 |
| . | Colleges, Librarics and other Institutions............................... | 37 | 87 |
| - 11............. | Small Cause Cummissioners Courts ...................................... | 260 | 260 |
| .. 16............. | City, County and Local Municipalities | 534 | 574. |
| " 23............. | Magistrites | 614 | 705 |
| " $30 . . . . . . . . . .$. | Clergy of all Denominations............................................................................................ | 201 | 391 |
|  | ['otal copies distributel for aceount of Guvernment... Batance remaining on hand at disposa! of Govern't... | $\begin{gathered} 9,623 \\ 953 \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{array}{r} 2.740 \\ 660 \end{array}$ |
|  | Tutal copies printed for account of Goremment....... | $\begin{aligned} & 10.576 \\ & 10,576 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 3,400 \\ & 3,400 \end{aligned}$ |

E. E.

Quebec, 14 th August, 1861.
Desbarats \& Derbishire,
Yer Geo. Desbarits, Jr.

## REPORT

# of tue <br> <br> C0MMISSIONER OF CR0WN LANDS 

 <br> <br> C0MMISSIONER OF CR0WN LANDS}

OF CANADA,

FOR THE YEAR 1861.

Grinted by order of the Fegislatifer gassembly.


## QUEBEC:

Printed for the Contractors, by Hunter, Rose \& Co., St. Ursule Strmit. 1862.

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## REP0RT

OF The

## COMMISSIONER OF CROWN LANDS

of canada.

To His Excellency The Right Honorable Charles Stanley Viscount Monck, Baron Monck of Ballytrammon, in the County of Wexford, Governor General of British North America, etc., etc., etc.

## Max it Piease Your Excelleacy:

If have the houor, in conformity with the provisions of the Public Lauds Act, (23rd Vic., cap. 2) of submitting to Your Excellency, the following Report of the proceedings, rransactions and affairs of the Department of Crown Lands, for the ycar ending 31st December, 1861, to be laid before the Legislature.

Following the order observed in former Reports, I shall commence with statistical details, and conclude by general observations.

$$
L O W E R C A N A D A \text {. }
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CROWN LANDS.
During the year, 273,835 acres were sold for $\$ 126,043.90$, and $\$ 73,915.69$ were received on account of sales, including payments on sales of previous years. 9;811 acres were disposed of as Gratuitous Locations on the Colonization Roads.

Adding the quantity surveyed during the year, 480,288 acres, to the $5,397,191$ acres disposable at the close of 1860 , and deducting the number of acres sold and granted gratuitously, viz. : 283,646 acres, leaves a balance of $5,593,833$ acres for future disposal.

## CLERGY LANDS.

41,299 acres were sold, the purchase money being $\$ 36,511.78$, and the gross amount eceived in payment of instalments, rents; \&c., $\$ \$ 26,869.87$, from which deducting the
re-funds and commission, amounting to $\$ 5,380.65$, a net revenuc of $\$ 21,489.22$ remains.

The balanee remaining unsold, at the end of the year, was $392,502 \frac{2}{2}$ acres.

## THE JESUITS' ESTATES.

The sum of $318,619.00$ has been receired fron: these estates in the year 1861, of which $\$ 6,592.98$, being arrears due previous to the 19 th June, 1856 , the capital of certain rentes constitues, de., amounts on purchase of lots of land in the Seigniories, and mill, \&e., is on account of the "Lower Canada Superior Education Investment Fund," as per provisions of Act 19 Vic., ch. 54 (Consolidated Statutes of Lower Canada, ch. 15) ; the balance, $1 \geqslant, 026.5^{\circ}$, being revenue, is on account of the "Lower Canada Superior Education Income Fund," in accordance with said Act.

The expenses for the gear, comprising agents' salary, conmission and disbursemonts, and iucluding $\$ 136.01$ for law costs, amount to $\$ 3,601.11$; leaving the net reacipts $\$ 15,018.39$. These law costs were paid in two suits, wherein the Crown acquired at judi. cialsale, property formerly sold by it, on which balances remained due; and for which it had a privilege of Bailleur de fonds, the property at such judicial sale realizing less than said balanees. The greater part of these costs is paid back into the hands of the Government by the legal functionaries of the Courts, and can therefore scarcely come under the head of actual expeuses.

A detailed statement (sce Appendix Nio. 14), shewing the receipts and expenses, \&c., accompanies the present Report.

## THE CROWN DOMAIN.

The gross reccipts from the Queen's Domain in Lower Canada, in 1861, were \$8,117.97, l:cing Lods et Ventes, Cens et rentes, \&e., Censive of Quebec, and Quint, rents, sales and interest on sales of beach and deep water lots and patent fees, Lower Canada, \&e.

The expenses amount to $\$ 2,012.31$, for agents' salary, commission and disbursements, dic., and comprise also two sums refunded, and law costs, and survey reimbursed since payment of same; the net revenue remaining at $\$ 6,105.66$. (See Statement, AppendixNo.16.)

The Forges of St. Maurice, together with a number of the lots in the Township of St. Maurice, for which titles had not been issued by the original grantees to the settlers, were seized in virtue of a judgment obtained by the Crown for non-payment of the balance of the purshase price of the property, and sold on the 22nd October. The Forges, not bringing the value set upon them by the Crown, were acquired by the latter for $\$ 7,200$, and are now for sale. Nearly all the lands, most of which were squatted upon and inproved, were also bought by the Crown to be disposed of to the settlers.

## SEIGNIORY OF LAUZON.

This property yiclded, in $1861, \$ 12,569.97$; from which, deduct $\$ 1,072.02$, expenses for salary and disbursements, \&c., leaving the net receipts $\$ 11,497.95$-for details of which see Statement in Appendix No. 15

## UPPER CANADA.

## CROWN LANDS.

At the commencement of the year, therc were $1,853,121$ acres of Cromn Lands on hand in Upper Canada, and 456,842 acres were added by surveys of the waste lands; from which substract the quantity sold, $257,933 \frac{1}{2}$ acres, and granted gratuitousiy on Colonization Roads, 30,800 acres, there remained $2,021,229 \frac{1}{2}$ acres disposable at its close.

The purchase money of the lands sold during the year amounted to $\$ 338,153.58$; the gross amount of collections, $\$ 276,170.10$.

CLERGY LANDS.
There were 74,366 acres sold, the purchase money of which was $\$ 181,674.37$. The gross amount of the receipts during the year was $\$ 298,129.24$, the commissions and refund $s$ $\$ 60,099.20$, leaving the net proceeds $\$ 23 \$, 030.0 \pm$, for appropriation under the provisions of the Clergy Reserves Act. There are 124,608皆 acres of these lands yet undisposed of:

## GRAMMAR SCHOOL LANDS.

5,729 acres of the 60,412 acres disposable on the 1st of January, 1861 , were sold for $88,527.79$, learing a balance of 54,683 acres for future sale. The gross receipts of the year were $\$ 22,050.74$, the commission $\$ 4,372.13$, and the uet proceeds $\$ 17,675.61$.

## COMMON SCHOOL LANDS.

The sales of these lands amounted to $4,498_{5}^{\circ}$ acres duriug the past year, leaving only $12,016 \frac{1}{2}$ acres of the million set apart, under the authority of the Act 12th Vic. cap. 200 on hand.

The purchase money of the lands sold amounts to $\$ 14,580.00$, the gross collections to $\$ 111,514.25$, commission, refunds and other disbursements to $\$ 22,380.47$, learing a net income of $\$ 88,683.78$.

The total net amount realized from these lands to 31st December, 1861, is $\mathbf{\$ 7 4 4 , 6 4 0 . 4 4 .}$
Statement of the number of acres sold, amount of sales, and amounts collected in Upper and Lower Canada, for the years 1860 and 1861.

|  | Acres | old. | Ammunt of Sales. |  | Amounts collected. |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | 1860. | 1561. | 1560. | 1861. | 1.560. | 1561. |
|  | . |  | \$ cts. | \$ cts. | \$ cts. | \$ eto. |
| Clorgy Lands, Upper Canada | $62522 \pm$ | 74306 | 17480850 | 18167437 | 38589001 | 29812924 |
| Clergy Lands, Lower Canada | 44545 | 41299 | 3445569 | 3651178 | 3473427 | 2886987 |
| Crown Lande, Upper Canada | 126413 | $257933 \frac{1}{2}$ | 14484012 | 33815388 | 19985515 | 27617010 |
| Crown Lands, Lower Canada | 290026 | 273835 | 14906341 | 12604390 | 7890160 | 7391569 |
| Common School Lands....... | 32212 | 44983 | 1000660 | 1458000 | 11528643 | 11151425 |
| Grammar School Lands...... | $6900 \frac{1}{4}$ | $5729^{\circ}$ | 1140393 | S527 79 | 3049066 | 2205074 |
|  |  | $657661 \frac{1}{10}$ | \$524578 45 | \$705491 72 | \$845158 12 | \$80S649 89 |

## ORDNANCE LANDS.

The unexpected aspect of public affairs made it inexpedient to proceed, tor the present, with the sale of Ordnance property on the fronticrs. The sale of Fort Ingall, at Lake Temiscouata, mas, therefore, countermanded; the sale of lands at Fort Erie was suspended; the sale of lots at Kingston was deferred ; and no further steps taken towards the laying off of lots at the Cotean din Lac.

The barracks and buildings at the following points have been placed at the disposal of the General Commanding-in.Chief, for the use of her Majesty's troops; in Upper Canada, at Toronto, London and Niagara; in Lower Canada, at Chambly, St. Tohns, and Isle Aux Noix ; also Fort Ingall, on Lake Temiscounta.

The occasion has been improved to give special attention to the application of numerous parties on the line of the Rideau navigation. These cases presented conflicting claims and complications which required careful investigation. All these cases, exeept, tro, bare beeu finally disposed of in the Townships of Kingston and Iceds, Pittsburg and Storrington, North and South Crosby, and the settlement cordially accepted by the parties concerned. The number of acres sold, in varying and most irregular allotments, is 374s acres. The amount realized has been $\$ 21,049$. Tn all cases the first instalment of ten per cent. was paid as closing the agreement.

It is hoped that in the course of next summer the remaining cases on the Ridean Canal, aud in and about the City of Ottama, may he inquired into and finally dis. posed of.

Many scattered cases throughout the country have, in like mamer, been investigated, reported on and settled, without, in auy case, dispossessing an actual occupant in good faith; squatters have been converted into hopeful and thrifty settlers, to their own good and that of the country at large, and to the advantage of the reveune to be derived from these Lands. The distinction between squatters on the forest lauds, and those who have chosen to occupy city lots, has been kept in view. The latter who for years have enjoyed such lots without eren paying for the use of them, have mit been and ought not to be treated as entitled to any considcration.

> Tatal number of acres sold since 1856 .......................... 5908
> Total amount of sales..................................................... $8197,352.15$
> Total amount realized by instalments................................. $31,266.00$

The amount received from the Ordnance Lands in 1861, is as follows:
Proceeds of sales ................................................................ 8,195.02
Proceeds of rents........................................................ 14, 906.56

Total
$. \$ 23,101.58$
The expenses for the same period have been........................ $8,878.64$

The amounts which may be credited to the Militia Fund for 1862 are as follows:

> Interest at 6 per cent. on $\$ 36,770.76$, realized from sales in 1857, '58, '59, '60, and '61, and transferred to Consolidated Fund
> $\$ 2,206.24$
> Intercst at 6 per cent. on value of properties assumed by the
> Province for public purposes (excepting always $I_{s l e}{ }^{\text {a }}$, $4 u x$ x Noic and St. Johns) as herctofore estimated
> 26,468.00
> Net rental for 1861...................................................... 6,029.92

S44,702.16
During the last session of the Provincial Parliament, a most valuable enactment was passed, based upon careful survey, establishing the lines of streets and the boundaries of lots in the central and lower portions of the City of Ottawa, which will greatly tend to quict titles and forestall litigation in that growing community.

It would be wise to await the perfect restoration of public tranquility before attempting to make further sales of the Ordnance Lauds, which may possibly interfere with their application to their original purposes, if so required; and such sales could only be made now at great sacrifice.

## INDIAN AFFAIRS.

The management of Indian Affairs was assumed by this Department in the month of July last, and the organization of this important Branch was completed by the appointment as Deputy Superintendent, of William Spragge, Esquire, so well and long known as an upright and efficient officer in the Department. He is charged specially to guard the rights of the Indians, and I have no doubt that this will be done and all matters of pending diff. culty or dispute fairly settled. It is absolutely necessary that the arrears due on Indian lands should be collected. The Crown is a mere trustee of those monies, and purchasers have no right to expect delay at the cost of the Indians. If the interest were regularly paid, there might be no occasion for calling in the principal; but when this is not received, not only are the Indians kept out of monies to which they are entitled, but a portion of the expenses of the management, which could otherwise be defrayed out of the fund, falls upon the public Exchequer. I, last year, made an order calling in outstanding monies, and this I think should be enforced in all cases, at least when the interest is in arrear.

## MINES.

There is little to communicate in the past year's transactions. Under the new system adoptcd and detailed in the report of last year presented to the Legislature many explorations for minerals have been made. Some of the mines already opened have been worked during the year; but the American difficulties have affected this as other branches of trade. There can be no doubt that the copper ore on the Canadian side of the Lakes is equal to that on the southern side. What is wanted is capital, and increased means of communication and facilities for the transport of passengers and goods. These latter will follow, of course, the increase of business, but it is of great importance to Canadian interests that
they should receive every reasonable encouragement, and that the wants of the mining district should be supplied from Canada rather than from the United States. Mr. Gibbard, Provincial Land Surveyor, has in his report, accompanying this as an appendix, detailed the information which he acquired on his annual visit.

## FOODS AND FORESTS.

The amount of Revenue accrued from Timber Dues and Ground Rent during the year 1861, was $\$ 327,503.97$, and from Slide Ducs $\$ 505,546.06$, making the total accrued from these sources $\$ 383,050.03$, which amount includes $\$ 4,484.38$ for other services, viz. :-Clergy, School, Indian, and Jesuits' Estates.

The amount of Revenue collected from Timber Dues and Ground Rent was $\$ 255, \$ 11.99$, and from Slide Dues $\$ 43,991.72$, making the total Revenue collected during the year 1861, $\$ 299, \$ 03.71$, in addition to which the sum of $\$ 3,293,57$ was collected for other services, viz. :-Clergy, School, Indian, and Jesuits' Estates.

The charges of management for collecting Timber Dues and Ground Rent are $\$ 26,733.83$, and for collecting Slide Dues $\$ 1,000$, making the total cost $\$ 27,733.83$. These charges do not include the salaries of the Woods and Forests Branch at Head Quarters, nor the following sums: $\$ 464.77$ refunds, $\$ 2,079.93$ transferred to the Indian Dopartment and Jesuits' Estates, and $\$ 3,794.88$, old disbursement and special service.

Owing in part to the unhappy civil war in which the neighbouring Republic is whaged, the Export Trade in sawed Lumber has suffered considerable depression during the past year.

I have reason to belicre, however, that the prospect of opening up new markets for the produce of our Forests is encouraging, and that the visit of the Supervisor of Cullers to Europe, as mentioned in my Report of last year (and whose report of that visit, I herewith transmit), will have contributed much to that end. Indeed already some twenty cargoes of our Lumber have been exported to the Continent of Europe during 1861, and further inquiries from France, Spain and Germany continue to be made with regard to the trade in Lumber with us. With the tro latter countries we have scarce any trade, and yet I have from inquiry ascertained that our Lumber could be advantageously conveyed there, and a reciprocal trade cultivated to the advantage of all parties. The recent decree, admitting on such better terms than formerly, our ships to the French Markets, will prove of great benefit to us, and will serve greatly to restore the business of ship-building.

There are, no doubt, some difficulties to be overcome in opening up new avenues of Trade, the wants to be supplied varying in different countries, and the mode of conducting busincss therein not being altogether in accordance with the views obtaining here,-but it is to be hoped that the enterprise of our Producers and of our Shippers will so shape itself as to turn to their own profit the attention which has been attracted on the Continent of Europe to the varied productions of our Forests. In this way only can our producers escape from the tyranny of the few markets, which now control the Trade. Indeed, Liverpool regulates the prices and chances of selling, and it is in every way desirable for the independence of the Trade and the interests of the individuals engaged in it, that they should seek and obtain business relations in the different countries of Europe.

The prices for Wany Timber have not been so remunerative as they were during the previous season, owing in part to the large quantity produced, and in part to the want of discrimination in the manufacture of it. During the past season, the want of having a proper definition of Merchantable White Pine Board Timber has been felt, and difficulties have arisen between buyers and sellers on this point. The matter is now occupying the attention of both sections of the Trade, and they will, no doubt, be prepared at an early day to submit a definition for legal sanction.

I have no doubt that there is a considerable waste of Timber on the Public Forests; and I think the time has arrived for Government iuterference to check it. The discriminating surveys referred to in my last Annual Report should be continued, and the lands unfitted and least fitted for agricultural purposes, set apart for the operations of the lumberman. By fixing its localities more efficient control over it can be had.

As mentioned in my Report for 1859, some legislative action is necessary to perfect the many Reforms which have been introduced in this important.'Branch of the Public Service, and this action, I am of opinion, should extend also to the Act regulating the Culling and Measuring of Timber and Lumber.

## FISHERIES.

The yield from deep-sea, river and lake fishings has been, throughout last year, steady and unusually large.

Owing to the close of Southern markets, and from causes which have affected the general commerce of the country, the fish trade has suffered in common with other interests. Except, however, in the matter of prices, such influences have not been felt with any degree of severity by the fishing population, to whom restricted markets and reduced sales have been somewhat compensated by the cheapness of their supplies and materials freed from Customs charges, and by increased returns.

I regret that this indirect compensation to the prosperity of the fishermen, has not been so marked in the Upper as in the Lower Province. The want of any regular steam communication along the northern coast of Lake Huron into Lake Superior, has also affected the operations of fishermen around the great lakes; and has deterred many enterprising parties, who had purposed so to do, from renting fishery stations and carrying on establishments there.

The recent decennial census shews that in the gulf districts, the numbers engaged in fishery pursuits have been largely increased within a few years. And it appears from the repors of the agents of the Department, that the ratio of such increase has been greatest last year, and will probably still further advance in future.

The measures adopted for protecting and ultimately restoring the Salmon fishery, already have produced encouraging results. Without particularising, it may be mentioned $\mathrm{t}^{\text {that, as well in the quantities of full-grown fish taken about the estuaries, as in the numbers }}$ of breeders ascending into the upper waters, and an abundance of fry along the principal streams, most gratifying signs of improvement are evident.

In a previous report it was remarked that, among other practical effects expected from the system of leasing and licensing applied to the management of the salmon fishery, was that of causing increascd attention towards the deep-sea fisheries. This expectation has been even now amply fulfilled. And it is a fact worthy of being observed in this connection, that fish-food has been more abundant and cheaper throughout the country, during the past year, than heretofore. If, therefore, one of the indirect effects of regulating with considerable stringency, and of thus proserving the salmon fishery, be to occasion more active or extensive working of the more lucrative deep-sea fisfings, the public consumer derives, in the meanwhile, double benefits, with an additional prospect of such advantage being, in due course, augmented by an improved supply of salmon, at cheaper rates than usual.

The want of some established and expeditious communication with the salmon rivers and coast stations, hinders persons from paying such rentals for desirable privileges as otherwise could readily be obtained. When the cost and disconufort, and the uncertainty of reaching distant places in sailing vessels is reffected upon, it is not surprisivg that individuals should either abandon altogether the, thought of leasing, and refrain from the desired excursion, or else tender very low rates for the fishery privileges.

There being numerous demands for both net fishery and angling stations, that could not well be satisfied from among the remaining stations not yet otherwise disposed of, cursory explorations have been made in pasteasons, with the view of ascertaining the precise character of the numerous streams, bays. inlets and coast places, which abound along either shores of the St. Lawrence. I am unwilling always to incur any risk of disappointment on the part of such applicants (particularly when strangers), who necessarily trust much to the good faith of the Department, and in many cases rely almost entircly uponinformation which the office is supposed to possess. During the performance of this service, also, I have caused to be ascertained by personal inspection, the condition of all occupied stations, and have partly procured from actual observation, materials quite indispensable in determining the relative rights of the Crown and the claims of individuals. This duty requires to be conducted with great care, and caunot be hastily performed. There are several important frontages yet to be examined.

The experiment (begun in 1859) or transplanting oysters from beds in the waters of New Brunswick, having proved upon examination to give promise of success, it was this fall contiaued. Those laid down in Gaspé basin duriug the autumn of 1859 , were examined and found to : e not only in a good state of prescrvation, but growing and having every appearance of reproduction. At the trifing expense of $\$ 242.80,300$ bushels of care. fully picked oysters from the banks at Carraquette, were planted about the same localities. Although the Lemislature has made a liberal allowance for testing the possibility of raising ofsters a...ng our coasts, the utmost care and strictest cconomy have been observed in using he money so provided. I thought it better, before renturing upon a greater expenditure, to await such indications of probable success as the first two or three years might afford. There remain still unexpended out of the annual appropriations made for this nteresting project, balances to the amount of $\$ 1183.86$. These funds, if judiciously applied, will ensure (it is confidently hoped) in a few years the nuclei of prolific oyster
patches in several principal localities upon the north and south coasts, suitable for the existence and culture of this highly prized and nutritive food.

The rents accruing upon Leases of fishery stations in Upper Canada, to the 31st January, 1862 , amount to $\$ 8,477.12$; and in Lower Canada, from the same source, reckoning to the 15th of March and 30 th of April, 1862, they amount to $\$ 5,561.00$, besides arrears due on lease of porpoise fishery to the amount of $\$ 496.00$. The fees derived from season Licenses of salmon fishings, amount to the sum of $\$ 1,594.00$. The Crown moiety of fines leried amounts to $\$ 43.50$. A sum total of $\$ 16,175.12$, for Upper and Lower Canada, is reckoned up to the respective dates above named, as the aggregate of transactions in this branch for the past year.

Claims for fishing bounties for the year 1860, amounted to $\$ 10,281.50$, and were paid during the spring time of this year. The sum limited by the Statute, 22 Vic., cap. 86, in payment of such claims, is $\$ 14,000$ each year. Since this premium was sanctioned by law, there has been paid altogether but $\$ 17,613.00$, or an amount less than the limitation of just $\$ 10,387.00$.

## SURVEYS IN UPPER CANADA.

The surveys carried on in this section of the Province during the past year, consist chiefly of the completion of the townships commenced about the latter part of the year 1860, in the Huron and Ottawa Territory, and on the north shore of Lake Huron.

In the Furon and Ottawa Territory, the townships of Cashel, Bangor, Radcliffe, Wicklow and Miller, have been surveyed, returned, and offered for sale; as also the townships of Dalton, Ryde, Oakley, Hindon, Anstruther, and the residue of the townships of Rama and Alice.

The re-surveys of the townships of Palmerston and Olden have been completed.
The sub-division of the town plot of Brunswick, on the Bobcaygeon Road, into town lots has been performed, and other partial surveys will be found denominated in the Appendix to this Report.

The survey of the continuation of the Bobcaygeon Road has been completed as far as Lake Nipissing, and also that of the Burleigh Road to the Peterson Line. Instructions have been issued for the survey, into farm lots, of the townships of Ridout, Mattawan, Sherwood, Brunel, Cavendish, Chandos, Sherborne, Lyndoch, Glamorgan, Stephenson, Richards, Hogarty, -as also the residue of the townships of Macaulay, Draper, Clarendon, Monteagle, and the re-survey of the township of Oso.

Instructions have been also issued for the survey of Free Grant lots on the Bobcaygeon Road, to the north of Bell's Line, and an examination of the country between the Muskoka Road and Parry Sound, with a view of opening up a communication between the Georgian Bay and the Bobcaygeon Road.

On the north shore of Lake Huron, the surveys of the following townships have been completed during the past year, viz. :-Macdonald, Prince, Parke, Thompson, Fenwich,

Kars, Dennis, Pennefather, Rose, Lefroy, Spragge, Esten, Salter, and part of Patton, and the survey of Goulais River.

The exploratory survey between Sault Ste. Marie and Fort William, carried on under the superintendeuce of Mr. Herrick, is progressing favorably, and will be completed during the ensuing summer. For a detailed account of the surveys, see Appendix to this Report.

Instructions have been also issued for the survey, into farm lots, of the following townships in the Ottawa and Huron Territory, purchased 'en bloc' by the parties in England referred to in my Report of last year, viz: :-Longford, Dysart, Dudley, Harcourt, and Guilford. The cost of the sub-division of these townships is borne by the purchasers.

## LOWER CANADA SURVEYS.

The survers of the public lands, for purposes of actual settlement and colonization, effected in Lower Canada under instructions from this Department, during the year expired 31st December, 1861, are distributed in twelve counties, forming the Districts of Ottawa, Joliette, Quebec, Benuce, Montmagny, Rimouski and Gaspe, extending the field for colonization purposes by neurly 4,800 lots, averaging each 100 acres, and with few exceptions, situated in highly favorable localities in point of agricultural as well as natural advantages, as will be noticed in the description giren by the Surveyors of the town ships named in the annual statement of surveys, submitted for the fiscal year just terminated.

In the District of Uttiwa, the arable parts of the Townships of Aberford, Pontefract, and Baskatonge, to the extent of 114,712 acres were laid out into lots, and the residue of the outlines, 97 miles, duly established and marked in the ficld.

In the District of Jolictte, the residue of the township of Doncaster, adjoining on the west to the fast-settling township of Morin, $31,0 \mathrm{~S} 6$ acres, were laid out into farm lots.

In the District of Quebec, the front Range, ou the river St. Maurice, of the township of Polette, and the ranges in the adjoining township of Turcotte, fronting on the river St. Maurice and its tributary the Rat river, were laid out into lots to the extent of 41,042 aeres, besides ruaning the outlines of the latter towuship and part of the outlines of the former, exceeding together 60 miles.

In the District of Beauce, the first six ranges of the township of Spaulding, situate on the right bank of the river Chaudière, were subdivided into lots, containing 34,481 acres. 32 miles of outlines were surveyed in the field.

In the District of Montmagny, the township of Daaquam, lying between the river St John, or southern limit of the Prorince, and the river Daaquam, and traversed from the north-west by the Bellechasse projected colonization road, 35,536 acres were laid out into farm lots, besides the demarcation and survey of 31 miles of outlines.

In the townships of. Bourdages and Patton, lots were laid out on both sides of the surveyed line run the previous year for the projected colonization road, leading from the
parish of L'Islet to the Tache road, traversing the first five ranges of Patton. Both tracts in these townships, comprising about 23,420 acres, were subdivided into 100 acre lots.

It may be here observed that of this quantity 6,000 acres had been alrcady surveyed in the primitive survey of the township of Patton; but on the occasion of laying out the proposed government road to traverse the first five ranges of the township, from the north-west to the south-east, it was deemed that changing the, direction of the lots, in these ranges, excepting, however, the lots fronting on the Tache road, so as to front on the proposed road, would accelerate the settlement of the public lands traversed by it, and the surveyor was aicordingly instructed to carry out the desired alterations. Similar alterations of the primitive surveys in the organised townships will obviously occur, where the proposed roads, running transverse to the ranges, are found necessary for the greater advantage of actual settlement.

The arable tracts in the township of Panet, containing 17,051 acres, besides the residue of the outlines of that township and of the adjoining township of Rolette, 22 miles, were surveyed and marked in the field.

The surrey of the residuc of the townships of Garneau, Casgrain and Lafontaine, situate on the Elgin road, containing together 68,977 acres, was, from the rapid settlement of the surveyed lands along the Elgin road, deemed highly requisite in the interest of colonization, especially as the two first named townships are traversed by the Tache road line, and extend the field of colonization towards the interior; in conncction with which object, ranges of lots were laid out on both sides of the Arago road line, in the townships of Lessard, Beaubien and Arago, to the aggregate extent of 12,903 acres.

In the District of Temiscouata, the arable lands in the township of Armand, traversed by the new line of the Temiscouata Government Road, were laid out into lots, offering with the lots surveyed along the old road, a large ficld for settlement. That important communication being more appreciable since the movements of Her Majesty's troops from Eugland to this Province, during the present season.

Finally, in the District of Gaspé, the arable part of the township of Mann, situate on the Ritigouche River, the residue of New Richmond, on the Bay of Chaleurs, the broken range of the township of. Nouvelle, adjoining and along the rear line of the seigniory of Shoolbred, established by Judgment of the Court of Queen's Bench, at New Carlisle, and a gore lot in the township of Tourelle, adjoining on the south-west the township of Cap Chatte, and the seigniory of Ste. Anne des Monts, fronting on the river St. Lawrence, forming together 74,536 acres were surveyed.

The aggregate of the lands surveged into farm lots herein before enumerated being 480,288 acres, to which might be added the verification survey of the first six ranges of the Township of Matane, containing 29,500 acres, forming a grand total of 509,789 acres marked and bouinded by actual measurement in the field. The average cost of survey being 5 cents per acre.

The exploratory lines surveyed in Lower Canada, in view of-carrying out certain projected colonization roads, under instructions from this Department, enumerated in the
annual statement above-mentioned, will be found upon the inspection of the reports of the surveyors and of the maps accompanying this Report, not to yield in importance and commensurate results, to any surreys of the same nature pcrformed in the preceding years, in either section of the Province, whilst adding a large anount of topographical knowledge of the country explored.

The new line of road traced and marked by Mr. P. I.: Surveyor Robertson, from the township of Onslow through the townships of Bristol and Clarendon, to Portage-du-Fort, in the township of Litchfield, involving an exploration of 61 miles, was decmed of the utmost urgency, to encourage the settlements in those townships, whilst materially shortening the length of road leading to the thriving settlements in the Upper Ottara Valley, on the Lower Canada side of the Grand or Ottawa River.

The Aylmer and Gayhurst line of road traced by Mr. P. L. S. Duchesnay, to connect the settlements in Lambton and Aylmer, traversing the township of Aylmer to the bank of the Chaudiere, cannot fail to be attended with the best results directed to the settlement of the public lands in that part of the country.

The Central Section of the projected Etchemin road is a continuation of the line of road traced by Mr. P. L. S. Henderson, from the North-West angle of Cranbourne to Elm Island, in the River Etchemin, in Cranbourue, reported upon last year, which, joined to the collateral lines, he is instructed to explore, with a view of connecting them with the existing road leading from the old settled Parish of St. Edward, in the township of Frampton, and producing it to its juaction with the southern section of the Etchemin road, in the township of Watford; the latter terminating at the Keuncbec Road, in the township of Liniere, will traverse large tracts of lands for the most part well aliupted for cultivation, whilst a branch of this road projected from the banks of the River La Famine, through the township of Watford, would open up for settlement the arable lands in the townships of Langevin, Daaquam and Metgermet, to the southern boundary of the Prorince.

The St. Maurice and Saguenay exploratory line, run by Mr. Blaiklock, from the foot of the falls of La Tuque or head of Steam Navigation on the St. Maurice River, to the mouth of the Ouiatchouan, in Lake St. John, a distance of $75 \%$ miles, in connection with the exploration reported by Mr. P. L. S. Arcand in 1860 of the river Croche, from its confluence with the $S t$ Maurice, to its source on the height of land; thence down the stream of the Ouiatchouanish to Lake St. John, explored under instructions from this Department, with a view of ascertaining the practicability of opening a road by the Valleys of the St. Maurice and Saguenay, to connect those remote localities, which, if feasible, would not only obtain to the inhabitants of the fast settling valley of the Upper Saguenay, a market at Three Rivers for their produce, but also along the route among the numerous lumbering establishments in the Valley of the St. Maurice, it would traverse.

Very valuable information of the general physical character of the country examined under both those exploratory operations, has been collected, especially as resulting from the direct traverse across both valleys by the exploratory line, which geographically ties the relative positions of the Saguenay and the St. Maurice, an object in itself of primary importance for a correct delineation of those territories upon a map of the Province; and
although a road does not appear to be practicable along or on the direction or course of the exploratory line, owing to the rough and mountainous character of the country, unless at a heavy cost to the Province, which the proportion of arable land traversed does not however warrant; nevertheless, a road can be opened along the banks of the river Croche, skirting the hills which border it, to the height of land, and thence olmost by a direct line of road, easterly, to the settlements on the front range of the township of Roberval, at Lake St. John, a total length, including the distance from the River's mouth to La Tuque Falls of about 90 miles.

For a detailed description of the country explored in both surveys, I would beg reference to the reports of the surveyors inserted in the appendix to this Report.

The next and last exploratory survey enumerated in the annual statement herein referred to, is that performed by Mr. Blaiklock, as a preliminary reconnaissance, for the object of opening up a road, as direct as the nature of the country would permit, from Port Daniel, in the Baie des Chaleurs, to Gaspe Basin, a distance by the map of 41 miles.

The exploratory line commencing at the rear angle of the township of Newport, in the limit between the Counties of Gaspe and Bonaventure, was run 22 miles to the bank of the Grand River, a rapid stream emptying into the Gulf of St. Lawrence, whereat by reason of the very abrupt and generally unfavorable character of the country traversed, for the construstion of a road, the land being intersected by hills of no inconsiderable elevation, by deep ravines and gullies occasioned by the bed of the Rivers Grand Pabos, Jittle Pabos, Grand River and their numerous tributaries, in their rapid descent from the interior to their discharge into the Bay of Chaleurs, -the line was unavoidably terminated.

The purpose of a road in the same general direction was not however abandoned, until another rapid exploration had been effected from Gaspe Basin to the mouth of the Grand Pabos River, a distance of about 32 miles. Unsuccessful as the result of the exploration proved to be, it was satisfactorily ascertained that a good line for a road could be traced through the surveyed land of the townships of Perce, Malbay, Douglas and York, around the base of the group of hills in rear of those townships, which would, whilst materially shortening the distance now travelled, coast-ways and across the Peninsula, by the Belle Anse Road, greatly advance the disposal and settlement of the arable lands the line of the proposed road would traverse.

The general result of this exploration, although adverse to the purposes of a road in the direction proposed, which has been found to lie transversely to the courses of the rivers intersected, gives a favorable account of the nature of the soil and timber, prevailing for the most part in the line of exploration, and may upon further examination, be found to offer a fair prospect for colonization, along the course especially of the rivers intersected.

The reports of Mr. Blaiklock's explorations are inserted in the appendix, No. 27.
During the year just expired, the important survey for defining and marking by permanent stone monuments, the line of division between Upper and Lower Canada, was completed, under instructions from this department, in pursuance of the provisions of the 23 Vic., oap. 21; a service which it is here gratifying to remark, although oarried over the
possessions and clearances of the resident inhabitants along the line, many among them bitherto in hostility to each other, on either side, from Point au Beaudet; on Lake St . Francis, to Point Fortunc on the Ottawa, was effected with the utmost harmony and good will on all hands towards Mr. Fletcher, the officer of this department charged with the duty of running the line in the field, while it finally set at rest the long pending cause of disputes and grievances, which the unsettled state of the boundary line gave rise to besides ruinous litigations between the landholders, whether as Seigniorial proprietors or grantees of the Crown, under the respective Guvernments of Upper or Lower Canada, prior to the Union of the Provinces, originating as far back as the date of the proclamation of Sir Alured Clark in 1791.

## UPPER CANADA COLONIZATION ROADS.

the addingion road.
During the year, 27 settlers were located on this road; 510 acres of land were cleared, and 286 acres chopped. The aggregate value of the productions of the settlers at the current rates in the loculity, is estimated at $\$ 38,542.20$.

For detailed statistics of this and the other colonization roads, see the reports of the resident agents, in the Report of the Bureau of Agriculture and Statistics.

THE BOBCAYGEON ROAN.
There are now 211 families settied on this road. They have cleared 1438 acres; 1002 of which were under crop last year-and they have in addition 440 acres chopped, but not yet cleared. Mr. Elughes, the resident agent, values the cron of last season at $\$ 30,047.10$. He has sold 90,739 acres of land in the townships adjacent to the road dur$i_{\text {ng }}$ the last three ycars.

## TIE HASTINGS ROAD.

The number of new settlers located on this road during 1861, is 88 . The total nom. ber now in possession of lots is 377 .

The number of acres cleared, and in process of being cleared, at the close of 1861, is 3641-shewing an increase of 960 during the year. The number of acres under crop and pasture, last season, was 2681 ; the total value of the year's products $\$ 44,418.15$.

The lise stock is nearly double that of 1860 , being 1112 bead.
THE MUSKOKA ROAD.
72 lots have been located on this road, of which 62 are occupied by settlers. The population now amounts to 249 souls, shewing an increase of 59 . 200 acres of land are cleared, and 100 more chopped. The value of the produce of the last season is estimated at $84,900.23$. There are 73 head of live stock-an increase of 28 during the year.

The townships adjacent to the road were placed under the charge of the resident agent, Mr. Oliver, in October last; and he has already sold 6060 acres, and 167 1otai arb occupied by actual settlers.
the opeongo road.
There were 40 new locations on this road during the past year, making a total of 299 frec grants. The population amounts to over 1000 souls. 1874 acres were under crop, shewing an increase of 416 acres over the preceding year. Mr. Freuch, the resident agest, ralues the produce at $\$ 36,716.32$.

## COLONIZATION ROADS IN LOWER CANADA.

During the past year $107 \frac{3}{4}$ miles were completed, $79 \frac{1}{2}$ miles opened, and $13 \frac{1}{2}$ miles repaircd, and 11 large bridges built under the superintendence of the late Thomas Boutillicr, Esq., Inspector of Agencies.

The expenditure on these works was $\$ 52,683.06$.
The details of the progress of the works or the respective roads, and of the expenditure on cach, is contained in the report of Boucher de la Bruère, Esq., to whom the tem porary charge of the office has been entrusted.

These colonization roads extendiug over thatsection of the Province, lying on both sides of the St. Lawrence, and on the northerly bank of the River Ottawa from Gaspe to Poutic, are 91 in numbei. They afford accoss from the older parishes to the waste hands in the rear, and have been largely availed of by the surplus population, which has made umerous settlements thereon during the past year, more especially in the Counties of Gaspe and Bonaventure, on the south shore of the St. Lawrence below Quebec-in the County of Compton in the Eastern Townships, and in the Counties of Ottawa and Pontiac. The roads in the latter mentioned Counties were placed under the charge of Mr. A. J. Mussell, Inspector of Crown Timber Agencics, who has had much experience in road making in both sections of the Province. He has made an exploration of the Counties and projected the location of several leading roads that would most effectually develop the arable lands, which he has ascortained to be of much greater extent than was formerly supposed, presenting a large and most favorable field for colouization, easy of access.

## ELGIN ROAD.

The number of gratuitous locations on this road arnounts to 250 , on which 73 families are at present residing, 29 of whom settled during the year. The live stock has increased 50 per cent. in 1861, shewing a total of 142 head. 669 acres were under crop, and 300 in pasturage, besides 731 acres chopped and piled ready for burning. The harvest is estimated by Mr. Drapeau, the resident Agent, at 9589 minots of wheat, rye, barley, pease; oats, potatoes, and turnips, and the total value of the year's produce, including maple sugar, pork, shingles, and boards, at $\$ 8,436.72$; and of the 'buildings erected, lands cleared, and increase of live stock, at $\$ 6,564$, making a total of $\$ 15,000.72$, as the value of the year's, labour of the settlers. The present value of the settlers improvements and live stock, is estimated at $\$ 36,078.72$.

## the matane and cap chat road.

This road traverscs the townships of Cherbourg, Dalibaire, and Romieu, and is under the charge of $M r$ J. B. Lepage. There are 67 settlers actually residin on their lots;
and 61 who have made improrements, but are not yet living on their lands. 781 arpents have been cleared, and 705 are in process of being cleared. 476 arpents were cultivated last jear, the produce of which is estimated at $\$ 4,443.15$. 4,225 pounds of maple sugar were made by the settlers last season, and codfish to the value of $\$ 1,450$-caught by them. They have 395 head of live stock.

For further details see Mr. Lepage's report, Appendix No. 22.

## KEMP'S ROAD.

There are 14 settlers who are residing on their lots, and 12 who have made improvements with a view to actual settlement. 215 arpents have been cleared, and 90 arpents chopped.

The crop of the 192 arpents which were under cultivation last season is valued at $\$ 1,317.30$. The settlers have 99 head of live stock.

See Mr. Lepage's report before referred to.

## LAND SALES AND MANAGEMENT.

Since my last annual Report, twenty-two agencies for the sale of lands in the older countics have been closed, and the policy adopted by the Department has been steadily pursued in the disposing by public sale, for cash, of the lands scattcred throughout the old settled townships. The importance of getting rid of all such lands is very great, in an economic view alone, for so long as a lot remains unsold and unprotected by a legitimate orner, it may at any time, and sooner or later will form the subject of special claim on the part of squatters, whose transactions among themselves, in respect to land which the Crown had never parted with, have been the fruitful source of labor and consequent expense to the Department. The conduct of these sales, by an officer sent specially by the Department for the duty, has been attended with the best results. For three years past, all squatters have been repcatedly warned that they must become puschasers under the Crown, if they wished to secure a title to the lands they occupied; and in the public notices of these auction sales, given several weeks beforehand, the attention of such parties is called to th. necessity of making known such occupancy, and dealing with the Crown before the day of sale. Having taken a'l these precautions to prevent, as far as possible, any hardships to individuals; as well as imposition upon the Government, the Department bas not hesitatcd to proceed with the absolute sale of unclaimed lands, or of land, claims to which having been examined have been rejected. In this way upwards of 1200 of whatare called "special cases" were, in the course of last jear, disposed of on the spot, by the offcers charged with the conduct of these salcs, and were thus excluded from the office, where they might have lingered for years in the mass of conficting evidence which usually accompanies them.The effect in Lower Canada alone may be judged from the following report, made to me by the offecr conducting such sales there:-
"The sale of 39,899 acres of land, and the receipt of $\$ 22,759$, is the result of the carrying out for the first time in Lower Canada, the system of advertising for sale at auction
in old settled townships. Of the acres thus disposed of, about 19,000 were paid for in full; the remainder, about 21,000 , were claimed by squatters who had occupied their respective holdings for periods varying from three to thirty years. These claims were investigated on the spot, and the squatters admitted to purchase by instalments, provided they paid one-fifth of the purchase money previous to the day of sale by auction; a condition which was complied with in every instance except one."

In Upper Canada there were sold by public auction, in the autumn of last year, 135,689 acres, at the price of $\$ 85,867$; and 84,086 formed the subject of special adjudication.
[ trust that this policy, pursued with such beneficial results during the past year, will be regularly continued until every acre of land in the townships organized under municipal government is disposed of; and that in the newly formed townships opened out for settlement, and where settlement duties are, as they should be, rigidly exacted, a fixed price for cash or on credit, as at present, will be demanded for the lands, and payment regularly enforced. By these meaus only can land sales and management be brourht to anything likea system, and the large staff at head-quarters reduced. Cases of individual hardship will, in the application of fixed rules, occasionally arise, but it is far better and safer for the interests of the public, or any portion of it concerned in the administration of the Public Lands, that it should be so, than that rules should be constantly relaxed and individuals thus led to beliere that they will not be held to their engagements-and that any sale which in the first instance was a mere ordinary transaction, can be converted into a special case for faror or relief. The amount of anooyance, labor and expense, which any one such case causes is almost beyond belief, and when they come to be counted by thousands, as they have been, the whole working system of the Departnent is paralyzed, and its administrator appalled at the labor which he is expected to undertake. The only way to aroid a repetition, or at least an increase of these evils, is a policy of some kind which will be strictly adhered to, and which shall be so well settled and arbitrary, that attempts to change it to meet individual cases will be considered hopeless. It is really impossible that there can be anything like effective administration when the man who buys a lot of land to-day thinks he can, with any chance of success, apply to-morrow, perhaps, for a reduction of price-on ground ${ }^{\circ}$ which may be supported by affidavits or certificates, questionable in their statements, or plausible arguments and individual influences. In the earlier sales where the accumulation of interest has been sometimes double the amount of the principal, and where in the transmission of the property difficulties have arisen, it has been necessary to interfere; but I have always thought the government as much to blame as the individual, for the long delays which have been permitted, during which all kinds of difficulties intervened. Thess cases are rapidly disappearing, and I am only too anxious that no excuse for a repetition of thern sball be furnished in the sales made from day to day.

The abolition of the older agencies has thrown upon the office here, for the present, a great increase of labor. In addition to the saving effected in the revenue by the discharge of so many agents, I believe that the Government, as well as individuals having claims to lands, will profit by the change. Brougbt into direct contact with the Depart. ment, they will feel the necessity for an immediate arrangement of some kind, and wher
they have had disputes with the local agents, their cases will, perhaps, for the first time, occupy. the attention of the Commissioner. At all events, they will know that all the unsold lands or lands liable to forfeiture, and to which claims are not speedily made good, will be sold by public auction for cash, and wiped out of the books of the Department.

A saving in the expenses of management of those "Free Grant Roads," on which settlement has largely progressed, has been effccted by withdrawing the salaries of the agents; and they have been compensated for this loss by entrusting them with the sale of the lands in the newly formed townships in and in the neighborhood of their agencies. paying them therefor by a commission. The saving thus effected is about $\$ 8,500$ per annum, while the saving, by doing away with the older Crown Lands agencies, may br estimated at about $\$ 7,500$ per annum.

A large quantity of land is now surveyed and open for sale, in various sections of the Province, in addition to the ten townships sold en bloc, which are being rapidly surveyed and prepared for settlement. I have every reason to believe that there will, during the present ycar, be a large influx of immigrants, and that the efforts of the Government to disseminate correct information will bring hither those of the proper classes. Taking advantage of the occasion which the uuhappy strife among our neighbors affords us, two additional Government agents have been despatched to Great Britain and Ireland and the Continent of Europe, and they have been instructed diligently to make known to those seeking homes in the new world, such advantages as Canada affords, while they have been warned to hold out no false hopes of success, out strictly to make known the truth.

Reference is requested to the last part of the Report of last year, headed "Land saleq and settlement."

P. M. VANKOUGHNET, Commissioner

Department of Crown Lands, Quebec, 11th March, 1862.

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APPENDIX No. 3.-(Contimued.)

APPENDIX No. 0.
SIATEMENT of the number of acres sold, amount of sales, and amounts collected in Upper and Lower Ganada for the years 1860 and 1861.

|  | Acres sold. |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | 1560. | 1561. |
| Clergy Lanuls, Uppor Canadn ............ | 62593 |  |
| Do Lower Canada. |  |  |
| Crown Lauds, Upper Canada ............ | 120413 | $257933 \pm$ |
| Do Lower Canada | 290026 | 273535 |
| Comrion School Lands | 32211 | 44883 -5 |
| Grammar School Lands................................. | 09007 | 5729 |
|  | 5336278 | 657661 1-10 |

## APPENDIX No. 7.

STATENENT of the Receipts by the Department of the Crown Lands, for the year 1861, which arc considered as Revenue.


# ANDREW RÜSSELL, Assistant Commisssoncr. 

William Ford, Accountant and Cashier.

Department of Crown Lands, Quebec, 31st December, 1861.

## APPENDIX No. 8.

## S'IAEMENT of Disbursements by Department of Crown Lands, for the year 1861, on account of Expenses of Management.

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| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Fisheries, Luwer Canuda ........................................................ | 554371 |  |
| Fisheries, Upper Canada.......................... ............................... | $\begin{array}{r}272941 \\ 10081 \\ \hline 100\end{array}$ |  |
| Fishery Bountes................................................................. | 10031 |  |
| Htasin \% Rond................................................................................. | 146000 |  |
| Buinaly yeon Road.. | 146000 |  |
| Muskoka Road. | 146000 |  |
| Addington Romi. | 148000 |  |
| Frontenac Roal. | 146000 |  |
| Slgia and Taché lioad. | 146000 |  |
| Mitapelin Road. | 55600 |  |
| Burleigh Road. | 31600 |  |
| Wim. Farewell ..................... | 142702 |  |
| Postage of Agencios, East .......... | 9310 |  |
| Postage of A gencies, West. | 177629 |  |
| Commission Agents, East | 395819 |  |
| Commission Agents, Wcst. | 1684460 |  |
| Board of Examiners, Land Surveyors, Lower Canadn..................... | 55000 |  |
| Roari of Examiners. Lanl Surveyors, Upper Cavada........................ | 39500 |  |
| Crown Advertising: Lower Canata | 557188 |  |
| Crawn Advertising. Upper Canada. | 524859 |  |
| Inspection of Ayencies, Lower Canad | 351430 |  |
| Inspectiom of A zencies, Upper Canada................. ....................... | 297690 |  |
| Crawa Luppetivas, Lower Cunada..... | 30700 |  |
| Irown Inspectivns, Upper Cauada................................................ | 251737 |  |
| Crown Surveys Lower Canda .......................... ..................... | 4196966 |  |
| Crown Surveys, Upper Canada. | 7544460 |  |
| (ixncral Disbursements.... | 2061206 |  |
| Boundary Aceount. Upper and Lower Cauada.. | 158640 |  |
| Huron Land Claims. | 68600 |  |
| Bruce Land Claims.. | 79200 |  |
| Advance on Salaries ................... | $\begin{array}{r}705 \\ 1924 \\ \hline 1\end{array}$ |  |
|  | 21875069 |  |
| Deduct Commission on Schoul and Clergy Servieep........................... | 9162603 | 12715466 |
|  |  | 12715466 |

# ANDREW RUSSELL, Assistant Commissioner. 

William Fobi, Accountant and Cashier.

Department of Crown Lands, Quchec, 31st December, 1861.

## APPENDIX No. 9.

STATEMENT-Department of Crown Lands, amount of Collections for 1861.


ANDREW RUSSELL, :Assistant Commissioner.

William Ford, Accountant and Cashier.

Drpartment of Crown Lands,<br>Qucbec, 31st December, 1861.

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heceipts and expenses on account of jestits' estates. Receipts, \$18:619 50 ; Expenses, \$3,601 11; Net Receipts, \$15,018 39.

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RECEIPTS AND EXPENSES, SEIGNIORT OF LAUZON.
Receipts, $\$ 12,56997$; Disbursements, $\$ 1,07202$; Net Receipts, $\$ 11,49795$.

No. 16.

RECEIPTS AND EXPENSES ON ACCOUNT OF THE CROWN DOMAIN.
Receipts, $\mathbf{8 8}, 11797$; Disbursements, 82,012 31; Net Receipts, $\$ 5,10566$.

No. 17.
HECEIPTS AND EXPENSES ON ACCOUNT OF ORDNANCE LANDS.
Receipts for the ycar, $\$ 23,10158$; Disbursements, 88,87864 ; Net Receipts, $\$ 14,22192$.

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APPENDIX No. 19.



WOODS AND FORESTA.-General Statemett of Timber, \&c., and


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amounts accrucd from Timber Dues and Ground Rent, during the year 1861.

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APPENDIX No. 203.

## Woods and Forests.

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| Amonnt of Upper Ottara Territory Collectionc, iy A. J. Tursell........... do do Jer NeLeau Stewurt..... | \$ cts. $\begin{array}{r} 6051075 \\ 11432483 \end{array}$ | S cts. 17482558 |
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| Amonnt of Ilurna and Superint, and Peninsula of Canada West Territorics Cullectivls, by A. W. Puwell. $\qquad$ Lo do per Meleau Exwart................... | 573200 4132 | 2564 C8 |
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Woods and Forfsts. $\}$ STATEMENT of Account of Supervisor of Cullers, Quebec. Sor year ending 31st December, 186I.



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OTWAWA RIVER, and its tributaries above Ottawa City, subdivided.

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Quebec, 31st December, 1861.


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## REIORT OF THE AGENT OF THE MATANE AND CAPE CHAT COLONIZA. TION ROAD.

Rimouski, 18th January, $186 \%$.
To the Honorable the Commissioner of Crown Lands:
SIR,-I have the honor to submit for your consideration, this uny general report, which contains all the information which I consider it my duty to furnish, in order that you may be enabled to form a correct idea of the numerous advantages resulting from the system of Free Grants and from the opening of Colonization Roads by Government in this part of the Province.

Annexed will be found statements of the progress of colonization on the lands situated between Matane and Cape Chat, in the three districts crossed by the road between these two points, and on the Metis section of the Kempt Road. In order that you may be enibled to judge at a glance of the nature of this progress, I purpose analyzing it in the following manner, viz:-

The number of settlers established on the Matane and Cape Chat Road, on the 31st December last, was 67 , all natives of Canada and agriculturalists, hailing principally from the surroundiug parishes. We find among them, heads of families in easy circumstances, who have taken advantage of the Free Grant system on this road to establish there children there, as the paternal property was not sufficiently large for the settlement of the whole family, and they actaally take such interest in the success of their children that in many cases they have gone to reside among them, in order to alleviate the toilsome labor of hexinning the work of colonization and to facilitate their operations. The number of seitlers in possession of lots, but not settled upon them, was 61 at the same datc. Of this number, 4 are in possession of lots which cannot be granted as Free Grants, on account of their importance, as they coutain water powers and fishing grounds They will be sold aecording to the rules of the Department, at the ordinary price clarged for Crown Lands, adding a price for the said water powers and fishing grounds, which will be established by valuation.

The population at the same date numbered 333 souls, all professing the Catholic religion. The number of buildings was 56 houses and 1 chapel; also two saw mills in course of construction. I may perhaps be permitted to draw your attention to that portion of the law which renders the immediate erection of a house obligatory unon the settler. I have found frequently this requirement very difficult to mect, on account of the danger of tire. The settler who is frec from this requirement generally builds a hut, which serves him for the first fer years, and only builds his house when the danger of fire has disappeared. Screral located settlers have not yet built their houses, but, in the meantime, they reside with families already established there, thus becoming entitled to the exeraption from building.

781 acres of land have been cleared and placed in a state of cultivation, also 705 acres have been slashed ("en abattis.") A tract of 476 acres has been sown this year, and the following has been the produce of the crops:-

| Wheat, |  |  |  |  |  |  | 8960 |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Rye, | S04 | " | " | 1.00 | : |  | 840 | 00 |
| Barley, | 2,499 | " | " | 50 | " |  | 1,249 | 50 |
| Peas, | 150 | " | " | 1.20 | " |  | 180 | 00 |
| Oats, | 504 | " | " | 40 | " |  | 201 | 60 |
| Potatoes | 3,211 | " | " | 30 | 4 | . ${ }^{\prime}$ | 963 |  |

> Turaips- 50 minots valued at 30 cents per minot. $=\$ 15 * 00$ Hay- $675-100$ bundles " $\$ 5.00$ per 100 bdls. 83.75
> Total value of the Crop............... $\$ 4,44315$

# The manufacture of Maple Sugar, in the Spring'of 1861, reached the figure of $4,225 \mathrm{lbs}$. @ 10c. per $1 \mathrm{~b} . . . . . . . . . . . . . . .$. . 842250 <br> Codfish, caught by the settlers during the season, 607 barrels; <br> 1st Salt, sold at 82.00 per barrel <br> $1,33+00$ <br> 116 barrels Fresh, sold at $\$ 1.00$ per barrel...................... 11600 

Cattle of different kinds belonging to the settlers-
Horses......... ...................................................... 27
Milch Cows......... ............................................... 40
Young Oxen and Heifers......................................... 2 ,
Sheep ...... ........................................................ 159
Pigs.................................................................... 147
395
Jounds of Woul, 250, with which were manufactured :
Fulled Cloth..................... ....................... 20. 28 yards
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The crop this year among the settlers produced but little, in consequence of the eneneral destruction of the grain sown, by the fire which originated in the slashed timber, (abattis) during the month of May. The quantities contained in the above statistical statement, are, with a few of the settlers, but the product of a sccond sowing; and with whers, the small quantity saved from the fire. There is no doubt that the crop would lawe yielded abundantly, and would hare been highly remunerative, had the settlers been spired from this misfortune, which befel them. Nevertheless, many of them hope to find in their erop sufficient grain to meet the requircments of the curront year.

In addition to the industrial branches usually attended to in all new settlements, we must add the cod-ishery; this fish being plentiful all alone this fine coast. You will have remarked, by the statement furnished abore, that the settlers sold codfish of the value of $\$ 1,450$, erpal to an average of $\$ 21$ for each sectler. This is a valuable resource, as it is the result of work which is done during the season immediately following seed time, and before the harrest.

The arerage yicld of grain and other produce from the clearings of this tract, has hecn something more than $\$ 66$ in ralue to each family, the yield of maple sugar about $\mathbf{S} 6$, and the revenue derived from the increase of cattle, (according to my calculations) say S2. The whole of this, added to the yield of the fisheries, will form an average revenue oE S110 per each family; of course, irregularly distributed among the settlers.

When we consider that out of this small revenue, they have nothing to pay for rent and firewood, that other small necessaries of life are occasionally earned by themselves by working in the neighboring parishes, and that the value of their labor is accumulating continually on their land, in the form of improvements upon an established inheritance, 1 think we can safely conclude, that colonization on such conditions, is assured of a successful future.

At the two extrones of the road, in the districts of Cherbourg and Rowien, colonization has progressed in a greater degree than in the central districts of Dalibert.

This anomaly is easily accounted for. The two former districts are in the vicinity of the tro old settlements of Matane and Cap Chat, where trade and manufactures have contributed largely to their progress, more particularly on acenunt of their easy means of communication with Saw and Grist Mills. The district of Dalibert being in a more isolated position, docs not possess these adrantages; moreorer, the had condition of tho
road has been oue of the principle causes of this retardment. At-the present moment the road is in grood repair, activity is apparent in every direction, the clearings are becoming rapidly cnlarged, and I have reason to hope that betweon this and the spring, I will be in a position to submit facts, which will prove that the progress of the settlement has been satisfactory. On crery part of the road, the soil is of a quality which renders it fit for cultivation, and the climate is well adapted to the production of all kinds of grain.

The 61 persons who are in possession of lots, but who are non-residents, live in the parishes in the vicinity of Matane aad Cape Chat. Sereral of these continue vigorously to increase the clearings commonced last year, and have expressed their intention to take up their residence there in the spring. Others, but happily a very suall number, appear to preserve their clam upon them, merely for speculation. I am watching them closely; and hare already informed them, that if they fail to conform to the spirit and conditions of the law, their lots will be resumed without further notice.

I am happy to be able to report that perfect harmony exists among the settlers estab. lished upon this road, and that, at the present moment, no single case of disputed land claim exists.

The settlenents on the Metis section of the Kempt Road, have also progressed in a remarkable degree. These new settements in the interior, however, are subject to a scourge from which the entablishments oa the sea shore are spared. The latter have the advantage of the sea brecze, while the former are subject to heavy frosts. The limited extent of the clearings, in the new forest settlements, prevents a frec circulation of currents of air, thus, when the atmosphere is still; rery frequently at certain scasons of the yoar, during the night, while the air is laden with moisture which arises from a soil not yet thoroughly drained, heavy frosts cause serious damage to the growing crops. This occurs in all settlemonts similarly situated, and on that account we find that the settlers give more of their attention to the cultiration of hay crop, for which there is a ready market in the ncighbouring parishos.

I submit the following recapitulation of agricultural products, cxtracted from statioment vo. 4, hereunto annexed, shewing the state of colonization on this latter road:


Which protuced a crop of:-
Wheat... 160 minots, valued at $\$ 150$........ ............... $\$ 15900$
Rye...... 122 : $\because 00$.......................... 12200
i3arlcy...570 $\because \quad \because \quad 050 \ldots . . . . . . . . . . . . . .$.
Peas ..... 4 s " $\because 20$....................... 3300
Oats ....254 $\because \quad \because \quad 0 \quad 40 \ldots \ldots \ldots \ldots . . . . . . . . . .$.
Potatoes.590 $4 \quad: \quad 030$......................... 17700

Hay...8, 100 buadles :. 500 per 100 bundles...... 40500
Total valuc ví Crop........................ s1,317 70
Cattle belonging to the Settlers:-
Horses..................................................... ........ 10
Bileh Cows............................................................ 10
Young Oxen and Heifors........................................ 19
Sheep................................ ................................ 80
Pigs..................................................................... 51
$\xrightarrow{21} 9$

Scttlers established 31st December, 1861 ..... 14
" in possession of lets ..... 12
Total population ..... 26
Number of IIouses ..... 6

This settlement is older then the former one; thus we find, that in spite of the frosts, and the abseuce of fisheries, the average of the gencral result is greater than in the more modern settlement. Before closing the present report, it is proper that I should drav your atention ho the want of a proper system of roads, stited to the requirements of these small isolated sethements which are seattered through the forest. This want is a great destacle in the way of successful colonization. The maintenance of roads is here very dificult, cven in the midst of the settled districts. I cannot, therefore, too strongly wommend the adoption of some efficacious system of roads, which trould be in conformity to the wants of the settlers.

I must draw your attention to the applications for gratis, made by settlers who wish thestablish themselves on the new Matapudia Road, where a few squatters hare located hamelres, although the division lines are not yet surveyed. I have been prevented from giving my undivided attention to the new settlemeats, owing to the mission which you did we the honor to entrust me with, viz :- the exploration and location of that new portion of the Tache Road from the district of Pohenéramonk in the rear of Kamouraska, to the Hatapedia Road. I have kept your Department informed of the nature and progress of three months' operations on that part of the road already traced, whereby I have laid out nearly 70 miles of new road through the forest, and through a fine practicable country. The whole humbly submitted.
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# COLONIZATION ON THE ELGIN ROAD. 

Free Grant Oppice,<br>St. Jean Port Joli, 7th January, 1862.

To the Honorable

> P. M. Vankoughnet, Commissioner of Crown Lands, Quebec.

Sir,--I have the honour to transmit with this, my Annual Report, a Supplementary Statement, containing full details relating to the establishments of those settlers who had taken up locations upon each side of the Elgin Road, previous to the 31st December, 1861. This statement will point out the number of lots conceded; the names of the resident settlers, with the number of persons composing cach family; the number of acres under caltivation; the number of acres upon which the timber is felled; the number of houses, barns and stables erected thercupon, as well as the state of cultivation on each lot, and the quantitics of produce harvested by each family on each lot, during the past year. By this statement you will observe that the number of lots conceded, as free grants, reaches the figure of 250,67 of which are settled upon by seventy-three resident families. Of the latter number, twenty-nine families, numbering 131 persons, have taken up their locations during the year which has lately closed. If the number be not found very large, it must be attributed to the miserable crop of 1860 , which, from its scantiness, was the cause of preventing many families from settling upon the road, as their limited means would not enable them to wait for the crop of 1861 . Nevertheless, owing to the abundant crop of the past year, I have reason to hope that the progressive morement, which had slackened on account of this untoward circumstance, will now take a new start, and assume more encouraging proportions. I am informed that, even now, several families are preparing to leave for the Elgin Road in a ferv days, particularly those settlers who harvested crops on their lots last fall.

The 73 resident families, of which I have spoken above, are composed as follows :-

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\text { Men ................................................................... } 73
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Women. ..... 54
Children. $\left\{\begin{array}{l}\text { Boys, } 12 \text { years of age and upwar } \\ \text { Girls, } \\ \text { Boys, less than } 12 \text { years of age.. } \\ \text { Girls, }\end{array}\right.$ ..... 41 ..... 35 ..... 94
72

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\text { Forming a total population of............................ } 369 \text { souls. }
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All the families of French Canadian origin have enigrated from the parishes in the Seigniories of the County of L'Islet, with the exception of two families, one of which is from Chester, in the Eastern Townships, the other from the City of Quebec.

The increase of cattle also furnishes a satisfactory proof of the prosperity of the setthers. This species of property may be divided as follows :- 38 horses, 16 team-oxen, 5 steers, 40 milch cows, and 43 sheep, forming in all 142 head of cattle, equivalent to an increase of 50 per cont. upon the stock of the previous year. The frequent rains of the months of May and June last, interfered with the burning of the islashed timber (abattis) of the previous year. Scarcely more than 128 acres could be:burned; cleared, and prepared in season to receive seed for the first time. 669 acres, were sown, leaving about 300 acres in meadow and pasture, besides 731 acres of slashed timber (abattis) the greater portion of which is hewn and pilcd (tassée et pîlêe) in a fit state to be burned next spring, should the season be sufficiently dry. The number of houses and barns, constructed during the year, reaches the figure of 48 , which, added to the number previously erected, will form a total of 142 buildings.

I submit the following statement of the quantities of seed grain and crops during 1861:


If we take into account the numerous obstacles against which the settlers have to con-tend,- as, for instance, want of proper agricultural instruments to break up effectually, a soil laden with moss and rotten uprooted trees,-we eannot fail to perceive, in the above synopsis of the season's operations, a convincing proof of the good quality of the soil, which, notwithstanding all the above mentioned disadvantages, has produced at the rate of more than 11 minots for each minot sown, and nearly $14 \frac{1}{2}$ minots to each acre under cultivation; a result well worthy of attention.
During the year a new saw-mill has been constructed on the Riviere Ouelle, which has lately been put into operation. Two other saw-mills are now in course of erection, and will very soon be prepared to go into operation. When the two last mentioned mills shall have been put in working order, the settlers on the Elgin Road will possess the immense advantage of having four saw-mills, at convenient distances along the road, which will spare them from the necessity of travelling long distances to have their timber sawn; a difficulty under which many of them now labor. The active proprietor of the new mill at Riviere Ouelle intends to erect a grist mill without delay. I an using every exertion to obtain the realization of this scheme, as it is urgently required by the locality, and would be a most valuable medium in the development of its resources.

At the present day, some of the settlers have 30 miles to travel before they can reach a grist mill. In spite of these difficulties, which are of course usual in new settlements, there is no discouragement. They are all hopeful and expect to succeed. There is more apparent easiness of circumstances among the familes of the settlement than last year. Peace, contentment, and a good understanding seem to exist among the settlers of the Colony, and they willingly assist cach other when it is necessary to do so. Those who are established in the vicinity of the Tache Road are now preparing the timber required for the erection of a chapel.

There is nothing which more fully assists the work of colonization, and which more effectually implants courage in the breasts of the settlers, than the establishment of a house of prayer in the locality. Its existence brings to their minds the sacred duty of offering to Alnighty God prayers of devotion and thanks for the great blessings enjoyed through His munificence.

It is my intention, at an carly date, to make the necessary application to the Honorable the Postmaster General for the opening of Post Offices with weekly mails between the Tache Road and St. Jean Port Joli, in order that facilities may be afforded to the growing commerce of the respective localities and the social intercourse of the families settled there, I beg to solicit, very respectfully, your powerful support in this undertaking, as I am actuated by a desire to render myself useful to the localities placed under my care. Apart from the increase of the population, which renders an efficient postal communication absolutely necessary, there is also the importance of this tract of country, the resources of which are becoming rapidly developed, as you will be enabled to judge by the following synoptical statement of the value of the crops and produce during the year 1861:-


| Brought forward. |  | .. \$3330 47 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 3646 minots ........ Potatoes | Valued at 8025 per minot | 91150 |
| 125 " ........ Turnips ...... | " 015 " | 1875 |
| 12 tons ........ Hay ........... | 1400 per ton | 16800 |
| 180 " ......... Straw .......... | " 500 " | 90000 |
| 11440 lbs. or 57 qts. Pork | * 1600 per qt. | 91200 |
| 20150 lbs or $201 \frac{1}{2}$ " Sugar......... | " $800 \times$ | 161200 |
| $162 \mathrm{M} . \quad . . . . . .$. Shingles ...... | 200 per M. | 32500 |
| 37000 feet ........ Sarrn Lumber | 700 per 100 pes. | 25900 |
|  |  | \$8436 72 |
| Increase since last year |  | \$3445 72 |

To the value of the agricultural products above detailed, it is proper to add an estimate of the value of the improvements effected during the year, such as clearing operations, buildings, cattle, \&c., \&c., shewring the increase of capital thus obtained:-

$$
3 \text { Saw Mills, valued at ......................................................... \$1400 } 00
$$

9 Houses, at $\$ 50$ each ............................................................ 45000
40 Barns and Stables, \$25 each ................................................ 100000
1284 Acres Land, cleared, at \$12 per acre.................................... 153900
$114 \frac{3}{4}$ Do. do. (abattis) slashed timber, at $\$ 8$ per do............. 91800
20 Horses, at $\$ 50$ each............................................................ 100000
10 Cows, at $\$ 20$ each............................................................... 200.00
I Steer, at \$15........................................................................ 1500
21 Sheep, at \$2 each............................................................... 4200
$\$ 656400$
forming a grand total, of capital created during the year, of \$15000 72.
In order to point out more clearly the total value of the property and effects realized in the settlement, from the time at whieh I was placed in charge of the Colonization of the Elgin Road, 2 years and 8 months ago, I will take the liberty of referring you to my Annual Report of last year, from which the following statistics have been extracted, which, added to the quantity of produce harvested during 1861, will give the following result:-

Products of Agriculture and Manufactures in 1861.
$\$ 8,43672$
Farm Cattle:-


3,261 00

## Landed Property:-

4 Saw Mills, valued at
1,800 00
62 Houses, valued at $\$ 50$ each.
3,100 00
80 Barns or Stables, $\$ 25$ do.
2,000 00
969 Acres cleared Land, at $\$ 12$ per acre
11,631 00

5,850 00

## Total value of the Settlers' property and effects

$\$ 36,07872$
This remarkable result, obtained in a locality which, but three years ago, was an untouched forest, is a convincing proof of the happy effect produced by the Free Grant system upon colonization, and leads us to trust confidently in the future, in view of the organized exertions of the Government in favour of colonization, and the patriotic efforts of some political men, seconded by the press of all parts of the country.

Moreover, I submit annexed, a comparative statement in detail, of the progress of settlement on the Elgin Road during the years 1859,1860 , and 1861, shewing the property and effects realized during that time. This will enable you to see at a glance, without further research, the results which hare been obtained.

STATEMENT shewing the progress of Colonization on the Elgin Road, during the years 1859,1860 and 1861.


* Two-thirds of the crop completely destroyed by frost.

Owing to the short time which has elapsed since the opening of the Tache Road through the Districts of Garneau, Lafontaine and Chapais, I am unable to make a Special Report with reference to them ; but I trust that the statistics of the Elgin Road; which I have given above, will serve as a substitute, as they furnish proof of solid progress in that direction, only however until colonization has become developed upon the new road placed under my care.

With regard to the Elgin Road, there remain still 5 miles to complete before reaching the Provincial Line. As there are some families settled upon this unopened portion of the road, and as all the lots are granted, I would respectfully recommend that a sum of $\$ 2,500$ be appropriated for the opening and completion of this road during the approaching summer.

In conclusion, you may rest assured, Sir, that $I$ am using every exertion to forward the interests of colonization in that part of the country which has been assigned to my care.

I have the honor to be,
Your obedient servant;
(Signed;)
Stanislaús Drapeaú, Agent of the Tache and Elgin Roads.

# REPORT ON COLONIZATION ROADS IN LOWER CANADA, FOR THE YEAR 1861. 

Office of the Inspector of Agencies,<br>St. Hyacinthe, 1st March, 1862.

To the Hon. P. M. Vankoughnet, Commissioner of Crown Lands, \&e., \&e., \&e., Quebec.

Sir,-In beginning this Report, I beg leave to pay a tribute of respect to the memory of the late Thomas Boutillier, Inspector of Crown Land Agencies for Lower Canada, whose loss we have to deplore. I feel it a duty incumbent upon me to refer to the eminent services rendered by this lamented gentleman to the cause of Colonization.

The efforts of that honorable man were constantly directed towards the settlement of the children of the home-population upon their native soil. I owe it to his memory to bear witness that it was in the fulfilment of his arduous duties that he contracted the disease that carried him to the grave, and deprived the cause of Colonization of one of its ablest supporters.

Temporarily charged with the superintendence of Colonization Roads in Lower Canada, I have the honor to submit to you the following Report, respecting the work done upon them in the year 1861.

The extent of road opened in 1861, under the direction of this office, amounts to $\mathbf{1 7 6}$ miles and $6 \frac{3}{3}$ arpents.

Of this, 94 miles and $27 \frac{1}{2}$ arpents, besides 15 miles and $22 \frac{1}{2}$ arpents previously opened, have been completed, thus giving a total of 110 miles and 22 arpents of highway completed in 1861.

Bridges have been built having an aggregate length of 5438 feet, besides 7 miles and 10 arpents of crossway.

Besides the above mentioned works, fifteen miles and 12 arpents of old road have been repaired.

The sum disbursed for these several works in 1861 was $\$ 14,73306$.
The cost of the roads, including the bridges and crossway, less the various sums expended for the repairs of old roads, and the balance remaining in the hands of the Conductors of works, has, upon an average, amounted to about $\$ 212$ a mile.

If we consider the work done under the direction of this office since its first establishment, we shall find that the extent of road opened since 1854, is as follows :-

| In 1854. | . $342 \frac{1}{2}$ miles. |
| :---: | :---: |
| 1855. | . 242 6 |
| 1856. | .179 6 |
| 1857. | .276 ${ }^{1}$ |
| 1858. | .110 ${ }^{\frac{1}{2}}$ |
| 1859. | .1331 6 |
| 1860. | .174 ${ }^{\frac{1}{2}}$ |
| 1861. | .176 ${ }^{\frac{1}{4}}$ 6 |

16344 miles, or $344 \frac{3}{4}$ leagues.
The amount paid to the conductors of works for the opening of these $1634 \frac{1}{1}$ miles of road, less the balance remaining in hand, was $\$ 372,69000$.

If we deduct from this amount the sums expended in the erection of a number of large bridges, built independently of the roads, and which altogether have cost $\$ 19,19800$, we have a balance of $\$ 353 ; 492$ 00, which has been expended in the opening of Colonization Roads, including ordinary bridges.

The cost of these $1634 \frac{1}{2}$ miles of road has been, upon an arerage, about $\$ 216$ a mile.

If we lock back upon the past eight yours, we shall be astonished to see how great the progress of colonization has been throughout the country in that tine, conscquent upon the opening of roads in the Townships. The efforts of the Government bare been seconded by private enterprise, and the settlers themselves hare not hesitated to make sacrifices, in: order to favor the opening of the roads. From the beginning, not only laymen, but also sever: 1 of the clergy might be scen directing the settlers in their first operations, mithout desiring any remuncration for their time and trouble. Their example had a salutary effect, since it shewed the inuportance of the settlement of the country by the children of the soil; for cridcutly these sacrifices were made solely for the benefit of their fellomcountrymen. Grort numbers of setulers hastened therefore to establish themselves along the newly opened roads, in many cases going sercral miles into the forest in advance of the workmen, it: hopes that the roads would be continued as far as their settlements.

For some years past the public has been so fully convinced: of the real value of land in the Townships, that mauy farmers from the old parishes have been known to sell their comfortable homesteads in order to come and settle upon these new lands. Formerly such localities were selected by noue but the man of straitencd means, who deroted all his powers to the hard task of clearing his land.

If sufficient sums are voted by the Leegislayure for the opening of new roads, there can be no duabt but that in a few years the Townships will become a mine of wealth to the country; fur the profperity of the United States, and cren of Upper Canada, may be traced to their uewiy clearei land ; flour, wheat and corn are principally derived from the West, in other words, from land more or less uew.

Another yreat proof of the daity incrcasing importance of the Townships, owing to the opening of the Colonizition Roads, lics in the faet that in 1856, two years only after the creation of this office, the ceclesiastical authoritics had already provided for the erecting of 22 churches in the vicinity of the newly-opened roads.

The progress of colonization has also been greatly favored by the Legislative reforms in this matter siace 1854. Before that period, the wealthy lauded proprictors of the Townships, for the most part unknown, and many of them foreigners, had proved the principal obstacles to the settlement of our lands, hy demanding too high a price for their property, and by not contributing in any may towards local improvenents. The Lecrislature wisely prorided against these disadvautages, by compeling these persons to contribute to the municipal fund, and te assist in the pening of the roads.

One of the parts of the country whinh principally descrve the attention of the Gorernment, is the Saguenay. It is possessed of an abundantly productive soil, and its timber trade is one of growing importance.

Landed property on the Lower Saguenay has doubled in value within the last five years, and on the Upper Saguenay the annual increasc in value has been from 75 to 80 per cent.

To continue the works already commenced, and to favor the opening of now roads in this beautiful part of Canadi, large grants will have to be made. People do not hesitate to suy, that had the Kinogami road been completed three ycars ago, the County of Chicoutimi would now have a population greater by some 6 or 7000 souls.

A colony of the youth of the parish of Beauport, influenced by the zeal and patriotism of their pastor, went last autumn to settle upon lands in the Townships of Simard and Tremblay, hoping that Government would opea roads in the direction of their settlenents. These earnest and determined settlers are in the midst of their operations, and are working hard at the clearing of thcir lands. They expect a large number of other young men to join then this year.

This course should be encouraged in order to induce other parishes to follow the lead taken by Beauport, and accustom the rising gencration to abandon all ideca of expatriation.

Since the opening of the road through the Townships of Settrington and de Sales, in the County of Charlevois, the land in both these Townships has all been taken up, and for the most part cleared.

On the St. Maurice, the parishes of St. Stephen and Shawenagan, openod in 1840, and St. Flore, opened in 1856, now have a population of 3376 souls.

If the St. Maurice Road should be opened next summer as far as the River Matawin,
and if the Goveriment should make free grants of land upon that road, it is Mr. Dubord's opinion that there will certainly be, next autumn, an uninterrupted line of settlements along the whole road from lies Piles to the River Matawin.

In the County of St. Maurice, Mr. Magnan says that the colonists have settled upon lamds three miles in advance of the spot where the works under his direction were stopped.

In the county of Maskinonge, traces of iron mines have been found on the new Bark River (riviere aux ecorces) road. The population of these localities has doubled since 1807.

The progress of colonization has been very rapid in the Township of Joliette. Six years ago there was not a single settler there; at the present time, it has a population of 360 souls. The population of the north-east part of Brandon has increased by 1000 during the last few years.

In the County of Ottarwa, the Wakefield and Portland Road runs through the finest land for agricultural purposes in Lower Canada. The north-eastern part of Wakefield has been nearly all sold by the local agent within the space of a twelvemonth. Indications of copper, lead, and iron mines are to be found in the vicinity of this road, and more than 400 families have settled in these Townships within the last two years.

In the Township of Matapedia, in the County of Bonaventure, a settlement of upwards of 100 families has been made, which is in a prosperous condition.

The population of the Township of Viger, in the County of Temiscouata; which in 1851 only amounted to 40 souls, was found in 1861 to reach 1000 or 1100.

In the County of l'Islet, young men crowd towards the Townships, and on the Elgin and Tache Roads the demand for land greatly exceeds the quantity remaining to be disposed of.

In the County of Dorchester, along the Etchemin road, the work of opening which was commenced in September last, all the lots, except five or six, have been taken as far as the Rivor Etchemin.

In Cranbourne, lands which a few years ago were sold for a glass of liquor, have fetched \$1,350.

Iv Frercford and Auckland, in the County of Compton, colonization has progressed rapiilly. The settlers, having at their head two priests, as devoted as they are cnergetic, -the Reverend Messrs. Durocher and Champaux,-lost no time in taking the land, and though only $5 \frac{1}{2}$ miles of road have been opened, 254 lots have been purchased there.

I could multiply examples, but I fancy these will suffice to shew how necessary it is that the Roads in the Townships should be opened.

The census of last year testifies to the extraordinary increase of the population in counties where colonization roads hare been opened. In the Eastern Townships, the increase of the population of different origins since 1851 has been $57 \frac{1}{2}$ per cent, and the French Canadian population alone has increased 114 per cent. In the County of Saguenay the increase has been 196 per cent.

What will it be ten years hence, now that the impulse has begun to shew itself, and settlers are bending their steps in crowds to the new land?

The efforts which the Goverament is making to favor the colonization of our wild lands will, it is to be hoped, be crowned with success, and the scoding of agents to Europe will largely contribute to bring the resources of this country under the notice of the population of those countries.

A new band of brethren has come to make part of the Canadian population, and the numerous subscriptions that have been made throughout the country for the unfortunate Acadians bear witness to the deep sympathy entertained for them, and how popular mmong us is their emigration to our soil.

The attention paid by us to emigration from other countries must not, however, be allowed to interfere with our remembrance of our unhappy countrymen in the United States. It roald be truly abenefit to them and their country to favor their return by wbtaining for them the means of settling, on their return, upon vacant Crown Lands; for whatever may loe the strength, vigor, and courage of the foreign settler, none can surpass the Canadian as a pioneer.

The friends of the combry trust that a rigorous impulse will be given to colonization
by a grant proportionate to its actual wants; for, as regards the question of colonization, the judicious money grant is a gain and not a loss.

The settlers, for their part, are anxiously expecting the opening of new roads; for it must not be forgotten that if courage has been their guide to the midst of the forest, it is hope that keeps them there.

I have the honor to be,
Sir,
Your obedient servant, BOUCEER DE LA BRUÉRE, In charge of the Col. Roads, L. C.
$\qquad$
APPENDIX. COUNTY OF CHICOUTIMI.

Kinogami Road.
Conductor-J. B. Gaudin.

| Balance of appropriation from 1860 |  |  |  |  |  | \$148 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Appropriation for |  | - | - | - | - | 1200 |
|  |  |  |  |  |  | 1348 |
|  |  | - |  |  |  | 1348 |

This grand means of colonization, the projected length of which is about 48 miles, begins at Beau Portage on the river Chicoutimi, and is to extend to Metabetchouan on Lake St. John.

This road is now open as far as lot No. 31 of the first double range of the Township of Caron. One mile and seventy-one chains were opened in 1861, one mile and fifty-eight chains of which are completed, and thirteen chains as yet only cleared; the whole in the Township of Caron.

The part completed has cost $\$ 040$ per mile, not including the bridges.
Eight bridges, forming in the whole a length of 189 fect, have been constructed at a cost of $\$ 173$.

Twenty-eight miles of this road may be travelled by wheel vehicles, and fifteen miles by winter vehicles only.

It is highly necessary that the five miles of road which remain to be opened should be completed during the approaching season, for all the lands on each side of the projected route were taken up during last summer, and there is not a single lot the clearing of which has not been commenced. The poor settlers hope that the Government will come to their aid, and open the road as far as Metabetchouan.

The part extending along Lake Kinogami, and which is now opened only as a winter road, ought also to be completed, as should also the bridges which have already been commenced over the Rivers aux Sable and Chicoutimi.

The road must at some future time be continued beyond Mctabetchouan, through the Townships of Charlevoix, Omatchouan, Roberval, and Chamouchouan, in which there are, even now, a good many scttlers.

Mr . Gaudin makes the following remarks in his Report :-
"The colonization of the magnificent lands in the vicinity of Lake St. John depends entirely on the opening of the Kinogami road, for the difficulty with which the poor setlers, who now reside there, have managed to get there is apparent to all. Their effects have cost them twice as much as they would if they had had a good road for their transport. Many have been discouraged, and are waiting for the completion of the road. During last summer Imet several persons from the south side of the River St. Lawrence, who told me that they considered the lands about Lake St. John of the very best quality and much superior to those in theirown neighbourhood, but that the want of communication between Grande Baie and Lake St. John had prevented them from beginning to make clearings,
and that if the Kinogami Road, now so far advanced, werc completed, that they would return there next year with a large number of settlors.
"The population of the County of Chicontimi is increasing rapidly. I perceive that by the last census this county has been placed in the first rank. I think it has made more progress than the Eastern Townships, although these latter are everywhere intersected by ronis and traversed even by railways, whilst we have not as yet a single means of communication by land with the parishes on the shore of the St. Lawrence, nor with the valley of Lake St. John. Had this great highway been completed three years ago, the census would have shewn an increase in our population of from 6 to 7 thousand souls.
" Real property in the Lower Saguenay has doubled in value during the last five years; in the Upper Saguenay, its value is annually increasing from 75 to 80 per cent.
"The grain crops in the County of Chicoutimi are wheat (which has suffered no damare from the fly), barley, peas, and oats. Potatoes are grown in abundance, but in many places they have been attacked with the disease. Frost cansed no damage to the crops during the past year. In the County of Chicoutimi we have had an abundant harvest, more than sufficient for the maintenance of the settlers.
"Three new Townships have been surveyed this year in the neighborhood of Lake St: John, and the surveyors tell me that all the land they traversed in their operations was of the fincst quality.
"Twenty-four miles of this road have been perbalized by the Municipal authorities."

Kinogami Road-Second Section.

## Conductor-Treophile Bouldiane.

| Appropriation for $1861 ~-~-~$ | - |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Amount expended - |  |

The section of the Kinogami Road which extends from River au Sable to the Portage des Roches had had the timber upon it removed some years ago; the roots of the trees, however were left. Having been for some timic left in this state, the brushwood had in many places attained a height of fifteen feet, so that it became neeessary to do the work over again to open the road for winter travel.

This second clearing, Ilearn from the Report of Dr. Martin, has been donc in a satisfactory manner by the contractor.

From the Portage des Roches to the Bridge of Beau Portage, now in course of construction, a winter road has been opened by Mr. Boulliane, on the north west side of the River Chicoutimi ; four miles of this road are made through the forest, the remaining mile is through fine cleared land.

A good road may easily be made, there being only threc inconsiderable hills.
Mr. Martin reports that the lands are adapted for agricultural purposes.

Bridge over the Riviere au Sabla.

> Contractox-Eperaim Tremblay.

mount appropriated in
expended in 1861
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Although the first appropriation of $\$ 400$ was not sufficient to build this bridge, it was decided to expend it in urawing the lomber necessary for its construction. A contract was entered into to that effect between the Municipal Council of Chicoutimi and Mr. E. Tremblay, and the timber has been delivered on the spot and accepted.

Another sum of $\$ 100$ was afterwards appropriated for drawing stone for the bridge. This amount was paid to Mr. J. B. Jean for 25 toises of stone which he has delivered on the site of the bridge.

The bridge has been verbalized by Municipal authority.

## Bridge at Bear Portage.

Amount appropriated in $1860 \cdots \quad-\quad-\quad-\quad \$ 40000$
expended in 1861

Whe sum appropriated for the construction of this bridge over the river Chicoutimi has been cxpended in the completion of three cribs, cach 33 feet in length, 26 feet in brcadth, and about 17 feet in height.

The contract was given by the Municipal Council of Laterriere to Mr. Hypolite Dufour, whose work has been accepted by experts appointed for that purpose.

This bridge is verbalized.

## Sydenh̄am Rocul. Conductor-Josepir Fortin.



Mr. Fortin has added seren arpents to this road, which passes through a swamp rery diffeult to drain. He has re-constructed a bridge which had been damaged by the ice. He has also cleansed the drains and made improvements along that part of the road which has been completed. Now that the drains are made on cach side from one end to the other, and that outlets have been constructed at different points, Mr. Fortin thinks that the work may be completed for a moderate amount. Aloug that part of the road which is in the neighbourhood of Bagotsville, there are 600 feet of trenches on each side, excavated in the clay to a depth of 6 or 8 feet. As these are constantly filling up by the falling in of the loose soil, it is proposed to shore them up, and thas make them durable and avoid accidents.
$A$ bridge 36 feet in length has also to be constructed at the cod of the road, and also a new drain about half way.

It is estimated that a sum of $\$ 800$ will be required to complete these works and finish the road.

Nearly all the lands along the line of this road are settled; much is partly cleared, and produced an abuudant crop of oats last summer.

It is surprising to sce the change effected in this swampy land by means of the drain; the soil over all that part situated below the road has fallen a foot, and is now dry and fit for the plough.

Mr. Fortin says that if it were possible to make another road at the upper part of this swamp, about three miles west of the existing one, there would at once be presented for colonization an immense extent of the finest lands in the Saguenay.

## The Price Rocul. <br> Conductor-Ambroise Gagnon.



The by-road from the River Sagueuay to the front road between the 6th and 7 th ranges of the Township of Tremblay has had 36 arpents of its leagth completed in 1861. This long by-road, 4 miles in length, may now be used by whecled vehicles for 124 arpents, leaving about eight to complete, which, howerer, are practicable for winter vehicles.

In the lowlands, the road has cost on the arcrage $\$ 300$ per mile, and on the highlands about $\$ 290$ per mile.

Three bridges have been crected containing in the whole 102 feet of bridging, which lare cost 890 .

This road prescots great advantages for colonization. The settlers, who are numerons, have elcared considerable extents of land along that part of the rond which is opened, and hare cren made clearings on the 6 th and 7 th ranges of Tremblay, in which the road is only traced.

At the distance of about two miles from the base line of the Township of Tremblay, are two lakes of considerable size which discharge into the river Valin. These lakes abound in fish; trout have been taken in them twenty inches in length.

The lands around these lakes and in their vicinity are of superior quality, and the persons who go there to fish say that they have seen no finer lands in the whole Saguenay territory. Thesc finc lands cxtend to a considerable distance in rear of the Townships of Serward and Tremblay.

Mr. Gagnon gives the folloring information in his report. "A number of hubitans forming part of a Colonization Society established at Beauport, came here this :utumn; they took up agood many lots in Seward and Tremblay, and begun clearing. Some of them are located in the Sth and 9 th ranges of Tremblay, in the hope that the Goverument will catend that road so fur. Our settlers from Beauport are very well satisfied with the place and the quality of the soil, and say that a number of new settlers will come and join them next spring. Several of them have told me that before establishing themsclves, they had examined several other localities, and that they had seen no better lands than those they were then on.
"There are three water powers in these two Townships; one on the River Caribou, another on the Riviere aux Vases, and the third in the 10 th ringe of Tremblay.
"There is a fine limestone quarry extending a distance of three miles across the 3rd and 4 ih ranges of Scward and Tremblay, another, half a mile square, exists ir the tenth range of Tremblay.
"The River Shepchat which passes nime miles in rear of these two Townships, flows for the distauce of a mile through a bed of calcareous limestone, the fissure through which it passes being so narrow as to have the appearance of being cut by the hand of man."

Mr. Gagnon says that since this road has been commenced, the number of lots which hare been taken up is very considerable, and that colonization is making rapid progress.

The population of these Townships has doubled during the last five years. The crops have been abrudant, and have in no instance suffered from frost.

This road is rerbalized.

> Anse St. Jcan Road.
> Conductor-L. E. Otrs.


The fine Township of St. Jean, to which at the present time many settlers are directing their steps, is only accessible by water. The Anse St. Jean Road, when completed as far as the St. Agnes Rond, will open a communication between that locality and the old settlements of the St. Lawrence and Upper Saguenay.

The extent of road completed in 1861 is one mile three arpents and six chains; four arpents more are almost completed. This added to the length completed last years, gives 2 miles twelve arpents and six chains as practicable for summer vehicles.

The cost of the road is about $\$ 350$ per mile. Several small bridges hare been constructed, and a hill of some magnitude cut through.

The soil along the road is clayey and adapted for cultivation, with the exception of tyo miles at its junction with the St. Agpes Road, where the land is low and swampy.

The timber along the road consists for the most part of cedar, maple, black birch, ash, tamarac, beech, and pine in great abundance.
"I have found," says IIr. Otis, "near the road, about a mile and a half from the river Saguenay, a spring containing a large quantity of iron pyrites.
"The population of Anse St. Jean has increased very considerably during the last few years. Three years ago there were only fifteen families; there are now about 86.
"A chapel and a preslytiere have been erected, and a priest was stationed there in November last. A municipality was organized there, school-houses built, and a post office opened."

COUNTY OF SAGUENAY.


This road has been opened as a winter road to a distance of thirteen miles, twelve of which are in the Township of Tadousac and one in Bergeronnes, where it connects with the road which Mr. Tetu finished this year.

Thirteen bridges, havingan aggrcgate length of 287 feet, have been built at an expense of $\$ 84$.

Mr. Boulliane in his Report to this office makes the following statements:-
"The soil of the tract between Anse il l'eau and River Baude, which is four miles in extent, is excellent; the lots have all been taken and many of them have been sowed this year. The good land continucs along the St. Marguerite Valley, up the River Baude, and it is my opinion that if the St. Margucrite Road connected with that from Tadoussac to Bergeronnes at its fourth mile, the advantage which would acciue to colonization would be creat. From the fourth to the tenth mile, mountains and lakes are met with; in the gulleys white and black birch, ccdar, tamarac, and fir are found. From the tenth mile to the River Bergeronnes the road passes over the farms of the settlers on the south-west side of the river, which are of superior quality. This road is of great use to tratellers and settlers; it is impossible to travel in carriages by any other route.
"There are two water powers on the River Baude and the little River Bergeronues.
"The crops in these parts consisted of wheat, rye, and barley. The potatoes were not diseased. The first frosts only occurred at the end of October."

Mr. Boulliane estimates that a sum of $\$ 8000$ will be necessary to complete this road.

## COUNTIES OF CHICOUTIMI AND CHARLEVOIX.

Road from St. Crbain to Grande Baie. Conductor-J. Ovide Tremblay.
Balance of the appropriation of 1860 - . - $\$ 552$

Appropriation of 1861. - - - - 150000
Do. in 1860 for the Bridge over the River Malbaic - - - - - 100000


This road, the principal means of communication between Quebec and the Upper

Sagucnay, is nor completed to a distance of about 49 or 50 miles. About $1 t$ miles still remain to be completed, but this picce may horever be travelled in minter rchicles.

In 1861, three and $a$-half miles of this road were finished and 50 chains were cleared. The rond, exclusive of the bridges, cost $\$ 320$ a-mile.
Thirty-cight bridges, having a total length of $4 ? 0$ feet, have been built; the cost of these has been $\$ 37440$.

The wood required for the bridge oror the River Malbaie was contracted for, and has iseen delivered on the spot. The quality of the soil through which this road passes is tolenably good. The rood is very fine and lofty, especially in the forests extending from i, ake IIa! Ha! to within about 7 miles of the first settements of Grande Baic. The soil in this part is also of superior quality.

This road will be favorable to the speedy settlement of the Upper Saguenay; nearly all the surecyed lands on the Lower Sagnenay are taken, and signs of cleariug may be seen nearly everywhere along the road.

The rarious kinds of grain grome in the ncighborhood of the road are peas, harley, wheat, and ryc.

The crops this year did not suffer from frost.

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Illuee thousand and six arpents have been completed this year upon this road, and it an now be used for summer rehicles over an extent of fire miles. There remains still to lie finished an extent of 16 miles, viz: 4 miles in Callieres, and 12 miles in Saguenay. Trelve bridges have heen constructed at a cost of $\$ 125$.

This road has cost about $\$ 400$ per mile.
Mr. McLaren, in his report, thus expresses himself:-"The soil along the road, as well as in the interior, is a yellow loam, and is very suitable for agricultural purposes."

On the whole extent of the road, places accessible by water are immediately settled, and lots have been taken up by settlers cren in advance of the completed part of the road.

Water-powers are ummerous, and of extroordinary strength. The crop has heen excellent, and has not been damased either by frost or insects. The settlers are full of hope, and all they require to cnable them to catablish their children in the vicinity, is the constrution of colonization roads.

The information which follows on the state of agriculture and enfonization on the river Siguenay, is from the pen of David E. Price, Esq, M.P P., and I have found his sugerestions so interesting that I have considered it my duty to insert them in this Report.

Mr. Price writes as follors:-
"As I have already informed you, the crop of last yeur produced but little on account of the wet scason; but in spite of this misfortune, the settlers have got through the winter well, and have been enabled this year to sow a considerable quantity of grain, the greater part of which was obtained from Montreal, Quebec, and other parishes on the River St. Lavrence. The crop has been abundant, and of good quality.
"The month of June and part of July mere rainy, and during the remainder of the season till October, the weather was warm and dry, and frost did not appear till all the grops had been harrested.
"Wheat having turned out well last year, was sowed in large quantities this year, and yielded a good erop. With the exception of an occasional appenrance in a ferv marshy places and sheltered fields, the meevil has not been seen. Those tho sowed mheat have been well remuncrated.

[^5] few yoars, and although the crop was generally good, in some parts it has been a complete failure on account of the excessive heat in July and August. Ang of it that did ripen was very productive
"Burley was somn in rery small quantity on account of the rainy season before secdtime, which prevented the setelers from settiug fire to their new clearings in time to som that grain ; but where it was sown, the crop was good and the grain rery full.
"Pe'ts yielded a good crop. A large quantity was somn, and the grood quality of the crop is a subject of general surprise.
"Oats.-More of this grain was sown than usual, and the crop has been ample and of superior quality.
"Hay is very abumant; it yielded two-thirds more than last year, and ras saved in good condition.
'P Potatocs, although planted in large quantitios, yielded but a poor crop, on account of the rust which attacked the !eaves in August. Farmers who pulled out the stalks at that time, saved the roots, but the growth was immediately stopped.
"Flax is sown by all the sectlers, but in very small quantities. If the cultivation of it were increased, aud more care taken, they would find it the most lucrative crop. 'they do not uow seen to appreciate its value, and consequently neglect its cultivation. Ther sow it in the same picce of ground for several consecutive years, and during its gromth give it nu care whaterer.
"The chay soil of the Saguenay is better adapted to the cultivation of flus than that of any part of Lower Canada which I have visited, and if its value as an agricultural product were once really known, important returns would soon result from its cultivation.
"Unless it is cultrated on a large scale, it would be useless to erect machinery to incrase its value as a raw material, which would be absolutely necessary, were sufficient encouragenent afforded.
"It is impossible to impress the cultivation of thisimportant article too strongly unon the atten ion ,it the farmers of this country.
"L ma aappy to be able to say that the immigration which reaches us from the parishe of he St. Lawrence, is gradually effecting the settlement of the wild lands in the viciuity. bui wot as rapidly as we could desire.
"'the principal cause of this sow prugress may be traced to the want of rouds and bridges, to enable pew setticrs to reach the puints where they desire to setrle. Besides settlewents are so scattered in this county that it is impossible, with the small apropria. tinu granted to this ageney, to meet the reasonable requirements of colonization in this district.

* The settlersall travel tomards Lake St. John, and their means of commmication are difficult both by land aird water.
"I he road from Kaskouia to Kushpaganish is now finished, but that protion of itfrom Kas'iouia to Leau Portage is only opened as a winter road. From Kushpaganish npwards there is no way of passing, except throush the forest, or on the beach when the waters of Lake St. John are low, and these roads are only passable on foot.
"You can easily understand the miserable position of settlers who are isolated ? miles higher up ou the borders of the Lake, their only means of commanication beingin summer by cauocs, when the lake is calm, and in minter on the ice of this inland sea; and this, I can assure you, is attended with great danger on account of the snow storms wheh continually obiiterate all traces of the road.
"It has now become a matter of urgent necessity to complete the Kinogami Road frour Beau Fortage on the Chicoutimi River to Kaskouia, as well as that other portion of the same road from Kushnagavish, at the division line between the Townships of Canon and Metabetchouan, to the settlements of Charlevoix and Roberval, a distance of about 90 miles.
"These tro parts of the Kinogami Road, forming a distance of 36 miles in length, would cost, including small pridees, about $\$ 400$ per mile. The bridge alrcady commenced over the river Chicoutimi at Beau Portage cannot be completed uuder a cost of $£ 400$. The bridge orer Riviere du Sable will cost from $£ 400$ to $£ 500$. The other rivers which
we meet with as far is Metabetchouan, can be casily bridged. At the last wentioned place the bridse, which is absolutely necessary, will not cost less thau £600.
:- We therefore require a sum of 15000 to onen and complete the Kinogami Road theurhout its entire length.
"The lecalities which uext in order offer the greatest inducements to settlers, are the fownships of Simard, Tremblay, and Marrey. I have always considered the two first manel Townships as the finest tract of laud on the River Saguenay, but settlers have been percated from occupying them by the want of roads. So soon, howerer, as it was decided that the road which in your report you were pleased to call the "Price Road," should pres through the centre of these Townships, and so soon as the road betrecen the Saguenay and the main road was commenced, settlers rushed in and hare since formed the now prish of St. Ana.
"A church has been crected, a priest resides there, and vearly all the lots in Simard from the 1st to the 7th range have been settled by the nembers of families from the old stitements in the neighborhood, and from Les Eboulemens.
"This fail a party of settlers from Beauport took possession of 40 or 50 lots from the ath to the Sth range of these Tornships. They are now engaged in clearing their lots to pht in sech next spring. They expect a large number of their fricuds to join them in the spias. I thercfore consider that it would be proper to appropriate a sum of money to fied the woad to the ninth range, in order that these courageous settlers may be coabled to burey their effects and families to the lots which they intend to purchase. It would require a sum of sesoo to open this road.
$\because$ The main road should also be opened as at present laid out for at least 5 miles on each side of the route, and once this nucleus is formed, the frout roads in each range will be maily opened by the settlers themselves.
"It is also necessary to build a bridge over the riter Walin, in the Township of TremWhy. The Tuwnship of'St. John on the river Saguenay, has attracted some attention since the commencement of the road from L'Anse St. Jean, to enable the settlers to open up their lands aud to communicate with the Upper Saguenay and the St. Lawrence. This roud will crentually be a branch of the main road now being constructed by the Departwent of Public Works, to communicate between Grande Baic and Malbaic. This new towd will open up for colonization an area of 240 square miles of good land, which thic fiovemment purpose offering in part to settlers next year.
"St. John is principally settled by young families from Les Eboulemens. There is a fine church with a resident priest, and flour and saw mills. The Municipal and School haws are there in full operation, and a Post Office has been established. This locality posseses the fincst climate in Lower Canada, and will, before many ycars, be onc of the finest parishos in the country.
"It would recuire a sum of $£ 600$ to open up the road to its juuction with the road frem st Asnès, which is the only outlet from this settlement.
"The other settlements on the Upper Saguenay are progressing favourably, and with some more assistance from the Colonization Fund to aid in the construction of bridges over the River du Sable at Beau Portage, and over the River Valin, to open up tro roads of tro miles cach, one between the 7 th and Sth ranges of Chicoutimi, another in the division liac betreen I3agot and Chicoutimi to its junction with La Terrière, both roads being, on account of the swampy nature of the soil, too costly for the limited means of the settlers, add the completion of the Sydenham Road, colonization will advance rapidly throughout this District.
"To complete the Sydenham Road would require a sum of $\$ 500$ to $\$ 000$.
$\therefore$ It is extraordinary to sec the effect produced by the drainage in the construction of the roads, upon the adjacent marshy lauds. Oats sown in July, merely fur forage, grew io a height of $f$ to 7 fect aud ripened to perfection. This is almost incredible, but I will cite a fact: all these lots of land are taken up, many have been placed under crop this year, and there is no doubt that the remainder will be next year.
"The St. Erbain Rond, which is our principal outlet towards Quebec and the St. Lawrence, is not jet completed, owing to the want of funds. I am in hopes that it will be luished nert year, as there are only 12 miles to complete, and the bridge ser the mircr In brite to be built, the necessary timber being already on the spot.
"These works will require a further outlay of $£ 1400$.
"Our Court House is finished, and the place now looks like an old settlement.
"The valuc of landed property is increasing day by day; in the country parts, farms with ordinary buildings upon them and small clearings, scll for $\$ 8$ to $\$ 10 \mathrm{pcr}$ acre. Vacant lots near the settlements with nothing but the front road and deconvert with brush fencing, soll at from $\$ 150$ to $\$ 600$ per acre, accordicg to tlic locality in which they are situated, aud the quality of the soil. Purchasers gencrally pay is to a cash, the bilance remaining on credit.
"The parishes of St. Aphonse and Notre Dame de Lateriere have deciled upn cunstructing lraudsome stone churehes.
"The School Commissioners of Chicoutimi are now building a fiue Academy, 60 fect by 40, two storics high. The Municipality intend, I belicere, to buik a City Hall for its own use and that of the Mechanics' Institutc. The latter institution already possesses a fine library. It is eren proposed to incorporate the Town of Chicoutimi, and to establish Gas Works and Water Works, but my opinion is that the population is not yet sufficiently large to guarantec this expenditure. The Munieipalitics of Graude Baic and Bagotville have constructed whares to facilitate the stcamboat traffic. These two wharres are tro miles distant from eacly other. It would have been better, perhaps, to have consiucted but one whart: A spirit of local antagonism, howerer: prerented a combination of both villages to effect the desired object.
"At Jjagotville, Ms. Vallieve of Quebec, Lits built a large hotel, with 50 ar b0 bedrooms. Whe house is well kept by a Mr. Lord.
"Toursts are beginaing to appreciate our Lake ind the mild senacry of the Suruenay; and had it not been for the unfortunate rebellion in the United States, Mr. Lord would hare had the good fortune last summer of secing his hotel filled with tourists.
"I have been informed that some parties intend building hotels at Grande Baie and Chicoutimi.
"Having. give". you above all the information 1 consider interesting regarding the County of Chicoutimi, I will now speak of the County of Sagucuay.
"The crops have been gencrally good, but Tam informed that they have been inferior to those of the County of Chicoutimi.
"A large number of young settlers from the parishcs of Malbaic and st. Aenes have taken up lots on the road which leads to the Township of Albert Edward, situated between Tadousac and the Riviere St. Margucrite, and I shonld not be surprised if this Township were fully settled in the course of a fer ycars. I trust that a sufficient appropriation rill lye granted uext ycar, to eable us to complete the Prince's Road througliout its cntire leugth. You are perhaps not aware that His Royal Highoess the Prince of Wales placed his foot on Canadim soil for the first time at St. Margucritc.
"A house is now being built at Tadousac for the reception of a pricst, who is shortly to take up his residence there. The old chureh built by the Jesuits is still standius, and is sufficient for the requirements of the locality. It is intended to establish at Tadousac uest year, a rendezous for sca-bathing during the summer season, and in order to receive visitors a large liotel and a oumber of cottages will be constructed. I hope the fine seenery of the locality, the sea-baths, fishigg, and its csteemed mineral waters will revaer it a fashjonable resort for families desirous of scching pleasure and health. This circunistance will materially add to the importance of the place, and will serve as an cucouragement to setthers to take up the good lands in the vicinity. The winter road from Tadousac to Bergeronnes is now open throughout its catire lepgth. It gives access to a number of fine lots of land which have been settled by a large number of settlers. I hope that next sumuer the road may be partly adapted to sammer travel.
"From Escoumains to Bergeronnes, the road has been rendered practicable for whecled vebicles by the Department of Public Works. I hope it will be continued next scason.
"The road from Black River to the mouth of thic Sagucnay liad been partly openci as a summer road this year, but the amount appropriated was so small, that but little nork has been done. Neverthcless, the work alicady done has given an impulso to colonization, and here and these tro find settlers who liave established themselves an goon lote tith their families, trustiug to Providence and good licalth,
"Round the Escouman Mills where the "Peres Oblats" have established their principal missious, a fine village is being formed, and a pretty church has been built.
"Towards the cast as far as Mille Vaches, in the County of Portncuf; and towards the west as far as Grandes Bexgeronnes, we fiod farms the occupants of which cone to the church and mills at Escoumain. There is no doubt that before many jeas, agricultural juterests and the fisheries will be the means of increasing considerably the population of the County of Saguenay.
"The School Lav is in full oparation in that neighborliood, and Postoflices are established at Talousac, Escoumain, and Portucuf. In the Townships of Samucuay and Callieres we find fanuilies that are well established, and the lands are rapidly taken up in the neighberhood of these settlements. Four or fire families from Les Eboulemens have settled on the shores of the Little River Saguenay.
"There is a fine tract of land lying in a valley which catends to the Township of St. Henu. If a road were built between St. Jem and Little Saguenay, a distance of 5 miles, considerable establishments would soon be formed in that valley.
"I cannot conclude without making the remark, that it is absolutely uecessary that the Goverument should, during the ensuing session, ask for a considerable appropriation for the parposes of colonization. And it is particulan!y important that this should be done in order to encomage the return of a large number of our compatriots who have been tempted to leave this country to obtain cmployment in the United States. We should procure for them the meaus of reaching our unoccupicd linds, aud should support their families by cmploying them in opening up Colonization Roads. A desirable change in the system of constructiog these roads would be to comuence the work carly in the scason, say about Iet June, beciuse it cen be better cxecuted during the dry season and long days than in the fill. This yeur the work was seatecly commenced before the lst September; a scason too far adranced to make profitable use of the money appropriated."


## GOUNTY OF CHARLEVOLA.



This Road, which commences in the tirst rauge of Settrington, is intended to termiwate at the St. Urbain Hoad.

In that portion of the road already opened; 5 miles and 2 arpents were completed this year, also one arpent of corduroy rork. There still remiains to be completed a distance of 5 mites and 5 arpents now grubbed cight fect in width, and through which a cart can pass.

Mr. Gagnon has informed this Office that colouization has progressed so rapidly that there we no lots for sale in the Townships of Settriugton and De Sales, aud that the greater portion of the lots located are partly cleared.

A large number of settlers intend estahlishing themselves to the north-cast of Riviere du Gouffre, although the lots are not yet surveycd. Grain of every description has beeu sown in this district without suffering from frost or insect. Three miles of this road are rebhalized. It is estimated that a sum of $\$ 800$ would be required to complete it.

## COUNTY OF MONIMORENCY.



These two bridges were built in the course of last year. The bridge over the Niver Desroches was built by day labour, and the bridge over the Wiver Lombrette was let out on contract to Mr. Eticnac Bacon. Both bridges lave been received and accopted by the local Municipal authorities, who declared that the work had been conducted carcfully and judiciously, and that they had been constructed in the best possible manner, and in strict conformity to the plans and specifications.

## Cirachon Rout.

## Conductor-Ciramaes line.llae.



This road commences at the parish of St. Fercol, one halt league south of the River Si. Anne's, and is to terminate at the St. Urbain Roat. Mr. Rheamme, who was employed fo explore and trace this road, has handed in a most fivorable report.

After the Department had taken into consideration that this new rowd would shorten the distance which has to be travelled by the existing Des Caps road between Quobec and St. Urbain by fifteen miles, there was no hesitation in undertaking its construction. Its completion rill be for the settlers on the Sagucnay, an adrantagcous continuation of the rond now being finished betreen Grand Baic and st. Urbain, and of great aed important utility in the colonization of the localitics through which it passes as well as of the Saguenay District.

It has been decided to construct a bridge over the River St. Auses at the starting point of the road. This bridge will be about 210 fect long, and the cost is estimated at from $\$ 1000$ to $\$ 1200$.

In order that adrantage may be taken of the favorable scason, ad adrance of $\$ 400$ was made to Mr. Rheaume last fall, to csable him to procure with greater faciity the requi. site building timber, as well as to gire bim the means of collecting in heaps the stone required to fill the piers, which he will thus be able to convey to the bridge when the season and the roads are farorable.

Mr. Rheaume in his Report writes as follows:-
"This road passes through a large tract of fortile laud. It passes close to four magnificent lakes in Which fish abound; it is as level as any road that cau possibly be opencd. There willibe only one bridge to construct between the last two lakes, (of about 25 to 30 fect in length), and it will cost but little.
"All the lots of land to which this new road will give access are several hundred feet below the level of the road now frequented, and are much supcrior to those already located. They are protected from the north wind by a range of mountains, and are cousegnently much less exposed to heary frosts, which are sererely felt on the present road. The jncline is towards the south; thus they are always exposed to the heat of the sun, and while this must add to their fertility, it will preserve them from the effects of frost.
"The timber found along this road is birch, maple, \&c., \&c., \&c.

## COUNTY OF QUEBEC.

## Stoncham and Tculestury Roat. Conductor-Etienne Bensier.

Balance of appropriation, 1860 .
837321
Amouat expended - - - - - 37821
With this sum Mr. Bemier completed in 1SOI, If arpents of rond, whioh cost at the yate of $\$ 167$ per mile.

Six small bridges hare ben huilt, and th arpents of cordurny tork orer smampy soil, the whole at a cost of $\$ 200$.

This road is verbalized.
Colonization has made great progress in these localities, and the population has doubled within a fer years. This rood is now fuished.

## COUNTY OF PORTNEUF.

## Gosford and St. Gabricl Roced. Conductor-Alexis Cayfe.

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\begin{array}{lcccc}
\text { Balance of appropriation, } 1859 & - & - & - & - \\
\text { Amount expended } & \$ 60000 \\
600 & - & - & - & - \\
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\end{array}
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This road commences at the post which divides lots No. 15 and 16 of the 4 th range of the Township of Gosford, and is to terminate at the road already opened in St. Gabriel. The proposed length is seven miles.

With this sum Mr. Cayer has completed $t$ miles and 16 arpents of road, of which it miles and 15 arpents are in Gosford, and 1 arpent in St. Gabriel. The cost has been about S112 per mile. Bridges have been built, forming in the aggregate a length of 267 feet ; and also $4 \frac{1}{2}$ arpents of corduroy rork on strampy land.

It would require a further sum of $\$ 250$ to complete the tro miles and a few arpents, which remain still unopencd as far as the St. Gabriel Road.

In the vicinity of this road the soil is good but rocky. The trees on the mountains are large; the timbor most gencrally found on this tract of land is maple and birch, with sume few firs ; in the low lands, white spruce with birch and fir.

In his Report Mr. Cayer makes the following suggestions:-
"In order to advance the interests of colonization a roadshould be made from Fossamslault, following the line which passes betreen lots No. 21 and 22 of the 1 st, 2 ud, 3 rd and the ranges of Gosford, crossing the road which I have lately made, ats well as the St. Sume's River, following about the same direction through the upper ranges in order to reach a tract of land which I explored two years since, where I found 40 or 50 good lits, and linally to reach the Romont Road.
"An exploration should also be ordered in vien of opening a road ou the division line of the Tomsthips of Coibere aud Cosford, which can at a future date be extended further towards the interior, where 1 am informed there are a large number of excellent lots of land."

> C'ollert Road.
> Conductor-Vioton Lechene.
Balance of appropriation, 1860 - - - 810000
Amount cxpended - - - - - 10000

Mr. Ieelère has completed, during 1861, 15 arpents and $S$ rods of road which, with the portion opened last year, form a length of $\because$ miles 16 arpents and 9 rods of road, acecssible to summer rehicles. The cost has been at the rate of $\$ 152$ per mile.

A bridge has been built 37 feet in length, and also 158 feet in length of corduroy work.
The township of Colbert is mountainous, nerertheless the soil is good, and the lots are sought after by young settlers.

It is intended to continue the road as far as the Batiscan river, passing by Lake Simon, which is in the Tomnship of Colbert.

## Montauban Road: Conductor-T. BelayaER:

Amount appropriated - $\quad . \quad$
Amount expended

- $\quad \$ 50000$
50000

This road commences 6 miles from the church of St. Casimir, in the seigniory of Les Grondines, and is intended to terminate at the river Batiscan, in the Tornship of Montauban. The proposed length of the road is 16 miles.

Seren miles of road have been opened, and oue half completed, so that it may be considered fit for the passage of whecled rehicles on its whole length.

The cost of the completed road, bridges excepted, is $\$ 127$ per mile.
The number of bridges built is fire, eich about 30 to 36 fect in length. In addition to this, tro arpents of corduroy work have been compicted. The enst of these works has been $\$ 5550$.

The quality of the soil orer which this road passes is generally gooi, and the lots offer considerabic adrantages to sctilers. Several water-powers have also been found in this tract.

Colonization is in a flonrishing condition in this neighborhood, and property is increasing rapidly in value. All kinds of grain hare becu grown here with good vesults. Two church sites hare becn fixed upon by the ceclesiastical authorities.

Mr. Belanger considers that it will rerguire the sum of 81,500 to finish this road.

## COENIY OF CHAMPTALA.

St. Tite Romt.<br>Conductor-Tosepi Themer.



With this sum Mr. Trudel has quened aud completen one mile and hree quarters of iond 20 foet in wiath, which, taken with that poition npenel in the preceding years, form four miles opened and completed on the main road.

The south branch of the St. Thite Road, which is 22 aments in Length, has also been opened throughout its length; and ten arpents of it, contaming six large hills, have been completed.

At the begiming of the second (quarter-mile, there is a britge tis feet long, which has been built for the sum of twente-fire dollirs. Mr. 'Irulel considers that the sum of $\$ 35$ will be sufficient to complete the latter romd. In his interesting report he makes the following remarks:-
"A portion of the main road, (elevon acres) being urer wery marshy soil, I opened a cross ditch seven acres in lencth, to drain the wator off towarcls a small stream in the neighborlooal. While digging this ditch, I found small quantities of iron ore, and I believe that this swamp, which extends a considerable distance towards the north-west, may contain a sufficient guantity of this metal to render the mine raluable. I. also found a small strenu called the "Rnisscan Rouille", which crosises a portion of this swamp, and which falls into the liver Merguinac. Its waters are strongly impreguated with oside of irou. Even at a distance from this swamp, although the waters are nuch clearer, wo still find particles of oxide of iron resting upon the leares and mosses in the bed of the streani.
"Tith the exception of this swamp, which is composed of sandy soil, aud but little adapted to settlement, the surrounding tract of land is good soil, casy to cultivate and keep in order. The sub-soil, being sand, does not preserve that excessive moisture which is injurious to vegetation when the sub-soil is of a hearier nature. Thare passed througl the hardwood forest in this tract after heavy rains, and no water could be found escept in the streams.
"On the whole extent of this road, lots have this year been marked out with temporary division lines, and settlers heve already commenced clearing operations. It is to be hoped that the Department of Crown Lands will take pity upon such a number of unfortunate settlers, and facilitate their establishment on this tract. The sale of these lands would also augment the rerenue of the Profince.

## St. Maurice Road. <br> Conductor-Atpronse Dubord.



This road commences on the south-west side of the River St. Maurice, at the Piles load, and is intended to extend to the mouth of the River Hatawin; from that point to Rat River; from thence one branch will Icad to "La Fuque" on the St. Maurice, and the wther to the River Vermillion, following the south side of Rat River.

Four and one half miles of this road hare been given out on contract at the rate of 5460 per mile, including bridges.

As the road was only commenced last November, the coutractor was unable to complete his contract ; nevertheless three miles of road have been finished, and threc-quarters of a mile are in on advanced state.

Five bridges have been built; three of 20 feet in length, and two others of over 40 feet each. The land through which this road passes is of good quality and well adapted for colonization. The timber is mixed, but hardwood predominates.

Mr. Dubord, in his excellent report, thus expresses himself :-
"In glancing at the extent of country through which this road will pass, it will be seen :hat un immense tract of land will be opened up to colonization. The newly explored Tomnships of Caxton, Polette, and Turcotic must, on acconnt of the fertility of the soil, ibsorb an immense population.
"In every respect the St. Maurice hoad will be une of the mosi important highways in The Province. The lots of land, which are of good quality, will offer one immense advantage to the settler who is at a distance from a city market, which is ready sale on the spot to the lumber merchants of everything these lands can produce. To the latter class the rond will be useful as a converient route for carrying. supplies to the timber limits upon which they are working. The only means of access which they now have are by canoes on the River St. Maurice in summer, and in sleighs over the ice in winter.
"When it is considered that more than 1900 men, and upwards of 600 horses are cmploged during the winter as far as 150 miles in the interior of the St. Maurice territory: we can form but a feeble idea of the enormuas expenditure involved, as well as the losses and delays consequent upon sach difficult means of communication. The St. Maurice territory is covered with lakes and rivers, so that water powers are to be found in large numbers. There is no limestone on this road, but iron ore has been found in large quantities, is well as copper ore in small quantities. Of the existence of the latter I am not myself positively assured, although it is so reported.
"It is intended that this road shall extend over a distance of 115 miles, anil therefore it catnot be completed for some years; but I think that next summer it should be extended to the River Matarin from 20 to 25 miles, and that the sum of $\$ 1200$ shoud be granted for that purpose.
"St. Eticane and Shawenegan were upened in 1849 , and St. Flore in 1856. The population, according to the last census, is 2054 in St. Etienne, 962 in St. Boniface (Shawebegan), and over 360 in St. Flore, in all 3376.
"Few localities, I will venture to say, have progressed more rapidly, and had it not becn for the want of colonization roads, the population would now be double its present figure. If the Government decide upon giving free grants in the St. Maurice territory, there will certainly be next year an unbroken line of settloments from the Piles to the River Matawin. Another year the same thing will take place on that portion of the road towands Rat River, which passing through the Townships of Polette and Turcotte will offer: great advantages to settlers, and more particularly to that class which depends upon the lumber trade for an existonce. I may be permitted to remark, that I do not consider a foreign immigration towards that district as at all desirable. It is not the lack of sottlers that we feel, but let the same efforts be usod and the same facilitics offered to our own surflus population of the surrounding parishes, which we contemplate.granting to a foreigu
in mifrition. and new parishes will spring up in the same manner as the three parishes m . nthned above St : tiemne and St. Boniface are both erected into parishes, canonically and civilly They buth have resident priests. A chapel has been built at St. Flore, and service is pe formed by th: Curé of St Boniface This parish will also shortly be erected intio a pari-h callonically and civilly. The settled farms are worth from $\$ 400$ tr $\$ 3000$. Thi-hioh value of lamded property spaks volumes in favor of the quality of the soil. To offre anmer prow of this inc. L will submit the following:
"As Igent of Crow Lands I collected in Shawenegan alone, from the 12 th to the 31 st December. IY.j9, the sman $\$ 1+i j 7!$, and this did nut prevent these hardy settlers from taximg themely sto the amunt of \$liviud for the construction of a stone charch and pr sly erw.

- . Hi kinds of grain have be n harvested in this locality. Wheat has been a success in St Fhore vits and barley have proluced well ia St. Boinface; and rye and oats in St. Erienne. Hay is plentinu everywherc, and good sound potitoes have been grown in all these localiiies. The frost has uot caus $d$ any perceptible damage. There is scarcely any difference as regards frost betwen these and the parishes on the shores of the St . Lawrence.
"The St. Maurice Road is not verbalized."


## COUNTY OF ST. MAURICE:

Mill-Road in Shawenegan.
Conductor-Cyrille Magnan.

| Amount appropriated |  |  |
| :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Amount expeuded | - | - |
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Of the portion of this road which is only opened, Mr. Magnan levelled in 1861, 83 arpunts in lupth. by 7 to 10 teet in width, through which wheeled vehicles can pass. The cost of this work has been $\$ 169$.

The total length of this road passable in summer vehicles is $5 \frac{1}{2}$ miles.
The overscer nas also compluted 275 feet in length of corduroy work, at a cost of $\$ 36$.
Colonization is making great progress in this locality. Settlers have established themselves even as far as the shores of the Little Shawenegan River, three miles beyond the limits of Mr. Magaan's operntions.

A preslytere has been built this year at St. Boniface of Shawenegan, which cost \$1400. There is now a resident priest who has resided there since last fall, and preparations are being made to construct a church at an early date.

The value of landed property has more than doubled during the past few years. The road being now completed as far as the mill, nothing remains but the opening of a road 60 arpents in lengt: to join the St. Maurice Road. This would be of great advantage to the settlers of the parish of St. Flore ani o her localities in the vicinity, who are now. obliged to travel a cunsiderable distance to carry their grain to the grist-mill.

## Rond from Hunterstown to St. Etienne. <br> Conductor-Cearles Gelinas:

| Amount appropriated |
| :--- |
| Amount expended |$\quad . \quad . \quad . \quad-\quad \$ 30000$

This Road commences at the Village of Hunterstorn, crosses the Township of Parton; and is to terminate on the Government Road in St. Etienne. Mr. Gelinas bas opened 59 arpents of this road, 14 of whicil are completed. The cost has been at the rate of $\$ 120$ per wile. Six arrents of corduroy work have also been commenced, but are not finally completed. The soil on e:ch side of this road is sandy and rocky, but fit for cultivation. Hardwood and building timber are found in this district as well as extensive sugaries. As this road ogens up communicution with Three Rivers Shawenegang St Florem and St

Etienue, it offers immense advantages for colonization and trade There are in the ricinity four water powers, two of which are at present in use. Limestian is also found there.

Mr. Gelinas states that the progress of colonization has been very great, and on cach side of the Government ruads it exceeds all expectations. The population has increased bs two-thirds during the past few years.

The crop has been good and has been harrested without damge.
One league and three-quarters of this road is verbalized.

## COUNTY OF MASKINONGE.

## Riviere aux Ervices Reind.

Conductor-Leandre Lafond.
Amount of appropriation . . . . . $\quad \$ 20000$
Amount expended

With this sum Mr. Lafond has opened sis arpents of road to the north of the Riviere du Loup, in the Township of Ilunterstown, and has built bridges having all aggregate length of 197 feet.

The nature of the soil over which this road passes is sandy and produces good grain.
Timber is abundant and of good quality.
Mr. Lafond reports that if the road were opened three miles further up, it would reach some vacant Government lots where the soil is of exeelleat quality. That gentleman counted upwards of ten men in one day who visited these luts of land, and they await the opening of this road to settle upon them. There is a fine water power on the stream running out of Lac al'Fau Claire, and indications of iron ore have bern obserred there.

The arops have been very successful, and landed property has doubled in value since 1857. Mr. Lafond considers that it w.uld require $\$ 303$ to complete that part of the road already opened, and $\$ 1000$ to continue the road as tar as the Goverument lots above alluded to.

This road is verbalized.

St. Dillace Road.
Conductor-Remi Barrette.
Amount appropriated $\quad . \quad . \quad . \quad . \quad 320000$
Amount expended . . . .
20003

The operations on this road were commenced this year, at the front part of lut No. 16, in the fief Hope, and terminated at the cleared lots of L Le Deiigny.

Out of $25 \frac{3}{4}$ arpents opened, 23 arpents are passable $i_{11}$ wheeleil vehiclus, hut the remainder only in winter sleighs. The work was done principally on a mountain but partly in a swamp, where it was necessary to lay down 650 feet of curduruy wort cuvered with 400 2oads of earth.

Mr. Barrett in his Report this expresses himelf:-
"On the summit of the mountain we meet with fine sugaries. In the valley below, which could easily be drained, we fild a tract of land with rich and productive soil wh ch could be advantageously settled. When this swampy valleg is passed. sugaries are found in one unbroken range in the whole length of $r$ rad both opened und urope mod.
"We have this year seen with sarisfaction that our courage us settlers have harvested a large quantity of oats, buckwheat, rye, \&c., and neither the frost nur the heavy tains have-seriously damaged these crops.
"It woild require, I think, a further sum of $\$ ? 400$ to build the road as far as the Township of Peterborongh. Such an extension would be immensely advantavecous to the Ganadian settlers, beeause a large tract of fine couniry would be realered accessible, and they"ould be rewarded a bundred fotd for their labor in clearing these lots."

This rond to verbalived:

## COUNTY OF BERTHIER.

## Alfred Road and St. Catherine Roud. <br> Conductor-TErfmite Laporte.



The first of these roads, called the Alfred cross-roud, commences at the church of St. Norbert, and termiantes at the division line betreen the Seignory of Berthier and the 'Township of Brandon ; the second, called the St. Catherine cross-road, which is but an extension of the first, terminates at the 9 th range of Brandon. These roads hare been completely opened for a number of years, but required repairs. With the sum of $\$ 218 \mathrm{Mr}$. Laporte has improved and completed about six miles of these roads; $4 \frac{1}{2}$ miles in Brandon, and one mile in that part of the Seigniory of Lanaudiere within the limits of the Township of Brandon, to the south-west of Lake Maskinongé, and also one-half mile in the Seigniory of Berthier.

The cost ot these improvements was at the rate of $\$ 2699$ per mile. Three bridges have been built. two of which have been constructed by the settlers, and one of 60 feet in length by Mr. Laporte. There are several mater powers, all in use, in the vicinity of these roads.

A valuable copper mine has, it appears, been discovered in the 10 th range of the Township of Brandon. It is believed that the sum of $\$ 300$ would be sufficient to cover the cost of all the improvements required on this road. In Brandon the crop has been good, and has suffered no damage from frost or insects.

- "The Township of Brandon," rrites Mr. Laporte, "is almost completely settled, and the population has nearly doubled during the past 10 years. In the Township of Peterborough the population has increased yery slowly, although the greater part of the Township is fit for settlement. This slow progress may be attributed to the want of means of communication. As a contrast, that portion of St. Didaee which is in a Seigniors, is being rapidly settled, because it has the adrantage of having grod colouization roads. The population of this tract has been quadrupled in 10 years."


This road, which is a continuation of the Brandon Road, commences at lot No. 33 of the 2nd range of Joliette, and will terminate at the Matarwin River. It is now accessible to summer vehicles as far as the 6th range, a distance of 73 miles from the starting point. One mile of road has been opened this jear, half of which is passable in wheeled rehicles.

Mr. Crépenu writes as follows:-
"The road passes through a country where the soil is generally of good quality although stony. A portion of this tract is wooded with maple, birch and beech, and the remaining portion with spruce, cedar, and fir. Two miles further than the terminus of this road, there is a great quantity of excellent land, out of which fully one thousand acres have been taken up this fall by settlers from St. Norbert, St. Elizabeth, and St. Felix de Valois. At the present moment settlers are endtimally pouring in to visit the lots, and to select locations.

The Matawin Road will pass through this tract, and it will be extended through thousands of lots more or less adapted to settlement, as far as the proposed terminus, where it will have reached the fine lands of the Matamin. The adrantages of the construction of this road rould be to promote colonization on the lots of which I have before spoken, because. there is no doubt that, from the date of its being opened, settlers will locate by thousands on its whole length. The pine lumber trade mill also be greatly farored by the opening if this road.
"The progress of settlement has been as folloms:
"Six years since the Towaship of Joliette was uninhabited; it now contains a population of 360 souls. During the same period the population of the north-east; part of the Tornship of Brandon has increased by upwards of 1000 souls. We find in the later locality a large number of farmers in very good circumstances, and this progress is attributable to the establishment of colonization roads.
"A chapel was built during last year in the 11th range of the Tonnship of Brandon, in which the Priest of St. Gabricl celebrates mass crery fortnight. It is intended to construct another chapel this year in the Towaship of Joliette. Landed property has increased in ralue during the past few years by about two-thirds. The principal grains harvested are rge"and oats. The crop suffered no damage this year. The first injurious frosts are only feit about the 15th October."

- It is "estimated that it will require $\$ 3000$ to complete this road.


# COUNTY OF MONTCALM. <br> Kilkemay Road. <br> Conductor-Lowis Durbesne. 

| Amount of appropriation - |  |  |  |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Anount expended - | - | - | - | 5000

One mile of this road, which is to terminate at Wexford, was completed this year, commencing at the half of the Sth range and finishing at the half of the 9th range.

The soil on each side of this road, and eren further in the interior, is composed of rellow loam, and is well adapted for settlement. The timber is mixed.

Mr. Dufresne writes:-
"Since the Government have opened this colonization road, settlement has increased by one-third, and property has increased in value in the same proportion."

A sum of $\$ 900$ is required to complete this rond.
This road is rerbalized.

## COUNTY OF VAUDREUIL.

Bridges in Neuton.

| Balance of appropriation $1860-\quad-\quad-\quad \$ 10374$ |  |  |
| :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Amount paid to Municipality in 1861 | - | 10374 |

A portion of this sum ( $\$ 4334$ ) was paid to a contractor who constructed a bridge in 1860, and the balance in building another bridge, 80 feet in length, in the lat range of Newton.

This briage has been receired by three persons specially named as a juxy of examiuation, and in their report they hare certified that it has been built conformably to the plans and specifications annexed to the contract.

## COUNTY OF ARGENTEUIL.

Roads in Mille Isles.
Conductor-Wimeran Stuares.

| Amount of expenditure |
| :---: |
|  |  |

With this sum Mr. Stuart has repaired 17 arpents of road in the augmentation to the Topnship of Mille Isles, half of which distance is on the main road, and half in East Outlet. They have been thus rendered practicable for summer vehicles. He has also built three bridges, the 1 st 45 feet in length, the 2 ad 36 feet, and the 3 rd 39 feet, the whole costing 831 . Moreover, he has laid down four arpents of corduroy work at a cost of $\$ 86$.

The crop at Mille Isles has been good this year, and has not sinferedifrom frost a new church was built in 1861.

> Road in Morin. Conductor-GEOEGE HAMLTON.
Amount of appropriation : $\quad . \quad . \quad 10000$
Amount of expenditure : $\quad . \quad 10000$

This sum has been expendel in building two bridges of importance ia the Morin section of the Argenteuil and Howard Road.

Mr. Hamilton, whothas for come years conducted the operations with which be bas keen entrusted in a very judicious maner, makes the following report:-
"I am happy to be able to inform you that with the sum appropriated we have constructed two bridges, one of 105 feet in leagth, the other 65 feet, forming together 170 feet of bridging, conformably to the specifications which I had the honor of addressing to you.
"I was compelled to sacrifice a great"deal of my time in superintending these operations, for which I have only charged two days foreman's labor, and in the interests of colonization, while I would never hesitate to make sacrifices, I think that I have expended the amount of the appropriation in a very advantageous manner."

## North River and Wentivorth Road. Conductor-James Armstrong.

Amount of appropriation $-\quad . \quad . \quad .85000$
Amount of expenditure $\quad . \quad . \quad 5000$

This road, which extends towards the interior over a distance of 20 miles from North River to the Township of Morin, had been carelessly opened and required repairs. With the sum appropriated, the road has been made passable' in summer vehicles over a dintance of two miles from North River to the Weatworth Road. The soil on this road is of good quality in the valleys, but rocky and monatainous elsewhere. The vacant lots in the interior of the county are of the same nature and covered with fine forests of hardwood. Limestone and traces of iron ore are found in the vicinity.

Mr. Armstrong is of opinion that if the road were completed, and if free grants were made to settlers, a strong inducement would be held out which would eventually procure the settlement of the Crown Lands in rear of the County.

A sum of $\$ 50$ per mite would be required to complete this road.

> West Gore Road. Conductor-W. Smita.
Appropriation $-\quad . \quad . \quad-\quad \$ 15000$
Armount disbursed
15000

As Mr. Smith has not transmitted any report to this office, it is not in my power to give any details of the work done by him on this road.

> Chatham and Wentworth Road.
> Oonductor-fosepe Heston.


This road begins in front of the 10 th range of Chatham, and is open to distance of six miles, three of which are in Cbatham and three in Wentworth..

In 1854 this road was open to a distance of five miles more in Wentworth, but this portion is not passable even for winter vehicles, and settlers who have taken up their resideoce in these parts, are compelled, in order to get out, to make a circuit of ten miles through Harringtua and Grenville.

With the sum appropriated Mr. Huston has completed a mile of roady and he estimates the amount oecussary to complete it at from $\$ 50$ to $\$ 100$ a mile:

Three bridges also will have to be built, one of which will be 30 feet in length, and the others 60 feet each; of these the cost will be about $\$ 200$.

The soil through which this road passes is good but irregalar. The wood which covers it is wixed. Excellent farms are found from the sixth to the ninth ranges of Wentworth.

There are several water powers upon this road, and limestone is found in abundance.

## Dalesville and: Wentroorth Road. Conductor-James Cliare:

Balance of the appropriation of 1860 . . $\$ 5000$
Amount disbursed - . . . 5000 :
This balance was to be applied to the repair of certain parts of the road in front of the 10th range of Chatham, but as Mr: Clark has sent in no report; I cannot give the details of the work done by him.


This road, six miles in length, begins at lot No. 15 in the sixth range, whence it is contivued by lot No. 8 in the $\overline{\text { Sth }}$ range, and ends in the Government road.

The road has been merely opened this year:-
Bidges have been built forming altogether a length of 145 feet; at an expense of $\$ 25$.
The soil along the road is of good quality; but stony, and covered with mixed wood.
There are several: water powers upon it, upon one of which a flaur mill has been built.

The Townships of Harrington, and: Arundel, especially the latter, are being rapidly settled.

A church has been erected by the settlers.
Mr. Milway thinks that to complete this road, which is verbalized; asum of $\$ 800$ will be necessary:

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\begin{aligned}
& \text { COUNTIES OF ARGENTEUIL AND OTYAWA. } \\
& \text { Grenville and Amkerst:Roado: } \\
& \text { Conductor-JoHi McCaititm }
\end{aligned}
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This road begins deep-in the-augmentation to Grenville, and has been opened to a distance of seven miles as far as the valley of the River Maskinonge, which is situated olose to the line between the Courties of Argenteuil and Oitawa.- Of this, five miles have been completed, and two miles only opened.

Fourteeu bridges, having an aggregate length of 168 feef, and 1200 feet of croswmy have been buill.

Several families have settled along the new road, upon which excellent land is found, aud others also intend goinge thither.

Beyond the chain of mountains which rus through the contre of the surrounding Townships in a direction from cast to west, more especially in the augmentation to Grenrille, the land is more flat and consequently offers greater advantages to settlers.

At the present time two dew churches are being crected in the augmentation to Greurille.
With the view of reaching the fine land lying in the back parts of this Township, Mr. Medallum has judiciously caused his road to pass through the beautifnl ralley of the Maskinonge River.

This river takes its rise in the Township of Ponsonby, in the County of Ottawa, and fillis into the Red River hetween the Iownships of Frenville and Harrington, about 14 miles from Ottama.
COUNTY OF OTTAWA.
Wakefied and Portland Rout.
Conductor-W. Hamidron.

This row hegins at lot No. 17 in the let ruge of Wakefield, passes through Templeton, and is to end in Portland at a distance of 12 or 14 miles from its point of departure.

Eight ruiles and nine arpents of road have been opened this ycar, and of this distance 1.ry miles and nine arpents have beeu completed. More than 460 yards of crossway hare been bonstructed, and more than 1000 yards still remain to be built in the remaining portion of the woul.

This roud, ineluding bridges, has cost about $\$ 380$ a mile.
"The soil", says Mr. Hamilton, "where it is not broken by woumins or rocks, is of the Next quality. The woods most commonly met with are maple, black bireh, basswood, clm, hemlock and white birch.
"This read passes through unc of the finest amricultumal tracts in Lower Canada, and its opening will cause the Townships of Portland, Denholm, Bowman, Bigelow and Wells; in which thore are immense tracts of beatiful land, to be settled rapidly.
"The distance of this land from the City of Ottayta is not more than 35 or 30 miles.
"So great has been the advantage reaped from this road already, that nearly the whole uf the northeast part of Wakefield has been sold by the local agent during the last twelve months, and I an certain, if the Government have this road completed in the coming summer, that five hundred settlers will take up their residence in Denholm and Bowman.
"The Prussian emigrants who have settled in Bowman travel over this road.
"In these parts there are a great many water powers, plenty of linestene, and indications of iron, copper and lead mines.
"To my knowledge, more than 400 fanilies have settled in these Towuships during the last two years.
"A large propurtion of the pine has been removed, but there is still cnough left to supply the future wants of the settlers.
"The crops have escaped the attacks of the fly, and have been more abundant than in the Townships situater upon the Ottawa.
"His Lordship the Bishop of Ottana is at present building a church upon the line botween Watcficld and Portland."

It is caleulated that 35000 will be required to complete this soad.
COUNTY OF PONTIAC.

> Litchfield and Mansfiedd Road. Conductor-MIchaEs Hughes.

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This rad begins at the line between lots 8 and 3 in the Ist range of Litehficld, and onds at lot No. 1 in the 7 th range of the same Township, where it joins the line of division between Litchfield and Mansfield.

The proposed length of the road is between ten and eleven miles.
Six miles have been opened; of this distance two miles are completed, and the other four are passable for summer vehicles; but this portion is not yet finished, and will require to be widened in some places.

The cost of the cumpleted road, ezclusive of bridges, has been about $\$ 100$ a mile.
Ten bridges, measuring altogether 100 feet in length, have been built at a cost of $\$ 100$. 200 feet of ciossway and brushwork have also been laid at a cost of $\$ 50$.

The land along a part of this road consists of black soil lying upon a bed of blue clay. The wood is principally pine, oak, white birch, basswood and maple; in other parts the rond runs over a sandy and stony soil, where the hardwood prevails.

The land is generally good and very favorable to lumbering.
There are several good water-powers along the road.
2Ir. Hugbes thinks that a sum of $\$ 1000$ will be necessary to complete this road, which in rerbalized.

## OOUNTY OF GASPÉ.

Magdialen Islands Mail Road.
Conductor-A. E. Chevaren.


Witi the sum appropriated Mr. Cherricr has repaired two miles of the road running over an irregular tract intersected by marshy savannes. This was the portion most in need of repair, for it is the part travelled by the inhabitants of the villages of Bassin, Le Moulin and Anse a la Cabanc, in order to reach Amherst, to which place they convey the produce of their fishery.

These repairs entailed a great deal of work on account of the marshy nature of the soil and the great number of drains and bridges which it was uecessary to construct. In one place it was even necessary to clear away and make the road afresh, in order to render it passable.

Mr. Chevrier has also opened a new road from West Point at L'Etang des Cape, which is Bituated at the extremity of Amherst, towards the other Islands of Cap-aux-meules and Alright, with which Amhe: st is convected by banks of sand.

About fifty arpents of road have been thus opened through woods and savannes; and of this a part has been crosswayed.

A sum of $\$ 31.10$ remaining in Mr. Chevier's hands will be onploged during the Finter in conveging the timber required for the construction of a bridge.

According to Mr. Ohevrier's estimate, a further appropriation of $\$ 150$ will be required to complete this road.

## The Peninsula and Anse au Griffon Road.

Conductor-John Hubley.
Balance of the appropriation of 1858 - - $\$ 16675$
Amoant disbursed . . . . . . 16675
This balance has been epplied, during this year, to the completion of ten arpents of rand, two of which have been laid with brush and crosswayed.

Two bridges, measuring together 97 feet, have also been built.

| Ause ì la Lonisc Road. |  |  |  |  |  |  |
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| Appropriation |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Amount disbured | - | - |  | - |  |  |
| Balance remaining |  |  |  |  | 190 |  |

About 14 arpents of this road have been completed, four arpents of which have been laid with brush ; a bridge 96 feet in length has also been built.

The timber necessary for this purpose had to be brought from a great distance at an expense of $\$ 140$.
> l'ercé Road.
> Conductor-George Leboutillier.

J.his road begins at the mestern extremity of Trishtown in the Township of Perce, and is to end at the western boundary of that Township.

It has been opened to a distance of two and five-eighth miles, of which one mile and three quarters has this year been completed, so as to be passable for wheeled vehicles.

The part of the road which is completed cost $\$ 410.48$, including some small bridges which have an aggregate length of 90 fect.

Mr. LeBoutillicr in his report makes the following suggestions:-
"At the point to which the road has now been extended, it is absolutely uncessary that a thoroughfare should be opened to the watcr's cdge; for otherwise, the lots being held by persons living opposite on the first concession, it will be necessary for them to make a circuit of 12 miles to get there. The settlers assert that these by-roads are more necessary cren than the high road, and should be made at once. When we consider that they only devote to the labor of clearing their new land such time as they can spare from the more congeuial occupation of fishing, it will be seen that they are right. It will be some time yet before they devote themselves exclusively to agriculture, and both occupations cannot well be followed at the same time by the same persons."

## The Norwegians' Roods.

Conductor-John Edes.


Tro new roads liave been opened; the first, called the lower road, begius at lot No. 37 in the first range north, and cxtends as far as the secoud range; the second, known as the upper road, begins at lot No. 40 in the first rauge north, and also extends as far as the second range.

These roads are situated in the Jownship of Malbaic.
The first of these roads has been opened to a distance of $758^{2}$ feet, is about 12 or 15 fect wide, and is fit to be travelled in wheeled vehicles.

The second has been opened in the same couplete manner to a distance of 6600 feet: besides which 900 feet have been mercly opened.

Mr. Eden has also opened a road 600 feet in length, across a savanne, from lot No. $\frac{08}{8}$, in the first range north, to lot No. 18 in the first range south.

In the Township of Douglass 5023 fect have been simply opened.
Ta order to reach the Norwegian settlement in the second range, it will be necessary til open another mile of road beyond each of the two new roads.

Five bridges, having an aggregate length of 207 feet, have been built upon these roads, hesides 29 feet of crossmay.

It will be neceseary to erect a bridge over the principal river, the cost of which is atimated at $\$ 200$.
"The nature of the soil where the settlers have taken up their residence," says Mr. Eden, "is excellent, and well adapted for cultivation. The wood cousists of white birch, maple, colar, white pine and fir.
:These new roads would be very useful if they were continued in a straight line as far as the Township of Douglass or Gaspe Basin, and rould throw open to colonization a a tract of the finost laud in the District of Gaspe ; they would shorten the roads from the Besin of Malbaie by nearly twelve miles.
"Screral water powers are found aloner these roads.
"During the present year abont 400 settlers, from Norway and sweden, and at tew from New Brunswick, hare taken up their residence to the north and south of Graspe Bay, at Cap Rosier, Sydenham, Douglas, and more especially the Basin of Malbaie.
"A small quantity of lumber has been got out during the present year, avd there is nit more left than will suffice for the wants of the settlers.
"During the present season, I have also employed a certain number of labourers in constructing crossway and small bridges on the road opened last year. I have also cut duwn a hill six fect high and 838 feet long, and in the lower road I hare biested about $2 . i$ tons of rock."

Mr. Eden estimates that a sum of $\$ 1500$ will be required to complete these several rouds.


This road begins at McKcon's bridge, in the Township of Newport, and extends as far as the line between the Counties of Gaspé and Bonaventure, a distance of three miles.

It is opened throughout its whole length, and may be travelled in summer vehicles, but is not yet finished.

A certain extent of crossway has also been built.
The land along the road is, for the most part, adapted for cultivation ; the wood is of little value.

This road is very usetul to trarellers and for the carrying of the mails.
It is estimated that $\$ 200$ will be necessary to complete it.

## COUNTY OF BONAVENTURE.

> Roads in Port Daniel. Conductor-Wiminay Mcleon.

| Appropriation - - - |  |  |  |
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| Amount disbursed - | - | - | - |
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The roads known as the Mill Road, and the Thomson and Duncan Road, have this year been opened, the first to the distance of a mile, and the second to a distance of half a mile. These roads are passable for wheeled vehicles.

The proposed length of each of these roads is nine miles.
A bridge will have to be built on the Mill Road, the cost of which is estimated at 8300.

These roads runs through a considcrable tract of land adapted for cultivation,
covered with maple, black birch, pine, tamarack und cedar. Many ezcellent water powers are found along them, and also limestone.

Mr. McLeod thinks that $\$ 270$ s mile will be required to complete the first of thes roads, and $\$ 100$ a mile the second.
Les Rapides Road.
Conductor-Nicholas Capanagh.
Appropriation -
Amount disbursed

This road begins at the Church of St. Bonarenture, is the Township of Hamilton, and eads at the Rapide Plat.

This road bad been already opened but not finished, and with the sum appropriated Mr. Cavanagh has completed about eight arpents of road.

The land aloug this road is good and well adapted for cultivation. There is plenty of mood, and colonization has advanced with rapid strides since the road has been opened.

A sum of 8600 will be necessary to complete this road as far as the Rapide Plat.
Road in Hamiltor.
Conductor-SEAN ALAN

On the 30 th of October last Mr . Alain wrote that with one-half the appropriation he had opened 1350 feet of road, of which 700 feet had been laid with brush.

As Mr. Alain has made no further report, it is not in my power to say how much road he has made with the hatance of the appropriation.

## Road in New Richmond. Conductor-Wilman Montgomery.

Ippropriation - . . . . . $\$ 6000$
Amount disbursed . . . . . . 6000
With this sum Mr. Montgomery has completed a mile and a-quarter of road between the second snd third ranges.

The lands in the rear of this Towuship are excellent, and if this road were continued, Mr. Montgomery saps that the third, fourth, and fifth ranges mould be settled in a short time.

> North River Road.
> Conductor-WILLIak Ross.

Appropriation - . - . . . - $\$ 20000$
Amount disbursed - - . . . 20000
This road begins at the Barachois de Nouvelle, in the Township of Hope, and is iniended to run back eight miles.

Mr. Ross has made and completed about 420 feet of roid from the bank towards the solid land.

He was compelled to lay foundations of nood to a height of four feet in some places, which sere subsequently covered with faggots and grovel, but the tides were so high last gutumn that the road will have to be raised a foot and a-balf more in order to keep it above the level of the water.

In this work there were used not less than 50 tons weight of timber, which was fur. nished by the persons interested in the road.

This part of the road is very difficult to make, and the most determined labor was yecessary tr make it passable. The wori howerer is well done, sud gites ample satisfuction to ithose interested.

All the lands through which the road is to pass is good and adspted for cultivation: All kinds of rood are found upon it. This road will throw open to colonization some thousands of acres of good land.

A grist mill has been built,
To complete the road over the basin, $\$ 200$ more will be necessary. The rest of the road will cost from $\$ 140$ to $\$ 300$ a mile.

> Roads in Maria.
> Conductor-Joseph Michavio.

The roads opened by Mr. Mickaud are:
ist. A continuation of the road from the second to the fourth concession.
2ud. A new raad from Irish Sottlemeat to the great river Cascapedia, in rear of Mr . riuthbert's mill.

The first of these roads begins at the line between the propertics of François Serre ad Isac Leblanc, and is finished as far as the fourth concession; the extent of road thus completed is 6570 feet.

The second road begins at the line between the properties of the Rev. Mr. Alain and Mr. MicGregor, and extends as far as Beaver Dam Creek, over which Mr. Michaud has fuilt a bridge 116 feet in length. $2 t 20$ ieet of this road have been merely opencd.

The cost of the completed road has been about $\$ 100$ a mile, exciusive of the bridges.
Some pieces of crossway have been built, and some still remain to be laid.
"The soil along these roads" says Mr. Michaud, " is adapted to caltivation, the wood iving pridcipally white birch and maple with a little cedar.
"The road from the second to the fourth concession offers great advantages to the sethers who have taken up their residence upon it, as it furnishes them with a means of communication with the seaboard by which they can transport their produce and lamber.
"The road from Patricktown to the great river will also prove very serviceable to residents in that locality, and will enable them to carry their grain to the mill.
"There is a limestone quarry in Patricktown.
"The colonization of this lownship would proceed much more rapidly if the road rere continued as far as the sixth concession, as there is a tract of good land, several milos in length, in the rear. There are persons who only await the opening of the road and the surreying of the land, to ro and settle there.
"The grain crops have been entirely free from the attacks of the midge or wheat-fly, and in the new land the crop of potatoes has been good."

A sum of $\$ 800$ will be necessary to complete the road from the fourth concession to bake viamkiswi, in the sizth concession, and a further sum of $\$ 200$ will suffice to complete the Irish Settiement Road.

> Paspobiac Road.
> Conductor-Andre Lotsel.

| Appropriation . - - | - | - | - |
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This road begins near the church of Paspebiac and russ towards the interior, which ao one ha: Yet been able to reach, except through the woods in the winter, for want of a road.

This road had been opened to the distance of one mile and a-haif before, and this year it hay been continued 15 arpents further across a savanne nearly coyered with water, but this portion is not completed.

There will be three bridges to build, one 30 , the secund 50 , and the third 200 feet in length; the cost of these britges is estimated at $\$ 600$. There will also be two miles of erosway to lay.

In his report. Mr. Loisel makes the lollowing statements:-
"Th the rear of Paspebiac there is a large tract of land of excellent quality; it is eovered with a forest of mapae and other hard woods, coutiuned nith a gentle slope towards the interior to a great distance, as also to the right and left.
"If this roud mas contintud ten miles further, the advantage to colonization would be very great. Most of our fishemen an only waitiug fur a rotd to go aud work on the coucession lauds which they have taken, and others will do the same, as soon as this roud which has beea so long called for, is completed.
"There are some magnificent water porers upon the river Nourelle; there are also indications of limestone upon the surface, though no quary has yet been discovered.
"ds to the statewents which you ask for, respecting the progress of colonization, I am rexed to have to tell you that there has been hardly any, owing to there being no road, either in the neighborhood or into the interius. This is the great and only obstacle, which I hope will soon disappear."

The grain harvested this year was not at all injured by the frost or fly.
It is estimated that a sum of 81,000 will be required to complete the road, exelnsive of the bridges.

Road in Mant.
Conductor-Samuer Sook.

| Appropriation |  |  |  |  |
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| Amount disbursed - | - | - | - | - | 6000

This is a commuation of the Kempt Rod, and ends at the Mission Road, a distance ol about threc-quarters of a mile.

Of this extent one half has been openced during the peasent gear, the other half haring been previously so.

A piece af crosswa, 40 teet in length, has been begu, but is not yet finished.
The land in this locality is excellent, and is corcred with hardwool, fir, de.
Mr. Sook thins that 8200 will be aecessary to complete this rond.

> New Carlisle Central Ront.
> Uonductor - James Erowers.
inhis road begins near the English Church at New Carlisle, and is to be continued to a distance of cight miles, as far as the settlements situated at the upper part of the river Bonaventure.

About 5 miles of it are now open.
This road, which was commenced in 1857 by Mr. Wm. MeDonald, has been cuntinued this jear by Mr. Flowers, tho has opened a mile and a-half of it, of which distance eleren arpents may be travelled in summer vehicles; the remainder, which runs over a sacoine, is only practicable for winter vehicles.

It is situated in the Tomaship of Cox.
A bridge 60 feet in length has been built, and another, situated in the part which was opened by Mr. McDonald, has been repaired.

This road passes through a very rich tract of land, and many fine settlemeats have beeu made upou it. The woods are maple, white birch, pine, fir, und cedar.

A hundred settlers might fix their habitations aloug the rond itself, and further back to the north there is a large tract of fine land capable of containing a population of from 7,000 to 8,000 inhabitants.

There is a magnificent water power on the Cuthbert brook in the part of the road which is not yet opened. A bridge 70 fect in length, will hare to be built orer this brook and will cost, it is cstimated, $\$ 100$.

An abundant supply of limestone is also found along the road.
Mr. Flowers thinks that it will be necessary to appropriate $\$ 200$ to complete the fire miles of road alveady opened, and a further sum of $\$ 500$ to complete the road as far as the viver Bonaventure.

It Bonaveature a magnificent Catholic church, which cost $£ 3,000$, has just been finished, and two Protestant churches have been beguu at Port Daniel.

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## ivero Glasgow Roud.

Conductor-A. A. Nicor.

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This road takes its departure from the Kemph road, near the residence of Mr. Heury Downs in Ristigouche, and is completed to some distance beyond the bridge over the Sittle Miver.

About two arpeuts have been completel this year, and a bridge it feet in leneth has lecu repared at a cost of $\$ 32$.

The land in this neighborhood is of good quality, and is covered with white hirels: maple, cedar, temarac and fir: nearly all the land has been already taken.

It is proposed to open three new roads in Ristigouche, which will be very bencficial w culonization, as they vill give access to a considerable extent of the most fertile land in the Tomnship, lyiag between the western branch of the Little River and the Metapedin liver; this land is covered with the best of wood.

There are some cousiderable water powers in the neighborlood of the road, and also apun the proposed line of road.
limestone is cverywhere found in abuadance.
"The progress of colonization," says Mr. Nicol, " has been retarded by the lack of rumbl by which to reach the racant lands of the Crown, but in the adjoining Township of Matapedia a new settlement has been formed within the last two years, comprising more than a hundred familios, who are in a prosperous sondition.
"As a general rule the wood has been cut; but cnough remains to supply the recfuircments of the settlers.
"The crops in these pats have been pretty gond, and tolerably free from the attacks of the fly.
"It is a fact, established by the ubservation ol severil years, that potatoes planted in new land are not so subject to discase as those platuted in the old clearings."

A further arpropriation of $\$ 300$ will be required for the completion of this roal.

Gien Sotfloment Rourl. Conductor-monn (e. Fatr.
Apprompiation of 1860 - . . . . $\$ 10000$

Amount disbursed in 1861 - . . . 10000
Of this roal, which begins at the sownd concession of the Township of Nouvelle, and runs westward as tar as whe lake, Mr. Fair has cumpleted abont 42 chains; of these 15 have heen opened through the forest, the romaining 27 having been previously openel. It has alse bect found necessary to remore a great number of boulders.

This road is now open to an extent of four miles from the highway, and gives access to a tract of finc land.

Acclitans' Rond.
Concuctor-romern M. Verge.

| Appropriation | - | - | - |
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| Amount disbursed . | - | - | 00000 |

This road tales its departure from the River Malapedia, in the Township of the same. name, and is continued for $1 \frac{3}{8}$ miles to a temporaiy chapel buitit by the Acadians.

This has ouly been opened as a minter road.
The quality of the land along this road is grood; it is covered with white birch, maple, nad cedar, and is rery frell thapted for the formation of agriculturad settlements.

## COUNTY OF RDHOUSKI.

Briage aver the River Tertigon.


This hridge, wiom in coure of construction, is situated on the Sandy Bay Road.
It was given out by contract on the ldth October last to Mr. Edouard Landry, to be buit acording the glas and spefication farnished by the Municipal Council of the Tomnship of Ackidut, for the sum of 5199.

This bridge is to have 100 fect of roadway from the etge of owe pur to the other, and is so be completed on the B5th of aeat Harch.

To guad against accidents be fire, the eontractor tas bourd himeetf to cut down the
 and balf an arpen square at the sonthern cad, and then to burn these spaces orer and rate them ollorn

Bégon Road.
Conductor-Thomas P. Pexdemem.

| Appropriation | - | - | - | - | - |
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| Amount disbursed | - | - | - | . | - |
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The proposed length of this roud is 30 miles, of which 18 have beon traced. It is nom in a condition to be travelled by summer ruickes to a distance of five miles. It begins at the line berreen the Soignicry of Truis Pistoles and the Trenship of Bézon.

Mr. Pelletier has this year gpeacd at arpents of roat to the souith of cho river Bonaboucachec ; be has aise had 160 fect of roadmay built, having an averece beight of three fect, in order to provide agaiust the overtoming of the river, which made that part of the road dangerous in the spring.

He has also built an arpent and ahaif of crosway, so as to provide settlers at a distance with means of trassporting theiz crops.

These various works have cost 88442.
Mr. Pelletier has retained the balance di the appropriation in hand with the hope that the department wil be plosed to authorise him so indennify those setilers who, in 1860 , geuerously contributed to the building of the Bouabouscachee bridge by demanding only half of their wages, in hopes howerer that the Goverameat would grant them the other half another year.
"Thig road," says Mr. Pelleticr, "passes through soil which is generally good and 2dapted for cultivation: it is covered to the south with pine, tamarac, fir, cedar, and maple.
"This road promotes colonization; the old settlements increase in axtent every year, new ones spring up, and thanks to the asistance of the Government in furnishing seed grain last spring, and ine building of tise bridge over the River Bouabouscachée nitich allowed
of the sowing, in May last, of the most fertile of the lands situated to the south of that beautiful river, the crop this year will be three times as great as that of any preceding year.
"This new route furnishes the settlers in Bégon, at the present time, with the means of easily exchanging their surplus crops with the traders.
"The magnificent sugaries, situated in the upper part of this Tornship, hare been morked on a much larger seale since the opening of the road in question.
"There are several water powers, upon two of which mills are being built, but I have not met with any linestone quarries, or any trace of veins of iron ore or any other useful mincral. * * * * * * Since the opening of the Bégon road, colonization has advanced with rapid strides, and the population bas been nearly quadrupled.
"Last October a site for a church was fixed upon by the ecclesiastical authorities, in the Tornship of Begon to the south of the river Bouabouscachée.
"The increase in the value of landed property since the opening of a road in the Township of Bégon has been at the rate of 400 per cent.
"The grain grown in the greatest quan!ity in the neighbourhood of the road under my superintendence, consisted of wheat, barley, oats, rye and peas.
"The frost and the fly did no injury to the crop this year."
The sum necessary to complete this road as traced will amount to about $\$ 2,000$.

| St. Eloi Road. |  |
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| Conductor-Charles Theriault. |  |
| Appropriation | - |
| Amount disbursed $:$ | - |
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This road begins at the third range of Denonville, and is open as far as the Tache road.

Mr. Thériault began his labors at the Taché road; working from thence he has cleared sisteen arpents of road, and completed fourteen to a ridth of trenty fect.

Several small bridges have been built, and six arpents of road have been laid with brush and subsequently corered with sand.

The bridge over the river Mariaguaiche, which was in a ruinous conditica and exposed the settlers to considcrable danger, has been rebuilt this year in a substantial manner. It is 130 feet long.

Isle Verte Road. Conductor-J. Et. Fbaser.
Balance of the appropriation of 1860 . . S 3215 Appropriation of 1860 - . . . . 25000

28215
Amount disbursed - - . . . . 28215
This road is now opeu as far as the Taché Road, which here passes over the boundary line between the 8 th and 9 th ranges of the Township of Viger.

About one mile and five arpents have been opened this year, and of this a part is completed.

Thirteen arpents of crossway have been laid, and a bridge 18 fect in length has been built. Besides this a bridge, 156 feet in length and 18 feet wide, which had been destroyed by fire, has been rebuilt. Eight arpents of old road have also been repaired.

Two bridges will have to be built on this road; one orer the river Maiaquaiche, estimated to cost $\$ 100$, the other over a stream, which will cost $\$ 50$. The settlers are absolutely in want of these two bridges, as they are going in great numbers to take up their abode in this neighborhood.
"The upper part of the 8th range as well as the 9th," says Mr. Fraser, "gives
promise of being very advantageous to colonization. The soil is of the best quality, and the forest is the finest I hare ever seen. Eycrywhere we find extensire sugaries which are now worked, and some of the Indians emplosed upon the road told me that the Tache road could not be better located than in this place."

A sum of $\$ 150$ will be necessiry to complete the rosd, exolusive of the bridges.

Viger Road.
Conductor-L. M. Lapointe.
Appropriation - . . . . . . $\$ 25000$
Amount disbursed . . . . . . 25000
This road, which begins at the post between the seigniory and the Township of Viger, is now open as far as the 12 th concession, less seven or eight arpents.
$26 \frac{1}{2}$ arpents of road over the 11th range of Viger have been opened and completed chis year, and this gives an extent of seven miles of road fit to be travelled in summer vehicles.

Three arpents of crossway have cost $\$ 36$.
As the part of the road situated on the 5th and 5th concession is out of repair in consequeuce of the great traffic and the little care bestowed upon it, there being but fers settlers there, Mr. Lapointe sugests that a part of the appropriation of next year should tse applied to miaking the necessary repairs.

## (Extract from Mr. Lapointe's Report.)

- In support of what I have said of the excellence of the land in the concessions beyond the 7 th, I will here mention a fact which excited the admiration of several well informed persoms. The road over the 8 th and half the 9 th concessions had never been sown with hay seed except with what had fallen from a few bundles of hay carried by persons going to sec the lands in the vicinity during the first ycar it was opened; this part of the road rould this ycar have yiclded 000 bundles of hay if it had been made in the proper season; some would eren have estimated it at 1000 bundles. The land which is being cultirated on the ist and Ind concessions can never yield us hay so long and so mell headed as that grown in this place. Beyoud the 9 th concession the manufacture of maple sugar is activcly carried on. Thirty-six sugar houses have been built on both sides of this road, which produce, on an werage, about 25000 pounds of sugar every year. Were the road continued as far as the maple forests mentioned in my precediag report, this number would be quadrupled in a fer years.
"Colonization is advancing with rapid strides in Viger ; I do not think that any of the adjacent townships can compcte with it in respect of progress. Its population, which in 18.51 amounted to only 40 souls, now reaches a total of from 1000 to 1100.
"Only one chapel has been built in Viger; a site for another is, however, under consideration.
"The value of real property has beeu doubled within four years in several places, and as exceptions some properties have been quadrupled in value. My ocighbor's frrm was offered to me for $\$ 800$ four years ago; now the proprietor refuses $\$ 800$ for it, and he will get more. I know settlers, who with young families, began the clearing of the lots which they occupy eight, ten, and twelve years ago, whose whole stock consisted of a hoe, an axe and sometimes a horse; now these settlers would not give up their possessions for less than from $\$ 1000$ to $\$ 2000$. A friend of mine who expended $\$ 125$ in the purchase of lots in Viger, ten years ago, now holds properts worth $\$ 6000$. He told me a fery days since that he expeted to pay the priest this year the tithe of 800 bushels of good grain. and one or two other individuals might say as much."

Thwo saw-mills have been built, one in the seventh aud the other in the eightic range.
At the end of the road as opened, a bridge will have to be built over the River Senescope, the cost of thich is estimated at from $\$ 80$ to $\$ 100$.

This road is only verbalized so far as that portion situated in the first four coacessions is concerned.


This road begins at the third range of Whitworth, and is to end at the Temiscouata road.

Fifteen arpents of road have been levelled this year; it is now open as far as the lioe betreen the eighth and ninth ranges.

Although this road is not finished, it is, however, in a fit state to be travelled by summer vehicles as far as the Tache Road, a distance of six miles.

Several small bridges have been built, as well as two arpents of orossway and brushwork covered with earth.

Mr. Miville has, moreover, repaired the road over the sixth concession, where there were some large boulders. That over the fifth concession will also require repairs.

The following statements are extracts from Mr. Miville's Report :-
"The third, fourth, fifth, six:h and seventh concessions of Whitworth are stong, but the soil is very good. The other higher concessions are as good as can be desired, and will be very easy to colonize.
"The land is covered with fine hardrood, such as maple and birch of au cxtraordinary height and girth; the first concessions above mentioned are covered with soft wood of all kinds.
"The advantages which this rod offers tu colonization are certainly incalculable, as there are a great many concessions to be opened abounding in excellent land, especially if it be continued to the Lake Temiscouata road, which will establish direct communication between these settlers and those of Madawaska and New Brunswick.
"There are ten or twelve water porers in the Township of Whitworth, and alse a limestone quarry of superior quality in the ninth range.
"The grain grown in the graatest quantity consists of barley, peas, rye, oats and buckwheat. None of these different kinds of grain suffered this year from the frost or the fly; wheat also does very well bere. * * * * * *
"I am happy to tell you that many clearings have been made in the ninth range of our Township this autumn; our young men are enterprising enough to go in acivance of the road, in the bope that it will be continued as far as the Lake Temiscouata Road. Several persons have told me that all the concessions as far as the Lake road are well adapted for cultivation, and may be easily colonized; and the communication that the settlers will thus have with the inhabitants of New Brunswick will enable them to procure the necessaries of life with greater facility, an advantage which will be shared by the inhabitants of Cacouna, St. A rsène and Isle Verte.
"I will conclude by informing you that the impulse towards openiug up our forests has been sensibly felt during the last few years; young men no longer talk of emigrating to the United States, but all think of clearing our forests and possessing themselves of Caradian soil; they understand and appreciate the efforts which our Government is making to open these roads for the sole purpose of enabling them to settle near their native parishes, and live there honorably, without being compelled to expatriate themselvea to a strange land, there to lose their health. their morals, and the religion of their ancestors."

Mr. Niville is of opinion that a sum of $\$ 3400$ will be required to complete this road as far as the Temiscouata road.

## COUNTY OF KAMOURASKA.

## Chapais Road.

## Conductor-Marrice Bosse.

Balance of appropriation of 1860 . . - $\$ 25174$
Amount disbursed in 1861 - - . 25174
With this balance Mr. Bossé has resumed his labours where he left off two years ago.
and has made twenty-four arpeuts and three perches of road across a stony savanne, which he was obliged to lay with brush, and which will have to be covered with earth. This savanne extinds tro miles further, and then in the direction of the Tache Road the iand becomes fit for ciearing. Beyond this latter road as far as the Province Line the land is of very good quality.

The bridenc built in 18.59 over the River Ouelle has been unfortunately destroyed by firc, nutwithstanding all the precautions which were taken in clearing the approaches. This bridge, which was 122 feet in length and cost $\$ 163$, must of necessity be rebuilt.

## COUNTY OF LISLET.

Arago Road.
Conductor-P. C. Fournier.

| Appropriation | - | $\cdot$ | - |
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| Ansouni disbursed | $\cdot$ | - | 50000 |

Mr. Fonrnicr has this year completed the piece of road previously opened, besides 22 arpents of new, and six arponts have been mercly cleared.

This road is now opened to a distance of two miles, of which one mile and three. quarters may be travelled in summer, and one-quarter in winter vehicles only.

The cost of the road, exclusive of bridges, has been about $\$ 520$ a mile.
Several bridges, having an argregate length of 79 feet, have been built at an expense of $\$ 51$.
"If we may judge," says Mr. Fournier, "from the number of scttlements which aro to be found in the vicinity of the road, the soil would seem to be very well adapted for cultivation.
"This road will be vary alvantageous to the colonization of the Crown Lands, especially if it should soon be continucd as far as the Tache road, or even beyond it, for it is a fact worthy of observation that the further we go south, the better we find the land to be, and the clearer of stones, which are but too common in our more immediate neighborhood. This road will morcorer be of great scrvice in the getting out of our forest produce, as there is still much merchaptable lumber to be found there."

Scveral water powers exist in the neighborhood of the road.
The harvest in this vicinity has been very good this year, and the grain was not injured by the frost or the fly.

According to Mr. Fournier's estimate a sum of $\$ 5500$ will be required to complete this road.

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& \text { Clgin Road. } \\
& \text { Conductor-StanisLas Drapeat. } \\
& \text { Appropriation } \\
& \text { Anount disbursed }
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Three miles and thirteen arpents of road were completed in 1861 , and of this $16 \ddagger$ arpents were laid with brush. It has also been found necessary to make 18 arpents of ditches in order to drain the land.

Besides this, twenty arpents of crossway, begun in 1860, have been completed at a cost of \$160.

Two large bridges have been built over the Black River one 133 and the other 132 feet in length; 23 snall bridges, having a total length of 112 feet, have also been built. These bridges have cost $\$ 268$.

The cost of the completed road, exclusive of the bridges, has been $\$ 592$ a mile.
Mr. Drapeau in his report makes the following statements :-
"About 5it miles of road still remain to be nade before reaching the Province Lide. As this tract is more elevated and less hilly, I estimate the sum necessary to complete the work of cpening this road as far as the Province Line at $\$ 3,000$. For the sake of those
families who have settled along the frontier, it is to be hoped that this road will be completed during the coming season.
"The soil is geaerally fertile, although it is stony in some places; soft wood predominates. However the aspect of the country changes rapidly as we approach the Tache road; there the soil becomes less stony, and hardwood is found in greater quantity. It is asserted that the value of the lands situated in the interior of the cantons crossed by the Elgin Road is still greater, and the quality of the soil still better.
"No injury was done in these parts by the frost or the fly this year.
"Several saw mills are at work and doing enough to supply the wants of the settlers.
"Steps are now being taken to ascertain what means must be employed for the erectiod of one or two chapels during the winter."

## Truche Road.

Conductor-Stanislias Drapeav.

| Appropriation | - | - | - | $-\$ 12,30000$ |  |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Amount disbursed | - | - | - | - | 6,50000 |
| Balance remaining | - | - | - | - | 5,80000 |

The extent of road made in 1861 amounts to eleven miles and three arpents, which is fir to be travelled in wheeled vehicles.
in extent of 22 arpents has been crosswayed; part of this is situated on a savanne not provided with the wood necessary for this kind of work, which consequently had to be brought from a consideralle distance upon men's shoulders.

It has also been found necessary to make large ditches over an extent of $14 \frac{1}{2}$ arpents, at an expense of more than $\$ 130$.

Forty-six small bridges have been built over streams; these have a total length of 202 feet and cost $\$ 190$. Three large bridges, measuring together 291 feet, have also been built over the Black River at a cost of $\$ 39019$.

The cost, exclusive of the bridges, has been $\$ 494$ a mile.
The Tache road, the proposed length of which is 209 miles and 46 chains, is now open and in a fit condition to be travelled in wheeled rehicles to a distance of $46 \frac{1}{2}$ miles, viz. : eight and a-half miles in the County of Kamouraska, 18 miles in the County of L'Islet, and 20 miles in the County of Bellechasse.

The soil over which this road passes is broken and stony, but of very good quality.
This road, in consequence of the facilities with which it may be reached by means of the numerous transverse roads which open into it from the old settlements, will give a powerful impulse to the colonization of this beautiful part of the country.

Already settlements are springing up along the whole of the road opened, and as Mr . Drapeau remarks, there is not a sufficient number of free lots along the Tache and Elgin roads to supply all the young settlers who are anxious to obtain them.

In his excellent report, Mr. Drapeau remarks: "There are now 18 miles of the Tache road fit for travel in the County of L'Islet, nine on each side of the Elgin road.
"The land is generally adapted for cultivation, and the wood is mixed. As the opening of the road is proceeded with, the land is taken by settlers who clear them in the hope of thereby ensuring possession when permits of occupation are offered to them. In the County of L'Islet there are more young men desirous of obtaining land than there are lots to be conceded gratuitously on the Elgin and Tache Roads.
"The lands in the rear are also highly extolled by those who have visited them.
"With respect to the quality of the soil and other information about the place, I think $I$ cannot do better than reter you to what is said in Messrs. Carrier and Gagnon's reports of last year, in which they speak at length on the subject.
"Before concluding, however, I consider myself bound in justice to testify publicly how much I am indebted to Messrs. Carrier and Gagnon; assistant conductors of the works for 1861 , for the zeal which they exhibited in the execution of their duty, by vigilant attention to, and economical direction of the work committed to their care. I am happy to
be able to add that I could not have entrusted to more able hands the direction of the works, the superintendence of which was confided to me by the Government."

COUNTY OF MONTMAGNY.
Anse à Giles Road.
Conductor-W. Bosse.
Balance of the zppropriation of 1860 . . . $\$ 5000$
Appropriation of 1861 . . . . . 30000
$\$ 35000$

This road, which begins between the 3rd and 4th ranges of the Seigniory of Vinoelet, is now completed as far as about the middle of the 6 th concession, giring thus an extent of three miles and 3 arpents practicable for wheeled vehicles; of this $21 \frac{7}{2}$ arpents have been completed in 1861.

The cost of the road this year has been from $\$ 250$ to $\$ 300$ a mile.
Several small bridges bave also been built.
The soil along this road is of good quality, and adapted for cultivation.
Settlers are beginning to take up their residence along this road, but the full extent of its utility will not be apparent uintil it is opened as far as the Tache Road.

Sirois Rioad.
Conductor-Antorne Talbot.
Balance of the appropriation of 1860 . . . \& 111
Appropriation of 1867 - . - . . 20000

Amount disbursed - $\quad-\quad$| 820111 |
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This road, which is two leagues and a-half in length, is open throughout its whole extent and is practicable for summer vehicles, although it is not quite completed. Fourteen arpents of this road have been completed this year at a cost of $\$ 141$.

A bridge 95 feetin length has also been built over the Rivière du Sud, at a cost of $\$ 64$.
The land in the vicinity of the Sirois Road is of good quality; the wood is lofty, and is a mixture of maple, birch, tamarack, and cedar.
"Colonization within some years past" says Mr. Talbot, "has advanced with rapid strides in the townships of Armagh, Montminy, Mailloux, and Ashburton. The population of Montminy amounts to about six-hundred and fifty souls. This total would be greater if the Old Commissioners' road, which was made about thirty years ago, and which has never been kept in repair, was in a more fit condition to be travelled in summer vehicles. In several parts of this road, the settlers who travel to and from the Parish of St. Pierre are often obliged to carry their loads on their shoulders, finding it impossible to get through with their loaded horses or oxen, although their loads never exceed three or four hundred weight."

Mr. Talbot estimates that $\$ 1200$ will be required to complete the road tbroughout its entire length.
Beaubien Road.
Conductor-EDOUARD CoTE.
Appropriation - $\quad-\quad \cdot$
Amount disbursed -

This road begins in the second concession of St. Thomas and is to end at the Taché
hoad. It is open as far as the Ruisseau Ferre in Ashburton, but is completed as far only as the 8th concession.

Mr. Cote has this year completed $21 \frac{1}{2}$ arpents of road. About eight miles more still remain to be made, in order to connect with the Tache Road.

This road will be of great advantage to colonization, and will give means of exit to 2 great number of settlers who are already residing in the Townships in the rear of St. Thomas.

The townships of Patton and Montminy, which are crossed by the Tache Road, are well adapted to colonization, with the exception of the lower part which is stony. In the rear, in the townships of Talon, Rolette, and Panct, immense tracts of fine land well fitted for colonization are found stretching away to the Province line.

## COUNTY OF BELLECHASE.

Armagh Road.
Conductor-Pierre Dagneavlit.
Appropriation - $-\quad-\quad-\quad-\quad-\quad \$ 20000$
Amount disbursed - $-\quad-\quad-\quad-\quad . \quad 20000$

This road is now open and practicable for wheeled rehicles to a distance of seven miles and two arpents.

The soil along this road is a yellow loam of good quality, but stony; the adjacent land is very much the same.

This road will serve as an outlet for the settlers in Armagh and Mailloux, and will be very useful to those who are on their way to settle on the Tache road.

> Taché Road.
> (Bellechase Section.) Conductor-Elie Auder.

With the sum of $\$ 14822$, a balance remaining in his hands from the preceding year, Mr. Audet has, in 1861, completed 14 arpents and three perches of this road; part of this distance passing over the side of a steep hill, it has been necessary to make an excavation of from one to three feet.

This section of the Tache road is now completed to a distance of 20 miles, and has cost about $\$ 300$ a mile. Mr. Audet says that further on the expense will not be so great.

## Fortier Road. <br> Conductor-Elie Auder.

This road, which is about 24 miles long, begins at the Tache road, passes through Mailloux, Roux, Bellechase and and Daahuam, and ends at the Province Line.

This road was opened as a winter road in the autumn of 1860 .
In 1861 Mr. Audet, with the balance of $\$ 20380$ which he had in hand, has repaired the injury done to the Fourche du Pin bridge, and has besides completed 15 arpents of road. A mile and a-half of this road can now be travelled in summer vehicles.

Aecording to Mr. Audet, the first nine miles of the road, as far as the other side of the mountains, will cost $\$ 700$ a mile, but the remainder of the road will be much less expensive.

Seven bridges, having a total length of 26 feet, have been built, besides eight arpents of crossway and brush work, which have cost $\$ 75$.

The value of property has increased by an-eighth annually for the last five years. The harvest was generally good.

This is what Mr. Audet says in his roport.
"The work of settlement has been begun beyond the mountains; six or seven brave settlers have made a small clearing which they sowed last spring. More than 100 others would be at work, if the road; which will at some future day lead thither, were noy open and passable."

COUNTY OF DORCHESTER.
Etchemin Road.
Conductor-Rev. L. Roussead.

| Appropriation | - | - | - | - |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Amount disbursed | - | - | - | - |
| 1200 | 00 |  |  |  |
|  | 00 |  |  |  |

This road begins at the northern angle of Cranbourne, and should as it is laid out, cross the Townships of Cranbourne, Watford, and Metgermette, and end in the Kenebec road, a distance in all of about 30 miles.

Seven miles of this road have been opened and completed this year.
A bridge has been built over the Rivière ic la Fleur, 95 feet long and 12 feet high, at an expense of $\$ 107$ ( $\$ 200$ were demanded for the building of it by contract).

Fourteen other small bridges, having a total length of 126 teet, have also been built. Besides this, all the wood necessary for the erection of a bridge over the river Etchemin has been cut, squared, and brought to the spot.

Mr. Rousscau has also laid $7 \frac{1}{2}$ arpents of crossway, five arpents of which have been covered with earth; he has also had five miles of ditching dug.

The cost of each completed mile, exclusive of the bridge over the Riviere à la Fleur, has been about $\$ 143$.
"The land through which this road runs," says Mr. Rousseau in his excellent report, " is of good quality, especially that part lying between the Riviere à la Fleur and the Etchemin River. All the lots, except five or siz, have been taken as far as the Etchemin river, and on many of them clearing has already been commenced. Two families have been living there for several weeks.
"There are many water powers in the vicinity of this road, especially on the Riviere a la Fleur.
"This road will certainly be of great advantage to colonization, by facilitating access to the townships of Watford and Metgermette, where there is very good land, which cannot, however, be reached by the settlers until the road is opened.
"Colonization advances with tolerable rapidity in our neighborhood. As fast as the roads are opened, land is taken and cleared. Since last year the population of St. Malachie and Standon has received an iucrease of trenty families.
"During the last four years the valuc of landed property has certainly tripled."

> Buckland and Staniton Road.
> Conductor-Rev. L. Rovisseau.

Amount appropriated - - . . - $\$ 10000$
Amount paid - . . . . . . 10000
This road starts from the line betreen Frampton and Buckland, and folloring the line between Buckland and Standon, crosses the $2 n d, 3 r d$ and 4 th ranges of Buckland. It will, at a future period, be extended as far as the road leading to the township of Mailloux, and will open a communication with the Taché road.

This road is parallel to the road opened last year between lots 23 and 24, 2nd range of Buckland.

This year there has been opened and completed 18 arpents of roadway fit for summer vehicles.

Mr. Rousseau says that the lands in the vicinity of this road, though stony, are of good quality, and that they have been conceded as far as the 4 th range of Buckland.

## Ste. Claire and St. Malachie Road. <br> Conductor-F. Rouleat.

Amount appropriated . - - - $\$ 40000$
Amount paid - . . . . . . 10000

This sum has been expended in improring and repairing about 24 arpents of the road.

Mr. Rouleau succeeded in obtaining 80 day's statute labor, from the partics on whose land the work has been done.

I give below Mr. Rouleau's report, which will gire a better idea of the character of the work which has been done. This report is dated the 13 th of September last, and is therefore incomplete, as the works have been carried on on the road since that period; but inasmuch as it is the only one which has reached this office, I am unable to furnish details respecting the work done since the above date.
"18t. At Camille Morin's, widening the road ten feet for the length of two arpents; excaration of an average depth of two feet; soil sandy and stony.
"2nd. In front of the church, yellow carth broken up by the frost, and almost impassable after heavy rains. Macadamised a length of 13 arpents 16 feet wide, with a layer of stone from 12 to 6 inches in depth, covered with sand; a bridge 12 feet by 24 , with an elevation of two feet, wood with stone abutments.
"3rd. Cinq Mars' hill, a cut of three feet in depth and one arpent in length-soil stony in the vicinity of the bridge across Ruisseau des Aunets-a layer of stone about two feet in depth for a length of one-eight of an arpent, covered with earth-Cinq Mars road repaired. A great deal of blasting had to be done for a distance of about one arpent.
"4th. At Joseph Richard's, widening the road six feet, excaration three feet in depth, length one and a-half arpent.
" 5 th. At Louis Couture's and Forrest's, an embankment; land swampy for two and a-half arpents. At the widow Lamontagne's, widened the road six feet; one half arpent of excaration two and a-half feet in depth, cut down $\&$ hill three feet for a distance of half an arpent ; soil sandy. Embankment at Roy's, one arpent.
"7th. At Marcoux's, two hills cut down six feet; land stony for two arpents.
" 8th. At Hébert's, two hills cut down five feet one and a-quarter arpent; bridge repaired and finished with stone."

> Grande Lume de Ste. Marguerite.
> Conductor-Ref. Et. Halle.

| Amount appropriated | - | - | - | - |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Amount paid - | - | 350 | 00 |  |

I regret to state that the Pev. Mr. Halle has been prevented by a long illness from making his report on the works which he has had done upon this road. I have, however, received an assurance that he will furnish the fullest information as soon as the state of his health shall permit.

> Cranbourne Central Road.
> Conductor-P. Cassidy.


This road, which is about eight miles in length, commences at the north line of the township of Cranbourne, runs in a southerly direction between lots 14 and 15 of that township, and is to terminate at the Etchemin road. From the 1st to the 8th range, it is passable for summer vehicles; from the 8th to the 10 th range, it is fit only for winter travel.

This jear's operations consisted of repairs and improvements effected on the unfinished part, for a leagth of about 21 arpents. The leagth of roadway now passable for summer vehicles is five zoilos.

A bridge 105 feet in length has been built at a cost of 85915 . There is another required between the 7 th and 8 th ranges.

The following interesting iuformation is taken from Mr. Cassidy's report : -
"The soil is good; timber of five growth, consisting of maple, bireh, beech, basswood, spruce of excellent quality, and bulsam. The swamps afford cedar, tamarac and pine.
"Colonization is greatly promoted by the opening of these roads. For instance in the nexi township to Frampton, two years ago, a certain amount was expended upon the principal road, convecting with the Cranbourne road, and the consequence is that there is not a. Single lot vacant for a distance of ten miles. This is conclusive in favor of colonization roads; and there is ctery ground to hope that like happy results will be attained when the Cranbourne roads shall have been opened as far as the Kenebee road. All the lands along the line of road have been taken up. A great many settlers, chiofy French Canadians, have been here, trying to olfain luts, but not being able to find any racant in the vicinity of the road, they have returned home. In the neighboring tornships, all the lands upon the line of road opened by Government have been occupied; I am safe in asserting, that all that is required in order to retain the surplus population of the old parishes, is to place the wild lands of the Crown within their reach, by opening good rouds.
$:$ Along the water courses, the pine and tamarac have been cut down. The timber in Cranbourne, and more particularly along the projected roads, is magnificent.
"The crops have been geod, and but little harro done by the fly. The potatoe crop has been, as a general rulc, abundant; and $I$ have noticed that the inhabitants of the old settlement of st. Joseph, purchase annually several thousand bushels of potatoes from the people of Cranbourue, a new seitlement.

4 Catholic church has been built in Cranbourne.
"The arvance in the value of land has been very great in Cranbourne. To give an instance, $l$ will mention an incident dating from the settlement of the township.
"In 1882 the goverument gave pensioners the option of commuting. Large numbers availed themselves of the offer, came to Canada and obtained grants of land. Several hundred families procecded to Cranbourne; but out of the number, only some twenty families settled there. And for what rcason? Want of roads.
"Some of these gave away their lands as valueless; others sold them for a mere trifle, and in fact, in some instances, they were given for a glass of liquor.
" When I made the census last winter, some of the lots were valued as high as $\$ 1,350$ -the price at which they had changed hands.
"The best means, in my opinion, to promote the prosperity of the country, is to render the wild lands accessible to the rising gencration. The wealth of a country consists in her population, and not in her will lands.
"Our young men were in the habit of going to the United States to work, and in many cuses to settle, simply because they could not get access to the racant lands of the Crown, for want of roads. Thus, not only was their labor lost, but their morals were injured, and in many cascs they lost every sentiment of religion and imbibed a distaste for the simple but virtious habits of their fathers.
"I would therefore say to the Gorcrnment, open up your wild lands to the youth of Canada, and remove them from the demoralizing influence and infidel tendencies of the neighboring republic; preserve them in the religion of their forefathers, and you will have a contented, peaceful and virtuous geople; you will have your subjects attacied to jou by these links of logalty and allegiance which never fail to animate a people when the government exhibits a proper sense of its mission hy afording them protection and fostering their interests.
"Fmigrants from Europe must also be cared for ; there is room for all. The sturdy lrishmav should be encouraged to settie in Canada. Tell him that he can hold land here without danger of being ejected for non-payment of rent; tell him to avoid the American cities, Where his people are but the hewers of wood and drawers of water; tell him that there his religion is an object of ridicule, while in Canada the Cross is held in veneration; and that here he will be secure of all his rights and privileges."

There are a great many water powers in this Township.
Mr. Cassidy estimates that it will take $\$ 700$ to complete the road already opened be
tween the 7 th and 8th ranges, and $\$ 1000$ more to open and complete the central road from the 8 th to the 14 th range, a distance of five miles.

These roads have been verbalized.
Mr. Hector L. Langerin, M. P.P. has forwarded to this office an extremely interesting report relative to the result of the works carried out in 1861, on the colonization roads in the County of Dorchester. That gentleman will, I trust, pardon me for giving an extract from his Report. His judicious remarks, and the raluable information he affords, cannot fail to receive attention from erery friend of colonization :-
"You remember that I had obtained from the Hon. Mr. Vankoughnct an order for tracing out and opening a main colonization road, the Etchemin Road, within the County of Dorchester, commencing at the north-east angle of the Township of Cranbourne, crossing that Township to connect with the road from St. Edouard de Frampton, thence through the townships of Watford and Metgermette, and terminating at the Kennbee Road, in the County of Beauce. Last ycar we had to be satisfied with tracing out five miles of the road, but this year besides the tracing of ten miles more, the road itself, bridges included, has been opened from the old settlement of St. Malachie de Frampton to Isle aux Ormes, making five miles of good roadway, 20 feet in width. AJthough the land on the first part of the road is not so good as elsewhere, neverthelcss 15 or 16 lots had already been taken up when the roork was commenced, so eager are the youth of my county to settle near their parents and to avail themselves of the advantages afforded by the colonization roads. I may add that the Goverament, with a just appreciation of its missiou, has liberally given as free grants the lots on this important road, thus ensuring its speedy settlement, and the influx of a numerous population into this vast and beautiful tract of country.
"In order to facilitate the settlement of these lands, it became necessary to give access to the Townships by the road from St. Clair to Frampton, which was not passable for full loads. The work has cost the Government but $\$ 400$, but it facilitates the establishment of a great many young settlers, whom the bad roads would have disheartened completely.
"On the other hand, as it was important that any of the youth of the old parishes of Beauce who wished to avail of the advantages afforded in the County of Dorchester, should be caabled to reach it without difficulty, the Government, at my request, has had the road called "La grande lignc de Ste. Margucrite" extended. By this means the south-west portions of Erampton and of Cranhourne are opened up for colonization, and the other portions mill be reached by means of two roads parallel to the latter, and which will cross the central read of St. Edouard and Cranbourne. With a view in like manner to reach these two roads, and in order to give free access to the wild lands through Ste. Marguerite and St. Edouaid, as well as through St. Claire and St. Malachie, the Government has expendel, at my suggestion, a sum of money on the central road of Cranbourne.
"All these road works have been completed for the moderate sum of 32100 -a great return for a small outlay. I trust, however, that the grant for the next? few years will be larger, and that instead of taking 10 years to open our main roads, we shall be cnabled to band them over to the settlers within five years or less.
"I may add that last ycar I had obtained from the Governmenta survey of the Townchip of Daaquam, which is situated in the County of Bellechasse, and bounded on the south liy the river St. Jean, north by the river Daaquam, east by the Township of Panet, and west by the Township of Jaugevin (in Dorchester). The result justified my anticipations. The lands are splendid. This year the Government have granted me a survey of the Township of Langevin, and from what the surveyor tells me, the lands are equal to those in Daaquam. Here there is a tract extensive enough for the establishment of three large parishes, and with land as grood as the best in the District of Quebec.
"The price is but 30 cents per acre, and it is accessible by way of St. Gervais and the Fortier Road. I trust it will be accessible nest year by a branch road to connect with the Etchemin road in Cranbourne or Watford, and also by way of Standon and Ware, in the County of Dorchester.
"To sum up, the tract of wild lands, including the townships of Cranbourne, Watford, Metgermette, Ware, Langevis and Daqquam, is now, or will be next year, accessible by the following routes:-
"1st. Ste. Claire and St. Malachie de Frampton.
"2nd. Ste. Marguerite and St. Edouard de Frampton.
"3rd. Ste. Marie, or St. Joseph and St. Edouard de Frampton.
"4th. St. Joseph, or St. François de Cranbourne.
" 5 th. St. George, or Linière and Watford.
"6th. St. Gervais and the Fortier road in Bellechase.
"The 1st, 2nd and 6th of these roads are open ; the other three will be opened within a year.
"The three latter, namely, Nos. 3, 4, and 5, will run as follows:-
"1st. No. 3 will start from "La Grande Ligne de Ste. Narguerite," betweea St. Edouard de Frampton and the Seigniorics, and crossing Frampton (the two parishes) will terminate at the 9th ravge.
"2nd. No. 4, starting from "La grande ligne de Ste. Margucrite," between Cranbourne and the Seigniories, will cross Cranbourne, passing in front of the lot selected for the site of a new church, and terminate at the great Etchemin road already referred to.
"3rd. No. 5, starting from "La grand ligne de Ste. Marguerite," between Watford and the Scigniories, passing through Watford and crossing the Etchemin road therein, will terminate in the 'Jownship of Jangevin, where it will connect with a new road (which I purpose applying to the Government for) to cross Ware and Standon.
"These roads are a matter of absolute necessity, and in view of the ever-increasing requirements of colonization, I am persuaded the Government will ask for a larger appropriation this year, in behalf of this great work. If persuasion were needed, I could further state that I am informed by the Rev. Mr. Rousseau, cure of St. Malachie de Frampton, that all the lots throughout the greater purt of the five miles of the Etchemin road opened this year, have been taken up, and clearing has been commenced thereupon. Moreover, several farmers intend to cccupy new lots on that part of the road which has been merely traced out, under the conviction that the Government will treat them with the same liber. ality as the others."

## COUNTY OF BEAUCE.



This road starts from the Lambton road in Forsyth, and connects with the road opened by Dr. Douglas in. Dorset.

Four and a-quarter miles of the road have been opened, of which one mile is completed:
Two bridges, forming a united length of 50 feet, have been constructed, at a cost of $\$ 50$, and a certain extent of roadway made with brush.

The mile completed cost 8300 . The Jand ulong the first part of the road is good but stony, and covered with mixed timber. But in the neighborhood of Dorset, the land is infinitely better and timbered with maple.

This road will facilitate the settlement of Dorset, a very fine Township.
There are two watcr-powers, upon one of which a saw-mill has been built.
A number of settlers hare located themselves along the road, sud the value of property has doubled within a few years.

Mr. Labrecque estimates that it would require $\$ 700$ to complete this road.
Gay/hurst Road.
Conductor-Romal. Dallatre.
Amount appropriated ... . . - $\$ 80000$

This road is ten miles in length; it starts from the division line between the townships of Aylmer and Gayhurst, and terminates at the Chaudiere river. It has been opened as a winter road throughout.

Six bridges, forming in all 225 feet of roadway, have been opened at a cost of $\$ 100$.
"The road," says Mr. Dallaire, "follows the course of a small stream, the timber along the line being chiefly soft wood; however, the lands are of good quality, and at a short distance from the road begins the hardwood, with which the township is almost entirely covered.
"On the little river which skirts the road, there are numerous mill sites.
" It will, I think, take $\$ 3,000$ to finish the road.
"A few settlcrs have already made clearinge, and a great many othere are awaiting the appointment of an agent, in order to take up lots; and I feel sure that all the lands will he taken so soon as the agent shall have received his instructions."

## COUNTY OF MEGANTIC.

## Grosse Isle and Eighth Range Roads.

Conductor-Ignace Roberge.


Out of the 8200 advanced to Mr. Roberge, he expended $\$ 5232$ in improving the Grosse Isle road, and $\$ 99.93$ for similar work on the Eighth Range road, leading to the rairoad depot. Both these roads are within the parish of Ste. Julie de Somerset.

The Eighth Range road runs in great part through a low tract of land, so that extensive works must be carried out in order to render it fit for summer travel.

It has been suggested that the balance remaining in the hands of the conductor should be expended in bridging the River Noire, which crosses the latter road.

As Mr. Roberge has sent in no report, it is oot of my power to furnish details with reference to the amount of work done.

## COUNTY OF NICOLET.

Missouri Road.
Conductor-Alexis Desfosses.


This road commences at the Missouri conceswion, in the parish of St. Grégoire, and ends at range St. Michel, in the township of Aston, parish of St. Celestin.

With the above sum two miles and 19 arpents have been opened as a winter road, with 2 breadth of 13 feet, 37 arpents being between the fiefs Bruyère and Roctaillade, and 38 arpents; within the Township of Aston.

Several small bridges have been made, and half an arpent of crossway.
From the concession of St. Michel, in the first range of Aston, the rosd is open as far as St. Christophe, and is passable for wheeled vehicles, though not completed at all points.

The soil along the road is good, and it leads to lands of the very best quality.
Mr. Desfosses states that within the last few years, more that two hundred persons have settled in Aston, and that if the road were finished, the number would be more thinn doubled within a couple of years.

A fresh appropriation of $\$ 800$ would be required for the completion of this road.

## COUNTY OF DRUMMOND.



In 1861 Mr. Pelletier gave out by contract the making of five arpents of crossway, at. the rate of $\$ 12$ per arpent.

These works were cxecuted to his entire satisfaction by Mr. Fraugois Lemoine, and he has made a contract with the same party for the completion of six additional arpents of crossway, for the sum of $\$ 72$.

These works will be carried out noxt yoar.

> Road in rear of Kingsey.
> Conductor-P. Weitney.

Balanec of appropriation of 1860 - - $\$ 20000$
This road intersects, as a front road, lots $21,22,23$ and 24 of the sixth range of Kingsey; then as a line road, it passes through the sixth, seventh and eighth ranges, in part between lots 21 and 26 of the sixth range, and over lot 10 of the seventh range, and for a short distance on the ninth range.

It has been opened for an extent of tro miles and one-third, this year, of which two and a-quarter miles are passable for wheeled rehicles, but not cosipleted.

The lands in the vicinity are good, and covered with mized timber. They are admirably adapted to colonization.

There is a splendid water power at the central point of this road.
It would cost $\$ 500$ to complete the portion which has been verbalized.

> Durkan and North Ely Road. Conductor-Asa Leiohton.
Balance of appropriution of 1860 - . . $\$ 8814$
Anount paid in 1861 - . - . . 8814

With the above balance, Mr. Leighton brushed and diked an cxtent of nine arpents of roadway which was previously all but impassable, from the point at which he had disconcontinued his work the previous year, as far as the Hughes road.

He also cut down a considerable hill at a cost of six days' work, and made an outlet at a spot where the road had been flooded by a rivulet.

Finally, he removed stones which obstructed the road, and made dikes on each side, from the railway station to the Hughes road, an extent of about six arpents.

The road is now open and completed, from the station to the front line of Durham, where it meets the main road from Melbourne to Drummondville.

> Road from Wicleham to the Acton Depot. Conductor-Thomas Bradx.

| Balance of appropriation of 1860 | - | - | - | 513850 |
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| Amount paid. | - | - | - | 13850 |

There has been completed this year one mile of this road, previously opened, on the 10th range of Wickham, with a ditch on one sidefive feet in width and six in depth: The two remaining miles, on the 11 th and 12 th ranges, are passable for winter vehicles.

The adjoining lands are adapted to settiement, and are being rapidly cleared up.
Iron ore is found along the line of road; and it is only five miles distant from the Wickham copper mines, which are unsurpassed for richness by any other in the country.

The ditch above referred to will, when finished, be three miles in length. It will cross the Wickham swamp, which; when drained, will afiord an immense tract of land fit for culciration.

Mr. Brady thinks it will cost 5600 to finish the two miles yet to be made.

## COUNTY OF WOLEE.

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\text { Wotion and Wolfestown Road. } \\
\text { Conductor-J. T. LebeL. } \\
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This road commences at the main road in Wotton, crosses the Township of Ham between the fifth and sixth ranges, and will terminate in the Gosford road, in the Township of Wolfestown.

Mr. Lebel began his work at the Pacaud road in Ham, in the direction of Wotton, and opened as a winter road an extent of threc miles and 10 arpents, with a width of 24 feet.

The following is an extract from Mr. Lebel's Report :-
"The land crossed by this road is, generally speaking, high and fit for cultivation; the same may be suid of the adjacent lands.
"This road presents many advantages for colonization, and will afford great facilities to a large number of persons, and cnable them to settle upon the rast number of racant lots still remaining in the Townships of Ham, Wotton and Wolfestown."
"There are numerous:water-powers on the river Nicolet and its tributaries, which will be arailable for the future requirements of these localities.

* $\quad \% \quad$ Colonization has made immense strides in the county within the last five years, and I can assert without exaggeration that the population is now double what it was tive years ago."

Mr. Lebel thinks this road will cost $\$ 600$ per mile.

## Weedon and Lingwick Road.

Conductor-Ceas. Tanguar.

| Amount appropriated |
| :---: |
| $\boxed{6}$ paid - |$\quad-\quad-\quad-\quad \$ 30000$

Une mile and a half of this roadway has been completed this year. This road is four miles in length, and is now practicuble for summer vehicles throughout; but improvements are required at different points, amounting to a quartar of a mile.

Several small bridges have been made and two crossways, measuring 500 feet, at a cost of \$41. Mr. Tanguay has also brushed and covered with earth one mile of roadray.

The soil along the road consists in some places of black earth over blue clay, and in others of grey earth and sand. The timber consists of tamarack, cedar, maple and birch.

When the bridge over the river St. Francis shall hare been built, the road will be of great benefit to parties desirons of settling on the vast tract of splendid lands through which it passes.

By means of its junction with the St. François road in Lingwick, it affords a direct route for parties desirous of settling on the shores of that noble sheet of water, Lake Megantic.

There is a magnificent water-power on this road.
According to Mr. Tanguay, the population of Weedon has doubled within the last six years.

## COUNTIES OF WOLFE AND RICHMOND.

## Findsor and Wotton Road.

## Conductor-Remi Benoit.



This road, which had been previously opened, has been so far improved this year as to be practicable for summer vehicles for an extent of four miles.

In order to give an idea of the works carried on under the intelligent superintendence of Mr. Benoit, I deem it right to quote the following passages extracted from his report:
"Commencing at the tenth range, I have had the road opened as far as the tnird range, with a width of about twenty five feet, and in several places I had ditches made on one side of the road, in order to facilitate the drainage; 1 laid fascines at the ends of cercain old crossmays previously made, and had the whole covered with earth. In the third concession the road crosses an elevated tract of very fine land, with the exception of a few spots which I had crosswayed, amounting together to two und a half arpents; on the high ground he made the road from 15 to 18 feet in width, simply remoring the stumps and roots, and levelling the road to that width. As far as the middle of the fourth concession, the soil is dry and well adapted to the construction of a good road, and our operations were conducted in the same way as in the third concession; atthe beginning of the fourth concession, we were obliged to leave the original tracing of the road and follow the line described in the proces-verbal, and we were thus compelled to make six arpents of new roadway, on three of rhich the timber was stauding and on the other three the stumps. On the last three arpents we had to make a small bridge, about 18 fect in width, across a little stream. On the other half of this concession we repaired the bad parts of the road as well as possible, so as to render it practicable. I had a crossway of about one-half of an arpent in length made on this section, at a point where vehicles were compelled to leave the road and make a great round in order to pass; here properly speaking, towards the middle of the fourth concession, begins the swamp section, extending as far as the middle of the fifth concession, being about a mile in length ; here we did nothing but pull up the staxups and roots over a width varying from fifteen to twenty feet; and in my opinion there was nothing to be done in this place for the present, beyond preparing the ground for the crossway which will have to be laid, if a good road is to be made here. In the other half of the fifth concession the road had been opened to nearly its full width as far as che sisth concession ; the stumps and roots have been all removed and the ground has been levelled to a width of from fifteen to eightecn feet.
"If the rain had not injured our works of this summer and last autumn, we shoold have the pleasure of seeing the Windsor and Wotton road in a tolerably fit condition to be travelled in summer rehicles throughout its entire length; as it is, it is certainly passable, but in a state requiring great repairs, especially that part which is situated in the township of Wotton, and at which we worked last autumn. There will be an excellent winter road throughout the whole extent of this road. The united length of the various pieces of crossway, made by me upon the four miles of road at which I have rorked this summer, is from three and a half to four arpents; these have cost about ten dollars an arpent, and if it is the intention of the Government to have the swamp above mentioned crosswayed, the expense entailed by this: work must not be estimated at less than eight or ten dollars an arpent.
"The adrantages conferred upon colonization by the completion of the Windsor and Wotton road would be very great, for in such a case, all those who come here with a view of settling, would not return discouraged at the appearance of our roads in some places, and the total lack of them in others, and it would, moreover, facilitate the settlement of new roads, where the new settlers establish themselves, and where above all there is excel

Lenthand to lee cleared, that is to say the tract to the south of the Windsor and Wetton roal.
"I have great pleasure in recording the arrival, since the month of December last, of irenty-four uesf families who hare come to settle in our Township, and of whom threefourthis have taken up their residence in the vicinity of the Windsor and Wotton roail. buring the past summer I had also the pleasure of secing several Canadian families, who hal returned from the United States, take up their abode in the midst of us.
"The colonization of our finc townships has at length taken a start, and in a few years we shall see large and fine parishes spring up in the midst of our forests. I sincerely regret that it is not in my power to say that all who came to visit our Tomaship, settled here; were such the case, instead of twenty-four families, I should have had to say that bifty had settled in our neighborheod during the eleven preceding months alone.
"I an told by credible persons that all the adjacent townships are being settled to a yreat extent around the roads opened by the Government.
"The ralue of landed property has tripled within a few years only; it is in this proportion that the municipal assessments were made in our township, and nearly the same rule obtains in the adjacent townships."

Although this road, fifteen miles in length, is now practicable throughout nearly its whole length, Mr. Benoit thinks that not less than $\$ 100$ will be requirell to complete it, not including the swamp, which he says will cost double that amount.

This road is verbalized.

## COUNTY OF RICHMOND.

> Nevo Roald in Westbury. Conductor-Francrs Looms.

| Appropriation - |  |  |  |
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This road takes its departure from Sherbrooke, passes through Westbury and ends at Dudsrell. The propnsed length of this road is $11 \frac{1}{2}$ miles, viz. : fire miles in Ascot and fif in Westhury.

The cxtent opened this year is $3 \frac{1}{2}$ miles, tro of which may be travelled in wheeled vehiches; the remainder can only be used for minter vehicles; this part of the road is in the tornship of Aseot.

Sereral small hridges have been built, and half a mile of roid has been haid with trush.

The soil in the vicinity of this road is good and adapted for agricultural purposes. The wood is of good quality and of various kinds.

This road leads to Stoke, Westbury, Dudswell, Weedon and Ham, where muck excellent land is found ; and it is a matter of the greatest importance that this road shonld be completed at the carlicst posisible period. It is also the most direct menns of communiestion betricen these tornaships and the railway.

In Westbury, on the river St. Francis and its tributaries, there are some exellent witer-powers, which cannot be made available on account of the mant of roads.

In? Westbury and Dudswell are found linestone and fine guarries of marble, which eanniot he worked for the same reason.

Mr. Loomis estimates that a sum of $\$ 3,500$ will be required to complete this road.

## Mellonerne Roord.

Conductor-Louts Desaulnifrs.
Appropiation - $-\quad-\quad \$ 30000$
Amount disbursed - $\quad-\quad 30000$

This road begins at lot No. 19 in the 6th range of Melbourne, and ends at the line of the Gore of Brompton.

Three and a-half miles of this road have been opened, only half a mile of which has. been completed; the remainder can be traveiled only in minter rehicles. The completed part has cost about $\$ 200$ a mile.

A bridge, 50 feet in length, has been erected at an expense of $\$ 30$.
The land along the road is of good quality and adapted for agricultural settlements.
The wood is mized.
In the vicinity there is a water-power upon which a mill has been built.
A sum of $\$ 900$ or $\$ 1,000$ will be required to complete this road.
It is verbalized.

## COUNTY OF COMPTON.

## Hereford and Auckland Road.

Contractor-F. B. McNamee.

Amount paid out of the sum appropriated for the Eastern Townships, $\$ 2,58725$.
This road begins at the Cunnecticut River road in the 6 th range of Hereford, runs to the north across the Gore of that township, and is traced as far as the 6th range of Auckland, between ranges $A$ and $B$.

Eleven miles of this road were given out by contract to Mr. F. B. McNVamee, at the rate of $\$ 488$ a milc ; of this distance $5 \frac{1}{2}$ miles are completed.

Two bridges have been built uyer Hall's Creek, each of which is 35 feet in length. Six arpents of causeway have likewise been made.

The road is only open as far as lot No. 18 in the Gore of Hereford, and yet the settlers have gone through the forest as far as lot No. 23 in the range B. of Auckland.

In order to go from Cuaticook to the Hereford and Auckland road, it is necessary to travel a distance of 25 miles, over a road which is for the most part in a very bad state, and to cross the Province Line twice.

It is therefore a matter of urgent necessity that the opening of the road, already commenced between the 8th and 9th ranges of Hereford, should be proceeded with so as to connect with the Hereford and Auckland road.

Speaking of the road between the 8th and 9th ranges of Hereford, the following are the remarks of the Rev. Mr. J. B. Champeaux, that zealous friend of colonization, contained in a letter addressed to me by him on the 26th January last :-
"It will be secn that there are still sisteen miles of road to be made in this direction in order to reach those of our settlers whose residences are the deepest in the forest. Last spring I asked for the Hereford and Auckland road, so that the land on each side of that road might be taken, and its success has been very great. But now I humbly and carnestly ask for the 16 miles of road to the 6th ravge of Auckland, and moreover a road from the 6 th range of Auckland in the direction of lake Megantic, passing over the $6 \mathrm{th}, 7 \mathrm{th}, 8$ th, 9th, 10th and 11th ranges of Auckland, and from thence through Ditton, Chesham and Clinton, to end in Marston.
"If the Gorernment will be pleased to have this road opensd, I will undertake that the land shall throughout be taken sereral miles in adrance of the workmen making it. If this road is not made next spring, it is futile to talk of colonization in that part of the country. It would be injurious to the cause of colonization to send our unfortunate countrymen to languish in the depths of the forest, without means of communication with the outer world.
"On the roud which $I$ shall designate as the Megantic road, there is about six or seven miles from Coaticook to the south of the above mentioned rond, a church site, laid out on the property of a Mr. Gagnon. Quite close to this place there is a copper mine which would seem to promise much. About 16 miles from Coaticook, on No. 1 in the 9th range of Hereford, there is on the aforesaid lot No. 1, the property of the Reveread Messire Eusebe Durocher, Cure of Belœil, who takes great interest in the settlement of thee e townships, another church site marked by a cross in the middle of a small cemetery; and just opposite, on lot 11 of the Gore of Hereford, there are several houses which were built last year, and also a saw-mill belonging to Flavien Paquette \& Co.. This place, which is
une of great promise, is known by the name of Paquetteville. A store is in course of erection.
"About cight miles further on to the north, between ranges A. and B. of Auckland, where Messire Thomas Dagenais, cure of St. Edouard, and J. O. Bureau, M. P. P., have property, a church site will be laid out next spring in a place called Bureauville.".

During 1861 about 254 lots were bought by the settlers.

> Hampilen and Ditton Road. Contractor-F. B. McNamee.

This roal begins at the Victoria road in Bury, crosses the 3 Ird, 2nd and 1st ranges of Hampden, and is traced as far as the line between the lst and 2nd ranges of Ditton, a distance of five miles.

I am told that the land along the road as traced is good, and that in the rear excellent.
Five miles of this road were given out by contract last autumn to Mr. 2 . B. McNamee for the sum of $\$ \overline{1} 10$ a mile; but as the season was far advanced, the commencement of the rork was put off till the coming spring.

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\text { COUNTY OF BROME. } \\
\text { Sutton Valley Road. } \\
\text { Conductor-HENRX BoRIGET. } \\
\text { Appropriation - } \quad \$ \quad \square
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This road begins at Sutton Flat in the township of Sutton, and ends at Brome, 2 distance of $6+$ miles.

The whole of this distance has been opened this year as a winter road.
Twelve arpents of this road have been laid with brush; this work has cost $\$ 120$.
The road runs between two rows of hills and over land generally adapted to cultivation, and it will, when completed, afford easy communication between Richeford, in the State of Vermont, and the townships of Sutton and Brome.

This part of the country abounds in water-powers; limestone and mines of iron and copper are found in Brome and Sutton.

For some years past, the settlement of the County of Brome bas been going on gradually, but since the beginning of the war in the United States, many families have crossed the Province Line to take up thair residence there. There is still a great deal of vacant land in the County.

Mr. Boright estimates that a sum of $\$ 800$ will be required to complete this road.

## Potton and Sutton Road.

Conductor-Rer. A. B. Dufresine.

| Appropriation of 1859 |
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| Amount disbursed in 1861 |$\quad-\quad-\quad-\quad$| 25000 |
| ---: |
| 250 |

This road, which is the only means of communication between Potton and Sutton passes between the 7th and 8th ranges of those Townships from lot No. 19 to lot No. 28.

On account of the circuits which it will be necessary to make in order to avoid some great bills, the road will be four and a-half miles in length.

As Mr. Dufresne has not transmitted any report to this office, I cannot give any details as to the amount of work which has been done upon this road.

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Counties of Charlevolx and Saguenay.-St. Urbain aud Grand Baic road:
County of Slavenay.-Tadousac and Bergcronues road.
Counties of Saguevay and Cmarlevoix.-Black River aud Sayucuay road.
County of Cinarlevoix.-Stc. Agnes road, Settrington and De Sales road.
County of Montmonency.-St. Ferriol road, Laval road, Cauchon road:
County of Quenec.-Stoucham and Tcwkesbury road, Belair road, Valcarticr road.
County of lontweuf.-Riocmont road, Gosford and St. Gabricl road, Colbert roal, Alton road, River Batiscan road.

County of Citamplatn.-]ake Cossette road, St. Tite road, Grandes Piles road, St. Maurice road.

County of Str Mavrice.-Shawencgan road, Cuxton road, Hunterstamn road.
Counties of st. Mavrice and Maskivonge.--St. Leon Springs road.
County of Masminongé- -St. Didace and Pcterborough road, Rivière aus beorces road, Massigosh and Mandeville road.

County or Berther.-Brandon road.
Counties of Bertiner and Jolietre- Brandon and Jolicttc road.
Cowntr of Joliette.-Tolictte and Matawin road, Catheart road (two roads), Kildare road.

County of Montcalm.-Chertsey road, Wexford road, Kilkenny road, Kilkeuny and Beauport road.

Cousty of Ternedonne.-Trout Lake road, Round Lake road, Indian Mountain road.

Counties of Terrebonne and Araenteuil.-Morip and Hofard road.
Cousty of Two Mountans.-St. Colomban road.
Couvty of Argenteuil.-Chathan and Wentworth road, Daleville and Harrington road, Grenville road, Beavan Rapids road, Montcalm and Arundel rond, Howard road, road from North River to Arnot's Mill, Harrington road, Wentworth road, Crooksmill road, West Gorc road, Mille Isles road, East Outlet road, Grenville and Amherst road, Clathan and Howard road.

County of Vacdreute.-Newton and Farskesbury yoad.
County of Ottawa.-St. André Avelin road, Ripon and Hartivell road, Buckinghaw road, Lochaber and Derry road, Derry road, Yempleton roan, Wakcfield and Portland road, River du Désert road, Eiardly and Masham road.

Counties of Ottawa and Pontrac.-Onslow and Masham road,
County of Pontrac-Bristol and Thorne road, Calumet and Otter River road, Calumet and Fort William road, Portage du Fort road, Clarendon road, Litchfield and Mansficld road, Waltham road.

County of Gaspe.-Road in the Magdalen Islands, Fox River road, Anse au Griffon road, Grande Gyève road, Anse it la Louise road, White Dog road, Normeginns' road (screral roads), Pereć road, Pointe au Maquercau road.

County of Bonaventure.-Maria road (two roads), Manns Brook road, Pointe it lit Garde rond, Ristigouche and Matapcdia rond,'Escuminac road, Mann road, Paspebiac road, Centre Strect road, Hamilton road, Morcau By-road, Bujol road, New Richmond road, Carleton road, Cascapcdiac road, cast and west, Cap Noir road, Portage road, Gleui Sectlcment rond, Pointe is la Batteric road, River du Loup road, Capclin River road, road from Sandy Hill to Cross Point frrry, Malta yoad, Acadians' road, McCraken road.

Cousty of Rivouskr--Kcmpt road, Matane and Cap Chat road, Sandy Bay road, Mount Coummis road, Neigcte road, Macpes road, Bic road, St. Fabien road, St. Simou, read, Fleurian road.

County of Temrscounta-Begon road, St. Eloi road, Denomillic road, Isle Verte road, Viger road, St. Modeste roal.

County of Kamouraska-St. Alexandre road, Ste. Hetene road, Pohenegamook yoad, Woodbridge road, Mont Carmel road, Chapais road.

Country of Lishet.-Arago rond. Elgiá road.
Dofaty of Montmagm-Anse a Giles nod, Sirgis pond, Benabien tod.

Couvty of Bellechasse.-Armagh road, Fortier road, Buckland road.
Counties of Beifeceasse, Montmagny, Lishet and Kanourasla.-Taché roul.

County of Levis.-St. Isidore Road.
County or Donchesten.-Frampton, Buckland and Ware road, Frampton and St.: Clairc road, Frampton Main road, Buckland and Standon road, Ste. Marguerite Grand Iinc roal, Stc. Mrarguerite and St. Edouard road, Cranbourne Central road, Ltchemin road, Ballyporecn roail, road from St. Edouard to Cranbourne.

County of Bealce.-Iambton road, Shenley road, Dorset road, Gayhurst road.
County of Lotbinizre.-St. Croix road, Craig road, Gosford road.
County of Niconet.-Aston and St. Grégoires road, Missomi road, Maddington and Aston road, Aston Grand Line road.

County of Megantic.-Glenloyd road, St. Julic (8th range) rood, St. Sophic road, Sonerset and Halifax road, Grosse Isle road, Black River Station road.

County of Arthabaska.-Maddington road, Aston road, Bulstrode road, Arthabaska and Stanfold road, East and West Chester road, Pacaud road, Ham and Jingwick road, Jingwick and Warwick road, Warwick and Bulstrode road, Arthabaska and Aston road, Crair road.

County of Wolfe.-Wottou and Wolfestown road, Gosford roal, Megantic road, Wcedon and Garthby road, Weedon and Lingwick road.

County of Drummond.-Kingsey road, Drummondville and Arthabaska road, Irummondville and Upton Road, St. Guillaume and St. Bonaventure road, Ely and Durham road, road from Durhan Station to the Hughes road, Acton and Wickhan road.

County of Ricimond.-Windsor and Wotton road, Melbourne road, Westbury (ucre) road.

County of Compron.-Megantic road, Otterbrook road, Hercford road, Westbury roau, Eastern 'Townships Main road, St. Francis road, Hereford and Aucklaud road, Hampden and Ditton road, Otterbrook and Lake Megantic road.

County of Sirefford.-North Stukcly road, Graveline road, Montreal road, Ely and Durlam road, Orford road.

County or Brome.-Potton road, Bolton road, Potton and Sutton road, Sutton Yalley road, Brome road.

List of uev roads asked for in the coursc of the year 1861 :-
County of Cmicourmi-A road through the Townships of Bagot, Chicoutimi and Jaterriere; a road along the division line between the 7th and 8th ranges of Chicoutimi aud Laterrière.

County of Saguenay.-Stc. Marguerite road.
County of Cifartevoix.- $\Lambda$ road in De Sales.
County of Quebec.-A road from Stoncham to lake Beauport.
County of Portneuf.-A road betrecen the little rauge and the 4 th range of Ste. Catherine de Fossambault.

County of Champlain--A road from St. Stanislas (Ste. Annc range) to St. Titc.
County of St. Maurice.-A road from the. great river Machiche road to the St. Fticone road ; a road along the front of the lots in the first range of Shawcnegan.

County of Masmrinosé- A road on the north cast side of the River du Loup running towards Matawin.

Cocnty of Joliette.-Roads in Cathcart; yoads in Kildare.
County of Montcalar-Regimbal road in Wesford; a road from the Gth range of Chertscy across Chilton.

County or Two Mountains.-A road from St. Patrick hill in St. Columban to the boundary between St. Columban and Mill Isle; a road from the proposed bridge over the north river, to the St. Remi hill in the parish of St. Scholastique.

Cocenty of Pontrac.-A road in Allumette Island; a road in Calunet Island.
County of Bonafenture.-Several yonds in Hope.

County of Rmouski-A road along the river Matane; a road from Bic running bace to the Tache road in the township of Duquesne.

County of Bellecensse.-A ruad from the chapel at Armagh torards Frs. Theberge's mill.

County of Levis.- $A$ frout road in the Iberville concession, parish of St. Tambert; $a$ front road in the Belvèze concession.

County of Dorchester.-A road between Buckland and St. Malachic; a road from Frampton to lake Etchemio.

County of Beauce.-A road beginning at the last settlements ou the shores of lake St. Francis, in Lambton, across Adstock and Colrainc as far as the first settlements in Ireland; a road from the Lambton road in Forsyth to Adstock; 2 road across Aulert Gallion and Shenley.

County of Nicolet. - A road between St. Gertrude and Gentilly.
County of Megantic.-A road between the parish of Ste. Sophie and that of St. Ferdinand ; a road from Somerset, across Halifas, Ireland, Colraine and Adstock, as far as the settlements in Lambton.

County of Drummond.-A road from St. Guillaume across St. Germain to the rear of Durham.

County of Arthabaska.-A road in Aston to connect with the Grand Line road; a road to connect the Maddington road with that leading to Three Rivers at or near Bulstrode church; a road from East Chester to Wolfestown.

County of Wolfe.-A road from the Gosford road in South Ham to Weedon:
County of Compton.-A road beginning at Eaton, crossing Newport and Ditton, intersecting the LIampden and Ditton road at that point, and then crossing Chesham and Clinton to the Province line ; a continuation of the Hereford and Auckland road so as. to connect with the Hampden and Ditton road; a road from the 6th range of Auckland towards lake Megantic, across the 6th, 7th, 8th, 9th, 10th and 11th ranges of Auckland; thence across Ditton, Chesham and Clinton to end in Marston.
(Signed,) Boucmer de la Bruère, In charge of the Colonization Roads of Lower Canada

## OTTAWA AND PONTIAC COLONIZATION ROADS.

Chown Tthbea Office,<br>Ottawa, 27th Narch, 1862.

Sir,-I should have had the honor, at an earlier date, of reporting on the progress of last seasons works on the Colonization Roads in the Counties of Ottawa and Pontiac, entrusted to my charge, had it not been that the unaroidably late commencement of some of the works carried them far into the winter; and that unexpected difficulties in compilation, and other causes beyond my control delayed the preparation of such a map of the country north of the Ottawa, as seemed necessary to shew in a satisfactory manner the Roads forming the subject of report and the surveyed Townships they are designed to lead to, or through which they pass.

The works to be reported upon are of two classes; the works performed under the appropriation of $\$ 10,000$ for the Counties of Ottawa and Pontiac for the year 1861, and those done in expenditure of the remaining appropriations of former years.

The works under the appropriations for the year 1861 consist of-
1st. The making of ten miles of the Gatineau and Coulonge road in the township of Lor.

2nd. The improvement of the Thorne road, and the making of three miles in contiauation of it, leading to the Gatineau and Coulonge road, in the township of Leslie.

3rd. The building and repair of bridges on the Gatineau and Desert Road.
The works under remaining appropriations of former years are-
lst. The opening of the Onslow and Masham road.
2nd. The improvement of the front road in the lower part of Pontiac.
3rd. The opening of the Eardly and Masham road.
4th. Works on the front road in the upper part of the County of Pontiac.
The Gatineau and Coulonge road was originally projected, and traced in the field by Messrs. Bouchette and Aylen, from the Puagan Falls on the river Gatineau, ahout thirtysix miles above its mouth, to the settlements on the Ottawa at the mouth of the river Coulonge, a distance of forty-nine milos; passing successively through the central part of the township of Low, the front of Cawood, generally along the line between Leslie and Thorne, along the rear of Litchfield and through the south-east corner of Mansfield.

The ten miles of it contracted for, and very nearly completed, extend from the main road on the Gatireau into the last range of the township of Low. It is the most important part of the whole line, not only because it passes through the best land upon it, but also because it gives access to the road line traced northward from the river Pêche in Masham, along the rear ranges of the townships of Low and Aylwin, to the river Pickanock in the township of Wright, which passes through the greatest estent of land generally admitting of settlement that there is in the lower part of the valley of the Gatinean.

The intersection of these two roads therefore forms a point from which settlement roads could most advantageously be opened extending northward, southward and westward, as will be further explained in proposing the works most immediately serviceable for the ensuing season. The greater usefulness in this manner of the first part of the Gatineau and Coulonge road became a reason for making it in a more thercugh manner than might be necessary in the case of a less important road.

The part of this road contracted for and nearly completed is done according to the accompanying specification which I prepared, after many years experience, as the best for obtaining a good road economically, as regards labor and espense, where the means available did not admit of a first class earth road being constructed. It is opened 94 feet in width, the roots and stones thoroughly grubbed out of ten fect in breadth of the centre, (practically much wider in all the dimensions), and crowned to the width of sixteen feet with a sufficient rise in the centre; with culverts, ditches and discharging drains, where necessary. The causeways are laid sisteen feet wide, hewn or covered with earth. The bridges are built in the most substantial manner with covering eighteen feet in breadth.

Tenders were reccived for the work on the 26 th day of August, after extensive public advertisements, and it was let to the party making the lowest tender, at the following rates, viz. : causewaying $\$ 3$; bridging, from three to seven feet high, $\$ 10$ per rod; bridges over seven feet high, one-serenth additional to the foregoing for every additional foot in height; ditching three feet wide by two deep where required, apart from the ordinary water tables, 60 cents per rod; and for all other work taken together, that is, for grubbing, cromning and draining, including side cuttings (not measuring in the bridges and causeways,) $\$ 1$ per rod ; extra excavation, 20 cents for earth and $\$ 1.10$ for rock, per cubic yard.

Of the ton miles contracted for, two and a quarter miles remain to be crowned, with the necessary culverts and a little causewaying; it is all grubbed out except sixteen rods; and there is one bridge 104 fect in length by 10 in greatest height, not yet built, but now in progress.

There are 582 rods of bridging done, varying from four to fourteen feet in height, including one bridge of 210 feet long by $13 \frac{1}{2}$ fect high, another of 117 feet by $10 \frac{1}{2}$ feet high, one of 81 feet by 93 high, and 345 fect in length of substantial wharving in the bed of Stag Creek, solidly filled, and from eight to 10 fect in height. Of causewaying there are 172 rods, and 185 rods of catra ditching; and although there is very little stony or rocky ground, there are many extensive side hill cuttings from three to five feet in depth.

My accounts to 31st December last, cxLibit payments to W. A. Richardson, the contractor, for work performed on this road, amounting to $\$ 3,776.08$. The further payment to be made for the completing of work under contract (part of which has since been paid) will amount to about $\$ 900$ more, to which should be added $\$ 100$ for half a mile of work not yet contracted for, desirable to be donc. The final cost will be rather low for the value of the wore performed.

Considering the gencrally rugged character of the Gatineau country, it is remarkable that this portion of the Gatineau and Coulonge road, extending nearly to eleven miles from the Gatincau passes through a tract of country nearly altogether arable, and very free from rocks or stones, the soil of the first part of it being generally a clay loam of the richest kind, and the latter part warm and fertile, though in parts rather light and sandy; and connected with it on each side there are scveral irregular blocks of land very firorable for the formation of settlements which will open into this piece of road.

The next eleven and a-half miles of the road line passes throngh land of an inferior quality, one-half of it only on an average on the line being fit for settlement, but at a mile and a half south of the line, three-cuarters of it may be said to be so. For the next four miles, to the centre line of Thorne, it is of the same inferior description, on the line about one half fit for settlement-north of it about one quarter, and southward from it three quarters may probably be so:

The next eight miles, that is to three and a half miles along the rear of Iitchfield, is through land well suited for settlement on both sides, which extends to three miles northward of the rear of Titchfield, much of it is now occupied. This is the best tract on the Test portion of the line.

Then after becoming inferior for three and a half miles, it winds through the mountain range, where scarcely half of the land is fit for settlement; and the remaining six miles to the end of the line, near the mouth of the Coulonge, is generally on a light barren sand.

The other parts being inferior, it was considered desirable in the first instance to open up only the cight miles in rear of Thornc and Sitchfield, most suitable for settlement (which has already made some progress there), and to comect it with the old settlement of the township of Clarendon, by improving that part of the road from Clarendon Centre to Otter Lake, which leads northward through the township of Thorne. By doing so, and then turning northward from the cast part of the rear of Litchfield, up between the rivers Coulonge and Pickanock, where sevcral lumber cxplorers had reported that there was much apparently good hardwood land, it was thought that a great highway could be projected, having the very important advantage of being alike an advantageous road for settlement to an indefinitely large extent, and a very useful inlet for the lumberers on the rivers Coulonge and Pickanock, whose expenditure for farm produce and team hire would do much to encourage and sustain settlement. More recent information, however, tending to shew that the soil of the seemingly farorable hardwood land, in that direction was too
shallow to admit of the furmation of prosperous settlements, rendered the prospect of forming an adrantageous extensive settlement road in that direction ton doubtfil to warrant the commencement of it on the scale originally intended.

The idea of opening the eight miles of the Gatincau and Coulonge road in rear of Thorne and Litchficld, on the sime scale as the ten miles of the east end of it, was theretore abandoned for the present; as it would apparently lead to nothing of importance; and the onerations of the past season, there, were limited to the works on the road through Thorne and the making of part of it.

The improvement of the Thorne road, including the making of throe mites of it on a new site, was required to give proper access to the lands on the west end of the Gatineau aud Coulonge road, and to the settlements that will gradually be formed on tracts adjoining it to the northward and eastward. This road is the natural inlet to these tracts, giving access to them from the steamboat landing on the Ottawa and the village of Clarendon Centre, where the Crown Land Agent's office and the nearest stores for the supply of the country are. It affords a good passage through the first range of the Laurentian Hills, which skirt the Ottawa settlements, and are here met at the rear of Clarendon; and it is the line of communication with the lumbering establishments of Messrs. Gilmour \& Co., on the Pickanock, which together mith their roads, have been the chief cause of the extension of setlement in this direction.

The road through Thorne is about nine miles in length, from the front to the rear of the township. The first fivo miles pass through the range of hills above mentioned. On this part, the roork done consisted in the improvement of long, steep and dangerously rocky ascents, reguiring in parts excaration, and building up with stone, the removal of rocks, ditching, \&e., together with 294 teet of most substantial bridging, in three places; with side cuttings and levelling of banks, and 300 feet of hewn causewaying. Of the remaining four miles, three miles and three chains of new road were opened, with a width of sixteen to twenty feet; twelve fect wide in the centre of it, well levelled, after being thoroughly grubbed and ploughed. There are considerable cuttings at ascents and side hills, 3 very substautial bridge sist5 fect in length, and 210 feet of hewn causewaying.

The total expenditure made on the road in Thorne, otherwise called the Oter Lake moal, is $\$ 1,047.10$.

Much of the work was of an irregular nature that could not be suitably let by contract ant required experienced skill. It was done by a party of well selected inen under the charge of Mr. James McLaren of Portage du Fort, who had formerly executed some very difficult work for me on the Bytorn and Pembroke road, with unusual skill and economy: ts he has also done in the present instance.

Finding many causeways to be made, and hacd rocky hills that would tave been very expensire, on the upper part of the old track, I spent two dass in exploring and locating, the three miles of new road above mentioned instead of it. The site of the new road is as cmarkably good as the other is bad, passes through good laud for settlement, which the other loes not, and shortens the distance one mile for eastward, and two miles for westward travel, on the Gatineau and Coulonge road line, which it intersects at the rear of Thorne. It also there connects with several lumber and settlement roals, which, as tho country there becomes genomiy level with a light try soil, are remarkably gool though opened at litt? cost.

Within a radians of six miles of the end of this new road, there is much gion land for sottlement though some of it is stony, hat unless the existence of some considerable extent. of hand fit for settlement be definitcly ascertained beyond that, nothing of inportance carn be done here; and the completion of the road a few miles westward, on a small scale, seems to be the utnost that could be desired till farther conclusive information be obrained.

The building and repair of bridges on the Gintinean and Desert road, is the third division of works on which a small expenditure on accomit of the appropriation of 1861 has been tuade.

In the beginning of Norember last, I made a rapid but careful reconnoissance of the road up the Gatineau as far as the river Desert, as formerly proposed, taking the necessary notss as to the state of the road, soil, surface and obstacles, to enable me to malse an approsimate estimate of the cost of completing on a moderate scale that very important road, alike for the settlement of the country and the business of it.

As the expenditme nif a mall sum of the appropriation for 1 s 61 , for necessary objects on the Desert road had teen proposed, and as some of the bridges were in a dangerons state, or reduired to bu built to prevent the obstruction of trarel in spring, I let part of the works to be dore on my way returning. It consisted of four small jobs, viz. :

The repair, rating six fect and lengthening to 190 feet of the bridye wer Lacroix's brook, a little above the Pickanock, let for \$ll0. The building of a bridge over Lepines brook, 75 feet in leneth, lei for $\$ 50$. One of 90 feet on Carisse's brook for $\$ 50$; and the building of a bridge and catasew,y at St. Amour's brook, $3 \not \pm 4$ feet long, for $\$ 111.2 \overline{2}$, all in the township of Wijuht.

The payments on aceount of these works charged in wy account current to 31 st De cember last, amount only tis $\$ 180$, but ther have all since been completed and paid for, excepting small reticitatious made till spring.

Also the bridge over the river Picisanock, whick was built with Colonization mones, I found on careful examination, required to be raised six fect higher, to prevent its probuble destruction by spring thoods, and to be lengtheued to 236 fect by adding 70 feet to it. This work has since heen let tor $\S 320$, completed and paid for with is small reservation.

The extension of another bridge, let for $\$ 40$, is tho dast work on the Desert road now in propress.
 Ottawa, and collected from them and fow the iwberers and othe:s best acquainted with the interior, such information, as aded to that derivel from Survegors and their returns of surveys on record in my office. confirmed my previousiy capressed opiaion that the valley of the Petite Natiou river was the most fivorable site, next to that of the Gatinean, for the opening of a great highway into the interior country north of the Ottawa, as a Colonization road, and thiti such a road on the east side of the Petite Xation river would pass through much good land for settlement. Maving obtained your sanction, I immediately instructed Mr. Ieduc, of St. Audré Avedio, to survey such a line of road, up through the township of Suffolk, with a riev to its further continuance. The result of his survey is highly satisfuctory, but no expenditure has set been made in work upon this line of road. Ishall leare further notice of it and of the Gatinesu and Desert road to the concluding part of this report, suggesting future operations.

Of the work of last season, under remaining appropriations of former years, the first begun was the opening of the Onslow and Masham road.

This road commences at the Catholic Church on No. 4 of the Sth range of Onslow, and extends to No. 28 of the 13th range of that township, where it joins the Masham road at the river lêche.

It has been opened throughout, from the vicinity of the church, firom twelve fret in width to six feet in difficult places, anong rocis; the hills are dug and stones removed so as to make it passable for a cart. There are causeways made on it anounting to 0 O 6 fect, and a substantial bridge on the outlet of Wolf Lake, 166 fect in length, upwards of ten fect in height, on block work, with hewn covering. The bridge and causeways were made 18 feet in widh to suit the dimension of the road when widened by the siatate labor of the settlers.

The appropriation tor this road was 8000 of which there has been expented sis5, leaving $\$ 115$ for further wozk.

The work was done by a party of men employed by the month under Mr. Benjamin Moore, of Onslow, whose energy and great experience in conducting extensive lambering operations in the woods, sccured the best possible result for the money expended.

The improrement of tho front road, in the lower part of Pontiac, was done under the appropriation of $\$ 1,000$ for that road from the County line betreen Ottarmand Pontiac to Yortage du Fort.

On careful cxamiation and inquiry, I found that expenditure on improvement was most required on parts of the road in Clareadon, where it is rough and miry, and especinlly in the township of Onslow, below the river Quio, where there was an extent of about four miles of extremoly bad road, one half of it boing over rough rocky ledges, and the other very miry and unmade, requiring much work in ditching, tec. This piece of road hadlong been the chief obstruction to communication by land between the county of Pontiac and
the city of Ottawa. The building of several bridges on the front sood, in the lower part of the tornship of Onslow was also very much required.

Elsewhere, cspecially in the township of Bristol, I found the road good and prisenting no obstruction to travel, and therefore not meriting any expenditure on it from the appropriation, while the other parts mentioned so much more required it. My examination took place at a time when country roads are in their worst possible condition,

With the exception of the improvement of a dangerous spot, on a bare rock, on the road in Clirendon, the doing of any work upon it in that tornship wasdeferred, not only because it was solate in the season but also because an apparently desirable change of a part of the road was proposed, which required examination.

The expenditure of last season was therefore limited to the improvement of the very at parts of the road in Onslow, and the building of bridges already mentioned.

This work was also done by Mr. Benjamin Moore and his party, aud in such a manner a the elicit an ollicial expression of approbation from the Municipal Council.

The work was commenced at the north side of the Quio briage, on No. 11 of the Ord range of Onslow, and consisted in the making of bad spots by crowning and draining, the moting of rocks, cutting of side hills, the making of ncarly a mile in all of ditches, with mayy culverts. On one hill nearly 300 tons of stone were removed, and !part used for lirest work. Only 136 fect of causemay were made, but on the lewer part of the road, seven bridges were built, amounting to 46.1 feet in length, some of them eleven feet in height, itad all constructed most substantially.

The total expenditure charged in my account to 31st Decenber last, on account of the works on this road of the $\$ 1,000$ approprinted is $\$ 735$, leaving a balaice uncspended of Sifif for worls to be done in Clarendon. (See Syappsis herewith.)

Parties in Clarendon acquainted with the ground informed me that for about seven miics, between No. 8 and No. 24 of the second range of that towuship, where there is a areat lond in the front road, and some bad ground to be passel, the bend could be cut off. saving upwerds of a mile of distauce, and a much better site found by carrying the road icearly straight between the above points, passing in, or along the rear of the list range, ehiefly through a dry, nearly bare sandy red pine brule-and the change of tinc line here is strongly recoumended by some of the leading settlers, as it would givo a constantly dry road that would require almost no repair instead of the present line, whose clay ground will always become exceedingly cut up, in wet weather in the fall. The parties recommending the alteration say, with justice, that though it would not benefit them, as they do not reside on the proposed line, it would be a great advantage to the general travel, especially of people from the Upper Canada side of the Ottama, who would cross on the bridge now building at Portage du Fort and avail themselves of the road on the north side of the Ottara, which, by cutting off the great bend of the river is abont ter miles shorter than the road on the south side to Ottawa city; which is all unquestionably true.

Not having time to do so myself, I comployed two compctent persons to go over the proposed line, who found it to be as stated. $\$ 500$ in addition to the halance remaining of the appropriation would open this line and give a better and shorter road than the present onc, and a road that would be sound and useful in the wet weather late in the fall, when most refinired, when the other would be scarcely passable. It is extremely diffieult to see why it should be made with colonization road funds, but an additional appropriation for it mould he at least as justifiable in that respect as the one already made.

If lys strict definition a colonization road be one necessary to give access through, or $\omega$, rublic lands fit for settlement, not already otherwise accessible, the front road in the uprer part of Pontiac is much more strictly onc, as it extends beyond existing continuous steamboat communication, and facilitates accoss to the vacant lands north of it, above Portane du Fort.

The remains of appropriations of former years for the front road in the upper part of the Countr of Pontiac, under which works were performed last season, were $\$ 650$ for the part from Black Rirer in Waltham to the Coulonge in Mansifield, and $\$ 250$ for the Calunct and Deep Kiver Road, to be spent on the uncr.mpleted part in the upper part of Chichester.

As it was not till $I$ received an official communication of the $2: 2$ nd October, that I mas informed of the amounts actually at my disposal, or the works to which they were applicable. remaining of former appropriations and that in some cases, after that remote localities
had to be visited, and the work to be done ascertained, and agrecments made on the spot for carrying them on, including the collection of men, and the purchase and forwarding of tools and provisions, it will be evident that some of the works were necessarily only commenced, then such operatious generally are being closed and reported upon.

Under such circumstances, J . trust that it will not he considered extraordinary that ng Forbs were not all completed.

As the work to be done under the last mentioned appropriations, consisted chiefly in the building of several brideces, the rant of which constituted the chief obstacies on the road betreen the Goulong and Black River, it could be proceeded with, though late in ibe season. I instructer Mr. Alexander Proudfoot of Mansfield, who was strongly recommouded to me by Mr. Bryson and Mr. Poupore. M. P. P., on account of his ability amd character; to employ a party of suitable men by the day and proceed with the building of the bridges and to make the best arrangement he could for the epening of the piece of rond required in the township of Chichester.

He suspended proceeding with the latter at the instance of the Municipal Council of Chichester, who were anxions to submit a change in the line of road to my decision.

Mr. Proudfoot was interrupted by severe illness and by unfavorable weather for the getting out of the timber fer bridge work in progress; his works will be completed during the incoming season.

He has, however, built three substantial bridges of hewn timber, une of 30 and two of 50 feet in length, of 9,7 and 12 feet in height respectively, with another of 180 feet in length in course of construction, when he ceased working, besides making at Smith's gully a heary side cutting of 600 fect in length, with $\log$ side wall; all in the township of Mansfield.

The expenditure charged in $m y$ account to :3lst December last, on account of works under Mr. Proudfoot's charge, anounts to $\$ 535$, leaving a balauce then unexpended of \$365, to be applied to them next scason. (See Synopsis herewith.)

When at Yansficld making arrangements for getting these works dune, T made a sectional measurement of the bridge site on the river Coulouge on this road, so as to enable me to make an estimate for a bridge there, as the want of one renders this river, which is four hundred fect wide and nearly six feet deep in the channel, a great obstruction to iravel and tise extension of settlement. I beg firther to refer to it in the concluding suggestions as to further works.

The opening of the Eardley and Masham road is the last work remainiug io be menfioned of those under appropriations of former years.

This roadextends from the settlements on the Ottawa in the township of Eardley, to those on the rirer Peeche in Masham, passing through the noteh in the Lardley mountains with very sradual ascent, behind the stcamboat landing of Rocky Point. It is the shortest and most farorable route into the settlement on the upper part of the Peehe, and forms part of the northerly rond line traced by Messrs. Bouchette ind Aylen, to the river Pickanock.

From where the opening of it comrucuced in Eiadley; to the river Peche, it is a little over six and a half miles in length. The work on it was done ly Mr. Mongins (who orns a saw mill on it,) as oversecr, with a party of men hired by the day. It consisted in opening out, through woods, of about three and a quarter miles of it, and elsewhere widening an old lumber road that in places coincided with it, to the midth of 16 or 20 feet as reciuired, aud the partial building of a bridge on it over McGeces Creek, which is to be $8:$ feet in length of cord and 14 fcet in height; but which was but finished oring to the formation of ice on the steep banks at it, rendering it dangerous and too difficult to be continued late in winter.

The appropriation for this road was only 8400 , of which thece has been expended and charged in my account to 31 st December last $\$ 373$, including $\$ 1.50$ on account of the Clarendon and Thornc road, (see following synopsis), leaving \$2 further available.

With it small addition to it from the appropriation of $1 \mathbf{S 1}$, this sum will be suflicient to pay for the completion of the untinished bridge on McGec's Creck.

Besides the expenditure on account of the foregoing works a payent is pharged in my account to 31 st December last of former year's appropriation, of $\$ 251.50$ to William Fodgins nerseer on the Clareadon and Thorye ford. This ras not for reork performed ander
my direction, it was in liquidation of his claim for the amount of two pay lists, for work done on that road, referred to me for settlement, and for which there remained of former appropriation, the sum of $\$ 250$, the difference of $\$ 1.50$ being transferred to the account of the Eardey and Masham road as above mentioncd:

It will be observed by my accounts that with the caception of the ten miles let by contract in the east end of the Gatincat and Coulongc road, the works were performed by werseers, with parties hired by the month or day.

This was done because it was priferable for various reasons, the irregular nature of He work not admitting of its being let properly by contract, the lateness in the season not :ffording time for the delay of doing so. or the work being such as reçuired the judgment of a competent overseer experienced in it. The wages of the men with provisions and trimeport. gives an average of $84 \frac{1}{2}$ cents per day's mork, which is low on the Ottarra.

Syoppsis of expenditure charged by 4 . J. Russell in his accounts rendered to 31 st December, 1861, ou account of the appropriation of $\$ 19,000$ for Colonization Roads in the Countics of Ottama and Pontiac, for 186].
l'ayment to W.A. Richardson on account of contract on Gatineau and Coulonge road. ..... \$3,776.05
Do. on account of works on Otter Lake road in Thornc ..... 186.00
Do. for advertising road works by order of Departmentin Quebec ..... 102.02
Do. to P. Aylen, Esq., for occasionally inspecting and measuringe works ..... $10: 00$
Contingencies and travelling charges, including expenses of recon- moissance of road to River Desert ..... 163.34
lienuneration to A. J. Russell for superintendence of the above and of other works, under yemaining appropriations of former ycars ..... 400.00
\$5,766.54
'lotal received by A. J. Russell on account of the abore ..... \$6,000.00
Do. expended as abore ..... $5,776.54$
Halance in his hands hy his aceount curreat io 31st Dec., 1801. \$ 223.46

Sgnopsis of expenditure of old appropriations for roads in the Counties of Ottara and Youtiac, antumn 1861, by A. J. Russell.

> Onslout and Mushoun Route

| ount |  | - 900.60 |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Expenditure, three pay lists | \$443.92 |  |  |
| Proportion of remainder of B. Moore's account.. | 32708 |  |  |
| Proportiou of contingencies...... . | 14.00 |  | 785.00 |
| Balauce unexpended 1st Jaunury, 186 |  |  | 115.00 |

Onslon and Clorentom Frimi Rout.
Atrount ..... 81,000.00
Fत्रिè íditure, B. Moore, two pay lists. ..... S394.96
Proportion of yomainder of B . Moore's account ..... 290:81

1. Wilson's account ..... 35.65
Froportion of contingencics ..... 13.58
Balance unexpended, 1st finuary, 186: ..... $\$ 265.00$
Off this balance-paid John Gordon, in January, 1862, for assist- ingin caploring last fall, not in account, 85.20 ..... $\$ 259.8:$
Pontive Front Romal.

- Imount for Manstich ..... s 650.00
Do. for Calumet and Deep River ..... 250.00
S 900.00
EXPENDITCLE.
Amount of $S$. Proudfoot's accuunt. ..... 5513.83
Cost of transport of supplics paid by A. J. Russell. ..... 8.80
Proportion of contingencies ..... 19.37
-535.00
Balance uncxpended on lst Jamary, Is6: ..... : 865.00
Eitritley and Mostham, Rome.
Amount ..... $\$ 400.00$
ENTENDITURE.
Amount of F. Morgaris accumat ..... s366.60
Proportion of contingencies ..... 4.908371.50
Conexpended in payment to Modgins for Clarendon and Thorne Road per pay list. ..... 1.50
$\$ 373.00$
Balauce unexpended en 1st Jauuary, 186; ..... $\$ 27.00$
Citarendon and Thome Roarl.
Amount ..... $\$ 2.90 .00$
EXPENDITURF.
Yaid Wm. Hodgins amount of pay list ..... 251.20
Orer expended and charged to Eardley and Masham roud ..... 1.50 ..... 1.50
hecapitclation of mapenditute.
Onslow and Masham road ..... 785400
Onslow and Clarendon Front du ..... 735.00
Pontiac Front do ..... 585.00
Eardley and Masham do ..... 371.50
Clarendon and Thorne do ..... 251.50


| Onslow and Masham Ron | 8115.00 |
| :---: | :---: |
| Ouslow and Clarendon F | 265.00 |
| Pontiac Frout do.. | 365.00 |
| Eardler and Masham do | 27.00 |
|  | 5772.00 |

Expended in Jauary, $186^{\circ}$, on account of Onslow aud Clarendon road, paid John Gordon S5.20.

## BROPOSED WORKS.

From information heretofore acquired, and recent careful investigation, 1 would respectfully recommend the following as the most suitable further works for the advancement of Colonization in the Countics of Ottaria and Pontiac.

Ist. The opening of the north road surveyed by Messrs. Bouchette and Aylen, on and near the line between the Counties of Ottawa and Pontiac, northward and southward, from the point where it intersects the west end of the ten miles of the Gatincau and Conlonge road now nearly completed.

The bridge built over the Star Creck, where they intersect, serves for both of these routs. This north road line is laid off into lots, and by Mr. Aylen's report from seven-eighthe to four-ifths of them are fit for settlement, on the 13 i miles from Stag Creek northward to the Pickanock, which, including sinuosities may be upwards of 16 miles of road. It passes along the front of the tomnship of Stanhope, now called Alleyn, recently sub-divided into lots by Provincial Land Surveyor Holrnes, who reports it to contain much good land, especially south of the Pickanock, which agrees with what was previously known as to that part. Frorn Mr. Holmes' statements, and Provincial Surveyor U'Hanly's report of exploration of that and other townships, it would appear that by turning westrard, this road line could be continued at lease twelve miles further inland, generally fit for settlement, southward of Stag Creek the land on this linc, as far as the Sth range of Masham, is all suitable for settlenent, which with sinuosities may be fifteen miles of road line.

This would give uprard of thirty miles of settlement road in the most favoralite country the valley of the Gatineau affords, besides its probable extension at the north end, and the contimation westward of the Gatinean and Coulonge road, all branching from the part of the latter made last season. As this extent is all, as yet, unoccupied, I consider it the most advantageous and most readily arailable field for the formation of settlement in the territory under my charge. As timber agent, I rould therefore propose the opening wi this road as the first object to be provided for, and that I should derote to the making of it the remainder of the appropriation of last seasion, with as much of the appropriation for the ensuing season as may be available for it.

To make this road as good as the bost class of colonization roads in Cpper Canada, would require an outlay of about $\$ 500$ a mile; some of them cost nearly $\$ 500$ a mile. partly from defective original specifications and partly, in some cases, from their having recquired going over from not having been eompletely made at first. The accompanying specification affords a better road, for the cost, than any other that can be made. It concentrates the labor on the making of a sound, though narrow road bed, where the wheels ruv. Without that, additional carth is useless, either in a rugged or dry sandy country; and cven in clay soil a greater breadth of muddy surface is a poor substitute for crowning and drainage. The clearing of a greater midth of road than is going to be used as such is simply wasting the money-that should be applied to making a sound, dry and eren carriage way-in clearing land at the sides, to sare the settlers the trouble, or to grow up again in bushes. If a road be made by mercly cutting the roots and stumps close off by the surface of the ground, in the roadway-instead of thoroughly grubbing out the roots, stumps and stones from nine feet, at least, in width of the centre-the remains of the stumps riil always be protruding afterwards, rendering the road bad and dangerous for rapid travelling, or should the road be subsequently re-made, they must be then grubbed out at more cost
than it the trees were standing. In the same maner, it narow ceascmas be made of small pieces of wood when "a road'is first'opened, besides the risk of their being dragged into confusion by the draming of heary loads over them, and the impossibility of teams passing each other on them, they remain as nuisances when the road is afterwards properly inade, or are thrown aside as useless, and replaced at further cost.

For these reasons, therefore, it is desirable, to aroid future loss of labor, that in opening roads, nine or ten feet of the centre should be thoroughly grubbed, and a sound road hed made of it, and the canserrays and bridges be made wide enough for two vehicles to pass on them, especially on first class settlement roads leading to large areas for settlement, and likely to be much used.

Where it might be adrisable to adupt an inferior description of road to that provided for in the annexed specification, to meet the requirements of economy, or tor the opening of branch roads of less importance, the crowning and grading, in forming the road as mentioned in the specification, might, With the greater part of the side lill cuttings, as to width, be lefe to be done ly the setlers, and the grubbed part of nine feet in the centre be merely solidly levelled so as to be made solidly passable for a loaded wagon. This, is the least work that can be done without future loss, and it would afford a rough bat passable road, with many bad spots in it, but it would be as good as the roads are, in many es. isting settlements. There mould bo labor to add, but none thrown army on it. Such work might be designated as affording a second class road.

A third class road might be opened in an inferior manuer, the width of the road and causervays to be fourteen feet, at most; no grubbing done; the stumps to be cut close to the surfuce, and a passable track for a lightly loaded magon made throughout.

In this case the causemays and bridges would be the only part of the work that would be of ralue in fature making of the road, as, till the stumps and roots become completely rotten, the grubbigg and grading rould all hare to be done as if in standing roods.

The cost of making roads of cither of these descriptions depends altoyether on the nature of the ground and timber where they pass, and the prices of provisions and labor in the locality. As pine trees (whose stumps are expensive to grub) are so frequent iu the Ottama country, and so very much of the land is stony, rocky and uneven, and as the great market occasioned by the lumber trade sustains the hinhest prices for preduce and labor known in the Prorince, the cost of making any kind of road thould be, rery much greater here than is usual elsewhere.

In ground of the usual ruggedness, a roit of the first class meutionel, wate aecording to the accompanging specifieation, womid cost, as stated, Sa00 a mile, causerays and bridges included.

The second class deseribed mould eost $\$ 880$.
The third class, or ungrubbed passage for a waron, wouh cost $\$ 300$ a mile.
The bridges and causerays in the tro last would be nearly equal in quality to those on the first. and be serviecable when the roads were completed and enlarged to the usual ridth.

Haring made this loug disression, as it semed to be necessary in explanation of proposed future work, I leg to revert to the north road, from the Township of Masham to the Pickanock, which intersects the end of the part of the Gatineau and Coulonge road made. this scason. As presenting the lest site fur immediate settlement on the fratineau, it is: the first in importance to be opened as a colonization road. But it will be suffeient to open it on the scale of the second class rond mentioned, at a cost of about $\$ 380$ a mile, leaving the completion of it to the scale of the first class mentioned, to be afterwards performed, as it mas, without any loss of work; should its future extension or importance as a settlement road render it desirable.

In connection mith this, the opening of the Gatineau and Coulonge road mestward, from the part made this senson, might be continued, on the abore scale, to the termination of the road made this season, as already mentioned, in Thorne, a distance of fifteen miles, and thence twelre miles further. But as the land on the first fifteen miles is not so suitable for settlement as on the north road (though more than half of it rill eventually be occupied), and as the westerls trelve miles of road line, though passing through good land already partly settled, has not been definitely ascertained to lead to any considerable extent of good land beyond it, neither of them (though well worth opening; and meriting
an appropriation, should there be funds disposable) are so important or so immediately desirable to be opened as the north road already mentioned, or the others that I shall next specify.

Though scoondary, as a great inlet for settlencent, to the main road up the Gatineau, 10. which I shall again revert, a road up the valley of the River Petite Nation is the next that merits attention from its imnediate utility and probable great importance from the ratent of good land it will open for settlement.

This road line commences at the existing road in the township of Ripon, on the east side of the river Petite Nation. Thirteen and a half miles of it were marked out last fall, i, Mtr. Leduc, under my direction, as before mentioned, leading ap through the township of Suffulk to its north outline. I would propose continuing thirty or thirty-five miles further northwarl. to Lake Monaming, a tributary of the River Rouge, where, from definite information and doeuments of survey in my possession, it would traverse a large tract of arable land, of a superior quality for settlement.

On the part surroyed by Mr. Leduc, he says he found "the land, though uneven gencrally, yet nevertheless very adiantareous for settlement, the soil rieh and suitable for caltivation and the production of all kinds of crops; the wood-maple, beech, hemlock, hassroot, and fir of a tall growth, with rery little pine;" and in an exploratory excursion northward, from the cud of the road line he traced, he found the soil to continue arable and fit for settlement. For thirty-five miles of this line my information is from survess performed at the near and the far cod of it; of the middle part, the reports of lumber hunters who have traversed it, are very favorable, describing the land as resembling that if Suffolk.

As this presents us with the site of a general highway of forty or fifty miles in leneil, from which lines of settlement may be opened along concessions branching from it, right and left, as in Suffolk, with the lumbering works on the Petite Nation and the river Rouge oficring a considerable market for farm produce, and being the nearest and one of The largest favorable tracts on the Ottawa, it offers an important field for colonization, especially for the surplus population of the adjoining seigniories and parishes.

I would suggest that this should be opencd as a first class colonization road, as deceribed in the accompanying specification. As labor is rather cheaper in that locality than in some others on the Uttawa, the cost might be somewhat under $\$ 500$ a mile, all chargea included, especially as dry loam is the prevalent soil in parts.

To open the thirteen and a half miles laid out rould, at the abore rate, cost $\$ 6,750$. Hy reducing the work to levelling solidly on very dry, sandy ground, $\$ 6,000$ might be sufficient.

The third work I would suggest, as most urgently meriting attention, is the road from the rear of the township of Hull to Pricst's Creck and the tormship of Bowman on the Rivière aux Lièrres.

This line of roud touches the north-west angle of Templeton, and continues nearly aioug the linc betroen Wakeficld and Portland to Bowman. A small appropriation of colonization road monny was very advantageously expended upoo it last season, by Wm. Hamilton, Esq., of Cantly, in commeneing to open it at the lower end. It should be continued at least sixteen miles further. It passes through a large tract of good land, lying partly in Wakefield, Portland and Denholm, now bcing settled, giving the most direct acccss to it from the City of Ottawa. It would open up most adrantageously the land fit for settlement between the Gatinoau and the Rivière aux Lievres, and on the west bank of that river, which does not, on this part of its course, extend beyond the township of Bowman. The township of Bigelow, abore it, being inferior and further up the high range betreen these rivers, comes close to the latter, in a form too rugged for scttlement.

This rad is essential for access to the Norwegian and German settlement now forming in Bownan. If the encouragement of such immigrants is desirable, it rould seem especially so that :a road of some kind should be afforded the first settlers of that class in this part of the Province, who, from their ignorance of the English and French languages, stfer much greater incouvenience in commencing than other settlers.

As this road cannot be carried vory far with advantage, an expenditure upon it of SO00 4 mile, may probably be considered suficient, rhigo wonld render an apnropriation of 84.800 for it desimhle. But as the sum of 8500 natnced for provisope for the desti.
tate Norwecrian and German settlers in Borman, and for which I hold their notes, payable in labor, if so required, is clargeable to the road, but possibly may not all be recoverable, it would beem dosirable chat the appropriation should not be less than $\$ 5,000$.

The Rivièrc aux Lièvres affords a water conmunicution from above the fallis at Buckingham rillage to the township of Buwman, but in ascending there are scyeral portages, besides rapide, where it is necessary to tow or pole up. A road up the valley of the Riviere aux Lièrre is very desirable, aliko for the purpose of settlement and for the traffic of the lum. ber trade. The rest en either side is passable for a cart but a fow miles above the villace of Buckingham. Itan able to give an opinion how such a road should be carried. Wherc the Riviere uax Liévre traverses the ridge of the Laurentides, at and wear the Figh Falls, there is much rough land, and uotarorable country above that, which would require much examination to enable one to judge.

Much of the tomuship of Villeneave is bad hand and mountainous. The tomaship oi Wells, above it, is hetter, with mach good flat land cxtending up the Riviére des Sourds.

From where the Kiamaca juins the aus Lievres, that is, about eighty-five niles dircetly norlward from its mouth, the country, as elsewhere on the north side of the Ottawa, and at that distance from it, changes from high ruyged hills to a much lower undulating surface, and is much more arable. The good lands on the upper cousse of the aux Liedres will most probably be settled in conncetion with the Gatineau

The lorer part of the valiey of the aux Lievres, excepting near its muuth, seems much less suitable for settlement than the country east of it, drained by the Lower Blanche and the Retite Nation, which is altogether on a lower level.

I would suggest that a liue of colonization road should be surveyed and opened, diversne frow the road from the steamboat landing at the village of Thurso to the river Ste. Seque, and passing up through the township of Derry East, on the cast side of the Blanche, where it would intersect much good land, and northward through the township of Lathbary, which is reported to be favorable for settemert.

I am noc in possession of sufficient information to conable me to say how far this line of road might with advantare be carried. But the land to be epened for settlement by this line beirs so near the Ottawa, and connceting with so accessible a part of it, so near its mouth and to the port of Montreal, would secra to render the surrey of such a road line, after carcful exploration, and the opening of it for settlement, very desirable.

It is equally desirable chat aline of colonization road should be explored and opened from the west end of lake Blancle in rear of Lochaber northward, ncarly along the lino betwecn the townships of Derry Eust and Derry West, where there are racant, good lands, superior in quality to those already settled to the sonthwest. This line may be carried along the east or west side of the west branch of the Blanche, as further examinations night dictace, and thenec up along the line betreen Villoueare and Lathbury, or thereabouts, into the rear of the township of Wells, where the land is well suited for settlement. This road would give aceess to the valley of the Riviere des Sourds, where thero are extensive fats of arable land, reported to be good, down which a branch road might probably be carried with adrantage to the Rivière aux Lievercs.

The tomnships of Derry are described as containing a good deal of good land, hilly but not stopy, and of a deep fertile soil. Beyond the 4th range of Derry West no lands wero taked up last ifll, nor in. Derry East except shere a fev squatters were settling up the Blanche.

These two last mentioned roads would give access to tho weereat racant lanis in the county of Ottama, suitable for sottlement.

The settlements gencrally forming on the Rivière aux Lièrre, and the large amount of revenue that government has realized from the extensire lumbering operations that have for years been carried on in connection with milling establishments at the thriving village of Buckingham on that river, are strong reasons for opening a road up its valley, but as the country on the banks of the river, to a considerable estent, presents difficulties requiring careful esamination, I am not in possession of the information necessary to onablo me tiv give any opinion of ralue as to where such a road should be located.

I have made these suggestions and observations as presenting subjects for further consideration with a vigw to tho development of the lower part of the county of Qtawa.

Turning to a more remote part of the Ottama conutry, 1 would in the fourth place recommend as meriting an appropriation of colonization funds for the opening of a road up the west side of the river Coulonge, to give access to a tract of good land in the west part of the township of Pontefract, and between it and Black River, and the building of a bridge over the riper Coulonge.

The township of Pontefract was surveyed latoly by Mr. J. Robertsou, of Fitzroy. He is a very reliable and thoroughly practical judge of the quality of land; what he calls good land is unquestionably so. Ho condemns as unsuitable for settlement that part of the tornship lying east of the river Coulonge, even whero it is very fine looking hardwood land, it is in general too shallow in soil for proper cultivation or certainty of crop in dry seasons, though the demand for farm produce will doubtless scon lead settlers to occupy the letter part of it.

The west side of the township, howerer, coutains much good land fit for settlement for about eleven ranges in depth, which also extends westward towards Black River.

The small proportion of good land in this part of the Ottawa countrs, compared with the great exteit suitable only for lumbering, renders this tract of much value for settlement. It is near the Ottawa, and being on the way to the extensive lumbering regions on the Coulonge and Black River, the settlers will be in the most adrautageous position for ibtainiog good prices for their produoe, and the road, so far as it may be opened, will present the double adrantage of boing useful to tho lumberers working up these rivers, as well as to the settlers.

I would suggest that this roud should be opened from the front Pontiac road is Mansfield bseck four miles through that township to Pontefract, and thence about twelve miles further to and along its west outline, the site to be more definitely determined on survey of the line-in all say sixteen miles, at $\$ 300$ a mile, making it a mad of the third class, as regards scale of work, would require an outlay of $£ 4,800$.

The Coulonge is the first unbridged river in the man front road on the north side of the Ottarra, above the city, and being a large one, it is the first serious obstacle to communication and to the progress of scttlemeut.

The river Coulonge enters the Ottawa about a hundred miles above the city, and as the country at that distance is but partially settled fand ouly on the front, the maiu road here is rirtually a culonization road essential to the further progress of settlement, and the building of a bridge over the river Coulonge is much required, not only for the upward travel on the Ottawa in connection with lumber trade and the eastera settlements, but also tor the extension of settlement in the townships on the main river, as well as un the tracts in the rear like that just mentioned.

As already mentioned, I took the necessary sectional measurement of the river to eunble me to make a plan and estimate of the proposed beidge. The river is there four hundred feet wide and about six fect deep in the channel, with a strong current and high steep banks :and therefore quite unfordable. The bridge requires to be live hundred and ten fer: in length, and twenty four feet in haight from the botom of the chaunel. It should have six water ways, of sisty fest wide, or five of seventy-twn feet. with queen-poyt tresses in the latter case, or king-post tresses in the former; the cost wnuld be equal in either case. To give security, as the bottom is of shifting sand, the ries should be well snak with projiveting foundation pieces, to give breadth of beariug, and they should be sent down with a yood bed of fascines under them, which will prevent the eddy behind the piers and the phunge of the swell in front during freshets, from undermining their fewadations

Including $\$ 100$ for the making of the road approaching the site at the east end, the appropriation should be $\$ 3,232$; with the 34,800 estimated for the Pontefract rond, the intal for these works would be $\$ 8,032$.

A bridge is also much required on Black River ; at thirteen miles by the road above the Coulonge. Black River is the last large river on the Pontiac road which terminates twenty miles beyond it, at the foot of Deep Rivar, where precipitous mountains come to the sture, rendering the continuing of the road :llong it imprasticable ; it will hare to be carried through the ralleys behind.

Though the extent of land fit for settlement in this direction is comparatively small, it would be a mistake to suppose that the publie domain is too unimportant or unprofitable
to justify sneh considerable expeaditures on account of it. The land that is good is unusually profitable the the cultivator, and much of the remainder now yields and will continue to yield a larger revenue to the Grown than the sale of the lands would represent; by the produce of its forests, which afford profitable employment to thousands on the spot, and in the commeree it ercates.

The making and improvement of the main road up the Gatincuu is the next subject I would suggesr is meriting attention; not as being of less importance than the preceding frorks mentioued, hut because its claims to consideration apart from its character as a eolonization road are such as to merit a special parliamentary grant.

Apart from being the inlet to the lands suitable for settlement on the banks of the Gatineau and in the valleys of its many tributaries, it is uow the main road of a numerous though rather thinly seatered population who can hardly be expected, uassisted, to make and maintain $: 4$ road oi ninety miles in length, passing frequently over very ragged unoccupied ground, and which is mach used by the traffic of a branch of trade that yields a large profit to frovernment.

Besides the price of lauds sold, Gorernment must have already received uprards of half a million dollars as revenue for lumber cut on the Gatineau. Lumbering was carricd on upon it to a large exient upwards of thirty fcars ago, and during the last nine years alone, I collected in ground rents and datics ou saw logs cut on it, $5 \times 21,909$, and far from being cxhausted, the anoual rovenne has been gradually increasing from $\$ 18,454$ in 1803 , to $\$ 33,26 \pm$ in 18 Ci .

It would not seem umreasonable were the inhabitants of that section of eountry to ask one Jeur's revente, in thirty, of the public domain, to assist them in giving access to it for the purposes of trade and the extension of settlement in it.

The Gatineat mad naturally presents itself in two principal divisions. The lower part, from the village of Hull, opposite the city of Ottawa, up the west bank of the Gatineau to Brooks's, at the Puaga Falls, in the township of Low, is thirty-fire and a half miles in length. For this distance the road passes generally over rich clay soil, the alluvial Hats of the river, with recky ground on the spurs of the hills, which occasionally come close to the river, sometimes in precipituns rocky bluffs, hemming the road in to the barrowest practicable space aiong their base.

A stage runs regularly from the Otana to the Puagan. The land in that distance is all taken up ond occupied, and the road in dry weather is a good country road, and much labor has been spent on parts of it by the inhabitants, but in continuous wet weather it becomes exceedingly cut up, with the decpest possible ruts, owing to the richncss of the soil and the great traffic upon it. In many places it needs ditching and culverts, and there are some dingerous old bridges upon it, and bud rocky hills that are sericus obstacles, requiring much expenditure to improve them.

A compang was, I believe, formed for the macadamising of twenty-four and a hatf miles of this road, and a survey of the line and estimate of the cost of making it a macad:amised road were made by George H. Perry, Lisquire, Civil Engincer, but nothing further has since been done to my knowledge.

In a country like that north of the Ottawa, where the land fit for settlement is much exceeded in quantity by that which is unfit for cultivation, and is so frequentiy to be found in blocks too small and scattered to admit of the formation of extensive lines of settlement or to warrant the opening of colonization roads to them in detail; the improvement of main roads such as this which are absolutely necessary, to give access to the interior lands generally, is a very certain and adrantageous way of forwarding the settlement ot such parts of the public lands as are fit for it; especially in such cases as this, where the road is the highway of an extensive lumber trade, which creates a highly profitable market for the settlers and causes settlement to extend and prosper where it otherwise rould not yet be in existence.

This would seem to afford an argument in faror of granting assistance to the Gatincau macadamised road company, should they proceed with their design, is it would, no doubt, most porerfully forward the settlement of the Gatineau country. Uncertainty as to low much of the road they may improre, renders it difficult to estimate definitely any sum for this portion of the road, between the probable end of their works and the Puagan, There mprovement is certainly, required, and be prorided for in a gencral estimate for this rond,
iu: cuse of a grant being obtained for it. An expenditure of at least $8,4,000$ wonlt probably be desirable on this section, besides auything the company may be able to do.

The upper part of the Gatineau roal, from the Puagan to the river Desert, is that on which expenditure in completing and improving it is most urgently required, not only to give aucess to several townships containing together much land suitable for settlement, but also for the bencfit of the eristing settlements and the important trade of the country. The distance is stated to be fifty-fire miles. Much of it is merely a lumber track or vinter road, parts of it have been worked upon by the settlers, as well as the lumberers. Some colouization funds have been spent on other parts of it. The worst part of it, owing to natural difficulty, is the first trolve miles above the Juagan. It is with nuch difficulty sind some danger that an unloaded buck board can be drawn through from the Pagan to the Tidian Mission Settlement at the river Desert, in the tomnship of Maniwaki

The first twelre miles, from the Puagan to the river Kazabazaa, embraces much of the most expensive ground to make a road upon that can be found. It has been opened from welre to twenty feet wide. With some dry eren ground it presents steep clay hills, much very rocky ground, raried with long deep miry places, where the remains of numerous pine stumps that have merely been ent. close by the ground, will be more expensive to, take out than if the trees were left standing. The opening of the road in this imperfect manner and the making of some gool causerays, a little side entting, and some bridges was all that the limited funds hitherto availablo admitted of being doue on such parts of the whole line as were worked on, and excepting partly in clearings. the grubbing and making the road, including ditching, grading aud crowning, excatvation and culverts, and the building and re-building of many bridges, has all to be done.

A new bridge is required on the Kazabazan, 268 fect in length of work, and four feet hipher than the present imperfect old one.

The next thirteen miles to the river Pickanock, in the township of Wright, passes orer much more favorable ground ; the cost per mile ol making it a good road will be not much more than half the rate of the preceding portion.

The following nine milcs from the Pickanock to Mr. Seamy's farni, at the upper outline of Wright, would cost still Jess on an average per mile, were it not for two considerable bridges required, for which I have taken the necessary measurements. Berond this nu work whaterer has been done mith colonization monies.

The next six miles reaching to the middle of the township of Buachette, ofing to there being much unfavorable rocky ground, with two conciderable bridges to be built, will be about trice as expensive to make as the last.

The remaining fifteen miles to the river Desert, though at present merely a narrof winter road, will be much less expensive in making than the preceding, being generally very favorable ground, but is all in woods till about a mile from the rirer Desert.

To make a fiur turnpike road of the whole of this upper fifty-five miles in the manmer described in the annexed specification but one-third wider, would, on account of the estremely unfarorable character of parts of it, probably cost about $835, i \mathrm{i} \%$. But by careful management in concentrating the labor on the bad and impassable parts of it, and making the last fifteen miles in the smallest scale to be useful, the whole might be made fairly passable for loaded wagons for about $\$ 19,448$.

This sum represents the smallest scale of work that Government cofld have performed without disadrantage or considerable loss of labor; and it would be necessary that it should be incurred if the settlement of the Indian township of Manimaki, and the surveyed townships opposite and abore it on the east side, containing much good land, be considered lesirable. Much of the line is uninhabited, especially the exceedingly rocky and rugged parts of it , and they will uecessarily remain so. The upper part of Bouchette is unoceupied, so also is Maniwaki, excepting at the Desert, and it will long continue so, unless steps be taken for its survey and sale, which is rery much to be desired.

It is to be regretted that Maniwaki, probably the best township for settlement on the Gatineau, should, where good land is so scarce, remain not only unoceupied, hut a barrier to the progress of settlement in that direction.

From the river Desert upirards, the Gatineau road should be continued for colonization purposes, on the east side of the river up through the torinships of 反ensington, Aumond and Sicotte to Lake Baskatong in the tornship of that name, abote the rirer

Desert the west side of the Gatinean bocomes less faroralle for settlement than the east side. Abore lake Baskatong, crystalimo limestone is said to prevail up the river Jaskatooshin.

The river Gatineau druins an area of about ten thousaud square miles, und is probably about four hundred miles in length. In general, one quarter of the land in the known parts of the valley of the Gatineau mas bo estimated as fit for settlement. in the present acceptation of the expression, though more of it may erentually be occupied.

To describe the lands fit for settlement, I would quote the words of Peter Aylen, Esquire. His opinion is based on trents-eight years personal acruaintance with the Gatineau country, which, in conncetion with his lumbering operations, he explored more extensively than any other person. He says the lands fit for settlement :"are generally of an unusually rich and durable soil, and though stony in places consists of deep loam on the tables that form the hill tops, and clayey flats in the ralleys, oftea corered with deep black earth, and admitting of drainage where requiring it, poor sandy soil being of rare occurrence."

As one of the callsez of tertility, I would mention that I found crystalline limestone the most commonly prevailing rock along. the Gatinesu for upwards of sixty miles below the river Desert. There are farms on the Gatineau presenting upwards of two hundred acres of the richest allurial fields in front, and in rear bills of cryetalline limestone, valuable alike for building and as a manure for the soil, and coverod with valuable wood, pine for building and hardwood for fuel. In the finest parts of Canada those adrantages are seldom found together.

But the greater part of the Gatineau country; as is the case on the north side of the Ottawa, generally consists of rugged, unarable hilly land with occasional sandy plains, the good lands occurring in veins, irregular tracts, and isolated spots.

It is of the utmost inportance, therefore, in the projection of settlement roads, that the extcut and position of those farorable tracts, and the best means of coonecting them, if not alrcady definitely ascertained, should be carefully determined by cursory exploration and the road lines adapted accordingly, as any other system of propetion otherwise based, will be sure to end in utter failure.

As the rugged and inferior lands are generally covered with a good grow th of raluable timber, in the manufacture of which, much farm produce is consumed, ereatiug a market on the spot, and high prices, it is evident that the value of the remuiuing quarter for settlement and cultivation is thereby very much increased. By careful selection, the extensive forest regions, unfit for cultivation, might be left untouched, while continnous lines of settlement might be formed on the intervening reius and tracts suitable for cultivation, and settlers be placed where they would derise the greatest bencit from the Lumber trade, and at the same time the poor and unarable regions of the Ottawa tie preserred for ever in their character as the greatest lumber forests in the rorld.

Grain, potatocs and other vegetables are suceessfully cultivated ou large lambering farms at thirty and forty miles north of the river Desert. In the settlement on the iatter, fall wheat is cultivated with success.

Though but remotely convected with the subject of this report, it is morthy of remark that it has been well ascertained that behind the high country of the Laurentides, that is, at from about a huadred varying to tro hundred miles north of the Ottara, the country becomes lower, and that in this great depression, which is about a hundred miles in breadth, and of an unascertained length from east to west, containing the upper three hundred and fifty miles of the Ottawa's course, there is much land suitable for cultivation, said by those who have visited it to be less hilly and stony than the nem tomaships on the Madawaska and Gativeau. Stratified limestone is found in it at the hend of lake Temiscaming and at Grand Lake, a hundred miles further cast. As these tro points, and much more of this northern valley are a degree south of the latitude of lake St. John on the Saguenay, which is known to hare a better climate than Quebce, it is quite probable that they may possess in some degree the same adrantage; and as thousands of settlers are living successfully in Upper Saugenay, it would be absurd to suppose that the same will not ultimiately be the case on the great waters and much more extensire ficld of the Upper Ottama, facilitated as it will be by the great reaches of inland narigation.

The river Degert, or more properly the settlement at its mouth, is about three miles
nurth of the latitude of Three Rivers, and the south shore of lake Baskatong is about four miles south of the latitude of Quebec.

I rould now beg leave to recapitulate the works I have sabmitted for consideration in the crder in which they scem immediately desirable to be proceeded with, and the appropriations that would be requisite for them, or the portions of thein proposed. In doing en, I would respectfully explain that I submit a relative vien of a system of works that rould secm desirable for the most advantagcous opening up of the localities most suitable for settlement, and of the probable expense of performing them at sates of cost considerably uader that deroted to similar colonization works in Upper Canada, and which might oecupy several years in execution, without presuming to indicate how much or how little of the Colonization funds should be at present devoted to them, were they eren approved .if and adopted; my sole object being to place at your disposal the result of the best information I have been able to accumalate, aided by my past experience in superintending such works.

Recapitulation of Proposed Works.
1st. For the making of the North Road in the the peche to the Pickanock, 31 miles. at $\$ 380$, less remains of appropriation a: $2=61 \ldots . . . . . . . . . . . . .$. . $\$ 8,780$
2nd. For do. of $13 \frac{1}{2}$ miles of Suffolk Rex ............................... 6,000
örd. For do. of 16 miles of Hull \& Bort.... do....................... 5,000
4th. For do. of 16 miles of Pontefract raadi.... ...................... 4,800
and Bridge over River Coulonge ..................... 3,232
Sth. For do. of the main road up the Gatincau to the River Desert, 55 miles from the Puagan upivards.

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(Were a special Parliamentary Grant obtainable for the Gatineau roads, the amount shuuld not be less than $\$ 35,772$ for the part from the Puagan uprards, $\$ 4,000$ for the part below, and $\$ 4,800$ for a bridge over the Gatineau, which is mach required about six miles : hnoe the mouth of it.)

> Further Norks proposed os. be aftervards prosecutod.

The West Hoad in Derry or the East Road on do. or both.
The continuation of the Suffolk Road to Lake Monoming.
The building of a Bridge over Black River in Waltham.
The continuation of the Gatincau Road towards Lake Baskatorg.
But prior to that the continuation of the Gatincau and Coulonge Foad.
For the position of the roads and works referred to in this report, I beg to refer to the accompanying map of the Counties of Ottawa and Pontiac. In it the representation of proposed roads not yet surveyed, it is onty intended to indicate the locality and direction of them, leaving their position to be better determined by exploration and survey.

There is great danger of avaricious people, who own land elsewhere, taking up lands on Colonization roads as soon as it is known that they are to be opened, to the olstruction of settlers who really want the lots. To prevent this abuse the couditions of aciual settlement should be promptly and rigidly enforeed to the letter, and coniscation take place without a single day's delay, just in the same manner as has been punctually dove for many years with lumberers' licences in this agency, when they failed to comply with the conditious required of them, though they might have mado many payments on their licenses proviously, and might lose thousands of dollars by the confiscation.

It would certainly be guite as casy and at least as just to enforce contiscatioiz on the pretended settlers.

For a simple and selfacting system that would complotely removo the obstruction to scttlement caused by partics taking up lands for the speculative purpose of wringing high prices out of actual settlers afterwards, I beg to refer you to my report on the St. Maurice Territory, transmitted in March, 1859, containing practical suggestions as to the sale and settlement of the waste lands of tho Province, and the better adjustment of the rights of settlers and lumberers, exbibiting a system whereby lands could be sold to actual setllers at a serely tominal price mithout any loss of reverue thorefrom to the Crown.

I hare the honor to be, respectinlly,
Sir,
Four sery obedient servant,
A. Ji RUEsTEL

## SPECIFICATION

Of the maner in which the Colonization Road from the Puagan Falls, Gatinean, to the Rirer Coulogege, is to be made.
I. It is to be made on the site of it traced in the field, exceptiug where otherwise pointed out by the Superintendent. ir persen in charge. It is to be cleared to the width of 24 feet.
2. It is to be formed to the width of Tif feet; all roots, stumps, and stones are to be grubbed unt 10 feet in widti in the ecotre, which is to be solidly levelled up, and in firy ground evenly crowned with hard earth to the height of *inches in the centre, above the sides of the ruad. All roots, stamps, vegetable matter, stones, and timber, and other rubbish to be ihrorn 4 feet back from the edge of the ( 16 feet) road. All stumps in the sides of the road, that is 8 feet on each side of the grubbing, to be cut dowe eren with the rurface of the road when made. No croming to be done till all the grubbing has been performed and inspected.
3. In moist or loany ground, as pointed out by the Superintendent or porson in charge, the centre of the road is to be crowned to the height of 18 inches above the sides, which are to be formed into continuous water-tables, so as to take off all the water. They may be crooked outside of the 16 fect to avoid stunps or other obstacles. Or where required by the person in charge, a ditch 3 fect wide aud 2 fect deep, is to lo sunk along the apper side, outside of the 16 feet, in addition to the crowning mentioned in the second clause; the carth from the ditch to be used in cienly crowning the centre, exeeptiog where it is black earth or venctable matter, which is not to ise used in cronning.
4. Culverts, with sufficient discharge drains, are to be made in all hollows where rater may at any time pass, or where poiuted out by the Superintendent; the water-ways to be at least 15 inches wide, and 10 isches high, in the clear under-greater if required. They are to be made of cedar if it cau be had, otherwise of black ash or yine flatted; to be not less than : inches thick, the pieces to be 16 feet in length. The coveriug to be supported hy four cross pieces duretailed inio, and securely pramed to the side pieces. The top of the covering to be lorer than the road, and well secured by pieces piuned aeross the ends.
6. Such small bridges as nay be reguired, ate to be built of the same description of :imber as the culverts throughout; the covering to be of the same dimensions, resting on four striugers, I foot in least diameter, supported by, and securely pinned to substantial side-logs, of a height sufficient to give free passage for the rater at highest flood; or on abutments of round logs of the same description of timber, laid in tiers of four each vay: 10 inches in least diameter, slightly notehed upon each other, and securely pianed at the corners. larger bridges to be built in the same manner aud of the same dimensions and descriptions of timber excepting that the stringers for water-ways of 20 feet are to be not less 0 inelas broad by 14 deep or round cedar peraled not less than 13 inches thick may be used-with handrails 4 feet high ; the posts and caps of which are to be 6 iuches square with braces 4 inches sfuare and 3 fect loner securoly shouldered in and spiked to the posts and projecting pieces of the flooringevery 10 fect. The flooring to be of 4 inches thick pine planks, or hown eedar 5 inchos thick, IS feet in length, the projecting pieces to be 6 inches thick and 23 feet long boxed on the stringers. A binder 8 jnches by 4 to be treenailed down on ach side to retairn the fooring. The prosts of the handrails to be tennoned with it as well as the cap above and weil spiked. The abutmente and piers to be loaded with stone to the depth of 2 feet laid on a flooring of sound rouvd logs 8 inches in least thickwess. The approaches to bridges to be raised so as not to be fooded in high water, and all materials to be at all times suhicet to tho inspection and approval of the superintendent or person authorized by him. Chips, logs aud rubbish, which might communicate fire, to be removed a rod back all round bridges, and from the ands of causeways, ame logeing up side hills.
6. The water to he thoughiy data away fram water-tabis or sule-ditehes, by off-

[^6]take drains, 3 feet wide and 2 feet deep; or larger, it required to pass the water when greatest.
7. All swamps or boggy places to be causewayed or fascined. Causeways are to be erenly and closely laid, and hewn level on top and solidly bedded on the ground,-the stumps being first cut belor the surface, unless where stringers are necessary to give elevations over water. Stringers to be at least one foot thick and four to the width of the road. The pieces to be of sound wood, 16 feet in length, and 8 inches at least in diameter, -of cedar, where it can be had. Nine-fect at least, in width, in the centre to be erenly covered, 3 inches in depth, over the highest logs, with earth from the side ditches, which are to be $;$ fect wide and 2 feet deep, on one or both sides if required to draw off the water; otherwise, the carth to be obtained elsewhere. Where it may be found more suitable, (or be specially required at the time of letting the work,) in swampy ground, the stumps are to be cut even with the surface, 16 feet in width ; the centre erenly raised 6 inches,-the whole to be then corered with softwood brush and small trees, the tops towards and orer the midule, to the depth of one foot in the centre, when compressed, and 6 inches at the sides. The surface to be closed with 3 inches of swamp carth, with 8 inches of hard earth over 9 feet in width of the centre, diminishing to 4 inches at the sides of the road, which may be made up with any earth obtainable. Causeways and fascining, and the crubbing previnus to crowning, not to be covered up till inspected and approved of.
8. On steep sidelong hills the road is to be cut lower on the inside, and to be 12 feet wide; besides a ditch near the cutting, 18 inches wide and a foot deep. The face of all cuttings to have slope back of one foot, for every one in height. The outside to be built up solidly, with stones, or sound timber not less than 10 inches at the small end, with eross-ties every 7 feet. Or the side may be made up with a layer of soft wood brush, laid tops out, for every six inches of earth.
9. In forming the road, the earth is to be warked from the heights into the hollows; and banks and ridges, where more excapation is not specified, are to be cut dorn 2 feet, if necessary, to equalize the road. In deeper cuttings, the roadway may be only 12 feet wide. In passiug among rocks, or in very rocky ground, a passage of 10 feet in width will be sufficient, the points of the rock to be broken down, and the spaces between them solidly huilt up with stones, and the whole crowned with hard earth.
10. In descending hills, the water to be turned off every 50 or 150 yards, according to the stecpuess, and at the head of all cuttings.
11. No carth work done later than 31st October will be accepted or paid for this season.
12. All trees that fall on the road till finally received, to be cleared ont, as well as uny orerhanging or other timber, or trees that may be considered likely to fall into the road.
13. If the work be not commenced within 10 days after the day on which it is let, or should it be abandoned for 10 days, without sufficient reason being assigned to the satisfaction of the superintendent, or should the contractor, or any person employed by him, refuse to comply with the instructions of the superintendent, or person employed by him to oversee the work, the superintendent will be at liberty to annul the contract, or employ men to do the work at the contractor's expense; and should there be less than six men employed for every mile coutracted for, the superintendent will be at liberty to make up the number, by employing men at the expense of the contractor, should he see fit.
14. No vork to be sub-let without the consent of the superintendent.
15. The work to be completed before the lst November, 1861; but should more than one half of it remain to be done on the 10th October, 1861 , the superintendent may then employ men at the contractor's expense to complete it.
16. Persons abandoning their work will forfeit the work performed.
17. Onc-third of the price will be paid when one-half of the work is done, and the remainder when it is completed and accepted; but the contractor's securities are to receive the balance due, or any part of it that the superintendent may consider them entitled to, should they be obliged to complete the rork, or any part of it.
18. The contractor is to give the best accommodation in his power to the superintendent, or person appointed to oversee the rork; such accommodation to be paid for at a reasonable rate.

The Commissioner of Crown Lands will not consider it necessary to accept the lowest tender, nor to let the full extent of work advertised, should he find the rates proposed too high.

No. 26.
remarks un tpper canada suryeys, de.
The survers performed during the past year in Cpper Camada, were chicfly confined to that section of the country lying between the Ottawia Riyer and Georgian Bay, and between the Spanish River, on the North Shore of Lake Huron, and Goulais Bar, on Lake Superior. The rapid settlement of the lands along the free grant or colonization rouls, has induced the Government to subdivide into farm lots some of the new tornships adjacent thereto, and to explore the country for new lines of commmication connecting those roads with one another, and with the most eligible harbors on the shores of Lakes Iuron and Superior.

The townships surveyed during the past year in the Huron and Otrawa Territory, as well as those enumerated in last year's Report, will be found correctly represented on the accompanying map. The system of suldivision is quite the same throughout the entire Territory, and the survers have been so projected as to accord, in some degree, with that of the older surveyed townships lying to the South thereof, consisting of Concessions, Lots, and Road allowances. With the view of facilitating the granting of licenses for timber berths, the townships on the North Shore of Lake Huron have been survered into Sections and quarter Sections, each regular Section containing in area of $6+6$ acres of land, without any allowances for roads.

In order to explain more fully the system of surveying carried out, and the subdivisions represented on the accompanying maps, a resume of the general instructions issued by the Department to Provincial Land Surveyors for their guidance in conducting surveys in the Ottawa and Huron Territory, and on the North Shore of Lake lluron, respectively, may be usefully introduced.

## instructions for surveys of tie ottawa and huron territori.

" 1st. Ascertain the hearings of all the lines you survey or verify by Astronomical Observations, and note the variation of the Magnetic Needle at the places of observation, and wherever there is any remarkable change in its amount. Enter the details of all your Astronomical Observations in your field book.
"Ind. Clear your lines well, and blaze the adjacent trees distinctly on three sides, $i$. e., one blaze on each side in the direction of the line, and one on that side by which it passes.
"3rd. You will take a back observation at each station.
"4th. Verify the length of your chain previous to commencing operations, and frequently during the progress of the Survey, and pay particular attention to accuracy in your measurements, and to the correct marking of your posts, to ensure which you will select your chainbearers with strict regard to good condact and fitness for duty, employing those only on whose honesty and capacity you can rely. In all measurements, the horizontal distances mast be returned.
"5th. Your Theodolite must be often examined to prevent errors which woull arise from the derangement of its adjustments.
"Cth. Trace all the lines in the middle of the road allowances, planting posts at the distance of fifty links from the lines on both sides thereof-make the posts of the most durable wood you can find, squaring about two fect of the top, and cutting the numbers of the lots, concessions, de., with a proper mirking iron; the posts at the corners of the Township to be at least six inches scuare, those at the ends of Concessions five inches, and the lot posts four inches, all planted firmly in the ground; from the post you plant, take the course and distance to the nearest tree, which you will blaze in a conspicuous manner and mark B. T., (Boundary

Trec). You will enter the courses and distances of those trees from the posts, and their kiud and apparent diameter, in your field book. Where a tree stands in the place for a post, blaze it on four siles and mark it as you would the post; where they can be had, place stones round the posts at the coruers of the Township.
" 7 th. The regular farm lots are to be 20 chains in breadth by 50 chains in depth, containiug 100 acres each, an allowance for road of one chain in width between each alternate. Concession and cvery fifth and sixth lot.
"Sth. If your Survey contains an cligible site for a town-plot, mark it on your plan, and report on its cupabilities.
"9th. Make a diligent search for, and adhere to the boundary lines drawn, and posts planted in the original Survey of the adjacent Townships, to prevent cucroachments.
"10th. Traverse any Lakes you may find within the limits of your Survey, in orler to ascertain the areas of the lots adjoining them. Lay out road allowances round those Lakes, which your road lines intersect, and along the banks of rivers where necessary.
" 11th. No lines embraced in gow Survey are, in any case, to be run or surveycd by any person but yourself, or some other duly admitted Provincial Land Surveyor whom this Department may authorize you to employ.
$\because 12$ th. Ascertain the names of all the squatters on the lands you survey, and the position, extent, and value of their improvements, with such other particulars as will enable you to make a return of inspection of all the lots, in the accompanying form, which you will transmit apart from your field book.
$\because 13$ th. As soon as possible after completing your field work, you will furnish the Department with a plan thercof, on a scale of forty chains to an inch, exhibiting the natural features of the country, such as hills, swamps, marshes, meadows, lakes, streams and waterfalls, and the clearings and buildings of the settlers; also the proper sites for mills, town-plots, harbors, and other public improvements. Mark on your plan the lengths and bearings of the outlines of all the irregular lots and their contents in acres, with the total arca of your survey. You will also furnish a plan exhibiting the Township in colored sections, according to the various descriptions of timber you meet with in the course of your Survey, and write on such sections the various kinds of timber in the order of their abundance. Mount your drawing-paper on thin linen or cotton, well stretched on your drawiug table, previous to drawing your plan, and roll, not fold $i t$, when you send it to this Department.
"14th. You will keep a diary in the furm transmitted herewith, containing a retailed account of your proceedings, the number of chains surveyed each day: when you hired and when you discharged your men, and their names, the kind of weather, \&e.
"15th. Your field book is to be kept in the accompanying form, comprising the Astronomical Courses of all the lines you have run or verified, the Magnetic variation, the distances in chains and links from the points and departure in the Lot, Concession, de., to each object noted; the kind and quality of the soil and timber, entering each kind of timber in the order of its relative abundance-the yeneral nature of the face of the country, whether level, rolling, broken, hilly or mountainous-all marshes, swamps and meadors-all lakes and ponds, with a description of their banks, and whether their waters be deep or shallow, pure or stagnant, all springs, all brooks and rivers, with their width, depth and courso rapids and falls, giving the estimated difference of level in fect, and stating whether they afford mill-sites: all mines and minerals; all travelled roads; the tracts of hurricanes as shern by the falien timber; ill offisetg or Trigonemetrical Obserrations hy which you have obtaned the measuroment or distance of any line or part
of a line which could not be actually measured, or the distance of any object from a Jine; the distance at which you met, and at which you left any lake, bay, pond, marsh, meadow, strcam, windfall, precipice, hill or mountain, stating whether the slopes of the two latter be stecp or gradual, and their inclination-all posts planted, the kind of rood of which they are made, their dimensions and marks, with the courses and distances to bearing trees, and the details of all your Astronomical Observations, i. c., the place, day, hour, altitude, azimuth, \&c., methods of working aud results.
" 16 th . Your Report of Survey must contain a concise summary of your proceedings, with a few gencral observations on the Physical Geography of the country, its capabilities and the best mode of developing them. Write it on paper of the same size as the printed forms of field-notes and diary, as it will be bound with them."

## INETRUCTIONS FOR SUIVEYS ON THE NORTI SHORE OF LAKE ILURON.

"1st. When you have determined by a series of observations of the meridian altitudes of the sun, and of several of the stars, the latitude and variation of the needle, at the point of commencement, you will proceed to survey the principal meridian from the south-west corner of -marked A on the enclosed map on a course south, astronomically. At 40 chains from point of commencement on your line, you will plant a post marked quarter section, and at 80 chains, or one mile, plant another post, marked corner of sections Nos.———on the right, and Nos.-on the left, and so continue your line until you arrive at the 6th mile or south-cast corner of Township No. 1 west of principal meridian, marked B on accompanying plan, and proceed in like manner with the other boundaries and division lincs of the entire township. The corners of townships, sections, quarter sections and fractions are to be established, and marked in the following manner :On the exterior township lines, corner posts must be erected at the distance of every mile and half mile from the township corner. The mile posts are for the corncrs of sections, and the half mile posts for the corners of quarter sections. These posts are always to he made of the most durable wood that can be had, and should be very securely set or driven into the ground, and the sides of the posts are to be neatly squared off at the top-the angles of the square to be set in the direction of the cardinal points of the compass. All mile posts on the township liies must have as many notches cut on them, or one of the angles thereof, as they are miles distant from the township corner where the line commenced. But the township corncr posts shall be notched with six notches on each of the four angles of the squared part. The mile posts on the section lines shall be notched, on the south and east angles of the square respectively, with as many notches as those posts are miles distant from the south and cest boundaries of the township.
"2nd. Wherever a tree may be so situated as to supply the place of a corner post, it is to be blazed oa the four sides facing the sections to which it is the corner, and will be notched as the corner posts are, and at least one bearing tree must be taken in addition thereto, and marked in the usual manner.
"3rd. At all posts thus established for meander section or township couners, there shall be cut with a marking iron, on a bearing tree, or some other tree within each section, and as near as may be to the corner thereof, the number of such section, and over it the Ietter T, with the number of the township, and annexed thereto the letter $\mathbf{N}$ or S , as the township may be north or south of the hase line; and above this the letter $R$, with the number of the range, and annexed thereto, the letter E or W. as the range may be enst or west of the principal meridian, thus-

## R 15 W <br> T 53 N <br> 36

"4th. The letters and numbers thus marked must be ncatly and very distinctly cut into the wood of such tree with a good marking tool, the hark thercof having been first hewn or peated off from a spot on the side facing the corner, large enough for that purpose, unless the tree be a beech, in which case the bark if smooth, may remain on. But at the quarter section cornces there are no numbers to be made, the post is to be flattened on two opposite sides, and thus marked,-" $1-4 \mathrm{~S}$ " to indicate that it is a quarter section post; and the nearest adjoining trec on cach side of the sectional line, must similarly marked.
"5th. You will keep in your Field Book the notes of description of cach section on th: linc, apart from the one following.
" 6th. You will describe the land, whether level, rolling, broken, hilly or mountainous. The quality and character of the soil, and whether first, second or third rate. The several kinds of timber and undergrowth with which the land may be covered, naming each kind of timber in the order in which it is most prevalent, and in prairic, or beaver meadow, the kind of grass or other herbage which it produces. All rivers, crecks, and smaller streams of water, with their depth and right angled width, and the course they run where the lines of your survey intersect or cross them, and whether the current be rapid, sluggish or otherwise. All rapids, cataracts, cascades, or falls of water, and the estimate amount of theirfallinfeet. All springs of water, and whether fresh and pure, or mincral, shewing also on which side of the line situated, and the distance therefrom, and the course of the streams flowing from them. All lakes and ponds, with the description of banks surrounding them, and whether the water be deep or shallow, pure or stagnant. The traverse of the lakes, navigable rivers, bays, islands, and strems forming boundaries; all prairics, beaver meadow, swamps, marshes; all beds of peat or turf ground; all precipices, caves, stone quarries, and ledges of rock with the kind of stone found in them; all Indian towns and wigwams, cabins, fields or other improvements, sugar tree groves and sugar camps; all minerals and ores, with particular descriptions of the same, as to their quality and extent; the exact situation of all mines, salt springs, salt licks, a 1 mill sites, which you mivy discover, or that may come to your knowledge ; all fossi. , petrifactions and other natural curiositics, with descriptions thereof; all travelled roads, and 'trails,' with their courses, and denoting the place from whicit they lead; the tracks of tornadoes or hurricanes, commonly called 'wind-falls,' or 'fallen timber,' shewing the direction of the wind as indicated by the fallen trees; all ancient works of art, as mounds, fortifications, embankments, ditches, or other similar objects; all offsets or methoids of whatever kind by which you shall obtain the measurement or distance on any line which cannot be actually measured; at what distance you enter and at what distance you leave cvery lake, bay, pond, creck, bottom, windfall, grove, prairic or beaver meadow, ravinc, marsh and swamp, with the course of the same at both points of intersection, also the distance at which you begin to ascend, arrive at the top, begin to descend, and reach the foot of all hills and ridges, with their courses and estimated heights in feet above the level of the surrounding country, or above the bottom lands, ravines, or waters on which they are situated."

When the survey of a township is completed, and the returns thereof, comprising plans, field notes, diary, report, and accounts, are transmitted to the department, they are carefully examined; the plans being compared with the field notes, and the accounts with the diary. Should any errors or omissions be discovered in the cxamination of these documents, they are retumed to the surveyor, who
must furnish the required corrections, and supply the necessary omissions before obtaining a settlement of bis account.
'The next step in the Surveyors' branch of the Department, is to prepare a list of the lots in the several concessions, or, if the township is on the north shore of Lake Huron, a list of the sections and quarter sections, with the area of cach cutcred opposite, and, if settled upon, the quantity of land cleared, and valuc thereof;' as also copics of the plan of survey, which are required for the use of the sales branch, the local agent, and the registrar of the county in which such survey is situated.

The accompanying maps of the Ottawa and Huron Territory, and the north shore of Lake Iluron, have been compiled chiefly from the surveyors' township plans, and laid down according to a scale, the one of five miles to an inch; the other of six. The projection is constructed from the tables of the United States coast survey as conducted by Professor Bache. These tables were reduced to the Canadian standard measure of length made by Messrs: Troughton and Simms, of London, for this Department in 1850, and which is now in the care of the Secretary of the Board of Exaininers of Provincial Land Surveyors, at Toronto, for the special use of the surveyors of Upper Canada. Messrs. Troughton and Simms state that they compared the Canadian standard with the Tubular standard scalc of the Royal $\Lambda$ stronomical Socicty, and find it .000008 of an inch longer than the middle 8 feet or standard yard.

It is hoped that these maps and extracts will not only be found usefel to the immigrant and party secking lands for settlement in the sections of the Province they represent, but that they will also afford some valuable information to the lumberer and explorer. Until the territories are subdivided into farm lots, comparatively correct maps cannot be constructed from river surveys, but in the meantime much additional information may be procured to swell the available data, and to expose any crrors that may have crept into the recent surveys. For this reason the returns are placed in their present form before the public.

It is much to be regretted that the method of surveys by contract in certain parts of Upper Canada, was ever adopted by former governments, as it has been found to be productive of unlimited evils, from the loose and carcless manner in which such surveys were performed. Between the years 1819 and 1827, about 50 tornships. of 64,000 aeres cach, were surveyed after this system, and it has been discovered, by cxamination on the ground, that the lots, in some cases, fall as much as 20 acres cach short of the quantity patented, while in others an overplus of a like quantity is found. In consequence re-surveys of the townships of Olden, Palmerston and Kaladar, have been made during the past year, and instructionts for the re-survey of Oso have been issued. As some of those townships lie to the south of the tract represented on the accompanying map of the Ottawa and Huron Territory, their subdivisions are not laid down, but extracts from the surveyors' reports are inserted.

Not only was the work on the ground erroncously performed, but the returns exhibit the utmost ignorance with regard to proper order and system. The notes in many of the old field books are commenced at the top of the page, the chains and links at the left hand margin, and the remarks entered at the right. These field books are of all shapes and dimensions, from $2 \frac{2}{2}$ by 6 inches to foolscap size, without information to direct either the settler or the surveyor at anyfuture period how to discover the lots or the ground they represent.

In some of the old field books, a paragraph is devoted to each lot, and the description rritten across the entire page; the ehains and links are entered at random, and the bearings or courses of the lines left out altogether; and no mention or description is given of posts planted to mark the limits of the lots or con-
cessions. It is highly probable that a re-survey, on correct principles, of these loosely-surveyed townships will be found expedient; the extent and importance of the interests concerned justifying the increased expense which the work of correction will necessarily entail.

The errors of the old surveyors would in many cases be much easier dealt with, in the performance of municipal and private surveys at the present day, had detailed statements of their proceedings beon given in their Reports or field notes furnished to this Department, especially as regards their celestial observations. No details are given beyond the mere mention, that the variation of the magnetic needle was found to be some certain quantity, by the meridian passage or an azimuth of the polar star, without stating how the time of such meridian passage or the quantity of such azimuth was determinel. From such defects in the returns, it is impossible to form any opinion as to the correctness of the resulto of such observations. Another source of error with the old surveyors, was the false assumption that the magnetic needle had the same amount of variation at different periods and at places remote from one another; that the pole star, (which is generally used in establishing meridian lines,) passed the meridian at the same time with certain other stars. Hence if the observations were correctly made, the results would vary several minutes of a degree from the truth. To the above may be ndded the practice then in general use, of allowing for the azimuth of Polaris,* neither adapted to, nor calculated from, the true latitude of the place of observation, nor having been reduced from the actual polar distance of the star. From the year 1842 to the present time, important improvements have been made, both in the system of surveying, and in the qualification of the surreyors. In the year 1848 an Act ( 22 V., c. 29) was passed appointing a Board of Examiners to see that no person be admitted to the profession without having served a probationary period as an apprentice to a duly qualified surveyor, and without having undergone a final examination in the first six books of Euclid, plain and spherical trigonometry, mensuration of superficies, plotting and map drawing, and be sufficiently conversant with practical astronomy to enable him to ascertain the latitude, and to lay down a true meridian line. The candidate must also be acquainted with the rudiments of Geology, so as to qualify him to recognize, when met with in the course of his practice, the ordinary economic minerals of the country. The Act above cited provides proper direction for establishing governing and boundary lines of townships, concessions, sc., which have been defaced by time, or which have not been run in the original survey.

Although it is impossible to frame an Act to meet every case arising from crroneous survey, the Bill above referred to now in force has done much to rectify the blunders of the early surveyors, and at the same time save the early settlers from expensive larr suits and trouble.

Another special improvement in surveyors Returns, is the new form of field book recently adopted by the Department, by which it is intended to represent the features of the country through which the surveyed lines pass: every swamp, lake and river, and every remarkable object, the rise and deseent of the land, are sketched therein in the relative position they occupy on the ground with regard to the line of survey, the posts and boundary trees, and the bearings and distances thereof. The surveyor is required to place in the field book a small diagram of the township, which serves as an index to the volume. With a view to facilitate the operation of finding the detailed description of any lot or line

[^7]therein, observe on the diagram the number of the page, where such description will be found, with the kind and quality of the timber and soil written thereon.

The chains and links are entered from the bottom of the page to the top, in a column running up the centre thereof, with the position of the posts and boundary lines marking the limits of the various farm lots on each side of the line surveyed.

At the end of the rolume, the observations for latitude, time, and variation of the magnetic needle, and the necessary detailed calculations, are entered; as also, the diary or journal of proceedings and sketches of the lakes, with the traverse lines laid down.

With the view of ensuring as much accuracy as possible in the performance of the surveys of new tornships during the past year, the Senior Surveyor was instructed to proceed to the field of operation during the progress of the work, and examine the mode of opening up the lines of survey, the marking and planting of posts, the taking of field notes, observations, \&c., and to see if the surveyors were performing such service in conformity with their instructions and the intentions of the Department. The following is an extract from his report, viz:-
"Having thus given a detailed account of the respective Surveys visited, it must be obvious that the present reformed system adopted by the Department, of improved Topographical Ficld Book-Astronomical Bases in the field, and the establishment of points by latitude, \&c., has already exercised a practically beneficial effect upon the work in the field. The well opened lines, the clearly defined angles of intersections, and well posted boundaries, with index trees to point out the position of less permanent monuments, are all the effect of an inproved system of organization, with reference to instructions and requirements issued to Provincial Land Surveyors. This, in connection with the advertised fact that a practical cxamination of their work in the field is regularly to be made, is a reformatory advance that may, with vigilance, be brought every year nearer to perfection."

It may not be inappropriate to remark, in conclusion, that the progress accomplished in the accuracy and completeness of the surveys of Upper Canada has been most satisfactory. In the accompanying pages are given extracts from reports furnished to the Department, by surveyors employed in opening new fields for settlement during the last year, and years immediately preceding; and it is believed that an examination of the statements thus conveyed will serve to exhibit the increased care that is exercised in the departmental supervision, and the increased particularity of the surveyors themselves, in the discharge of the duties entrusted to them. Details are omitted, because, though valuable to the profession, they would possess no interest to the general public, whilst they would swell the bulk of the matter published to an inconvenient extent. Enough has been selected to reveal the general progress of the Government surveys in Upper Canada, and to indicate the variety and extent of the ground that has engaged the attention of the Department, luring the period covered by the Report.

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Extracts from Surveyors' Reports of Survey, in the Huron amd Ottawa Territory.

## ANSTRUTHER

Is situated in the county of Petcrborough, haviug the township of Burleigh on the south, Monmouth on the north, Carendish on the west, and Chandos on the east: the tro latter tomnships are now beiug subdivided. Anstruther was subdivided hast year: it contains 68,535 acres of land.

The following is an extract from P. I. Surveyor Fitzgerald's Report of Surce : -
"From side lines between lots Nos. 20 and $21, I$ commenced the survey of the line betreen Concessions Nos. 4 and 5 torrards the west boundary, rumning north and south at every 100 chains for side lines. For about 110 chains from the starting point to Eagle Lake, the land is exceedingly rough and broken, covered with a variety of timber of a very powr description, viz. : small pine, hemlock, scrubly oak, birch, poplar, de.
"Passing over Eagle Lake, the country becomes more uniform and level, and a fiue that of land, lying chiefly to the north-east, extends also to the westerly boundary. Here are scattered many large and valuable pine trees, girting an arerage of 10 to 15 feet for a leight of 50 to 60 feet. Between this place and the south boundary of the township. there is very little land suitable for agricultural pursuits, excent a small tract on the south shore of Eagle Lake. On the stream flowing out of this lake, called the 'Mississaga Creek, farther on its course, and on which a saw-mill is already in operation, are wany excellent water privileges, capable of working a vast amount of machinery, and from the character of its banks, of very advantageous application.
"Fagle Lake, and the small lakes which are tributary to it, are fed by otreams having sumre within the township. The shore of the former, on the east side, is very bold and precipitous, in some places rising to a perpendicular height of 100 feet of solid granite rock, partially stratified, and dipping at an angle of cight degrees in a south-easterly direction; a disposition which pervades the geological formation all through this section of the country. As a general rule, the water shed south and west of the tributaries of the: Ottawa, is in a south-resterly direction, along the foot or dip of the partienlar stratifeation. the outerop of the rock being on the east shore, while the land gently aseends from the water on the west side, up along the bed of stratification to the smmuit of the next outcrop, or precipice overlooking a lake or strem. In these lakes ate a species of trout resembling very much the ordinary speckled trout, quite as large, but mot sis mottled on the back, nor are the specks quite so brilliant as ol the true speekled trout. Whitefish, bass, and perch are also very abundant; and in the lakes further north, in Mindem, Dysart, and Stanhope, any quantity of salmon trout may be had, weighing fom ti to 7 g pinuds each. I hare often in a few hours hooked ten or more of those beantiful fish.
"Along the west boundary, through part of Conecssion 4, all of Concession 5 and 6 and part of $\overline{4}$, the land is capable of being proftably farmed. It is chiefly timbered with beach, maple, and basswood, and is tolerably free from stone. The siol is a sandy loam of dark color and good depth. Passing out of Concession 7 towards fle north houndary, the timber is chiefly white and red pine, valuable only for saw-logs and small spars. The sinl is light and sandy, and fat bare rock, in a few eases comes up to the surface. Nearly through the centre of what may be considered the west halt of the township, rums a narrow strip of good, hardwood land, widening towards the north bonndary, and extending worth of it into the tornship of Moumouth. All this tract is fit for cultivation, exerpt where partially broken by a small swamp or lake. The same alservation, as regards the land, will apply to the north part of this half of the township, but the hardwod ise to sume extent replaced by pine, hemlock, balsam, spruee, \&e. The south part however is not so favorable, particularly towards side line 20 aind 21 , which passes through a very barren tract, the extension of the same ridge of rocks as at Burleigh Falls. The timber is chiefly small pine, hemlock, balsam, de. The remainder of the township, from lot No. $\geq 0$ to 39 , which may be considered the east balf of the township, is much better, particularly towards the north, and around Eel Lake in the north-enst corner. Here I have seen hundreds of trees of white pine, perfectly clean, straight, and sound, and of a diameter from 3 to 5 feet for a height of 40 feet. The land is also of a superior quality, consisting of a dark, rich, loamy soil, alnost entirely free from stone. The land is chiefly
covered with beech, maple, and basswood, scattered through which are occasional groves of such pine as above. In my opinion too much attention cannot be paid to this pare of the country. There are three townships, viz.: Chandos, Cardiff, and Monmouth, which would lavorably compare with any in the county of Peterborough; and from my experience during the winter of '57 and '58, while surveging the boundary lines of Minden, Dysart, \&c., I have reason to think that this tract extends north to Harcourt, the township east of Dysart. F'ortunately the new Burleigh Road, which I am now engaged at under your instructions, will open up for settlement this fiue tract of country, offering comfortable homes to hundreds of industrious and persevering young men. At least fifty applications have been made to me by the sons of Canadian farmers, who intend to settle alung this road so soon as it passes out of Burleigh; eren in my own surveying party, there are four young men only waiting to have the road made to enable them to carry in provisions to commence farming."

## WICKLOW

Is situated in the comuty of Hastings, and is bounded on the west by the Hastings free grant road, and on the north by the Peterson free grant road, on the east by the township of Bangror, and on the south by the township of Monteagle. The subdivision of the whole township was completed last year: it contains about 46,000 aetes of land.

The following is an extract from P. L. Survejor Kertland's Report of Surrey:-
" From the general tendency of the timber and soil on the lower part of my survey, 1 had anticipated a gencral improvement in the quality of the land as I advanced northward, and in this respece in the townships of Wieklow and Bangor, the latter especially, my anticipations were fulls veritied. In hadeliffe, the hetter portion lies decidedly in the south, so far as tarming purposes are coucerned, there being, emphatically, littie good farming land north of liam and Long Lakes, except along the route of the Opeongo grants, and a few lots near the northern boundary. The district north of these lakes is a thorough lumbering country, and is at present in complete working order in the hands of Mr. D. MeLachlin, a well-known and thoroughly corgetic lumber merchant, of whose parliamentary services the electors of the county have lately availed themselves. He had lumber shantics erected on Wadworth's Lake, Dam lake, Barry's Bay, and Lake Kiminiskes, all in full operation last winter, and will, no doubt, reap the reward due to his perseverance and untiring industry. South of these lakes there are many good lots, and there is no doubt but the enterprising spirit of Mr. Watson, Who has erected sum and grist mills in Brudencll, close to the town line of Radcliffe, will induce many settlers to venture in, who otherwise might have been deterred from so doing. There is no town of any kind on the Opeongo route after leaving Renfrew, and as a town must eventually arise in this locality somewhere, I think the lots adjoining Denaison's, at the bridge across the Madawaska, on the 'Branch road,' the most adrantageous place. The river is here spanned by a good and subistantial bridge. There are many settlers now entering by that route, and there will be a good mill site afforded about a mile from the bridge, on Watson's creek, ere it falls into the Madawaska. The land continues rough into Bangor, as far as to the east side of the River Madawaska and Lake Kiminiskeg, but betreen this and Lake Papipeau lies the best land in the whole survey, especially along the Sth and 10 th Concession lines. The soil is good sandy loam, the ground is rolling and undulating, and the timber maple, beech, balsam, \&e., with a spriakling of pine, hemlock, birch and other timbers. The ground embraced by Barry's Bay, Kiminiskeg, and the Madawaska is rough and broken, bearing principally pine and hemlock; and, again, the land on the north of Papineau Lake, and along the edge of Harris' lay, is high, broken, rocky, and precipitous, but only for about half' a mile from the shores of these waters. The waters of Papineau Lake are very beatiful, being clear and deep, abounding also in speckled trout and other fish. The town line between Bangor and Wicklow, north of this lake, marked on the projected plan as laving been already surveyed, I could find no trace of, and, therefore, surveyed it through from the south shore of the lake. I have little doubt but the land between the great Lakes Kiminiskeg and Papineau will be rapidly taken up, for owing to the judicions management and straight-forward dealings of the Crown Lauds ageuts, P. T. French and Martin Hayes, Esqs., most of the lots fit for cultivation in the already surveyed townships
adjoining have been occupicd. In the township of Wicklow, the roughest part lies in the south and cast: the land in the first and second Concessions is very broken and hilly, while in the north-cast, where the extremities of Papincau Lake and Harris' Bay approach, and also all along the shores of Harris' Bay, the land is rocky and precipitous. The best land lies in the centre and west, where the ground becomes less broken and assumes more of the undulating character-maple, beceh, and balsam being the predominant timbers."

## CASHEL

Is situated in the County of Hastings. It is bounded on the west by the township of limerick, on the north by Mayo, on the east by Ashby and Effingham, and ou the south by Grimsthorpe. Effingham, Grimsthorpe, and Mayo are yet unsurveyed. Ashby is subdivided, and Limerick in process of survey. Cashel was surveyed last year, and contains $48, i 43$ aeres of land.

The followiug is an extract from report of survey by H. A. F. Mcheod, P.J.S.:-
"The soil is generally shallow, and is in some places very grood, though only a short distance to the rock, which underlics it in all parts of the township. I have drawn lines on the index plan, in three colors, which show that about a quarter of the township is grod land with hardwood timber; about onc-third fair land with mixed timber, and the remainder is poor land with hemlock, cedar and pinc. The kinds of timber most preralent are hemlock, pine, cedar, balsan, beech, maple, spruce, tamarac, ironwood, bassrood and clm.
"Only in the central western part is there uuch field for lumbering operations, where a firm of the name of Hilliard and Dixon are now engaged in that pursuit. The pine in uther parts of the township is ton scattered: it is good in some places, and will be valuable to settlers. The bemlock aud spruce in the north-eastern part of the township is almost entirclydead. The beech and maple are good on those lines marked red in the index map.
"The tuwnship is well watered with lakes and streams: 1875 acres are corered by lakes which are pure and deep. The summit level of the Moira Beaver Creek, part of the Madawaska and Mississippi Rivers appears to be in that township. The lakes through which Beaver (Greek flows are very clear and pure. The rest of the lakes are dark colored and pure.
"A list of the settlers at the time 1 exceuted the survey will be found in the inspection returns. They boast of the richness of the soil un which they are settled. All kinds of grops thrive well and yield largely. Some of the lakes abound in fish. There is also a good deal of game, which adds very much to the comfort and support of the vew settlers. Valuable furs are also taken throughout the township."

## OLDEN

Is situated in the County of Fronteuac. It is bounded on the North by the Township nf Clarendou, on the West by Kennebec, on the South by Hinchinbrooke, and on the East by Oso. This township was re-surveyed last year : it coutains 65,617 acres of land.

The following is an extract from P. I. Surveyor Gibb's report of survey :-
"The inaccuracy of original survey, and the particular bearings of the statute in reference to such surveys, have caused more intricacy in the work than might have been anticipated; but every pains lias been taken to make the whole, to the best of my judgment, as clear and correct upon the grouud as possible.
"The township has been lumbered over exteusively during the past teu years, and consequently a great amount of excellent pine timber has been carried off, and still continucs to be. As there is much land of little value when the marketable timber is removed, I consider that it is inportant the Department should be made aware that many lots are taken up, 'frce grants' as well as others, apparently for the purpose of disposing of, or cut-
ting the timber. There are certainly lots claimed in this way, and romain unimproved while the timber (pine) is rapidly disappoaring.
"The greater part of the township is very uneven, and the ground of considerable part is rocky and swampy.
"The soil of other jarts is sandy, and appears pretty fertile, excellent crops of wheat, vats, indian corn, potatoes, turnips, \&e, having been produced the past year; but I an of opinion that the land generally js hetter adapted for grazing and pasture than other kinds of farming.
"There are now about eighty or ninety familics who have made more or less improvements. A post-office is established, and there is a store and a blacksmith's shop, bat no mill of any kind has yet been erectel, although much needed."

## MALMERSTON

Is situated in the county of Frontenac. It is bounded on the West by the township of Clarendon, on the north by South Canonto, on the east by the Townships of Lavant and North Sherbrooke, and on the south by Oso. It was re-surveyed last year, and contains 58,188 acres of land.

The following is an extract from P. L. Surveyor Snow's Report of Survey:-
"Lying along the southeru boundary line, an average of about scven lots in width, is rood land. The timber is chicfly lardwood, with white pine, balsam, hemlock, and colar. A large portion of this tract is already settled. Between this tract and the Mississippi Rivcr, and that of Cross Lakc. comprising an area of about 50 lots, the timber is white pinc, hemlock, balsam, cedar, with a slight sprinkling of hardwood, and a rocky, uncven surfice.
"This part ot the tuwnship is, with few exceptions, undit for settlement. North of he Mississippi River and Cross Lake, from the Brd to the !th Coucession inclusive, on the river, and in the rear of lot No. 13 in the 10th and 11 th Concessions, with an average. depth of 6 lots, the gencral character of the country is extremely variable; aud is timbered with wlite pine of execllent quality, hemlock, balsam and cedar, with small tracts of hardwood iuterspersed. About one-third of this tract is fit for settlement.
"In rar of this tract, and extending to the north boundary line; in each Concession; wis average width of cleven lots, comprising about twenty-four thousand acres, is timbered entirely with hardwood of rery heavy growth, with cedar swamps interspersed, and a sprinkling of white pinc in a few places. This entire tract is well adapted for agricultural purposes, and is traversed by the Mississippi Road, as well as by the line of the Lavant and Darling Road. Along the first mentioned road the settlement is progressing rapidly? obout thirty new settlers had taken possession of lots at the close of this survey, and many more were preparing to make a beginning.
"Although the surface of this township is uncven, no high hills or mountain ranges occur init.
"The total amount of land disposable is 56,488 acres, and of this 40,000 are arable, and the balance, or 16,488 acres, valuable only as timbered lands.
"During the past scason thic crops raised in this township were excellent, both in" respect to quality and quantity. The soil, where arable, is a rich loam, and is particularly favorable to the growth of winter wheat.
"The Mississippi River in this township affords an incalculable mount of water power. Between Cross Iake and the easterly line of the township, Messrs Gilmour \& Co. have crected, at a great expense, no less than eight dams across the whole stream, and fire slides to enable them to drive square timber and satr-logs from Cross Lake. At all these places mills of any capacity might be propelled by watcr. Above Cross Lake on the Nerth branch, there are three rapids affording excellent mill sites. Of the tributaries to the Mississippi in the township; only one strcam, called Antoine's Creek, is large cnough for mill purposes. On this stram several good sites occur for saw-mills, but for grist-mills the stream is too small for winter operations, at which scason the demand is greatest. . As the foot of Trout Lake, near the north boundary, in the township of Canonto, is an excel
lent site for mills; situated as it is in the centre of a large agricultural tract. Mr. James Camphell has settled here, intending to erect mills; but I believe has not yet acquired a title to the property. The entire township is well watered by creeks and springs. Scarcely a lot could be found without excellent water on or convenient to it."

## DALTON

Is situated in the Victoria District, having the tombship of Carden on the south, Rama on the west, Ryde on the north, and Digby on the east, all of which townships are now subdivided ; it contains 40,466 acres of land, and was subdivided last year by $\mathbf{P}$. 1. Surveyor M. Deane.

The following is a portion of Mr. Deanc's Report of Survey:-
"The township, with the exception of two small portions where the limestone appears on the surface, is of the primitive formation, presenting many varietics of the granite, with few indications of mineral.
"The general aspect of the township is undulating; the tops of the hills and ridge are nore or less rocky; the intervening valleys are cither swampy or possess a deep, rich and fertile soil.
"With a view of more fully describing the qualitics of the land, I have divided the tuwnship into two sections, as shown on the index map:-
"Section No. 1 is a tract of rocky, broken and unproductive laud, the greater portion of which is destitute of soil or timber:
"Section No. 2, which is the main body of the tomnship, though varying uccasionally in minor peculiarities, is still pretty much of the same description and guality; that is to say, undulating in surface, sandy loam soil, rocky in many places, and occasionally interspersed with large tracts of an excellent quality ; the whole I would classify as tolerably good and well adapted for settlement. The timber on this section cousists principally of hemlock, maple, pine, becch, elm, tamarack, balsam and cedar, each kind varying in ahundance according to the soil and situation. There is considerable pine distributed throughout, especially in the vicinity of the Black and Head Rivers. In a lumbering point of view this township posscsses great adrantages, being well watered by the three following rivers, viz.: Black River, flowing from the north-cast; Head River, from the cast; and Mud Lake River on the south. On these rivers there are several falls and rapids where machinery could be effectively wrought with water power.: Those worthy of especial notice are marked on the plan. The township is easy of access to settlers, haying the Victoria Road (now under construction) along the eastern boundary. The western part of the township can bo approached with great facility from the townships of Mara and Carden, by the Mud Lake chain of waters. There are many settlers already in the township. In February last, by the consus returns, it contained over sixty inhabitants, and there are sevcral settlers of a good class gone in since the survey was completed.

## RAMA.

This township is situated in the county of Ontario It is bounded on the west by lake Couchiching and the Severn River, on the north by the township of Morrison, on the nast by Carden and Dalton, and on the south by Mara. The southern part of the township was survcyed in the year 1835, and the subdivision of the remainder, was completed last year. The whole township contains about 41,000 acres of land.

The following is an extract from P. L. Surveyor Dennis' Report of Survey: of the ; completion of the subdivision last year:-
"With regard to the character of the land in the portion of Rama just surveyed, $I$ rogret to say that generally it is not such as to invite settlement. Along the different. branches of the Black River, certainly the flats, which are a rich alluvial, are very de-sirable soil for farming parposes; but in many places their width is inconsiderable, being confincd to a narrow belt along the margin of the river. There is a block of land also con:
taining about one thousand acres, lying in a north and south direction west of the main branch of the Black River, and cxtending through Concessions K, L, M, and N; but with these exceptions, the land generally is very poor, and iu many places rocky and swampy, the principal timber being hemlock, cedar, balsam, spruce, black bireh, de."

## HINDON

Is situated in the county of Victoria. It is bounded on the east by the Bobeaygeon frec grant road, on the north by the Peterson free grant road, on the west by the township of Oakley, and on the south by the township of Ausou, both of which townships are subdivided. Thist ownship was subdivided last year; it contains 40,000 acres of land:

The following is an extract from P. L. Surveyor Brady's Report of Survey :-
"Hindon is well adapted for settlement; colonization roads now under cunstruction on its south and cast boundarics,-and, for small craft, an almost unbroken water communication from Lindsay, to within half a mile of its castern limit,-ufford intending settlers a readiness of approach, not often found by those seeking homes in newly surveyed districts. A large proportion of good land is found in the south-easteru, central and western portions of the township. The nurthern part is more broken, but contains a considerable quantity of good pinc, and occasional tracts of hardwood occur. For information as to the gencral distribution of timber, I beg to refer you to the tracing-and for further details, to the plan and field notes accompanying.
"No mill sitcs of any importauce were seen in the vicinity of our lincs, but it is probable that from the number of streams crossed, and the hilly nature of the country in places, there are some which escaped obscrvation. The black River was not traversed, as I did not think it of sufficient size to authorize the expenditure of time necessary, its banks being covered with a dense undergrowth, and in many places flooded. Its position on the map is, however, through careful cxploration, not lar from correct."

## OAKLEY

Is situated in the county of Victoria. It is bounded by the township of McIean on then orth, Draper on the west, Longford on the south, and Hindon on the east. (Draper and Hindon are already sub-divided, and Longford is in process of survey.) It was surveyed last year, and contains 45,975 acres of land, of which 34,509 acres arc subdivided.

The following is an extract from P. L. Surveyor Murdoch's Report of Survey:-
"I have divided the township into three sections, so as to cnable a classification to be made, as nearly as possible, of the soil and timber :
"Section No. 1, forming the southern portion of the township, is composed of a light, sandy loam, and broken by ridges of gnciss rock, and timbered principally with hemlock and pine.
"Section No. 2, forming the contral portion of the township, is a good, sandy, dark loam, in many portions black, good soil. Along the baiks of the Black River, there is good clay for brick-making purposes. In many places along the river there are flats of rich land. This section is well timbered with naple, beech, basswood, ironwood, eln, \&c., and is well adapted for agricultural purposes, having good water privileges for mills and machinery.
"Section No. 3, forming the northern portion of the township, is very broken and rocky, and where there is not rock, it consists of pure sand, timbered with hemlock, birch, pine, poplar and undergrowth, which renders it quite unfit for settlement.
"The lakes are very picturesque, and most of them abound with speckled trout, Wood Lake particularly, aud also Clear Lake-the latter being named from the purity and clearness of its waters. The Muskoka River abounds with large speckled trout; its banks are flat, and composed of pure sand.
"The advantages of settlement are good, owing to the Peterson Road being opened through the township, and where it crosses the Black River there is an eligible site for a
tosn plot, haring advantages of never-failing water privileges, and good land in the vicinity, besides being a central place between the Muskoka Bridge, and the junction of the Bobcaygeon and Peterson Roads.
"The prospect of settlement is promising, as even now intending settlers are choosing lots, and numbers are flocking to that section of the country from all parts of the Province, and elsewhere. On the whole, the township has a fair average of good land, for that part of the country."

## RYDE

Is situated in the county of Victoria. It is bounded by the township of Dalton on the south, Rama and Morrison on the west, Draper on the north, and Longford on the east, all of which townships (excepting the latter, which is now in process of survey) are sub-divided. It was surveyed last year, and contains 30,934 acres of land.

The following is an extract from P. L. Surveyor Burng' Report of Survey :-
"As regards evenvess of country, this township appears to be naturally divided into tro sections, by a streara flowing through it, and coming from the south-eastern portion of Draper, passing through the Kah-shah-bog-a-mog Lake, on the western boundary, into the Severn River. To the south and east of this stream, the country is undulating and hilly, containing many exceilent hardwood valleys, of great or less extent. Throughout the first four Concessions, with the exception of about two thousand acres at the south-eastern corner, the approach of the granite rock to the surface does not render that portion favorable for agricultural purposes. North of the fourth Concession, the rock is less abundant, and the character of the country greatly improved. The whole of the south and eastern portion of the township is largely interspersed with swamps, marshes, beaver meadow, and ponds, all containing rich and excellent soil, resulting from the debris of matter annually deposited therein, and with proper drainage, might be rendered very effectual in producing. yood erops. To the north and west of the stream above mentioned, there is a tine, level tract of country, well timbered with beech and maple. The prevailing soil is a sandy loam, but in many places we Gind a rich, black mould, and frequently a clay sub-soil. . The tiuber consists of maple, beceh, hemlock, pine, balsaun, tamarack, hirch, ironwood, bassmood and spruce, while cedar is plentiful in the small swamps. Small poplar may be found in the extreme south-western portion. As a general thing, the pine is not suitable for merchantable purposes, although in some places a fair proportion exists.
"The approach of the Victoria Road will, this winter, afford an easy mode of access, and will, 1 think, canse a speedy settlement. The most advantageous site for a village plot would, I think, be at the junction of the townships of Dalton, Digby, Ryde and Longford. The Black River affords many privileges."

## GLAMORGAN

Is situated in the county of Peterborough, and is bounded on the north by the township of Dysart, on the east by the township of Monmouth, on the South by the township of Cavendish, and on the west by the township of Snowdon. It was surveyed last year by Provincial Land Surreyor E. R. Usher, and contains 61,600 acres, inclusive of water and roads.

The following is an extract from the Surveyor's Report:-
"The land in Glamorgan is in general undulating, and intersected with numerous small lakes, beaver ponds, \&e.; as shewn on the plan: The principal branch of Burnt River also flows through this township, crossing the east boundary; on the rear of the fifth concession, and flowing in a south-westerly direction through the township, till it crosses the west boundary; about the centre of concession 6. The water of the river is of a darkish color, and strange to say; fish are not to be found in it. The river averages about a chain in width throughout the township, and an average depth of four feet, the banks rather low, but rise at a short distance from the river on each side. There are numerous falls and rapids to be met with on the river, many of which; with a little
labor, could be made very good mill sites. There is on lot 26 , in the sixth concession, a fine site for a mill, having a head of some fifteen feet, the stream flowing out of a large lake, in the same concession, into Burnt River. I also found a good site, on lots 5 and 6 , concession 15 ; both of these sites I have marked on my plan. The lakes are deep, and connected with one another, by small streams, the banks of the lakes are high, steep, and rocky, mostly fringed with pine and hemlock. The rocks are chiefly granite, or gneiss, and boulders of the same description of rock are often met with on the surface. The land in the centre of the township south of Burnt River is of an inferior description, being a light sandy loam, timbered mostly with pine of a dwarfish size. In the southeast, and south-west corners of the township, land of a better quality is to be met with, being a good sandy loam, timbered with maple, beech, birch, bemlock, elm, basswood, and scattered pinc of a large size. The portion of the tomnship north of Burnt River from lot 28, concession 5, to lot 3, north boundary, abounds in pine, mostly of a poor deseription, the soil light, and unfit for cultivation. The lund to the cast of this, and extending to the east boundary, is a decp sandy loam, timbered with hardwood, and well adapted for a large settlement, having some of the largest lakes in it, and being well watered.
"The pine, throughout, is of :a dwarfish size, and quite unfit for mercantile purposes."

## LYNDOCH

Is situated in the county of Renfrew. It is bounded on the north by the township of Brudencl, on the east by Scbastopol and Griffith, on the south by the towaship of Denbigh, and on the west by the township of Raglan; the last mentioned township is not yet subdivided. The survey of Lyndoch has been lately completed by P. I. S., H. O. Wood, and contains about 55,000 acres.

The following is an extract from Mr. Wood's Report of Survey :-
"The soil in general is sandy loam, portions of which is mixed with gravel, and stony; there are small tracts of clay soil, the most of which is in the low laud along the streams. On the sonth-west side of the Madamaska River there are small patches of mised hardwood of large growth, the remainder in general is pine, mixed with a small growth of mixed hardwood, birch, maple, irouwood, \&e. The 6th, Fth and Sth Concessions, from No. 26 to west boundary line, is chiefly a tamarack and spruce swamp. Along the northeast side of the river, for onc or two miles back, the timber in general is pine, mixed in places with maple, birch, cedar, de., the remainder, or north-east portion of the township, is in general covered with a heavy growth of maple, birch, beech, basswood, \&c., (mixed in places with pine, cedar and balsam,) and small tracts of tamarack, and spruce stramps. The greater portion of the raluable pine along the north-east shore of the river has been destroyed by fire; whercrer the firc has not passed orer the lumbermen hare culled the pine pretty bare.
"The water in streams, lakes, dec., is pure, and in general clear; the River Madarwaska is deep, flowing with a smart current, brokei in many places by rapids, first at where it runs through the 11th Concession, Luts 33 and 34 , where there is about 40 Chs. called Little Rapids, then again from the 5th Concession, Lot 29, there is a chain of rapids running for $2 \frac{1}{2}$ miles, called the Snake Rapids; further dorn, at Lot 11 , in 2nd Concession, there is a fall of 25 feet, called Slate Falls, from the falls to the east boundary line thereare three small rapids; Hyland Creek has a small chute of about $5 \frac{1}{2}$ feet fall, at where the Addington Road crosses, the remaining portion of the creek in this township has agentle current; Eneas' Creck has much the same gentle current; Snake Creek, the banks are low, current gentle. The surface throughout the township is uneven and hilly, though not mountainous, the hills are very irregular and broken, the sides of which, in many instances, are steep and stony, and in many places the fixed rock makes its appearance, of which I hare selected specimens to send to Sir W. E. Logan, Pro Geologist, Montreal. Cyrstalline lime-stoue is extensively displayed, at where the Addington Road crosses Hyland Creek, the banks are about 12 feet high, formed of white crystalline lime-stone, it is very coarse grained, and a stroke of a hammer will break it in pieces; it is burne
and used for lime by the settlers. On Lot 5 , in the lst Concession, the banks of the Madawaska River are perpendicular and about 12 feet high formed of coarse grained white marble, the same ay that taken from near Portage-du-Fort, for the Parliament Buildings in Ottawa.
"There is crery facility for settlers going into the tomaship, they can either go by way of the Opeongo or Addington Roads, (on which a team of horses with a waggon is capable of taking 1,400 lbs.) The distance from Ottawa City to Farrel's Wharf, is 60 miles; from thence to Renfrew, $7 \frac{1}{2}$ miles; from Renfrew to where the Addington Road intersects the Opeongo Road, 20 miles; thence up the Addington Road, 17 miles to Lyndoch, total distance from Ottawa City $104 \frac{1}{2}$ miles. The Addington Road crosses through the tornship, crossing the Madawaska River at 5it miles further up, at which place there is a branch road, now opened about 4 miles in a northerly direction, and intended to intersect the Opeongo Road at or near the junction of the Peterson and Opeongo Roads, passing through a large tract of good arable land in this township, besides, passing convenient to a grist and saw mill, in the township of Brudenel, about 3? miles distant from Lyadoch. The Addington Road, from where it crosses the Madawaska, runs on a southerly directing through the county of Addington to Kingston, from which place I saw loaded magons coming late in autumn; and I am informed that it is thickly settled from the Madawaska through to the old settlements back of Kingston. A settler going in requires a yoke of aren to commence, and as there are a number of small wild meadows, he could, even the first scason, cut an abundance of hay to feed his cattle during the winter; another great advantage the settler has is, that he has a market at his own door for hay, oats, pork, beef, and even potatoes, for which the lumbermen will pay a higher price than could be obtained in Ottaria, and at farthest, the settler will not be over 10 or 12 miles from a store, nost office, grist and saw mill, and besides, there being a good site for a town plot at where the road crosses the river, which is reserved for such, there being a good water privilege at the foot of Sake Rapids; I consider that ere long it will be a good place of business. So with these conveniences, together with good arable land and favorable climate, there is no danger of an industrious farmer doing well. The streams and lakes abound in brook or speckled trout. Among the wild animals, beaver are in great abundance, bears, deer, wolves, otter and smaller animals are in considerable quantity.
"At the time I closed my survey of the township, (8th January, 186", the ground Was scarcely covered with snow."

## BURLEIGH ROAD

Commences at the Burleigh Rapids, near the South-mest corner of the township of Burleigh, and leads thence in a north easterly direction through Bur.eigh, the south-east corner of Anstruther and north-mest corner of Chandos; thence northerly and westerly through parts of Cardiff, Manimouth and Dudley, until itsintersection with the Petersors Road-having a length of about 56 miles. It was located during the past year by Prorincial Land Surreyor Fitzgerald. The following is a portion of his Report of Surrey :-
"In commencing again at the same starting point, the road runs in a north-westerls direction about 1 mile to the head of Burleigh Bay; passing in this distance over what is called 'Burleigh Sault,' being the principal outlet from one lake into another, the minor but wider one being that over which the bridge, previously referred to, is constructed, and below which, about 10 chains, is a slide, over which square timber is carried, the supply of water boing regulated by what is denominated stop-logs placed across the Sault; the piers used for these stop-logs have been taken advantage of for the road-way, and with a little a!teration in the levels, will answer admirably well, and thereby save a considerable outlay in the construction of abutments; the span will be about 40 feet, and the approaches are excellent. From this point to the head of Burleigh Bay, the road is on a bare Hat granite rock requiring comparatively little labour, and crossing on its way a stream called the \& Lost Channel,' from, I presume, the fact of its being always dry except in spring freshets. A small bridgo of about 20 feet span will be required over this stream.
"In consequence of the extremely broken character of the oountry in a northorly and north-easterly direction from the head of the bay, I was compelled to make conai-

Werably more easting than I desired from the direct course, but I have to a great extent compensated fur the detcur by pasing through a tolerably good tract of undulating land, timbered chiefly with beech and maple, and other less important kinds of hardwood, occasionally interspersed with patches of land covered with pine, hemlock, de., the former being of good size, and valuable for sar-logs. The soil is a light, sandy loam, of a reddish color in placer, while in the valleys it is very dark, and is generally of good depth and tolerably free from stone. A short distance from the seventh mile post, r followed a more northerly and direit course, striking Echo Creek about 87 miles from Burleigh Bridge; up to this place, the land through which the road passes is owned by individuals.
$\because$ Before meeting the creek at this point, I carefully explored both its banks for some three miles north of this point, and at length deemed it advisable to cross the creek at this place, though it would neeessitate the construction of another bridge about the 11th mile; it howerer has the advantage of being much shorter, and of passing over a more uniform country, a great deal better adapted for the construction of a good practicable road, for these tro bridges there are good easy approaches with rocky banks coming up to about the required level of the platform ; the span of each will require to be at least 50 feet. Trom the bridge near the 11 th mile post to where the road again crosses the creek in lot $\mathrm{O} S$, Concession No. 1, Anstruther, it runs along the westerly bank, and varying in distance from it between a fiw chains and half a mile. There are several falls and rapids along this portion of the creck, the former well suited for manuficturing parposes, and will naturally be enhanced in value from their proximity to the road. The timber along this section it chiefly pine and hemlock; sar-logs have been taken out this season as far as the 14th mile, and fioated on the creek to Stony Lake. The soil is light and sandy, of a darkish color, and considerable depth. About the 18 th mile hardrood commences, and the soil becomes deeper, of a more loamy character, and in every respect preferable for farming purposes. The road crosses the creck a third time at a point about 22 miles from Burleigh Bridge, being the narrowest and most adrantageous site for somedistance above or below this place. This natural banks are about 3 feet high over the highest spring freshets, and are composed of a rich sandy loam of about the same depth; a span of about 35 or 40 fect will be quite sufficient for a bridge at this place. I may here remark that in the neighbourhood of those little bridges, an abundance of suitable timber for their construction can be had within a circle of a few chains.
"With regard to a site for a town plot, I consider this more favourable than any other point sofar along the road; it is very near the corners of the four townships of Burleigh, Anstruther, Chandos and Methuen, and is surrounded by a country tolerably well adapted for agriculture, besides affording a profitable proportion of pine timber; morcover is cannot be far distant from the most practicable point of junction for a road connceting this settlement with that of the Hastings Road, some distance North of Bellerille. There are also some good mill sites to the north and south, so that on the whole I think I am justified in recommending the reservation of a site for a town plot at this place.
" From the bridge to the eastorly boundary of Anstruther, the country is genetally of a rolling character, containing some fine tracts of excellent hardwood land, interspersed with a fert small swamps, and occasionally broken by the appearance of a few small knolls and hillocks, which in many instances are covered with good deep soil. I then followed the easterly boundary above mentioned for about $\frac{a}{4}$ of a mile to where it is intersected by the line between Ccncessions 4 and 5, Anstruther, through a fair tract of undulating hardwood land; arriving at this point, I continued the above concession line eastrards for a short distance, and then made a general course in a northerly direction so as to clear the east shore of Echo Lake, intersecting on the way the north boundary of Chandos nta point about $2 \frac{1}{2}$ miles from the cast boundary of Anstruther, the whole of the country being chiefly covered with some very heavy beech and maple, with a few small isolated patches corered with pine and hemlock, and capable of yielding at least 75 per cent. of its land area for agricultural purposes. Keeping this general direction for about 8 miles to the head of Echo Lake, the country is very level and covered with a misture of hard wood, pine, and hemlock; the pine, though scattered, is very largeand clear, and becomes more abundant as we approach Echo Lake; the soil is light and sandy in places, while in others it is very deep and of a dark rich color. Several beautiful bearer meadows exist at
cither side of the road through this part. From this point (nearly at the 34th mile) I ran in a northwesterly direction to the boundary line between the townships of Monmouth and Cardiff, which I struck about 4 miles north of the north boundary of Anstruther, haviner passed throuch a country very similar to that already described in Chandos. This boundary between Monmonth and Cardiff I followed for a short distance, until it beoame go very rough and broken that I found it quite impracticable to continue it any further. I then made a deviation to the west, and after proceeding a short distance, crossed the suuth cast branch of the Burnt River, at this place about 40 feet wide, and connecting tro pretty lakes, scparated by a very beautiful lerel tract of land, which ascending a short distance west of the road, affords a commanding view of the abore lakes and the surrounding country. From this to the Peterson Road, the whole country is well adapted for settlement, being principally composed of undulating hardwood land interspersed with small swamps, cedar and spruce, and some fine beaver meadow capable of affording the endy settler an abundant supply of hay; the soil is a sandy loam, being in some places where I have tried, as deep as four feet. A small lake west of the 46 tin mile post is the first and farthest south of the waters flowing into the Ottawa; all the others I met with north of this, flow into that river. These lakes I have no doubt abound in fish."

## EXPLOLATIONS BY P. L. S. J. S. DENNIS TO THE EAST OF THE GEORGIAN BAY.

## IST. LINE FROM GRAND FALLS BRIDGE TO BOBCAYGEON ROAD.

This road is an extension of the Muskoka road line from the grand falls of the Musboka River in an easterly direction until its intersection with the Bobcaygeon Road. It mas located last year.

The following is a portion of Mr. Denuis' Report of Survey :-
"A line for road was located by my survey up to the end of the 35 th mile, from whence, although no pains were spared in exploring, it was found impossible anywhere in the vicinity of se survey to get a line, however crooked, upon which a road could be openel at any reasonable expense for construction.
"I then proposed to deviate from the line surveged, say at 33 miles 60 chains, and continuc borth-eastwardly, and so get around, if possible, the rocky and broken country referred to, and with this view deferredany examination of the country in that direction until the survey of the exploration line from Parry Sound, which I expected to pass a few miles north of this, would give me a better knowledge of the features in that direction, proposing, should it be more practicable to get a road in that linc, to extend this up north rasterly from the point mentioned and join in with it westerly of the Bobcaygeon Road.
"I may now mention that this was subsequently found to be impracticable, neither the country on the Parry Sound line or between the two, although thoroughly examined, was found to be such that a road could be made anywhere north casterly, or in that direction, out to the Bobcaygeon Road.
"It would appear to be part of the height of land between the heads of the Muskoka (Sorth Fork) and the Maganitawan, and which no doubt extends north easterly to the sources of the Petawawa, this region is so rocky, swampy and mountainous that the construction of a road line through it would be immensely expensire, and the idea of locating one was therefore abandoned.
"Had my stock of provisions permitted while inland, after discovering (in January last) that a north casterly route was impracticable, I should have made a survey from siy the 29th mile on the Muskoka Road line in an eastcrly direction, out to the Bobcaygeon Road, in hopes of finding a more favourable country; this however, for the above reason, it Was not in my power to effect. I am inclined to think from general observations that the Muskoka Road may be continued outain that direction, and before closing this report will again refer to the subject, proposing a route for examination.
"No bridges of consequence will berequired on the road as fir as located, exceptiog the one aeross the Muskoka River, between Lake Vernon and Fairy Lake, at which point also, the crossing is under very favourable circunstances.
"This bridge, however, will, of necessity, bc of a more expensive charaeter than the one orer the river at the falls; the stream here being about one hundred feet wide; but I should say from appearances that little dauger may be apprehended from freshets. The yencral character of the land orer which the line passes up to the 35̈th mile, particularly that part of it between the township of Macaulay and Lake Vernon, is undulatiog country covered with hardwood. The soil is a sandy and gravelly loam, with clay developing itself in mayy places, and presenting altogether very attractive features for settlement.
"I thiuk it will be found that the land comprised in the outlines shewn in the official maps of the Department, as the townships of Stephenson and Brunel, will be for agricultural purposes much above the avcrage quality of that of the Ottawa country geverally.
"Obscrvations taken from Mary's Jake, Fairy Lake aud Lake Yernon confirm this "pinion."

2nf. exfloration hine from tue old disthict dine out to the modti of the hiver muskoka, and refort of tile character of the makbour at that pont.
"In returning from the survey north casterly to the Bobeaygeon"Road, road line of the Muskoka, I took up this exploration, commoncing it on the 27 th of Scptember, and geting out to the mouth of the river on the 30th October following.
"With reference to this line, I became satisficd in the course of the survey that in consequence of the nature of the country passed over, the number and extent of bridggs and the large item in causerrays which would be involved, nothing but the circumstance of the month of the river being the best harbour (if not the only one) on that shore, would justify its selection for the contemplated leading road out to Lake Huron.
"On exanining the harbour upon my arrival out to the coast, I found it anything but a sood one, the channels being narrow and tortuous, so much so that it is impossible to darigate them with vertain winds
"I found that whencver vessels were bound to the mills on the Muskoka River, wibici mills supply a certain number of cargoes of lumber cevery season, it was always necessary to get a certain pilot to take them in and out through the channels leading to and from the harbour at the mouth of the river. After being loaded, they were liable to detention, as with sertain winds it was impossible for them to get out.
"I nbtained the scrvices of this pilot in the examination of the barbour at this place as niso of that at Parry Sound, and from the intormation afforded by him, together with my own observation, came to the conslusion that all consideration of this route and harbour, for the contemplated road; would have to be abandoned."

## 3rd. harbocr at parry socnd and exploration line to bobcaygeon road

"From my observation at this place, together with information derived from the pilot mentioned, and from mariners, all being corroborated by the statement of Mr. Warren; the gentleman in charge of the extensive mills erected by Mr. Gibson, I am led to believe this to be a commodious and safe harbour. The an nexed tracing shews the channels which are wide and deep.
"With a light-house on the outer island where shewn, the harbour could be entered safely at night. As an evidence of the safety of the channels leading in and out, I was informed by Mr. Warren, that of the several masters of vessels who had been in the habit of coming there for cargocs of lumber, after having been nnce piloted in, none required a pilot a second time.
"I am also told by, the same gentlemau, that the large steamers plying beiween Chicago and Collingwood, were among the vessels which came to these nills for lumber, and that the officers of those steamers expressed a high opinion of the advantages of Parry Sound as a harbour, remarbing at the same time upon the urgent neoessity of a light-house at the point indicated, not alone with reference to the harbour, but as of gifeat importance to the navigation of the Georgian Bay generally.
"In this necessity; from my knowledge of the coast, one of the mast dangerous that out
well be imagined, and of the violent character of the storms which prevail on that shore during the fall of the year, I fully concur."
tTE. EXPLORATION LINE TO BOBCAYGFON ROAD FRON FAREE SOLND.
"The character of the country along this line is not so favourable as from previous accounts I had been led to expect.
"The plan exhibits the features so fully, that any particular description is unnecessary.
" Up to the 34th or 35 th mile, through which extent a road might be located without difficulty, it may be taken to be a filir sample of the average of the Ottawa country generally, that is, that part with which I am acquainted ; but from thence out to the Bobcaygeon Road, it is impracticable either for the construction of a road or for settlement, partaking of the sanc character precisely as observed on the Muskoka Roadeast of the 35 th nile.
"The country between that line and that of the Muskoka Road was traversed and explored without fivding any better routc. Under the circumstances I should recommend that the road from Parry Sound should run from that point, joining with the Muskoka Road just east of Labe Vernon, say at the 94 th mile on the latter, and continue out from thence on the proposed casterly route as herein before indicated, to the Bobcaygeon Road."

## MISSISSIPPI ROAD JLNE.

The following extract is from Provincial Land Surreyor John A. Snow's Report of Eurrey of the Mississippi hoad Line, in the ycar 1858:-
"From the point of departure on the Mississippi River, the line is for nearly tro miles in the settlements. It then enters upon a rocky tract of country, broken by narrow ridges, with swampy ralleys betreen them. On the ridges the timber is white pine, hemlock, spruce and balsam, with occasionally some bardwood; on the low lands the timber is cedar tamarack, balsam and spruce.
"Where the Road line crosses this tract, its breadth is about two and a-half miles. Southward of it, this rocky pine tract skirts the north shore of the Mississippi, from the township of North Sherbrooke to its extreme source, west of the Addington Road, in the township of Denbigh; its breadth varies considerably. In some places it is confined to the immediate margin of the stream, at others, it raches inland from two to thre miles. Northward, passing about one mile east of Trout Lake, on the Clyde, it embraces a large part of the township of Lavant; interspersed herc and there, tracts of excellent land are to be met with; but in general this tract is only valuable for its whitc and red pine timber, which is of large size and cxcellent quality. It is said the largest white pine ever manufactured in the province was taken from this locality.
"Continuing from four and a-half miles, the line lies along the valley of a small stream known as Antoine's Creek, through land of very good quality, beavily timbered with hardwood and large white pine, to the eighth mile, where the pine ceases, and thence to the westerly outline of the township of Palmerston; at about sizteen and a-half miles, the timher is all hardwood, cxcept in low ground, where ash, elm and cedar prevail.
"This hardwood tract, comprising about twelve square miles, is bounded on the north by Trout Lakc, east and south by the rocky pinc tract already described, and on the west by an irregular range of hills which separates the waters of the Clyde from those of Buckshot Creek, a fine tributary to the Mississippi, which unites with it in the township of Clarendon. The surface of this tract is gencrally uneven; the ridges lie north-east and south-west. On the easterly side the slopes are casy, but on the west they are generally steep, and often precipitous.
"Throughout this tract the soil is a rich, saudy loam, with from four to ten inches decayed vegetable deposit on top.
"Fromithe resterly line of the tornship of Palmerston, the line passes through a valley between rocky hills timbered with hardwood and good white pine, and crossing the dividing ridge hetween the waters of Trout Lake and those flowigg sonthward to the Mis-
sissippi, cnters at the ninctecnth mile a very extensive tract of land well adapted for settlement.
"This tract is situated chiefly to the southward of the road line, (which skirts its northern border to the trenty-fifth mile) and covering a large portion of that part of the township of Clarendon north of the Mississippi, extends in a northerly and westerly direction, across Buckshot or Indian Lake, into the townships of Miller and Abinger, traverses the township of Denbigh, and reaches in several places quite to the Madawaska River.
"Eastward, in the township of Miller, it is bounded by Mackay's Lake and Creek to the Madawaska, and south and west by the pine tract first described as bordering the north shore of the Mississippi River. Where the line intersects the Addington Road, the pine tract is chiefly confined to the west side of the Mississippi, which is here reduced to a mere creck, about fifteen feet wide.
"Of this large tract suitable fur settlement, that part of it in the township of Clarendon, along the valley of the Buckshot Creek, from its confluence with the Mississippi to Buckshot or Indiau Lake, is level or slightly undulating, and timbered with a remarkable thrifty growth of maple, hemlock, birch, bazswood, clm and balsam. Buckshot Creek, where it joins the Mississippi, is one chain wide, and from six to ten feet deep; for abou. five miles it has a serpentine course through a wide valley of low land of extreme richness. timbered with black ash, cedar and elm, with alder ou the immediate margin of the streamt The banks of the stream are low ; in rear of the alluvial deposit the surface xises gradually to fifteen or twenty feet, and stretches off with slight undulations.
"About five miles from the mouth of the stream the first rapid oceurs. The fall here is about twelre fect in three chains. Above this are several rapids, at short intervals, and. they will furnish abundant water-power for this section of the country, which is particularly valuable as an agricultural locality.
"West of Buckshot and Mackay's Lake, the surface is more uneven, especially in the vicinity of the Addington Road, where white pine of large size is interspersed among the hardwood.
"That tract in the township of Miller lying to the north side of the road line, from the township of l'almerston to the portage between Buckshot and Mackay's Lake, and bounded on the west by the last mentioned lake, is greatly diversified with hills, valleys and lakes. Around the lakes and on the hill sides the timber is white pine, hemlock, cedar and balsam, and gencrally stony. On the hills the timber is maple, becch, basswood and white pine; the soil is grood but shallow; this character prevails northward, through the townships of Miller and Canonto to the Madawaska River; seattered over this section are sinall tracts of arable land, but not in sufficient quantity to form extensive settlements. On this tract there is an almost incalculable quantity of white pinc timber, and although lumbering has been prosecuted here ou a large scale for several years, it is far from being exhausted, and for years to come will furnish a home market for the surplus produce of the industrious settler: and work for himself and team during the winter months at higher than city prices.
"West of the Addington Road, through the remainder of the township of Denbigh and across that part of the township of Ashby, east of the Mississippi branch of the York River, the country is uneven, rocky and swampy, and timbered with dense thickets of cedar, tamarack, spruce, balsam, birch and pine.
"Along the Road live selected, the soil although sandy, and in some places stony, is tearably good to the trenty-serenth mile; the timber is hemlock, birch, maple, balsam and Thite pinc; thence to the Mississippi branch, there is nutuch good white and red pinc; the soil is rery saudy, stony and unfit for settlement.
"Passing the Nississippi branch, which is crossed by the road line near the foot of Westlencoon Lake, the country at once assumes a different aspect, and through the remainder of Ashby, and across the townships of Mayo and Dungannon to the Hastings Road, a distance by the road line of twenty-one miles, with fer exceptions the land is of excellent quality for agriciltumal purposes. The soil is generally a rich sandyloam, very free from boulders, and eren on side hills but very little fixed rock is exposed. The prerailing timber hardrood-all kiuds except beech, which is but seldom seen, -and white
pine of large size and excellent quality. $\Delta$ simidar feature presents itelf on the York Hiver and the Mississippi Brauch, the land on both streams along the eastern side being high and broken, and chiefly timbered with pine, and on the west side rising gradually from the stream, and principally timbered with hardwood.
"Passing down the rest side of the Mississippi branch for several miles, I found the land good, and from information derived from authentic sources and from what I have myself seen, I an led to conclude that a large proportion of the tongun of land between the York River and Mississippi branch is suitable for settlement.
"Taking into account the different tracts of good and bad land on the entire road liae, a distance of seventy-one and three-fourths miles, about sixty miles is through lavd fit for cultiration, and the remaining eleven and three-fourth milcs generally unfavorable fir settlement, but tbrough which small tracts of good land are to be met with..
"The direction of the road line being generally parallel to the course of the principal streams, those intersected by it are all small, except the Tork River and the Mississippi branch; the former, at the bridge site near the mouth of Egan's Creek, is two chains wide, and from six to ten feet deep, with a gentle current; the latter oue chain wide, from four to sis feet dcep, with a moderately strong current.
"On both streams, there is abundant water-power contiguous to the line. Besides these, several tributary streams are intersected, sufficiently large for mill purposes.
"On the whole, the country throughout, is admirably watered with brooks of excellent mater, conmonly tracing their source in springs, which are not affected by the dryest weather. In addition, lakes are common. Some of them may be considered large, and are generally well-stocked with salmon trout and other varieties of fish. Of these I maymention Westlemcoon, on the Mississippi Branch; Mackay's, near the source of the stream of that name; Buckshot, on the Buckshot Creek; and I'rout Jake, on the River Clyde, as they are close to the line.
"This section of the Ottawa and Euron tract being a nixed agricultural and timber producing region, offers great inducement to settlers, inasmuch as they are sure of a ready market and hish prices at the nearest lumbering establishment; and the further a farmer locates himself in the interior, the higher the price he is certain of realizing for his farm produce.
"Judging from the rapidity with whichother lines of road in this section of the province are being settled, I may confidently assert, that when this particular section is rendered accessible by the construction of a good leading road, it will be speedily populated.
"In addition to settling the country, this road will be of essential service to the older townships eastward; affording as it will, more direct access to the lumbering establishments on the Madawaska and Bonnechere Pivers for the sale of their produce, which they have only been able to accomplish by a circuitous route; and will also enable the lumber merchants to take in supplies at any season of the year at less expense."

## BOBCAYGEON AND NTPISSING ROAD LINE.

The following is an extract from P. I. Surreyor C. Brady's Report of Suryey of the Bobcaygeon and Nipissing Road Tine, in the year 1860 :-
"The conntry traversed is generally timbered with hardrood; very hilly to the 19th mile. There is, however, some excllent land to the westward of the line, and along the southern shore of the Lake of Bays.
"From the 19 th to the 37 th mile, a generally good tract is found, which 1 have been informed, extends and improves to the source and along the banks of the Nahmanitigong River.
"From 87 to 52 it again becomes hilly, but good locations frequently occur.
"Then to Lake Nipissing, the country is more level, and some good tracts for settie ment were observed.
"On the whole, I think that, as the road is pushed northwards, there is reason to anticipate a successful colonization in its neighborhood.
"Mr. Murray's geological description of the banks of the Mukoska and Maganetaman Rivers, will apply to the whole of this section;-the rock exposed being intariably gneiss.
"While no large tracts of piue were found, there is an abundant supply for the wants of settlers; and good water-power is plentifully distributed.'

## THE VICTORTA ROAD,

Situate north of the county of Victoria, runs northerly through the townships of Fenelon, Eldon, Carden, Laxton, Dalton, Digby, Ryde, and Longford, until it intersecis Peterson Read.

The Colonization, or Free Grant Roads, are marked in red on the accompanying plan.

Extracts from Surveyor's Reports of Stureys on the North Shore of Lake Huron. ESTEA
Is situated in the rear of the township of Spragge, which lies on the north shore of Lake Huron, at the mouth of Serpent River. It is bounded by the said township of Spragge on the south, and ly unsurveyed lands on the west, north and east. It was sub. divided during the past year into sections and quarter sections; aach regular quarter seetion contains an area of 160 acres. The tornaship of Esten contains an area of 20,662 acres of land. The following is an extract from Provincial Land Surveyor C. Unvin's Report of Surves :-
"Sections 1 to 6 in township No. 3, South lange, 12 west (Fsten) are valuable; although intersected by ridges of rocks, the valleys are extensive and rich with a fine sandy loam soil, corered with maple, beech, and yellow birch, and pine of a very good quality. The sections are abundantly watered by various creeks and Otter and North Lakes; which run almost across the township. The shores of the lakes are in many places rocky; in some even precipitous, but for the most part covered with pine, which cannot fail to become raluable as the district is settled. Whilst the lakes abound in trout, bass and pike, the woods are much hunted through by the Indians; who annually kill large quantities of deer, and procure many otter and other skins.

Sections 1 to 12 correspond in most particulars to the aforesaid sections. Nos. 9 and 10 are the most rocky, whilst 11 and 12 contain much good land. There is an excellent communication with Serpent Bay from Eagle Lake via Serpent River. There are but fere portages, and the river is wide, with a moderate current; the whole distance being probably 30 to 35 miles. Sections 7, 8, 17 and 18 are for the most part low, flat and swampy; the soil is poor, and timbered chiefly with tamarack. The few ridges running through them are timbered with white birch, balsam, hemlock and a few pines of inferior quality. Soctions $13,14,15,16$, and 19 to 24 , present few grounds for remark, consisting chiefly of rocky ridge free from minerals. The valless are well timbered. The lakes, abounding with fish, are the haunts of immense flocks of ducks and other water-fowl. Sections $29,30,31$ and 32 , present few attractions for the settler, the lands being high and rocky, and greatly destrojed by fires. The remaining sections in this tomnship, 25 to 28, and 33 to 36, are, however, superior to the last mentioned, the absence of hills and rocks of any consequence, combined with an improvement in the quality and depth of the soil (sands loam and rocky bottom), makes this the most important district in the township. The hardwood tracts are estensive and intersected by creeks, which are well supplied with water during the height of summer."

## SPRAGGE

Is situated on the north shore of Lake Huron, at the mouth of Serpent River. It is bounded on the south by the waters of Lake Huron and Serpent River, on the north by
the township of Esten; and on the west and east by unsurveyed lands. It was subdivided last year into sections and quarter sections; each regular quarter section contains an area of 160 acres. The township of Spragge contains 17,882 acres of land.

The following is an extract from P. L. Surveyor C. Unwin's Report of Survey:-
"Spragge is, in its general features, more level than Esten I failed to discover traces of any minerals. As to its agricultural capacities, the soil is sandy loam varying in depth from 3 or 4 inches to 15 and 20 inches. There is an extensive meadow running in a south easterly direction from Turtle Lake, producing a great quantity of hay, which may prove of great benefit to the early settlers. The sections fronting on Serpent Bay and Scrpent River, are tolerably well wooded with pinc of a fair quality, well adapted for manulacturing into lumber, whilst the rapids on Serpent River, section 25, afford a mill site at once contiguous and efficient. A range of hills skirts the banks of the river, but as there are frequent breaks in them, they afford wo serious impediment to drawing out the tinber from the intcrior. There is also a mill site in section 28 on the small river running out of Wagoosh Lake, and an abundance of pine on the shores thereof. A mill might be erected on this river, and could be well supplied at a small expenditure of labour."

## SALTER

Is situated about six miles north of the Hudson Bay Company's post, at La Cloche, on the north shore of Lake Huron ; Spanish river flows through the S. E. corner of the township. It is bounded by lands yet unsubdivided: It was subdivided in the year 1860 iato sections and quarter sections; cach regular quarter section contains an area of 160 acres. The township of Salter contains 22,561 acres of land.

The following is an extract from P. L. Surveyor C. Unwin's Report of Survey :-
"This township will, I think, prove to be one of the most valuable on the great Northern Rioad. It is well timbered, and many sections abound with inaple of large size, and pine of superior quality; it is easy of access, a great part of the front of the township being on Spanish River, which is easily narigable for schooners and steamers fifteen miles past this iownship. The River Sable, which runs through a large portion of the township, will afford mill sites to any cxtent. The value of the fisheries of these rivers is not uaknown, a company having rented the right to fish from Government for several years Many Indian families support themselves during the spring and summer months by fishing. The soil is for the most part a good sandy loam ; in many places there is a good allurial deposit with strong clay subsoil:
"The north eastern sections are generally hilly and broken by rocks. Those to the north wist are nearly level; being broken by few hills; the land is well timbered and the soil is good sandy loam.
"The centre and southern sections are covored with good timber ; the surface is not inuch broken by rocks. What swamps there are, were tolerably dry in Juue, and I have little doubt when cleared they will dry and form good arable land. The large swanp which occupies so great a part of sections $27,28,32$, and 33 ; is of this kind. In section 25 , there is a large sandy plain for the most part bare, but in places growing a few small pines; it borders on the Sable River, and runs down nearly to ite mouth. The seotions bordering on Spanish River must be regarded as the most valuable in the township, not merely liecause of their proximity to the river, but because of their superior quality and greator depth of soil. The timber on the southern sections is pine, yellow and black birch, inaple, oak and ash.

## THOMPSON AND PART OF PATTON

Are situated on and in rear of the north shore of Lake Huron, near the mouth of the Mississagua River, which flows partly through both townships. Thompoon is bounded by Lake Huron on the south, by the township of Patton on the north, and by unsurvejed lands on the east and west. Patton is bounded by Thompson on the south, and by un-
surveyed lands on the east, west and north. The whole of Thompson was subdivided last year into sections and quarter sections ; each regular quarter section contains an area of 160 acres. The township of Thompson contains 17;766 acres of land 7;504 acres only of the south part of Patton, were subdivided at the same time. The following is an estract from Provincial Land Surveyor Gilmour's Report of Survey of these two townships:-
"The Mississagua during summer is navigable for boats of 4 feet draught for itsen entire course, at least as far as my survey extended, but in the spring and autumn when the melting snow and rain swell its tributaries, then the narrow defile through which it finds its way two miles from the mouth, proves too contracted for its swollen waters, which, rising, tumble over themselves in the gorge and convert what in summer is but: a swift current, which I have often stemmed in a canoe, into falls of two or three feet in height. In the rest of its course so far as explored by us, this river rolls a gentle stream between banks from 10 to 15 feet high, with good land generally on each side. This portion of the newly surveyed tract therefore offers great inducement to settlers. Here we have a really noble stream, which steamers of the draught already mentioned can ascend for 15 or 20 miles, thus affording to those who may cast their lot on its banks, opportunities for communication, procuring supplies and exporting produce such as are not enjoyed by many older and richer sections of the couatry. The Mississagua also teems with fish. Sturgeon abonidd; and are killed in great numbers and of a large size. White fish are also caught by the Indians in gill nets in considerable numbers for 30 miles from the mouth, which fact alone, I should think, would be a great inducement to the settlers.
"On those parts of the land included in my survey which I describe as good land, the timber is gencrally maple, black birch, irouwood, red oak and hemlock. The swamps, which are numerous and extensive, are generally tamarac, and there are some fine pines scattered over the whole extent of my survey. Nonc of the land is what in the older settle: ments would be classed as first quality ; but what I describe as good is usually fair soil for farming purposes. As I have already stated, the best land is to be found generally along the Mississagua ; all not marked as swamp on sections 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14 and 15 , township No. 4 south range, 16 west, and on section 31, township No. 3, south on the same range, is of the above quality.
"On sections 10 and 15, north of the Mississagua Rivcr, there are some splendid pine, the finest I have ever seen. It is to be remarked that there is po beech in the survey.
"Over a large part of sections $28,29,33$ and 34 , in township number three, south range 16 west, extends a sandy plain, perfectly level, and in many places entirely destitute: of vegetation. What timber does grow on it is of a diminutive size. The shore of the lake is rocky and shelving, indented by ondless shallow bays, silted up with sand, and able to offer shelter only to light boats or canoes. There is, however, excellent securityfor vessels in the enst mouth of the Mississagua, and in the bay to the west of Salvailes' mill. The sections along the lake consist of poor, lightsoil. There is, however, a considerable quantity of valuable pine scattercd through them. Between this and the river lie large swamps, timbered chicfly with tanarack, which docs not here attain a large size, although $I$. saw some of the largest dimensions in other sections of the survey. In that part of my work which has not been subdivided, there is good land along the Blind River, the Lakeof, the Mountains, at the lake in the extreme north of the work, and in a few other places The soil and timber is generally the same as in those places more uniuutely described. The Blind River, however, requires especial notice for its splendid falls, and in some places beautiful'sceuery. Rising, I believe, in the lake at the N. E. corner of township No. 3 south, it first enters the region explored by nie at Canoe Lake. Befone it euters Caaract Lake, it presents a beautiful spectacle, falliug in a mass of snow-white foam, from a height of nearly 50 feet, in an inclined planc of about 200 feet in length, forming, with the grim rocks and dark forest, such a picture as will yet, I doubt not, make this present wilderness familiar to the traveller and the artist. Again, on leavivg this lake, as if in contrast, the river at once takes a leap of nearly twenty feet, and thea pursues its course to the Lake of: the Mountains, where its stream is backed by the dam and Salvailes' inills. This river is navigable for canoes from Lake Huron to the lake I have mentioned as its soource. There are, of course, portages at the falle. The water is deep from the Lake of the Moñ.
tains to the mill. There are very considerable quantities of valuable pine along almost its entire course. An extensive trade in lumber is carried on at the mills. Small craft can load close to it in the river's mouth. The larger ones load partly there, and complete their cargoes in the bay to the west, where the lumber is taken in rafts. This can only be done in fine weather. As shown by the map, the general character of the country is rough and hilly, interspersed with lakes and streams. The hills are sometimes of considerable altitude, probably 400 and 500 feet, and as their summits are frequently bare of trees, they afford extensive and magnificent views of the country, the general features of which are really beautiful; in the neighborhood of some of the larger lakes especially, the beauty of the scenery is scarcely to be surpassed. All the large lakes, especially those on the Blind River, abound in fish. Pike, pickerel and black bass are the most numerous rarieties."

## ROSE AND LEFROY

Are situated on the north shore of Lake Huron, adjacent to the Bruce Mines. Lefroy is bounded on the south by Lake Huron, on the west and east by lands as yet unsubdivided, and on the north by the township of Rose. Rose is bounded on the south by the above township of Lefroy, and on the west, north and east by unsurveyed lands. They were subdivided in the year 1860 into sections and quarter sections ; each regalar quarter section contains an area of 160 acres. The townships contain respectively, Rose 23, 007, and Lefroy 20,742 acres of land.

The following is an extract from P. L. Surveyor Hanning's Report of Survey of these townships :-
"Lerroy-Along the shore generally, the land is rocky and barren, the timber for the most part destroyed by fire. On the western limit of second range, sections 18 and 19 , the land is low and level, soil sandy, timber principally tamarack, spruce, cedar and small pine. Eastward from this to Thessalon River, the land becomes more undulating; the timber is mixed with a considerable quantity of small balsam, soil light sandy loam with occasional ridges of rock near the banks of the Thessalon. The surface is much broken by ravines, behind those on both sides of the river some tracts of hardwood occur, the soil generally of yood quality. Towards the eastern limit of the township the country is more broken and hilly, soil light. The north eastern portion is generally good rolling land; brokenoccasionally by a ridge of rock, timber mixed and hardwood, in this portion are also some rich alluvial fats, on the banks of the river. Towards the north western part, the land becomes level, timber mixed with some pine of good growth The river through the township is broken by four rapids, all capable of being used to a large extent as motive power for machinery. The average width below the most westerly rapid is about 70 feet; it is navigable for large boats as far as the first rapid. The prospects of this township being settled, are good, as this river affords great facility in getting to the adjoining good lands. Owing to the survey being made: during the winter months, I did not make much search for geological specimens. Ridges of quartzite conglomerate are to be found on both sides of river I discovered no limestone. Trap seems to be the prevailing rock."
"Roses-In this township the south western portion is generally good rolling land; timber mixed and hardwood, generally of large growth. The soil principally clay bottom and sandy loam. The south-easterly portion is generally level, timbered with mised timber white pine and balsam ; the soil light and sandy. In the centre portion of this township are several large tracts of low and level land. Timber, principally tamarack and spruce; soillightand sandy, very marshy in several places. On both the eastern and western limits, the country is rough and broken; soil light, rock ridges frequient; timber, hardwood and mixed; some good pine are to be found on both limits and also on small ridges in the centre portion of said township, but nowhere in sufficient quantity to be reserved for lumbering. The two northern ranges of township are particularly rough and broken; the summits of the hills in most cases are rock, covered with moss and a grow th of small mixed timber Some of the valleys are well timbered with hardwood; the soil is of a good description, but rock near the surface. The rock in this township does not; as far as I could per-
ceive, vary from that in the south township, in the north part it scems to be composed entirely of trap; toward the river, the quartite conglomerate is met with.
"The prospects of settlement for this township are not so good as for the south township, the good land being scarcer and the access to it more difficult."

## PENNEFATHER, DENAIS AND KARS,

Situate on Goulais Bay, Lake Superior, were surveged in 1859-'60, by P. L. Surveyor J. W. Burke. Their contents are as follows : Pennefather, 21,214 acres; Dennis, 5,693 acres; Kars, 11,283 acres.

The following are extracts from Mr. Burke's Reports of Survey :-
"Pennefather.-The township is situated on the south-east part of the shore of Goulais Bay, and is traversed by a coutinuation of that range of hills which forms the southerly limit of the valley of the Goulais River.
"A large portion of the surface is accordingly broken by hills, separated by deep ral. leys and ravines. The prevailing rock is granite. The hills do not rise into peaks, but present, at a distance, a tolerably regular outline. Their greatest altitude does not exceed probably 500 feet above the water of the bay. Bluffs occur in several places. Traces of iron and copper are rarely met with, and are too slight to demand particular attention: The township is well watered, being traversed in every direction by fine creeks and rivalets.
"At the foot of the hills, and stretching northward for four or five miles, lies a very level tract of land, through which the Goulais River flows. Much of this flat land is of a swampy character; but as the swamp is not deep, and the sub-soil rather sandy, I think that were the land cleared, it would rapidly become dry, and afford excellent pasture, as well as prove available for other agricultural purposes.
"On the north town line, near the bay, several large marshes occur. These appear to me to have been, at no very distant period, overflowed by the waters of the bay, and are now, in fact, only separated from it by narrow bars of land and debris thrown up by the water. In parts of these marshes cranberries abound.
"The soil throughout the township is a sandy loam, generally of excellent quality; although in the high lands frequently of no great depth. Potatoes, and root crops generally, would, I have no doubt, be found to succeed well in it; and of the cereals, oats would in all probability yield an abundant and profitable crop. Wheat could not at present be raised with profit, from the absence of mills, and other circumstances of the locality; but as imported flour of good quality, and at a reasonable price, can always be obtained at the Sault Ste. Marie, no obstacle to the settlement of the country is likely to arise from this cause, while the other crops I have referred to would command a ready sale at highly remunerative prices. Indian Corn (at least the more hardy and early ripening varieties of it) could be grown, but oats, roots and hay would yield the largest and surest return.
"The wood in this townsnip on the high lands, consists of maple, birch and scattered pines; hemlock is rare; elm is not often tound, and beech is altogether absent. Neither in this, nor any of the adjacent townships, have I found a single beech.. Much of the maple is of the curled and bird's-eye description, and the wood is often variegated in the most beautiful manner. In the low, flat land, a good deal of balsam and tamarack occurs, with cedar interspersed, which becomes more abundant on approaching the shores of the bay.
"A few lakes are found in the hilly country, at a considerable altitude above the level of Lake Superior. They are not of any great extent however, and do not contain fish in any abundance.
"The area of the township is 21,214 statute acres, of which only about 70 acres are uccupied by lakes; and of this area, fully from one-third to one-half will be found suitable for raising erops; probably as the land is cleared, a larger proportion than this will be found available.
"The township is easy of access by water for most of the year, and in the winter the ice affords an excellent road. An Indian trail also exists, communicating with the Sault

Ste. Marie, but all these means of approach will soon be superseded by the excellent line of road selected by A. P. Salter, Esq., P. L. S., a large portion of which is already made, and the rest will, no doubt, be rapidly completed."
"Denvis. - The part of the township south of the bay presents no feature of marked difference from those of the township surveyed immediately before, (Pennefather,) except that the surface is not so rugged, nor are those high cliffs and bluffs met with, which I referred to in my report of the former township. The soil (a sandy loam) and the timber are in all respects similar
"With regard to the detached portion of this township which forms the extremity of Goulais Point, little need be said here, as I will refer to it again in my report of Goulais Point Township (Kars).
"The shore along section 3 is composed of banks of sand, from 10 to 15 feet high, and near this there is a small harbor called 'Fer-d-Cheval' or 'Horse Shoe ' harbor, which, from its completely sheltered position and depth of water, affords a safe and commodious retreat for Macinac boats of a large size.
"The rest of the coast, along sections 4 and 5 , is rather low, tut a short distance back from the shore the land rises and iuproves materially in character.
"A considerable fishery exists all along the shores of this township, both in its northern and southern portions."
" Kars.-This township may be described as a Peninsula running south and cutting off Goulais Bay from Lake Superior. On the east it is reached by Goulais Bay, on the west by Lake Superior.
"There are no ranges of hills in this township, the surface being in fact chiefly a level plateau, raised probably about sixty feet above the level of the lake, around which two or three old lake margins can be traced with tolerable accuracy.
"A good deal of red sandstone rock occurs in this township, and a very tenacious clay of a pink color which the Indians use for plastering their houses, is found in abundance.
"The land on the western or Lake Superior side of the township is generally poor, and much exposed to the severe gales from the lake. On the eastern side, the land improves much, and being well sheltered affords some excellent sections for settlement.
"The Indian village is in section 34 chiefly, the best land is in its vicinity. The extreme southern point of the peniasula is in township 2 north 27 west:
"Deep water and good shelter for vessels are to be found along the shore of section 3t, and an excellent fishery exists all along this portion of Goulais Bay, affording abundant means of support and profit during the winter season to the Indian residents.
" Maple Island, off the western coast, is included in this township, it comprises about $6 \overline{5}$ acres ; it is well wooded and the land tolerably good. It might prove valuable as a place of shelter for boats and ressels plying between Sault St Marie and the mines at Mamainse, Michipicoton," \&ic.

## MACDONALD

Is situated on St. Mary's River, which connects Lakes Huron and Superior. It is bounded on the north-west by Lake George and Echo river, and on the north-east and south t.y lands as yet unsubdivided. It contains 19,083 acres of land. It was subdirided in the year 1861, into sections and quarter sections. Each regular quarter section contains 160 acres.

The following is an extract from Provincial Land Surveyor Miles' Report of Survey :-
"Within about three miles from Lake George, the line cuts off a small portion of a large meadow lying to the south of range 23 west, township of Macdonald, and appears to cover an exclusive area, which proves to be of great value to some of the settlers about Garden River, and on Sugar Island, owing to the fact that the hay which is made here makes a capital fódder for horses and cattle in winter.
"In the month of August, I had occasion to go up Bar River, which runs through a great portion of range 23, it being the most feasible way of carrying my provisions to the interior; $I$ there met a great number of French and Indian families encamped on the banks
of the river, who were busily engaged in making hay, which, I ascertained, they sold at the rate of from $\$ 6$ to $\$ 8$ per ton.
"Time would not permit we to make a more minute survey of this valuable tract of land, but in conversation with an old and experienced settler, who is well acquainted with this section of the country, he assurcd me that this meadow corered an area of no less than 20 square miles.
"The southern purtion of township Macdonald, range 23 west, is first class with regard to soil; the same cannot be said of the timber, which consists chiefly of spruce, tamarack, balsam, poplar, and white birch, of an inferior quality.
"Tamarack may be considered the most valuable timber in this section of the country; although small, its forks, which are often manufactured into knees for boat building purposes, may render a very profitable return, and is a source of speculation not neglected iu that neighborhood.
"Along the shore of Lake George, the land is of an inferior quality, being sandy and very stony, with a fringe of black ash and, cedar swale along the waters' edge, ranging in width from three to five chains.
"In Echo bay, some of the lines hare been projected into the marsh, which, although very wet at certain seasons of the sear, may prove of great ralue to the settler on account of the hay which grows here.
$\because$ A sluggish stream, known by the settlers as Bar River, runs through sections 34, $35,36,25,23$, and 22 , in a southerly direction; the land in its immediate vicinity is good.
"The northern portion of range 23 west is very rough and rocky. In the valleys, I frequently met good dry soil, or sandy loam, covered with fiue large maple, hemlock, and birch; but still, for farming purposes, it does not cover a safficiently large area.
"The total quantity of land surreyed by me amounts to 19,083 acres, of which about 10,000 acres in the southern portion of the township are well adapted for farming purposes; this, together with the township to the south, would form a very good agricultural district, which could always command a ready market at the surrounding mining stations."

## PRINCE AND PARKE

Are situated at Gros Cap and Point aur Pins, Lake Superior. They are adjoining townships, bounded on the south and west by the raters of Lake Superior, on the north by the township of Dennis, and on the east by the townships of Korah and Awenge. They were subdivided in the year 1860 into sections and quarter sections; each regular quarter section contains an area of 160 acres. The townships of Prince and Parke contain together 28,975 acres of land.

The following is an extract from Provincial Tand Surreyor Princes Report of Survey:-
"From the point of commencement, I found the land swampy, thick underbrush and burnt timber, mostly of cedar, until about 80 chains from the base line, when I struck the Gros Cap range, composed of granite, which range runs nearly east and west, and at the points where my lines intersect, about 150 or 200 feet above level of land below; nearly perpendicular, and upon the south side rough and broken; upon the top of this range for some distance. I found bare rock, no soil, and some large timber, burnt and fallen, chiefly cedar and pine; on proceeding north, I found good loamys soil, though shallow, and heavy timber, birch and maple, intersected by cedar and black ash swamps; indeed most of the land in township No. 1 north is good and timber heavy. I was never at a loss for water, for numerous small spring creeks, from 10 to 20 links wide, and from three to six inches in depth, run through the township, none of which, however, afford any water privilege.
"In Section 20 there is a lake-average depth about 15 feet of clear water, sand bottom, and surrounded by cedar.
"Also a marsh-average depth about five feet of stagnant water, which originated, I imagine, by a beaver dam; throughout, I found several beaver dams, containing more or less water to some depth.
"In survey of township No. 1, south, I found nearly all swamp, cedar and tamarack, rith sand ridges running through it, on which is some red pine timber suitabie for spars. The south portion of this township is nearly all marsh, some with no timber, and some burnt tamarack and cedar.
"The beach is sandy, and water shallow, except at foint aux Pins, where the channel ruas close to shore."

## FENWICK

Is situated partly oo the Goulais Bay, Lake Superior, bounded as follows : on the west by Guulais Bay and the township of Kars, on the north and east by unsurveyed lands, and on the south by the towuship of Pennefather. It was subdivided in the year 1860 into sections and quarter sections; each regular quarter section contains 160 acres. The tornship of Fenwick contains 18,408 acres of land.

The following is an extract from Provincial Land Surveyor Burke's Report of Survey :-
"The northern portion of the township, as shown by the shaded lines on the plan, is vory hilly, indeed might alnost be denominated mountainous, the hills rising here higher than in almost any other part of the neighboring country. The trap formation is the prerailing over this tract.
"Traces of copper are visible in the bluffs along the line between sectious 5 and 8 , and on the hills on sections 6 and 7 in the latter place. I believe some attempts have been made to open a mine some years since, but they do not appear to have been very successful. On the cast town line, a species of slate rock rather finely laminated occurs, and some good specimens of jasper were found on the same town line, about 1 miles from its northern extremity. These hills referred to, form the northern boundary of the valley of the Goulais River, and a part of the ridge of high lands which separate Goulais from Batchawaing Bay, numerous rills and streams descend from them and afford an abundant supply of the finest water.
"It the first of these hills sone very good land occurs, especially in sections 8 and 9 , which afford excellent sugar-bush, much frequented by the Tndians. Some portions of swamp laud intervene between this and the river, and some of the lots, especially those near the bay, abound with valuable cedars. The land along the Goulais River on both sides, is of cacellent quality, a sandy loam resting on a sandy-subsoil. The wood on it proves its exceilence. Some of the best land I have met in the whole tract of country round Sault Ste Haric, as far as I am able to judge, is to be found along the Goulais River, and would, I: am surc, afford great facilities for immediate settlement. On the south town line; a low tract of land occurs, terminating at its western extremity in marshes adjoining Goulaie Bay. Section 27 has been laid out as a town plot according to instructions. The most distioguishing feature in that township is the Goulais River. I have made an accurate traverse of it and taken soundings at distances of ten ehains, so as to present a complete plan and section of it. It enters the bay by three mouths. The whole of the land about the mouths is subject to be flooded in the spring. A bar of sand exists at the mouth in which the ice accumulated during the winter is heaped and piled up, and this tends to dam back the water, causing the rapid rise of the river in the spring;-the floods are, however, never of long duration. The river is navigable for the largest sized Macinac boat, carrying from one to two tons, up to the east town line,
"The wood of the hilly part of the township is chiefly maple and birch, with cedars balsan., \&c., in the valleys between the hills. Finesugar-bushes occur in several parts of the tuwnship and along the Gonlais River, the size of the timber, maple, birch, elm, \&c, is a sure indication of the goodness of the soil. Mr. Salter's line of road to the Sault Ste. Marie passes through part of the tornship, and I have connected the town plot with it. The road, when completed, will afford an excellent communication with the Sault Ste Maric, the necessity for, and the benefit of which, especially in the winter season, will be duly appreciated by the settlers. In conclusion, I would say that this townshir is generally nell worth the attention of those intendiog to settle in this section of country.

No. 27.

## REMARKS ON LOWER CANADA SURVEYS.

## TOWNSHIP OF ABERFORD.

This township is situated on the north bank of the Ottawa River, in the county of Pontiac, and is the westernmost limit of the surveyed townships in Lower Canada.

It is of the dimensions of nine miles perpendicular breadth, on the mean depth of thirteen miles, and is bounded on one side, towards the South-east, by the surveycd town ship of Aberdeen, and on the other side by the projected township of Killaly.

It is traversed from its south-eastern corner, on the whole depth of the township, by the River Du Moine, a stream of considerable magnitude, which derives its name from the fact of the River being the usual route of the early missionaries to the Grand Lac and Lac des Quinze, forming the principal head waters of the Ottawa River, the sources of which head with those of the Du Moine at a distance of upwards of 200 miles, by the course of the latter from its mouth in the Ottawa, at the restern corner of the township of Aberdeen.

Mr. P. L. S. Sinclair laid out and subdivided into farm lots 32,650 acres, chiefly located in the north-west corner of the township, and reports as follows:
"I have delineated the natural features of the country on the plan herewith, such as mountains, swamps, burnt land and the woods; the best part of the land is situated on the south side of the west branch of the Du Moine, and at the north-west corncr of the township, but there is rather better land out of the township around Sucker Lake than there is in it. From Sucker Lake, westward across Bear River, towards the Deux Rivières, there are very nice parccls of hard wood, with what lumbermen would call scattering large white pine.
"A few settlers would find the lots which I have just surveyed there very convenient of access, and when there, very profitable to raise hay and oats for the lumbermen. Hay will command $\$ 30.00$ a ton, and seventy-five or eighty cents a bushel for oats, which would. be an excellent speculation for young men to engage in. There is plenty of land that will not cost more than twelve dollars per acre to clear. Men cngaged in the lumber trade have now commenced operations on ay stensive scale, that must be continued for many years, not only in the immediate neighborbood of this township, but also a consider. able distance up the river.
"This Country, up to the Grand Chute, is very well opened up with roads, the principal one of which was made by Mr. William Moffatt, of Pembroke, leading from the month of the Du Moine up the west side of the river. It is a wagon or cart road for seven. miles, and an excellent winter road to the Grand Chute, where Mr. Moffatt made a farm, the only one at present occupied in the township, $i$. e. having a settler on it. Mr. Ryan has a shanty farm in the township, on which he raises hay, but has no one residing on it. This road made by Mr. Moffatt, if made by the Government, would have cost nearly one hun dred pounds per mile; besides this main road there are others leading westward, beyond the tuwnship; one leads off from the mouth of the Fils du Grand, or west branch. This, I consider, will become some day at an early period in the history of that country, the site of $a$ village. There are excellent water privileges not far from this spot on both the main River and its West branch.
"There is some valuable white pine in this township. I have uo doubt the largesr timber of the Upper Ottawa will come from this place this year, which is being mado fot the trustees of the estate of the late Mr. Egan."

## TOWNSHIP OF PONTEERACT.

The township of Pontefract lies in rear of the township of Mansfield, in the county, of Pontiac, adjoining on the east the surveyed township of Huddersfield, and of the dimensions of nine miles in breadth, by the mean depth of fourteen miles. It is traversed in its whole extent by the River Coulonge and its tributary, the main stream discharging into the Ottawa River at Fort Coulonge, in the township of Mansfield.

Thelandin this township is much broken by hills and mountains, and is intersected by several large lakes, in the westerly part thereof especially. Hardwood seems to be the prerailing feature of the country surveyed up the Coulonge. The soil is generally a rich onm, but most frequently stony:

## TOWNSHIP OF BASKATONGE.

This tornaship, on the Gatincau River, of the dimensions of $13 \frac{2}{2}$ miles in its deepest part, by 9 milcs in breadth, is the northernmost surreyed township in the county of Ottawa. It is of irregular figure, and is bounded on the west and north-west by the Gatineau River, which here; although at a distance of 100 miles as the crow flies due north from its mouth, is a broad stream, averaging some 10 chains wide, more or less rapid, but gencrally navigable for canoes. The River Baskatonge, whose waters irrigate the lands of this township, and discharge into the Gatineau about two-and-a-half miles above the River Jean de Terre, is the outlet of the lake of that name, presenting a fine sheet of water of a quadrilateral figure, averaging eleven-and-a-half miles long by two-and-a-half broad.

A description of the land around which, and of the arable portion surveyed in the Inwaship of Baskatonge, is contained in Mr. P. L. S. Bouchette's report, as follows:-
"In reference to the general geographical features of this section of the country, they are good; the soil is composed of alluvial deposits, which cover a considerable extent of the township, from the fact of the Gatincau River, in high water, backing upinto the Baskatonge Lake, and in its course flooding the flat countries very considerably. The land in many places is high and timbered with hardwood. There is very little white or red pine in this section of the Gatineau; but above and below the boundaries of Baskatonge, large quantities of saw-logs are yearly manufactured by the Messrs Gilmours and Hamiltons. There is also a rood winter road through the centre of the township, constructed by the above firms; which, with very little expense, could be made a practicable moans of conmunication during the summer. This of itself would be an inducement for settlers to locate themselves along this road, and also along the borders of the Baskatonge Lake, where there is a fine tract of hardwood land.
"There is a peculiarity in this tomnship-from the banss of the Gatinean River through to the Baskatonge Lake, the land is rolling, the elevations are gradual, with few arceptions. The south-east and east sides of the lake aforesaid, are very mountainous and rugged, with decp ravines, making it totally unfit for cultivation. These ranges of mounthins are those which divide the waters of the Rivers du Lievre and Gatincans and if the ludians' report be true, the waters of the Baskatonge Lake flow cither way. This I would readily believe, from the fact of the Gatineau waters backing into the Lake, thereby proving its position to be lower; there is no doubt the land about a great number of lakes in the township would otherwise be fit for cultivation. There are also a number of swamps, but they might be converted into meadow land by proper drainage; however, I think that the lakes would be rather a benefit to settlers than otherwise, for they abond with very fine fish from five to twenty-five pounds in weight: The west side of the Gatineau, begin-: ning at the rear post of the township of Egan, exteuding several miles above Gilmours farm, (which is an island in the Gatineau River of considerable extent, containingr several hundred acres of beautifulland,) and thence west, fourteen or fifteen miles back, is fit for settlement, being of a level surface; the soil is of a gravelly nature in some places, in others clay and yellow loam, naling the whole desirable for colonization."

## TOWNSHIPS OF POLETTE AND TURCOTTE.

These contiguous townghips are situate on the northerly side of the Miver St. Maurice The tornship of Polette lying partly in the county of Champlain and partly in the county of Portneuf, aljoins on the South-west the Seigniory of Batiscan, and presents on the Si. Mauriee t frontage of $12 \cdot$ miles, laid out into 62 farm lots, several of which are already. occupied and improved, oonnectively vith the sestonsive lumbering basiness carried on upop that river and ita tributaries.

The River Wisseneau or Wosseneau, which discharges into the St. Maurice about half 2 mile below the mouth of Rat River, in the township of Turcotte, traverses this township from north-east to south-west-its north branch entering the township from the north: west-and is, together with its tributaries, reported as offering some fine tracts of land for settlement.

The tornship of Turcotte, situate in the County of Portneuf, adjoins on the south: west the township of Polette, and presents along its front on the Saint Maurice 60 farm lote now available for scttlement. A range of farm lots on both sides of Rat River, from the rear of the first range to the north-west outlinc of the township; has been surveyed, which; together with the surveyed ranges back from the St. Maurice, will lay open to settlement many fine tracts of land cligible for cultivation, dispersed over 41,042 acres subdivided into ranges and lots, as returned into the department by Mr. P. L. S. Wallace:
"The front of the township of Polette presents some very fine tracts of land. That part adjoining the St. Maurice consists of alluvial deposits of different ages, arranged in successive steps varying in height from a few feet to about one hundred feet; the higher or older plateau, in all cases showing the better soil. Seven of those steps or ancient banks of the St. Maurice can be distinctly traced in several places. The soil on these placesis sandy, the upper containing more vegetable matter than the lower. The timber is fir, spruce, pine, aspen, white, yellow and black birches, cedar, ash, and in some places basswood. Above the hill or bank proper of the river, which in some places is precipitous and rocky, the soil is generally a good brown loan, growing black and yellow birches, maple, firs, cedars, ash, beech, pine, tamarack, \&c. \&c. The country is generally rolling and not so hilly as the township of Turcotte. There are two farms on the front of this township shewn on the plan-one belonging to the estate of Mr. Hall and the other to Mr. Baptiste.
"The front of the township of Turcotte, the 1 st and parts of the 2 nd , 3 rd and 4 th ranges, also present some fine tracts of land, marked by the same successive plateaux as Polette, and growing the same timber. The hill or bank proper here, especially in the 4 th range, is higher than in Polette, in some places precipituous and rocky, and rising seven or eight hundred feet; the direction of the valleys, however, being nearly north and south, there is erery facility for getting on to the higher lands, a number of good main lumber roads being already made.
"There is a large farm at the mouth of the Rat River, on the 1strange, belonging to Mr. Baptiste, on which he raises large quantities of hay, oats potatoes, \&c. The times of sowing and reaping are the same as in the vicinity of Three Rivers, while the soil is more productive.
"The remainder of ranges $1,2,3$ and 4 is generally hilly or mountainous, in some places broken and rocky, but presents many fine valleys and valuable tracts of land. The soil is generally a rich brown loam or black mould, growing large birches, maple, pinc, fir, spruce, aspen, cedar, beech, tamarack, and in some spots red oak and ironwood. Numerous lumber roads intersent this tract, some of them requiring little or no labor to fit them, for: waggon roads, and all passing through the best valleys, so that, although these ranges are more broken than the land on the west side of Rat River, settlers will bave little difficulty in making roads.
"Range A. which is laid off into lots on Rat River, as far as the 24th lot, presents, to this point, the same soil and character as the former ranges, though not so broken. Above this, as far as the fork of Cigoncique or Grande Fourche, the front of this range is bounded by precipitous rocky hills, which rise in some places upwards of eight hundred feet, lat. ing in some cases level tracts at their bases, along that Miver. The remainder of the lots were laid out along the rear line of this range, or centre line, which will be the bestlocality for a road to the interior of the tomnship as far as lot 52. From lots 24 to 56 this range presents a good deal of hilly and rocky country, although at least one half is fit for cultivation, the soil and timber being the same us in the former ranges; even the more hilly parts growing very large hardwood and mixed timber, almays available for woodlands. There are also some fine level tracts growing timber of the largest size. From lots 56 to the rear of the tomnship, this range, with the exception of the precipitous rocky front on Rat River, presents very good lands, growing fine timber and having large level or rolling tracts
"Panges B and C generally present very fina tracts of landy except in some places
vear Rat River, where rocky and stony ranges oceur. The soil is here also a rich brown loam or black mould, growing birches, maples, becch, firs, aspeu, ash; cedar, red oak, \&c., dec. There are several clearings along Rat River, some belonging to Mr. Baptiste and others which were ahandoned by lumbermen after they ceased making pine timber in the vicinity.
"The unsurveyed part of this township was explored in several places, and presents good tracts of land throughout, niot so hilly as that near the St Maurice or Rat River, having the same or deeper soil, growing larger timber, and shewing extensive tracts of nearly level or rolling land ; the tamarack and black birch especially being of a very large :ize and superior quality.
"All the mountain ranges in these two townships, and generally throughout the St. Haurice territory, run nearly north and south, presenting valleys of crosion caused by the great northern drift of the glacial period, lying in the same direction. On this account, I fould respectfully suggest to your department that future townships in this territory, should be laid out with their side lines running east and west, that the range lines, and, consequently the range roads, might lie north and south for the convenience of settlers; as all the inhabitants of a range have, or should have, constant intercourse with each other.It rould also be advisable to adopt this course in subdividing the unsurveyed part of the tornship of Turcotte, whenever that may become necessary.
"The resources of the St. Maurice Territory are great. At present, the only soarce of revenue is pine timber; and the quantity made would be very much increased, had the lumberers greater facilities for carrying on their always profitable trade.
"The best method of developing the resources of the territory, is to build a good Faggon road from the settlement in rear of Three Rivers to Rat River; this road there to branch off to the Riser Vermillion, to the north-west, along the valley of Rat River, or its immediate vicinity; and to the vicinity of La Tuque, to the north. This should be a colonization road similar to those by which your department has opened up several other parts of the country, and especially in Upper Canada. This road would be the means of settling the country on both sides of the St. Maurice, as ferries could be established anywhere below, and at many places above La Tuque. The settlers, besides being in themselves of known value to the country and its revenue, would be of great service to the lumberers in providing them with fodder for their cattle, which they now have to transport from Three Rivers, and in root crops, such as potatoes, \&c. The road would also be of immense value to the lumbering interest, as the lumberers could use it at all seasons of the year, whereas now they have but the St. Maurice, a summer and winter road alone-a summer road for canoes and scoms, and a winter road for teans. In the fall, before the ice becomes strongenough to bear teams, and in spring, when it is too porous and dangerous to do so, the lumberers for several weeks have no means of transporting supplies to their fields of operation. The value of this road will be appreciated when it is remembered that lumbering operations begin in the fall, about September or October, and that the timber gets to the Quebec market in June, July or August only of the following year. Many lumberers cannot send their supplies up the river till navigation is impeded by floating ice, and have to send up their 'drivers' on the ice in spring, weeks before they are wanted or can do anything for their high wages. Some lumberers on the St. Maurice now send up their supplics on the river road in srinter for the nest winter's operations; thus not only running the risk of the provisions deteriorating by being kept all sumner, but paying a years interest on the large outlay required to furnish a lumber camp in rations and fodder. A road would remedy this state of things, and be beneficial to the lumberman, the settler, and the country at large, as it would increase the revenue in much greater ratio than the outlay required to make it.
"If the St. Maurice country were settled, its resources would be-not only piae timber -but tamarack and black birch, of which there are large quantitics of a superior quality, $\rightarrow$ would be made by the settlers; and when the Piles Railway is built, this timber as well as cedar and spruce, and even firewood will find its way to Three Rivers and Quebec.
"Having, according to instructions, made a few general remarks on the physical geog. raphy of the country, its resources and the best mode of developing them, I have only to add that the colonization road I have mentioned conld be made without any difficulty, an
the country is very favorable fir rouls running north, the ralleys, as before mentioned lying in that direction.
"The road could also be made at a comparatively small cost, as there are only three rivers of any size to bridge, namely; the Matawin; the Bêtepuante and Rat Rive.
"The branch road to the Vermillion could be of great use to the lumbercrs on that well wooded river, as it would enable then to send their supplies direct from Rat River in summer, instead of using a great bend of the St. Maurice through the worst and most dangerous rapids of that river above La Tuque. It would also pass through a country well fitted for settlement, and which would probably be the first part of the Upper St: Mourine, turned into the permanent homes of cirilized men."

## TOWNSHIP OF SPAULDING.

This township lies on the easterly bank of tho river Chaudiere, at its outlet from lake Megantic, cstending in depth, towards the east, to the Province line, and bounded on one side, towards the north, by the townships of Marlow and Risborough, and on the other side, towards the south, by the township of Ditchfield. The first six ranges of Spaulding which were laid out into farm lots, present with the surveyed six ranges in Ditchfield, about 70,000 acres of highly favorable lands for actual settlement,-the much larger proportion of which is composed of land well adapted for cultivation,-the soil being in general a rich loam and the surface moderately undulating, hardvood timbered lands.

The colonization of this township and of the adjoining townships will be materially assisted by the Government road, recommended by Mr. Duchesnay, is now in progress of being opened from its junction with the Lambton Road, through the tornships of Ay her and Gayhurst, intersecting the Chaudiere at this township; but this desirable object would be considerably promoted were a good road opened on the right bank of the River Chaiudiere, from the township of Jersey, in front of the Townships of Marlow, Risborough, Spaulding and Ditchield, to meet the colonization road projected from the interior in Lingwick to the Arnold River, in the township of Woburn, recently traced and marked under instructions from this office, and where it would meet the proposed line of road traced from the Province line, at the terminus of a road proposed to be opened by the American authorities, in the State of New Hompshire, to connect with the Portland and St. Lawrence line of railway, towards the south, with Quebec by the Megantic Government Road,-and with Sherbrooke and Montreal by the western and eastern township roads.

Mr. P.L.S. Duchesnay, who surveyed the township of Spaulding, reports as follows:-
"The land throughout the township of Spaulding is for the most part of good quality of loam, though rather stony in places, yet on the whole, very well adapted to agricultural. purposes, and may be classed as first-rate farming land. The timber is also of superior quality and of average growth, generally mixed,- the principal kinds being birch, maple, spruce, cedar, balsam and some pine.
"The whole township is well watered, many of the streams being of considerable size, and affording excellent mill sites and water privileges, amongst which I may mention the Nebnellis and Kokomleis, (names given by Indians). The river Chaudière itself is a very rapid stream, at low water being not more than two feet in depth, and of an arerage width of about tro chains, although at spring floods it rises to considerable size.
"The banks are in many places rather uneven, while in others good flats of arable land extend to the water's cdge.
"I would take the opportunity here of remarking with regard to the settlement of this land, that the construction of a road from Aylmer, through Gayhurst, to the River Chau dière, in the vicinity of thie discharge of Lake Drolet, would be of material service, and is asked for by the settlers in that neighborhood, who are even now in the act of petitioning for the road.
"There is at present a rough timber road following the course of the river Chaudiere, which crosses from Gayhurst into Spaulding about lot $2^{\prime} ;$ and thence continues along the siver course as far as lake Megantic."

## TOWNSHTP OF TOCRELLE

This tornship, situate in the county of Gaspe, adjuins on the south-west at the St . Larrence, the Seigniory of Ste. Anne des Monts, and back of this scigniory, the township of Cap Chatte, to its depth, and on the north-east by the maste and unsurveyed public lands-excepting, howerer, the front range recently laid out into farm lots, on the St. Lawrence, and along the line of road traced from Ste. Anne des Monts, eastward, through the projected townships of Christic and Duchesnay, to Fox River, by Mr.P.L.S. Baillarge, under the instructions from the Department of Public Works, and of this Dcpartment.

The four first ranges of the township of Tourelle were laid out into farm lots; the greater proportion of the first range thereof being already settled and occupied, partly by squatters, and partly by persons representing the owners of adjudicated claims under the Gaspe Relief Act, ( 59 Geo. 3); whilst the remaining surreyed ranges, although occasionally of a mountainous and broken surfice throughout, contain some very farorable lands for settlement, which will be rapidly taken up, so soon as the Gulf line of road shall have been constructed, as the ample report of $\mathrm{Mr} . \mathcal{P}: \mathrm{L} . \mathrm{S}$. Finy renders manifest :-
"All the land in the first range of the seigniory of St. Anne, and in blocks A.and 13. are under cultivation to the mean depth of about sixty chains. In addition to the great river St. Anne, there are tro important water powers in this tract, the little river St. Anne, and the 'Patate' stream. On the little river St. Anne, about 10 chains from the St. Lawrence, are tro splendid mills, the property: of I'. B. Sasseville; one a foor, the other a saw mill. The saw, particularly, is of superior construction.
"The little river St. Anne was used, for a long period for lumbering purposes, a considerable quantity of deals having been made on its banks; but for the last four or five yeurs very little wood has been made up in this locality, and this branch of industry has heen nearly quite abandoned. On the river Patate are still seen the remains of an old saw mill, and a flour. These establishments, the property of Jean Leboutillier, Esq-; are now all in ruins."

Mr. Roy, in speaking of the township of Tourelle, says :-
"The name of this tomnship, which is also that of the locality before survey was made, is, owing to the existence of tro rocks, situate on the shore at a distance of about three miles from one another : the first of these rocks, which is also the largest, is shewn on the plan of the tornship as point la Lourelle; it is of quadrangular form with abase of about trenty feet diameter and rising to a height of forty or fifty feet; this-rork is perfectly isolated on a rough beach, and sometimes at rery high tides the water passes sereral feet beyond it.
"The other of these blocks called the litile Tourelle, lies to the northeast of the first. is of triangular shape, narrowing at a height of thirts feet and forms part of the cliff on the borders of the river, having the appearance of a chimney standing alone after the destruction of a building by fire
"The shore opposite the township of Tourelle is generally rocky; here and there small saudy bays are found which afford a safe harbour for barges at high tide. In the course of last summer several of these bays were occupied by fishermen from St. Anne and Cap Chat, who established themselves there for the purpose of fishing for mackerel, which these shores are celebrated for.
"In the eastern part of the township is the little river Castor, with a goodwater power; it reaches the St. Lawrence by a fall of about 20 feet; the banks of this stream are very high and difficult of access on the first four ragges of the tomnship but beyond this they gradually disappear.
"The land in the south west part of this township, from the central line to the north east line of the tomnship Cap Chat, are wcll adapted for colonization. The soil is a jellow mould very favorable to cultivation.
"There are but few of these rivers whose formation offers any obstacle to communication or to cultivation; moreorer there is at present a road along the river St. Anne, which cxtends three or four leagues into the country, but it is unavailable in winter, though a verylittle outlay would make it passable in summer. A similar road runs along the River Patate, but does not go more than four miles back, about half of it is however passable at all seasons. I would here draw the particalar attention of oultivators to the
fev lots that are still racant along the River Patate, and also in that part of the township from that stream to the central line of the tomnship. Sereral lots in the 2nd and 3rd ranges are in course of being cultivated for the goodness of the soil, the facility of communication and the proximity of the village of St. Anne, having all the adrantages of a church, post-office, registry ofice, \&c., \&c., are such solid advantages and so rarely met with in a new township that a passing notice of them will be sufficient to show all their importance.
"The north-east part of the township, extending from the centre line to the easterly. lateral line, presents to the eye a different aspect; if we consider the height of the cliffs and judging of the interior by the difficulties encountered near the sea coast, we must be led to suppose that this locality is destined to remain long in a state of nature. It is true that on the lots of the first range, to the depth of 20 or 30 chains, the land could only be made arailable for persons who intend to derote themselves exclusively to fishing, but when this distance is passed, the country changes its appearance and all obstacles disappear. Here and there, it is true, inequalities of the surface, caused by the course of streams, and high cliffs are met with, but no cliffs or hills such as are seen in the first range. I must, however, make an exception as regards the hollow formed by the Castor stream; which at the St. Lawrence as well as in the interior, to about the middle of the 5th range, presents obstacles which, in my opinion, would not be surmounted without great difficulty. Colonization would progress but slowly if the people were left to their own resources, but the road which the government is about constructing from St. Anne to Fox River, will not fail to prove so encouraging that before long we shall see there as in many other places along the coast of Gaspe, an uninterrupted succession of good settlements.
$\because I$ did not find in the interior of the tornship of Tourelle a continuance of level land, such as exists in the interior of the tonnships of Cherbourg and Dalibaire which I traversed in 1859 : but this land, though not so easy of access nor so capable of cultivation, does not appear to me to be less valuable towards the middle of the township. At a distance of aboutit miles from the St. I awrence, there is a lake, which I have judged to be about fifty acres in superfices. These data are only approximate, as I saw the lake only at a distance of six miles. I was then measuring the depth of the side line. In the middle of the lake there is a small island. A hunter whom I have met since, tells me that this like is called the Island Lake, and that he had caught a great deal of trout there. In tracing the back outline of the township, I noted besides sereral streams, the intersection of timo rivers; the smallest of these which is in the middle of the third nile, measures 85 links in breadth, and runs through level land from north to south, mensuring oue chain and fire links in breadth; the other river is found at the beginning of the seventh mile, and is said to be a branch of the great river St: Anne; its course is from west to east, and makes its way through the Chickchack mountains. At about a mile to the north of the rear line; this river appears to run through level land, after which the hills through which itruns rise successively in an easterly direction; at the point of its intersection with the rear line they attain a height of 1500 feet.
"The predominant kinds of timber are the pine, white birch, birch, spruce and cedar; there is only a small quantity of maple. The only maple wood worth mentioning, is in the neighborhood of the base line on the north-east side of the little Patate. We therefound three or four huts for sugar making in the spring. The cedar bushes are not numerous, but the cedars are of good size and of superior quality. The most extensive of these cedar woods follow the course of the river St. Anne and the stream Patate. We found a great: guantity of pine strinaps in this part of the tomoship extending from the Patate to the river St. Anne, but I cannot recollect having seen one of these trees standing.
"The soil is mostly yellow loam and sandy mould; along the course of the little River St. Anne clayey land is found, as well as yellow loam, but not to any extent; wherever similar soil is met with, in other parts of the township, it is of so small an extent as not to be worth mentioning.
"In continuation, I may add that of all the townships destined for colonization, fer are more worthy of attention than the township of Tourelle. This township has certainly the disadvantage of being dificult to cultivate, owing to the steepness of the cliffs and the depth of the water courses, but generally the soil will be found fertile.
"In addition to this, the colonists will find great resources in an inexhaustible supply of fish of all kinds, with casy communications for the conveyance and exchange of their produce. St. Anne, in the first place, owing to the excellent establishment kept up there br Jean Lee Boutillier, Esq., affords a good market; again, the basin of the great river St. Anne, which is a safe port, is frequented during the whole season, by sehooners plying between Quebec and Gaspe. It nay be useful to add that the township of Tourelle forms part of the frec port of Gaspe, and with the township Cap-Chat, forms its south-western limit."

## TOWNSHIP OF DAAQUAM.

This tornship is situate in the valley of the upper St. Joln's river, in the county of Bellechasse, and is bounded on the south-cast by that river, where it forms part of the southern limits of the Province under the Ashburton treaty, and on the north-west by the river Daaquam, or Mettawaquam, on one side, on the north-east, by the township of Panct, and on the other, on the north west by the recently surveyed township of Langevin. It is the southernmost of the townships traversed by the projected line of road divergiug at right angles from the Tache Road, in the township of Mailloux, which, when carried out as originally contemplated, will serve to open up a vast field for colonization. Mr. P. L. S. Casgrain gives a favorable report of the soil and timber of this section of country in his report of survey of the arable part of the township:-
"Before terminating my report, I must affirm that putting to mether all my observations of the soil and variety of land in the course of my exploration of the township of Daaquam, I found the lands in this township favorable for cultivation and offering to the colonist, who is prepared to clear them, a sure guarantee of success.
: I am the more confirmed in this opinion by the rare and remarkable fact that this locality is everywhere extremely level and devoid of rocks, which gives the cultivators great facilities for opening roads of communication. The only difficulties to be encountered in this township arise from the existence of some marshes here and there but these are trifing compared with those arising from the inequalities of the surface, and $I$ have the hupe that at no very distant day a brilliant destiny awaits the valley situate between the river Daaquam and the River St. John.

## TOWNSHIPS OF ROLETTE AND PANET.

These townships, situated in the county of Montmagny, are conterminous, respectively, along their south-east and north-west limits, and occupy the table land at the lead waters of the north-west branch of the River St. John, and those of the River du Sud. The first named township is bounded by the township of Montminy, which is traversed by the Tache Road; while the latter township catends south-easterly to the boundary of the Province, the south.western outlines of both townships constituting part of the county line between the countics of Montmagny and Bellechasse; and their north-east outline, the south-west limit of the townshiy of Talon.

A passable road intersects these townships, called "le Chemin des Anglais," Which was opened by the British and American surveying parties engared on the survey of the boundary line, under the treaty of Washington, for the express purpose of transporting by it the provisions purchased in the old parishes on the St. Larrence, and has been used since for lumbering purposes, and might, with certain iniprovements, be made available for the use of the first settlers of these townships, until this section of the country becomes more developed through settlement:

The report of Mr. P. J. S. Tetu conveys a farorable idea of the general fitness of the land for cultivation:-
"What first strikes the observor in these townships is the good quality of the land, Which is everywhere so prevalent, vast plains estend beyond the limits of sight, interrupted only hy rocks here and there, sarving as a relief to their immense extent.
"The River Daaquam, which traverses the township Panet through its whole breadth, waters the two most fertile of its ranges. On approaching the frontier, the land becomes of middling quality, owing to the presence of swamps, which, though of no great extent, are pretty numerous; still, when colonization shall have reached this far in the county, means will casily be foumd to drain them, and make them as productire as the best parts of the township; for as the sub-soil of these swamps is composed of clay, covered with a thick coating of vegetable matter, it will not fail to become extremely fertile as soon as the work of cropping has begun. The labour will be very much facilitated by the streams which flow in all directions and empty themselves some into the river Doaquam, others to the south of the frontier line.
"In general, the soil of these two townships is mixed with sand and gravel, though much clayey land is to be found, and fit for cultivation. Yellow mould also exists, also grey and black loam, ent in smaller quantitics, although of good quality, and all well adapted for cultivation.
"The timber is gencrally as fine as may be expected to be found on land of such fertility, and which requires but a little labor to make it cultivable, for the timber is in gencral rather searce. The provailing kinds are maple, balsam; pine, cedar, and birch, all of excellent qualitr.
"I am firmly convinced that as soon as the sub-division of this tomnship is terminated, settlers will be found to go into it in great numbers. There is already a good shanty road Icading to it: it is commonly known by the name of the Englishmen's Road; itis quite good enough for the cartage of provisions during the summer. It traverscs a part of Rolette and euts the province line a little to the cast of the north cast line of the township of Panet. They made use of it during the time that the shanty season lasted; but siuce the lumber business ceased in these parts, the road has been but little travelled, and latterly has been altogether disused. A very small outlay would put it in good condition. It would only require to raise the trees which have fallen upon it, and to straighten it a little, though, in general it is straight enough. Very little money rould make it one of the finest colonization roads, and onc of the most travelled. This part of the county is much like the land of the townships on the west and east, and at least as good.

## TOWNSHIPS OF GARNEAC, CASGRAIN AND LAFONTAINE.

The two former townships are situate on the south-west aud the latter on the north cast side of the Elgin Road range, in the county of L'Islet.

The residues of unsurveyed lands in the above named towuships were laid out into farm lots for the purpose of extending the field of settlement, in consequence of the rapid disposal of the lands laid cut along both sides of the Elgin Road, taken chiefly by the hardy yeomanry from the old settled parishes in the scigniories bordering on the St: Lawrence, whilst the opening of the Tache Road, which traverses the townships of Garneauand Lafontaine, and intersects the Elgin Road, will aid materially in developing the settlement of this section of the public lands.

Description of the lands surveyed into farm lots in the township of Garneau:
"The five last ranges of the township of Garneau, now surveyed, give a supericies of twenty-two thousand acres of land, in part well adapted for colonization, offcring a surface generally level and covered for the most part with mixed hardwood: it is more rocky than the township of Casgriain."

Description of the lands surveycd in the Township of Casgrain :
"The five last ranges of the Township of Casgrain, which form a supericies of 20,226 acres, are in general less stony than those of the township Garncau ; they are partly covered with maple, presenting a soil generally sandy and of good quality. This township is traversed in cvery direction by inportant and numerous rivers, on which mills of every kind might easily be constructed.

Description of the lands survejed in the township of Lafontaine:
"There are found, in different parts of this tract, meadows made by beavers many, Years ago; which will be of grent advantage to the settlers; from the facility the latter will
harc of procuring hay, which although of a rather inferior quality, will be not less useful in helping them to winter their cattle, during the first yeirs of their occupancy, and until they cau now better hay from their own lots. There are also on some lots maple groves, many of which are already occupied by persons who have made sugar there for the last two or three years; these maple groves will also be of advantage to those holding these lots by enabling them to gain some money by preparing them for market, at a season when it would he impossible for them to do anything in advancing their farm work:"
"On looking at these fine lands, which are, so to speak, at the door of our farmers settled in the parishes along the river St. Lawrence, one is surprised that they have not been already for many years settled, while the vigorous youth of our country parts have been leaving from day to day to lire among strangers. One of the principal reasons, and one which lass certainly delayed their settlement, has been the unfarorable reports made by hunters, for some reason or other, of thesc lands, saying that they were nothing but barren swamps aud rocks, wholly unfit for settlement; reports which were apparently confirmed by a strip of land, a mile or a mile and a-half in width, in rear of the seigniories which is precisely such as the huuters have represented the remainder to be; add to this the absence of any road to get to these lands, and, in the last place, the uncertainty of not lnowing rhere the line of separation between this province and the United States would pass, the latter pretending, before it was drawn, that all the lands watered by the streams discharging into the River St. John belonged to them, thus taking away all the township of Dioune, and more than half that of Lafontaine, which are about the finest parts of the tracts nquestion."
"But now that there is an auspicious beginning of settlement on these lands, we must hope that they will be promptly opened, by enabling an industrious population to secure an honest independence, as well as by crentually preventing our young people from zoing elserhere to meet only fraud and deception."

## TOWNSHIP OF ARMAND.

This township is situate in the county of Temiscouata, and comprises in its frontage all that part of the nerr line of the Temiscouata Road, constructed under the superintendence of the Department of Public Works, from the rear limit of the township of Whitmorth, to the rear boundary of the seigniory of Lake Temiscouata and Madawaska.

The line of the Tache Road, as now traced, traverses, diagonally, the western quarter of this township to its junction with the Temiscouata Road, at the forks of the St. Francis; but a more central, as well as a more favorable line through this township into the township of Demers, and thence north-eastwardly, intersecting that well Lnown tract of country matered by the River Rimouski, called the "Fonds D'Ormes," to its junction with the Kempt road, now being explored by J. J3. Leepage, Esq., would open for colonization a much larger field at the head waters of the rivers Ristigouche and St. John. This tract is an extensive table land, occupying a region bounded on the north by the Metis and Rimouski rivers, and is composed chiefly of hardwood ridges.

The present line of the Tache Road would remain still available for the settlement of the arable lands along it, with the advantage of proximity to the St. Lawrence.

Description of the above mentioned lands by Mr. P. L. S. Boucet:-
"The lands along this road are generally good, though rocky in places, but there are places where there are hardly any rocks. There are very few lands taken here, but from the river of the Little Fork they are almost all taken; these are also of much better quality."

## TOWNSHIP OF MANN.

The land surveyed into farm lots in this township, in the county of Bonaventure, as returned in the annual statement for the year 1861, lies back of Oak-Point-Range and the adjudicated lands situate on the Piver du Loup, and east of the tract reserved for the Nicmac Indians of Ristigouche. It is bounded torards the east by the Seigniory of Shoolbred and the township of Nouvelle, and on the north by the residue of the township.

The excellent quality of the soil in this tornship, its fine timber, and the farorable character of the land, cannot fail to induce emigrants, especially the $\Lambda$ cadians from Nora Scotia and Prince Edward Island, and conduce to the rapid settlement of this township.

The report of Mi. E. H. Legendre coureys a satisfai ory description of the country surveyed, as follows:-
"All the land which I have met in prolonging this line, is so good and so fit for cultiration that it was taken up by degrees while I was surveying it. I was accompanied by a large number of active young men who did not content themselves merely with marking their lots, but who actually cut down the trees and cleared the land while I was working on the line.
"This land is perfectly level and covered with very large birch and maple. It extends [ know not how far eastward, for the Little Rirer, at a distance of from 14 to 15 chains to the east of my line, comes from the north, and it is on the east side that this level and good land appeared to me then to extend.
"Having since prolonged the rear line of the east range from River du Loup to the seventh range, I was cnabled to ascertain that the land already mentioned extended towards the east. I fell in with it on the north part of the fifth mile and on sixth, beyond which, if I may judge from appearances, I believe it terminates only at the valley formed by the River Eiscuminac.
" All the land which lies between the Busteed Creek and rear line of the range east of the River du Loup is of the best quality, and although it is very elerated, it is nevertheless. level and of easy access. Great part of the timber is birch, of an enormous size, and sound in quality.
"The great valley of Busteed Creek is wooded with pines which appeared to me for the most part sound. This creek only extends, from what I am informed, to the fourth range, where it takes its rise.
" I proceeded to the post, between the fourth and fifth ranges, on the range east of River du Loup, and prolonged this line to its junction with the west line of the township of Nourelle. The soil which I met with along this line is still finer than that of the ranges already passed over, and to give an idea of it, I will say that it may be compared to that of Matapedia.
"The prevailing timber is the same as that lower down, that is to say, birch and maple; and, with the exception of the hill at the point of departure, the land, as far as Harrison Creek, is level. This hill is the last in this range. The east branch of the River du Loup and Busteed Creek take their rise in the middle of the fourth range, in a grove of balsams, nd beyond this the mountains disappear.
"Access to any of the ranges of these townships is made easier by the shanty roads. along the different streams; which extend as far as the River Escuminac, and in one; instance, to the head of the above named creeks; nor is there any difference in the roads, the land being the same everywhere.
"The valley of Harrison Creek in this range is wider and more shallow than in the ranges already gone through, and the landin this valley is exceedingly good. The timber is of enormous size; ash trees, for example, are met with as large as pines: the prevailing kinds are elm, ash, and birch. This valley appears to me to become larger towards the interior, and I do not doubt that in the adjaceat ranges, it will appear still finer in character not as respects the quallty of the soil, for it is impossible to find better, but from its greater extent of level ground. This creek supplies a considerable volume of water, and mills might be put in operation throughout its length.
"The further I advance into the interior the better I find the soil, and I am informed by credible partics, that there is equally good land as far as the River Escuminac in the interior; I judge so not only from the appearance of that which I found between the 6 th and 7 th ranges when I prolonged the rear line of River du Loup range east, but also from: the opportunity which 1 had of seeing, from the summit of the mountain between the 5th and 4th ranges, into the interior of the township From this point $I$ remarked that $x$ range of mountains extended from the southeast towards the north-west, at many miles distance, and that the ground sloped gradually from these mountains to the place of obser vation. From this Iam led to believe that these mountains separate the river Escumanac
on the north, and leare a very large extent of ground fit for immediate settlement on this side, towards the soath-west."

Mr. P. I. S. Duval's Report on the Arse at Gilles Read Survey:
"As to the quality of the land, from the 5th mile to the 9 th, along this road; it is but indifferent. As to the upper part, that is to say, that which is prolonged up to the Taché Road, it is well adapted for cultivation; the soil is not stony, and appears to be everywhere very rich. On the rear lines of the 5th and 6 th ranges, which I have drawn, is a large and fine maple grove, on which have been established several sugaries. The soil in these two concessions is very rich, without rocks or stones; so that everything is in faror of the settlers. I do not hesitate to say, that it is the finest and largest tract of land which Thave as yet passed through. It is in every respect well adapted for settlement.
"I have no doubt that if these lands were once known, they would not fail to be appreciated by a crowd of settlers, who would set about clearing then with zeal and ardor, and would derive from them considerable profit. As soon as the road shall have been opened for a sufficient distance; it is certain that colonization will advance in the township of Patton.
"Means of communication in this territory will be casy of attainment, for there is no considerable hill or inequality. There are, however, some gentle acclivities, which are by no means unpleasant. From the summit of these slight emineaces, the eye contemplates with pleasure the vast extent of country which lies around, and which fills us with sentiments of admiration for the Author of so many wonders. The timber, in general, is tall and henry. There are some cedar groves interspersed with balsams of large size."

Report of Mr. Surveyor Francis Teta, on the survey of the lands on the Arago Road:
"In those parts of the townships of Lessard and Beaubien, which I have survegcd; there are many tracks of stony soil to be met with, but this will not be an obstacle to the settlement of nearly the whole of these lots, the soil of which is, in general, well adapted for colonization. The prevailing kinds of timber in these two townships are cedar, fir, white birch, alder and balsam : there is little pine of large size in the immediate neighborhood of the road line, but a proof of the existence of timber for building purposes in the township of Lessard is, that in the month of November last a shanty road was established for the cutting of saw-logs which are transported to the Bras d'Apic. All the Arago tract is fit for cultivation; the kinds of timber found there are balsam, white birch, black birch, and, in still greater quantities, maple. In effect, in the last named township alone the number of sugaries worked during the last winter was more than sixty.
"The Arago road-line is aiready of great atility as a snow-shoe road for those who are making sugar in these townships."

Report on the exploratory survey for a line of road from Gaspe Basin to Port Daniel, in the district of Gaspé, by Mr. P. L. S. Blaiklock;
"Although my explanations have failed to: attain the object contemplated in my instructions, namely to open up the country for settlement in rear of the surveyed lands in this part of the country, yet a good line for a road could be traced which, passing through the back ranges of the townships of York, Douglas, Mal Bay and Percé, would reach the scaboard near the seigniory of Grand River and would open up an extensive and valuable track of unoccupied Crown land for settlement. This route would shorten the distance to the Bay des Chaleurs by about thirteen miles; and would be from thirty-two to thirty-three miles in length; it would at the same time avoid the danger and frequent delays caused by crossing the Barachoisof Malbay and Douglastown, where, after a heary storm the sea breaks with great violence over the bars of the mouths of these rivers, and the ice running in the spring causes frequent delays in the transit of the mails apd passengers.
"Besides this line, many other shorter branch roads conld be opened with adrantage, and would greatly facilitate the settlement in this part of the eonntry. For instance a road opened up the River St. John to connect with the village ofDouglastown, would open trio ranges nearls all across the township of York, of excellentland for settlenent; also by conrunuing the road up the Barachoi of Mal Bay and thence along the river, wonld greaty facilitnte the settlement of the fine rich track of land bordering this stream. The York and

Dartmouth rivers could likewise be opened up in like manner, in the valleys of both of which rivers considemble tracts of valuable land, well adapted to agriculture, exist. In fact if ever the interior lands are settled, it will be by the progressive settlements of these streams.
"In closing this report I cannot but remark the rapid improvement that has taken place in the agricultural pursuits in this country within the few years I have becn obserrant of it, as well in the increasing quantities both of cereals as well as root crops that are now raised, as also in the improved system of cultivation
"The granting of patents and opening of the Crown Lands for sale, has likewise given an increased impetus to agriculture, inasmuch as the occupants have alrcady, or are about to obtain titles for the property they occupy, and be secured in their possessions, which, for years heretofore they have not becn. It will also cuable persons wishing to invest capital in landed property in the country to do so with far grenter sccurity than heretofore."

Exploratory surveys for a road from La Tuque, on the St. Maurice to Lake St. John, Saguenay, by Mr. P. L. S. Blaiklock:-
"The country lying between the River St. Maurice and the Lake St. John is an elevated, broken and rocky trough, in which numeroas of their tributaries take their rise; the surface is broken up into wave-like mountains, not generally of high elevation, but precipitous, without connection or regularity. There are few regular ranges of hills or extensive vallies, and the whole is clothed with a dense but stunted growth of mixed timber, consisting, chiefly of black and gray spruce, fir and white birch, together with a very few scattered birch, poplar, tamarack and maple. The soil of this rast region is mostly sand, approaching, in some instances, to a light loam, but of such a stony and rocky character as to afford but slight hopes of its ever being brought under cultivation.
"The country is well watcred by small tributary streams, and innumerable small and large lakes, but their vallies are narrow and limited in extent. The fixed rock is all of a granitic formation, and in noinstance did I observe any appearance of minerals or stratification.
"There are no extensive groves of pine in this country, but considcrable quantities scattered over the hills, bordering the rivers aud lakes chiefly upon the waters of the Bostonais and Croche; much of this timber is sound and good, but, as a general rule, they were faulty, from wind shakes and spunt Znotts, and more suitable for saw logs than squared timber. If the information I received can be relied upon, the great pine bearing country of the St. Maurice lies to the west of that river.
"The idea that there existed a large and catensive valley connecting the St. Maurice with Lake St. John was quite a mistaken one; the fact is, it is an elevated water shed with ranges of hills dividing the several streams. These hills, which have a considerable elevation near the main streams, gradually diminish towards the height of land, the country rising gently to the dividing ridge and descending in a similar manner on the opposite side.
"From the foregoing description of the country lying betwecn the Rivir St. Maurice and the settlements of the Upper Saguenay, it cannot but be observed that from the broken and mountainous character of the land, and the arid nature of the soil, but slender hopes ean be entertained of its ever being made available for purposes of colonization;-many spots of comparatively good land were met with in my exploration, bnt so limited in extent and isolated in position, that they could not be made available for settlement. The only pros: pect for any connected or continuous settlement would be, in my opinion, by the valley of the River Croche, where the allurial along the banks of that stream offer the only adrantago for such a purpose.
"Information has no doubt been furnished to the department upon this subject, by Mr. Arcand, P. I. S., whose special duty it was to explore and report upon this river.
"By an inspection of the accompanying plan, it will be seen that my exploring line followed nearly along the dividing ridge, between the waters of the Croche and the Basto nais, and consequently passed over the most elevated ground in the range; it rould therefore offer considerable difficulty to the construction of a road, from the broken nature of the ground in the vicinity; but I should think; by following up the walley of the Croche to near the height of lands, and thence either to descend the valley of the Ouiatchounniah,

Which was explored by Mr. Arcand, but whether reported upon favorably or otherwise I no not know, not having seen lis report upon this section of the survey.
"Of the latter route I cannot speak with any degree of accuracy, not having explored that section lying between the head waters of the Croche and the great Ouiatchouan lake; but I have cvery reason to believe it would be found similar in character to that traversed by the line surveyed.
"In reviewing the object of the present exploration, namely, the opening of a road betrcen the settlements on the St. Maurice and those of the Upper Saguenay, I am of opinion that for at least some ycars to come, it will not be made available.".

# JOSEPH BOUCHETTE, <br> Dep. Sur. Gen. 

## Departaent of Crown Lands, Quebec, 31st December, 1861.

No. 28.
Map of the St. Maurice Territory. (Not inserted.)

No. 29.
Map of Gaspé and Bonavcnture. (Not inserted.)

No. 30.
Map of the Ottawa and Huron Territory. (Not inserted.)

No. 31.
Map of the North Shore of Lake Huron. (Not inserted.)

No. 32.
MR. GIBBARD'S REPORT ON MINING OPERATIONS FOR 1861.
Covingawoon, February 17, 1862.
Sir,-I have the honor to submit for your information, the following statement of mining operations in my division during the past year:

## LAKE SUPERTOR.

Messrs. McIntyre \& Rankin carried on extensive operations of the lead and copper lodes, between Punies Bay and Mr. Dawson's road to Dog Lake.. They traced a very large vein through this section, crossing the Kaministiquia River to the east of Point des Meurons. They put in numerous blasts here and there, and sent some specimens to Sir $\mathrm{Tm}_{\mathrm{m} .}$ Logan. I also brought some away with me for Mr. Fleteher, the Mining Engineer and Smelter at the Brace mines; Mr. Fletcher showed them to Mr Plummer, the Mining Captain of the Wellington; they both thought very highly of them, particularly of the copper ore. McIntyre \& Rankin are trying to get up a company to work a lode nearPoint des Meurons:

In Thunder Bay, Messrs. Parke and others from Ontanagon, who took ap some locarions there, were exploring them almost six weeks, with the intention of commencing operations as soon as the American troubles are settled.

A party of Mining Engineers, with a United States Surveyor, from Superior City and Ontanagon, examined the country between Pigeon and Current Rivers. I believe they were searching for an iron mountain, said to be in the interior, equal in quality to the Marquette iron-they were all practical explorers, and expressed themselves highly pleased with the apparent mineral richness of the country.

Mr. Johnson, from Sarnia, with a strong party, spent part of the summer exploring in Thunder Bay, in the neighbourhood of McKenzie River; they were very mysterions as to what they had found, and would give me no information.

Mr. Bolton and a party spent some weeks exploring in the ncighbourhood of the entrance of the Pigeon River, and as high up as the second portage. I did not see them on my return. In the fall of 1860 and spring of 1861, Mr. Bolton had traced out for five miles on the south-westerly end of St. Ignace Island, the "W. R. Smith's" native copper vein, and had cleared out the old shaft sunk in 1859, near Squaw Harbor, where he had built a shanty, made a small clearance and plantèd potatoes.

Mr. Ebenezer Clarke worked hard with 11 men all the winter of 1860-61 at Duncan's Cove location, near the middle of the south side of St: Ignace Island, on both sides of St. Ignace River. (It is curious how Captain Bayfield missed this River, or neglected to mark it on his chart.) Mr. Clarke, on the Island adjoining, made extensive improvements: for shipping ore. He built a frame store-house thirty-two feet square and twelve high, a wharf, and sundry log and frame shanties, also a good log and frame house at the St. Ignace River, close to the Lake--a blucksmith's shop, and shanties at the minc. He opened one drifton the west side of the River, (about three quarters of a mile inland,) seventy fcet, and five feet by six in dimensions. On the east side of the same river, he opened another drift, about forty feet in length, five by six, and sunk a shaft above about sixteen feet in depth, also a shaft near the house about same depth, and in various places excavated large quantities of rock. He cut out two good tracks, one on each side of the river from the house to each mine; he took down a large box of specimens to Detroit, Buffalo and Cleveland, higbly valued by practical men; it was his intention to have worked again this winter had there been any steamer on the Lake to take up his supplies. The specimens shewn me were native stamp work copper, superior in quality to vast quantities I saw whilst passing through the stamp works, on the south side. The mine is well situated for drainage and working, within three-quarters of a mile of the Lake, with a beautiful steamboat harbor, easy of access, within two miles adjoining his storehouse. This location looks well, and I hope Mr. Clarke may succeed in his enterprise.

Mr. Pritchard and party spent some weeks exploring betwcen Black and Stecl Rivers, and up Black River; he seemed quite satisfied with his discoveries, although vcry mysterious on the subject. There seems to be amongst this class of persons a dislike to impart infor: mation of mineral discoveries to Government officers.

Mr. Fletcher, of the Bruce smelting works, with cight men, in the space of five or six weeks, on the old Quebec Mining Company's location, (he is their agent,) on the north side of Miohipicoton Island, cleared out the old shaft of 1857, which had been partly burnt, it is said by Indians; repaired it and took about thirty-nine barrels of native copper stamp work ore, averaging at the niouth of the pit seven and one-eighth per cent. of copper. The ore was taken in the steamer "Nicolet" to the Bruce, and after smelting turned out twelve hundred pounds of pure copper, valued at that time at twenty cents per pound. The stamp work of this location is superior to any $I$ saw on the south shore, excepting that from one shaft at the Phonix Mines; it is easily worked, withina short distance of the: Quebec harbor, and accessible by a steamer close to the mine Mr. Fletcher had all his arrangements made to return by the "Nicolet;", and take up supplies for the winter; the steamer did not return, and his men left, just before they were starred out, in a small boat. With regular steamboat communication, this mine will prove equal to the best on the south shore.

Mr. Pilgrim, of the Sault, an old and experienced practical cesplorer, for many years holding a responsible situation at the Bruce, offered a very large sum of money to the Montreal Mining Company for part of the Mamainse location; which offer, I believe, was not accepted. If it had been, Mr: Pilgrim was prepared, with the assistance of New York friends, to commenee operations on a large scale-all the competent miners whotare
examined this location, pronounce it equal to any yet discovered. It is a pity that the Montreal Mining Company do not either.work or sell this location.

In Goulais and Batcheewaning Bays, several exploring parties were out from the American side, and are said to have made rich discoveries. Only for the American war, I believe one or more companies would have been organized to work in this section.

In connection with mining, an American schooner of large burden, from Ontanagon, made two trips to the small islands belonging to the Government, near Thunder Eape limestone quarries, for limestonc, which is in great demand on the South shore, beth for the iron furnaces, the smelting works lately erected, and for building parposes. As limestone is very scarce on Lake Superior, and likely to be valuable, it would be advisable to stop any such future plundering of the Government Reserves. I wrote on this subject in September last.

During the fore part of the season, all but the strong and principal Mining Companies ou the South shore discharged their hands, owing to the difficulty of obtaining noney:and the fall of copper to 15 cents per lb. Large bodies of the Cornish Miners left for England, and many of them, it is said, enlisted in the Northern Army. Copper rose again in the Fall to 24 cents, at one period, and the mines were nearly all working in November last. The iron interest suffered more severely than the copper; the decrease in traffic of passengers and schooners for the iron ore, through the Sault Canal, was great. A large Copper Snelting establishment was commenced on the South shore at Ontanagon, and anether is to be put up at Portage Lake.

## IAKE HURON.

Since my last Report, Mr. Rankin, at the "Emerald"Mine," sank some thirty feet deeper, the lode improving at each successive depth. Mr. Rankin was on the point of forming a New York Company to work this mine; the: American troubles, however; destroyed all his bopes and calculations.

The Wellington Mine worked a little stronger thas in 1860; about twenty ife more Miners being employed-the wages somewhat lower-the lodes continued just-astgood, and if anything more promising on the Copper Baylocation. I believe their total operations for 1861 will amount to about two hundred thousand dollars.

A very serious riot occurred at this Mine in the Summer, caused by a very trivial ground of grievance. Captain Plummer, the underground Manager, made a new rule mith regard to the leaving off work on the Saturday afternoon, and tried to enforce a penalty for the breach of it. The usual hour had been twelve at noon; he insisted on the Miners working till two P. M. ; they all struck work in a body, and prevented those from working who were willing to comply with the rule, (I allude to the underground men) ; they were idle about one week; and on a very dark, stormy night, they assembled in crowds, broke open the Office, destroyed all the books, tore the leaves in pieces, and threw them into the Dam; broke the doors, sashes and desks, and then went in a body to the wharf, where they threw over, into eight and ten feet of water, from eighty to one huadred barrels of ore ready for shipment; these barrels average three to one ton, valued at $£ 21$ per ton. The new regulation was repealed; about thirty of the worst class were discharged, and the body of the Miners felt ashamed of themselves, and offered to assist the Company in raising the barrels. With the utmost endeavors (and a handsonde reward offered, ) on the part of the Managers and the Magistrates, not a single charge could be proved.

It appears that these Cornish Miners have regular meetings and organizations, and in cases of this kind, take a vote, are srorn to secrecy, act as one man, and terrify all others working about the mines.

This outrage took place early in thenight, in the midst of a thickly settled village of six to seven hundred persons, and not one could be founditorgive evidence. When I $l$ eft in Norember last, the Company were commencing to raise all the harrels unburst.

The Bruce Mine is still in the same miserable state; about thirty miners were working on tribute, and no steps were taken to improve the Mine on the Village. The whole business of the Company appear to bersellingagoods, meatand wood, and preventing all others from doing so except under their immediate control, their product for 1861 Fould be less than for 1860 .

This Mine has becn seriously deteriorated by the tribute system of working; under this system, without efficient control, the Miner takes out just as little as he possibly can, except of the best paying ore, merely securing a passage in places for his body, and suff. cient room to take out the ore. The result would be (should the Company ever resuscitate) that they will have first to excavate immense quantities of waste rocks to make their drifts wide enough to work their train roads; and this will oost much more than if taken in the regular working of the mine. Moreover, miners followed the lodes most pleasing to the eye, without keeping to the main lode, and as they were at one time paid so much per fathom for all excavated, it did not matter to them whether they worked systematically or not. Some tribute workers in 1860 , (winter) When at a certain depth, knew they ought to strike the drift of the main lode, instead of which they found the main lode had been passed some six or eight feet, and the drift carried past in an inferior lode.

The new manager appears to have followed strictly in the footsteps of his predecessors, and under orders from Montreal, to do nothing. It is a pity to sec this mine, part of it so successfully worked by the Wellington Mining Company, (after paying the Bruce one twentieth of the Royalty) abandoned by the Montreal Mining Company.

An attempt was again made, last season, by the owners and managers of the steamer "Ploughboy," to contract for the carrying of the Wellington ore, via Collingwood to Ner York, but failed. The steamers "General Taylor" and "Illinois," on their return from Lake Superior, (light,) call at the Wellington for their ore, which they'deliver at Buffalo; and thence via the New York and Erie Canal to New York and Swansea.

A large quantity of barrels and dressed stave timber have been sent from the Collingwood stave and barrel factory to the Wellington Mine. This is a new trade; they formerly obtained all their barrels firom Buffalo.

Messrs. Patterson, Gamon, McDonnell and Hamilton spent some weeks last season exploring Victoria Cape and the neighborhood of White Fish River, with the hope of finding out the mine, said to have been worked by old Capt. McGregor, and from which he obtained beautiful specimens of copper ore. They were unsuccessful in finding the right spot.

> I have the honor to be, Sir, Your most obedient servant,
> WM. GIBBARD:

## No. 33.

REPORT OF THE SUPERVISOR OF CULLERS ON THE LUMBER TRADE.

## Superyisor of Cullers' Office,

Quebec, September 10, 1861.
SIr,-I have the honor herewith to transmit my Report on the Lumber Trade, as far as I was enabled to ascertain on my visit to Europe, under your instructions, during the past winter. I have prepared and annexed to this Report the undermentioned Statistical. Tables, which, I trust, will be found useful as a reference on the sereral subjects to which they relate:-

[^8]"Importation of Timber into Antwerp."
"Statement of Port Charges, \&c"
I have the honor to be, Sir,
Your obedient servant,
William Quina, Supervisor of Cullers.

To the Honorable P. M. Vankoughnet,
Commissioner of Crown Lands, \&c., \&., \&c., Quebce.

Supervisor of Cullers' Office, Quebec, July, 1861.

To the Honorable P. M. Vankoughnet, Commissioner of Crown Lands, \&c., \&c.
SIB,-In conformity with your letter of the 2 Sth February last, directing me to procoel to Hurope, for certain purposes as therein set forth, I immediately procecded to England, and visited the principal ports in Great Britain and Ireland, and also the principal maritime cities in France, Belgium, Holland, and the German Confederation, where the import of lumber is carried on, as directed by said letter; and now beg leave to Report:-

That I arrived in Liverpool on the 14th March, 1861 . Upon opening the cases I took with me at the examining warehouse; when we came, to that containing the model for illustrating the difference in measurement, I told the officers its use; they expressed a wish that I rould explain it to them, which I did to their satisfaction, proving conclusively and convincingly that both the modes practised in Liverpool are erronoous, at least as far as the cubic contents are concerned, that is to say, the extreme caliper measure as followed by the customs, and the quarter girth as practised by the merchants. Extreme caliper may be reasonable onough for the purpose of establishing the freight, as a piece of timber having two, three or more inches of wane on each corner, will occupy as much space in a ship s hold as if proud-edged, while it must be admitted that it does not contain the saue quantity:

Liverpool being the great emporium for Canadian timber, and the fallacious mode of string measure being that in use, I prolonged my stay at that port to the 1st April. During that time I had frequent opportunities of convincing all parties desirous of having cxplanations as to the erroneousness of string measurement as applicd to wany or octagonally shaped timber Haring placed myself in communication with the Chamber of Commerce, I presented the box of specimens of Ganadian woods as instructed.

There being no Botanical Society in Liverpool, I availed myself of the advice of some of the lending citizens, and presented the other bos intended for this port to the Free and Public Museum, with which are being incouporated the Derby Museum, the Architects' Association, and the Royal Institution. A mecting of the latter-named body took place on the 18th April, to which $I$ was invited. I attended, and replied to some questions of a gencral nature touching Ganada. But few, if any of the members of the Royal Institution, or of the Council of the Chamber of Commerce, are connected with the lumber trade. So far as these public bodics were concerned, no opportunity was afforded me of receiving or impartiag information worthy of note. $I$ was present at several meetings of merchants, lrokers, and timber measurers, both at the South End and at the Canada Docks, also in private offices, and, on every occasion, I cleanly proved, to the satisfaction of all present, that string measure, as applied to wany timber, is not only manifestly enroneous in principle but not cven uniform in error - its incorreotness varying with every variation in the extent of the wane I explained that the quarter girth, taken as the side of the square, will not give the true contents of any figure other than a perfect square, and that any figure deviating from the square, the differce between the actual contents and that found by the quarter girth will be in proportion to such deviation. If approaching towards the circular form, the quarter girth will give less than the actual contents, and if of an oblong shape, the square of the quarter girth will give more than the actual contents, and, consequently, the quartergirth is so sague and unertain that na calculation can be basd on it
without a previous knowledge of the shape of the figure the quarter girth of which is given. I illustrated this practically by referring to the measurement of lathwood. In Canada, lath: wood is sold by the cord, of 8 feet long by four feet high. In Liverpool, it is sold by the fathom of 6 feet long by 6 feet high. The same length of string, 24 feet, will girth either the Canadian cord or the Liverpool fathom, and yet it is manifest that it requires nine cords to make eight fathoms. How then, $I$ asked, is a person to know whether it is a cord or a fathom he is to receive, if he be merely told the quarter girth is 6 feet?

Here, and afterwards in many other places, I exhibited the illustrative model, designed by me for explaining the difference in the measurement, and have much satisfaction in reporting that all, without exception, to whom I explained it, admitted the correctness of its proof, and admired the simplicity of its construction.

In the British ports, where the string measure is in usc, some of the leading members of the trade have had similar ones constructed, by which to explain the errors of their present system to their customers, among whom I may mention Edward Chaloner, Esq, Liverpool, Allan Gilmour, Esq., of Glasgow, and Messrs. Wade, of Hull. When proving the absurdity of string measure, I expressed my surprise that the trade in England should ever have adopted a mode so imperfect for taking the dimensions. I remarked that it could hardly be expected that the people of Canada nould follow a system they knew to be so erroneous, while they have this simple method of their own by which to arrive at the true contents of the timber. It can scarcely be supposed that gentlemen so reasonable as the merchants of Liverpool are known to be, will long continue to practice a mode so vague and unsatisfactory, now that they are aware of the means of ascertaining the true contents.

A most extraordinary rule which obtains in Ireland, as well as in England, was brought under my notice respecting the measurement of mahogany, which is as follows:In Dublin, every five feet Queen's caliper measure counts only for three to the purchaser: In Bristol, every five fect such measure (Queen's caliper) counts four to purchaser, while in Liverpool three feet Queen's caliper counts two feet to the purchascr, and different allowances obtain in other ports-Dublin and Bristol being the two extremes. This prac: tice was citcd to me when in Jiverpool as an argument in favor of string measure, which may be regarded as one absurdity quoted to justify another. It appeared to me strange why all these different rules, modes, and customs should prevail in the different ports for timber only, while the generality of all other commodities are governed by one uniform system of weights or measures all over the kingdom.

In the course of my communications with Mr. Chaloner, of Liverpool, an extensive. timber merchant and broker, I mentioned to him that I was instructed by the Honorable the Commsssioner of Crown Lands to procure specimens of all the foreign timber imported into the United Kingdom, and asked him where and how I should be most likely to obtain them. Mr. C. introduced me to Mr. Bride, an extensive dealer in fancy woods. This gentleman consented to get together as many specimens as he possibly could, but at the same time he did not appeari to be anxious to undertake this business. At the expiration of nearly three months, Mr. Bride's foreman; with the assistance of one of his clerks, managed to procure, after much trouble and considerable expense, about seventy different kinds,-for all which Mr. Bride declined compensation. Even the parties thus occupied would not except any remuneration for their trouble or time. These specimens are now in my office in Quebec. While-speaking of these samples, I think it right also to remark that Mr. Strang (of the firm of Messrs. Gilmour, Rankin, Strang \& Co.), of London, is getting up a complete set for me, which he purposes sending out in the fall by one of their ships. Mr. Strang informed me before I left that he had already procured thirty-four.

Glasgow being the next most important place where string measure is used; I proceeded there on the 1st April. Called on Allan Gilmour, Esq., who notified the principal men in the trade on the Clyde to meet at his office for the purpose of affording me an opportunity of explaining the different modes of measuring wany timber. 1 found no difficulty in convincing those gentlemen of the fallacy of string measure, and the correctness of the manner in which we take the dimensions in Canada. They were very reasonable, and seemed inclined, from my explanations, to introduce the system adopted by the Canadian Government. Mr. Gilmour, previously knowing the string to be etroneous, had been doing everything in his power to establish oaliper measure. I have reason to believe
ne would have succeeded had be been supported by the Quebec merchants. Having prisented the box of specimens to the Chamber of Commerce, several gentlemen in the lumber trade expressed a desire to have sets for their own private use, and requested me to send twelve, addressed to Messrs. Edmiston \& Mitchell, Glasgow; who would remit the amount of cost and charges of the same. The sets are now being prepared.

I visited Port Glasgow and Greenock. Was told the stocks of lumber were unusually small, and that if the ordinary consumption were going on, there would scarcely be sufficient to last until the new lumber would arrive. A sale of timber took place at Port Ghasow on the 2nd April. St. Johns White Pine, very fair quality, 24 inch average, soll for 2s. 6d. per foot; some Quebec, same size, very good, was offered, one lot of which ras sold for $2 s .4 \frac{1}{4} d$; the rest was withdrawn, and would not be sold under the price obtained for St. Johns timber. There was scarcely any foreign timber in the Clyde then, and not much imported at any time. The average freight from the Baltic ports to the Clyde is 16 s. to 18s. per load.

The nest port I have to report upon is Aberdeen. I called upon Messrs. Donaldson $\&$ Rose, who are pretty largely engaged in the trade there, from whom I receired the following information:-They stated that, owing to the recent repeal of the duty on foreign timber, inferior stuff from the Baltic will come into more general use than heretofore. That timber from Norway and Sweden (if the rubbish I saw can really be called timber) can be laid down in Aberdeen at 1s. per foot, and that the effects are already manifestly perceptible and likely to increase. Should the import of Canadian timber to this part of the kingdom not soon considerably diminish, it will be owing to a great reduction in the price at which it can be laid down here at present, as the freight from the Baltic ports to Aberdeen is less than one-half that from the Canadian ports. There is no Centre here, where parties engaged in this trade frequent, and, by the adrice of Messrs. Donaldson \& Rose, I left the box of specimens addressed to this place at the Mechanics' Institute.

I arrived in Edinburgh, 7th April, and presented a box of specimens to Professor Balfour (of that city), Secretary to the Botanical Society, by whom they were greatly admiled, and he considered that Society highly complimented by the presentation. He intimated that there would be a meeting of the Society on the tollowing Thursday, after which le would write officially acknowledging the receipt of the same.

I next visited Leith, and had an interview with William Muir, Esq., timber merchant, with whom I made an appointment for the following day, in order that he might have sone other members of the trade present. I attended at the time specifiod, and met Mr . Muir, Mr. Thompson, and others engaged in the lumber business. String being the mode by which Canadian timber is measured in Lcith, I deemed it necessary that I should also satisfy these gentlemen of the fallacy of that system as applied to wany timber. I did so, and was well assisted by Mr. Muir and Mr. Smith, both of whom understand the calculations trell. I am inclined to believe, that after the explanations given by me so far on this tour, there would not be any great difficulty in establishing our method of taking the dimensions if the Quebec merchants would only hold out; but most of them have been selling by string measure, and, of course, so long as they continue to do so, the purchaser will not adopt any other mode, which does not leave so large an overplus to the consumer. I rould hope, however, that our merchants will not have so much to contend with next wiater as they have had during the past. At all events, the purchasers will not be able to hold out the same argument that the string is correct, as they have been fully convinced to the contrary, and that the method adopted by us is correct.

I deem it worthy of remark that while at Leith $I$ counted ten foreign vessels in that port discharging battens, the produce of Norway. These battens are chiefly eighteen feet and upwards in length, and six and a-half inches in breadth by two and a-half inches thick. I observed that they are all sawn from small stuff, as the pith is to be seen in almost every one of them, either in the centre or near the side. T am under the impression that the cutting of such young trees as these battens are made from must be very destructive to the forests of Norway; and when it is taken into consideration the immense quantities of these battens that are poured into the United Kingdom, France and Belgium, I am led to believe that the forests of Norway cannot long hold out to furnish the same supply. The prices at which these battens are sold in Leith are as follows -

1st quality, $1 \frac{9}{1} d$ per lineal foot.

| 2nd | $1 \%$ | $\because$ | $\because$ |
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| 3rd | $\because$ | $1 \frac{5}{10} d$. | $\because$ |

Presented the box of specimens addressed to this place to the Chamber of Commerce. The average prices of the following goods in Leith, in April, 1861, were as under:Fir Timber:


From the best information I could obtain, it appears that the recent repeal of the duties on foreign timber will have no effect on Canadian wood as far as Leith is concerved.

I visited Newcastle-ou-Tyne and South Shields, and found that a large proportion of the lumber consumed in this neighborhood is brought from the Baltic. Looked over several establishments in Newcastle, examined their stocks, and find it to be so. All timber is measured here by extreme caliper. The value of Baltic wood goods here, and likewise their freight, vary but little from the prices quoted for Leith. Delivered the set of specimens aldressed to Newcastle to the Secretary of the Chamber of Commerce.

Aull, 12th April.-At this port my communications were with William Burstall, Esq, Mcssrs. Charles Heavens $\mathbb{E}$ Brothers, Messrs. R. Wade, Sons \& Co., and Messis. Harrison. These gentlemen took pains to afford me all the information in their power connected with the trade there. With respect to the stock of timber on hand at that time, a large proportion was Baltic timber-r should say not less than about 80 per cent: of the whole. The Memel timber is beautifully made, all smoothly hewn, and four straight lines, and of equal size from end to end. The Baltic red wood is a hard, harsh, knotty red pine; strong, and likely to be good for bearing weight.

It appears to me, by the information received here, that the repealing of the duties on foreign timber recently has not had the effect of reducing the prices to the consumer, for, just so soon as the change in the duties took place, the prices went up in the ports of shipment in the same proportion, and that the consumer in England does not get the timber any cheaper on that account.

The great balk of all the Baltic timber is brought in foreign vessels, and the consequence is, that atl the benefits arising out of the repeal of the duties-at least so farhave been to the advantage of the foreign exporter, and foreign shipowner.

I appointed a mecting with some of the gentleimen above named, and open to any others desirous of attending, for the purpose of explaining the different modes of taking the dimensions of wany timber; and although the mode practised here is the extreme caliper measure, the explanation was necessary, as certain parties in Liverpool who hare interests here have tried to introduce string measure into Hull also. There were a number of people present in Mr. Wade's office while I was explaining the fallacy of string neasure. Mr. Wade seemed to take great interest in the matter, and he and all the other parties expressed themselves satisficd, instructed and glad of having had an opportunity of seeing it so plainly demonstrated. Mr. Wade and others of the gentlemen present took the dimensions and drawings of all the parts of the diagram, in order to have similar figures constructed. At the request of Mr. Burstall, I went to another office and explained to them with equal success, in so far as explanation was necessary And although those parties agreed with me as to the absurdity of string measure, nevertheless, they said they would not buy any wany timber by any other than string measure. The reason given was, that the consumers, or converters (as they call them) in the country lying between Hull and

Liverpool, would buy much more timber in Hull than they now do were the string adopted in Hull the same as in Liverpool-thus it will be seen that the Liverpool absurdity (if nothing worse) effects other' parts of the country besides its own neighborhood.

Here they complained sadly of the culling of certain deals last year, and I must ackuowledge that, judging by what I saw, they did not complain without cause. I am happy to be able to state that these deals were not culled by any of the cullers attached to this office. Complaints were also made that our birch timber is cut too short, and that large quantities of it would be used for railway carriages if cut even to average 15 feet in leugth. And also that our deals should be made much longer if possible, as in many cases Baltic deals have to be used, owing to their superior lengths, where Quebec would be preferred if equal in that respect. Delivered the box of specimens addressed to this port to the Secretary of the Chamber of Commerce.

I reached London on the 15th $\Delta$ pril; called on. W. S. Lindsay, Lsq., M.P.; delivered a bos of specimens and your letter I also delivered your letter and a box of specimens to the Liunean Society. Waited on Messrs. Churchill \& Sim; Messrs. Gilmour, Rankin, Struas \& Co., and several others in the trade: There is no such body in London as the Chamber of Commerce; I therefore decided to leave the set of specimens intended for that body with Messrs. Churchill \& Sim; to be kept in their office, believing that the object in view would be carried out by my so doing, as the said office is a great resort of those in the trade. Mr. Strang accompanied me to the docks to sec the timber there. There was a large stock of lumber in London at that tinc, and I concluded that at least 40 per cent. of all the square fir timber was foreign. Our red pine is almost driven out of this market by the Memel red wood; and the Swedish timber, although very inferior, being obtainable at such low prices, say about 1s. per foot, supplies the place of our commun white pine, so that yery little of our white pine is required here, except a comparatively small quantity of our best board timber. There was an unusually large quantity of Quebec deals unsold, aud busincss in them had been almost stagnant for the previous three months; but trade was then improving. The import of foreign luubber to London has increased over 25 per cent. within the last five years, while the increase of lumber from British North America has not exceeded 17 per cent. All timber is measured in Loudon ly ystreme caliper measure.

I visited Portsmouth, and had an interview with Mr. Garret, who went with me round the docks and building slips. I find there is not much of our timber used in the dockyard. Large quantities of Sardinian oak are here used in shipbuilding, and what I have seen of it seems particularly well suited for that purpose, at least as far as shape is concerned, as it is almost all crooked. I was anable to ascertain the contract price of this timber.

Bristol.-At this port I called on Messrs Mark Whitwell \& Son, and Messrs. Barns d. Sons, for whom I had letters of introduction. These gentlemen interested themselves to furnish me with all the statistical information in their power connceted with the timber trade here, by which I find that during the last four years there has been a great increase in the import of foreign lumber into this place. The proportions stand as under :-

|  | Colonial. | Foreign. |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| The import was, in | in 1857, 62,136 loads ; | 29,587 loads. |
|  | 1858, 62 ;862 " | 32,422 " |
| " $\quad$ " | 1859, 77,982 | 28,705 |
| " ${ }^{\text {c }}$ | 1860, 60,690 | 70,941 |

It will be seen that during the past year the increase in forcign timber has been 150 per cent., and the decrease in Colonial about 25 per cent. The freight from the Baltic ports to Bristol averages about 19s. per load ; from Quebec 30s. I deliyered the box of specimens addressed to Bristol to the Seeretary of the Chamber of Commerce. I proceeded to Gloucester, thence to Cardiff, Caermarthen, and other places in Wales. I had interviews with Messrs. Price \& Co., of Gloucester; Messrs. Watson \& Co, Cardiff; and Mr. Lowis, of Caermarthen, and find that the proportion of Baltic timbsr imported into those places is very small-not more than 15 to 16 per cent. of the whole. The freights from the Baltic ports to Gloucester, Cardiff, and Caermarthen average at present (7th June) about 20s. per load, while the freights from Quebec have comedown to 30 s . This is dispro-
portioned, as the former is usually about one-half the latter, and is caused partly by the very large quantities of grain to be removed from the Baltic ports, and partly by the troubles in the United States, which have caused a number of American ships to be sent round to the St. Lawrence.

I observed, when travelling in England, that our timber, in the shape of sleepers, is now almost entirely driven out of the market by an inferior article from the north of Europe, which can be laid down in England, owing to the difference in freight, at prices we cannot compete with. I have examined them in many places, and find that from. 30 to 40 per cent. of their cabic contents is nothing but sap. This timber is put through a process of creosoting which may preserve the sap, but I doubt it; and I have no hesitation in believing that within a few years it will be found that our tamarac would have been cheaper in the end.

As some of the older railways were then undergoing repair, I was anxious to have the opinion of some respectable practical engineer as to the durability of our tamarac sleepers -feeling satisfied in my own mind that they will bear comparison with timber of any other country for that use, and as such repairs were going on in the neighborhood of Cardiff, I requested Mr. Alexander, of the firm of Messrs. Watson \& Co., to write to the engineer for that purpose. He did so, and I have great satisfaction in referring you to his letter on the subject, which I herewith annex:-

> Taff Vale Railiway, General Superintendent's Office, Cardiff, June 10, 1861.

## Heckmatac Trmber.

Dear Sir,-Some ten years back I used this timber extensively in bridges and general work. I then formed a very favorable opinion of the same. Since that time little, if any, has been imported here, and I hare lost sight of it. This morning, I had some portions examined, and I find it tolerabiy sound, fully confirming the opinion I had formed of its strength and durability. I am fully persuaded Heckmatac would be used largely in railway works, of course governed by the price at which it could be sold.

Yours faithfully,
Geo. Fisher.
Wm. Alexander, Esí, Cardiff.
My tour of the principal ports of Great Britain being now completed, I proceeded to Ireland. Arrived in Dublin on the 13th June, and presented letters of introduction to James Martin, Esc., who is extensively engaged in the lumber business in that city. He satisficd me, from statistics in his possession, that about two-thirds to three-fourths of all the lumber imported into Dublin is from the north of Europe, but that the quantity from those countries is not increasing. I deemed an explanation of the measurement necessary here, string being the mode in use. I gave it with the usual result. I presented a box of specimens to the Chamber of Commerce, and one to the Royal Dublin Institution. The freights from the Baltic ports to Dublin average 22s. per load.

I visited Cork, and called on Mr: Carroll, Mr. Deaves, and Mr. Daly, and find that about 40 to 50 cargoes is the annual import of lumber into that port, and that not more than 10 to 15 per cent. of the whole is brought from the Baltic at present; but it is thought that there will be an increase of Swedish timber should the price at which it can now be laid down, say 55 s . per load, not increase. The freight from the Baltic ports to Cork generally arerages about two-thirds of the freight from Quebec. Presented a box of specimens to the Commercial Reading Room. I also visited Limerick and Waterford: Mr. McDonnell, of Limerick, is of opinion that Baltic lumber will come into more general use, especially the Swedish timber ; and although of very inferior quality, the low price at which it can be sold will cause it to be used, to the detriment of common Canadian timber. Mr. McDonnell is just now receiving a cargo from Memel, the freight upon which is 23 s. per load. Extreme caliper measure is the custom practised hare. I have nothing particular to note respecting Waterford, excepting that the freight from the Baltic ports is 2s. per load lower than to Limerick; and that $I$ delivered a box of specimens to the Secretary of the Chamber of Commerce.

Returned to Dublin and passed on to Newry, Belfast, Coleraine, and Londonderry' and find that the freights from the Baltic ports to the ports in the north of Ireland average about 21s. per load. The import of timber from Sweden to these places is likely to increase. I presented a set of specimens to the Chamber of Commerce, Belfast, also one to the Secretary of the Museum there-both of which were thankfully received and very much prized. As the distances between many of the places in the United Kingdom herein mentioned, are so inconsiderable, the freights from the Baltic ports vary but little. I hare thought it advisable to compile a table shewing the rate of freights from and to a number of ports on a given day, which I hereto annex:-

## the rates of freight to and from the undermentioned ports, on the 31st DAY OF MrAY, 1861, WERE AS FOLLOWS:

| Quebee to London, Hull or Grimsby, Timber........... | 33s. 0d. pr load. $£ 4$ 10s. 0d. per std. |
| :---: | :---: |
| " A Safe Port on East Coast (small ships).. | 35s. 0d. pr load. |
| * A Dockyard in United Kingdom, Timber. | 32s.0d. " |
| " Sunderland or Tyne, Timber................ | 32s. 0d. to 32s. 6d. " |
| " Stockton................... . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . | 34s. 0d. " |
| " Lynn, Bright Deals. | 55 s .0 d . per std. |
| " Southampton | 32s. 6d. pr load. |
| " Exmouth Bight | 33 s .0 d . " |
| " Pembroke Dock | 32s. 6d. " |
| " Llanelly. | 3 2s. 0d. " |
| " Caermarthen | 34 s .0 d to 35 s . 0d. " |
| " Neath. | 34 s .0 d . " |
| " Bristol, or Sharpness Point | 32s. 0d. |
| " Combwich Pill. | 34s. 0d. |
| " Dublin. | 32s. 0d. " |
| " Belfast | 32s. 0d. " |
| " Galway. | 33s. 0d. |
| " Tralee. | 34s. 0d. |
| " Wicklow | 35s. 6d. " |
| " Larne (vessels 3ז0 tons register)........... | 33s. 0d. " |
| " Marseilles. | 38 s .0 d to 39 s .0 d . |
| " St. Nazaire or Honfleur. | 36s. 0d. : |
| " Antwerp (all oak).. | 45s. 0d. " |
| " Bordeaux or Paimbœuf, Timber \& Dcals. | $£ 5$ to £5 10s. 0d. per std. |
| Sagueuay or Mills in the St. Lawrence to Iondon, do. . | 85 s .0 d . to 87s. 6 d . " |
| Rimouski to Havre. | 97s. 6d.. " |
| Pugwash to London, Deals | 85s. 0d. " |
| Restigouche to Gloucester. | 92s. 6d. " |
| Richibucto to London, Hull or Grimsby | 85 s .0 d . to 87 s .6 d . |
| " to Bristol Channel............ | 90s. 0d. " |
| Shediac to London, Hull or Grimsby.................. | 85 s .0 d. to 87 s .6 d . |
| " to Honfleur. . | 95 s .0 d . to 97 s .6 d . |
| Miramichi to London, Hull or Grimsby. | 85s. 0d. " |
| " to Appledore Pool (small ships)............... | 90s. 0d. " |
| St. Johns to Bristol Channel, Deals..................... | 80s. 0d. " |
| Sundshall to East Coast.................................. | 55 s . and 5 per cent. |
| " to Storeham | 60 s " " |
| " to English Channel | 60 s " 6 |
| " to Liverpool. | 62s. 6d. " " |
| " to Cardiff or Newport........................ .62s 6d to | 65s. " |
| " to British Channel, Deals | 67s. 6d. " " " |
| " to Cork.... | 70 s .0 d to 75s 0d, " |
| Husum to Coal Ports on East Coast... | 50 s and 5 per cent. " |

Swartwick or Saudarne to London or East Coast... Or Coal Ports...
" to British Channcl
Hudickswall to London or East Coast.
Souderham;, Sandarne, Ijusne, or Nyhaum to London or East Coast.
"to Sunderland or Blyth, Timber and Deals.
: to Grimsby Or to Leith or Dundec... $\}$
" to Jersey
Gefle to London or East Coast.
" a Coal Port on East Coast
" Leith, Dundec or Grangemouth.
" Aberdecn or Dunbar.
" English Chauncl.
Weaborg to London, Hull or Grimsby. "6 Granville
" Libourne, 70 to 80 std., Deals
Gamla Carlcely to London or East Coast.
Cristinestad to Loudon, Hull or Grimsby
Frederickshaum to London or East Coast
Wyburg to London, Hull or Grimsby, Deals.
" East Const (small ships) Deak...........
" British Channel
Or to Truro.
Wyburg to Marscilles.
St. Johns to Plymouth,
" " London or Grimshy, Deals,
St. Mary's to Havre,
Musquash to London, Deals,
Black Sea, Mediterranean, Spain aud Portugal, Segna or to United Kingdom, Staves
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| Ancona | $"$ | $"$ | $"$ |
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| Naples | $"$ | $"$ | $"$ |
| Leghorn | $"$ | $"$ | ".... |
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55 s. and 5 per cent. per std.


52s. 6d. and 5 per cent. " 55 s . per std., in fall. 65 s. and 5 per cent. per std. 55s. and 5 per cent. " 50s. and perhaps 5 " " 52 s .6 d to 55 s . 0 d . " 55s. per std., July shipment. 60 s. and 5 per cent. per std. 60s to 6 3s 6 d and 5 per cent. 100 fes. "i" " "
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60s. per std., in full.
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47s. 6d. "
57 s .6 d . to 60 s .0 d . "
57s. 6d. "
120 fcs. "
80s. 0d. "
82s. 6d. "
95s.0d. "
S2s. 6d. "
7 s . 6 d and 10 per cent. per 100 pcs .
35s. 0d. pr load.
35s. 0d. "
28s. 0d. "
28 s . 0d."

## White sea.

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80s. Od. per std.
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75s. cd. "
85s. 0d. "
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(IULF OF BOTHNIA AND BALTIC.


Ranea to Lowestoft or Yarmouth, 65 s . per std., vessel about 100 std. 67s. 6 d . to 70 s . and 5 per cent. per std.

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Cbester, Timber,...................................)
Or to Dublin, Square Sleepers,......
Round Sleepers,
Torquay, Timber and Deals,

- English Channel, between Dover and Southamptom,
" British Channel, Timber or Square Sleepers,.
" Wexford, 200 loads Timber,
" Table Bay, or Algoa Bay, Deals,
Or Dantzic to Newport or Cardiff, Square)
Sleepers, or Timber,
Or Round Sleepers, at.
Fillau to Combrieh Pill, Square Sleepers,
Or to Drogheda,
Dantzic to Loudon or East Coast, Timber or Square Sleepers
" Sunderland or a Coal Port, Oak Timber,
Or to Huil,

6. Shoreham...................................... $\{$

Or to Milford, Timber, ..................... $\}$
Or to Bristol,
"Or to Truro, Timber,

60 s . 0 d and 5 per cent per std. 52s. 6d.
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Gothenburg to London or East Coast, Deals; Storeham, 70 Fathoms Firewood, Dramman or Frederickstadd to London, Deals,.

32 s .6 d . to 35 s .0 d . perstd. 45 s 0d. per fath.

I have also compiled a table, which $T$ annes, sherring the prices of principal ports of the Baltic at a given time, and a table of all lumber imported into the United Kingdom for the last four years, shewing the quantities imported each year, dis. tinguishing the lumber imported from British North America from that imported from all other countries, and also shewing the quantities carried in British and foreign ships respectively, for the years 1857,1858 , and 1859 The Annual Report of the Trade and Navigation of the United Kingdom, from which the import of lumber has been compiled, does not distinguish the quantities carried in British and forcign ships, respectively, for 1860 :-

## PRICES OF SWEDISH TLMBER AND DEALS ON THE 20TU MARCH, 1861 , FREE ON BOARD.

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## Planks, Deals, Buttens'and Boards.

| Redwood, | $3 \times 11,3 \times 9,4 \times 9, \& 2 \times 9$, perSt. Ptg. std., $\ldots .$. | 815 | 0 |  |  |  |
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SUNDSVALL, HUDIKSVALL, NYHAMN, NYLANJ, ETC.
Timber.
Best Redwood Sq. Timber, 9 to 14 in. and upwards, 30 to 31 ft. av., 1 s. 8 d. per load.
Best Redrood «: 9 to 13 " $\quad$ : 26 to 27 " $\quad 1 \quad 6 \quad 0 \quad$ "
Red Deals or Battens, for stowage only,............................... 610 o per std.
SKELLEFTEA, LULEA, PTTEA, ETC.
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Best Redwood Timber, 9 to $13 \mathrm{in} . \mathrm{sq}$, aver. 20 to 22 ft. per pc.; $1 \quad 1 \quad 0$ per load Under 9 inches and Whitewood, 5s, per load less.

TEE FOLLOWING WERE THE PRICES OF LUMBER, FREE ON BOARD, AT MEMEL, IN MARCH, $1861:-$


## PRICES AT DANTZIC IN SPRING OF 1861.

Syuter lied For Timber.
Best Middling, 25 feet average length,


The usual dimensions are 15 feet and upwards, areraging as above by $\frac{11}{11}$ to ${ }_{i s}^{18}$ inches square.
Shorter average lengths might be supplied at a reduction in price, whereas greater lengths are scarce and considerably dearer.
Smull-sized Square Real Fïr Timber.
${ }_{y}^{9}$ to $\frac{10}{10}$ inches square, 28 feet average length.
Best Middling.
45s. 0 d .
Second 36s. 0d.
Whiterood Square Timber.
11 to $\frac{10}{10}$ inches square, 82 feot arerage length....................... 28s. 0 d.
Stequer Loogs, Red Fir.

 Prices of other dimensions of sleeper logs and sleepers vary from.

30's. to 34s. 0 d .
Det. Deats, Deals aned Deal Ends, Red Firr.

All other thicknesses, from 2 to 6 inches, are paid in proportion to cubical contents.
Deals, Crown, $1 \frac{1}{2}$ in. thick, 6 to 30 ft ., aver. $17 \mathrm{ft}, 10$ to 1 l in: wide,


| 179:0d | per |
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| 11 s 0 d | 120 |
| 10s. 0 d . | running. |
|  | feet |

Masts, Red Fir.

| 13 to 15 inches Diametcr, 45 to 65 feet, .................... 2 . | 2s. to 3s. Od \% por rup. |
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|  | 3s. to 7s. 0d. foot. |
| Luthucood, Crown, 8 fe | $£ 8$ Os. Od. $\}$ per |
|  | 3 0s. Od. $\}$ fath. |
| The price of the 7 feet in proportion to $S^{*}$ feet, and that |  |
| of $6,5,4 \frac{1}{2}, 3 \frac{1}{4}$ and 3 fect, in proportion to the price of 4 feet. |  |
| Oak Timber, Straight, 9 to 16 in. square, 18 ft average length. | £4 15s. 0d. |
| Oak Timber Encls, : $\because \quad 6$ to 11 feet in ". | 310 s .0 d . |
| Oak Crooks $\quad \therefore \quad 14$ to 15 feet aver. length. | th. 3 5s.0d. |
| Oak: Planks, lst Brack, $2 \underset{2}{1}$ to $\underset{\underset{\sim}{7}}{7}$ inches thick and above, ........... | $\begin{array}{lll}  \\ \cdots \cdots & 8 & \text { 5s. 0d. } \\ \ldots & \text { 0s. 0d. } \\ \hline \end{array}$ |
| Znd $\because \quad \geq$ to $\bar{i}$ a and above, | 5.5 s .0 d . |
| Oat: Plinkingy Loys (Plançons), hewn, 27 feet average length, 10 to | to |
| 15 inches scantling, string measure, | 315 s 0 d . |
| Two sides sawn, " | $\pm 10 \mathrm{~s} .0 \mathrm{~d}$. |
| Ouk Stares, Crown Vistula, Pipe, 2y to 3,5 to 6, 66 to 72 in . | ¢130 0s. 0d.? |
| , 2 to 3,4 to $5, ~ " ~ " ~$ | 950 s .0 d . 突 |
| Brandy, $\quad 2 \frac{1}{2}$ to 3,5 to 6,54 to 60 " $\ldots . .$. | $950 \mathrm{s.0d}$. |
| 2 to 3,4 to $5, \quad$ " $\because$..... | $700 \mathrm{s.0d}$. - |
| Hugshead: $2^{2}$ to 3,5 to 6,42 to 46 " $\ldots$.... | $700 \mathrm{s.0d}$. - |
| 2 to 3,4 to 5 , " " $\ldots$.... | . $520 \mathrm{s.0d}$ |
| Barre), $\quad 2 \frac{1}{2}$ to 3,5 to 6,36 to 41 "..... | 60 0s. 0d. $\square_{8}$ |
| ${ }^{2}$ to 3,4 to 5 , " "...... | 450 s .0 d - |
| Headings, $2 \pm$ to 3,5 to 6,23 to 32 | 40 0s. 0d. |
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| Trenails, Oak, ${ }^{2}$ fect in length | 4s. Od. \{ per 60 |
| Fir, 4 " " | is. 0d. $\}$ tren'ls: |
| Other lengths of Oak and Fir Trenails in proportion to their lengths. |  |

SUPPLY OF WOOD ARTICLES TO DANTZIC FROM POLAND IN 1860.


## EXPORTATION OF WOOD GOODS FROM DANTZIC, $180^{\circ} 0$.



30,755 pieces of Oak Timber, Plamking Logs \& Oroks being. $\quad 2,753$ less than in 1859. 14.091 Shock of Oak Stares.

STOOK OF WOOD GOODS, ON THE B1st DECBMBER, 1860.
87,19 pieces of full-sized sq. Fir Timber, being... 18,816 more than on 31 st Dec., 1859
$7 t, 408 \quad \because \quad$ small-sized $\quad \because \quad \because \quad: \quad \ldots 19,451 \quad 6$
11,951 " Whiterrood, square timber, ". ... 3,014 "
104,113 : Roundmood, Fir, "... 34,085 ""
13,757 Oak Planks, 1st Brack: ... ... 6,185 less 9,438 : 2 nd " .
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Crooks, being................................ 3,030 more
9.551 Shocks of Oak Staves, heing...................... 3. $3+7$ " : .

RXPOR'PATION OF WOOD GOODS FROM DANTZIC TO THE DIFFERENT COCNTRIES, IN 1860.

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Gexeral Imponts of Wood Goods into the United Kingdom,

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General Imports of Wood Goods into the United Kingdom, for the

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|  | British West India Islands. Other Ports $\qquad$ |  | 19 | 109 21 |  |
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undermentioned years, as taken from official documents.-(Continued.)


## REOAPITULATIUN

Of the quantities of Timber and Wood Goods imported into the United Kingdom (Furni. ture aud lancy Woods excepte.) for the four ycars ending 31st December, 1860, distin-gu-shing that from British North America from all other countries, and shewing the quantity brought in British and Foreign shipping respectively :-


By these figures it will be seen that the propertion of Lumber imported into the United Kingdou from Briti, North America, during the last four years,


By this it appears that the average decrease in the imports of Lumber from British North America to the United Kingdon, during the above period, is about $11 \frac{1}{2}$ per cent., while the increasfo on the impoint of fureign Lumber is nearly 10 per cent.

The proportion of the above Lumber, carried in British ressels,


I also annex a statement, furnished me by Allan Gilmour, Esq., Glasgow, shewing the comparative prices of Baltic and Canadian lumber, both beforc and since the repeal of the duties on foreign timber in the year 1S42, by which it will be seen that in proportion to the reduction in the duties the lumber rose in value in the ports of shipment in the Baltic. The average increase in the price of Crown timber from the year 1838 to 1860 is over 44 per cent.. while the average increase in the Canadian timber for the same period is only 17 per cent:-

[^9]
## TIMBER DUTIES PER LOAD OF 50 CUBIC FEET.

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Prices of Timber and Deals.


I am decidedly of opinion that the only reason which can be given why our timber did not increase in value with the increased consumption in the United Kingdom, in the same proportion as the Baltic timber has done, is mainly due to over-production, as none of the Baltic timber that $T$ have seen can supply the place of our best white pinc. We are therefore, mercly denuding the country of our best timber, without benefitting any one. And as the Government is doing all in its power to put the trade on a proper footing, if it succeed in preventing or curtailing the wholesale destruction of our forcsts, it will have deserved well of its country, as any person seeing the consumption of timber now going on all over Europe, and which is rapidly increasing every year, must come to the conclusion that the day is not far distant when the prices of lumber of all kinds in this province must be double winat they are at present.

I have now to report that I arrived in Paris on the evening of the 24 th April, and on the following morning delivered to the Secretary of the British Embassy the letter of His Excellency the Governor General, addressed to His Excellency Lord Cowley. I received a note from the Embassy in the cvening, informing me that His Excellency would see me the next day. I attended at the hour specificd. His Excellency was very desirous of affording me all the assistance in his power for the attainment of the object you had in view in sending me to France. He grave me a letter of a general nature, addressed to the British Consuls in France, directing them to render me their assistance in obtaining the information I required. His Excellency also gave me letters to the British Minister at Berlin and Stockholm. I prescnted my letters of introduction from Monsieur le Baron Gauldree Boilleau, Consul of France in this Province, to Monsieur Herbet, Conseiller d'Etat charge de la Direction des Consulats en Aflaires Commerciales au Ministère des Affaires Etrangères, to Monsieur Bossange, and to Monsieur Ducot. These gentlemen took a lively interest in the object of my mission to France. Monsicur Herbet gave me letters of introduction to most of the Public Departments, and to parties having contracts with the Government, among whom werc Munsicur Ozienne, charge de la Direction du Commerce Extériear au Ministère de lagriculture, du Commerce et des Travaux Publics; Monsieur Vicaire, Directeur Général des Eaux et Forêts au Ministère des Finances; Monsieur Behic, Directeur du Service Maritime et des Mcssagerics Impériales; Monsicur De Lorme, Consciller d'Etat, Directeur du Matériel au Ministère de la Marine et des Colonies ; Monsieur Gauthier, Consciller d'Etat, Sccrétaire Général au Ministère de la maison de I'Ennpereur; and one to Monsicur Armand, who has a large lumber concern in Bordeaus. Monsieur Bossange gave me a letter to (the famous free trader) (Senator. Nichel Schevalier, and another to Monsieur Armand.

I must here remark that I should consider myself wanting in courtesy if I did not inform you that the French Consul, Monsieur le Baron Gauldré Boilleau, put me, by his letters, into the hands of the proper men in France. Those letters obtained for me introductions to all the principal parties cugaged in the lumber trade of that country-all of whom entered upon the discussion of the feasibility of opening up a trade with Canada with a heartiness which I did not expect. After explaining to those gentlemen in Paris, to whom I had been introduced, the varied assortments of our timber, its average sizes and lengths, its nature and qualities, and the uses (as far as I was enabled to do so) for which it is best suited, I presented a set of specimens to Monsicur Behic, and another to Monsieur Armand. In the course of couversation with these gentlemen, to whom I had been introduced, especially those of them whose establishments are in the south of France, I found they are earnestly looking round to see where they can best supply themselves with suitable lumber to carry on their business. They informed me that there is no doubt but they-at least of the south-must now look to other countries in addition to those whence they have been in the habit of getting their supplies. That lately the consumption of timber bas been so great, in consequence of the large number of ships built and being built by France, Spain and Sardinia, that the timber in the countries bordering on the Mediterranean Sea will soon bc exhausted; and that even now the import of lumber into France is very large and must increase.

The annexed table shews the quantities of lumber imported into Francc of late years; but I regret to be unable to show the import of 1860 , not having been able to obtain the necessary data when in that country:-
mportation of humber into france during the following yeats:

In France, ship-building timber, and timber in general, has increased greatly in value of late years. The "Annales Forestieres" remark I was unable to obtain any reliable statistics of the quantities of lumber imported into all rance fore ard native wood must have been ion of both foreign a
$85,000,000$ francs.
$83,700,000 "$

The railways are consuming large quantities of timber not only for their construction, but they are creating other branches of business which require lumber. There have been five new lines of railways approved of at the late sitting of the Legislature of France.

Monsicur Behic and Monsicur Armand expressed a wish that I woula visit the South and explain to the trade there about our timber, and gave me letters to their own men of business and other gentlemen of Bordeaur and Marseilles.

I visited Dieppe, Harre and Honfleur. There seems to be an opening at all these ports for a considerable trade. The chief part of the supplies to these places is brought from the Baltic, and although the same cause thatenables the Baltic merchant to undersell the Canadian merchant in many of the ports in the United Kinglom also exists therenamely, the rate of freight-nevertheless there are many descriptions of lumber produced in Canada which are not to be had in the North of Europe at all. Our yellow pize, long and large red pinc, rock elni, tamarac, oak, ash, and several other kinds of our timber are wanted. Deals, if cut in longlengths and to metrical measure, would sell to pay. Our deals are cut too short, and besides, if intended for the French market, as stated abore, they should be cat to metrical measure. Our 12 feet deal go for 11 French, but 13 feet counts no more, as 13 feet does not come up to 12 French, and thercfore counts but for 11 feet. I am happy to be cnabled to state that several cargoes have been ordered for the above ports from Quebec during the present summer, and from the well known character and standing of the houses to whom those orders were addressed, there is no danger to be appreheuded but that the shipments will give satisfaction.

There are large quantities oi Memel staves imported into this part of Franco, the great bulk of which are used for flooring. All the foors that I have seen in Paris and this part of the country that are not made of stone are of oak, laid down very neatly in diamonds. The pieces are not more than 40 inches in length and highly polished, and when made of Memel staves they must be very expensive indeed. From the conversations I have had with the partics in the trade here, I am fully satisfied that Camadian oak sawn to the reguiring scantling for the above purpose would supplant the Baltic staves, at least as far as flooring is concerned. The dimensions given to me are as follows: 5inches broad, 3 inches thick, and in lengths to cut into picees of 40 inches long.

Feeling quite satisfied that Canada can compete with the north of Europe for the trade of this part of France on attleast as furorable terms as for any rart of Britain and much more so than for that of any of the Coal Ports, as the return cargo from those ports to the Baltic enables vessels to carry lumber to them much cheaper than even to this part of France. Such being the case, I felt anxious to procced to the south-west and south of France, judging that there is a better prospect for Canada there in consequence of a more equable rate of freight.

## MAVRE.

Harre is in fact the sea-port of Paris. The harbor, which is the best and most accesssible on this part of the French coast, consists of three basins, separated from each other, and from the outer port by four locks, capable of accommodating about 450 ships.

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& \text { Bridge men, . . . . . . . . . . . } 720 \\
& \text { Pilotage, } 10 \text { fect inwards, . . . . . . . } 4760 \\
& \text { Help boat, . . . . . . . . . . . } 1200 \\
& \text { Custom Housc dutics, . . . . . . . . } 43089 \\
& \text { Stamps, . . . . . . . . . .. . } 600 \\
& \text { Brokerage, . . . . . . . . . . } 9500 \\
& \text { Protest, . . . . . . . . . . . } 905 \\
& \text { Surveyors on cargo, . . . . . . . . . } 1000 \\
& \text { Board of Health, . . . . . . . . . . } 500 \\
& \text { Outwards in ballast: } \\
& \text { Pilotage, . . . . . . . . . . . } 1190 \\
& \text { Help boat, . . . . . . . . . . . } 600
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DOCK AND BUOY DUES PER ADMEASUREMENT.

| DESCRIPTION OF VESSEL. | - Docx | DCES. <br> Vessels not afloat. | buoy dues. |
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|  | F. C. | F. 0 | F. C. |
| French vesscl, viz, fishing vessels......................................... | 030 030 | 0.00 0.00 | 000 |
| ". passuge boats between Havre, Honfleur, and Roued........... | 030 030 | 0.00 000 | 000 000 |
| * less than 40 tons.. | 0.30 | 015 | 000 |
| ". vessels engaged in the great coasting trade from the Colonies. | 075 | 0372 | 000 |
| c from foreign ports in Europe | 000 | 000 | 000 |
| " from Great Britain or ber colonies in Europe. | 250 | 165 | 005 |
| " from other powers... | 075 | 0. 373 | 005 |
| Spanisth. Mecklenburg, and Venezuleau vessels pay as French |  |  |  |
| Ameriman vessels from British ports or colonies in Europe........... | 250 | 165 | 005 |
| *. "f from other ports.. | 075 | $037 \frac{1}{3}$ | 005 |
| Mexican vessels as above. |  |  |  |
| Brazilian if from British ports in Europe........................... | 250 | 165 | 005 |
| " ${ }^{\text {c }}$ (from other ports. | 2022 | $140 \frac{1}{4}$ | 005 |
| English vessels from Eritish ports or from British possessions in |  |  |  |
| Europe.......................................................... | 250 | 165 | 005 |
| English ressels from otber poits in ballast. | 075 | 0.372 | 010 |
| laden | 250 | 165 | 000 |
| Other foreign vessels, from whatever ports.............................. "f of flags, entirely laden with fir timber, for half month, plue | 250 | 165 | 010 |
| the decime......................................... ....................... | 0318 | 0183 |  |
| : Sir first two months, per month. | 075 | 0) 371 |  |
| " fur three or four months, per month................. ... ........ | 0372 | 0183 | 010 |
| - five months and during the remainder of ship's stay, per month | 0 1s? | 0095 |  |

The pilotage, light duty, custom house and officer's fees, and other charges, are trifing at Havre.

## HONFLEUR

Is situated on the estuary of the Scine, nearly opposite Havre, from which it is distant six miles south-cast, and is thirty miles north-east of Caen. 400,000 francs were voted by the French Government for the improvement of this harbor.

The following are the expenses on a British vessel of 226 tons register, drawing 14 feet in and 9 out, with cargo of coal in and ballast out.

The full charges are as follows:-
Pilotage (in 13 days), . . . . . . . 13943
Boat of help in, . . . . . . . . . 1200
Landmarks,. . . . . . . . . . . 300
Hawsers, . . . . . . . . . . 300
Clearances, . . . . . . . . . . 450
Consul's fees, . . . . . . . . . 5.75
Tonnage or dock duty, . . . . . . . . 22645
Pilotage out, . . . . . . . . . . 4290
Ballast, 68 tons, . . . . . . . . . 11565
Clearances out, . . . . . . . . . 1200
Brokerage, . . . . . . . . . . 17800
Protest to Consul, . . . . . . . . . 1150
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At 25 francs exchange, about $£ 30$ 5s. 0d.
Ileft Honfleur on the 3rd May, andearrived'in Bordeaux on the 5th; on following day

I presented my letters of introduction which I had from Paris to the principal men in the ship-building and lumber business in that city. I find that the import of lumber into Bordeaux is very large, especially in staves. In the ycar 1859 the whole import of lumber was as follows:-

| Stav | 22,058,241 | Pieces. |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Boards | 1,354,824 | " |
| Deals | 241,511 | ، |
| Logs. | 19,786 | ، |

About three-fourths of all the staves imported to this place come from the United States, and the balance from different countries in Europe. When I first heard of this immense quantity of staves being imported into one cityfin Europe, in one year I could not beliere it. It certainly astonished me wheu I found that about equal to three times the whole quantity of staves exported from Quebec is consumed in Bordeaux alone, and was scarcely less astonished to find that few, if any, of those staves are exported from Quebec. Messrs. Donflou \& Pouchon are largely engaged in the stave trade of this place; they told me that they have had forty American vessels all at one and the same time in Bordeaus laden with staves. Those gentlemen supply the Government with stares, and at the time I was there they had an order which they were then exccuting for 900,000 to $1,000,000$ pieces, to be used in the manufacture of powder casks. The great bulk of all the boards, deals and logs are brought from the Baltic, and the average freight from that sea to this place is 70 francs for 80 cubic feet, English, which is over 36 s per load. I am therefore under the impression that we ought to be able to compete well with the people of the Baltic for the trade of this port. 1 may mention that one gentleman here, Mr. —__ imported a cargo from Quebec in the year 1853,-at that time timber was noi so valuable in France as it has since become, and it so happened that the prices in this country ruled high, and had the effect of discouraging and preventing further orders being sent. The prices of the cargo in question, frec on board at Quebec, were as under:-

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\begin{aligned}
& \text { Oak, } 12 \text { to } 16 \text { inches ................................ } 2 \frac{20}{100} \text { fraves per foot. } \\
& \text { " } 16 \text { inches and upwards.................... } 2^{\frac{50}{100}} \text { " " } \\
& \text { Elm, } 10 \text { to } 14 \text { inches, } 40 \text { feet long and upwards. } \frac{270}{1010} \text { «. " } \\
& \text { Ash, } 30 \text { feet long and upwards, } 13 \text { inches square } \\
& \text { and upwards.................................... } 1 \text { " " } \\
& \text { Pine Deals, 3rd quality, f } 410 \mathrm{~s} \text {. Stg. per St. Petersburg standard. } \\
& \text { Staves, } 5 \frac{1}{2} \text { and } 4 \pm \text { feet, } 1 \frac{1}{2} \text { inches, } £ 5 \frac{1}{7} 10 \mathrm{~s} \text {. Sterling. }
\end{aligned}
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On my assuring this gentleman that he could purchase on much more fivorable terms at present in this country, he promised to write to Quebec, wilh a view to make another trial. Several other parties promised to do likewisc. And I feel great satisfaction in being able to report that those gentlemen kept their word, as several cargoes have already been shipped, and large contracts are now offering in this market, from those parties, for stuff, to be delivered in this port in 1862. I may remark here that all the parties in the trade in France, with whom I had communication, seemed desirous to open a trade with this country, if they could only see their way clear.

## NANTES.

On the Loire, about 34 miles from its mouth, lat. $47,13,6 \mathrm{~N}$. long. $1,32,44, W$. The depth of water on the bar at the mouth of the harbor varies from 2 to 23 fathoms. At springs the rise is 14 , and at neaps, 7 or 8 feet. High water at full and change $3 \frac{3}{4}$ hours.

The following are the charges on a British vessel of 60 tons, with cargo of coal inwards, and ballast out, drawing as under:-

Quarantine boat dues. . . . . . . . . . . 900
Pilotage, sea to Paimbouf, 10 feet. . . . . . . . 5750
" Paimbœuf to Nantes, 10 feet . . . . . . . . 2800


About $£ 8$ 18s.
BORDEAUX.
The depth of water in the river allows large vessels to come up to the town. The trade of this city is very considerable. There are two main channels for entering the rirer,--Passe du Nord, and Passe du Grave. Neap tides rise 7 to 8 feet, Spring 14 to 15 feet.

Charges on a British vessel, 300 tons register, from England; with cargo in and out:-

| Report pilotage from sea to Bordeaux, for a vesscl drawing 14 |  |
| :---: | :---: |
| French feet of water, | 218 |
| zaretto dues, | 6100 |
| Moving vessel and mooring her, | 1000 |
| Entering vessel at Custom house, and brokerage | 10000 |
| Tonnage money and navigation dues, | 49500 |
| Visiting officers, clearances, harbour master, \&c., | 14 |
| Manifest and freight list, | 1500 |
| Consul's bill-usual fees, | 1725 |
| Pilotage from Bordcaux to sea, <br> *Broker's commission outwards, care and attendance for expediting the vesscl, loaded per charter or on owner's account, 1 franc per ton |  |
|  |  |
| At $9 \frac{2}{2} \mathrm{~d}$, is £57 9s. 3d. Frauc | 51 |

I left Bordeaux on the 7th May, and proceeded to Marseilles, where I arrived on the Sth. Presented letter of introduction from Monsieur Behic, of Paris, of the Societe Nourelle Des Forges et Chantiers de la Mediterranée to the Superintendent of the works at this place, and at Toulon. That gentleman requested me to meet him at Toulon the folloring day, for the purpose of my giving a full explanation of the specimens I had with me to the engineer at that place. The result was that a cargo of Quebec timber was at once ordered. This is a large concern. There was an iron steamer of 3,000 tons launched the morning I was there, and there were 24 others (chiefly of iron) in course of construction. This company alone have 3,000 men emplojed at Toulon, and about an equal number at Marseilles. The Superintendent informed me that they require alarge quantity of timber, and that they are at a loss to know where to procure it on the most advantageous terms, and that if the cargo now written for give satisfaction, it will lead to large transactions. They have already contracted this year for 200,000 feet of oak-part from Dantzic, part the growth of France, and about 50,000 feet from the United States. I find that the import of lumber to Marseilles is considerable. From 70 to 100 cargoes annually arrire from the Baltic, and that the freight upon which is from 100 to 120 francs per St. Petersburgh standard. There are also considerable quantities of pitch pine, oal and staves imported from the United States. There were 100 M . of staves of $4 \frac{1}{2}$ feet, 14 to 3 inches thick; and 5 to 6 inches broad, received from that country last year, and were selling when I was there at 150 franes for 103 pieces; and if all 3 inch, 200 francs for the same quantity.

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## MARSEILLES.

A large commercial city and scaport of France, on the Mediterrancau, lat. 43, 17, 49 N., long. $5,22 \frac{1}{5}$ E. The access to the barbor, which is defended by several strong fortifications, is in the ceutre of the city, forming a basin 525 fathoms in length by about 150 feet in breadth. The tide is hardly serviceable; but the depth of water at the entrance to the harbor is from 16 to 18 fect, being lowest when the wind is northwest, and highest when the wind is south-west. Within the basin the water varies from 12 to 24 fect, beivg shallowest on the north, aud decpest on the south side. Dredging machines are constantly at work to clear out the mud, and to prevent the harbor from filling up. Though not accessible to the largest class of ships, Marscilles is one of the best and safest ports in thic world for moderate sized merchantmen, of which it will accommodate above 1,000 . Ships in the basin lie alongside the quays, and there is every facility for getting them speedily loaded and unloadod. The Isle de Rottoneau, Pomeques, and the strongly fortified islet or rock of If, lie W.S.W. from the port; the lattcr which is nearcst to it, being only 17 mile distant, and not more than three-fourths of a mile from the projecting point of land to the south of the city. There is good anchorage-ground for men-of-war, and other large ships between the Isles de Rottoneau and Pomeques, to the west of the Isle d'If.

The following are the charges on a British vessel of 134 tons:-
Pilotage in and out. ..... 3770
Pilot on board, 3 francs a day.Stamps for menifest in and out590
Stamps at the excise custom's notes to make out the outward mani- fest, \&c. ..... 1380
Custom house passport ..... 260
Bill of health. ..... 500
Noting, extending, registering, and interpreting-protest at the tribunal of commerce ..... 000
Excise duty on ship stores and provisions. ..... 260
The Consul's legalization ..... 000
Gunpowder storekecper, and for haring it brought down to the patache ..... 000
Measuring the vessel by the Custom house ..... 250
Extracted certificatc from log-book for the Custom house ..... 000
Translation of the certificate of origin-Consul's account ..... 2825
Accompanying manifest of the outward cargo ..... 625
Certificate of captain's declaration at the health office for the Custom house ..... 000
Custom house permit for re-exporting. ..... 625
Towing Boats ..... 000
Advertisement in papers ..... 000
Franking letters and postages ..... 240
Boat hire. ..... 370
Cash. ..... 000
Health office interpreter ..... 500
Ballast. ..... 000
Health office fees. ..... 500
Agency ..... 6000
Cooking on shore ..... 300
Boat of help out. ..... 2500
Water ..... 1500
France, 22995
Or about $£ 9$

I left Marseilles on the 12 th May, and returned to Paris of the 13 th, feeling fully vatisfed from the information I received and from my own observations, that there is every
reason to expect a good and extensive trade between France and Canada, more particularly rith the south and south-western parts, for the following reasons:-Firstly, (as will be seen by the table I herewith annex,) the import of lumber is very large. Secondly, To the majority of the lumber-constming districts, the rate of freight would be in favor of Canada, in as far at least as the north of Europe is concerned. Thirdly, At the time I mas in France, it was expected that on the lst of October of the present year, British ships rould be admitted into all the French ports on the same footing as those of France. This is much to be desired, as far as Canada is concerned, as certain pripileges are granted to British ships, sailing from British ports in Europe to France, which are denied the same ressels sailing from Canada. There are some causes which may, to a certain extent, retard this trade. In the first place, our sawn lumber, as prepared for the United Kingdom, is not exactly suited for the French market. Mill-owners and others who produce this description of lumber could scarcely be expected to change their system by manufacturing an article which would be altogether ansaleable in the United Kingdom, without having the certainty of a market. This would probably, for some tiwe, cause disappointments, as until a regular and permanent market is established, from six to nine months' notice would require to be given in order to prepare this description of goods. This only applies to sarn lumber, as square timber can at any time be supplied. Freights, I should suppose, rould also be higher to France than to British ports of the same class, for some time at least; but ultimately this would come all right.

After I left France, and while travelling in Prussia, a party with whom I had been conversing in the south of France, telegraphed to a House in Liverpool, connected with Canada, to know if they could supply $1,000,000$ pieces of railway sleepers within five years, -say 200,000 pieces each year, and to state price.

Before closing my report on the trade of France, I would remark that comparatively few of the people in the lumber business in that country have any idea of what our square timber looks like in the log. I of course explained to them as far as possible ; but from their secing scarcely any other timber than that produced in Europe, they are unable to form a correct estimate of ours. I was therefore under the impression that some of our nerchants should send a small cargo of well-selected and well-assorted timber into each of the principal ports, and, on my return to this country, I suggested this idea to some of them ; but I regret to say they declined, not wishing to take the risk. I had an intention, before leaving France, that in the event of no timber bcing ordered, and the merchants not conscnting to send any on speculation, of suggesting to the Government, for the extension of the trade of this Province, the propriety of sending three or four small cargoes, to be sold for and on their own account; and I am confident there would be no loss sustained. However, I trust this proceeding is rendered unnecessary, as several cargoes have already been ordered and despatched, which, it is to be hoped, will answer all the purposes required.

I again left Paris on the 14th May, procecded to Belgium, and arrived in Antwerp on the lyth. I presented letter of introduction from M. C. Wilson, Esq., Liverpool, to Kennedy, Esq., Tho introduced me to the principal men in the trade. There seems to be a brish business in lumber in this place-prices good, and consumption increasing rapidly. I tind that the import of lumber has more than doubled within the last five ycars, and regularly on the increase. In the year 1856, there arrived 181 vessels, timber laden, having a tonnage of 39097 . In 1860 there were similarly employed 277 vessels, with a tonnage of 62095 . The following is a comparative synopsis of the lumber imported for the last five years. For further details of same as to description and place of growth, I refer you to the table I herewith annex, being an extract from the imports and exports of Antrerp during that period:-

|  | 1856. | 1857. | 1858. | 1859. | 1860. |
| :--- | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: |
|  | Pieces. | Pieces. | Pieces. | Pieces. | Pieces. |
| Deals, Boards and Battens, | 828561 | 1216805 | 1141945 | 1366044 | 1480459 |
| Logs, $. ~ . ~ . ~ . ~ . ~$ | 43768 | 70065 | 70405 | 78951 | 109157 |

## EXTRACT FROM THE CIRCULAR OF MR. $\triangle$. D. SOLVAY; ON THE IMPORTS AND EXPORTS OF ANTWERP FOR THE LAST FIVE YEARS.

As the following statement will-show, the trade in timber is becoming of considerable importance, and a glance at the comparative figures for the last five years will give an idea of its immense development. In the year 1856, the arrivals of timber from the north were 181 cargoes, or 39,097 tons register ; and the importations in 1860 rose to the figure of 277 vessels, registering 62,095 tons. This is caused partly by the scarcity of native timber, and partly in consequence of the transactions between this place and the north of France, which are increasing perceptibly. It is to be presumed that the importation of Timber will increase considerably year after year. We finish the year 1860 with a stock infinitely less than last year, and with prices having an upward tendency.

Comparative Importations of years 1860, 1859, 1858, 1857 , and 1856.


Comparative Importations of years $1860,1859,1858,1857$, and 1856-(continued).


Iii vessels arrired during year 1860, including 20 in the way (Leurain \& Bruxelles), together, 62,095 tons bur.


There has been some Virginian Oak imported here, and it seems to have given satisfaction. It is about the same quality as our Canadian Oak-certainly not better, and not as well made, at least that which I have seen of it: There have been several cargoes ordered and shipped from Quebec this season. The freight from Riga to Antwerp is 25 s . per load, which is nearly 50 per cent. more than to the Coal Ports of England. I am therefore under the impression that Canada ought to come in for a good share of the trade of this port. I was unable to see the Secretary of the Chamber of Commerce. I left a set of specimens and a letter to accompany same with Mr. Kennedy, who promised to deliver them to that gentleman.

## ANTWERP;

The principal sea-port of Belgium, is situated on the Scheldt, about 60 miles from Flushing, in lat. $51,13,16 \mathrm{~N}$, long. 4, 24, 10 East. It has an excelleat harbor, extersive docks, warehouses, \&c. Ships of the largest barden come ap to the town.

Charges on a British vessel, with cargo in from the West Tndies; and ballast out to Great Britain, of 207 tons British; and 221 Belgiam measare:-

Florins. C .
Pilotage from Sea to Flushing Roads, for $13 \frac{7}{2}$ feet, ..... 5300
" from Flushing to Antwerp, ..... 5000
" to Flushing for 24 Palns, or 12 feet, ..... '2400
Paid in cash to the captain for pilotage from Flushing to:sea; ..... 1650
Pilot for moving the vessel from the stream in and out of tize dock; ..... 200
Sea protest, and extending at the tribunal of commerce ..... 1460
Tribunal charges for appointing surveyors, ..... 651
To the surveyors for examining tatches, and stowage of the cays? ..... 1200
Leads put to the batches and ship atores ${ }^{7}$ 万 custon moune ..... 8.90
Harbor dues, ..... 300
Tonnare duty, 221 tons, at 90 cents in and out. ..... 19800
Additional duty, 13 per cent. and stamps, ..... 4438
Certificate, stamps, measuring, and receipt of the tonnage duty, ..... 1190
Dock duty; at 53 cents for 3 months, ..... 5304
For the cooking-house, 2 weeks, ..... 380
Ballasts, 25 lasts, ..... 3210
Consul's bill, clearance, ..... 71
Water bailift's review of the crew and certificate, ..... 507
Brokerage on the vessel, 221 tons, at 75 cents per ton ..... 7832
Excise for town dues on ship's provisions, clearance in and out, ..... 580
Cancelling custom house bonds, postares, and small expenses,...... ..... 67
To Pilotage office, for booking the vessels outwards ..... 100
To the Pilot, from Flushing to Antwerp, gratuity, ..... 500
To the British Consul for signature to the muster role, ..... 544
Florins, ..... 64381

Exchange, at 1s. 8d. per florin, is $\mathfrak{f 6 3} 14 \mathrm{~s}$. 10d., nearly 6 s . per ton-
I proceeded to Rotterdam, where I arrived on the 17 th May, and had an interview with Messrs. A. Van Stolk \& Son, extensive wood merchants. They have a considerable tract of forest lands in Ardennes, from which they manufacture oak and fir. I sav some of the oak. It is large, and would average at least 35 feet long and 16 inches square. They informed me tient they had lately made a sale of a large quantity to the Russian Government, to be delivered in Rotterdam. The price is two guilders* for the French cubic foot. The fir timber produced in this part of the country, or at least in the interior and brought to Rotterdam, is rery inferior. I am of opinion that there is not much prospect for Canadian lumber here. I left for Berlin, and arrived there on the 20 th May. Presented letter of introduction from His Excellency Lord Cowley to Lord Loftus, British Minister at Berlin, who gave me letters to the British Consuls at Stettin, Dantzic, Konigsburg and Memel. I proceeded to Stettin, and called on Mr. Blackwell, British Consul, from whom I received statistical information relative to the trade of that port, by which I find that the export of lumber is not increasing. For the seven years, from 1852 to 1858, inclusire,


I was also here introduced by Mr. Poulson, ship broker, to Mr. Kressman, who is extensively cngaged in the timber trade in this place. He informed me that the major part of the forest lands belong to private individuals, and the remainder to the Prussian and Russian Governments. With respect to the cost of standing timber, Mr. Kressman told me that he had returned only a day or two before from making a purchase of a certain lot of standing oak and fir. Both are accounted equal in value, as the greater quantity contained in the fir tree compensates for the difference in the price of the oak per foot over that of the fir. There are supposed to be in this lot 10,000 trees, for which he is to pay 55,000 rubles. $\ddagger$ A number of those trees may be bad, and Mr. Kressman reckons that all those he can make available will cost him at least 25 s . stg. each. When itis taken into consideration the small average of this timber, say about 30 feet, the price appears to be very high. This purchase-moncy is all to be paid down at once, and it may be sis or seven years before he gets all the timber off-if he ever does. This timber has to be hauled a distance of $2 \hat{1}$ to 3 German miles- 12 to 15 English-after which it has to be driven some huadreds of miles, and may be expected to arrive', at Stettin in all June. From the best information I can obtain, the timber in this country, I refer to Prussian Polind, is fast becoming exhausted, and that the value of standing timber has been greatly enhanced of late years-more particularly since the recent repeal of the duties in England.

I proceeded to Dantzic, where I arrived on the morning of the S3rd May, and proscatel letrer of Lord Loftus to H. R. Plow, Esç, Her Majesty's Consul General. I had also letters of introduction from gentlemen in England aud Scotland to Messrs. Albrecht \& Co., Messrs. Thomas Behrend \& Co.; and to S. Kcohine, Esq., lumber merchants. All these parties seemed earncstly inclined to afford me all the information possible relative to the trade of this port. They are straightformard, open, and candid men, and did not appear to have anything to conceal of a general character with respect to the business. They all complain that the standing timber is fast disappcaring-that it is rising in price at each and ercry succeeding sale, and that the distance they have to haul it is constantly increasing. :Ir. Grade, of the firm of Messrs. Albrecht \& Co., said timber not requiring to be hauled more than 12 to 15 English miles is considered handy to the river. To have to haul 6 to 8 German miles ( 30 to 40 English) is by no means unusual. Afterwards it has to be drisen a great distance by a tortuous, tedious, and expensive routc. A great proportion of the lumber brought into this market is made a long way to the south and south cast of Warsaw, and much of it is brought from Galicia, in Austrian Poland.

The general custom of selling the standing timber is as follows:-A certain limit or circuit is sold, which is supposed to contain a specified number of trees, suitable to be made into timber, for a lump sum or so much per tree. The number of trees is generally overrated. Such is the competition amoug purchasers, that they submit to it. The purchaser is bound to take off the quantity within a given time, if to be found; but in no case is any deduction made. He is not allowed to take more than the number stipulated for thould they even be there, without paying additionally for them. Every tree which is cut down counts, whether rotten or otherwise.

I went with Mr. Albrecht and looked over all the lumber in the river, down to the harbor. There was but little remaining after the spring shipments, and none of the new timber had then arrived. It was expected in a few days... The timber is separated into threc classes-1st, 2nd and 3rd. Mr. Albrecht told me that to get any considerable quantity of first quality is very difficult and expensive, and scarcely any of it to be had without haring to be hauled 30 or 40 English miles. The value of first quality redwood here at present is 55 s. per load, free on board; 2nd, 45 s .; 3rd class about 41s. per load. The frights just then were very low, not more than 15 s . per load to the east coast of England.
large quantities of redwood are now being sawcd up by the different establishments here into deck plank for the English and French Governments. The prices paid by the French Government are for first quality 21s. sterling for 40 feet long, 3 inches thick, and 9 inches broad; and two-thirds that amount for 2nd quality. There must not be any pith in those planks, and they must shew heartwood the whole length, of at least seven inches mide. I find that the production of last winter does not exceed that of the previous year. A considerable quantity of redwood is also being prepared here, intended for the defences at Southampton, England. The pieces are all to be 35 fect long, 12 inches square, and to shew a certain amount of heartwood on all sides. The price to be paid is 65 s . per load, free on board-a price with which the sellers seem well satisfied.

The timber purchased from the Prussian Government is in almost all cases cut down and squared at their expense. A portion of the timber is also got out round the full length of the trees. It is then sold by public auctiou-the square timber by the foot, the round by the piece. The latter timber is biought down without being squared, and part of it shipped as spars. The remainder is sawed and manufactured into different descriptions of scantling. For the export of lumber from this port, and the prices thereof, I beg to refer jou to pages 17,18 and 19.

I proceeded to Konigsberg, where I arrived on the night of the 24th May. On the following day I presented letter of Lord Loftus to Mr. Hartsel, British Consul. Mr. Hartsel resided for some time in Memel, and was engaged in the timber trade there. He seems to be well acquainted with the affairs of the country, as connected with the lumber trade. He informed me that about one-third of the forest lands which supply this place and Memel, belong to the Russian Government, and about two-thirds to the Polish and Russian nobles, and that almost the whole of said supply comes off Russian territory-scarcely any off Prussian. There is soarcely any possibility of arriving at the cost of bringing it to market-the business being altogether in the hands of the Jews, who hitherto had an understanding with
the proprietors that the serfs on the estates should be employed in making and bringing it forward, and consequently, the exporters at these ports neither know nor care about the cost of production, not being interested in the same. What effect the emancipation of the serfs will have on the trade remains yet to be developed.

The great timber-producing districts are comprised within an arca of 27,000 Euglish square miles-a great portion of which has been cut over and over again-besides there is a population within this circuit of from 1,$600 ; 000$ to 2,$000 ; 000$, and it is considered one of the best agricultural provinces in the Russian Empire: From these facts I infer that there is $a$ limit to the timber ceven in this Province: The standing timber is gradually becomcoming scarce and dear. The distance to haul is increasing, and it is thought that the emancipation of the serfs will have the effect of changing the nature of the trade altogether. In the first place it is to be expected that much more of the land will be brought under cultivation, and, in the next, the men will not continue to work for the same small pittance they have hitherto been in the habit of receiving. In fact, they seem not to be inclined to work at all. In proof of this assertion, I can state that large numbers of Germans, from the province of Pomerania, at the time I was there, were moving to Russia to supply the labor heretofore performed by that class. This change in the condition of the serfs mast raise the price of labor, and a corresponding rise in the price of timber, or a dimination in the quantity, must necesmarily be the result. Mr. Hartsel further informed me that the country is now undergoing such changes that it is hard to say what ultimate effect such changes may produce. One thing, however, is certain, that, so far, the effect has been a large diminution in all the products of the country. Under any circumstances, as far as I have been able to judge, Canada has nothing to apprehend from a competition with the south side of the Baltic.

I left Konigsberg on the 25th, and arrived in Memel on the 26th May. The following day, I presented letter from Lord Loftus to - Campbell, Esq., British Consul. I had letters of introduction also from Messrs. John Hall \& Co., Neweastle-on-Tyne, William Muir, Esq., Leith, Alexander Gordon, Esq., London, and from Mr. Hertsel, British Consul at Konigsberg, to the principal parties engaged in the lumber business here. I waited on these gentlemen separately, from whom I received corroborative information res. pecting the trade, which amounts to the following:-Memel is sapplied with lumber fron Russia and Poland by the River Nieme. The lumber has such a long distance to be driven that it only reaches market in September and October, which market is at a place called Russ, about 30 English miles from Memel, situate on the bay which lies between that city and Konigsberg. At Russ the wood is purchased by the Memel merchants and brought down at their risk and expense in large rafts of 1500 to 2000 pieces of square and round timber. When the timber arrives at Memel it is assorted according to quality and the views of the owners. There is a Government system of classification, but it is not compulsory. The different kinds of timber brought to this place are :-

Fir Redwood, square.
" " round.
" Whitewood, round.

## Oak, square.

" Wainscot Logs.
" Staves.
And in about the following quantities:-
Square Redwood, 12 to 18 inches square, 20 to 60 feet long; very few pieces of the latter length or size; general average about $30 \times 13$.
150,000 to 200,000 pes. an'ly.
Round ditto. 150,000
Whitewood, round
20,000
Square Oak:
10,000
Wainscot Logs
Staves, about.
15,000 shooks of 60 pcs. ea:
The Square Redwood is classified as under :-


The round wood, both red and white, is cut here by steam and wind-mills into 3 z $11,3 \times 9,4 \times 11,4 \times 9,2 \frac{1}{2} \times 7$, and boards 1 to $1 \frac{1}{2}$ inches thick by 8 to 11 inches in breadth, and all generally of long lengths. They are classified as follows :-


The latter deals compete with our spruce, in the Euglish market; but according to my opinion they are not as good, or equal in any respect. I was told by the gentlemen in the trade that a few years ago this whitewood was attacked by an insect, which has almost killed every tree. I have seen a considerable quantity of this kind of lumber in the log, and found it all to be perforated to the heart by grub-worm.

Square oak, 12 to 14 inches square, and 20 to 50 feet long, general average, not more than 35 feet cubic, and classified as under :-

> Crown, was worth at that time.......................... 100s. per load. Second quality............................................... 9s. "

Wainscot logs, in lengths of 9 feet and upwards. The timber is sawn from pretty large trees, must be free from heart, and shaped thus, $\overline{\frac{10}{10} ;}$; and must be at least 10 inches deep from the curve to the corner of the large flat surface.

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\begin{aligned}
& \text { Crown.-The value at that time was......................... 5s. 6d. per foot. } \\
& \text { Second quality, " " ...........................3s. 6d. " }
\end{aligned}
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Staves are of the following dimensions:-

| Pipe. 6 feet long, $6 \times 3$ inches, Brandy, 5 |  |
| :---: | :---: |
| Hogshead, 4 feet long, $6 \times 3$ inches, | All reduced to $6 \times 6 \geq 3$. |
| Barrel, 3 " 3 |  |
| Heading, long, $2 \frac{1}{2} \mathrm{ft}$ long, $6 \times 3 \mathrm{in}$. ". short, $l^{\frac{1}{2}}$ |  |
| And were then worth, Crown $\qquad$ <br> " " 1st Brack..... | $\begin{aligned} & . . £ 140 \text { per } 1200 \text { pes. } \\ & \ldots \quad 115 \end{aligned}$ |
| Three pieces long heading counts on |  |
| Four. " short " " |  |

The provinces which supply Memel are, Kowno, $\Lambda$ ugustoo, Bialystock, Vetepsk, Minsk, Wilna, and Volhynia-this latter province furnishing or yielding two-thirds of the whole, and is the province sprken of in my remarks on Kon:gsberg. As far as I can anderstand, the timber trade is gradually declining here, and although the lumver is becoming scarce, this is not the only reason given for the cause of the rrade languishing. The late season at which the timber arrives necessitates the holding over large quantities during winter, which is embarrassing in a monetary point of view. Nevertheless, at that tiue in Memel, as well as in the other ports in the Baltic. the people were as busy as possible sawing and preparing lumber for the French Government, and complained that they were not able to get it ready fast enough. There is no doubt that a great consumption of Food goods is going on at present in France, and it certainly will be the fult of our merchants if Canada does not share a good part of the benefits arising from such consumption.

While here, I received a letter from P. M. Partridge, Esq., Superintenaent of Woods and Forests, informing me that you had approved of my not visiting Norway, as suggested in my letter dated Newcastle, 1Uth April.

Having now reached (in accordance with your letter of instruction, the extre ine point of my journey, I returned by Hamburg, where I arrived on the 29 th May. I callsd
on Messss. Klenckroth \& Co., Messrs. Martins, ship owners and timber merchants. The latter export lumber from Hamburg to France and England. They are of opinion that timber of good quality of certain descriptions, say oak, elm, and yellow pine, at the prices I mentiened, might be sent there in limited quantities, to pay. The oak should be long and large, the yellow pine long and clean, suitable for deck planks. Masts are also required: There is an abundance of common timber in the country, and therefore nothing but the best should be sent.

Hamburg exports square oak and fir timber, which is brought down the Elbe from Russia and Poland; and although the people of Hamburg have much farther to bring their timber by inland navigation, nevertheless, they have such an advantage over the exporters of Dantzic and Memel in the sea freight, that they are able successfully to compete with them. The freight from here to the coal ports of Eingland is only 10 s s to 12 s per load. The same complaint I heard in Stettin, Iantzic and Memel, is also made here, namely, that the timber of the country is fast disappearing. Mr. Klenckroth informed me that not only will the export of timber soon be at an end here, but that they must commence immediately to import certain kinds of timber for shipbuilding purposes. In fact there have been several cargoes of United States oak, and pitch pine in considerable quantities, already imported.

In course of conversation with Mr. Slowman, ship broker, of this place, I learned that the export of lumber from Hamburg is small indeed, and that a large import must soon take place to meet the increasiog demand. I made enquiry for, and endeavored to obtain, a return of the import and export of lumber, but was told that no statistics of thens are kept.

I came to Bremen on the morning on the 31st May. The import of lumber here is pretty large, as will be seen by the following table, which 1 took from the official returns of the city for 1860 :-

By sea.

| Oak and Birch | 24,071 cubic feet. |
| :---: | :---: |
| Fir Timber. | 291,545 " |
| Deals. | 836,899 pieces. |
| Staves. | 491,470 " |
| Knees. | 900 " |
| Masts. | 44 |

From the interior.
About $2,000,100$ cubic feet.
I called on - Bellier, Esq., and also on O. Thyne, Esq. Both these gentlemen are importers here, and they informed me that the frcight from the Baltic ports to Bremen averages 8 to 10 Bremen dollars per last of 80 English cubic feet. This is fully as high a rate as is paid from those ports to any part of England. The freight from Savannah and other Southeru ports in North America to this place is $\$ 17$ to $\$ 18$ per 1,000 feet board measure. Such being the case, I cannot understand why Canada should not be able successfully to compete with those countries for the trade of Bremen.

I had a long conversation with Mr. Thyne, in which I endeavored to explain to him the qualities, sizes, \&e., \&e., of our timber. He requested me to give him the names of some of the Houses in Quebec, and that he would write to the captain of one of his vessels, then on her passage to New York, and instruct him to go round to Quebec to take in a cargo of lumber on his account. I gave him the names of some half dozen firms, any of whom I assured him would carry out any agreement they might enter into. I find that Mr. Thyne ordered a cargo, and that such cargo has been despatched, and trust it will give him satisfaction.

## BRENEN

Is in latitude $53,5 \mathrm{~N}$., long. 8, 48 E ., and about 50 miles from the mouth of the River Weser. Vessels drawing more than 7 feet of water cannot come up; but there is an excellent harbor at Vegesack, 13 miles below, where vessels drawing 13 to 14 feet come; and at Bremerhaven, 38 miles below Bremen, is a splendid harbor and docks, admitting vessels drawing 24 to 26 feet.

I left Bremen on the 1st June, returned to London on the 2nd, and arrived in Quebec 10th July, 1861. I trust that-when you consider the variety and importance of the subjects shich I was charged to report on, and the very limited time at my disposal, you will be saisified that I have discharged the duties committed to me in a manner likely to result adraatageously to the lumber trade of this country.

In conclusion, I beg to report (as it may be gratifying to you to learn) that since my risit to the continent of Europe, several cargoes of lumber have been ordered from Quebec by houses in the following places, namely :-
Bremen.
Antwerp
Dieppe.
Germany.
Havre
Honfleur.
Nantes.
Belgium.
France.
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66
Bordeanx 66Montpelier66
Cette ..... "
Marseilles ..... "
Toulon ..... "

And $X$ have the satisfaction of recording $m y$ sincere conviction that these are only the introduction to an extended trade with these countries-the advantage arising from which will be felt in this colony in due course. In the foregoing remarks, I have had occasion to introduce the names of several noblemen and gentlemen, from whom I obtained reluable information, and I feel I should not present this report without bringing under your notice, in a particular manner, the following, who have not only afforded me all the information in their power, but were obliging enough to give me letters of introduction to others whom they supposed were in a position to render me the assistance I required in the attainment of the object in view :-

## Monsieur le Baron Gauldree Boilleau, French Consul in this Province.

## united kingdoar.

Henry Sharples, Esq. Liverpool.
Edward Chaloner, Esq. ..... ${ }_{6}$
Messrs. Rankin, Gilmour \& Co. ..... 6
" Duncan, Ewing \& Co ..... 8 ..... 8
" Farnworth, Jardine \& Co ..... ${ }^{6}$
M. I. Wilson, Esq ..... $t 6$
Messrs. A. F. \& D. MacKay.
Allan Gilmour, EsqMessrs. Donaldson \& RoseGlasgow.
William Muir, Esq.
Messis. John Hall \& Co.Aberdecn.Newcastle-on-Tyne.
William Burstall, Esq ..... Hull.
Charles Heaven, Esq ..... 4
Messrs. Wade, Sons \& Co ..... 6
" Gilmour, Rankin, Strang \& Co ..... London.
" Charchill \& Sim ..... " 6
Alexander Gordon, Esq ..... d
Messrs. Mark Whitwell \& Son. ..... Bristol.
" Barns \& Sons. ..... 6
" Watson \& Co ..... Cardiff.
James Martin, Esq Dublin.Messrs. Colvil \& Auld.Belfast.


#### Abstract

FRANCE. His Excellency Lord Cowley, British Ambassador, \&c...... Paris. Monsieur Herbet, Conseiller d'Etat, \&c......................... " Monsieur Bossarge................................................. . " Monsieur M. Scherallier (Senator)............................... " Monsiear Behic, Directeur du Service Maritime, \&c......... " Monsiear Armand. " belgium. - Kennedy, Esq................................................... Antwerp.

PRUSSIA. Lord Augustus Loftus, Her Majesty's Envoy Eistraordinary and Minister Plenipotentiary, \&c. \&c.

Berlin. - Blackwell, Esq., British Consul............ ................ Stettin. - Plow, Esq., Her Majesty's Consul General................ Dantzic.

Messrs. Albrecht \& Co............................................... " " Thomas Behrend \& Co..................................... " - Hartsel, Esq., British Consul................................. Konigsberg. - Gubba, Esq. Memel. John Mason, Esq " - Campbell, Esq., British Consul

6 All which is respectfully submitted.

> I have the honor to be, Sir, Your obedient servant, WIILIAM QuinN, Supervisor of Cullers: N. B. -I deem it necessary here to explain an apparent discrepancy in the dates of my return to England and my return to Canada, and which was occasioned by my going to the Continent before completing my round of the United Kingdom, having left the West of England, Wales and Ireland to be visited after my return from the continent: My reason for this course I explained to the Department in my letter dated Paris, 26 th April, 1861. In making up this Report, I was desirous of having all the remarks on the ports which I visited in the United Kingdom connected and continuous-hence my observations in reference to the Continent appear last in this Report.


## RETURN

To As address, of the Honorable the Legislative Assembly, dated 7th April 1862, relative to Fishing Bounties.

| Clamasty. | Fessels. | Annount. | Payment, or reason of refusal. |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| - Sterart | The John Sterra | \$ 20600 | Paid. |
| do | do do | 22800 | Awnits order in Council. |
| Juhn Davis, | lo Ospray | 20650 | Paid. |
| dn | do do | $17 \% 00$ | Atraits order in Conncil. |
| Tw. Harlour .. | do Breeze | 18000 | Pain. |
| do | do do | 18000 | Writs O. ©. |
| Fm. Baker. | do Rambler | 15300 | Paid. |
| do | do do | 15300 | Waits 0. C. |
| Wm. Annett. | do Defianco ..................... | 19500 | Paid. |
| Joseph Fripp....................... | do Admiration ..... ........... : | 13800 | do |
| do . ${ }^{\text {d }}$. ................ | do do .................... | 13800 | Waits 0. C. |
| Ginu Ascab ..................... | do Fighland Jane | 22400 | Paid. |
| do | do do | 19209 | Waits 0. C. |
| P. Mulroney | do Village Belle. | 14000 | Paid. |
| do | do do | 12000 | Waits 0. C. |
| 「. Cofinin et al | do Perseveranco | 24150 | Paid. |
| T. Suddard ef al | do Violet. | 13650 | do |
| in | do do | 11500 | Waits 0.c. |
| II. Walk \& Bro.. | do Lord Douglas | 23200 | Paid. |
| $\mathrm{T}_{\mathrm{m}} \mathrm{m}$. Baker....... | do do .................... | 17400 | Waits 0. C. |
| John Howell \& others... | do Undaunted | 15400 | Paid. |
| do | do do ...... ............. | 13200 | Waits 0. C. |
| F. Kenuedy et al .................. | do Temperance ................. | 22400 | Paid. |
| do | do do | 16500 | Waits 0. C. |
| C. Robson | do Aid | 8400 | Paid. |
| J. Adams .... | do Orion..........................\|| | 7300 | Waits 0. C. |
| d. Ross et al | do Britannia | 26 S 00 | Paid. |
| do | do do | 23550 | Waits 0. C. |
| Geo. Miller et al | do Kanger ....................... | 12300 | Paid. |
| do | do do | 16400 | Waits 0. C. |
| F. Envage el el | do Misria Primrose | 29200 | Paid. |
| do | 10 do | 29200 | Waits 0. 0. |
| (t.) Gagnon. | do Pearl.. | 21600 | Paid. |
| $\checkmark$ do | do do .................... | 21600 | Waits 0. C. |
| E. Buzolds.. | do Trial .......................... | 11600 | Paid. |
| F. M. Losperance. | do Mary. .................. ..... | 14000 | do |
| do | do do ................... | 14000 | Waits 0. C. |
| J. Joncas ..... ..................... | do Syrene........................ | 10400 | Paid. |
| do ............................. | do do .................... | 10400 | Waite 0.c. |
| G. Dionnc.. ..... ................... | do Emedine | 14400 | Paid. |
| do | do do | 14400 | Waits 0. C. |
| f. Mathurin. | do Crocodile | 13600 | Paid. |
| F. X. Joncas | do Swift......... ................ | 12400 | do |
| J. B. Jackes | do St. Laurent .................... | 10600 | do |
| 0 . Coulombe | do St. Lawrence. .............. | 9900 | do |
| D. Gobeille. | do Maric Erudente.... ........ | 21200 | do |
| P. Boily | do Primrose | 16000 | do |
| do | do do | 16000 | Waits 0.0. |
| E. B. Foswil! | do Caroline ..................... | 32000 | Paid. |
| Oride hoily | The Carolinc .......................... | 32000 | Waits 0. C. |
| A. Cloutier | do Alliance ..................... ${ }^{\text {a }}$ | 25000 | do |
| J. \& T. Joufer | do Sophie ...................... | 11600 | Paid. |
| C. de Brun.......................... | do Alphonsine ................. | 9200 | do |
| do ........................ | do do | 10400 | Waits 0. C. |
| P. Doyle............................ | do Venetia....................... | 13200 | Paid. |
| do ${ }^{\text {do }}$ | do do | 33200 | Waite 0.C. |
| P. Vignaret | do Wide A wake | 16800 | Paid. |
| do | do do ................. | 16800 | Wits 0. Ci |
| Cognier es al..................... | do Eugenie | 20400 | Paid. |

RETURN.-(Continued.)


Several of the Claimants abovo namer, and the payment of whose claims await anthority of an Orderin Council, have not complied with the Law as regards the infpection of their cargoes under the provisiona, of the Fish and Oil Inspection Act.

ANDREW RUSSELL,
Assistant Commissioner.
Department of Crown Lands, Quebec, 8th April 1862.

## ANNUAL REPORT

## PIERRE FORTIN, ESQ.,


#### Abstract

Magistrate, in command of the Government schooner La Canadienne, engaged in the Protection of Fisheries, in the Gulf of St. Lawrence, during the season of 1861.


The duty of protecting and administering the law respecting the Canadian fisheries in the River and Gulf of St. Lawrence having again been assigned to the Government schooner La Canadienne, I took command of her in the beginning of May, in conformity with instructions given to that effect by the Hon. the Commissioner of Crown Liands; but as the schooner required repairs to her keel as well as to her standing rigging, she could not be got ready for sea before the 23rd of May.

On that day we left Quebec, bound for the Gulf of St. Lawrence, favoured with a very light westerly breeze. On the following days, we had changeable winds, and only reached Godbout River (the first place I had to visit on the North shore of the St. Lawrence) on the morning of the 26 th.

Crodbout River is known to be, after the Moisie and Natashquan, one of the bestrivers on the North shore; it is full of the finest kind of salmon and trout. An overseer has been stationed there to force the fishermen and Indians frequenting the locality to observe the lats and regulations enacted with the view of preserving these valuable fish.

This officer had had, the year before, ground of complaint against certain parties for breaking the laws and regulations. Warrants had been issued to arrest the guilty, and miny of them had been punished in accordance with the provisions of the law.

But two Indians accused of having fished within the limits of Mr. Holliday, the lessee of the river, had always succeeded in escaping the law, and I had received instructions from the Government co have them arrested by my constables and brought before me:

As in preceding years, these parties ran away upon the schooner coming near the place, and, favoured by the woods, escaped our search.

I assembled the few Indian families then at Godbout, and after giving them communication of the principal clauses of the Fisheries Act, which I required them to observe, I showed them that they ought to be more interested in the preservation of salmon and trout than any one else, since these fish during the season of trapping in the interior, become one of their principal means of subsistance, and in the meantime, I made them understand that though the guilty Indians had escaped once more, they would be arrested sooner or later, and that if they were again to become guilty of any violation of the law, they would be risited with the heaviest penalties provided by the regulations.

All the Indians whom I met there promised to conform strictly to the fishery regulations, and this promise has been strictly kept; for it appears from the overseer's report that there was no infraction whatever of the law in the Godbout, in 1861.

I nest marked with buoys an anchoring ground for small vessels frequenting this locality for the purpose of cod-fishing, and in conformity with the powers vestedinmemade
regulations for the said anchoring plice, and appointed Mr. Antoine Blais to be guardian of the Godbout River Mirhour. The ice left the river on the 1 2th of May, a few trout had already berun to ascend it, but no salmon. The sand eel (alentort) had appeared on the coist about three weeks before.

The next day 1 went to Trinity Bay, and there took cognizance of a complaint made by Mr. Meade arainst Alexander Comeau, Esin., stating that the latter had built a house and hangar on his property. T visited the spot, examined the boundaries, and concluded that Mr. Comenis shouse was outside of the easterly limits of the lands of the heirs Poulin, of whom Mr. Meade is agent, and that the hangar in question has been erected on Trinity Point, upon rock's covered at high tiue, and consequently could not be considered as part of the complainint's property.

This business being concluded, I gare orders to start for Seven Islands, but the easterly wind which had been blowing since morning would not permit us to go very fast, and at nioht the gale obliged us to auchor under the lee of Egg Island.

In the ereuing of the 28th, the wind having changed to the N.N.E., we sailed, and the next morning anchored in the Bay of Scven Islands.

I immediately set about installing Mr. John Gough Smith as Collector of the new port of entry at Seven Tslands. This gentlenen had come down with me from Quebec, to which place I was instrueted to bring him back in the fall when Le Cunadienne would return to winter quarters.

I ordered Mr. Hardy's men to give him possession of the house and buildings formerly occupied by the Hudson's Bay Conpany, which Mr. Hardy had rented from the Government, since the King's Posts, of which the Sceen Islands form part, had ceased to be leased to that Comipany. Mr. Hardy having neglected to fulfil some of the clauses of his contract with the Government, had lost his riglit to the occupancy of this important post. Before the day was over, the Collector was settled in his new quarters and his office opened. The masters of tro Canadian schooners, about to trade on the Labrador coast, immeemately took adyantage of the facility offered to them to trade in the Gaspe free port limits, without going to Gaspé basin, and proceeded at once to take out their license. This circumstance afforded immediate proof that this new port of entry established by the Government would be of the greatest utility to our schooners from Quebee or the lower parishes carrying goods in bood cither within the limits of the free port, or nut of the Province. Had it not been for the establishment of a port at Seven Islands, these schooners which were going as far as the Straits of Belle-Isle, or perhaps to the River Moisie only, or which were consigned to the ncighbourhood, would hare been obliged to visit Gaspe; this would have increasel the length of their voyage by several hundred miles. The navigators, traders and fishermen should certainly be grateful to Government for having established a port of entry on the North shore, and for haring given so much facility to the trade between the cenire of Canada and the North shores of the river and gulf of St. Lawrence. 1 perceived with satisfaction that toe spring herring had entered the Bay of Seven Islands in great num. bers, and during the two weeks previous Mr. Hardy's fishermen had been taking from 20 to 60 barrels a day, by means of a hurdle fishery placed near the point of the post. This fishery is a great resource for the inhabitants of the locality (for the Indians especially), if they knew how to take advantage of it.

On the morning of the 30 th we anchored opposite Moisie River. The weather being fine, I took advantage of it to mark an anchoring ground in the Moisie River by placing a number of buoys, and to determine the limits of four new salmon fisheries which Thad received instructions to lease; I afterwards risited the fishing establishments.

The ice came down this river as late as the 12th of May Salmon were beginning to enter the estuary, cod fish were seen on the outside banks and near the shores threc days before, and capelin was also taken in great quantities near the shore. At 11 p. m., I went on board, we immediately set sail, and the next day at 2 in the afternoon, entered the harbour of Mingan. I at once conmunicated with Mr. Anderson, the Hudson's Bay Company's principal agent on the North shore of thic Gulf of St. Latrence, and placed him in possession of the instructions I had received from the Government relative to the salmon fisheries of the Seigniory of Mingan, of which the said Company had, for many years, obtained a lease at a high rate, from the proprietors of the said seigniory. To my offer of leasing to him all the salmon fisheries of the said seigniory, he gare the following reply:
P. Fortis, Esquire.

Sin,-Having received your favour of this day, I beg to state that the offer of the Lssistant Commissioncr of Crown Lands to grant to the Hudson's Bay Company nominal licenses for all the rivers as far as $\Lambda$ gwann's, was received by me on the 29th instant, and esclusive of this injustice towards the poor people who have relied on the permanence of theirstations from the licenses granted to them, it is utcerly impossible for the Company to undertake to fish these rivers at such a short notice.

I beg therefore to state, that we shall only occupy the statious we have licenses for last year, and that, as soon as you possibly can, you should visit the riycr St. John and rectify the affairs there.

Yours, \&c.,

JAMES ANDERSON, Chicf Factor, Hon. H. B. C.

Mr. Anderson's reply settled the question for this year, and I had nothing else to do but to give him the same licenses as in the preceding years. Mr. Pierre Tanguay, of Long Point, Mingan, laid a complaint before me against a fisherman of the same place who had danaged his house, but the party being absent, the case was postponed till my next visit to Mingatn. Morcover, I was in a hurry to reach the Magdalen Islands. Mackerel fishing in the Bay of Plaisance must have already commenced, or was on the point of beginning ; and the presence of $L a$ Cunatienns was necessary there. I therefore did not make a long cruise on the North shore, and on the 1st of June, at 3 o'clock in the morniag we started for the Magdalen Islands. Our progress was retarded by a calm; nevertheless, on the morning of the third, we anchored in the Bay of Plaisance.

Mackerel fishing had not begun yet, but schooners from Nova Scotia, New Brunswick; and the United States fitted out for that purpose, were already in Amherst:Harbour, and some fishermen had set their nets in the bay. But there was as yet no sign of mackerel.

The herring fishery had commenced at the usual time and coutinucd from the lst to the 20 th of May. 300 schooners from the neighbouring provinces had collected in the Bay of Plaisance to fish for herring with seines, but they had not all been successful.

It is true that the fish had been as plentiful in the Bay of Plaisance as in previous years, but the frequent gales had caused high scas on the shores, which did not give the fishermen an opportunity of prosccuting their labour with much chance of success; moreover, so many seines were thrown out together, when large shouls of herrings appeared at the surface of the water, that they got intermixed, and consequently many fish escaped and were lost to the fis?ermen. This accounts for a sreat number of the inhabitants of the lslands not being able to lay in their complete stock of herring for the winter. The way to remedy this evil would be to pass a regulation forbidding any other scine to interfere when one might be already engaged in catching a shoal of herring.

On the 4th instant, I sent my first officer, Capt. Bernier, to visit all the schooners in Amherst Harbour. He left in the hands of cach master a copy of the fishery regulations for the Bay of Plaisance, and iu the meantime I caased a buoy to be placed in the bay, indicating the line, east of which, in virtue of the said regulations, fistermen are furbidden to sct any kind of nets.

This is done with a view to sccure to the mavigation free access to Amherst Harbour, to give to the shouls of mackerel access to that part of the bay, free from all nets, and ai the same time to allow them to come near the shores, for the purposes of depositing their ura, rithout any obstacle preventing their so doing:

On the morning of the Jth, Mr. Joseph Bourque, of JEtang du Nord, came and informed me that the night previous foreign sailors, to the number of eight or ten, and very likely belonging to some schooner auchored the night before, under sheiter of Cap aux Meules, had on the preceding evening forcibly entered bis house, and after having assaulted him screral times, and threatened to take away his life with a knife or dagger in the hands of onc of the party, had stolen a certain quantity of goods which he, the said Joseph Bourque, had saved from a wrecked vessel, the United States, and which bad been given to him by the Customs officer of Amherst Harbour as his share of the salvage; moreover, men's and women's olothing belonging to his family, and other goods, worth in all about $\$ 200$; unhappily he could not identify the robbers as belonging to any particular schooner.

Having taken his deposition, we iumediately weighed anchor and started in pursuit of the schooners which had passed the night previous under shelter of Cap aux Meules, some of which we could see under sail going out of Plaisance Harbour.

I stopped and visited the schooners Stacey, St. Laucrence, Villagc Bellc, and Sarah and Julia; this last vessel was still at anchor, and as several of her crew were suspected of belonging to the gang of robbers; I delayed her till the next day.

I caused a rigorous scarch to be made in the hold and cabins, but without any result, Nr. Bourque and his son who were on board examined all the men of the crew, one after the other, but could not identify any one as having committed the robbery the night previous. Moreover, the captain assured me he had had no knowledge whatever of the robbery in question, but he told me that two small schooners, whose name he did not know, also anchored the night previous at Cape aux Mules, and had started at morning twilight under full sail towards the Island of Cape Breton, favoured with a fine West North West breeze. But they had been out of sight for many hours past. I afterwards weut to the Havre aux Maisons to sec if I could collect more direct information. The only thine I could find out was that the day after the robbery, two small schooners had left Cap aus Meules between four and five o'clock in the morning, and that they were very soon out of sight going towards the Island of Cape Breton. Evidently the suspicion of the robbery must fall upon those schooners, but Incither knew their name nor the place to which they were bound. During my stay at the Magdalen Islands, I used every exertion to discover a clue to that robbery, but without any result.

On the 7 th I was occupied with two charges brought by Alexander Cormier, Lisq., against two inhabitants of the Island, for having disturbed a meeting of the Municipal Council of the Islands. On the 12th and 13th I heard several witnesses in both cases, and on the 14th being obliged to start for Percé, I postponed the hearing of the remaining witnesses to noy next visit to Magdalen Islands.

In conformity with instructions received from the Burcau of Agriculture and Statistics, and as census Commissioner for the Magdalen Islands, I appointed census officers to take the names in the different Islands; as also to collect all other necessary information; and I was obliged to convey one of my census officers to one of the most distant islands of the group. In order to be able to make a complete and exact census, I myself visited the dif. ferent villages and requested the inhabitants to answer all the questions which would be put to them by the census offcers, and to give all the information required from them; and: I had reason to be well satisfied with the zeal shewn by the persons employed to take the census of the Islanda: for, besides the ordinary statistical information with which they filled the columns of the forms I furnished them with, they filled up other columns shewing the number of vessels and fishing craft of the Islands, the quantity of fishing: tackle and of different kinds of fish taken in 1861, de., \&c. This information was the more necessary because, up to this date, all we had upon this subject was taken from the Castoms Report, in which only the quantity of fish exported from the Magdalen Islandsewas stated, without taking any notice of thousands of quintals of fish used by the johabitants themselves.

Meanwhile, I had taken all possible precautions with a view of enforcing the fishery laws as far as they apply to the Bay of Plaisance, and to a certain cxtent $I$ succeeded.

A certain number of nets which were, on my arrival, located in contravention of the Jaw, had been drawn out of the water and set further out in lawful places, but many remained in that part of the Bay which, according to the regulations, was to remain free and open, and it was very difficult, in fact almost impossible, to find out the proprietors of those nets. I then had recourse to the means provided by the law, that is to say, Ihad them taken away by my men who put them inside the limits marked by the buoy that I had caused to be placed there a few days before upon the spot indicated by the clauses of the above-mentioned regulations. This labour was difficult and very toilsome for my men, for they had to draw out of the water nets from fifty to sixty fathoms in length, kept down to the bottom of the water by stones of some hundred pounds weight. Notwithstanding that, on the 11th, there were but few nets in the channel, when Capt. Bernier, who had command of one of the boats engaged in moving the nets set in contravention of the law to the place I had indicated to him, was assaulted by a Nova Scotian fisherman named Joseph. Hunson, whose nets had been that very day removed by my men. He liad thrown large
stoncs at the captain, one of which struck him on the head and inflicted a serious wound, from which flowed a great quantity of blood. Fortunately, I was there to dress the wound in time and in a fitting manner. One of the canoe-men had also been struck by Hunson, without however being wounded. Immediately after having taken cognizance of this uafortunate occurrence, I caused Hunson and one of the men who accompanied him in his boat, to be arrested and put on board under safc guard. The next day, they appeared beforc me, and Hunson's accomplice, against whiom there was no proof, was set at liberty. Hunson admitted the charge. Upon this $I$ offered to takc bail, for his appearance at the nest County criminal term, at Percé, and as he could not find two solvent persons to become security for him, I made out a warrant of commitment, the execution of which was entrusted to onc of my constables.

More than twenty other schooners had joined those which I had found at Amherst on myarrivalat the Magdalen Islands, and at least ten thousand nets for mackerel bad been set in different parts of the Bay of Plaisance and near Grindstone and Entry Islands. All this fishing apparatus well anchored with heavy stones was set in the most favourable manner io catch the greatest possible number of mackerel, and the arrival of this fish was waited for with great impatience. But the fish, contrary to the fishermen's expectations, appeared in the Bay of Plaisance only in small numbers, and were really abundant for a fer days only. Some fishermen, more favoured than the others, had taken enough to reimburse their cxpenses of fitting out; unfortunately it was not the same with the greater number; the produce of each of their nets having scarcely reached two barrels, and the season for this kidd of fishing was entirely over.

Accordingly, on the 14th of June, the day I left Magdalen Islands, ncarly all the nets liad been taken up, and a great number of schooners had already gonc.

Codishing was very successful at I'Etang du Nord on the South of $\Delta$ mherst Island, and at Old Harry. The schooners casily obtained from two to four draughts a day.

During my different visits to Amherst Harbour, I ascertained that Mr. Cassidy (the guardian of Amherst Harbour) had fuliflled the duties of his office; and that nobody had been guilty of having; as formerly, thrown ballast or other noxious matters into this basin, which is so well protected from all winds, but a little difficult of access on account of rocks. A sand-bank also partly obstructs its entrance.

It is with the greatest pleasure that I mention this result, the more so because if this harbour should become impracticable (which would soon oceur if ballast was permitted to be thrown into it as formerly), it is only with the greatest difficulty that the codfishery could be carried on in the Bay of Plaisance; there being no shelter against the East and North-East winds.

It is known that Amherst and Le Hîvre aux Maisons are the only two harbours at Magdalen Islands used by the trade.

The Magdalen Island schooners had been as usual seal hunting on the field ice of ith gulf, and had returned to their fitting-out-places without having sustained any loss or damage, but also without having broughit back many of the skins of these animals. The illsuccess of their trip was owing principally to the bad weather encountered by the sailors during their adventurous campaign, and aso to the small number of seals which appeared.

On the 14th of, June, we left the Magdale Islands, and the nest morning anchored at Perce, where T caused the prisoner Joseph Hunson to be put in jail.

The codfishing which gave excellent returns had begun on the 29th of April; our fishermen had used herring as a bait for their lines till the Sth of June; then capelin in its annual migratory journey from the ocean to the coasts of the Gulf of St: Lawrence, had inade its appearance to the great joy of our fishermen. These small fish are a safer and more tempting bait for cod than herring.

The purpose of my journey on the Gaspe shores was to lease, as usual, all the salmon isherics of the district; to inspect them; in the meantime to keepa watchful eye on them, and to maintain public order and tranquillity in the sea harbours and on the shores. My duties extended over a length of atileast one hundred and fifty miles of shore; I had to cater all the rivers and visit alimostall fishing appatatus set in them, and at the satue time see the fishermen and receive from them the price of their licenses.

In spite of an possible expedition, I was engaged in this work for 21 days.
On the 17 th I went to Malbaie and visited Barachois River, which I ascended to the
distance of 3 miles from the sea. At this place there are falls 10 feet high. Some feet below, Mr. Duncan Robinson has built a mill dam, and this dam being an insuperable ob: stacle to the passage of salmon, he had attached to it last year a migration pass which the spring ice had carried away, but which he promised me would be replaced as soon as the water should be a little lower; for as the waters were at the period of my visit, it was im: possible to work at the dam.

This Barachois River is narrow and in some parts shallow, but the water is very clear. No salmon nets are'set in it. All the apparatus used for catching this fish is placed on the outer bank.

On the 18th we entered Gaspe Basin, where we remained till the 25th. During this period I granted licenses for the fisheries of the rivers St. John, South West, North West and of the Peninsula.

I fined a fisherman, on the North West river, and confiscated his net for having setit coutrary to lavs.

There were at that time in Gaspe Basin many ships, briss and schooners, some from Europe with goods and salt, and some employed in the fisheries.

The French frigate La Pomone was also there; her commander, Ie Marquis de Chavance de Montagoac, was on a visit to Canada, and his vessel was there waiting for him: The inhabitants of Gaspé gare a hearty and friondly weleome to the officers and crev of the frigate, who on their part were so polite and hospitable, while the sailors, when ashore, be. haved themselves so well that all felt sincerc regret at their departure.

On the 25th I stopped a few hours at Douglastown, and the next day, I went ashore at Grand River.

I leased the fisheries of this river and those of Little and Great Pabos Rivers; and on the 27 th I went to Port Daniel, where I likewise gave licenses to the fishermen of the place.

## On the 28 th we dropped auchor in Paspébiac Harbour.

In all the rivers I had just visited, with the exception of those of the South-West and North-West, salnon fishing had produced but ordinary results. On the contrary, cod was abundant on the shores.

In Paspebiac Harbour I found the uaval number of vessels belonging to the firms of Robin and Le Boutillier.

I was told that the fitting out for the codishery on the North shore was on a larger scale than in previous years.

On the 29th we anchored at Bouaventure, where I at once laid down the limits of the salmon fisheries in the river; and in accordance with the instructions received to that effect, marked the limits of places set aside for salmon spawning grouads. The lower Jimit is opposite Duval River, and the upper one at the head of the stream. I visited the - Indians at their camp, and forbade them to fish in the river higher up than the limit of Duval River, to which order they promised obedience.

On the 1st of July we went to New Richmond whicre I met Mr. Dinoock, overseer of the Cascapediac and Bonaventure Rivers, and from him and from Mr. Charles Coal; ob: taincd the following information rospecting the two rivers of Cascapediac.

The Grand Cascapediac takes its rise in a lake of the same name, of about two miles in length by a mile and a-half in breadth. This lake is about 75 miles from the month of the river, and is fed by a little river, which may be considered as the main river Cascapediac, and takes its rise in the Clichac mountains, about 30 miles inland.

At two miles below the lake, the river Cascapediac is ouly twenty yards in breadth. From that place, it widens by degrees, till it reaches at its mouth a breadth of about five hundred yards. There arc no falls on this river, but a great number of rapids, which nevertheless do not prevent it from being navigable for wooden and bark canoes. The water is very clear and limpid. Numerous islands, covered with the finest trees of the country, such. as clm, ash, maple, white and red birch, and beech, all stowing upon alluvial soif, are met with in almost the whole of its course, and together with its shores sometimes steep, sometimes geatly sloping, and covered with rich grass, contribute to make this river one of the most
 tance. On its banks, which are covered with one of the richest soils, timber of the most precious hind is found-yellow pine, cedar, tamarack, sprace, apd birch, which have
giren rise to a considerable luniber trade for above fifty years past. The fisheries hare, since the settlement of the country, become highly notel, and it is known that the salmon exported frum the river is the finest in Canada. It appears that salmon do not go as high as Lalie Cascapediac to sparn. It is true they have been seen in Miner's Brook, a stream which falls into Cascapediac River, very near to the lake, but more frequently in the creeks and pools where the water is deep and still, at 3,6 and 7 miles further down, there they are found in great number, and choose farorable places to deposit their ora. Mr. Coal. one of the inhabitants of New Richmond, and who knows the river best, told me he had seen there hundreds of salmon in the act of spawning, and when he returned in a few days he could see at the bottom of the water the gravel partly corered with eggs.

This river is in every respect very favourably situated for the preservation and propagation of salmon, and with the protective ssstem enforced and followed up for the last few gears by the Government, we may expect that the salmon in this river will increase tenfold during the next twenty years. I must add also that the trout there is very large, of fine guality, and very abundant.

As it may be important to excursionists, who might be tempted to ascend this interesting river during the fine summer season, to possess an accurate knowledge of places situated on its banks, I will gire a list of the most remarkable spots, with the respective distances from its mouth.


Salmon Branch is a tributary of the Cascapedia, and takes its rise west of the Chicchac Mountains. It runs towards the East and joins the principal branch at the abovementioned place. I could not positively ascertain if much salmon ascended it; nevertheless, from its name, it must be inferred that it now does or formerly did abound with fish.

It is less considerable than the main branch.. Little Cascapediac River rucs parallel to the Grand, and at the distance of only about four or six miles Eastwards; but it is far from being of the importance of the former. There are but few salmon seen in it, but, on the other hand, plenty of trout.

Its two branches unite at twenty-two miles from its mouth. The following are the best known places, with their distauce from the sea.


The spawning grounds for salmon as well as trout, are a little above the fork formed by the junction of the two rivers, and erea extend as far as Mill Brook.

This river also takes its rise in the Chicctac Mountains.
These twoffiee rivers, the Grand and Little Cascapediac, fall into the fine bay of the same name, which is not less than nine miles in breadth, and on the shores of which are the tro important parishies of New Richmond and Maria.

After having giseo licenses to the New Richimond fishermen, I laid down the linits of the spawning gruands in cach river, and instructed Mr Dimock to place stakes to indiade to Indian fishermen the limits of such grounds, at the same time, I gave notice of what had been done by notices which were read to the Indians and posted in different placee.

On the $2 d$ of July, I leased the salmon fishery at Maria ; on the 3 d I did the same thing at Carleton, and on the 4th on the Canadian side of the Ristigouche. Nowhere did I meet with any difficulty. There did not seem to be much salmon fishing in Cascapediac River and in the Bay of Carleton ; it was better in Ristigouche River.

In Chaleurs Bay, cod had not been scen in as large quantities as in preceding years, and it may be"said that up to this date, the codishery had been but middling; whilst the herring fishery had been almost everywhere very successful.

Having brought to a close all my business in this locality, I steered my vessel towards Perce, where we anchored on the morning of the 6th, and left that place two hours after. wards, bound for the North shore of the Gulf, where we arrived the next day. The fol. lowing day we anchored at the river St. Joln, the salmon fisheries of which I took tro days to rent. Salmon bad been more abundant than ever, and the fishermen had already secured double the quantity of previous years.

The oversecr of the river, Mr. Joseph Beaulieu, had, a fev days before, ascended the river up to thirty miles from its mouth, and had found all the fishing apparatus set according to law. Nerertheless, I had to fine two parties from St. John for having fished in the estuary, one without license, the other with a net too near his neighbour. On the 10th we touched at Long Point and on the 11th at Mingan.

On the St. John's shoals, codfishing, which had commenced three weeks previons, had given very satisfactory results. Caplin and sand-eel were abundant near the shores. On the Mingan shoals fish was not so abundant.

On the 11th we started for Natashquan, which, place owing to easterly winds; we could not reach before the morning of the 13th.

The first thing I had to occupy myself with at this place, was a complaint lodged by Mr. Edouard De Laparrelle, against Edward Quigley, junior, and others, for theft of goods from a wrecked vessel. I issued a search warrant, and my constables found the goods in Quigley sevior's vessel. I immediately caused him to be arrested with his accomplices, and I had them brought on board. On the days following, I took the depositions of several persons who had had knowledge of the affair, and as proof was not wanting against the accused, I issued a warrant of commitment against them, which warrant was putinto the hands of one of $m y$ constables.

The prisoners were to be carried on board La Cianadienae to Perce jail, the nearest place from the locality where the offence had been committed.

Two other cases came before me : Paul Vignault against Samuel Foreman. The latter was accused of having fished in the limits of the salmon fishery of Mr. Vignault, who had taken a license from the Government for the same. It was proved that the offence had been committed. The defendant was sentenced to pay a fine of twenty dollars, and $I$ confiscated his net which had been used in the perpetration of the offense, and a barrel and three-quarters of saimon taken therein. The sccond case was that of Robert Stanley against Samuel Foreman, the same case as the precediag. Judgment, twenty dollars fine. These two sums were immediately paid.

In Natashquan Harbour a number of schooners were engaged in codfishing, which, this year, had been more successful than ever. A greater quantity of fish had never been seen on the shores. Mr. De Laparrelle's schooners had taken during many consecutive days from 12 to 17 draughts (a draught weighs 238 lbs .) and, the fish is weighed only when the head and intestines have been removed, that is to say, when it has been been reduced one-fourth of its entire weight. In all the fishing establishments the stakes, bent under the weight of the thousands of fish placed on thera to be dried by the sun.

Unfortunately the weather had been very unfavourable for these operations since the beginning of the fishing season; rains and fogs had been very frequent, and but a few hundred quintals of codfish lad been stored with safcty in the proper hangars, after laving undergone all the process of preparation. Tt was always hoped that they would have had westerly winds, and that then they would have had dry weather and a warm sun, this being for our fishermen the most propitious weather for the drying of codfish.

On the evening of the 16 th $\pi e$ prepared to sail, in order to carry the prisonets to Perce, which place we reached on the evening of the $19 t \mathrm{~h}$, when Quigley and his accomplices were pat ashore and lodged in jail.

The nexi dny ve started for Gaspe, where we dropped anchor on the 21st. In
those places, which I had previously visited, and where I had collected much information public order and tranquillity had not been ence disturbed.

Codfishing, although very suecessful in the beginning of the season, had diminished during the previous week; ou account of the scarcity of bait, capelin having become scarce, and squid which is one of the most tempting bait for codfish, not having yet made its appearace. The weather had been very rainy.

On the 23 rd I had to take into consideration, at Gaspé, a good many cases of desertion of sailors from an English schooner, the Electra, Willian Vesey, master of the said shooner, being the complainant. Four of his sailors, on proof of their guilt and on their refusimg to retarn to their vessel, were, in virtue of the Imperial Act, sentenced by we, three to six weeks, and the other to four weeks iniprisonment. They were kept on board under charge of one of my constables, and, on the next day I carricd them in La Cañadieme to Percé jail. All the fishing apparatus had been taken up in the Gaspe Rivers, aud the fishing had been very remunerative. About the same time, the fishing orerseer ai Malbaie reported that Mr. Ioobinson had caused to be constructed a fishway, according th the requirements of the law, on his mill-dam, in Barachois River.

On the $\mathbf{5}$ th we started for a second visit to the North shore of the River St. Lawrene, and were enabled on the next day to reach Moisie River, in spite of a very thick lis.

Godfishing in this locality hat produced the best results, sinec the sth of June. Such a guantity of tish had never been seen on the shores of Moisie lbay, and especially opposite the mouth of the river.

During a few weeks fishing, buats had often been seen returning to the harbour, after only four or five hours fishing, with from 100 to 1000 codfish of the finest quality.

Salmon fishing was not less successful; and according to all the fishermen of the neighbourhood, Mr. Holliday had never made so much profit with the river as this year.

Some breaches of the fislicry laws had been reported to me. A fisherman, residing at Moisic, was fincd cight dollars for having taken Salmon and Trout in Mr. Holliday's limits. A cod-fisherman was likewise fined five dollars for having thrown fish offal into the river. Many other fishermen, according to the overseer's statement, had been guilty of the same offence, and complaints were laid against them by Mr. Chisholm; but as it was inpossible to obtain proof of their guilt, they wree aequitted.

The master of the schooner "Sca-Slipper;" from Halifix, had, duang many weeks, orenly violated the fishery law in -Moisie River, by throwing fish offal into the water where his vessel was anchored; and this stranger deserved an exemplary punishment, having, the year previous, being guilty of a simur offence. But he had left a few weeks before my arrival at Moisic, probably to return to his port of out-fit, at Halifax. I, nevertheless, kept a note of the complaint laid against him, for the chance of falling in with him somewhere during the trelve months following the day of the offence, intending to punish him as he deserved.

On the morning of the 28th, I visited the standing deep water fishing apparatus, set during the past two years, by Mr. D. Tétu, on the Moisic bank. This year it was placed across Pointe de Bois, at more than a mile from the mouth of the River Moisie, and became aground of complaint to Mr. Holliday against the proprictor, on account of salmon having been taken in it. I have thought proper to reserve it for the consideration of the Honorable the Commissioner of Crown Lands; and with this view, I will give a description of the said fishory.

It is composed of a net set perpendicular to the shore, but not touching it (it may be about one hundred and twenty yards distant from it), and it is three to four hundred teet in length extending seaward. At the termination of this is the fishery; which is composed of a series of chambers composed of nets of two, three and four inch meshes, opening one into the other. It is in these chambers that the fish beingstopped in their course by the cross net get caught, as they believe that by going outwards, and at the same time following the net, they will cscape the snares set with such skill by the fishermen.:

Resching the last chamber which is the largest, the fish of whatever kind, are really imprisoned; the opening which communicates with the preceding chamber being made in the form of a funnel, the nariow part of whicl is turned towards the lait chamber which
if a few individuals may chance to find, they swim about for a while but always get back into the last. It is to be remarked that all the lower yart of these chambers is made of net fixed to the bottom of the sea, and so well joined to the sides of the chambers that the fish can find no other outlet than the communication between them.

These chambers being from fifty to sixty feet in diameter, the fish when not in very large quantities, can swim casily in them, and live in them during many days, and even weeks, and they have a great advantage over the fisherics in which the fish are caught by the meshes of the nets, because in the latter they very soon die of suffocation; the threads of the meshes pressing so heavily upon the throat that the muscles, giving motion to the gills, cannot work, and the act of respiration is stopped. And if they are not very soon unmeshed, at least during the twenty-four hours following their capture, they spoil, and will not keep, cyen in the strongest pickle.

When the fish in the last chamber are to be removed, the door of communication with the other chambers is closed, by means of a cord; then with pullies the bottom is raised, and they are taken out with large mesh-scoop nets which are drawn out a moment afterwards full of all the kinds of fish frequentiug the places where the apparatus I am speaking of are sct.

This fishery is evidently very ingenious, and works well ; but it is very expensive, and to be well set and able to resist the sea, it reçuires a considerable apparatus of cables and large anchors. When I visited Mr. Tetu's fishery, he had already taken in it from fifty to sixty thousand codfish, exclusive of herring and other fish.

On the 28 th in the afternoon we dropped anchor near Cape Charles, situated at a distance of 15 miles, castward of the River Moisic. We had been called there to give help to the schooner" Gleaner," belonging to the firm of LeBoutillier and Brothers, which had been wrecked during the night of the 26th, on the reefs of Cape Charles Point.

During the cvening I went with Captain Bernier and seven men on board the "Gleaner," and found her in a very dangerous position ; nevertheless, we prepared to go on board again the next morning at high tide, to try and float her by throwing all her ballast overboard, intending then to tow her into a safe harbour. But we had not calculated on a storm. Indeed, we were hardly on board our own vessel, when an easterly wind sprang up, a thick for completely concealed the shore; and the next day, our anchoring place being no longer sieltered from the easterly winds, we were obliged to make sai!. It was only on the following day that we could approach the land. We were then off Jersimis River, and soon after we anchored at the entrance of Outarde Bay, from which, place I went in a canoe to the post at Bersimis:

I remained three days at this place, taking the census of the inhabitants of this important station and of the ncighbouring posts, and also collecting useful information on the fisheries of these localities, it being the first time I had been there.

It is known that Bersimis is one of the Hudson's Bay Company's trading posts, and is inhabited by no less than seven hundred Indians. The buildings are a fine Catholic church, the house and stores of the post, and about ten houses which the Indians have built. The greater part of them still live in bark tents, which they fold and carry with them in the fall when they begin their wandering excursions in the interior to hunt for furs.

There is a resident priest at Bersimis, the Reverend Father Arnaud, missionary to the Montagnais Indians for the north shore of the River and Gulf of St. Lawrence.

During summer the Indians hunt such game of all kinds as visit every year the shores of the Gulf, principally the harbour scal, with the fat of which they make the seal oil of commerce; and sell it cither to theHudson's Bay Company, or to traders from Iower Cabada or the Lower Provinces.

Bersimis River is very well stocked with fish; salmon are seen by hundreds. But nobody fishes in it with nets, the strong currents, great depth of the kiver, and moving sand banks found at its mouth, affording no facility to set nets under favorable conditions for catching salmon.

According to all the informatinn I received, the Indians had observed the Fishery regulations.

At noon on the first of August, we left Bersimis, and in the evening anchored at Godbout. The next day I saw Mr. Blais, the oversecr, and with much satisfaction
larued from him that, in the whole of his division, not a single clause of the Fisherics Act liad been violated. This I consider to be a satisfactory result, especially after the dificulties we had had with the Indians.

On the same day, I went to Trinity and to the Ragged Islands, near Pentecost River, aud received favorable reports as to the order and tranquillity prevailing there. In these tro places, our fishermen had had but little success in the cod-fishery.

No American schooners fitted out for the mackerel fishery had yet been seen on tho north shore; they would have done nothing, the fish having scarcely been seen.

On the Brd, I went ashore at Cape de Chatte, where I examined the mill-dam built about six miles from its muath, and found that a fishway had been constructed on it; with a good flow of water, over which the salmon and trout can ascend without much difficulty. Mr. Joseph Landry, one of the neighbouring farmers, assured me that he had seen, a few weeks before, a full grown salmon a mile and a half above the dam, which had ascended by means of the fish-way. There seemed no doubt whatever that before the end of the seasoi, the spaivning grounds of this pretty river will be corered with salmon, depositing their ova, and that before many years are past, there will be as many fish as formerly. We have the more reason to anticipate this favorable result that according to the report of Mr. Roy, magistrate of the locality, no salmon have been this year taken in the River of Cape de Chatte, either with the spear or by any other unlawful means.

Walking along the banks of the River of Cape de Chatte to reach the above mentioned mill $\cdot$ dam, I could not help noticing the fine meadows, and the fine fields of wheat, oats and barley I went through. Really, one is astonished to find at such a distance from the centre of the country, and in a locality which within a few years was comparatively unknown, and believed to be generally unfit for cultivation, so rich a soil, covered with splendid forsts where all the best kinds of timber are found, and abelimate which; if not milder than that, is at least as good as that of the parishes near Quebec.

The parishes of Cap de Chatte and of St. Anne des Monts, six miles below, with their thousands of acres of land on the road leading from the settlement on Cape de Chatte River to that of Matane, offer a wide and profitable field for colonization. It must be borne in mind that there is a carriage road along the River St. Lawrence between Rimouski and St. Anne des Monts. The distance from Quebee to Rimouski is 150 miles, from limouski to Matanoc 50 miles, and from thence to St. Anne des Monts 45 miles.

In the afternoon of the 4 th, I went to St. Anne des Monts. I met there the salmon fishermen, and grauted them licenses for the fishing stations in the River St. Anne. The Fishery laws have been well observed in this loculity. Salmon had been more abundant there last year, while codish had been seen on the shores only in small quantities. The mackerel had made its appearance a weck before, but not in large numbers. Up to this date only three American schooners had been seen in the coast. The whole of the 5th, I employed in visiting the settlements at Mont Louis and on Magdalen River. At the former place the boats had caught only 40 or 60 quintals of cod, and mackerel was only just arriving. A good deal of land is under cultivation in the vale of Mont Louis, and I saw sphendid standing grain.

This small parish, numbering at the most trenty-five inhabitants, has during the yenr had, an excellent school, kept by Miss Blais, who teaches forty-five children. I had an opportunity of obscrving both that the mistress has a'superior method, and that the scholars were intelligent and generally proficient, considering the short time the school had beeu established. It plainly appcared that Mlle. Blais had fulfilled her duties very carefully.

It is to be hoped that the example set by the inhabitauts of Mont Louis will be followed by others, and that more schools will be established in other localities of the District of Gaspe where there are none, and where the population is large enougin to bear the expense of good schools.

Whilst at Magdalen, after liaving given licenses for all the salmon stations there, I proceeded ijto try two parties accused of having illegally set nets in the river, and on proof Ifined them \$5 each. Three American schooners, fitted out for mackerel fishing, were in Maydilen Harbour, the first that had been seen.

On the 6th, I visited Grand Valley, Grand Etang, Fox River, and Griffin Cove. No complaints were made in any of these places.

1. was told that the cod fishing which hat given splendid results at the beginning of the se:son, in quality as well as in quantity, had becoue bad since the middle of July.

The seareity of small fish, (capelin and launce,) to bait the lines with, was specially complained of ; and it is a fact to be particularly borue in mind that they cannot be dispeused with ; because, to use our fishermen's expressiou, "no bait, no Codfish."

Very few American schooners hald been seen in these waters siace the beginning of the summer.

On the 7th, having stopped at Cape des Rosiers and at Grand Grave, the schooner anchored in liaspe liasin.

Up to this date, codfishing had been rather unsuccessful in Gaspe Bay, but as there were a great number of persons employed in this branch of industry, there were everywhere to be secn thoussunds of quiatals of cod fish set on the stakes to dry. The firm of Fruing © Co., of Grande Grave, had for their own share, 13,000 quintals for foreign exportation, especially for the markets of Cadiz, Naples, and Civita Vecchia.

It being during the dull season, there were then in the harbour of Gaspe but 11 ves. sels, 1 brig, 3 bringutiacs, and 7 schooucrs, one of which was from tho Magdalen Islands, with a cargo of dried codifish fur sale.

We were kept at Gaspé Basin till the lilth, aud on thatdate we reached Percé.
On the $12 t h, 1$ visited the fishing establishments of the island of Bonaventure, where the fishermen had, up to the beginning of July, met with great success in the neighboring waters. After that date, bait had become very scarce, which deficiency had very seriousiy affecicel the colfishing. The cod did not fail near the shore, and the squid having appeared for a few days previous to my visit, there had been excellent fishing.

Immediately after my return to Caspé, Mr. Tilly, Coroner of the county, came before me and Jaid a complaint against George Girard, of Mallbaic.

He was accused of having fired a gun loaded with shot at a certain Joseph Gauthier, of the parish of I'Tslet, which shot had hit the said Gauthier in the breast and killed him instantly. An inquest had been held on the victim's body, and a verdict of accidental death rendered.

Subsequcntly, public opiuion was strongly moved by this unhappy event, and $I$ was cagerly pressed to make coquiry into the circumstances, which had preceded and accompauied Giauthier's death. This I resolved to do with the assistarice of Mr. Harper, Clerk of the Pance at lecree, and the Coroner, who had come in good time to lay his information before me, as the Criminal Comrt was to open the next day, and Girard might appear before the Grand Jury, as well as the witnesses who had any knowledge of the affair.

Immediately after I had taken down Mr. Tilly's deposition, "La Canadienne" got under way, and during the night we renched Malbaic.

A few hours afterwards my constables arrested Girard. I caused the witnesses, who might be of some use in thic cause, to be brought from Point St. Pierre, and the next morning sent them in a boat, in charge of Capt. Bervier, to Perce. I arrived myself during the afternoon, in "La Canadienne." In thie morning we had a dead calm.

The Court had been sitting since the morning, engaged with the case of Joseph Hunson. Capt. Beruier and some of my sailors were called as witnesses. The Grand Jury found a "True Bill" against Hunson. But the Petty Jury, in spite of the most convineing proof, the Judge's charge, and the prisoncr's own confession before me; at the Magdalen Isliands, in my capacity as magistrate, acquitted the man, to the great surprise of all who had witucssed the c:ase, and heard the depositions.

As to George Girard, the depositions given before the Grand Jury established that he had killed Gauthier by the shot of a gun which accidentally went off and struck the latter, and that previous to the fital accident there never had been any quarrel or hatred between Girard and Giuthicr ; consequently, the Jury found "No Bill" against Girard, who was immediately set at liberty.

This business being concluded, we started on the afternoon of the 15th for the north shore of the Gulf.

On the next day, I stopped at Shallop. Creck, in thic Island of Anticosti, and at night auchored near the eastern point. L took the census of the inhabitants of those two places, and ascertained that there had not been any shipwrecks on the shores of the island since the spring.

Salmon fishing in the rivers had been less successful than the year previous, and the gicla a little smaller than usual.

Having left Anticosti on the morning of the 7 th, we arrived on the same day in Kegnsea Bay, on the north shore of the Gulf of St. Lawrence.

On the 1Sth, I took the census of this place, and at the same time visited the fishing establishments.

In the spring, the cod fishing, which constitutes the main occupation of the inhabitants of Kegasca, had not given half the product of the neighbouring post of Natashquan, and Kegasca banks, which are a continuation of those of Natashquan, seemed also on the point of being abandoned by the cod.

Fortunately, during a tew weeks it was more productive, and, on the aight preceding our arrival, the boats had come in with 5 to 6 drafts of codfish each.

On the same day I went to Musquaro, and on the next anchored in Wapitigun Harbour.

On the 20th I visited Etamamu Riser, and in the evening went in a small boat to the Island of Watagheistic.

On the 21st I continued my journey in the boat, and went to the River Metagamu, where "La Canadienne" came to pick me up; we then touched at Little Mecatina and at Whale's Head, and in the evening, the wind being very favorable, we continued our royage, couing to an anchor the next morning at l'Anse aux Blanes Sablons.

At all those places where I had stopped, no occurrence had troubled the quiet and munotuous existence of the inhabitants. Cod as well as salmon fishing had given results sufficiently satisfactory. Two foreign schooners had visited those shores.

The duties of my office and those imposed upon me by the taking of the census, detiined me up to the 29 th in l'Anse aux Blancs Sablons and in Bradore Bay.

As in the preceding years, I visited all the posts, and tried to collect useful information respecting the fisheries.

There never had been seen a greater quantity of cod than this yoar in that part of the Strait of Belle Isle. Summer fishing had begun on the 20th June, and closed on the 2sth July; and, consequently, had lasted 44 days. But out of those 44 days, on account of the bad weather, our fishermen could fish but thirty-four, and I may give anidea of the enormous quantity of cod caught in the neighborhood of l'Anse aux Blancs Sablons, either by our own fishermen or by those of the Nova Scotia schooners, by stating that 33 boats cmployed at l'Isle il Bois by Mcssrs. Je Boutillier \& Bros., during that time caught $405,257 \mathrm{cod}$.

Here follows the result of three days consecutive fis' 'ng by these boats:


Many of these schooners had taken as many as 2,400 codfish in a single day.
Must we not, in vicwing this abundant harvest, collected in so short a period and in so large a field of such fertility (the Gulf of St. Lawrence), and which is produced without any outlay, must we not, I say, thank Providence which provides with so generous a hand a supply for the numerous and continuous wants of man?

What an immense quantity of alimentary substance is contained in these 408,000 codifish, taken in 34 days by 66 men!

And what a noble provision they form when dried in the sun by a process as simple as it is casy, for the foreign countries and warm climates, as well as for the coldest; what mealth and what a fine and unceasing resource for our Canada, which possesses this large extent of sea shores, abounding every year with innumerable shoals of such fine varieties of fish!

On the 29th I visited the fishing establishment of Belles Amours, Middle Bay and Five Leagues, and on the evening we dropped anchor at Bonne Espérance.

The codfishery had been very unsuccessful in these places, especially on the banks of

Belles-Amours, those of Middle Bay and Five Leagues; the most successful boats having then caught but 40 quintals.

Ferring was not seen in great quantity. I was engaged the whole day of the 30 th in visiting the River St. Paul and the fishing establishments of Bonne Esperance.

The lessec of the St. Paul River, Mr. Chevalier, had not succeeded so well as the year before with his salmon fishery, and the fishermen complained of the little success of their summer's labor, which they attributed to castcrly winds which had prevailed since spring.

Herring had not yet been seen in these localities.
In the afternoou I visited the Brulec and Vicux Fort lsland establishments. At these places fishermen had not been more successful than at Bonne Esperance.

Bad weather obliged us to lie the whole day of the 30th under shelter of Herbee Island.

On the 1st September we started early in the morning.
I visited in my boat the lBay des Rochers and Napitippi River, and afterwards went to Chicataca, where I met my schooner, and in the evening we proceeded to St. Augustin.

On the 2 nd I continued my visit to the Posts; I stopped at Paccachoo; Whale's Head, and Kikapoë, and on the uext day I brought to a close my north shore journey by risiting the fishing establishments of La Tabatiere, Baie Rouge (Red Bay), and La Baio des Moutons (Sheep Bay).

At this last place, as well as at the posts I had visited the previous days, codfishing had produced only middling results.

Morcover, the population inhabiting this part of the north shore incline rather to fall seal fishing, with standing nets made with meshes of very strong thread, than to other fisheries in use on the shore.

During the fall of 1861, seals did not fail to make their periodical visit to the galf of St. Larrence, passing through the Straits of Belle Isle.

As usual, they had come near the shores and passed along in large herds; the fishermen would have made one of the most successful scasons, had it not been for the severe cold which impeded and nearly interrupted their labor.

It is known that this fishery is followed in the month of December, and is sometimes continued till the first of January. In spite of all that, Mr. Buckle, of La Tabatiere, had caught 700 of these amphibious animals, but his fishing is the best and most productire of the whole shore. The product of other fishermen varied between 50 and 250 seals.

These fall seals are most of them large animals, and the thick coat of blubber covering their body gives them a value of from cight to sixteen dollars each.

By this it is seen that scal fishing as practised on the Labrador coast is an important branch of industry.

1 had just visited the most important posts of a great part of the North shore; my duties as Census Commissioner had compelled me to see a large number of families.

I had, more than ever, been in relation with the inhabitants of the North shore; and I arrived at the conviction that, with the exeeption of two complaints laid by Mr. Boudrault, lessec of the River Kegaska, against parties for having fished in his limits without leare, the fishery law had been well observed, especially the clauses relating to salmon fishing. True friends of Canada, and all those having at heart the prosperity of the Canadian fisheries, will be pleased to learn these happy results which portend for our salmon fisheries a most brilliant future.

Having terminated our visit to the North shore, we left Baie des Moutons on the 5th bound to the Magdalen Islamds, and after a stormy crossing we anchored at Bryon'sisland on the 7 th.

Mr. John White, the lessec of this island, so famed for its fine pasture grounds, cxcellent meat, and fine butter, gave me the following information:

Codfishing had been most abundant at Bryon, as well as at Bird's island, during the whole season. Mackerel had appeared in the early part of July. About fifty Ainerican schooners had stopped there the whole of the summer to fish, with good success, and on the day of our arrival, a schooner under sail had caught a dozen barrels.

On the 8th we went to Havre aux Maisons. During the months of July and Aagust, mackerel fishing in Plaisnnce Bay, with the line, had been very prodactive to the inhabit-
ants of this port; some of their boats had caught as much as thirty barrels and even more. The wind being from the West, there were about 80 American schooners anchored under shelter of Entry island, all engaged in mackerel fishing. They had fished since the month of Jaly off the shores of the Magdalen islands, but although, gencrally speaking, successful enough, they would not realize large profits from their voyage, because their fish was not all of first rate quality, and would bring only a very low price in the Halifax and Boston markets.

At 1'Etang du Nord, codfishing had continued to be very productivo since my last visit.

On the 9th we anchored in Amherst Harbour.
On the South side of the island, fishing was still giving profitable returns.
The schooners from Amberst, as well as those from Havre aux Maisons, had come back to their fitting-out ports, having made very productive voyages on the North shore; they had all returned loaded, after an absence of rather more than two months and a-half, some of them had even gone away to the North shore for herring fishing.

On the 10th I was engaged in hearing one of the two cases postponcd in the spring: Alesandre Cormier vs. Pierre Briant. Witnesses on both sides having been heard, judgment was rendered on the next day in favor of the defendant.

A suit of the same complainant against Alexandre Belleau could not be heard, the defendant being confined to bed by a serious wound in the foot. He has since died.

I had also to send my constables to Grindstone Island to arrest a person charged with a serious offence. The arrest was effected without any difficulty, but shortly afterwards the prisoner managed to escape; favored by a wood near to the spot where the arrest had takeu place, and where it would have been useless to follow him. But I did not lose the hope of taking him by surprise on my nest trip to the islands (In fact the individual in question was afterwards arrested and brought on board).

On the 12th I was engaged hearing a complaint for assault; the accused was inmediately bound over to keep the peace.

On the ciening of the 13th we left Amherst Harbour for Prince Edward Island; and on the 15th anchored at Rustico, on the North shore of the island.

Istopped at Rustico, a large parish inhabited by descendants of Acadians, and situated on the shores of Rustico Bay, in conformity with instructions received from the Hon. Mr. Vankoughnct, to take on board of " La Canadienne" thic families of this parish disposed and ready to cmigrate to the Township of Metapediac, in the County of Bonaventure, and to carry them to the mission, on Ristigouche River, from which place they would have only fiften miles, by a fine road, to reach the new Acadian settlements, situated at the confuence of the Ristigouche and Metapediac Rivers, in the said Township of Metapediac.

There I had the pieasure of meeting at the Presbytery the Reverend Mr. Belcourt, the celcbrated Red Eiver wiul Western Missionary.

This gentieman, who is engaged with the greatest zeal and devotion in improving the position of his parishioners, takes a great interest in the question of an Acadian emigration to Canada, and especislly in the emigration of the inhabitants of Rustico.

After having acknowledged the kind act of the Canadian Government towards the Acadians, in thus placing at their disposal one of its vessels to carry them, without any cost whatever, to the place where they desired to settle, Mr. Belcourt gave me the most uscful information regarding the object of my mission, but telling me at the same time that though many families were preparing to leave Rustico this ycar for Matapediac, nevertheless none of them were at that moment ready to embark. They were engaged in their harvest, and could not go before the beginning of November.

My instructions were to make two trips to Rustico, one in the spring and the other in the fall; I could not accomplish the one in the spring, on account of the many duties to be performed at that time at the Magdalen islands.

The parish of Rustico is situated on the shores of the Bay of the same name, and of the three rivers falling into it.

These rivers are of little importance; their course does not reach far into the interior of the islands; and although not navigable, they still form pretty large basins at their nouths. The centre of the parish ig at the church, which is built near the mouth of the middle
river upon an elevation from which is obtaincd a fine and extensive view of the gurrounding country. The soil of this part of Prince Edward island is of a reddish colour, sandy, and generally of good quality. Nevertheless, to have finc harvests, it must be often manured with mud taken from the beds of the rivers at their mouths, and with sea-weed.

All kinds of grain grow well, cspecially oats and vegetables; potatocs and turaips are also of a superior quality.

The population of Rustico is about 5,200 souls, of which above 2,500 are of Acadian origin. These, the first proprietors of the soil, formerly lived by fishing, lumbering and ship-building, rather than by farming, which, for a long time, they totally neglected.But the fisherics not yielding of late the same profits as formerly, and the forest being oxhausted, the ship-building yards have been closed, and the Acadians have abandoned their old pursuits, and now look to tillage as a means of subsistence. They set about it with great encrgy and resolution, and some of them have become excellent farmers.

But the population having considerably increased, found no room in the interior, all the lands around Rustico having been taken up by settlers from Great Britain. Some of the inhabitants went to the west part of the island, where there were still lands to be bought, but the greater part chose to remain on the lands settled by their ancestors; and it is easy to conccive what the consequences of this determination has been. Lots have been divided and subdivided between sons and grandsons, and at this moment the majority of the inhabitants of Rustico are obliged to live on small farns, which, by the hardest labor, strictest economy and best regulated conduct, hardly give subsistence to the families occupying them.

Besides, they have to pay a rent of one shilling sterling for each acre of land so occupied. It is known that the Aendians hold these lands under lease (Baux emphiyteotiques) from English capitalists.

These are the reasons which determined a great number of Acadian families from Rustico and other Acadian villages of the island to cmigrate to Canada last autumn.-Twenty-five families proceded to Metapedia-many others intend to follow very soon; and before five years are passed, if they are furnished with means of transport, from 1,500 to 2,000 Acadians of the Island of Prince Edward will have settled on the ßay of Chaleurs.

The Acadian population of Rustico, and generally of the other Acadian parishes of the island, are strong, laborious, very intelligent, and of amiable manoers and exemplary virtuc.

What a fine acquisition for the countics of the Ristigouche and Metapedia Rivers, where there are thousands of acres of land waiting only for settlers to make it the finest and richest part of the County of Gaspe!

Let subscription lists be opened throughout the whole of the country, and assistance given to the Acadians to help them to emigrate to Canada, and to subsist during the first years of their residence here ; especially let the wise and patriotic advice of the Rer. Mr. Belcourt be attended to-a man who has given proofs of so great a devotion to the Acidian cause.

I have spoken a little at leagth of the migration of the Acadians of Prince Edward Island to Canada, though this may be considered irrelevant to the subject of this report ; but it is of such importance to the future of our fisherics that the population of the District of Gaspe, both fishermen and agriculturists, should increase rapidly; that I have thought fit to give these details, which may be useful to intending settlers in Canada, as well as to the friends of colonization. 1 am led to do so, morcover, by the fact that in our cities, and gencrally all through Canada, the importance to our fisheries of settling the lands along the shores of the Gulf, and the tract which connects them with the main land of Canada, is but Tittle considered or understood.

On the 18th I returned on board "La Cabadienne." During my absence at Rustico, the schooner, which had not been able to enter the harbour for want of a sufficient depth of water on the bar, had been twice obliged to weigh anchor and stand out to sea, the wind which blew from the north and consequently full on the shore, baviog caused on the coast sach a heavy swell, that the schooner could not hold onany longer to her anchors. The second time we prepared to sail, the starboard anchor was held so firmly below (no doubt caught in rocks at the bottom) that in weighing it the chain broke at reven fathoms from the ring, and we lost it.

He started during the might, and haviug a fair wind, anchored at Paspebiac in the eveniug of the $19 t h$.

1 found only five vessels in the harbor, but many others were expected from Jersey and English ports, which had been freighted by Paspeliat firms to take in cargoes of roilfish.

Large quantities of cod had been hrought from the North shore, and it was expected that the exportation of dried cod from Paspebiac would be more considerable than ever.

The grain harvests had been very fine; potatoes, on the coutrary, had iu many places heen subject to rot, and the inhabitants of the const of Gaspe were, in part, deprived of this precious article of food.

On the 2 2nd I risited Bouaventure, and on the 23 rd, Carleton and the River Ristigouchic. On the $3+t h$, I went as far as Point Lagarde, with "La Canadienne;" the west wind would not allow us to go higher up the Ristigouche. While I went up the river in wie of my boats, I sent Capt. Bernier in the other to help the constable sent by Mr. Fair, Magistrate of the Tornship of Ristigouche, to carry into execution a summary judgment against five parties of the same locality, whom, up to this date, he had not dared to approach, on aecount of the threats they had made against him. The expedition succeeded admirably, the guilty parties were brought before Mi. Fair, and dealt with according to the rigor of the lar. I ascended the Ristigouche River up to its confluence with the River Matapediac, and from thence went to the new Acadian settlements. I had first to cross this lastnamed river, then after having kept close to the left shore for a mile, I took the new road which the Gorernment has opened for the Acadians, and which leads to their settlement, situate on an imuense tract of table-land, not less than six or eight hundred feet above the level of the waters of the Ristigouche River. The road is made on the side of a rarine, and this circunstance greatly facilitated its construction. The slope is easy of aiscent, so that loaded carts can go up without difficulty.

On reaching the table-land, situate between the two picturesque shores of the Ristigouche and Matapediac Rivers, accompanied by the Revd. Mr. Saucier, who had offered to go with me to the Acadian settlemients, we were struck with the fine appearance of the country. It was in the heart of a virgin forest, composed of the most valuable kinds of timber which Canada produced. The maple spread out its rich leares, (so dear to a Candian), already reddened by the fall frost. Black birch was to be scen, with its heavy trunk, its colossal proportions, and its knotty branches; and the cedar, towering above all other trees, shered that the soil mo which they grew and out of which they yere fed, was of the greatest richness.

The upper as well as the sub-soil of the whole country is of a yellowish colour and quite free from stones. It is of a great depth, and consequently will be of inexhaustible fertility.

Last spring, twenty families from Rustico were added to the five of the same parish already settled herc. I visited many of them, and learned thatithey were well satisfied with the country, that they had great confidence in the resources it offered to the setcler, aud that they hoped to realize a happy future both for themselves and for their children. I mas pleased to hear this, and so were all the friends of colonization to whom I communicated the fact ; because it gave us hoye that before long, with the assistance given by generous Canadians, friends of their country, we shall see this fine country bordering on the Ristigouche and Matapediae Rivers up to the lake of the same name, completely settled, and then the establishments of the Bay of Chaleurs will be released from the isolated position in which they now are from the want of good roads leading to the settlements of the Lower St. Lawrence, whilst the Acadians, attracted by the richnesss of the soil and the certainty of finding friends there, will come in by sea, and tiine surplus of the village population, and of the old paristies of the River St. Lawrence will also come in by the uew road which the Government has opened from St Flavie to Lake Matapediac. Goverament cannot be too highly commended and praised for having spentsuch large sums in opening colonization roads in the district of Gaspe, as well as on the Matapediac road, which is the great channel of communication by land between the River St. Lawrenco snd the Bay of Chaleurs.

The Government is well aware that in opening ronds for the settlers, it secures thereby the success of colonization.

On the same day I returned to board the schooner. On the $\because$ (6th we stopped at Dal. housie, and on the 27 th we dropped anchor at Carleton.

Salmon fishing in the River Ristigouche had been successful, specially on the New Brunswick side.

On the Canadian side no offence against the law had been committed.
On the contrary, in New Brunswick (it may be remarked here that the greater part of the course of the Ristigouche River belongs to that province) according to information received from Mr. Dugald Stewart, Collector at Dalhousic Port, himself a proprictor of a salmon fishery, the fishery regulations had often been violated by the white men, as wellas by the Indians, although not so often nor so openly as in previous ycars, owing in many places on the river to neglect on the part of the oversecrs appointed by the wagistrates of Dalhousie and Campbellton to watch their proceedings; these oversecrs, not being numerous enough, could not visit many places where the Indians went to fish with the spear during the night. Moreover, the old fishery regulations were still in force. The magistrates of the county, assembled in general session, had, it is truc, enacted wew and more stringent cnes; but, owing to some defect in the form, they could not receive the sanction of the Governor of the Province, and consequently had not been put in force. It was hoped, though, that they would soon become so, and distinct clauses were intended to be added, with the object of completing, as much as possible, the assimilation of the New Brunswick regulations with those of Canada.

It is certainly to be hoped that this result will be soon attained, and with the power now in the hands of the Magistrates of luth Provinces, to prosecute and arrest on both shores all parties acting contrary to the fishery laws, illegal salmon fishing in the Ristigouche as well as in its tributaries may be effectually prevented. And in this way, only, can the fisheries of this large and picturesque river, the most important of the whole of North America, be restored to their former prosperity.

In Mr. Cook's Division, there had been no contrarention of the fishery laws, nor in that of Mr. Dimock, of New Richmond, where I stopped on the 28th. We touched at New Carlishe on the 29 th, and on the 30 th reached Caraquctte. As soon as I reached that place, I took means to dredge for and take on board three hundred barrels of oysters, which I required to continue the artificial stocking of Gaspe Basin, which I had already commenced. The oysters had to be carried on board "La Canadienne" immediately after deing taken, and our load being completed, we had to proceed to Gaspe with the greatest possible speed.

For this purpose, I told Capt. Bernier to hire four large fishing boats, with which, on the 1st of October, he went to the oyster beds of Caraquette, situate about sis miles from the place where "La Crnadienne" lay. On reaching that place, he hired all the fishing boats he could get, and before night the three hundred harrels of oysters were raised by the dredge. At seven o'clock at night, the first loaded boat was alongside "La Canadienne;", the others soon followed. All the schooner's sailors then set to work with such zeal, that beford midnight, two hundred barrels of oysters had been shifted from the boats to the vessel's hold, by means of pails filled by wooden shovels and passed from hand to hand. Great precautions were taken to hurt the oysters as little as possible.

For the success of the work I had undertaken the year previous and was now continuing, it was important to lay on the new beds oysters having all their strength, and which had not been exposed to any accidents affecting their vitality. It is known that, when an oyster, having its shell injured, loses the liquor contained in it, which is necessary for its respiration, it soon dies. The remainder of the oysters were put on board on the morning of the 2nd. At noon, we weighed anchor, and left Caraquette Bay, farored with a light. westerly breeze. In the afternoon, we were detained some time by calm weather off Shippagan, but at night, a fair wind prevailed, and we started, full sail, towards Gaspe.

On the following day, in the morning, we arrived at the entrance of Gaspe Bay, where we were detained a few hours by calm weather; then there cane a north-west wind, with the aid of which we entered Gaspe basin at 5 p. m.

Early in the morning of the 4 th, $I$ caused the planting of the oysters to be commenced at Gaspe Basin, and in the neighborhood of the beds already made there. I conducted the operations in the following manner:-

Barrels of oysters were filled in the hold, (taking care not to spoil them), by means of
tackle they were hoisted on deck, from which they were put in a lighter, fastened alongside the schoouer. This being filled, (it held about fifty barrels), it was towed on the bauks set apart by me, and previously marked with buoys, then the oysters were emptied into the water, care being taken to constantly change the position of the barge, in order that the oysters ${ }^{2}$ might every where cover the bottom equally, and before the night was wer, two huudred barrels of oysters had been put into the water, in the manner already described.

On the $\overline{\text { then }}$, before ten in the morning, the remainder of the oysters had been laid on the beds, less fifteeu barrels, which I kept to try a new method of forming oyster-beds, which consisted in placing them on hurdes, which are sunk to the bottom of the water by means of heavy stoncs.

Capt. Beruier, who had conducted the work of transporting and placing the oysters, got a hurdle made of the required size, and after having covered it with the oysters kept in reserve, the whole was laid under water, and kept at the bottom in the manner above described.

It is scarcely necessary to mention that the places where these new oyster beds have been hiid are marked out with anchors and posts placed on Mr. Le Boutillier's farm, opposite the spot where they are situated.

These operations had been conducted under circumstances which give promise of certain sulecess. The oysters had been taken and placed on board the schooner with great care and with the least possible delay; the journey from Caraquette to Gaspe had been performed with rapidity in spite of calms and contrary winds; so that two hundred and uwenty barrels of oysters had been placed on the Gaspe Banks within 60 to 72 hours after learing the Bay of Caraquette and the remainder less than eighteen hours afterwards. My uperations had been attended with a better chance of success than in 1859, as experience had tiught we the precautions necessary to be taken to keep the oysters sound; those now phated had been less time out of their native element.

This being over, I proceeded to examine the oyster beds formed in 1859. I caused the grounds marked out by the anchors to be dredged, but the dredge, being suitable only fir il rucky bottom, was too light for that, and I did not succeed. Nevertheless, eighty "jsters, of which one-fourth were living, and seemed to be in the best possible condition, were drawn out of the bottom. They were fat, white and very fresh. They had lost nothing of the delicate taste of thi Caraquette oysters; far from it: we who tasted themsome of the principal people of Gaspe Basin and myself-found that they were, if not superior, at least equal to any other oysters. They seemed to have incrased in size.

Lobtained still more satisfactory results on the 9th of August, when I caused the sillie bankt to be dredged. Out of 40 ofsters which we fished up, 18 were living, and we fancied we saw small oysters on many of them, which showed that the act of reproduction hadd been aecomplished, alshough on a limited scale. It is very likely that, after having been moved and taken away from their natural place, and transferred to a strange bottom, where the soil is a little different from that on which they previously existed, ofsters, for the first year will reproduce only limited quantities.

But the most important fact to establish was this: can oysters live on some points of ulur shores? Well, this fact has been proved in a certain and authentic manner, since 15 ti 20 per cent. at least of the oysters placed in Gaspe Basin in 1859 have becn found living two years ifterwards.

And being alive, they are sure to reproduce. Nothing is easier for oysters, when in suitible places, as they are hermaphrodites.

My inpression is; that the reason why we found so little spat on the oysters, is that it fourd nothing to attach itself to, besides the oysters themselves, which are but few in number, and that a good deal was carried off by the current to other parts of Gaspe Bay

Tu obviate this, I iutend to cover the oyster beds with small branches of birch; which will be kept at the bottom by small stones.

The spat, issuing from the oyster; will attach itself to them by means of the viscid matter whicle encloses it at this period of its existence.

As to those I had pliced on a hurdle, the spat issuing from them will attach itself to the snall rolds fixed to the cross aticks, and they will not have to be covered with bratches.

Furthermore, by examining the oyster-beds evcry year, with a dredge adapted to the bottoms were they are laid, and observing carefully the condition of the different beds, it will be soon found which is the best system to adopt, in order to obtain the rapid development of the Gaspé artificial oyster grounds.

During this visit to Gaspe Basin, I was engaged in hearing a complaint of a captain against one of his sailors, who had been guilty of assaulting the second officer on board. The accused was brought before me, and the offence having been proved, he was condemned, in accordance with the Mercantile Marine Imperial Act, to be imprisoned for cight weeks, and I gave him in charge to one of my constables, till he could be taken to jail. Nothing else occurred during my visit to Gaspe Basin.

In the morning of the 9th, we set sail and in the night arrived at Perce. The prisoner was delivered to the jailor of the place, and during the night we started for Anticosti.

In the evening of the 10th, we dropped anchor under shelter of the light-house of the south-west point of the Island. I settled the question of the salmon fishery licenses of this Island with Mr. Corbett, in conformity with the instructions received to that effect; and as he is the representative of the proprictor of the Seigniory of the Island of Anticosti, I gave him a license for all the fisherics, except a small onc, on the shore, on the southwest bay, which Mir. Bossé had leased the ycur before.

The fishery regulations, especially those relating to salmon fisheries, had been strictly observed in the rivers of the Island.

On the same night we set sail towards Elis or Gamache Bay, where we arrived at noon the next day.

Taking the census was my only business there, and there was but one family, that of the keeper of the provision depot which the Government keeps there to relieve shipwrecked persons.

In the evening we touched at the light house at the west point of the island, and the keeper, Mr. Ballantync gave me the following information:

Codfish, which had been seen on the banks outside the light-house point, had been nore abundant this year than crer. They began to appear in the month of May, and were still plentiful.

American schooners had been able to obtain fall cargoes in the short space of from three to four weeks, and the Long Point fishermen from Mingan had also come there to fish before the cod madeits appearance on the North Shorc. But as the lessee of the island would not allow them to make permanent estallishments on the island, they were restricted to the beach, and obliged to build their huts and drying-houses with wood brought from the North Shore. It is much to be regretted by all who are interested in the prosperity of our sea-fisheries, that the Island of Anticosti, measuring 43 geographical miles in length by 11 in breadth; with 285 miles of shore, around which swarms at different seasons of the year codfish, mackerel, halibut and even herring, is not public property, or even that the Canadian fishermen should not have the liberty of making on the shores permanent establishments to be used in the taking and curing of the different kinds of fish above-named: the proprictors of the island not fishing themscives, and the lessee being engaged only in salmon fishing and hunting for furs. A part of the resources of this island are thus lost to the country. I feel sure that if our fishermen had been able to settle there without paying onerous ducs to the seigniors or to the lessec, this large island would have long since been iuhabited.

On the same night we left the west point of the island and stecred towards the north. We crossed Anticosti channcl in a short time, favoured with a strong south-east wind, increasing at cvery moment; but on reaching the north coast, we could not anchor on account of the heary swell on the shore. We hove to for the night. On the next day we had a strong gale from the cast, and consequently it was of no use to think of reaching Mingan; which was our destination. We were therefore under the necessity of seeking shelter in the Bay of Seven Islands, where we arrived at half-past twelre at night. Mr. Smith; the collector of the port, told me that more than 120 schooners, cither going for cargoes or to trade within the limits of the free port of Guspe to Labrador or Newfoundland; had come there to make their entry and get their clearance.

This was certainly a large number of yessels for the first yeur of the establishment of
the Port of Seven Islands, and from this circumstance we may foresee a great increase of the trade of the north shore of the Gulf of St. Lawrence and of Newfoundland with Canada.

Codfishing at Seven Islands had been successful with the fer vessels which had spent the summer there, as they had taken about 100 quintals each.

On the morning of the 14th, we went out of the Bay of Scven Tslands with a strong westerly brecze. My intention was to put in at the River Moisie, but on account of the heary sea, it was useless to think of it, neither could I visit the intermediate posts between that river and Mingan, the Sheldrake, Thunder and Magpic Rivers. The wind had freshened towards the middle of the day, and had become a regular gale, giving us a rery fast trip to Mingan, where we anchored at 9 p.m., having made 100 miles in 10 hours.

Four vessels were in the port of Mingan, loading dried codfish for foreign countries, principally for the firm of Rowin \& Co., and many other schooncrs or brigs had already left londed with cargoes of the same article. Mingan harbour is well located to be used as a eentre for the fish trade for the north shore, being easy of access and very safe for vessels of the largest tonnage; wood and water being also casily obtained. The Hudson's Bay Company keep an establishment there, with a store well stocked with goods and provisions of all kinds; and this harbour, which, until a few years ago, was used only by fishing and consting boats, promises to become, before long, a port of considerable importance; especillly if the increase in the fishing establishments on the north shore, between Mingan and Seven Islands, continue to grow at the same rate as during the last five years.

It is unuccessary to remark that salmon was abundant in Mingan River, as no nets had been set.

On the 16 th, we went to Esquimaux Point. The village built on that point already numbers 37 Acadian families, from the Magdalen Islands. There is a Catholic church and a resident priest, and it is intended to open a school there shortly. The fishermen of the place had been very successful since their establishment there. They are engaged in scal hunting on the floating ice of the Gulf of St. Lawrence, the cod and the herring fisheries. There are no large fisheries near Esquimaux Point, but the harbour is excellent, and fresh water as well as wood are found in abundance. This village mast increase mapidly, if the fisheries continue to be as good as they have been for a few years past.

On the 17th, an easterly wind began to blow, and foreed us to abandon the idea of soing to Natashquan, which I had intended to visit. We, therefore, returned to Mingan, and towards the cvening, anchored at Long Point, where my services had been required.

In fact, a complaint for robbery, and another for receiving stolen goods, were, the nest day, haid before me by Mr. Hamilton. I immediately issucd warrants for the arrest of the parties accused; and they were brought on board. In their presence I took the depositions of many persons who possessed some knowledge of the case, and who proved the charge against the prisouers. The theft being of an article of small value, I was willing to admit them to bail, and it was only on their refasal to produce sufficient securities, that I committed them to Perce Jail. to be from thence transferred to that of Quebec.
'Towards night, another complaint was laid before me, for assault and battery. The accused was brought on board, but it being rather late, I could not settle the case that day. On the following morning, witnesses were heard and proved that a serious assuult had been committed by the prisoner against an inoffesive person, and I fined him in the lighest penalty provided for in such casc. The prisoner, being either unwilling or unable to pay the fine imposed, I was obliged to keep him on board and commit him to P'recé.

This busiuess being concluded, we weighed anchor at 11 a.m., bound for Gaspe. We were at first favored by the wind, but it soon became unfavorable.

During the whole day we ran to the South shore, but at night-fall we tacked while off lireat Etang. About the middle of the next day a fair westerly breeze arose and brought us to Perce at 1 p.m.

On the next day I scut the prisoners with a guard to the common jail.
During the day, I visited the fishing establishments. For a few weeks there had been complaints on the coast of the severity of the season. Strong easterly winds, frequent saine and fog which nearly always follows east or south east winds, had interrupted the
labors of our fishermen ; it was all they could do to go to the nearest banks and fish there for some days. Vessels were drawn up on the beach above high-water mark, and fishing utensils put under shelter in sheds. It was just as if all the fishing works were brought to a close for the year, still codfish scemed to be abundant on the shores. As to bait it was scarce, but some might still be obtained at the cntrance of the small rivers.

For a long while Peree and its neighbourhood had not been visited by United States schooners. Moreover, a smaller number than usual had been there during the summer.

At night we took advantage of a freshe easterly wind to make sail for the Magdalen Is. lands, where we anchored the following night under shelter of Cape anx Meules.

On the 23rd the prisoner who had escaped at my last trip was brought before me; I touk cognizance of the case, and admitted the prisoncr to bail to appear at the next Criminal Court.

I risited l'Etang du Nord, and received the most satisfactory information respecting the summer cod aud mackerel fishing. It is known that at this season of the year, this last fish is in all its prime, and that its value is three times greater than in the spring. Each boat belonging to the port had taken 100 quintals of codfish, and from 20 to 25 barrels of mackerel.

This was a fine and rich harvest, and the laud had, not becu less propitious. Wheat aud other grain had been grown of superior quality; hay had been very abundant. Potatoes only had suffered from the disease peculiar to that root.

On the $\geq 4$ I went to Havre aux Maisons, which I found nearly deserted. The sehooners had left it with cargoos, some for Halifas, others for Quebec. The small dried cod, of second quality, are generally taken to Halifax for sale iu the West India market.

The dry cod of large size, and those takeu late in the scison, and salted in barrels, are cspecially suited for the Quebec market.

On the 25th, I visited Amherst Island. Our fishermen of the Basin and Mill contivucd to reap an abundant harvest in the waters south of the Tsland, when the weether allowed them to put out to sea. Through the whole of the island, there bad been an excellent crop of grain and hay. In the evening, after having brought to a close all my business at the islands, I gave the order to make sail. We weighed anchor at 11 o'clock at night, and at $S$ the following cvening, after a fast, though stormy trij, we anchored at Percé. Nothing worthy of remark had occurred sinee my last visit.
The uest day, at 5 in the afternoon, we started for Paspebiac, where we arrived during the night.

Paspobiac harbour was better filled than on my last visit. Fourtecn vessels, of which more than ouc-half were barks and brigs, were displaying their high masts, their taut riggiug and their long keels. Some werc aircady loaded and waiting only for a westerly wind to fire the parting gun. Some others with their inclined masts, showed that they had only taken in a part of their cargo; others had just arrived from Europe, and had nearly all their full cargo, consisting of dry goods, groceries, Holland gin, and especially salt.

A number of boats were brought down nearly Ievel with the water by the weight of their cargoes, some going from the wharves to the vessels, others returning; some urged onward by a favorable breeze; and others, obcying the impulse of oars worked by stout arms: Paspebiac displayed on cevery side, unmistakeable signs of commercial activity, vindicating its claim to be considered as the business centre of the Bay of Chaleurs.

The casterly wind which had brought us there, had become by the next day, a regular gale, accompanicd with heavy rain. The sea had become very rough in the harbour, although well sheltered from the westerly winds, and the boats and small craft could not make their appearance there any more.

During the afternoon, Capt. Charles Stuart's whiling schoouer, afte having lost, ip Perce Harbour, her two anchors, had run before the storm sisty miles, and was now scen in the offing, with her flag flying as a signal of distress.

I immediately sent my long boat, under the command of Capt. Bernier, to her assistance, and notrithstanding the heavy sea, which threatened to swallow up the light craft, he succeeded in conveying to them one of our spare anchors and in mooring her in safets. On the same day, four other schooners came to take shelter under Prspebian Point; they reported that the stom rras extremely violent outside.

The wind having abated on the 30 th, we started for Carletou, where we arrived at wight. On the 31st, I visited Magouacha and Dalhousic, in order to meet the overseer of Ristigouche Riter. He told me that no breach of the fishery laws had been committed in his division since my last visit, and by his anual returns shored me that the River Bistirouche had given this year 60 barrels of salmon more than Jast year.

On the 1st November, we left Magonacha, and during the night arrived at New Carlisle, where for want of a wind, we were compelled to pass the night. On the following day. Te were ready to start for Pcree and Gaspé, and from thence intended proceeding on on Quebee, when an casterly wind arose, and soon became a storm which blew with more or less force and violence up to the 5th. During the whole of this time, the sea had been rery heavy and the weather squally all over the Bay of Chaleurs, and with such weather, no sailing ressel could think of starting. At last, the weather cleared, and about nightfall on the sth, a light north-westerly brecze sprang up. We lost no time in weighing anchor, and setting full sail with the favorable breeze; but soou afterwerds calm weather again set in, then we had only made about 20 miles towards Perce, and by the morning of the next day; the current had driven us abreast of New Carlisle, that is to say, four miles further than the place we had left the night previous; the south-easterly wind beginning to blow, we could do nothing but to tack the whole day. During the night tbe wind shifted to the north-west, and at 9 o'ciock the nest morning, we were at Port Daniel; but the wind changed to the north-east, and at noon the storm set in, accompanied with rain and snor. Serertheless, we continued on to Perce by tacking, and on the Sth, favored by a westerly mind, we anchored in Peree harbour, when with great difficulty, I landed, the sea rolling in mith such force that it covered the shore cvery moment with heavy breakers.

I paid a last visit to the fishing posts at this place, and at night we continued our rogare to Gaspe, where we arrived on the morning of the next day.

On the 10th, all.our preparations to leave for Qucbec were completed. We waited anly for a favorable breeze to cnable us to get out of Gaspe Bay, and the casterly winds had been so constant during the previous three wecks that we had every reason to hope for a change, that is to say, westerly winds; but in vain. The wind again blew from the east and south, ant almost crery day up to the moment of our leaving Gaspé, we had rain or snow.

In the afternoon, the mate of the schooner "Royal Middy," from Montreal, bound to Liverpool, with a cargo of 30,000 bushels of Indian corn, came to request my assistance. She ras a threc-masted vessel, of more than 400 tons burthen, and had lost her mizen mast off Anticosti. a few days before. After laving been driven about by the sea and difted towards the south shore of the Gulf, she had been obliged to anchor off Fox River, where the captain had landed; he was not able to return on board, and the vessel had got under sail during the night, under the command of the mate. The vessel being no longer able to stand the sen, had hoisted a signal of distress, and called for help on Capt. Desjarlins, of the sclioner 'Flemedync,' with which she fell in, and he towed her into Gaspé Bay. I promised the officers of the "Royal Middy" all the help I could give them, and the next day my captain assisted Capt. Desjardins to tow the "Royal Middy" into Gaspe Masin and to anchor her there in safety.

On the 10th, one of the officers of the schooner came anil lodged a complaint against enc of his sailors who had assaulted him, and had beaten and hurt him in the face; I caused the accused to be immediately brought on board by issuing a marrant, and night having come on, the hearing of the case was postponed till the next day.

The same night, Capt. Davison, of the "Royal Middy" came on board to claim protection and assistance. Some of his men refused to obey him and threatened open mutiny. Aready they lad refused to work, and when he spoke of discharging them (the schooner, not being able to keep at sea, had to be put into winter quarters) they would not hear of such an arrangement. I promised to help him as much as I could, and requested him to make immediate preparations to lay his vessel up for the winter and discharge his men, as we had to sail with the first favorable wind.

On the morning of the 13th, the trial of the sailor of the "Royal Middy" took place before me. Witnesses were heard on both sides, and the offence being duly proved, I fined the accused ten dollars, which were paid the same evening. After that, I went with Capt.

Davisou and Mr. John Eden, Mloyd's decent, wn board the "Royal Middy," and suceceded, after much talking, in concluding satisfactory arrangoments with the sailors, and on the same night they were discharged, paid, and on board "La Canadienne:" I promising to give them a passage to Cuebec, as there was no other vessel groing to that port this fall.

On the following night we had a north-west wind, and the day after, at day-break, ate got ready to start for Quebec. I had only to touch at Douglastown and Malbaic. I stopped one hour at the first named place, and when we arrived at Malbaic, a little before noon, the wind had shifted to the north-east and right in our teeth. Besides, it was raining rery hard.

Towards night, the wind being east, we took advantage of it to start immediately for Quebec ; we tacked for a. while, in order to double Cape Gaspe, and were already pretty near it, when about midnight a squall from the north wind, accompanied with rain and hail, met us; nevertheless, we tried to contend for a while against the wind and sea, but in the norning, we were obliged to give it up and to come again under shelter of Malbaie Point.

From the 15 th up to the 23 rcl , the winds wore always north-north-west, north and north-east, with daily storms.

The weather was very cold; we had hard frosts every night, and the aspect of the neighbouring country already covered with a deep snow, shewed that winter had set in; and to give an idea of the bad weather we had had since the fall, I may mention the fact that from the 1st of October to the 15 th of November it had raincd 29 days. Notwithstanding, navigation was still open, and with forty-eight hours of a good wind, we should be able to reach Quebec.

On the 16 th I went to Perce for biscuit and coal, two very necessary articles, the want of which we were beginning to feel.

On the 19th, favored with a north-westerly wind, we got ready and started a accond time for Quebec ; but when near Point St. Peter, a gale came on from the north and obliged us to put back and anchor a sccond time at Malbaie.

In the afternoon of the 23 rd , the north-east wind began to abate, and there being a promising appearance of a change of weather, we put out to sea; this time we were not disappointed, for about five in the afternoon a farorable east wind set in, of which we profited so far that in the morning of the next day, at 11 o'clock, we were already at Seocn Islands, that is to say, we had performed half of the voyage between Malbaie and Quebec.

I put in at Scven Islands for the purpose of taking on board Mr. Smith, the collector of the port, whom I had received instructions to carry back to Quebec at the close of the season.

This gentleman lost no time in coming on board and at a quarter past twelve we again set sail with a splendid easterly brecze, the most favorable wind we could expect; fine clear weather, and nothing whatever to indicate a snow-storm.

But we had not made more than thirty miles, when the wind had changed into: a furious storm, and the snow was falling thick and fast, completely olstructing the rier of the North Shore on our starboard beam.

Wo took all the precautions usual in such cascs. All the sails were taken in except the fore-sail and jib, which we continued to carry after having taken two reefs in it. Our course which was at first south-west-quarter-west, was altered to the south-west, so as to keep farther off the North Shorc. We were proceeding without fear or anxiety, the offcers and sailors were on deck ready to execute whatever circumstances might require; we were running at a rate of from 7 to 72 knots an liour.

At 6 o'clock at night the storm was increasing and it continued to snow. The night was very dark; nothing could be seen at a distance ef ten fect; our course was ascertained. We calculated we were from 10 to 12 miles from the North Shore, and from 12 to 15 miles from Point des Monts. We kept on our course with a feeling of security still towards the south-west, which would bring us near Cape Balance, on the south shore of the river if our compass was right, and there was nothing to indicate incorrectness.

Suddenly, about half-past six, and without having seen the breakers, although there were two men on the look-out at the bow of the schooner, she was lifterl up by a terrible sea and thrown upon the rocks, upon which she, nevertheless, slid, receiving, however, shocks whichishook her from keol to mast-head. She was soon thrown on her side, and the
keel torn away, and she began to fill. The seas struck the larboard side with extreme violence, and flew-more than forty feet over the bulwarks. The Captain had ordered the helm to be put hard up, the moment the schooner struck, but she no longer obeyed her holm. The sailors were ordered to hold on by the rigging, as the waves breaking over the vessel, they ran the risk of being swept away. The schooner still yielded to the wind, and each mafe lifted her and let her fall again upon the rocks, bringing hernearer and nearer to the shore. We did not know precisely where we were. All at once, we saw land. It was trees, and we were not a hundred yards from them. The darkness of the night and the falling snow, still as thick as ever, had prevented us from seeing it sooner. From the moment the schooner struck the first time to the moment we saw the land, about twenty minutes had elapsed; but those minutes seemed like hours for us. It was as cold as in winter, and the wind, far from abating, was still increasing. At each heavy sea, the schooner would go nearer and nearer to the beach, which we discovered to be sandy. As the tide was going down, we felt sure that we should be able to land in a few hours. In fact, at about eight o'clock, I got some of the men ashore by means of a yard that we pushed to the beach. These helped the others, and at length all the crew were landed, thanking Providence for having been preserved from the great danger to which they had been exposed. We spent the night in the woods, around a good fire that we were fortunate enough to light.

On the following day, we found out that we were about two miles lower than the Cariboo Islets.

In the afternoon, at low tide, we began to dismantle the schooner, and to put the cables, sails and tackle safely ashore. We were engaged at this work for three days.

On the 28 th, we left the Cariboo Islets for Point des Monts. Before leaving the schooner, I made, with Capt. Bernier, a detailed inspection of her, and she was then in the following state:-Lying on her starboard side, on a fine sand bed, at about 60 yards from the shore, which is low and covered with trees. Since the night of the wreck, a sand bank had been formed between the schooner and the beach, being already higher than her water-line. The stem and stern had received no damage whatever, the rudder had been moved about six inches but without damage. On the starboard side, the ship's timbers appeared as firm as before the accident; no opening was perceptible, and we could not observe any altcration in the decks or cross-beams of this side of the schooner. On the starboard side it was not so. This side had received such violent shocks on the rocks, that it had given in a little, and was lifted up in the middle about six or eight inches. The caulking in some of the seams was displaced, but the seams themselves were not opened. A part of the keel had been carried away as above mentioned, and it was owing to the absence of the piece of wood forming the keel that the schooner had filled. The masts and standing rigging had not suffered, and all the running rigging, the sails and tackle belonging to the schooner had been put ashore in order.

Before leaving, I choose one of my best sailors as guardian of the schooner, and he received instructions to take the greatest care of the goods given him in charge. I have but to add that the accident which befel us and which we could neithorforesee nor prevent, could only be attributed to the deviation of our compass, occasioned by the electrical state of the atmosphere during a snow storm ; our course having been the only right one.

On the 29 th , we took advantage of fine weather to cross the river in two boats, from Point des Monts to Petit Matane, where we landed at 7 p.m.

On the 5th of December, the crew arrived in Quebee; on the 6th and 7th, they were paid off and discharged.

## EXTRACT FROM THE LOG OF "LA CANADIENNE," DURING THE SEASON OF 1861.

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& \text { May } 23,3 \frac{1}{2} \text { p. m.-Left Quebec. } \\
& \text { " } 23,71 \mathrm{p} \text { m-Anchored at high tide, abreast St. Valier. Calm weather. } \\
& \text { " } 24,7 \mathrm{a} \text { m. Weighed anchor. Easterly wind. } \\
& \text { " } 24,5 \text { p. m. South-west wind. } \\
& \text { " } 25,9 \text { a. m.-Anchored at Isle au Basque, to repair the main stay. } \\
& \text { " } 25,12 \text { a. m-Weighed anchor. Strong S. S. W. breeze. }
\end{aligned}
$$



July 4, 12 a. m:-Left Mission.
4, 4 p.m.-Anchored at Dalhousie.
5, $5 \frac{1}{2}$ a. m.-Left for Perce.
6, $8 \frac{1}{2}$ a. m. -Anchored at Percé.
6, 10 a. m.-Left for North Shore.
7, 9를 p. m.-Anchored near Magpie Bay.
8, 81 a. m.-WVeighed anchor.
8, $13 \frac{1}{2}$ a. m.—Anchored at River St. John.
10, 8 a. m.-Left River St. John.
10, 1 p. m.-Anchored at Long Point.
11, 5 a. m.-Left for Mingan.
11, 7 a. m.-Anchored at Mingan.
11, 9 p. m.-Left Mingan.
13, 9 p. m. -Anchored at River Natashquan.
14, 4 a. m.-Left for Natashquan harbor.
14, 51 a a. m.-Anchored at Natashquan harbor.
16, 8 a. m.-Left for River Natashquan
16, 9 a. m.-Anchored at River Natashquan.
16, 8 p. m. Left for Percé.
19, 1 p. m. - Went ashore at St. Peter's Point.
19, $5 \frac{1}{2} \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$.-Anchored at Perce.
20, 11 a. m. -Left for Gaspé Basin.
20, 11 $\frac{1}{2}$ p. m. - Anchored at the end of Gaspe Bay.
21, 6 a. m. Weighed anchor.
21, 7 a. n.-Anchorea at Gaspé Basin.
24, 5 a. m.-Left for Perce.
24, 2 p. m. -Went ashore at Point St. Peter.
24, 8 p. m.-Anchored at Perce.
25, 5 a. m.-Left for North Shore.
25, 2 p. m.-Off Cap des Rosiers.
26, 11 a. m.-Anchored at River Moisie.
28, $9 \frac{1}{2}$ a. m.-Left for Point St. Charles.
28, 3 p. m.-Anchored at Point St. Charles.
29, 4 a. m.-Left for River Bersimis.
30, 7 a. m.-Anchored at Outarde Bay.
31, 1 p. m.-Anchored at Point Bersimis.
Dug. 1, 1 p. m.-Left River Bersimis.
"1, 91 p. m.-Anchored at River Godbout.
2, $7 \frac{1}{2}$ a. m.-Left River Godbout.
2, 10 a. m.-Auchored at Point des Monts.
2, 1ı p. m.-Weighed anchor.
2, 2 p. m.-Anchored at Trinity Bay.
2, 4 p. m.-Weighed anchor.
2, $8 \frac{\pi}{2} \mathrm{p}$. m. -Anchored at River Pentecost.
2,10 p.m.—Weighed anchor.
3, 12 a. m.-Anchored at Cap de Chatte River.
4, $1 \frac{1}{2}$ p. m. -Left for Ste. Anne des Monts.
4, 3 p. m.-Anctiored at Ste. Anne des Monts.
5,4 a. m.-Weighed anchor.
5, $8 \frac{1}{2}$ a. m.-Anchored at Mont Louis.
5, 1 p. m.-Weighed anchor.
5, 2 p. m.-Anohored at River Magdalen.
6, 4 a. m.-Left River Magdalen.
6, $5 \frac{1}{2}$ a m .-Anchored at Grande Vallee.
6, $7 \frac{1}{2} \mathrm{a}$. m. -Left Grande Vallée.
6, 9 a. m.-Anchored at Grand Etang.
" 6, $10 \frac{1}{2}$ a. m. - Lieft Grand Ftang.

Aug. 6, 12 a. m.-Anchored at Fox River.
" 6, 6 p. m. -Left Fox River.
" 6, 7 p. m.-Anchored at Grifin Cove.
" 7, 5글 a. m.-Left Griffin Cove.
" 7, 7 a. m.-Anchored at Cape des Rosiers.
" 7, 9 a. m.-Left Cape des Rosiers.
" 7, 12 a. m. -Brought to at Grande Grêve.
" 7, 1 p.m. -Left.
" 7, 5 p.m.—Anchored at Gaspé Basin.
" 11, $7 \frac{1}{2}$ a. m.-Left Gaspé Basin.
" 11, 12 a. m.-Anchored at Percé.
" $12,11 \frac{1}{2}$ p. m. -Left Percé.
" 13, $3 \frac{3}{4}$ a. mi.-Anchored at Malbaie.
" 13, 11娄 a. m.-Left Malbaie.
" 13, 12 2 a. m.-Anchored at Percé.
" 15, 5 p. m.-Left for north shore of Gulf.
" 16, 11 $\frac{1}{2}$ a. m.-Anchored at Shallop Creek, Island of Anticosti.
" 16, 1 p. m.-Left Shallop Creek.
" 16,10 p. m.-Archored off the Easterly Point of $\Delta$ nticosti.
" 17, 9 a. m.-Left Easterly Point.
" 17, 8 p.m.-Anchored at Kegashka Bay.
" 18; 3立 p. m.-Left Kegashka.
" 18, 5 p.m.-Anchored at Musquarro.
(6 18, 9 p. m.-Left Musquarro.
" $19,10 \frac{1}{2}$ a. m. -Anchored in harbor of Wapitigun.
" 20, 1 p. m. -Went in a boat to Moinier's Point.
" 21, 5 a. m.-Left Wapitigun.
" 21, 11 $\frac{7}{2}$ a. m.-Anchored off Netagamu Island.
(" 21, 12 p. m.-Left Netagamu Island.

* 21, 2 p. m.-Anchored off Little Mecatina.
" 21, 4 p. m.-Left Little Mecatina.
" 21, 5 p. m.-Brought to, off Tête à la Baleine. Went ashore.
" 21, 7i $\quad$ p.m.-Left Tête ì la Baleine.
" 22, 7 a. m.-Anchored at Blanc Sablons Bay.
" 27 , $9 \frac{1}{2}$ a. m.-Left Blanc Sablons Bay.
" $27,11 \frac{7}{2}$ a. m.-Arrived at Brador Bay.
" 29, 5 a. m.-Left Brador Bay.
" $29,7 \frac{1}{2}$ a. m.-Anchored at Belles Amours Bay.
" 29, 9를 a. m.-Left Belles Amours.
© 29, 10 a a. m.-Arrived at Middle Bay.
" 29, 12 a. m.-Left Middle Bay.
" 29, 124 a. m.-Arrived at Five Leagues.
" $29,2 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$--Left Five Leagues.
" 29, 4 p. m.-Arrived at Bonne Esperance.
" 30, 1 p. m.-Left Bonne Espérance.
" $30,3 \frac{1}{2}$ p. m. -Arrived at Lisotte's fishery.
" 30, 6 p. m.-Left Lisotte's fishery.
" 30,7 p.m.-Off Herbee Island.
Sept. l, 6, a. m.-Left Herbée Island.
" 1, 7 a. m.-Visited Baie des Rochers.
${ }^{6}$ 1, 9 a. m.-Visited Napetipec River.
" 1, 11 a. m.-Visited Chicataca.
" 1, 1 p.m.-Anchored at St. Augustin.
" 2, 11 a. m.-Left St. Augustin.
"، 2, 1 p. m. -Visited Tête à la Baleine and Kikapoë.
" 2, 7 p.m.-Arrived at Sait Lake.
" 3, 10쳔 a. m,-Left Salt Liake.


Octr.17, 3 p. m.-Left Mingan.
"17, 4 p. m.—Off Long Point.
". 19, 11 a.m.-Left. Long Point.
" 20, 7 a.m.-Anchored at Perce.
" 21, 102 a.m.-Left for Magdalen Islands.
" 22,12 p. m.-Off Cap aux Meules.
"24, 12 a. m.-Left Cap aux Meules.
" $24,1 \frac{1}{2}$ p. m.-Anchored at Amherst Harbor.
" $25,9^{\frac{7}{2}}$ p. m. -Left Amherst Harbor.
"26, $82 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$.-Anchored at Percé.
" 27, 4 p. m. - Lcft Perce.
" 28 , $2_{2}^{\frac{1}{2}}$ a. m. - Anchored at Paspobiac.
" 30 , \& a. m.-Left Paspebiac.
" 3J; 61 p.m.-Anchored at Carleton.
" 31, 11 a. m.-Left Carleton.
" 31, 2 p.m.-Anchored at Magouasha.
Nov. 1, 12 a. m.-Left Magouasha.
" 1, 6 p.m.-Anchored at New Carlisle.
" 2, 9 a. m.-Anchored at Paspebiac.
" 5, 8 p.m.—Left Paspebiac.
" 8, 11 a. m.-Anchored at Percé.
" 8, 7 p. m.-Left Perce.
" 9, 10 a. m.-Anchored at Gaspé.
" 14, 63 a. m.-Left Gaspé.
" 14,9 a. m.-Anchored at Douglastown.
" 14, $10_{2}^{x}$ a. m.-Left Douglastown.
" 14, 2 p.m.-Anchored at Malbaie.
" 14, 8 p. m. -Left Malbaie for Quebec.
" 15,8 a. m. Gale from N . obliges us to come back to Malbaie.
" 16, 11 a. m.-Left Malbaie.
" 16,12 a m .-Anchored at Perce.
" 19, 6 a. m.-Left Percé for Quebec.
" 19, $9 \frac{1}{2}$ a. m.-The storm obliges us to put back to Malbaic a second time.
" $23,2 \frac{1}{2}$ p. m. - Left Malbaie for Qucbec.
" 24, 11 a. m.-Anchored at Bay of Seven Islands.
" 24, 12字 a. m. -Left Seven Islands.
" 24, 6z p. m. Wrecked, during a furious snow-storm, at $2 \frac{1}{2}$ miles East of Cariboo Islets.
" 25 , -The whole of the crew engaged in dismantling the schooner, and securing the materials.

| " 26, | do | do | do |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| " 27, | do | do | do |

" 28, 8亲 a. m.-Left Cariboo Islets.
" $28, \quad 1 \frac{1}{2}$ p. m.-Arrived at Pointe des Monts.
" 29, $9 \frac{1}{2}$ a. m.-Lieft Pointe des Monts to cross the river.
" 29,7 p.m.-Arrived at l'Anse il la Croix-Little Matanc.
" 30, —Left for Quebec.
Dec. 6, - Discharged and paid part of the crew.
" 7, - Discharged the remainder.

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Stateuent of the Exports, Imports and Duties collected at the Port of Gaspe, from the year 1851 to 1861.

| Year. | Exports. | Imports. | Duty. |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | \$ cts. | \$ cts. | \$ cts. |
| 1851 | 141,737 00 | 53,351 00 | 6,834 00 |
| 1552 | 131,432 00 | 36,722 00 | 4,144 00 |
| 1553 | 130,671 00 | 41,347 00 | 4,020 00 |
| 1554 | 120,232 00 | 61,652:00 | 5,954 00 |
| 1555 | 153,694 00 | 59,608 00 | 4,54000 |
| 1556 | 176,711 00 | 63,837:00 | 4,406 00 |
| 1557 | 188,210 00 | 32,422 00 | 7,237 00 : |
| 1859 | 217,858 00 | 82,128 00 | 8,65700 |
| 1550 | 244,765 00 | 108,685 00 | 15,153 00 |
| 1880 | 273,094 00 | 106,253 00 | 14,658 09 |
| 1861 | 630,477 00 | 374,729 00 | Free Port. |

Statement of Exports, Imports and Duties collected at the Port of New Carlisle, from the year 1851 to 1861.

*Amount up to 1st May; after this date, included in Gaspe returns.
Starmanent of Exports, Imports and Duties collected at the Port of Amberst, from the year 1851 to 1861.

*/4aront usti 10th सay; after this date includedin Gaspe:

Return of Vessels entered Inwaids at the Port of Gaspe from the year 1851 to 1861.


Return of Vessels cleared from the Port of Gaspe, from the year 1851 to 1861.

| Year. | No. | Tons. | Men. | Year. | No. | Tons. | Mon. |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 1551 | 103 | 7,799 | 576 | 1857 | 46 | 5,693 | 315 |
| 1852 | 36 | 4,S0S | 248 | 1858 | 48 | 0,365 | 351 |
| 1853 | 32 | 3,595 | 210 | 1559 | 44 | 4,336 | 305 |
| $1854{ }^{\text { }}$ | 38 | 4,781 | 248 | 1860 | 50 | 5,349 | 361 |
| 1855 | 40 | 4,3SS | 251 | \%1561 | 325 | 23,717 | 2,080 |
| 1856 | 47 | 6,321 | 428 | \# Ihis incl | do outp |  |  |

Retusen of Vessels entered inwards and outwards at the Port of Ner Carlisle, from the year 1851 to 1861.

INWARDS.


OUTWARDS.


Retorn of Vessels entered Inwards and Outwards at the Port of Amherst，C．E．， trom the year 1851 to 1861.

INW：A！DS．

| Year． | No． | Tons． | Men． | Year． | No． | Tons． | Men． |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 1851 | 28 | 1，221 | 95 | 1857 | 128 | 6，739 |  |
| 1852 | No return． |  |  | 1858 | 252 | 11，067 | 1，338 |
| 1853 | 162 | 7，396 | 979 | 1859 | 374 | 17，144 | 2，134 |
| 1854 | 104 | 4，223 | 519 | 1860 | 293 | 13，628 | 1，691 |
| 1555 | 106 | 6，087 | 548 | 1861 | Includ | tarn fro | é． |
| 1856 | 131 | 6，784 | 629 |  |  |  |  |

OUTWARDS．


Return of the Number and Tonnage of Vessels which arrived at Gaspe and outports，in the year 1861.

GASPEANDOUTPORTS．

| Countries from wich they entered． | With Cargoes． |  |  |  |  |  | In Ballast． |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | British． |  |  | Foreign． |  |  | British． |  |  | Foreign． |  |  |
|  | $\begin{aligned} & \text { ó } \\ & \text { 品 } \\ & \text { 品品 } \end{aligned}$ | Tons． | Men． | 号安 | Tons． | Men． |  | Tons． | Men． | ¢ | Tons． | Men． |
| United Kingdom．．．．．．．．． | 36 | 4，529 | 305 |  |  | ， | 3 | 890 | 37 |  |  |  |
| Nova Scotia．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．． | 59 | 3，503 | 424 |  |  | ． | 88 | 4，258 | 576 |  | ．．．．．． | ．．．．．．．． |
| New Brunswick．．．．．．．．．．． | 33. | 3，443 | 329 | ．．．．．． | ．．．．．． | ．．．．． | 31 | 1，784 | 154 |  |  | ．．．． |
| Newfoundland．．．．．．．．．．．．． | 3 | － 312 | 23 | ．．．．．．． | ．．．．．．．．．． | ．．．．．． | 9 | 777 | 52 |  | ． | ．．． |
| Prince Edward Island．．． | 10 | 417 | 57 | ．．．． |  |  | 18 | 738 | 90 | 1 | 132 | 6 |
| United States．．．．．． | 2 | 247 | 14. | 3 | 251 | 17 | 1 | 108 | 6 | 41 | 3，128 | 262 |
| Brazil，Rio Janeiro．．．．．． |  |  |  |  |  |  | 1 | 268 | 12 |  |  |  |
| Epain．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．． | 15 | 1，484 | 106 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Bremen．．．．．．．．． |  |  |  |  |  |  | 1 | 150 | 8 | ．．．．．．．． | …c．o．o | ．．．．．．． |
| Norway ．．．． |  |  |  | 2 | 512 | 24 |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Totals | 158 | 13，935 | 1，258 | 5 | 763 | 41 | 152 | 8，983 | 935 | 42 | 3，260 | 268 |

## PORTOF NEW CARLISLE.




PORT OF NEW. CARLISLE.

| arrived. |  |  | DEPABTED: |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Under what Colors. | Ño. of Vessels. | Tonnage. | Under what colors. | No. of Vessels. | Tonaago. |
| British $\qquad$ <br> Prussian <br> ............................. | 15 3 | 3,785 1,062 | Britisb..........................$~$ Prussian ................... | 12 | $\begin{array}{r} 3,782 \\ 11 ; 062 \end{array}$ |
| Total................ | 18 | 4,847 | Total............... | 15. | 4,844 |

Return of the Number and Tonnage of Vessels which cleared from Gaspe and outports, in the year 1861, with cargoes.


Retury of the Number and Tonnage of Vessels which cleared from the Port of New Carlisle in the year 1861, with cargoes.


Statement of the quantity and value of the produce of the Fisheries exported in the year 1861, and indicating to what country exported.


Smatement of the quantity and value of Goods Exported from the Free Ports of Gaspe and Sault Ste. Marie to other.Canadian Ports, during the year 1861.


Statement of the quantity and value of Goods Exported from the Free Ports of Gaspe and Sault Ste. Marie to other Canadian Ports-(continued.)


Statement of the Quantity and Value of Goods Imported into the Free Ports of Gaspe and Sault Ste. Marie, from other Canadian Ports, during the year 1861.

|  | Gaspe. |  | Sault Ste. Marie. |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Quantity. | Value. | Quantity. | Value. |
|  |  | \$ |  | \$ |
| Ale, Beer and Porter................................gallons. | 7,303 | 1,648. | 800 | 100 |
| Biscuit .............................................. Barrels. | 4,426 | 16,915 | . |  |
| Boots and Shoes................................................ | - 0.7 | 3,195 |  |  |
| Brandy...............................................Gallons. | 607 | 997 | 222 | 484 |
| Brooms................................ ..... .................... |  | 247 |  |  |
| Butter.................... .................................Iubs. | 65,480 | 7,936 | 500 | 50. |
| Candles.................................................... do. | 37,257 | 3,382 | 36 | 7 |
| Cheese........................................... ........... do. | 2,370 | 290 | ................ |  |
| Cigars...................................................... do. | 753 | 753 |  |  |
| Clothing ......................................................... |  | 1,121 |  | 1,670 |
| Coffee, green............................ .................Lbs. | 3,553 | 885 | 81 | 16 |
| Cordage ....................................................... |  | 546 | ................ |  |
| Cordials ..............................................Gallons. | 103 | 72 | ................ |  |
| Cottons |  |  | ............. | 2,617 |
| Deals and Boards. | ... | 3,079 | ................. | 162 |
| Dried Fruits.. | ... | 779 | . | 79 |
| Dry Goods................................................... | ........... | 16,561 | ................ | 275 |
| Fish.......................................................... | ........... | 3,907 | - | 20... |
| Flour.................................................Barrels. | 29.068 | 145,240 | 60 | 240 |
| Gin........................... .......... .............Gallons. | 7,425 | 3,930 | 34 | 17. |
| Glass and Earthenware...................................... | .... | 1,268 |  | 92 |
| Groceries......................... .................. .......... | ... ... | 2,829 | .................. | 135 |
| Gunpowder........... ........ ............................... |  | 688 |  | 757 |
| Hardware..................................................... |  | 15,876 | ................ | - 3,707 |
| Iron............................................................. |  | 376 | ........ ....... | \%1,403 |
| Lard ..... .................1...............................Ibnt! | 22,928 | 3,088 | 1,200 | $\cdots 117$ |

Stateicent of the Quantity and Value of Goods Imported in to the Free Ports of Gaspé and Sault Ste. Marie, from other Canadian Ports-(continued.)

|  | Gasp | p¢. | Sault Ste. Marle. |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Quantity. | Value. | Quantity. | Value. |
| Lesther. |  | 4,722 |  |  |
| Machinery ..................................................... |  |  | $\qquad$ | 1,900 |
| Manufactures of Wood....................................... |  | 7,565 |  |  |
| Ifeal ................................................. Barrels. | 589 | 2,354 |  |  |
| Sests................................................ do. | 2,469 | 39,262 |  | 124 |
| Molasses ............. ..............................Gallons. | 14,431 | 4,943 | 74 | 24 |
| Wusical Instruments.. |  | 240 |  | 308 |
| Nuts, Lines and Twines, ......................: ........... |  | 2,517 | $\cdot$ | 200 |
| Oats and Barley.................................... Barrels. | 108 | 282 |  |  |
| Paints ........................................................ |  | 758 | ............... |  |
| Pens .................................... .......... Barrels. | 1,197 | 3,829 |  |  |
| Rice............................ .........................Lbs. | 15,496 | 498 |  |  |
| Rum ............................................. ... Gallons. | 655 | 509 | . |  |
| Sails ................................................. ........ | 71.7.... | 868 |  |  |
| Salt.................................................... Bags. | 11,510 | 5,776 |  | 104 30 |
| Sheep ................................................Number. | .................. |  | 10 |  |
| Stingles ....................................................... |  | 196 | ................ |  |
| Shot......................................................... |  | 598 | .......... | ................. |
| Sbuff .................................................... Lbs. | 3,064 | 450 | ............. | .-...... |
| Eoap..................................................... do: | 41344 | 2,247 | Cases 39 | 298 |
| Eteel .............. ........................................... |  |  |  | 2,472 |
| Sugar, Muscovado......................................Lbb. | 38,109 | 3,007 | 22,150 | 1,334 |
| Tea...................................................... do. | 20,318 | 10,683 | 5,917 | 2,806 |
| Tobacco................................... .............. do. | 34,974 | 5,792 | 3,923 | 708 |
| Yegetables................................. .................. | ....... | 1,400. | ................. |  |
| Tinegar............ ................................. Gallons. | 728 | 280 | ................. |  |
| Wheat ................................................Barrels. | 31. | 61. | . |  |
| Whisky......... ....................................Gallons. | 8,076 | 6,190 | ............... |  |
| Wine.................................................. - do. | 1,112 | 1,268 | 164 | 350 |
| Woollens.......................... . ... ............... ........ | ................. | 10;466 | ................ | 16,838 |
| lipenumerated Articles.......... ........................... |  | 14,804 |  | 406 |
| Totals |  | 366,948 | ............... | 39,179 |

## REMARKS ON THE CRUISE OF "LA CANADIENNE," DURING THE YEAR 1861.

The cruise of "La Canadienne," for the protection of our Fisheries in the Gulf of St. Larrence, for this year, lasted from the 23 rd of May to the 24th of November; that is to say, sis months, and has been one of the most active and productive of happy results as one of the severest labor and hardship of those in which "La Canadienne" has been engaged for seven years. Never, indeed, in this period, was the shipping season so badnever were there seen such frequent storms, so much rain, and so many fogs, and never did the fall set in so early. To make the stery short, it will suffice to mentien that by the logbook of "La Canadienne," we find during the six months cruise, 76 days rain, snow or fog, and from the Ist October to the 24 th November. 30 days of rain or snow. The worst period of bad weather fell in the months of July, October and November: in July, 9 day8' rain aud 9 days' fog; in October, 18 days' rain, 1 days' fog and 3 days snow; in November, up to the 24 th, 10 days' rain, 1 day's fog, 8 days' snow.

During these six months cruise and in spite of the stormy weather, I visited the Eastern part of the Labrador coast, once, the western part of same and the North Shore of the St: Lawrence, three times; Magdalen Islanls, three times; Anticosti, twice; the Bay of Chaleurs, three times; Perce, ten times; and the Bay of Gaspe, five times.

These visits, comprising stopping at and visiting more than 300 fishing posts, besideg many hundred miles traveled in a boat, form a total of 4,821 nautical miles: To thin
must be added 1,000 milles when tacking or ying to, on account of head winds, or when it was dangerous to try to anchor, making a total of nearly 6,000 miles, for 180 day's cruising.

Anchor was-dropped 128 -times; • we weighed it and set sail as many times.
During the months of May, June, and July, I visited 31 salmon fishing rivers, 17 on the north and 14 on the south shore; more than 100 salmon fishing stations, and upon an extent of 900 miles of cöast I gave 264 salmon fishing Licenses.

I traveled over the whole of the north shore of the river and Gulf of St. Lawrence, from Bersimis River to l'Anse aux Blancs Sablons, (except from Maniton to St. John's.River,) stopping at all the posts to take the census of the inhabitants, numbering above 4,000 .

During my visits to the different harbors and coasts in my jurisdiction; I-received-the complaints; of which I-give a list; shewing the judgments rendered, the parties eonvicted, those àcquitted, the fines imposed, and the nüber of persons committed for trial.

Statement of Complaints; Informations, \&e., \&e.

| Plaintiff | - Befendant. | Date. | Nature of Complaint. | Fineor other Punishment. |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Pierre Duguay | Pierre-Eioiselle | $\begin{gathered} 1861 . \\ \text { May } 29 . . . . \end{gathered}$ | Damaging a house | Fivo dollars damages. |
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|  |  |  |  | at Percé |
| Thos. Bo' | Abraham Cód | " 44 | Breach of Fishery Law.. | \$4, "\% nets condicatod. |
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| Do | Mich: Quigley | " 13. | do ......... | do |
| Do | Danl Queripel | " 13. | do | do |
| Do | Wm. Welsh. | [ 23. | do | Discharged. |
| Do | Wm: Hamilton | " $13 .$. | do |  |
| Hilaire Carbonoan. | John Vignauit. | " 15...: | - 8 siult ${ }^{\text {and battery }}$...... | Ten dollars. |
| Pault Vigrault. | Peter Riynard. | " 18..... | Breach of Fishery Law.: | \$20, 13 bls selmon con. |
| Robt. Stenloy. | Saml:-Foreman........... | " 16..... | do do | Twenty dollars. |
| Wm. Veasy................. | Hegwick'Wager........... | " 23..... | Insubordination on board versel. $\qquad$ | 6 weeks imprisonment, nad. imp: Act: |
| Do | David Collis.. | is 23. |  |  |
| Do ................ | Robt. Hobson... | "6. ${ }^{6}$ 23.... | do -........ | 4 weeks do |
| $\begin{aligned} & \text { Do } \\ & \text { an } \end{aligned}$ | Henry Euderby | ". ${ }^{6}$ 23.. | Bresch of Fistery | 6 weeks do. Fight dallara |
| no | David Tetu. | " 27 | Dreach do do Law.: | Eight dollar |
| Hugh Chisholm | Thos. Picard. | " 27. | do do | Referred to |
| Do | Dom. Lepage | " 27. | do do | A cquitted. |
| D. | Danl. Homes | " 27. | do : de | Sick. |
| Do | Jas. Gillis.. | " 27. | do do | Acquitted. |
| Do | John Renouf | ". 27. | do do | Absent. |
| Joseph Dereeche. | Geo. Sinnette. | Aug. 5. | do do | Acquitted. |
| Do | Mathew Coulo | "\% 5 | do do | Five dollarss. |
| Do | Wm. Knowles. | " 5. | do do | do |
| George Sincette........... | do | 6 5. | do do |  |
| Wm. Tilly | Geo. Girard | " 12.... | Mansläughter ............: | Acquitted by dd. Jury. |
| Jean Vignanlt. | Jean Gironx | " $17 \ldots \ldots$ | Breach of Fishery Eixw.. | Absen |
| Do | Ans. Guimette | $" 17 . .$. | do do do. do |  |
| Celine Guillmette.......... | John Bodman | \% 25....: | Recoyery of wagea ...... | Settlod, three dollars. |
| Jean Vallerand | Mich. Kenty |  | Breach of Fishery Law. | Acquitted. |
| Eva MoLiban...f...........: | Jas: Brophy...... | Sept. 9..... | Rape .....................: | Bound"orer. |
| Cyrille Boarque:.....i.... | Unknown sailor. | June 5...... | Barglary ., ................. | Cidoun |
| Frs. LeFollet. | Chăs. Miles. | Oct. 3 | Absault and battery..... | 8 weels impribonmiont. |
| Clasence'Hasiliton.. | Albert Monett | ${ }^{6} 18$. | R'óbiery ....i............. | Imprisonment |
| Do | Rich Manger | ¢ 18 | Récoiving storen goodd. | do |
| Wm. Adams.............. | Mich Ryan | "1 18:.... | Assault and battery::.:: | Twenty doliars. |
| Thos. Connor | Henry Hayrood.. ........ | Nor. 12.... | do | Ten dollars: |

Forty-four Complaints, fourteen Commitments to Jail. Fines imposed, \$127.
In some cases, complaints could not be followed ap; on account of the absence of the parties on my arrival.

With few exceptions, public order and peace have not been troubled on the North and South shore, and there was no renewal of the fights and quarrels which so often occurred between our fishermen and strangers, and where the right of possession in seal and salmon Fisheries used to give rise to many difficulties, (especially between neighbors), to trespass and often to encroachment, committed by the strongest to the prejudice of the weakest. Only four cases of this kind occurred this year, in which two of the parties were punished by a fine, and in the other cases the accused were absent.

Formerly, at the Magdalen Islands, complaints were numerous against foreign fighermen ; this year two or three complaints were laid, of small consequence, and in. each instance the guilty parties were absent. But a serious offence was committed at Mr. Joseph Boarque's, of Etang du Nord: this robbery, one of the boldest, must have been committed by some of the crew of the schooners anchored at Cap aux Meules, that is to say, on the other side of the island, where 'Etang du Nord is. The robbers had the whole of Grindstone Island to cross, in order to reach l'Etang du Nord village, where Mr. Bourque's house is situated, and the same'distance to return. In my report; I speak of the steps which I took to endeavor to discover the guilty parties and of my failure.

Save these few cases of felony, and assault, and battery, there is reason to rejoice at the tranquillity which has prevailed on our maritime coasts, inhabited by a population of more than $30 ; 000$ souls, and frequented every year, during the fishing season, by more than 25,000 foreign fishermen.

## REMARKS ON THE CANADIAN FISHERIES: OF: THE GULF

The result of our fisheries has been generally very successful; if the market price had been as high as in ordinary years, the profit would have been great. Unfortunately, owing to the civil war in the United States, prices have been low, especially for sitmon and small dried codifish.

I shall speak of the Fisheries separately, shewing the product of each, beginning with the cod fishery, the most important.

## COD FISAING

This fishery is known to be one of the nost important carried on, in the Gulf, as well as one of the most remunerative It affords employment to thousands of people, to gether with an abundant supply of the cheapest and mest wholesome kind of food. Hundreds of schooners and thousands of boats are engaged in it," and the conveyance of its products to the home or foreign markets supplies freight to many ships, gives occupation to the ship builder, and With him, to many other artizans who supply the rigging and equipments of all kinds, as well as to the hands which manufacture lines and nets-nos slight, field for Canadian industry, inasmuch as it will, in time, gixe rise to a new branec of agriculture, the cultivation, namely, of hemp, to which our soil and climate are admirably adapted.

Cod fighing is divided into summers and fall fishing The former begins with the opening of navigation, and lasts till the loth of August. The, fish is sun-dried for the foreign market The latery or fall fishing gives a better article than the first, the fish being fatter and the flesh firmer; but instead of being dried iti is either pidiled or more usaally dry-salted in empty flour barrels, and often only when in store; after which various forms of preparation, it reaches the consumer.

Geperally speaking, cod fishing has been successful on our shores, although in some few places it has failed, these being exceptional, whilst in the most celedrated fishing places, such as lAnse aux Blance Sablons; Natashon, Moise, Perce and elsewhere the cod was most abundant. The small fish, such as capelin and launce, whichare the food of the cod in their periodical migration to ourshores, wed by the strong instinot of continuing their species and which libevise serve as bait for our fishermen, were allo abnd ant. Accordingly, while the fishermen bad large hauls of this fine fish on the shores fithe 'Gulf,
on the eastern coast of Newfoundland, on the Great Bank and other grounds, and at the mouth of the Gulf, there were scarcely any fish.

It is very difficult to supply a reason for this. Are we to suppose that the shoals of cod coming from the depths of the ocean or from the Arctic seas have failed to find the food and other conditions which they require? Was there a deficiency of their usual sub. sistence? Or are we to conclude that the capelin and the launce, which also resort to our shores for the purpose of spawning, to return to the sea after the fulfilment of their mission, have deviated from their ordinary track, this year, and made their way through both entrances of the Gulf, at the same time, without pausing on the Banks within a hundred leagues of the river, drawing after them the cod of which they are the natural prey? The last hypothesis is, in my opinion, the true one; for wherever we find the capelin and the launce, especially the former, we are almost sure to find the cod, after the interval of a ferr days. On the coast of Gaspé, the capelin which had made its appearance early in the season, left the shore at the end of June. But for this the cod fishery would have been the most successful known in thirty or forty years. Unluckily, as the fish for bait fell short, the fishermen were obliged to remain inactive while the cod was still abundant on the banks, and none but those who succeeded in obtaining muscles and shell-fish of the molluscous kind, dug up from the sand and mud of the beach, were able to continue their occupation successfully.

In the present year, the shoals of codfish seem to have frequented our shores in greater numbers than ever and were caught in greater or smaller quantities on the north shore, from l'Anse aux Blancs Sablons to St. Nicholas Harbor. On the south shore codfish was abuodant at Matane, Métis and as far as Rimouski. The same at the Bay of Chaleurs, where the fish were abundant as high up even as Carleton.

The places where codish has been the most scarce this year are Belles Amours, Salmon Bay, the Dog Islands, and Gaspé Bay.

Product of summer fishery, about 135,000 quintals, of which 130,000 were exported to Brazil, Spain and Italy, and the remainder to Halifax. Total value, $\$ 405,000$.

The fall fishing at first promised to be very abundant. The banks near shore were covered with cod; squid was abundant; and fishermen, with their peculiar hooks, called "Turluttes," the people could easily, in one night, make ample provision of bait for next day's fishing. During the first weeks, the fishing was good, but immediately afterwards gales and stormy weather set in, which were this year unusually heary, and accompanied with torrents of rain, fogs and snow. These were perilous obstacles to the prosecution of their labors, lasting from the beginning of October to the close of the season. They could, therefore, rarely venture out, being, while at sea, exposed to the greatest dangers. The boats in use on our coasts are but frail, though well modeled, to encounter heary seas, and. well handled by their crews; they are about 20 to 22 feet keel and undecked, and in such boats our hardy fishermen go out sometimes ten lcagues from shore. I need not say they often run great risks, and that their pursuit is a rough and arduous one in the artiom. It is then evident that, under these circumstances, the fall fishing was not so productive as iv previous years.

From the informations received, I estimate the take to be 15,000 quintals: Value, \$45,000.

The autumn fishery fell short, thereiore, of the yield of former years, and the markets were visibly affected by the scarcity of this fine fish, which, in its green state, is principally retailed in the country parts, forming a staple article of the food of the Catholic population, during the season of Lent.

## HERRING FISHERY.

This fishery is also divided into spring and fall fishing. The first is made daring the month of May, with nets and seines set in shallow water, near the Banks where herring come to spawn. The fish is lean at this time of the year, nearly one-fifth of the whole weight of their bodies being composed of eggs in the females and of melt in the males, but it nevertheless constitutes one of the greatest sources of exportation for hot climates, where it keeps, pickled, for a very long time; and we must bear in mind that this source of wealth is inexhaustible.

The principal places for herring fishing are the Magdalen Islands, the Bay of Plaisance, La Grande Entrée, sometimes l'Etang du Nord, the Bay of Chaleurs, Bonarenture, Caseapedia Bay, on the New Richmond side as well as on the Maria side, and Carleton Bay. To thesc might be added Port Daniel and the Bay of the Seven Islands, where for a few years past a great quantity of this fish has been taken, either with the seine, net or hurdle fishery.

On the Gaspe coast, herring appears about the month of May ; it is then used as bait, although a few barrels are sent to market or kept for winter ase. I have already explained, in my report, the cause of failure of the herring fishery at Magdalen Islands, but still a greater number of schooners than ever (nearly 300) having resorted there, the fishing yielded, in the Bay, from 40,000 to 50,000 barrels. On the remainder of our shores, the fishing gave from 7,000 to 8,000 barrels.

The fall herring, that delicious fish called Labrador herring, for what reason I cannot imarine, visits only the north shore, and keeps near the Straits of Belle Isle. It appears at the end of August, and continues till the end of October.

Is this fish the same herring which, after having fattened in the Gulf, returns to the ocean by the Straits of Belle Isle, nearing the shores in the meantime; or is it another species of the same family? This point has not yet been decided by American naturalists. although the last hypothesis seems to be the correct one, the fish not being exactly similar to the spring herring.

Fall herring visits the shores of Newfoundland as well as those of Labrador, from PAnse aux Blancs Sablons to Cape Charles, and many hundred miles further up. Sometimes it abounds on the north shore, and then it is scarce at Newfoundland, and vice-versa.

With large seines of sometimes 150 fathoms in length by 10 to 12 in breadth in the middle, and favorable weather, as much as 300,500 , and 800 barrels of herring are caught. If favorable weather will allow, the fish to be left in the seine, it may be taken away with a smaller seine from the larger one.

This fish must be dressed immediately : it does not keep long when out of water. After having been well cured and washed, it must be salted with great care, in water-tight barrels; or else it would acquire a rancid taste. A barrel of Labrador herring, well kept, is always worth from four to five dollars.

What an immense source of wealth is this fishery! When one reflects that as much as from 600 to 800 barrels of herring, of the first quality, are caught in one single haul of the seine, and in the space of one hour at the most! I have seen myself, in 18054 , a seine set by Nova Scotia fishermen, after having been five days in the water, drawn out with 800 barrels of herring.

This branch of fishing was limited this year to Blancs Sablons and Bradore Bay, and the fish were not very large.

For some years, it has been observed that the largest kind of herring visits Newfoundland and that part of the Labrador coasts under the jurisdiction of the Government of Newfoundland, rather than our shores.

No reason can be given for this extraordinary fact.
All the Magdalen Islands and Esquimaux Point schooners engaged in this fishery with success, as did also some ten schooners from the parishes below Quebec.

Number of barrels of fish caught, say about 5,000 , value $\$ 15,000$; value of spring l:erring caught on our shores, 48,000 barrels at $\$ 1.50-\$ 72,000$.

## MACKEREL FISHERY.

Like the herring, the mackerel resorts to the shores of the gulf to dpawn, and is then taken with nets. This fishing is much practised in Nova Scotia and especially in the Gut of Canso. On our shores it is followed only at the Magdalen Islands, in the Bay of Plaisunce from the 1st to the middle of June. This net fishing gives but poor results, and is of no great importance to us. Not so with the summer fishing: our fishermen throw into the water a kind of paste made with fish oval so as to keep near their boats the mackerel, which they afterwards catch with hooks baited with a small piece of the skin of the mackerel's throat.

This fishery, neglected till now by Canadians, has assumed a great importance in the United States, especially in the State of Massachusetts, where some small sea-ports
send as many as 1,500 fine schooners to the Gulf. The finest fleet is that of Gloucester, comprising at least six handred sail.

Mackerel was very scarce this year in the Gulf; it was hardly seen on the shores of Gaspé, and appeared but a fet days in the St. Lawrence. It was abundant around the Magdalen Islands, especially at the entrance of the Bay of Plaisance. During August and September, from 100 to 150 American schooners fished there, with various success. Number of barrels caught by our fishermen in the Bay of Plaisance, 400. The summer fishing amounted to 1,000 barrels. Total value, $\$ 11,200$.

## SALMON FISEERY.

With our fishery laws and regulations (slightly modified) continuing to be put in force and observed, this fishery will soon become one of the most important of the country, and our rivers again be what they were formerly, the most productive of North America. Already it is observed that every jear their produce increases.

On the north shore this fishery did not give uniformly good results; thus while from l'Anse aux Blancs Sablons to Natasiquan they were little better than common, they verc more than doubled or trebled west of that point, especially at. St. John and Moisie. In the river, falling into the Bay of Gaspe, the fishing was good. In those of the Bay of Chaleurs, except the Ristigouche, which gave an excess over the results of last year, the fishing stations both in the river and along shore gave generally less fish than the year before. The stations on the north shore of the River and Gulf of St. Liawrence gave about 1,831 barrels of salmon, and those of Gaspe and the Bay of Chaleurs 6881 . Value, 830,231. This includes only the salmon caught in my division; that is to say, west of Godbout Riyer, on the north shore, and west of Cape Chatte River, on the south.

I estimate the quantity of trout taken in my division at 200 barrels; at $\$ 12$ per barrel, \$2,400.
RECAPITULATION.
Codfish, Summer Fishing, 150,000 quintals ..... $\$ 450,000$
" Fall Fishing, 15,000 quintals ..... 45,000
Herring, Spring Fishing, 48,000 barrels ..... 72,000
" "Fall Fishing, 5,000 barrels ..... 15,000
Mackerel, 1,400 barrels ..... 11,200
Salmon, 2,5197. "، ..... 30,231
Cod Oil, 90,000 gallons, @ 45 cts ..... 40,500
Seal Oil, 62,513"،@65 cts ..... 37,508
Whale Oil; 33,600 gallons
\$~01,439
200 barrels Trout, @ $\$ 12$ ..... 17,680 ..... 17,680
2,400200 " Halibut, @ \$6
1,200200 " Cod Sounds and Tongues, @ \$5
Value of Seal Skins ..... 1,000 ..... 7,200
Total value of the products of the Fisheries ..... \$730,919
Statistics of teee North Shore of the River and Gulf of St. Lampence, from 
Number of people ..... 4,413
French Canadians ..... 2,612
Anglo-Canadians ..... 628
English ..... 308
French ..... ${ }^{24}$
Italians: ..... 2
Ámexicars ..... 5
Poles ..... 1
Indians ..... 833
Roman Catholics ..... 3,841
Protestants ..... 570
Jefrs ..... 2
Fishermen ..... 1,755
Hunters ..... 1,038
Proprietors of beach-lots ..... 332
Capital employed in the Fisheries ..... \$699,555
Number of Herring Nets ..... 46
" Salmon " ..... 340
Herring Seines ..... 14
Codfish ..... 19
Vessels ..... 22
Fishing Boats ..... 774
Number of barrels of Herring ..... 2,370
" " Salmon ..... 1,157
" quintals of Codish ..... 51,668
" gallons of Codfish Oil ..... 43,858
" . " Seal Oil ..... 40,839
Value of Furs ..... \$46,970
Number of fathoms of Seal Nets ..... 8,178
" Houses ..... 380
" Horses ..... 12
" Cows ..... 65
" Working Oxen ..... 18
" Sheep ..... 59
" Pigs ..... 22
Value of these animals ..... 82,970
Extent of cultivated land-arpents ..... $67 \frac{1}{2}$
Number of Roman Catholio Churches ..... 9
" resident Priests ..... 2
" Protëstant Churches ..... 1
" resident Protestañ Ministers ..... 1
STATISTICS OF THE ISLIAND OF ANTIOOSTI.
Length of the Island ..... 118 miles.
Breadth ..... 31
Number of inhabitants ..... 67
Horses ..... :3
Cows ..... 10
Pigs ..... 11
Value of these animals ..... $\$ 600$
Extent of cultivated land-arpents ..... 602
Number of barrels of potatoes ..... 181
" bundles of hay ..... 1,200
" sheaves of oats ..... 100
" barrels of herrings ..... 25
" " salmon ..... 42
Value of Furs ..... $\$ 600$

## POPULATION OF THE NORTH SHORE IN 1852.

From 1 Anse aux Blanes Sablons to River Coacoachoo inclusive, 648.
In 1852, from River Coacoachoo, there were, as resident fishermen, and that during the salmon'fishery merely, only'the men employed by the Hudson's Bay Company at their different salmon fishing posts, who might number about 150, besides the ohiefs and olerks
of the trading posts of the said Company with the Montagnais Indians, and a few Canadian families settled at the King's Posts amounting as follows :-

$$
\begin{aligned}
& \text { Whites......................................................... } 110 . \\
& \text { Indians .......................... ............................ } 500 . \\
& \text { Add the Fishermen......................................... } 150 . \\
& \text { Total............................... } 760 .
\end{aligned}
$$

Comparative Statement of the population of the North Shore of the River and Gulf of St. Lawrence in 1852 and 1861 :-

Population from l'Anse aux Blancs Sablons to Coacoachoo in 1861..... 804.
in $1852 \ldots . .648$.
Increase........................... .............................. 156.
Population from Coacoachoo to Portneuf, in 1861......................... 3,609. in 1852........................ 760.

Increase.................................................... 2,849.
Total population of the North Shore, in 1861........................... 4,413. in 1852........................ . $1,408$.

Total increase.................. : ..................... 3,005.
These statements shew that the population of the north shore of the River and Gulf of St. Lawrence has more than trebled since 1852, that is to say, during a period of ten years. But a thing worthy of remark, is that this increase took place principally on the western part of the shore. Thither in fact the fishermen have repaired, since the Act 16 Vic. cap. 92, has allowed them to establish fishing stations on the Labrador coast without fear of being, as formerly, molested by the Hudson's Bay Company's servants, thanks to the protection afforded by the fisheries' protection serviee.

In 1852 (and previously), there was not a single fishing establishment besides those of the salmon fishing stations of the Hudson's Bay Company, between the Rivers Coacoachoo and Portneuf; now they are numbered by hundreds. On this whole length of shore, where formerly only a few houses, scattered here and there, were met with, now more than 300 houses are counted ; there are even small villages as at Natashquan and Esquimaux Point, both founded by Acadians from the Magdalen Islands.

In 1852, and even a few years afterwards, there was not a single fishing establishment on the coast between Mingan Harbour and Seven Islands' Bay, and not a quintal of codfish taken there, except on the banks of the Rivers Mingan and St. John's, which American fishermen had been in the habit of frequenting for a long period; now there is not a river, bay or creek unoccupied, and there are caught annually from 30,000 to 35,000 quintals of cod, besides other fish.

These are some of the results arrived at since the cessation of the monopoly formerly exercised ky the New Brunswick Company at the King's Posts, and along the greater part of the Labiador coast.

Comfarative statement of the products of the Fisheries on the North of the River St. Lawrence, and of the Gulf, for 1852 and 1853 :-




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Scal fishing with nets, on that part of the North Shore of the Gulf where it is fol-lowed-that is to say, from Coacoachoo to Y'Anse aux Blancs Sablons, was not am productive as formerly. For instance, it gave in 185243,950 gallons of oil, and in 1861 only . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . 26,294

Decrease
17,656
This is attributed to the shore being now nearly all settled. These animals are now more afmid of coming near it than formerly; they keep further out, where our fishermen cannot catch them with their tackle. It is moreover argued that they are not now so numerous in the Gulf as they used to be, owing to the great slaughter yearly made of the young ones on the banks of Newfoundland, or in the Gulf, for the sake of the oil and fur.

Nevertheless, as a great many fishermen from Point aux Esquimaux and Natashquan hunt for seal in the gulf; the product of seal oil on the north shore was nearly equal to that of 1852 , that is to say 40,839 gallons.

Not being aware of the product of the salmon fishing on the whole of the north coast in 1852, I cannot give any comparative statement of this, but it certainly has increased in value sirce that period. The same remarks apply to herring fishery.

## RECAPITULATION.

Products of the fisheries on the North Shore with their value in 1861:
Codfish, 51,668 quintals.................................................... $\$ 155,004$
19,716
Seal oil, 40,839..................................................................... 26,545
Barrels of herring, 2,370@\$3............................................... 7,110
" of salmon, 1,831 @) \$12............................................. 23,172

Value of furs................................................................. 40,970
4,832 seal skins, @ 80cts...................................................... 3, 506
\$277,823
Add value of similar products from the Island of Anticosti.......... 1,179
\$279,002

## STATISTICS OF MAGDALEN ISLANDS FOR 1861.

Total number of inhabitants............................................... 2,651
Males .............................................................................. 1,. 399
Females ....................................................................... 1,252
Roman Catholics............................................................. 2,362
Protestants ................................................................... 289
French Canadians............................................................. 2,072
Anglo 4 ............................................................... 188
English.................................................. ............................. 24
Foreigners .................................................................................. 50
From the Lower Provinces.............................................................. 317
Fishermen ........................................................................ . 618
Fishing schooners............................................................... 37
Fishing boats ..... 230
Nets ..... 551
Seines ..... 15
Quintals of codfish ..... 9,134
Barrels of herring. ..... 6,150
": of mackerel ..... 1,271
Codish Oil ..... 9,490
Seal Oil ..... 21,672
Value of Seal Skins and Furs, $\$ 2,834$.
Value of the products of the Fisheries at the Magdalen Islands ..... :
9,134 quintals Codfish, @, \$3 ..... $\$ 27,412$
6,150 barrels Herring, @ \$3 ..... 18,450
1,271 do:Mackerel, @ \$7 ..... 8,897
21,672 gallons Seal Oil, @ 65c ..... 14,087
4,990 do Codish Oil @ 45c ..... 4,270
Value of Seal Skins ..... 2,834
Total value ..... 875,950P. FORTIN.

## ANNUAL REPORT

OF THE

# SUPERINTENDENT OF FISHERIES 

FOR UPPER CANADA,

FOR THE YEAR 1861.

To the Honorable P. M. Vankoughnet, M.L.C., Commissioner of Croon Lands, etc., etc., etc., Quebec.

Hamiton, 31st December, 1861.

Sin,-I have the houor to submit the following report of my proceedings as Superintendent of Fisheries for Upper Canada, for the year 1861 :-

During the year just closed my efforts have been mainly directed to the collection of the sums due to the Department on the leases previously issued; the near approach of the end of the term fixed for their expiring, to say nothing of other obstacles to be elsewhere sxplained, having rendered the obtaining of new lessees not only difficult but of little value. I howerer lost no opportunity of issuing new leases for the unexpired term, wheraver I could find the fishermen disposed to enter on them. To all the fishing stations within my jurisdiction I have made frequent visits, and used my best exertions to induce the fishermen to come into peaceable compliance with the provisions of the law ; but the reckless spirit of defiance with which too many of this class is imbued, added to a general tonviction which has spread among them, that the law is inefficient for the collection of the rents duc, have made many of them bold enough to declare that they will not fulfil the engagements imposed upon them by their leases. Under these circumstances it is to be hoped that the Government will take the earliest opportunity to remodel the Fisheries Act, taking alrantage of the experience acquired by its operation during the past three years.

My quarteriy accounts will have already informed the Department of my different movements, so that it is needless for me to encumber this report with a recapitulation of the places $I$ visited at different times, with the circumstances which transpired thereat. I shall therefore confine myself to a brief notice of the present position of the fisheries in district Number One of Upper Canada, and the obstacles that have tended to retard the more successful carrying out of the present Act, together with such suggestions as observation and experience have pointed out for the amendment of the law to secure a more proftable return from this important branch of trade

The total number of leases issued up to the close of the present year is 244 , for periods rarying from three years to six months, and all expiring on the 31st January, 1862. The total sum accruing up to that date is $\$ 8621.50$, and the annunl rental, since all the leases come into force, is at the rate of $\$ 3787.00$. This, however, gives but an imperfect idea of the revenue which may be anticipated, when the difficulties that have hitherto impeded the working of the law are removed, and when the community at large shall have become habituated to a compliance with those conditions which at first were regarded as unjustand oppressive, but which are already being reoognized as highly beneficial to the interests of

1hose engaged in the fisherics. Of the above number, only fifteen have becu paid in full, and the receipts from which amounted to $\$ 309.50$. Partial payments have been made on one handred and twenty-nine, amounting to $\$ 2247: 84$, on which the balance due is $\$ 2160.66$; upou the remaining nue huadred no payments have yet been made. The amount due on these last is $\$ 3903.50$. From this statement it will be seen that the total sum received on account of leases is $\$ 2557.34$, and the balance due $\$ 6064.16$, for the collection of which it is imperative that prompt measures be taken at the earliest opportunity.

In speaking of the obstacles which have retarded more extensive operations under the Fisheries Act, it is needless now to refer to the prejudices, which it everywhere encountered among the fishermen at the commencement; as these have been in a great measure remored. There ace, however, two prominent causes, the one local, the other general, which will continue to militate against its future success, until means are devised for surmonnting them. The first is a claim by the proprietors of adjacent lands to own to the "Channel Bank" which they contend extends to the middle-stream, or deep water; and the $\operatorname{secoun}: 3$, that the law as it stands is insufficient to compel payment of rents due under the leases already issued.

I cncountered the first objection from many of the proprietors on the banks of the Detroit and St. Clair Rivers, who claim that their titles, originally granted by the French Crorn, iuvest thom with ownership to the channel bank, or deep water, which in many places would extend their properties 230 feet into the river, thus covering all that is valuable for fishing purposes. It was in vain that I contended that the "Channel Bank" meant the Fater's edge, and although I succeeded in inducing a few of them to take up leases at a small rontal, I was unable to realize anything approaching the actual amount of revenue. that should accruc from these valuable fisheries, some of which are let by the farmers, to American fishermen at rents as high as $\$ 60$ and even $\$ 80$ per annum. A reference to the Law Officers of the Crown of the point as to what is the true definition of the "Channel Bank" would settle this question, and probably: add largely: to the revenue from fisheries:

During the whole year, and at almost every station, I have had to encounter the legal difficulty of the supposed inefficiency of the Act for the collection of the rentsaccruing from the leases issued under it. The injury resulting from this source, though:apparent. from the large sums in arrears, cannot be estimated to its full extent by:this alone, as many have been indifferent about taking leases from a feeling; that they ...could not be held to their engagement. I have already informed the:Department, under datemay30th, 1861, that several magistrates and one member of Parliament in the region of the Bay, of Quinte, have openly advised lessees to resist:the payment of rent; and that the Judge of the County Court at Kingston dismissed two charges of trespass, brought by Mr. M.ealey, on the plea. that there was no law authorising the leasing of the fisheries: In the Upper Canada Law: Journal for October, 1861, appears a report of a case before His Honor.F. J. Wilkes, County Judge in the first Division Court of the County of Grey.. The Judge (among other commentu: on the fisheries Act) "says the leases put in do not appearion the face of them to have been. granted by the Governor in Council, as required by the first section of the Act, and there is nothing in the Statute or Regulations made thereunder to enable the Superintendent of Fisherics or the Assistant Commissioner of Crown Lands to grant them. The leases are not under the GreatSeal or the Seal of the Governor, or in any way authenticated as having been granted by authority of the Governor in Council, and oughtito be regarded as wanting: in those indicia which can alone secure for such documents attention and authority as evidence in a Court of Justice." With such facts and statements before the public, it is not to be wondered at that the fishermen should resist my demands. It may not be deemedwithin: my province to point out the means for obviating this fatal difficulty; but in view of the large amount outstanding, and the still more serious consequences that may follow in the future if the law is not amended, I would respectfully suggest that an explanatory enactmeat be made, either by the Governor in Council, or by Parliament, declaring that the leases issued by the Assistant Commissioner of Crown Lands and the Superintendent of Fisheries havo the same force and effect as if the same had been issued by the Governor in Council. Unless some meang are taken to compel those in arrears to pay the balances due, the parties who have honestly met their ongagements will have:njust cause of complaint.
$\Delta t$ Point Pelé Fsland:and Fighting Island, the respective occupants resist the operation of the law the former on the ground that he leased the Island from the Iudians, and the latter; that he bought the:Island; fisheries included, from the Government. They have both steadily refused to take leases from the department, although they derive considerable sums.annually from subletting their fisheries which are very valuable; and their resistance has had an injurious effect:upon neighbouring fishermen, who contend that it is unjust to compel them to pay when these two are exempt.

In last year's report I drew attention to the difficuly of leasing the fisheries at Long Point, and other places, on account of the extensive marshes, where a proftable business is sometimes carried on in hunting the muskrats. If leases could be granted protecting the Jessees in taking muskratsiniaddition to the fisheries, a handsome sum might be realized at Long Point; Point Pelé Main, Point Pelee: Island, Rondeau: and many other places which are now: almost: or entirely unproductive.

On the subject of Burlington Bay close, I have to report that the "Game and Fish Protection Society," from whose exertions I expected so much, has apparently abandoned the care of the Eay, and it seems to me that it would be judicious to repeal the 19th section of the Fisheries Act, and By-law No. 5 - of the Fishery Regulations, sanctioned by the Governor in Council on the 16th of May, 1860; thus learing Burlington Bay, the Dundas Marsh and inlets around, subject to the provisions of the law. By this step an important addition would be made to the revenue; and the ilicit operations of those who fish almost mithout molestation in these waters, woald be prevented. My only reason for making this suggestion is, that these "waters, \#ave been a constant source of trouble and expense without nay corresponding return to the Government.

To realize the full extent of the benefit to be derived from the Upper Canada Fisheries, both as a source of Provincial revenue, and a commercial caterprise, some efficient means should bedevised whereby the owners of real estate, fronting on the Lakes; may be induced to become the lessees of the fisheriesopposite their properties. Thus every farm would become $a$ fishing station, and eacli resident on the Liake coast would have an interest in carrying out the law. It is dorbtless क" matter of great difficulty to frame any measure that, mould accomplish this end, but it may be reasonably assumed that if the leases werc offered to the various landowners at a rate sufficiently low to enable them to sublet at a profit, the Department would secure ci responsible chass of tessees who would punctually meet their obligations, and the fishermer would be prosecuted to an extent:that would largely increase the productions of the country. In places where:the Department can give no right of way on the coast, it is-impossible to sccure tessees other than the owners of the adjacent land; hence, it may be well to consider the propriety of offering terms that will induce such to take up the fisheries, or to impose a reasonable annual rate on all landowners so situated, learing it optional with them to use thieir own privileges if they see fit. It does not appear right that the public interest should bo:sacrificed in this important matter to the whims of those who neither lease the fisheries themselves nor concede the others the requisite accommodation; hence if it be found impossible to induce:the proprietors to take up the leases, the public interest seems to require that the law should compel them to grant the requisite ground for a fair recompense.

In looking forward to the permanent establishment of the Cpper Canada Fisherics as a source of revenue and a profitablebranch of trade, it would be of great importauce to secure the co:operation of the Governments of the various! States bordering upon the Lakes and Rivers which divide this Province from the weighibouring Republic. Could these States be induced to adopt similariprecantions for the protection and regulation of their fisheries in our eommon waters, it would prove muturally advantageous to all concerned.

Some of the most desirible improvenrents for the fature management of the fisherics have becoryointed out in previousireports; and I have little to add in the way of gencral recommerdations beyond what:may boifoundrin the AimmalReport of 1860 . I may remark, Howevory that the cioustant:use of the seinestiet theinjuriousceffects of which were so Porcibly tepicted by D Y Deslie Esqizin his:able lester pupdished with-my report of 1859, will produce the mostidisastions consequences iffiotspeetalify discontinued. Not:only are
 in the summer months and leff on the beach to rot, but the frequent dragging of the seine
over the sparning beds destroys the food of the larger fish, so that when the spawning season approaches, they are deprived of the necessary subsistence. For these reasons, I cannot too strongly urge the prohibition of seine fishing at all season, except from the 10 th Sep. tember to the 25 th $O$ Otober. These dates have been determined after consultation with some of the most experienced and intelligent fishermen who are most anxious to have this restriction stringently enforced, as they see in the present system a certair prospect of tbe ultimate destruction of our valuable white fisheries.

The use of gill-nets should also be prohibited from the 25th October until the close of the season.

It would be very desirable to appoint a close season for white fish to insure their preservation, but under present circumstances the restriction above recommended with regard to the uee of seines and gill-nets are all that can be proposed with any chance of being successfully carried out. The protection of the fish, in their natural element, will aliways be found a more certain and economical mode of propasation than any artificial means yet devised.

In order to bring the gill.uet fisheries properly within the jurisdiction of the depart. ment, and in the interests of the revenue, I recommend that in lieu of leases extending orer a period of threc years, yearly licenses should be granted from the 1st Fcbruary until the 25th October, at a certain rate per boat according to tonnage, and the number of yards of net in use. These licenses should be paid for when issued, and the boats under them num. bered and registered, the number to be prominently painted on the bors. Any boat found fishing without such number and license should be liable to forfeiture, and the captain and crew to heary fine aud imprisonment.

It is of great consequence that Lakes Huron aud Superior should be placed precisely on the same footing as thic other waters of Upper Canada. I have in former reports giren reasons for this at length, and would now respectfully suggest that the exemptions in favor of these Lakes, in sections 30 and 31 , be forthwith repealed. The 31 st section should also be ameuded by substituting "Bass of any kind" for "Black Bass." Pike should be included among the other kinds of fish cnumerated in the 31st and 32ncl sections, and "Pickere" in the 32 nd section.

To raise the market value of the productions of our waters, it is necessary that all fish cured and packed, cither for esport or home consumption, should undergo inspection. Until this is enforced the honest and skilful fish-curer must continue to suffer from the depreciation. which the blunders of the ignorant, and the tricks of the deceitful never fail to producc. Dealers at a distance, deprived of the guarantee which the enforcement of the In spection Act would give, cannot be expected to pay that price even for a good article, thai they would, if it had the official cndorsement of a Government Inspector. I therefore recommend that after a reasonable time, say the first of October, 1863, all fish cured and packed, shall be inspected and branded according to the provisions of the Act 22 nd Vic., cap. 50 , under a penalty for contravention. Such a provision would protect the public, and raise the character and value of Canadian fish in foreign markets.

The period having arrived for a renewal of all the leases previously issucd under the Act, the present time is peculianly favorable for the introduction of the various changes and improvements allrcady pointed out. The expericnce of the past three years has revealed, though imperfectly, the vast resources of the Upper Canada Fisheries, and although we are not in possession of those data which would caable us to make an exact estimate of the annual value of the productions of our waters, yet there is abundance of evidence to show that my estimate of last year, viz., $\$ 2,000,000$, is much below the actual amount annually realized. The Crown having " re-entered formally into possession of all fishing stations,", it becornes imperative to consider how far the interests of the revenuc and trade can be scrved by a well-devised system of management, and when in the face of difficulties proviously detailed the district under my immediate charge has already shewn capacity to produce a yearly income for rents of $\$ 3787.00$, it is but reasonable to assume that if the changes and amendments which experience has saggested were promptly and efficiently carried out, an annusl revenue of 325,000 or $\$ 30,000$ might be anticipated in a comparatively short period for the fisheries of Upper Canada. Nor would the collection of such a revenue from this branch of industry be felt to be oppressive or injuriona: for the honest and indiustrious
fisherman would find in the protection which the law affords to himself in the prosecution of his calling, and to the fish in their natural means of reproduction, a full recompense for the small pecuniary exaction imposed by his license or his lease. By the restriction of sciue fishing elsewhere suggested, not only would the propagation of the white fish be promoted, and the interests of respectable fishermen secured, but the lawless hordes of dissipated men, who have hitherto relied upon this as an easy means of subsistence throughout the year, would be driven by force of circumstances to seek employment of another kind. By applying the close seasons to all the lakes and waters of Upper Canada without disinction, the productivencss of the fisherics would be greatly enhanced, and as future experience shall throw further light on the subject, such regulations may be framed from time to time as will secure the greatest immediate advantage to the fishermen, consistent with the preservation, and if possible, the increase of the various kinds of fishes to be found in nur maters.

All of which is respectfully summitted.
I have the honor to be, Sir,
Your obedient servant, Jonn McCuarg, Superintendent of Fisheries for Upper Canada.

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ON TEB
FISHERIES OF LAKES HURON AND SUPERIOR.

Collingwood, 31st December, 1861.
Sre, - I have the honor to report my procecdings as a Fishery Officer, in charge of Lakes Hurou and Superior during the past season.

The separate dutics performed by me as Preventive Officer in Her Majesty's Customs are duly reported to the Department of the Hon. Finance Minister.

In addition to the usual routine of season visits to the chief fishing localities, I have this year visited many new places, particularly on Lake Superior, deseriptions of which will be found below. Between the middle of April and the end of November, I have callal onec at least, and in some instances from twice to five times, at all of the fishery stations around the Georgian Bay, Lake Huron, Lake St. Olair, and Lake Superior. Owing to my being required to start so carly in the spring, and continuc thus late in the fall senson, I have been exposed in my small boat to very considerable dangers. On one accasion I narrowly escaped swamping in the heavy seas between the Cock and Club Islands; and at other times near the fishing islands, and entering the Harbor of Shebananing, my boat was ncarly stove in pieces.

I am gratified to report that amongst the legitimate fishermen, the operation of the Fisheries Act gives universal satisfaction. Under it these fishermen have much improved in their outfit, buildings, and character, having become in may places an industrious and settled population. The condition also of many of the fishings is already much bettered under the leasing system, and through the inducements which it offers to lessees for the improvement and cultivation of such interest.

At Bayfield, Goderich, Kincardinc, Inverhuron, Baic du Dard, Saugeen, Cape Hurd, Dunk's Bay, Collingwood, Yeo, Horse, Half Moon, Club, Cock, Lonely, Scquaw and Duck Islands, and at the Mississaga Straits, at Michel and South Bays, St. Joseph's Island, Goulais Bay, Michipicoton, and Parisienne Islands, the fisheries had been almost destroyed by reckless fishermen. Americans were in the habit of frequenting these valuable grounds, aud dressing the immense numbers of fish they took in the mostimproper places, bloodying the water, and casting into the lake cnormous quantitics of offals. They often left old nets upon the grounds to rot there, with putrifying masses of fish entangled amongst then. llaving no permanent interest in the fishings, they pursued it in a manner ineredibly reckless, and altogether regardless of the most ruinous consequacuces. : It was by such means that the white fish fishery of Collingwood and at Goderich: was almost destrejed. At the former place, about four years since, a company of Americans took possession of the shoals haring the "run," and after catching an abundance of fisb, thej cleared out, leaving behind them their debts, and about six miles of netting spread about the grounds. These sudden inroads of strangers did incalculable harm to the resident population, and partiour
larly to Canadian fishemen. The present leasing system and the regulation of the fishing have entirely stopped such injurious practices, and the fisheries at the above-named places are already beginning to recover from the deterioration.

In my former Reports, the Tinited States have been described as the principal market for our pickled fish, a great proportion of which went to the Southern States. Owing to the war, that market has been completely closed, and a corresponding depression of trade in the lake cities has deprived our fishermen of their usual profits. Indeed, the course of fish-trade has been last season quite reversed. American cilught fish being sent from the Detroit and other markets for sale upon the Canada side of the lakes. The extensive fish merchants of Mackinaw and Sault Ste. Maric dropped the trade altogether, and refused to fit out any of their numerous usual customers for the fisherics. The American lessecs of the Duck Islands, Mississaga Straits, and Thessalon fisheries did not set a net or employ a single man. Mr. Spaulding, a very respectable, old established merchant at the Sault-the lessec of the Mississaga Straits-told me he had upwards of 300 barrels of fish at Detroit; that he had ordered his agents to sell at auy price for cash, and they could not do so. The fish are probably thrown ou his hands spoilt.

Our own people engaged in the salt fish-trade, sceing the impussibility of making sales, contraced their operations, aud mercly caught for home consumption,-selling half-barrels of beautiful white fish at $\$ 2$; consequently the catch on our side has been very light. In places where 10 and 20 boats fished in 1859 and 1860, wo had not 5 in 1861. The only successful parties have been the fishermen at Pt. Edward, Goderich, Kincardinc, Inverhuron, Port Elgin, Saugeen and Collingwood. Owing to the very stormy fall, and the irregularity of the steamer calling, the Caped Rich fishermen were not suacessful. The tresh fish-trade, on the east coast of Lake Huron, was caergetically prosecuted, entircly owing to the protection afforded by the leasing system. Fresh fish were shipped (in ice) daily by the steamers "Kaloolah" and "Valley City"" to agents in the States and Canada, from places where such a trade was not herctofore deemed practicable.

The catch at the Fishing Islands has fallen off greatly during the past three years. Different reasons are given; some say the steamers are the cause, others the increase of gill nets breaks up the shoals, others that the fisk have migrated north. The last of these I belicve to be the truc cause; from the statements made to we by the Indians, there is no doubt that the herring have greatly increased on the north shore, and on the coasts of Manitoulin Islaud. There is not a seine on the whole island, and the fish remain there undisturbed, whilst the Fishing Islands have becu overfished. I counted this fall, there, 27 gill net boats, besides scows and boats used hy the sciners, $120 \mathrm{mcu}, 47$ of whom were engaged in seining alone.

The Goderich and Collingwood fisheries shewed a great improvement this fall, both having suffered from the same cause, the loss of miles of acts on the fecding grounds, by reckless characters, strangers and Americans, who cared nothing about the preservation of the grounds.

Notwithstainding the unfavorable prospect, I have reccived numcrous application for renewal of existing leases, and for the lease of new grounds on Lake Huron and Georgian Bay. Doubtless, if steam comnunication should be re-established on Lake Superior, many of the fine stations lying idle there will be profitably cecupied. The marine resources of this vast region are abundant and valuable, almost cxceeding belief. I have been-myself astonished at ascertaining the comparatively little that my service upon the lakes has revealed. For a distance of uprards of two hundred miles of coast-line, there is a constant succession of first-class seining grounds, upon which nets Fiave never yet been hauled: And these are in addition to the occupied fishing stations enumerated in my return of lessed fisheries. The fish of Lake Superior, of all kinds, are of very superior quality, and much larger than those of Lake Buron. No place in the world affords equal facilities for speckled trout fishing; they abound in every river, creek and bay, and can be easily caught.

Among the new fisheries which I have inspected this season on Lake Superior, are, the Montreal River, Batcheewaning, Goulais Bay, Mamainse, Agwauna to Gargantua Rivers, Great Lake River, Michipicoton River, and thence to Pic Riyer, also the little Pic River, Slate Islands, aud along to Neepigon River, Pays Plat, Simpson, Salterg and St. Ignace Islands; and from the latter round to Pigen River.

The Montreal River is a large stream, with rapids and falls within oue-fourth of a mile from its mouth. "Pis a good harbor for schooners. Lake trout run up in great quantities to the falls, and may be there taken in scoop-nets attached to long poles; eight or ten are sometimes caught at a time, weighing from 8 to 12 pounds eaci. The Hudson's Bay Company take and cure fish here for the Agwauna post.

In Batcheewaning Bay, sturgeon are taken in immense numbers, between the island and the mainland. They are caught in gill nets of 7 and 8 inches mesh, stretched in deep water. This fishery lasts all the year round. During winter time the nets are worked through holes in the ice by an ingenious contrivance, with long limber poles threaded into the holes cut. The fish in winter are more plentiful and larger than in summer. Speckled trout of a very large size frequent the Batcheewaning and Harmony Rivers, and in the smaller streams emptying into this bay, brook trout of 6 lbs. weight have been caught.

The fishery of Goulais Bay is chiefly for white fish, and begins late in the season, continuing even after the ice has formed. Herc they are captured close in shore, upon the sand and gravel bottom. This fishery is best from about the first of November to the setting in of winter. Such, indeed, is the case at all the white fish grounds around Lake Superior.

At Mamainse and the neighborhood, the trout fishery and white fish fishery together occupy the whole season. The want of a harbor is some detriment to this locality. The shores, too, are high and rocky, and the grounds have sunken boulders and jagged reefs. It is about such places that angling may be practiced with great success during the summer months, at which time the trout leave the rivers and gather among the rocks at the edge of deep water. Some American tourists this year enjoyed excellent sport at Mamainse Point, and in the little channel between Mamainse Island and the mainland, and at the points off the Agwauna and Pancake Rivers.

From the Agwauna River to Gargantua, the streams abound in white fish, lake and speekled trout, and there are beautiful seiniag grounds. The harbors for large and small craft are numerous and convenient, and wood is plenty. In fact there is not another such fishing coast on the whole of Lake Huron. The interior, likewise, is an excellent fur country, abounding iu marteus. Many of the rivers can be ascended a distance of 60 or 100 miles inland, without any obstruction to hunters. The distance from the Sault Ste. Marie is trifling. I know of no place more suitable for a company of euterprising fishermen and hunters to make a good and easy living. The only want to render this situation a lucrative one for carrying on a large trade in fish exports, is that of a market. This drawback would be obviated by the employment of a steamer upon the Lake Superior route.

The Great lake River is a large stream, affording safe harbors. It is connected by at chain of lakes with Michipicoton River. Speckled trout abound here. The Indians dry their winter supplies of fish at thís stream.

The Michipieoton River is an important station. To the east of the entrance is a large sand beach, upon which the Hudson's Bay Company haul seines for herrings and white tish during spring time and up to September. In Magpie River, a stream opposite to the Post, specked trout are abundant. The Company's servants have greatly improved this post within thie last year; this is the case, indeed, with many of the posts since steamboats have run along the British side, and the leasing of fisheries has been in of eration. Hitherto buildings formerly belonging to the old North-west Company were used, although in a very dilapidated condition. At the mouth of this river, there was camped alougside of me this season an Indian woman who, in the winter of 1860, while in a fanishing condition, ate her husband and two children. This melancholy thing is, I hear, not unusual amoug the upland Indians. Rabbits form their chief subsistence in hunting, and these animals are, during some seasons, woudeifully plenteous, and at others they seem to die off by millions, in which event, many of the Indians starve to death. In 1860 the Hudson's Bay Company"was obliged to feed them at nearly all of their posts:

Between the Michipicoton and Pic Rivers, there are numerous rivers, bays, beaches, and channels, abounding in trout, white fish, mackerel, stargeon, and as a general rule, nearly every stream, large or small, is full of speckled trout. At Eagle River and Minatawash River, the lake trout run up in large quantities. The Indians assemble in the fall, make weirs near the first rapids, then descend the stream in canoes; beating and splashing the water,
 in this way. I dare say the lake trout run up many other streams; I only saw the weirs in: the twomentioned. Ali along this coast families of Indians are encamped during the summer, catching white fish, trout, suckers, (boss hereand there) and speckled trout. Otter Cove and the channel between the islaad and the mainland is a great trout ground, inith excellent shelter and magnificent harbors. No person has ever prosecuted fisheries on this coast to any extent. Between Threc Falls and White Spruce Aiver is a curious little inland lake, or chain of small lakes connected with the main lake by a very narrow channel, impassable for a Mackinaw boat. The wate is exceedingly clear, and it is alive with very large speckled trout.

Next is the Pie Rivel: On the west sand-beach, at the entrance, is a great seining ground for white fish and herring; and outside, during certain seasons, two Iudians can fill their canoe with lake trout in a few hours trolling. A schooner drawing from 7 to 9 feet can gencrally cross the bar, and once in, the river is navigable for many miles. Mr. Bege, in charge of the post, and formerly in charge of Lake Lour, in the interior, told me that in the inland lakes they caught no fish in the ice. The Indians say that the fish sink into the mud immediately ifter the ice takes; both the day before and the day after the ice takes fish are plentiful. The Post at Lake Long is dependent on fish. The Company "xpects all their masters of posts to feed themselves on fish, rabbits, and wild geese. If the f:all is open, these pusts have a puor supply for the winter. Oue fall, Mr. Begg caught 8000 white fish in Sake Long, for winter usc, and stored them to freeze; the weathor becane mild, and they were all spoilt. He had to discharge his men, to hunt rabbits for his own support, and went himself to Neepigon with the Company's winter mail, leaving his wift, (a Red River half-breed), to support a family of six on rabbits daily suared. John Finlayson lost about 6000 fish jast year from the same cause, and only for the geese would have starved; there were no rabbits; two of the best hunders died of starration.
little Pic River is a considerable stream, and affords good anchorage for schooners in the fall and spring. The rapids are quite close to the lake coast. This has been a famous fishing station, very large sived tront being taken leere during the fall. It is seldom used now.

At Slate Islands no tishing has ever been carried on. Siskawet or lake sulmon are plenty here. The American fishery for this description of tish is at Isle Royale, where an extensive trafic in the oil is maintained. The siskawet is unfit for food, but the oil obtained from its carcase is a valuable commodity.

From Slate Islands to the Neepigon River there are innumerable streams, rivers and bays, all abounding in fish. Pays Plat River is a large stream stretching far into the interior, without any rapids, and is a celebrated water for the white fish fishery.

The Mayokamak is another very large sized stream, where. white fisla are caught in abundance. A fishery lessec named Clarke had established himself here for the purpose of fishing and hunting. He has since moved to Jackfish river, another well knownground for white fish. This stream is navigable for upwards of 40 miles. It derires additional importance besides its fishery, from the fact of being the best suited for conveying supplies to the Government surveying expeditions in the interior. Clarke complains that the Hudson's Bay Company have pursued an unseemly rivalry against him, and strire to drive him off the const, he having been once in their service.

Tho Neepigon River is another extedsive stream. Its rapids are quite near the mouth, and therefore does not afford rery convenient shelter for fosts. Neepigon Lake is distant about fire days trarel inland, and nine portages bave to be made along the main stram. This lake abounds in nearly all the kinds of fish common to Lake Superior itsell: Very profitable fishing operations are carried on there by the Honorable Iludson's Bay Company.

All of the waters around Pays Plat Islands swam with white fish sind trout of the best and largest kind, and there are numerous harbors, easy of access, and affording shelter at all times. The fishing is curricd on there by the Hudson's Bay Company, and the firm of Dick and Herson. These companies hare found ample food for their enterprise cven about the channels and among the Islands, while the outside waters remain as yet untouched. A rich harrest of fish might be gathered in this locality.

Mr. E. Clarke, the lessee of Blach River, has made great improvemente on one of the
small islands off the lsland of St. Igmace. He is workiag a mine at Duncan's Core, and for aine months of the ycar, the workmen can be fed on fresk fish, alteruating from white fish to trout, all of a rery fine quality and large kind. : The lessee of this fishery has built ar fine frame store-house and several good dwelling houses.

From St. Ignace to Pigeon River the fishing grounds are near and continuous. The harbors, sheltered channels, and deep bays extend all around this part of the coast. Fish of every kind known to the upper Lakes are found upon these gronnds. The Hudson's Bay Company muntain a large fishing establishment at the Roche de Bout Islands, expressly for the fall-fish ing. The Fort William Indians fish near Pcint Porphry. From Thunder Cape round to Hare Island trout of 70 to 90 lbs. weight are taken, also off Hic [sland.

Two young men from Bownanville, the Messrs. Stronger, fitted up a versel, and established themselves to fish at Prince's Mine. They found fish plenty, and could have done well but for the withdramal of the steamers.

The Kaministiquia River, "'hunder Bay and the Welcome Islands are good fishing stations for whitefish and sturgeon, and in McYicars, Current, and McKenzie's Rivers trout are very numerous. Near the bottom of Thunder Bay the Neepigon Indians use a splendid seining ground which is there.

I am informed that on Pie and Michipicoton Islands, the small lakes are full of fish, and that indeed all the inland waters are plentifully stocked.

The Parisienne Island is a very important place. There exist here evidences of a most extensive fishery establishment having been occupied by the Americans. Our orn people seldom visit it. The American fishermen left behind them many obstructions upon the best sand beaches and seining grounds. The place was lately leased to an old resident of Sault Ste. Maric, who had begra to clear aray these impediments, and commenced to establish himself in the fish trade, but abandoned it in 1860, in consequence of murdering lis comrade. The island is well wooded, and is at a convenient distance from the Sault.

Oring to the discontinuance of the steamboat line on lake Superior, the greatest possible hardships have been endured by many persons who had settled there with the intontion of fishing, and who had arranged with connections in the United States and elseWhere for prosecuting the fish trade on a large scale.

I have related in letters to the Departments the particulars of such instances as have come within my knowledge.

I have omitted to state sooner that I inspected the fishery at Mississaga river; on lake Huron. This strean is a very large one, and the first rapids are abont one mile from the lake. There is a high fall some 40 miles further up. This is the principal sturgeon fishery around lake Huron. At the Nottawasaga river, and in a few of the bays east of Penctanguishene, they are caught only in small quantities. The Mississaga fishery commences about one month after the ice breaks up, and continues till autumn at the Great Falls. The fishing is entirely carried on by the inland Indians who assemble pear the mouth, yearly; in great numbers. They spear a few of platforms projecting orer the first rapids; but their principal fishing is with nets. The nets are made of sturgeon twine (purchased at all the Hudson's Bay posts). They are about 16 feet long, 6 feet deep, with a slight bag, floats of wood about 6 inches long and 3 in diameter, placed two feet apart, and a stone from 5 to 8 th weight attached to the middle of the bottom of the net, for a sinker. The mesh is about 2 inches on the square,-the net is hauled between two canoes with the stream, and in the eddies, underneath the falls. One Indian and a squaw in each canoe;-the canoes are very small-about 9 to 10 fect long, and only wide enough for one person, and are made of birch bark-the squaw manages the canoe; the Indians "feels" the net, and as soon as he feels sturgeon, he hauls up; the canoes close, and with a heavy wooden club he strikes the sturgeon a fer smart blows on the head, then lifts them into the canoe. The canoes are beautifully managed, and in the space of an hour two canoes will take 8 to 12 sturgeon- 80 to 100 are frequently taken in a day, weighing from 40 to 100 Hbs . The sounds are collected and dried, and sold to the Hudson's Bay Company at 50 ceats per Hb , for isinglass. Mr. Sayer, at Mississaga, collects about 1001 tbs annually, from an average of 10 sounds to one nound. The Indians smoke and dry the fish on poles for winter use ; generally, however, consuming all before they leave for winter quarters. I
believe an enterprising person might wake moncy out of this sturgeou fishery, if followed in a similar manner to the Russian fishery. Very large whitefish run up the Mississaga:River in the fall, to the foot of the great rapid, where they are taken by the Indians in abundance.

The Indians still continue to give great annoyance to our-lessees. They do not fish to any extent on their own grounds (of which the leasing system has given them more than a reasonable share), but seem jealous of every-one, and are anxious to drive all others away from their neighbourhood. They consider themselves under no restraint of law, and even when caught red-handed it is difficult under present circumstances to know how to punish them; fines they cannot pay, and it would entail great expense and loss of time to take them to any gaol. Much of their refractory disposition and curious behaviour is attribatable to the presence of whiskey dealers among them. This trade when once it has smay amongst the Indian tribos is most debasing, and vers injurious to our lessees, who try to carry on an honest fishcry trade. Many complaints were made to melast year, and although I knew the parties who sold, I could got no proof. The Indians will never tell. One of our most intelligent and enterprising lessees, who has never dealt in whiskey, has told me that the Indians from some part of the Manitoulin Islands, (under the inflaence of whiskey and as he asserts, through the connivance or suggestion of a regular whiskey trader, who notoriously gets three-fourths of his fish for whiskey, in the imnaediate neighbourhood), have burnt down or carried away all his buildings, tish-sheds, wharf and empty barrelg -a yery complete establishment-since lic left it in November last. It is well known that the Indians would not have done this to him without instigation, as he has-always dealt fairly with them, supplied thera with good articles, employed them to fish; and to my knowledge, is very popular with them. I have arranged with him to proceed to the spot early in the spring, and with the slight clue he has already obtained, to bring home the charge to the whiskey trader, if possible. I have already suggested, and again snggest, that no whiskey or spirits should be allowed to be used by Indian traders, either at their posts, or in their vessels; there is no other mode of stopping this injurious traffic.

Some few of our most intelligent fishermen are beginning to appreciate the advantages of fish inspection, and if they all would have their fish inspected, they would be great gainers.

The American system, as taken from personal enquiries at Detroit, is as follows: For instance, at Detroit, there are three extensive fish dealers; they will not buy a single barrel at any price, till inspected ; they employ their own inspectors (labouring men) at their own wharves and store-houses, each barrel is emptied into a brine tub. the fish cleaned, resalted, paclecd, and branded as below :-
"Whitefish, 100 tts , No. 1, warranted, Moore, Foote \& Co."
"Trout, 10015s, No. 2, Craig Brothers."
"Whitefish, 100 tbs . No. 3, sour"-no name.
Half-barrels are much more saleable, and command a much larger price in proportion than full barrels. The sour fish sell at low rates, in the interior amongst laborers on railroads and canals. The charge for inspection is 25 cents for half barrels, 50 eents for full, and something extra if new hoops or heads are required. The brands of these three firms will pass current over all parts of the States; they are old established houses, and have made large fortunes out of lake Huron fish.

I have amicably settled and arranged a great number of dispates and quarrels during the season about boundarics, nets, netting grounds, buoys, landing places, trespasses (making the trespassers compensate the injured persons), wood, shanties, \&c., and only in one case have I been compelled to enforce the law by process of fine. This has been reported in my return of fines and forfeitures.

I beg leare to append a statement and memorandum shewing the stations leased, their produce in quantity, value, and kind, the disposal of fish, de., de., within my division; to which I would respectfully refer.

I have the honor to be, sir,
Your obedient servant,
W. Gibbard,

Orerseer in eharge of Lakes Huron and Superior:
P. S.-Should the communication be again opened up with Red river, or Fort William,
without which lake Superior must remain both as to rivers and fisheries unproductive，lights mill be needed，on a small island at the entrance of the Qucbec Harbor（Michipicoton Island） also on the south westerly point of Point Porphry，where there is a good harbor，and a fmall light is needed upon the wharf at Fort William or the Transitstation．The American gorernneut have built several lighthouses on lake Superior during the past season．Some of the chanels between Little Current and lake George also require to be buoyed out annually，on the Georgian Bay and lake Huron．Lighthouses are much required for the north shore channel of lake Huron constantly used by our boats，and frequently during bad weather by the American steaners，propellers and grain schooners，on Cape Smythe；on the sotherly point of Badgely island，on the northerly point of Clapporton Islaud，on tile southerly point of Sulphur Island；this last named rould be of essential service to vessels narigating the Mississaga channel．

SUMMARY of Fishery Operations for 1861，in Division No．2，Upper Canada．

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（1）．To the abore sum thero should bs added $\$ 5,400$ ais the ralue of 6,000 gale．of fish oil made at Gorlerich． 12）．Stations leased，but unoccupied，would give fully 4.500 barrels more．
The total value of materials used in fishing withio this Division is $\qquad$ $. \$ 17 \mathrm{~T}, 492.00$.

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Many of the Canoos aro very largo and riggod with oars and masts and capable of currying 6 to 8 barrels． The fishing population on this coast numbers 615 ．Thore are，in addition to this number，numerous lodges of Indians inland subsisting almost entirely upon fish．

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|  | $\begin{gathered} 26 \\ 700 \end{gathered}$ | Trout and Whitefish．．．． | $\begin{array}{r} 117 \\ 3,150 \end{array}$ | Pi | Traders and at home．．．．．．．．．．．． | Lessec a hallibroed；will not pay；lires on the Istanul． |
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| Christern and and jaisen islands．．． | 220 | Trutht，Whitefish，Herring． <br> and Sturgcon．．．．．．．．．．．． | $\begin{array}{r} 990 \\ 7,105 \\ 9,953 \\ 9,350 \end{array}$ |  | Collingwoorl；以enctanguishene， traders and local． | Uinoccupied． <br> Indian bands，chiedy spearing；fisherios here and there all the season；Ponetanguishene，french Canadians principally． |
| Colling | 690 |  |  |  |  |  |
| Colingrooun．．．．．．． |  | Whitefish，Trout，©Herring |  | Fresh ani snokel．．．． <br> Fresh and pickled．．．． | Local ；N．R．Re．Line，Toron－ <br> to，Mamilton，Rochester．．．．．． Tocal and Collingwood． | Pishery much injured by Americans loosing 6 to $\$$ milas of nets；improved，Fall 1811. |
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# ANNUAL REPORT 

# SUPERINTENDENT OF FISHERIES 

FOR LOWER OANADA,

FOR THE YEAR 1861.

Querec, 31st December, 1861.

The Honorable
Commissioner of Cromn Lands.
SIr,--I have the honor to lay before you the following statistical information, \&e., \&c., in relation to the Fisheries of Lower Canada for the year 1861.

It is satisfactory to be able to state that the salmon and cod fisheries have been very abundant. The herring fishery has been very good, and in the prosecution of the seal fishery ample returns have beca made to compensate the fishermen in that dangerous and laborious enterprise. The returns from the whale fishery has very much fallen off this season. This fishery is altogether carried on by Gaspe whalers, mon who have followed the profession from their boyhood, and it must be a matter of regret to find that they have not been so successful as heretofore, in an enterprise requiring it once, conrage, skill and perseverance.

The catch of mackerel has not been very abundant; those of our own lishermen who prepared themselves for mackerel fishing were not very successful; it is a fishery that is very fluctuating, and requires, to ensure success, it good schooner and untiring perseverance on the part of the crew ; the ressel requires to be constantly cruising about to "sight" the shoals of fish when they come to the surface. The United States and Nova Scotia fishermen have largely engaged in this trade, and their perseverance has generally been well rewarded. The practice adopted by thic Jnited States fishermen of fishing on shares gives, by united exertion and joint interest, an impetus that generally leads to success.

There has been a large increase in the fishing population during the last four years. The North Shore is the principal place of resort, as the best cod fishing grounds are to be found there. From early spring until late in the fall, above $3,000 \mathrm{men}$ are busily engaged in following their arduous occupations. It is satisfactory to find that the benefits of the "Fishery Act" are beginning to bo felt and understood by the fishermen geuerally. One of the overseers, in writing" to me, says, "that the large increase in the salmon fisherics this season has led the men to the consideration of the subject, and they begin to perceive with gratitude that the law was made for their benefit."

There have been few infringements of the law this season; all the fishormen appear desirous of acting in conformity thereto. Some difficulty has been experienced in relation to throwing fish offal in one or two salmon rivers, but on the whole the provisions of the law have been generally observed.

The difficulties that were formerly experienced with the Indians have been, in a great measure, overcome; only one conviction of an Indian has taken place this season, and no report against any other has been received; indeed, the following extract from a letter written at a station, where formerly much difficulty had been experienced; will sher that they are becoming more obedient to the law than they were formerly:-"I am happy to saj
that the Indians have behaved very well ; indeed, we hare had no difficulty with them." The writer of this letter was, at all times, particularly kind to them, but until this last year great difficulty had been experienced in compelling obedience to one of the most salutary laws that is on the Statute Book. The assistance that has been given to the Indians has becn thankfully and gratefully acknowledged.

The funds placed at my disposal for their relicf was principally, at their own request, expended in purchasing a good sea-boat and materials, together with fishing tackle, \&c., ly which they were cnabled to embark in codfishing, and I am glad to find that they, not ouly caught cough for their own consumption, but were able to dispose of some at the post at Bersemis.

The valuable results of the Fishery Act are now being seen in the large increase of saluon taken this season, compared with the few last years; and not only so, in every river wis the North Shore myriads of salmon fry have been seen-the natural result of the efficieut protection that has been afforded. Fornerly the stake-net, the drag-net, the seine and the spear, followed the fish wherever they could be captured; now, each net station is alloted to the fishermen ; beyoud tidal water no net is crer set, and the destructive practice of spearing is confined to the Indian under certain provisions, and I hope soon to see the spear totally abolished, and the possession of one punishable by fine.

The following is a list of the salmon fishing stations within the Saguenay district; the names of the occupants, and the quantity of fish taken at each station during the years of 1859,1860 and 1861, with remarks as to the nature of the fishing, dc., de.; the season "f 1859 being the first scason the licensing system was introduced.

The licenses were, in general, granted to the parties who had furmerly fished the stations, and a very small license fec reguired of them; it was at first demurred to, but it is pleasing now to sec with what satisfaction they come voluntarily to take their licenses, userjoyed at the little fortunes some of them make.

Comparative Statement of Salmon Fisheries, Occupants, Stations, \&c., \&ic., Saguenay District.

| Names. | Stations. | Quantity. |  |  | Remarks. |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  | 1859. | 1860 | 1861. |  |
| Alex. Desbion | Mal Bay, Hué. | 35 | 75 | 100 |  |
| Mrs. Nairne. | Domain Farm......... | Mal | Bay. |  | No return. |
| Johu Recve. | Domain Farm......... | Mur- | ray Bay |  | No return. |
| Nic. Pilote... | Cap it I' ${ }^{\text {digle ....... }}$ |  |  | 5 | Only fished 2 days |
| Ios. Radford | St. Catherine's 13ay... | 16 | 80 | 100 |  |
| J. Collard . | L'Anse i David ....... | 54 | 75 | 80 |  |
| D. E. Price | Little Islands........... | 88 | 150 | 1.50 |  |
| F. Simard.. | L'Anse St. Etienuc... |  |  | 10 |  |
| P. Duchene. | LAnse it la Grosse Roche. $\qquad$ | 101 | 250 | 325 |  |
| Tm. Hovington | Passe is Picrre........ | 75 | 175 | 275 |  |
| Riched. Morin | Pointe is la Croiz...... | 11 | 72 | 130 |  |
| Thos. Simard. | Tadousac Fishery...... | 905 | 059 | 1318 |  |
| Paschal Perron | Moulin Baude........ | 99 | 200 | 400 |  |
| (i. Tremblay. | I'Anse Puante........ | 44 | 45 | 130 |  |
| 15. Tremblay. | Pointe i Cariolc..... | 65 | 122 | 150 |  |
| M. Cote.. | Isle Pcuches. | 18 | 5 | 15 |  |
| f'. Duplessis | Isle Boires. |  |  | 100 |  |
| Bap. Girard | Point Boisvart |  | 22 | 52 |  |
| E. Fortin | Port Neuf. | 9 |  |  |  |
| 1). E. Price. | Bay Laval.............. | 326 |  | 554 |  |

These returns, I am persuaded, are below the actual catch of fish, for it is difficult to obtain the correct returns from the fishermen who generally imagine there is some ulterior object in view to their detriment.

I prefer, however, to have a ninimum catch returned than to have an overstatement of the quantity taken.

By this return'it will be seen that the salmon fisheries in this district have very much improved; and with the system adopted it cannot be otherwisc. The increase, in some places, is above fifty per cent.

The following table will shew the rivers, \&c., in this district :-

| Names. | Where. | Leased. | Mill Dam. | Fishways. | Remarks. |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Du: Gouffre. | Bay St. Paul. |  |  |  | Few salmon in it. |
| Murray River... | Murray Bay... |  |  |  | Getting well stocked. |
| Black River... | Port au Persil. |  | Dam | Fishway. | Very good salmon-pass. |
| River Canard... | St. Jáwrence. |  | do | No | Small stream. |
| Little Sagueinay | Saguénay .....: | Mr. Price... |  | Fishway | Not fished by net. |
| St. John......... | do | do | do |  | Not fished by net. |
| St. Margueritte. | do | do |  |  | Well protected by lessee. |
| G. Bergeronne: | St. Eawrence. | Not lcased. |  |  | Good sea-trout fishing... |
| L. Bergeronnie. | do | Mr. Price... |  |  | Some few salmon. |
| Escoumains. | do | Mr.Holliday | MillDam: | Fishway. | See reference to this river |
| Port Neuf. | do | Not leased. | do |  | Natural passage for fish but of doubtful utility |
| Laval Rive | Bay Laval. | Mr. Pricc. . | No Dam. |  | Very fine salmon river. |
| Sault à Cochon. | St. Lawrence. |  | do | ............ | Valuable only for sea-trt. |

There are a few more rivers up the N. E. branch of the Saguenay, leading to Chicoutimi, but as salmon do not frequent that branch I have not noted them. I have, however, good authority for believing that salmon were taken last scason at the Pcltier River, one of the tributaries of the Chicoutimi branch.

With the exception of the Lavai, no net has been permitted to be set at, or near any of the rivers leased by Mr. Price, and it is to the protection that has been given by the Lessee to these nurseries that we are indebted for the increase of salmon in this neighbourhoöd.

The river St. Margueritte and the Laval has swarined with fish this season, and the parties who, with the permission of the Lessee, have fished the St: Margueritte, came away highly delighted with their success, so different from former years.

The Escoumains, once so valuable a salmon river, is now totally worthless; the immense quantity of saw logs that are brought down the river blocks up the passage, and though a fishway has:been buirlt on it, it is, I fear, of very little utility, and the river, though leased, has not been fished by the lessee. As reference will be made to Fishways generally; in this report, it can be referred to for information.

The Saguenay District is under the charge of Mr. Henry Simard, Fishery Overscer.
The Godbout District embraces the shores between the Mistassine and the Little Trinity, there being an intermediate space between it, and the Saguenay division, within which there are few salmon stations of any moment, although the Bersemis, the Papsnachois, Outardes and Manacougan,-rivers as large as any in Canada-flow within its boundaries. The Bersemis contains salmon of the largest size and in considerable quantities, but diffculty is experienced in netting in consequence of the swiftress of the stream. The Indians, however, managed to take some for their own consumption last season with a small net; and an old determined spearer came to me and said, "Me no go spear salmon any more; you let me catch with net." I told him I was very glid to hear it, and lioped others would
follow his example. Here is the largest Indian village on the North Shore, and the buildings they are erccting are, indeed, very creditable to them. The Papinachiois and the Manacougan, having very high fall just at the entrance, but few salmon are taken there; and in the Outardes, a very large river, salmon do not enter; sturgeon and pike of immense: size are in abundance. There are several old resident settlers at this place. While here, I eximined into the nature of the spplication for grant of land referred by you to me, the report on Which I forwarded to the office some time since.

The following are the river and shore fisherics that are under lease and license from the eastern limit of the Saguenay district to the castern limit of the Godbout division :-

| Occupants. | Stations. | Quantitics. | Remarks. |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| E, Gothout. | Batture an Gibier |  | Not fished. [Jaurent. |
| A. Comeat...... | Bay Colunbian. | 260 fish. | Fished by D'A mour and $\mathrm{St}_{\mathrm{t}}$. |
| muistuwn ... | Mistassime .... | Not fished. | Licensed for Ely fishing |
| . Holliday... | Godbout......... |  |  |
| Dr. Adamson Aut. Blais... | do .... | 25.1 | killed. Fly fishing. |
| Aut. Blais . | Godbout Bay. |  |  |
| \%oel Bedard | Pointe des Monts | 3 |  |
| 1. Comeat. | Hunter's Cove.. | 60 |  |
| John Meade. | Trinity Bay (W) | 320 |  |
| Fohu Clarke.. | Trinity Rircr.... | 1600 | 800 taken in 1860. |
| Joseph Boswell | do | Not fished. | Fly fishing division. |
| Wm. Munioe | Trinity J3ay, (E.) | 100 |  |
| 1. Derosier.. | L'Anse aux Mort | 40 |  |
| Miss. McClurc. | Isle du Caribou. | 80 |  |
| Ant. Volant. |  | 80 |  |

The Godbout and Trinity are the principal salmon fisherics in this district; these rivers, from the use of seines, barrier nets and spears, had been sadly injured; they are now swarming with salmon and salmon fry.

The rivers Mistassine, Bexcie and Little Trinity are only fit for fly fishing, and Thave instructed the oversecr not to allow any nets to be set near them.

Bay St. Nicholas, six miles west of Godbout, may be said to be the commencenent of the codfishing locality. Elcven schooners, twenty-two boats and fifty-five men have been engaged in the codfishing here, with a gross eatch of 2,930 quintals of cod. Halibut is also very plentiitul off these shores.

The difficulty formerly arising from the offal being thrown in the river has been in a great measure, overcome. Buoys have been placed in such localities as are least injurious to the salnon fisheries, aud the codfishermen conform to the law by anchoring in the preseribed boundary.

While at Trinity Bay I swore in A. Comeau, Esquire, who had been appointed by His Excellency, as a Magistrate for the Saguenay district, and in accordance with your letter I instructed him Fishery Overseer, pending an official appointment by yourself.

I was much pleased to be able to arrange amicably the difficulty that had been expericuced with some of the Indians at this post ; they came to me voluntarily, acknowledged their former misconduct, and promised not to offend again, and, as was stated in a former part of this report, no diffeulty has been experienced with them from that time, and I hope none will in future.

As the Indians appeared very desirous of employing themselves codishing. I was enabled to purchase for them a good boat with every material necessary for codfishing and as far as the means would permit, I purchased, for the most needy, provisions necessary for them. There were two widows with families, and one very old man; a little relief was a
ndeed a.charity, and I am happy to say a different feeling exists among the whole tribe now to what it was formerly.

At Isle de Caribou I found the divers engaged in getting up the goods from the "Mohawk" formerly wrecked there.

The Moisie district lies between the rivers St. Margueritte and the Sheldrake. Within this division there are not less than one thousand men engaged in the different fisheries; it is one of the most valuable localities on the whole coast, and for a succession of years has yielded a bountiful harvest to all engaged. Salmon, cod, herring, mackerel, whale and seal are to be found in this region, and from early dawn to late at night is heard the busy hum of the hardy and persevering fisherman, from the spring to the fall of the year.

List of Salmon Fishing Stations, \&c., \&c., within the Moisie District.

| Names. | Stations. | Quantity in Barrels. | Remarks. |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| P. Vollin | St. Margueritte..... | 8 barrels. | Indifferently fished by Indians. |
| John Holliday. | Moisie River....... |  | From 500 to 600 barrels said to have been taken. |
| Bacon \& Williams | do |  | Fly fishing division. Not fished |
| David Tetu...... | Mioisie Bay......... | 35 barrels. | [this season. |
| John Holliday... | do ......... |  |  |
| Wm. Chisholm. | $\begin{array}{ll} \text { do } \\ \text { do : } \quad . . . . . . . . . . . . . ~ \end{array}$ | 22 barrels. 23 barrels. | Weather very unfavorable. do do do |

Mr. Holliday, the lessee of the net division of the Moisie, who has all his lifetime been engaged in the salmon fisheries in Scotland and Ireland, informs me that no lessee is required to give a statement of the catch of salmon upon his holdings. The overseer states that the take has exceeded Mr. Holliday's expectations, and that there has not been such a catch of salmon in the Moisie for years. From all the information I can gather, it appears that not less than 600 barrels of fish have been taken.

The lessees of the fly fishing division were not able to fish the river this season, which I very much regret, for they are a protection to the upper waters of the river during the run of salmon.

Codfishery Returns for the Moisie District.

| Persons. | stations. | Boats. | Men. | Quintals of Fish. | Remarks. |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| P. Vollier.............. ........ | Ste. Margueritte. | 2 | 5 | ${ }^{0} 0$ |  |
| F. A. Hardy................... | Seven Islands.......... |  |  | S6 | Bar. of Merrings. |
| John Hamilton ............... | do ......... | 3 | 7. | 250 |  |
| J. Holliday.............. .... | Moisie, (W.)... ........ | 11 | 40 | 1,100 |  |
| John Hamilton.............. | do ......... | 15 | 40 | 1,206 |  |
| J. Joncais..................... | do . ....... | 5 | 15 | 400 |  |
| Mohar Brothers.............. | do . ${ }^{\text {do..... }}$ | 4 | 15 | 400 |  |
| Tetu \& Turgeon.............. | Moisie, (E.)........... | 9 | 49 | 1,500 | Caught in Pound Net. |
| Dom. Lo: Page............... | do ........... | 5 | 15 | 794 |  |
| Jsmes Gillis.................. | do ............ | 5 | 15 | 700 |  |
| John Beck.................... | do ............ | 3 | 9 | 300 |  |
| Daniel Hearni................ | do ............ | 6 | 16 | 900 |  |
| Thomes Picard.... ........ | do $\qquad$ | 4 | 13 | 450 |  |

Codfishery Returas for the Moisie District.-(Continued.)

| Persons. | Stations. | Boats. | Mon. | Quintals of Fish. | Remarks. |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Peter Mabe, sen.............. | Moisie, (E.)........... | 3 | 13 | 350 |  |
| Peter Mabe, jun.............. | do ............ | 3 | 11 | 500 |  |
| G. Maturin.................... | do ............ | 5 | 15 | 600 |  |
| G. Gagnon.................... | do : ............ | 3 | 11 | 450 |  |
| F. Poirier .................... | do ............ | 2 | 7 | 270 |  |
| Joseph Talbot................ | Pigou.................... | 7 | 19 | 500 |  |
| Jacques Piet................. | do ................. | 3 | 9 | 150 |  |
| M. Caron...................... | do . ................. | 3 | 11 | 280 |  |
| Xav. Caron.................... | do ................. | 5 | 15 | 350 |  |
| Eug. Fournier................ | - do ......... ........ | 5 | 22 | 450 | : |
| Pierre Dere.................... | do ................ | 5 | 15 | 350 |  |
| Xav. M. L'Espérance........ | do ................ | 3 | 11 | 400 |  |
| X. L'Esperance......... .... | Biroh River ............ | 9 | 36 | 1,100 |  |
| Alexander Corben........... | Manitou River........ | 4 | 14 | 226 |  |
| Joseph Ferguson............. | do ...... | 3 | 16 | 300 |  |
| Joshua Doe.................... | do ...... | 3 | 10. | 230 |  |
| Ab. LeBrun ................... | Shallope River......... | 12 | 36 | 800 |  |
| I. \& P. Vibert............... | do ......... | 10 | 30 | 800 |  |
| A. Lo Brun................... | Gibraltar Covo......... | 12 | 33 | 1,200 |  |
| Thomas Jee Gros.. .......... | Whale Cove............ | 20 | 60 | 2,000 |  |
| SimEon Mabe................. | . do .......... | 5 | 16 | 400 |  |
| John Vardeau................ | do ........... | 6 | 15 | 800 |  |
| Phil. 'Tousel................... | Sheldrake River. | 7 | 21 | 800 |  |
| Mat. Talleau ................. | do | 7 | 21 | 700 |  |
| James Collas ................. | do | 6 | 17 | 700 |  |
| M. Joncas..................... | do | 4 | 13 | 300 |  |
| C. Clavet...................... | do | 3 | 12 | 250 |  |
| Pierre de Bourge............. | do | 5 | 15 | 400 |  |
| John Renouf.................. | Moisie.... | 3 | 15 | 500 |  |

Total boats, 238 ; men, 775 ; quintals, 24,092, besides 15 schooners employed in this district. From 6 to 700 barrels of salmon were taken. The overseer writes that several vessels came to the station shorthanded, and that the abundance of fish exceeded anything he had ever before seen.

Difficulty was experienced from some of the codfishermen throwing fish offal in the river, which is very injurious to the salmon fisheries, and it must be put a stop to.

The overseer, not being a Magistrate, cannot punish aggressors, and must wait the arrival of some Justice of the Peace before whom he can lay a complaint, and it has happened that offending parties have escaped punishment from this circumstance. Where there are nearly a thousand people congregated, there should be some immediate authority to punish offenders.

The Mingan district is comprised between the Sheldrake River and Esquimaux Point. This is also a very valuable district; fish of all description frequent its shores in abundance.

The principal rivers within the Mingan district are the St. John, the Mingan (with its tributary), the Manitou, the Magpie, the Romaine, the Jupitagan and the Sheldrake.

The St. John's River has this year yielded no less than 308 barrels of salmon, and the Magpie 132 barrels.

The overseer in his report says, "it has exceeded anything of the kind that has taken place within the recollection of the oldest fishermen, and the people now believe that this abundance is the good effect of some measure resulting from the Fishery Act ; and knowing that your best endeavours have been used to increase the fisheries, I am happy to inform you of this abundance"

Salmon Fishenies within the District of Mingan, for the year 1861.

| Names. | Stations. |  | Quantity of Salmon. |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Iludson's Day Company. | Mingan River, 4 stations. | ............... | 123 barrels. |
| John D. Patterson............................ | Dn 7 do . |  | 20 do |
| Pradent Nicole............................... | Do 1 do | ... | 39 do |
| Edouard Belangnr \& Co...................... | Do - 1 do |  | 21 do |
| William W'alsb................................ | Do ${ }^{2}$ du | ................. | 18 do |
| Widow Charles Girard. | Do 1 do |  | $6 . d 0$ |
| John B. Girarl. | Do 1 do |  | 12 do |
| John \& W. Ross .............................. | Do 4 do | ... | 55 do |
| John McRar \& Co............................ | Do 1 do | - | 10 do |
| Frederic Coffin. | Du $\quad$ l do |  | 9 do |
| Philip Coffin........................... ........ | Du 1 do |  | 7 do |
| John Girard.. | Magpic River, ${ }^{\text {a }}$ do |  | 132 do |
| Pierre Girard.. | Junitigan River, 2 do |  | S do |
| Philip Touzel... | Shelarake Tiver, 1 du |  | 2 do |
| Joln Le Brun................................... | bo i do |  | 3 do |
| F. Marquand.................................. | Do 3 do |  | 3 3 do |
|  |  | Total........... | 500 barrels. |

Codfishrry Returs for the Mingan District.

| ximes. | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Number } \\ & \text { of } \\ & \text { Boats. } \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Number } \\ & \text { of } \\ & \text { ten. } \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Quintals } \\ & \text { of } \\ & \text { codfish. } \end{aligned}$ | Romarls. |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Maxime Bourdage. | $:$ | 10 | 260 |  |
| John D. McRao \& Co........................ | 3 | 10 | 305 |  |
| Xavier Babin \& Co .......................... | 2 | 7 | 240 |  |
| François Bigol............. | 1 | 4 | 90 |  |
| Adam Brotherton........................... | 3 | 11 | 170 |  |
| Iranc Aspineau..... | 6 | 15 | 294 |  |
| Placido Aspineau ..... .... |  | 7 | 130 |  |
| Subast. Le Brasseur........ | 3 | 7 | 293 |  |
| Laurent Huard.............................. | 2 | 6 | 170 |  |
| Fabien Duguc............................... | 2 | 7 | 121 |  |
| Tbeop. Chapalcau............................ | 3 | 10 | - 300 |  |
| Sobastien Le Brasseur.. .................... | 2 | 7 | $\bigcirc 172$ |  |
| Hiliare IIuard............................... | 3 | ${ }_{6}^{6}$ | 293 |  |
| Yasie Dugue \& Co............................ | 3 | 8 | 243 |  |
| Paul Chapadeau................. ............ | 2 | 6 | 175 |  |
| William Provost \& Co............... ....... | $\stackrel{2}{2}$ | ${ }^{6}$ | 214 |  |
| Rémie Parise ................................ | 2 | 6 | 172 |  |
| Antoine Anglehenrt........ ..... ...................... | $:$ | 5 | 284 |  |
| Andre do la Roshie..................................... | 3 | 6 | 250 |  |
| Matthew Morris........................................................... | 3 | 9 | 235 | Thunder River. |
|  | 5 | 15 | 460 |  |
| Robert Loisel........................................... | $\stackrel{2}{3}$ | 5 7 | 148 279 |  |
| John Walsh \& Co.................................... | 2 | $i$ | 240 |  |
| Lewis Huard........................ ......... | ; | 9 | 249 |  |
| André Loisel, fils............................ | $\because$ | 6 | 255 |  |
| Matther Foley ........... ..... ............... | 3 | 7 | 33 |  |
| Xavier Jacque........................... ..... | s | 12 | 300 |  |
| William Girard.............................. | : | 9 | 310 |  |
| William Mann \& Cu.......................... | 5 | 16 | 318 |  |
| Frodorick Arsincall ......................... | 2 | 5 | $\therefore 140$ |  |
| Ed. Bolanger \& Co.............................................. Ones. Belnnger \& Co......... | 2 | $s$ | ${ }_{673}^{173}$ |  |
| Ones. Bolnnger $\mathbb{E}$ Co................................................ | 7 | $\stackrel{24}{3}$ | 673 |  |

Codfishery Returns for the Mingan District.-(Continued.)

| Names. | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Number } \\ & \text { of } \\ & \text { Boats. } \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{gathered} \text { Number } \\ \text { of } \\ \text { Men. } \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Quintals } \\ & \text { of } \\ & \text { Codfish. } \end{aligned}$ | Remarks. |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Philias Sirois... | 5 | 21 | -. 640 |  |
| Prudent Nicole ................................ | 2 | 6 | - 102 |  |
| James McRae \& Co........................... | 2 | 5 | 100 |  |
| John B. Girari................... ........... | 1. | 2 | 12 |  |
| Mathew Boyle.............................. | 1 | 3 | 60 |  |
| Philip Vantier.............................. . |  |  | - 150 |  |
| William Allain................................ | $\stackrel{2}{2}$ | 4 | 160 |  |
| Janes Walker............................... | 2 | 6 | 150 |  |
| Henry Kemp................................. | 5 | 15 | $\bigcirc 450$ |  |
| Roobert Sullivan............................... | 2 | 4 | 140 $\cdots 200$ $\cdots$ |  |
| Thade Le Blanc........................................... | ${ }_{19}^{2}$ | ${ }_{60}^{4}$ | 1200 2000 |  |
| Solomon Belineau............................ | 2 | 6 | $\ldots 160$ |  |
| Pierre Couture............................... | 4. | 15 | 300 |  |
| Richard Maujer.............................. | 2 | 5 | 100 |  |
| Pierre Dugue................................ | 2 | 5 | 150 |  |
| Pierre St. Coeur | 3 2 2 | $\stackrel{6}{5}$ | $\begin{array}{r}123 \\ 75 \\ \hline\end{array}$ |  |
| Jiel. Le Jeune........................................... | 1 | 3 | 75 |  |
| tlel. Rios........ ............................. | 3 | 9 | 242 |  |
| Andre Loisel................................ | 3 | 8 | 252 |  |
| Le Poutillier \& Brothers.................... |  | 4 |  |  |
| Do |  | $s$ | ....... |  |
|  | ..... | s | $\ldots$ |  |
| Charles Robin \& Co.............................. |  |  |  |  |
| Curres Do . ............................... |  |  | ....................... |  |
| - Do |  | 4 | .................. |  |
| - Do |  |  |  |  |
| Do | 3 | 10 | ............. |  |
| Antime Migneau. | 4 | 13 | 255 |  |
| Didias Gomond............................... | 4 | 11 | 240 |  |
| William Truing \& Co ....................... | 10 |  |  |  |
| Fragois Le Brun............................ | 10 | 35 | 750 |  |
| John \& William Girard........... ........... | 2 | 5 | 140 |  |
| Joseph Couture....... | 6 | 15 | 500 |  |
| E. \& J. Collas \& Co. | 6 | 19 | 600 |  |
| Peter Devouges.............................. | 7 | ${ }_{29}^{26}$ | 450 |  |
|  | 7 | $\stackrel{29}{29}$ | 600 300 |  |
| Piorre Joncas.............................................. | 5 | 16 | 450 |  |
| Charles Clarette............................. | 4 | 12 | 370 |  |
| Mather Gallionne.......................... | 6 | 20 | 400 |  |
| John B. Hamond... |  | 6 |  |  |
| Hapier Cormier.................. |  |  |  |  |
| Eypolite Cormier <br> Hypolta Cormier | 2 | ${ }_{3}^{6}$ | $\therefore 35$ |  |
| John \& WV. Russ.. | 7 | 24 | 650 |  |
| Michel Girard.. | 1 | 2 | 42 |  |
| Romain Joseph............................... | 2 | 6 | 154 |  |
| David Joseph................................ | 5 | 8 | 225 |  |
| A. \&S. Vronsie............................. | 5 | 14. | 420 |  |
| D. A. Buckley................................ | 4 | 6 | 152 |  |
| Edward Le Page............................. | 4 | 13 | 289 |  |
| Dominick Loisel............................. | 2 | 5 | 125 | - |
| John Horte \& Co........................... | 2 | 7 | 211 |  |
| Isaac Denis \& Co........................... | 3 | 9 | 261 | $\cdots$ |
| James Holmes \& Co.......................... | 3 | 11 | 149 278 |  |
|  | 3 4 4 | 11 | - 2320 |  |
| Samuel Lioisel \& Co................................. | $\bigcirc 3$ | 7 | 226 |  |
| John Dugué....................................... | 3 | 9 | 324 |  |
| Flourent Langlois............................ | 3 | 9 | 380 |  |
| William Maloney............. ...............: | - 1 |  | 28 |  |

Codrishery Returns for the Mingan District.- (Continued.)

| Names. | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Number } \\ & \text { of } \\ & \text { Boats. } \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{gathered} \text { Numbor } \\ \text { of } \\ \text { Men. } \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Quintals } \\ & \text { of } \\ & \text { Codfish. } \end{aligned}$ | Remarks. |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Alex. Shodor \& Co. | 3 | 10 | 233 |  |
| Charles Robinson............................ | * | 8. | 287 | Situated on Jupitigan Iml. |
| Pierre Giniac, fils............................ | 3 | 5 | 292 |  |
| Pierre Giniae, pere.......................... | 3 | 10 | 243 |  |
| Farquabar McRae............................. | 2 | 6 | 164 |  |
| William Brotherton......................... | ${ }_{2}^{2}$ | ${ }_{8}^{6}$ | 177 |  |
| Louis Vignier............................... | 3 | 8 | 128 |  |
| John Duncan Ross.............. <br> Daniel Beok | 3 <br> 2 <br> 2 | ${ }_{5}^{10}$ | 327 160 |  |
| Pasteur Le Page it Co.... | 4 | 11 | 230 |  |
| ¢irsgoire Arsineau. | 2 | 7 | 160 |  |
| Benjamin Landry............................ | 1 | 3 |  |  |
| Joseph Boudrean. | 1 | 1 |  |  |
| Frangois Petitpas... | 1 | $\stackrel{3}{3}$ | 35 |  |
| Nath. Boudreau........................................................... | 1 | $\stackrel{1}{2}$ | 30. |  |
| Josjamin Cire....................................... | 1 | $\stackrel{2}{2}$ | ${ }_{25}^{30}$ |  |
| Prospere Cire............................... | 1 | 9 | 30 |  |
| Gracied Cire................................ | 1 | 2 | 25 |  |
| Frederick Joufre. | 1 | 2 | 32 |  |
| Xavier Boudreau. <br> John Doyle........ | 1 | 10 | 100 | (Fished at Natashquan; |
| Samuel Doyle........................................ |  | 1 | 100 | $\{$ on board the Venelie. |
| Charles Le Brun | 1 | 1 | 40 | § Fished at Natashquan,on |
| Vital Boudreau... | 2 | 2 | 200 | \} board the Alphonsing. |
| Hypolite Arsineau | 3 | 2 | 30 |  |
| Pierre Marquand............................. | 2 | 2 | 10 |  |
| John Joufre ....... | 1 | 1 | 8 |  |
| Hyp. Bourgeois................................ | , | 1 | 8 |  |
| Jos. Longipy-............................... | 1 | 2 | 60 |  |
| Placide .Doyle............. .................. |  | 1 | 100 | (Fished at Natashquan, |
| Laurent Bourgeois | 1 | 1 | 88 | \} on board the Vonelie. |
| Urbain Bourgeois............................ | 1 | 1 | 31 |  |
| James Waldown.. | 1 | 3 | ${ }_{96}$ |  |
| Olivier La Lierre............................. | 4 | 9 | 300 |  |
| Charles Beliveau............................. | 3 | 7 | 200 |  |
| John Boudin................................. | 2 | 4 | 162 |  |
| Pierre Belivenu............................... | 3 | 6 | 200 |  |

## necapitulation.



The principal portion of the codfish taken on the North Shore is dried and prepared for the foreign market.

The Messrs. Robin, LeBoutillier, and some other firms, collect the fish from the fisher. men, and transport their cargoes to the Mediterranean, the Brazils, and elsewhere. The late fish are generally barrelled, and used for home consumption.

Within a few years past very many settlers from the Magdalene Islands have remored to the North Shore, where they appear to be doing very well indeed, and although there has been great progress made in the fisheries generally, yet there is room for as many more as are at present engaged. The overseers state that even with the large number of men engaged this season, the want of more hands were felt.

I have often adrocated the formation of Fishing Societies, and shall be glad to find that the subject ahould engage the attention of competent persons. Having so many ox-
amples before us of the large amount of money that has been made in this trade, it is surprising to see so few, comparatively speaking, following this lucrative business.

The overseer remarks that in 1854 scarcely a codfish was taken in this locality, but the fact is that few persons fished there at that period ; it was not want of fish, but of fishermen.

From Esquimaux Point to Blanc Sablon, are several fine salmon xivers ; the principal of them keing the Natishquan, Great Meccatina, Kegashka, Musquarro, with many others of less note. There being no overseer within this district, I regret being unable to give a statement of catch of fish. The Natishquan, however, has produced about 500 barrels of salmon ; large quantities of seal are taken throughout this locality early in spring.

## sOUTH SHORE.

Bonaventure and Gaspe are also divided into districtis, and to each district a Fishery 0 verseer is appointed.

The district of the Metapedia is assigned to Mr. Alex. Fraser, a very intelligent persou. Within his district no nets are allowed to be set ; the Metapedia being a most raluable breeding river, and from the protection he has afforded it the river and its tributaries gre swarming with fish. Mr. Fraser says he has received much assistance from the Cure of the Indian Village (the Mission) who warned the Indians not to violate the lawr. The Metapedia will become a very valuable salmon river for fly-fishing. The sad havoc that the Indians and others made in this river, in former years, had not only destroyed it but also greatly injured the fisheries in the Ristigouche and the Baie des Chaleurs.

The next station to which an overseer is assigned is the Nouvelle district, within which are several valuable salmon fisheries. Mr. Archd. McEwen is the overseer for this district. It must be understood that this river (Ristigouche) is a boundary between Canada and New Brunswick; hence we have the right only to the shore fisheries on one bank of the river: the whole of the Islands, of which there are many, belong to New Brunswick.

The following is a statement of the quantity of salmon taken in this district for the reason of 1861 :-

| Stands. | Names. | Stations. | Quantity | Weight. |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 3 | Robert Busteed. |  |  | $\begin{aligned} & 20 \text { to } 25 . \\ & \text { do } \end{aligned}$ |
| 1 | John Fraser...... |  |  |  |
| 1 | Adam Duncan.. |  |  |  |
| 1 | Charles Brown... ........ |  |  |  |
| 1 | Alexander Busteed...... |  |  |  |
| 1 | Edward Stewart.... |  |  |  |
| 3 | Edward Stewart......... |  |  |  |
| 1 | Joseph Casse Marie..... |  |  |  |
| 1 | Archibald McEwen..... Dr. Le Belois......... |  |  |  |
|  |  | otal. | $190 \frac{1}{2}$ barrels.* |  |

*In 1860, the total catch was $146 \frac{\square}{3}$ barrels. Increase, 44 barrels.

The Maria District has its salmon fisheries along the Baie des Chaleurs. There being no rivers to guard, the overseer has but little difficulty to contend with in the performance of his duty.

| Names. | Stations. | Quantity in Barrels. |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Robert McCormack. | Maria-No. 1 | 618 |
| John 'Tire. | " " 2 | $1 \frac{1}{2}$ |
| Robert McIntyre | " " 3 | 68 |
| Fred. Barricau... | " " $\ddagger$ | 7 |
| Francis Jeruc. | " 65 | 7 |
| Peter Thibbean. | " " 6 | 7 |
| Fabien Allain.... | " " 7 | 3 |
| Peter Landry. | " ${ }^{\prime} 8$ | 32 |
| Bernard Allain.. | ". ${ }^{\text {a }}$ | 5 |
| Bellonic Allain.. | Carleton-No. 1 | 7 |
| Romain Lindry.. | " " | 2 |
| Peter Le Blanc. | " ${ }^{6}$ \% | 2 |
| Peter Le Blanc.. | " " 4 | 3 |
| Romain Landry. | " " 5 | 3 |
| Elmine Landry... | " " 6 | 4 |
| Hypolite Landry. |  | 4 |
| Hypolite Landry. | " " 8 | 3 |
| Peter Allard..... | " " 9 | 10 |
| Theophile Allain. | " " 10 | 9 |
| John Gaurreau... | " "11 | 6 |
| Joseph Rousseau. | Vouvelle-No. 1 | 13 |
| Alezander Le Belois. | " " 2 | ${ }^{6}$ |
| Joseph Rounseau... | " 3 | 14 |
|  | Total. | 133 barrels: |

The Cascapedia, or New Richmond division, is a district of much importance, and requires great attention. There are three principal rivers, the Grand Cascapedia, the Bonaventure and the Little Cascapedia. This Station is under the charge of Mr. Ralph Dimock, an energetic and intelligent overseer, who has used all diligence in the discharge of his daty. His report tends to shew that the spawning grounds are well stocked with salmon ; that he still has difficulty with some of the people in his district, and that the Indians will, if possible, evade the lam, having the New Brunswick traders always ready to buy the speared fish. The catch of salmon in this district has been less than the last two years. The overseer gives, as a reason, that the heavy freshets in the spring of the year gave the fish a clear run up to the head waters of the different rivers; if so, we shall see the results in a largely increased catch of fish during the ensuing years.

The following is a statement of the salmon fishing stations within this district; it comprises both river and shore fisheries:-

| Names. | Stations. | Quantity in brls. |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| William Fairservice.. | New Richmond.. | $2 \underline{1}$ barrels. |
| Adam Fairservice. |  | 1 salmon. |
| William Lynd. | Grand Cascapedia | barrels: |
| Arthur Giller... | Do | 5 " |
| John Harvey. | Do | 5 |
| Archibald Pidgeon. | Maria |  |


| Names. | Stations. | Quantity in brle |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Charles Cowell. | Maria.... | 3 |
| William Dimock | Do | 3 |
| Morris Caranagh | New Richmond............... | $24 . "$ |
| John McCrc.. | Maria. | 3 " |
| John Harrison. | New Richmond.... ........ |  |
| Paul Poirrier... | Hamilton, (shore)............ |  |
| Elesis Poirrier.. | Bonaventure River. | 2 |
| Fred. Arsineau. | Do (seashore)... | 2 |
|  | Total. | 41 barrels. |

Sratement of Salmon Fisheries in the Port Dantel district. Mr. W. Phalen, Fishery Overseer.

| Names. | Stations. | Quantity |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Seacord Bedec. | Port Daniel, (S. W.)..... | 4 |
| William McDonald. | do do ...... | 5 |
| James Millar. | do do | 7 |
| ${ }^{\text {do }}$. | do do ...... | 5 |
| William Millar | do do ...... | 4 |
| John Langlois. | da do ...... | 2 |
| do | do - do ...... | 11 |
| George McGinnis. | do do ...... | 2 |
|  |  | 40 Barrels. |

The overseer says there has been a partial failure along the shore this season; that the rivers have been tept clear from poachers.

There are 78 persons engaged in the codfiskery in this district, each of whom have one, and some two boats, with an average catch to each boat of about seventy quintals of fish. The overseer had some difficulty in getting a correct statement of the quantity taken. A great many people leave this place in the spring of the year for the Norti Slore fisheries.

The catch of herrings in the district was very indifferent.

Pabos District. James Remon, Fishery Orerseer.

| N:nats. | Stations. | Quantity: |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| (r. T. Rubinson | Newport. | $3 \frac{2}{2}$ barrels. |
| Chas. Lartin.. | Do | 13, " |
| Joseph Grenier | Do | 12, " |
| Edmard Blais... | Do | 5 \% |
| John 'Lixyman. | Grand Pabos | 5 \% |
| Bapt. Dupuis. | Do | 5 " |
| Germaiu Dupuis | 10 | 10 6 |
| Hubere Duclas.. | Do | 4 \% |
| F. Dupuis, senr. | Little Pabos................... | 3 " |
| Alex. Dubé.... | Do ........ ........... | 4 |
| Raphael Dubé, senr | Grand River. | $1 \times$ |
| Simon Batudins... | Do | 2 " |
| do | Du ................. | 2 " |
| J. B. Baudains | Di |  |
| Baptiste Couture, senr. | Dis | \% " |
| Baptiste Couture, jum... | Do ................ | 3 |
| Peter Fitudtins......... | bo $\quad$................ | 2 \% |
|  | Total........ | $55!$ barrels. |

Within this district ane the Grand River, the Great and Little Pabos. I cannot understand how it is, with three very excellent breeding rivers, where salmon should abound, there should be so small a catch of fish. I hope soon, however, to find a great chagge, and that a much larger cuantity of fish are taken.

The overseer can only account for the small take, from the fact that the codfisliug boats are plying constantly in and out of the river.

The codfishing in this district has been very good; the herring fishery but indifferent.
The Malday (Gaspé) District. John Gemmell, Overseer.

| Names. | Stations. | Quantity. |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| J. E. Collas. | Point Peter....... | $\frac{1}{2}$ barrel |
| William Hunt. | Malbay Cove...... | 23 |
| Abner Heyden.. | Belle Anse.. | 32 |
| John Le Gresle: | Do | 72 |
| Do | Do | 7\% |
| George Guay. | Barachoir. | 52 " |
| James St. Croix | Do | 10ㄹ ${ }^{\text {a }}$ |
| Do | Do | 102 |
| Charles Parent. | Do |  |
| ${ }^{\text {Do }}$ | Do | 3 |
| Patrick Gerard | Do .... | $3 \times$ |
| Peter Vibert.. | Cou de Bauc | $5 \frac{1}{2}$ ، |
| Widow Phil. Mabe | Do | 5 " |
| William Brag............... | Canis de Roches | 10 |
|  |  | $60 \frac{3}{4}$ barrel |

# Statement of Salmox Fishemes in Dofglas Town District, Gaspe. Bervard Conly, Overseer. 

| Names. | Stations. | Quantity |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Henry Spruen.. | Doughas Town (beitch) | 13 barrck. |
| Thos. Thompson | do | $2 \times$ |
| Geo. Thompson. | do | $!$ |
| Yhil. Alezander. | Sandy Beach. | 4 : " |
| Johu Alezander. |  | 3 " |
| John Lefour . | do |  |
| Thos. Millar, junr | do |  |
| Thos. Millar, sen |  |  |
| Jincph Fall..... |  | No returus of |
| Richd. Annclle Joscph Patterson | Lobster Cove | catch |
| Elias Collis...... | Point St. Peters |  |

By this return it appears scarcely worth while to set a net in this locality; far better would it be to allow the ferv fish that freçuent this place to run up the St. Juln river, and there to guard them against all poachers, so that there may be some improvencont in the shore fisheries after a time.

Statement of Salmon Fisheries within the Gaspe District. Thomas Box ee, Fishery Overseer.

| Persons. | Stations. | Quantity |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| . ${ }^{\text {e. Bcrchevaisc.. }}$ | York River. | bat |
| Neil McKenzie. |  | $\cdots$ |
| Tames Carter. | do | 41 |
| Abram Coffin. | do |  |
| Joseph Eden.. | do | $1 \frac{1}{2}$ |
| William Laws. | do | 6 sal |
| William Anhette | do | 6 bar |
| Felis Boyle.. | dy | $3{ }^{3}$ |
| Joseph Pattersou | do | 5 |
| Richard Patterson. | do | $1 \frac{13}{2}$ |
| Wiliaim Patterson. | do | 3 |
| John White. | do | - 1 |
| Richard Patterson, seur | do | New stand. $3 \frac{1}{2}$ |
| James Patterson. | du | 21 |
| William Eden.. | do | 1. |
| Benj Bercheraise. |  | 1 |
| FClix Annette. | Dartmouth River | 4 |
| Abram Coffin. | do | - 7 |
| William Stanley. | do | 4 |
| Felix Adams.. | do | 13 |


| Persons. | Stations. | Quantity. |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| John Adams.. | Dartmouth River.. | 1 |
| Thos. Stanley. |  | 31 |
| David Phillips. | Gaspe Bay (E.).. | 5 |
| Robert Ascah.. | do | 8 |
| Fred. Millar.... | do | 5 |
| Richard Millar. | do | 6 |
| William Ascah. | do | $3 \frac{1}{2}$ |
| William Millar. |  | 1 |
| Thos. Coffin. | do | 3 |
| Thos. Millar, jr | Gaspé Bay (W.). |  |
| John Dufour... | do | 2 |
| I'hil. Alexander... |  | 2 |
| Thos. Millar, senr |  | ${ }^{21}$ |
| Henry Patterson.. | do | B |
| Joshua Falls.... | do | 2 |
| Joseph Patterson. | do. | 5 |
|  |  | 125 bar |

The quantity of salmon taken in 1860 was 72 barrels, shewing an incroase of 53 barrels for this scason. It is to be hoped that there will be a much greater increase next year. The Gaspe district onght not to yieid less than 3 to 400 barrels of salmon. By properly protecting the spamning beds, there must be a large increase. It is satisfactory; however, to find so apparent an improvement in this district. The oversecr writes that there has been no spearing by the Indians, and that he has seen the unusual sight of several salmon, late in the fall, leaping in the York river. He says: "lhere are a great number of salmon coming down the York river this fall; they are to be seen every day jumping out of the water; this is what has not been seen in the Gaspe rivers for many years.".

Within the district between Cape Gaspe and Green Island there are no overseers: There are several very fine rivers watering this division, and the whole shores are thronged with fisherwen who, late and early, are busily engaged in the codfishery.

There are several excellent codishing establishments along the sbores, where there have been cured from 6 to 7,000 quintals of fish this season. The principal rivers are the Magdalene, St. Ann's, Cape Chatte, Mataue, Metis, Rimouski and Trois Pistoles.

The Matane is leased to Mr. Racy ; a fishway is constructed on the dam, but the lessec having no confidence in the utility of salmon passes, wrote to me for permission to capture some salmon and place them in the river over the dam. I gave him permission; at the same time telling hin there would be no necessity for taking fish as the pass was an excellent one, and that every fish would easily get up; I had examined it and was quite satisfied that it was effective. I wrote to him some time after to know if he had availed himself of the permission I had given him; he answered that to the surprise of every one quantities of salmon had been seen a long way up the river, and that they were glad to find that the pass was as I have represented it to bc.

I am glad to say that this ocular demonstration of the benefit of fishways has had a good effect along the coast where there are mill-dams. It is needless to say that I hare experienced much difficulty in prevailing on some of the mill owners to comply with the requisitions of the law; not so much, I belicve, from a desire to aroid the expense, attending the construction, as a want of confidence in the utility of fishways, and a fear that the operations of the mills would be retarded. Siuce they have seen that the fish can and do ascend the rivers by moans of the pass, several proprietors have expressed their willing ness to do all in their power to aid in the better construction (where they have been badly built) of the necessary work.

Names of Proprietors of Mill Dams on which Fishways have been constructed, \&c.

| NORTHSHORE. |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Rivors, | Mill Dams | Proprictors. | Remarks. |
| Fort Neuf, (on haut) | 3 | O. B. Symes and others.... | Every facility given by Mr. Symes for instruction. Two fishways built; one not necessary. Other dams on the river. Very indifferent for salmon. Flour and saw-mills, paper, nail, and woollen factories. |
| River St. Charles... | 1 | J. B. Tremblay | Very good salmon-pass; salmon killed miles above the dam. (See Report.) |
| Black Rirer........... Little Saruenay.... | 1 | Wm. Price \& C | Very good salmon-pass built last year ; bad one before. |
| St. John, Sague |  | Do | Passes have besn built; the one last season reported very good. |
| St. Jobn | 1 |  | Fishway carried away by freshet; Mr. Price writes that the fish have been seen to go over the dam-since |
| A Mars, Sagueua | 1 |  | Salmon-pass, but not effective : salmon never frequen the river. |
| Ha! ha! Sagueuay..- | 2 | Messrs. Kane \& Gravel.... | Salmon-passes require a little alteration; salmon seen in the river. |
| Escoumains .......... | 1 | Messrs. Tetu .................. | Salmon-pass, but not effective; river blocked up with lumber; formerly a most splendid river, but I fear utterly destroyed until lumbering is stopped. |
| Pri Near. (on Mas) |  |  | A natural passage has been made; utility doubtful; it is said that salmon have been seen above the dam. |
| SOUTHSHORE. |  |  |  |
| Matauc..... | 1 | $\begin{aligned} & \mathrm{Mr} . \text { Price... ...................... } \\ & \text { Do .......................... } \end{aligned}$ | Very excellent fishway. (Sce Report.) I am not aware of any fishway having been built. Fishway on Mr. Tessier's dam; no fishway on Mr. Price's. 100 fect fall not 3 miles above this river. Fishway on Mr. Price's dam; no fishway on Mr. Tessier's, or rather not an effective one; Mr. Hudon has a new dam, but no good fishway. |
| Cape Chatte.. |  |  |  |
| Métis....... |  |  |  |
| Himouski ............. | 3 | Messrs. Price, Tessier, and IIIdon. |  |
| ireen Rives | 2 | Mr. Bertrand and Mr. Scott |  |
| Fiver Ouell |  |  | Heavy freshets injured fishway; no fishway on Mr. Scott's dam. |
|  | 3 | Messrs. Letellier,Cargrain, and Aubue. Mrs. Patton and Mr. Price | Two fishways, one not very effective salmon gone clear up the river; salmon very plentiful in this river. |
| St. Th |  |  | Own the dam jointly: Mr. Patton has given much trouble ; case referred to the Attorney General. |
| f:tchemin | 1 | Henry Atkinson............. |  |
|  |  |  | A very excellent salmon-pass; attempted to transport live salmon to the river, failed; better success next |
| Et. Frauci | 1 | Cirus Clarke................. | year. <br> One fishway and one natural passage made ; fish run 40 miles above the dam; much damage done by poachers. |
| Barachoir. | 1 | (faspe Company ................................. | Said to bo very good salmon-pass. Said to be very good salmon-pass. |
| Grand River |  |  |  |

It was stated that there was no fishway at the dam on the river St. Charles, or if there was it was of no use, as the fish could not get up. I knew the proprietor had built afish. way, and a very grood one : I inspected the fishway; fished several miles above the dam; hooked two salmon and killed one of them three miles above the dam.
I. felt satisfied that the pass was effective, but I wished to silence the many fault-finders.

The district between Green River and Beaumont is assigned to the care of Mr. Alfred Blais, Fishery Oversecr. The River Ouelle is the only one of any importance in the divi. siou. There arc several salmon fishing stations along the shore, indecd too many to be beneficial ; unfortunately the whole back is lined with "bush weirs," and the destruction of the young fish in then is inmense.

In accordance with the desire of the Fishery Committec of the Legislature, I made a thorough examination of the brush fisherics on the south shore, with a view to afford relief to the fishermen in the matter of their nets where they are used in connection with the weirs. With the ncls there will be little difficulty; where they are used as "chandeliers" they must be of the proscribcd size of mesh; where they are used for "ground nets" for geicral purposes and not as salmon nets, the law dues not interfere. As regards the brush fisheries gencrally, immediate action must be takeu to prevent the wholesale destruction of the young fish of cevery species that are cvery year and at every tide destroyed in the pounds of these traps. Words cannot describe the evil. In one brush weir above 150 barrels of young fish of cvery description were taken last season, and along the shores there are more than 100 of these, though all are not so destructive.

The most of the fishermen acknowledged the evil, and couplained that they seldon took any large fish. I pointed out to them the absurdity of expecting to do so when they took cvery means to defeat their own object, and they gladly accepted a proposition I made then to overcome the evil. It is a simple but an effective contrivance, riz: Cut a space in the pound of cach weir of five fect square from the ground, and cover this space with a picce of net three quarters of an inch on the square, or cven an inch would not be too large. Thus would myriads of young fish escape to return the next season fit for food for the people, for in one season fish grow from an average of one to eight pounds weight, and even more.

The principal species of fish taken in thesc brush weirs are bass, whitefish, dore, carp, sturgeon, caplin, shad, herrings, de., and a few salmon.

Along the south shore the cel fishery is the most valuable ; the quantity taken during the last season being no less than 72,320 , which, at the low value of seven dollars per hundred, yiclds a return of $\$ 5,062.20$.

Statement of Licenses granted within the district of Mr. Alfred Blais.

| Names. | Stations. | Quantity |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Chas. Paquet | S. Shore, near Beaumont. |  |
| Augt. Levallier. | St. Michel............. |  |
| Auguste Buteau. | Berthicr...... |  |
| Pierre Dugal. | do ............... |  |
| J. B. Guay. | Point Levi................ do dat....... |  |
| F. Rouillard | St. Valier............ |  |
|  | Other Stations. |  |
| M. Coté. | Rinouski $\qquad$ |  |
|  |  |  |
| J. B. Martin | River Ouelle | This license sent back |
| J. K. Boswell | Jacques Cartier Shore. | ( pro |

Sessional Papers (No. 11).
A. 1862

Return of Licensed Vessels under the Act 22 Vic., cap. 86, the Fishery Act, (Bounty Clause.)


Retorn of Fish and Fish products, Port of Quebec, for the season of 1861.


Fish Oils,-Gallons, 126,122. Value, \$59,180.
The foregoing is a list of the vessels that have been licensed under the provisions of the Bounty Clause of the Fishery Act, \&c.

I have every reason to believe that much benefit is derived from the boon conferred on the fishermen, and I would be well pleased to find that the fishermen of the Upper Province took advantage of its provisions. The operations of the free port measure has also been beneficial to the fishing interests, and I hope in a few years to see a much greater percontage of the business in the hands of our own people. I would desire particular reference to the imports of this year in the Port of Quebec, in the shape of fish and fish products. One very great boon is yet to be conferred, and that is, the compulsory inspection of fish. I had occasion, a few years since, to confer with the Board of Trade on the subject; at that time the opinion of the board was unfavorable, but latterly a great change has taken place, and nine-tenths of the fishing interests are desirous of having so beneficial a change ; and I do sincerely hope that the inspection of all pickled fish will be rendered compulsory

The inland raters that have been leased are not progressing very favorably. I shall have the honor of making this a subject of communication at another period.

I should be pleased to find that the Legislature would enable the department to remunerate the Fishery Overseers by increasing the amount of salary paid them; the whole :mount granted for the payment of their salaries is Two Hundred pounds. I should also wish to see others appointed at stations where at present there are none.

There arc also necessary changes in the Fishery Act that would be beneficial, and which I shall bave an opportunity of submitting for your approval.

Thave the honor to be, Sir,
Your obed't, humble servant,
RICHARD NETTLE,
Superintendent of Fisheries, L. C.

Sessional Papers (No. 12).
RETURN of Bonds and Securities recorded in the Provincial Registrar's Office, between the 16 th day of March, 1861, and the 20 lh day of March, 1862.
[In accordancc with the recommendation of the Joint Comnittee on Printing, the arove Return is soo printed.]

## STATEMENT of FEES recoived for the Fee Fund, Upper Canada, and Judaes' Saliares, paid during the jear 1861.


a $\$ 184$ have becn paid out of these Feqs to County Attoraess for oramining Retarbs of D. C. C. and $P$ and this amount rillibo repad out of the Funds of 9 Tio., cep. 99 ; and 12 Vic., cap. 63 :
†J. Judge: JJ. Junior Judge; JD. Judgo Ist Division; R. Recorder.
(Signed)
: W. DICKINSON, Acting Deputy Inspector General.

Inspector Generalis Office, Quetie, 3rdFebruary, 1862.

# ANNUAL REPORT 

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## OTTAWA COLLEGE.

The College of Ottarya was founded in 1848, by the Right Reverend Joseph Euyinn. Guijucs, first Bishep of that See. At this time Ottawa was but a rillage ; its population was inconsiderable, but it was evident that the number of its inhabitants would rapidy increase. It, was therefore, neecssary to furnish the risiag generation with all the means proper to utilize and turn to advantage the resources which the country afforded. The zeal of the veucrable prelate swerved not fron the attainment of the proposed end. No obstacle was sufficient to make him for a moment harbour the thought of abandoning the enterprise. Fourtecn years have not yet passed away since the foundation of the College, and aiready with a legitimate pride can it contemplate the happy results which it has been instrumental in procuring towards the common good of the country. Amongst the stadents who have gone forth from its halls might be mentioned thirty-six priests, at present employed in the Diocese of Ottawa, and who have received the whole or a part of their edncation at the College. Amongst the members of the medical and legal profession may be numbered respectipely fifteen and ten who have completed their classical studies at the College of Ottawa. There are many amongst these young men, who with energy derelope the riches of the Ottaria Valley by their industry and commerce, that retain pleasing reminiscence of the happy years they have spent in the College of Ottara.

The establishment was, on the 30 th of Mar, 1849 , incorporated by an Act of the Proviucial Parliament, (anno 1ㄹ. V. R., ce. xii,) under the title of the College of Bytorn. According to the provisions of this Act, the revenues derived from the real estate of the Corporation may reach the sum of eight thousand dollars. The President of the Collere is a member of the Senate of the University of Toronto.

At present the total valuc of the buildings and the land upon which the establishment is situated, is cstimated at seventy thousand dollars. During the session of last year, 1861, Parliament has been pleased to change the title of ineorporation from the College of Bytown to that of Ottawa. The course of studies pursued in the College is this arrangod: 1st. The preparatory course, which embraces the following branches, viz.: English and French Grammars, Gieography, Elements of Ancient and Modern History, Arithmetic, Book-keeping, Architectural Draving, Practical Geometry, Elements of Physie and Natural Mistory. 2nd. The classical course, which embraces all the branches taught in the other Colleges of Upper Canada, with thisamelioration, however, that the translations and compositions are simultancously made in English and French by all the students of the course. This mas imperiously demanded of the Directors of the Institution, by the position they occupy in the midst of tro countries where the English and French populations are equally mixed. This plan presented and still presents considerable difficulties, which, however, are amply compensated for by the advantages accruing to the students, the greater number of whom, at the cad of their course, possess not only a theoretical; but also a practical knowledge of the two languages. Srd. The Theological course comprises Moral and Dogma.
tical Theolony. The students of this course number annually about fifteeu. Those of the other tro courses about one hundred. Masters attend three times a Feek to give lessons in Draring, Instrumental and Vocal Music. All the students of the tro first courses regive lessons in Fencing.

The yearly Pension is $\$ 10000$.
Students not Catholic are not obliged to attend the religious exercises.
The Professors are twelve in number, with tro Disciplinarians.

## Barance Account.



In hehale of the Corporation,
(Signed), J. I. CABARET,
 Statutes of Canada, chapter 38, section 20 .)




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## GNIVERSITY OF TORONTO.

Statement of Capital invested and amount cexpended by the University, from its commencement to the 81st December, 1860.


No. 1.-UNIVERSITY OF TORONTO.-Receipts and Expenditure on account of The Permaneyt Fund, for the year 1860.


DAVID BUCHAN, Bursar.
Bursar's Office, Toronto, 31st December, 1860.


No. 3.-UNIVERSITY OF TORONTO.-Receipts and Expenditure on account of Monies in Deposit, 1860.


No. 4.-UNIVERSITY OF TORONTO.-Receipts and Expenditure on account of the Observatory, for 1860 .


No. 5.-UNIVERSITY OF TORONTO.-Receipts and Expenditure on account of The Museum Appropriation, for 1860.


No. 6.-UNIVERSITY OF TORONTO.-Receipts and Expenditure on account of The Library Appropriation, for 1860.


No. 7.-UNIVERSITY OF TORONTO.-The Receipts and Expenditure on account of The Building Appropriation, for 1860.


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No. 8.-UNIVERSITY OF TORONTO.-Receipts and Expenditure on account of Tife Grouxds Appropriation, for 1860.


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Yo. 12.-UNIVERSITY OF TORONTO.-Receipts and Expenditure on account of The Directors' Residence Appropriation, 1860.


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UPPER CANADA COLLEGE.-Statement of Capital invested, and amount expended by the College from tis commencement, to the 31 st Dec., 1860.

| Gapital invested to 31st December, 1859, as shewn in return to Pariament to that date... Less, Investunents returned per account No. 1-Debentures redecmed, $\$ 4,000 . . . . . . . . . . . . . . .$. | $\begin{array}{r} \text { S cts. } \\ 157,8519 S \\ 4 ; 000 \text { 00 } \end{array}$ |
| :---: | :---: |
|  | S153,851 98 |
| dowount expended to SIst December, I859, is shewn in return to Parliament <br> to that date..................................................................................... 5580,936 S4 |  |
| Amount expended to 31st December. 1860 , as per account No 2................ 29,503 32 | 610,746 16 |
|  | \$764,598 14 |

No. 1.-UPPER CANADA COLLEGE.-Receipts and Expenditure on account of The Permanext Fund, for 1860.

| RECEIPTS. | § cts. |
| :---: | :---: |
| To Balanee, 31st December, 1859.. | 9,253 73 |
| " Amoutht received on account of Purchase money..................................................... | 11.044 Sl |
| Debentures redeemed <br> " Palance at credit of Porters Lodge Appropriation transferred | 4,000 18 42 |
| " Ealance at credit of Porter's Lodge Appropriation, transferred. Re-appropriation account $S_{2}$ 10, 3 Ekfrid, S.S.W. R., as purchase money instead of intercst $\qquad$ | 1842 8065 |
|  | \$24,397.61 |
| By Malauce, 31si December, 1860. | \$24,397 61 |

No. 2.-UPPER CANADA COILEGE.-Receipts and Expenditure on accoum 7 of Ivcome Fund, for the quarter ended 31st December, 1860. Abstract.


## No. 2.-(Continued.)-UPPER CANADA COLLEGE.



No. 3.-UPPER CANADA COLLEGE.-Receipts and Expenditure on account of Monies in Deposit, for 1860.


No. 4.-UPPER CANADA COLLEGE.-Receipts and Expenditure on accounh of The Porter's Lodge Appropriation, for 1860.


## RAILWAY RETURNS.

## No. I-NORTHERN RAILWAY OF CANADA.



Moucs Expcuded, 1861 :
In maintaining Roadway........................................... it,001 76
On Machincry and Rolling Stock............................. 39,56160
On Operating Road........ ..................................... L53,740 09
On Through Traffic Expense................. ................. 11,665 35

$$
\begin{aligned}
& \text { Total Expenditure..................................................... } 28,96880 \\
& \text { Eiscess of Receipts orer Expenditure............................. S181,971 } 11
\end{aligned}
$$

I. Thomas Hamilton, of the City of Toronto, Chief Accountant to the Northern Railriy of Canada, make oath and say, that the above Statement of Monies received and expended for the year ending 31st Jecember, 1861, is, to the best of my knowledge and belief, true and correct. So help me God.
sworn before me, this fourth day of April, $1 \times(6 \geqslant$.
Rice Lewis, J. P.
Statbuest of Iomage, Northern Railway of Canada, 1861.

| Description of Freight. | Tons moving North. |  | Tous moving South. |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | S.ocal. | Through | Local. | Through. |
| First Class | $557 \frac{1686}{2000}$ |  | 1,04 $\because \frac{162}{2090}$ |  |
| Sccond Class.. | $5,096 \frac{310}{2000}$ |  | 1,137 $\frac{152}{2000}$ |  |
| Thind Class | 4,351 - $\frac{683}{2000}$ | $809 \frac{864}{2000}$ | $2.555 \frac{505}{2050}$ | $494 \frac{1859}{2000}$ |
| Hlour | 12.29 |  | $11,029 \frac{1065}{2010}$ | $0,152 \frac{1520}{2000}$ |
| Wheat | 2035 |  | $17,647 \frac{535}{3000}$ | 0,573 $\frac{1200}{2000}$ |
| forn |  |  |  | $7,193-\frac{344}{2000}$ |
| Renf and Pork |  |  |  | 338 |
| Various | 1,396 $\frac{197}{2000}$ |  | 75,000 |  |
| Total | $12,187 \frac{893}{2000}$ | $809 \frac{869}{2009}$ | 108,405 $\frac{258}{2010}$ | 24,352 $\frac{103}{2006}$ |

Passengers ticketed from Stations ..... 81,016

* Paying on the Cars ..... 12,232
" Frec and for Construction ..... 7,370
Total ..... 100,618

I, Samucl Skelton, of the City of Torunto, Superintendent's Clerk of the Northern Railway of Canada, make oath and say, that the above Statement of Tonnare along the said Railway for the year cuding 31st December, 1861, is, to the best of my knowledge and belief, true and correct. So help me God.
Sworn before me, this fourth day of April, $186^{\circ}$.
Samuel Skelton.
Rice Lewis, J. P.
No. 2.-MONTREAL AND CHAMPLAIN RAILROAD.

| Receipts. | Expenditure. | Tomagre. | Passengers |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| $\$ 213,70663$ | S123,247 26 | $58,(001$. | 137,029 |

## STATEMENT OF THE AFFAIRS OF THE RIOHELIEU COMPANY.

Montreal, 31st January, 1862.
Receipts
\$ 253,18514
Expenditure
170,624 19
Net Profit............................................................ \& 82,560 05
Amount of Reserve Fund, 5th February, 1861................... 41,578 0f
By sale of Stcunuer "Fashion"........ .............................. 4,00000
45,57804
128,138 99
Amount paid on account of new steamer "Montreal".......... 67,20700
Amount of Dividend paid to Sharcholders, 13th Feh. 1862.
$34,280 \quad 00$
101,487 00
Balance of Reserve Fund............................................. 26,651 99
Accounts due by the Richelicu Company.......................... 5,546 31
Amount paid to Sha:cholders, 13th February..................... 34,280 00
39,826 31
66,47830
By amount of Cash in hand, open accounts, notes receivable and small accounts due to the Richelicu Company
$66,478 \quad 30$

## RETURN

To An AdDRess of the Legislative Assembly, dated 8th April, 1562 ; for Statement of Affairs of the Grand Trunk Railway Company of Canada.

By Command.

C. $\operatorname{ILLEYN}$, Secretary.

Sbcretary's Office, 10th May, 1862.

## $\left.\begin{array}{c}\text { City of Montreat, } \\ \text { in the } \\ \text { Province of Canada. }\end{array}\right\}$

Joscph Elliott, the Secretivy and Treasurcr of the Grand Trunk Railway Company of Canada, came before me thic day, and made oath that to the best of his knowledge and belicf, the the accompanying Statement, of Accounts of the Grand Trunk Railway Company, to the twenty-ninth day of Junc, 1861, are correct.

Josepil Elliott.

Sworn before me at Montreal, this 22nd day of April, 1862.
CHARLES A. TERROUX, J. $P$.
This General Balanee Statement was sworn and re-acknowledged before me, at Moutreal, this fourtcenth day of May, 1862.

CIIARLES A. TERROUX, J. $P$.


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## REPORT

or

## SAMUELKEEFER, ESQ., INSPECTOR OF RAILWAYS, FOR THE YEARS 1859 AND 1860.

bOARD OF RAILWAY COMMISSIONERS OF TIIE PROVINCE OF CANADA, FOR 1860.

The Hou. A. T. Galt, Minister of Finance, Chairman.
"Joseph Cauchon, Commissioner of Public Forks.
" : Sidney Smith, Postmaster General.
" George Sherwood, Receiver General.
J. Gi. Vansittart, Esq., Secretayy.

Hou. H. H. Killaly, hispector of Railuays.
Samuel Keefer, Esq., ": "
A. DeGrassi, Assistant " $\because$

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" 22. " Welland "
"23. " " Brockville and Ottawa "
"24. " " Montreal and Champlain "
"25. $\%$ Grenville and Carillon "
$\because 26 . \quad$ " $\quad$ Great Western in...................... 1860
"27. " : Grand Trunk "
" 28. " $\quad$. Northern "
"29. " $\quad$ Buffalo and Lake Haron *
" 30 . " " Erie and Ontario "
$: 31 . \quad$ : $"$ Port Hope, Lindsay and Beaverton
"32. " " Brockville and Ottawa "
" $33 . \quad$. $\because$ Montreal and Champlain
" 34. :" Welland and Carillon and Grenville "
$" 35 . \quad$ " $\because \quad$ Stanstead, Shefford and Chambly $\because$
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Great Western 1860
" 80
:8 86.
" 87
$\because 88$

- 89
* 90
: 91
- 92
$\therefore 93$
$\therefore 9$.
$\therefore 90$
- 96. 

$\because 97$.
" 98.
" 99

Grand Trunk
Northern,Buffalo and lake Huron,London and Port Stanles,Welland,Erie and Ontario,Port Hope, Lindsay and Benverton, s:Cobourg and Peterborough,
Brockville and Ottawa,Ottawa and Prescott,Montreal and Champlain.Carillon and Greaville,St. Lawrence and Industry, "
Stanstead, Shefford and Chambly,"

Quebec, 16th September 1861.
Sir,-In compliance with the Resolution of the Board, communicated to me by the Secretary, on the 8th February last, I have prepared a Report on the Railways of Canada, for the past two years ( 1859 and 1860), which I have now the honor to submit for your consideration.

The delay which has occurred in its production was occasioned chiefly by the time
wecupied in collecting from the Companies the necessary fiscal and statistical information, which it was attempted this year (for the first time) to elicit. The call being ner, and the Companies unprepared to furnish such details, many of these returns had to be sent back for correction and explanation; some are still imperfect, and others altogether wanting. After the Secret.ry had collected this information, as far as he could, my public duties in another Department prevented me from giving my undivided attention to the subject.

Now, horecer, that a commencement his been made, it is to be hoped that the same difficulties and delays will not be experienced in the preparation of future Reports.

The information embodied in this Report will be found of public interest. It shews the progress made in these two years in the substitution of permanent for temporary works on the old lines; the number of miles of new road constructed, inspected and opened in each of these two years. It contains the Official Reports of the Accidents which have vecurred. made in conformity to the requirements of the Act 20 Vic., Cap. 12. These are tabulated, arranged and classified under their different causes, and such general observations and suggestions added as the Inspector considered it his duty to offer.

The Report also furnishes a statement of the cost and operations of the Railways for the year 1860, derived from official returns, so far, at least, as these returns enable me to give them. The statistical information contained in the abstracts furnishes a general idea of the Railway economy of Canada for that year, but it is to be regretted that the incompleteuess of the Returus has rendered it impossible, at this time, to present a more perfect exposition of it.

Respectfully submitted.
Hov. A. T. Galt,
Chairman, Board of Kailway Comm'rs.,

SAMUEL KEEFER,<br>Inspector of Railuaya.

> \&c.; \$o., Quebec.

## REPORT ON THE RAILWAYS OF CANADA, FOR THE YEARS 1859 AND 1860.

## I.-Railways Constructed.

The Statewent No. 1, of Appendix, contains a list of sisteen Railmays in operstion in Canada, on the 1st January, 1861, with the dates of the openings of the several sections, and their lengths, corrected according to the most recent returns.

Referring to the Report for 1858, and making the corrections according to these returns, it will be seen that, up to the close of that year, there had been coustructed, in Canada, (instead of 1612 miles) - . . . . . . . 1614.15 miles of Railway; but the Preston and Berlin, 11 miles, and the Cobourg and Peterborough, . . 28 "
closed at that time, in all
being deducted, left -
1575.15
in operation at the close of 1858 , since which time, however, the Cobourg and
Peterborough was re-opened in 1859
and other new lines having been completed, inspected, and opened within
these past two years, as follows, riz :-
In 1859, according to Statement No. 3
In 1860, according to Statement No. 4 - . . . . . . 29:0.2
Making in all, according to Statement No. 2 - $\quad-\quad . \quad 1880.96$
miles of Railway in operation in Canada on the 1st January, 1861, under sixteen different corporations.

The following abstract, derived from Statement No. 1, shews the number of miles of Hailway constructed in each year, since the period of the Census taken on the 12th January, 185?.

Railways constructed up to the peried of the Census,


Lines in operation, 1st January, 1861 - . . . - 1880.96 miles.
For fiscal purposes, in connection with the cost, the earnings and working expenses of wese lines, it becomes indispensable to take account of those connections in the United States, which are owned and managed by the same corporations, and which are as follows :-

1. By the Grand Irunt Ruilway Company.

The Portland Division, from the Canada Boandary to Portinnd . . 166 miles
The Detroit extension, from Port Huron to Detroit - - - . . . 59 "
2. By the Montreal and Champlain Railvay Company.

From the Canada Boundary to Rouse's Point - . . . . . . . 2 miles
In the Enited States - . . . . . . - . . . . . . . . 227
In Canada - . . . . . . . . . - . . . . . . . . 1880.96
Including Branches, Total - . . . . . . . . . . . . . 2107.96
There is no double track upon any of these lines, but they are provided, in the aggregate, with 218.93 miles of sidings, equal to $10 \frac{1}{2}$ por cent. of the length of the main lines.

## II.-In Progress.

According to Statement No. 5 , there were 111才 miles of Railway in course of construction on the lst January, 1861, of which it is expected that 527 miles will be completed this year.

Of the new lines opened in 1859 and 1860 , 131 1 miles were inspected, previously to opening, by the Hon. H. H. Killaly, and the Assistant Inspector, Mr. A. DeGrassi. The remaining 149 miles, including the Victoria Bridge, were inspected by the undersigned. (See Statements Nos. 3 and 4, and the Inspector's Report, No. 1, on the testing of the Bridge.)

## III.-Bridgavg.

Some progress has been made, during the past two years, towards increasing the permanency and efficiency of the existing lines; more especially on the Great Western, the Grand Trunk, the Buffalo and Lake Huron, the Northern, the Port Hope and Lindsay, and the Montreal and Champlain Railways.

Within this time twenty Tressel Bridges have been replaced by permanent Culverts and Embankments, and eight Wooden Bridges, 1223 feet in aggregate length, have given place to permanent Bridges of Iron or Stone. Thus temporary works measuring upwards of a mile in length have been replaced by permanent structures; and ten Wooden Bridges, 1313 feet in total length, have been rebuilt during the same time. (See: Statement No. 6.)

A Description of all the Bridging existing on the Railways in Canada, upon the 1st January last, is given in Statements Nos. 7 and 8. Opon the 1880.96 miles then in operation, there were 840 Bridges, haring in all 3169 spans, and measuring, altogether, 94,361 feet, or a little short of 18 miles. Of these, 672 are of Wood, 147 of Tron, 11 of Brick or Stone, and 10 are Swing Bridges, 7 of which are of Wood, and 3 of Iron.
$\left.\begin{array}{l}\text { The } 672 \text { Wooden Bridges measure } \\ \text { The } 147 \\ \text { Iron } \\ \text { The } \\ 11 \\ \text { Iron or Brick } \\ \text { The } \\ 10\end{array}\right)$

The arerage distance between Bridges is 2.24 miles, and the average Bridging per mile, fifty feet; sherring a material improvement since the first Report in 1858.

Comparing the two years,
1858 and 1860
The average distance between Bridges - - 2.00 miles. 2.24 miles.
Arerage Bridging per mile - . - - - 59 fect. 50 feet.

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\text { TV.-Accidents In } 1859 .
$$

No accident, by which any person was injured, has occurred during this year upoo any of the following seven lines of Railway :-

The Erie and Ontario.
The Port Hope, Lindsay and Beaverton.
The St. Lawrence and Industry.
The Stanstead, Shefford and Chambly.
The Prescott and Ottara.
The Cobourg and Peterborough:
The Peterborough and Chemung Lake.
Upon the other nine Railways, the official returns from the several Companies, made in compliance with the Act, shew an aggregate of 53 persons killed and 47 injured during the same period. Of these, there were 9 passengers killed and 27 injured; 25 employés killed and 10 injured, and 19 others killed and 10 injured.

The causes which have led to these accidents may be classified under the eleven following heads:-

| summary of accidents in 1859. | Passengera. |  | Employss. |  | Others. |  | Total. |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | k. | I. | K. | I. | K. | r. | K. | I. |
| 1. Getting on or off Trains while in motion.. | 2 | 1 | 2 | 2 |  |  | 4 | 3 |
| 2. Fell, or thrown from Trains...... | 2 |  | 2 |  |  |  | 4 |  |
| 3. Walking, standing, or lying on track |  |  | 4 |  | 16 | 6 | 20 | 6 |
| 4. At rond crossings............ |  |  |  |  | 2 | 3 | 2 | 3 |
| 5. Coupling and uncoupling cars.. |  |  | 5 | 3 |  |  | 5 | 3 |
| 6. Striking against bridge, or other object, when Train was in motion. |  |  |  | 3 |  |  |  | 3 |
| 7. Train off track ............. |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 8. Collision of Trains |  | 1 | 2 |  |  |  | 2 | 1 |
| 9. Defective construction, or | 4 | 25 |  |  |  |  | 7 | 26 |
| 10. Run over in hand cars. <br> 11. Burned |  |  | 7. | 1 | 1 | 1 | 8 | 2 |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  | 1 |  |
| Totals | 9 | 27 | 25. | 10 | 19 | 10 | 53 | 47 |

Tor a similar clasification of the accidents as they happened on each partichar line see Statement No. 9 .

## Kilied.

It should be added here that, of the nine passengers killed, four died from injuries received in the accident which took place on the Great.Western Railmay, near Dundas, on the 19 th March, 1859 , under the circumstances stated in the official retarn and verdict of thi coroncr's inquest. (Sec Report No. 17.) Two others on the same Railmay, retarned as passengers, but more properly trespassers (because endeavoring to ride outside withoat paying fare)-one of whom, in attempting to ride on the platform of the baggage car, was burned to death by his clothes having taken fire; the other, in trying to get on a similar platform, at a station, while the train was in motion, fell and was run over. A passenger; in endeavoring to embark on a train at Point Levi, while it was moving, fell, and the train passed over him; two others fell between the cars; while the train was in transit, one of whom was reported to have been intoxicated at the time. From these facts it appears that fivc out of the nine passengers who were killed by the trains during this year, came to their end from their own fault or imprudence.

The twenty-five employes of the Railway Companies were killed under the following circumstañ"es, viz:

The engine-driver, fireman and brakesman of the train, at the accident on the Great Western Railway, noar Dundas, before referred to; a conductor and engine-driver, by a collision on the Grand Trunk Railway at Arthabaska. (See Return No. 18); five brakesmen crushed to death in coupling or uncoupling cars; seven trackmen run orer in hand-cars; four getting on or of trains when in motion; one loading spars at a Station; killed by the fall of a spar; one (intoxicated) walling on the track; one found dead, supposed to have been walking on the track; and one run over while lying insensible on the track, supposed to have had sun-strole:

Of the nineteen other persons killed, fourteen wère walking on the track, where they had no right to be ; two committed suicide by throwing themselves upon the track in front of an approaching train; and the other three were found dead upon the track. It is painful to add that seven of these are reported as having been intoricated; two werc deaf, and one supposed to have becr a lunatic.

## Tnjuriois.

Of the twenty-seven passengers injured in 1859 , twenty-five received their injurios in the accident on the Great Western Railway, near Dundas, above referred to (See Official Return No 17.). One wastinjured by a collision, occasioned by the detention of a train in a snow-drift, and one: by jumping of a train while in motion:

Of the tea cmployes injured, three struck against bridges; three were coupling or uncoupling cars; one by the breaking of a bridge; two getting on or off trains in motion; and one travelling in a handicar after dark:

Of the ten others injureds three wée attehapting to oross the track in the face of advancing trains; four were walking on the track; one riding in a hand-car; one thrown off the track by the cow-catcher: and one-had an arm broken at-a Station.

## V.-Accidents in 1860.

The Official Returns shew that, during this year, on the followiong lines of Ratway, -a personal injuries of any kind have been sutstaited:-

> The St. Lawrence and Industry
> The London and Port Stanley,
> The Cobourg add Peterborongh.
> The Peterborough and Chemang Lake.

But upon the other twelve lines, the Returns show an aggregate of fifty-four persons bitlea; and fifty-four injured duriug the same period. Of these, it:appears that there were four passengers kitled and three injuredy twentyeone omployer kithed nud forty injured; and trenty-anueothers killed nad eleren injutred

| Summary of Accideds in 1860. | Passengers. |  | Employes. |  | Others. |  | Total. |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | K. | I. | K. | I. | K. | r. | K. | I. |
| 1. Getting on or off Trains mhile in motion....... | 2 | 2 |  |  | 2 | 1 | ; |  |
| 2. Foll, or thrown from Trains............ ........ | 2 |  | 1 | 1 |  |  | 3 | 1 |
| 3. Walking, standing or lying on track.......................................... | ....... |  | 8 | 1 | $\stackrel{24}{3}$ | 8 | 32 | 2 |
| 5. Coupling or uncoupling cars........................... |  |  | 5 | 11 |  |  | $\stackrel{3}{3}$ | 11 |
| 6. Striking against bridge or other object, when Train was in motion |  |  |  | 2 |  |  |  |  |
| 7. Train off track ............................................ |  | 1 | 1 |  |  |  | 1 | 1 |
| 8. Collision of Trains ..... .................... |  |  | $\checkmark$ | 16 | ........ | ....... | 3 | 16 |
| 2. Defective construction, or bad materinls........ |  |  | .... | 5 | ....... |  |  | 3 |
| 20. תun over in band-cars ..................... .... |  |  | ....... | 1 | ........ |  | ........ | 1 |
| Total | 4 | 3 | 21 | 40 | 29 | 11 | 54 | 54 |

A gencral summary of the accidents, as they occurred on each particular line, arranged according to the foregoing classification, is given in statement No. 10, of the Appeadis.

## JILEED.

This Statement sherss that the loss of life to passengers during this year has not been so serious as in former years; that it has been confined to tro lines: The Grand Trunk and the Buffalo and Lake Huron, but as these persons came to their death througb their own impradence, and the violation of the Company's rules, their officers cannot be blamed for these accidents. One passenger, being intoxicated, tried to get on the Train after it had started; one was riding on the platform of a car, fell off and was crushed; one reported "unknown," was "supposed to have fallen from the Mail Train;" and the tourth, whose fate may be considered as an admonition to all travellers by rail, is thus referred to in the Report. "This man was at the Station before the train was due to leave; "purchased his ticket, bat neglected to take his seat in the proper way. Attempting to "get on the train after it had started, he fell between the cars, de."

Of the twenty-one employes killed, eight were in the service of the Grand Trunk Railmay; six in that of the Great Western; threc in that of the Northern; two, the Buffalo and Lake Huron; one, the Montreal and Champlain; and one, the Stanstead, Shefford and Chambly Railway.

Two of those killed on the Grand Trunk were brakesmen, in the act of coupling cars; one by Train off track, caused by a broken rail; one run over by a snow-plough; one by striking against a bridge; one, a trackman, walking on the track; and timo, a laborer and a fireman, by the collision which took place at Stratford on the 17th April, 1860, between a tie train and a freight train, (and in which sixteen other laborers are reported as injured). In this case, the verdict of the Coroner's Jury alleged neglect on the part of Ludlaw, the Conductor, and Baxter, the Engineman, in not attending to the Company's rules. These parties were accordingly arrested and indicted for manslaughter at the Stratford Assizes, were tried and acquitted.

Four of the employes killed on the Great Western, were brakesmen-one in coupling cars-one attempting to pass under a car whilst it was in motion-one trying to catch a platform car in motion, and one in the act of signaling the Engineman, lost his balance and fell from the roof of the car. The fifth was a yardsman, run over by the engine at Suspension Bridge, and the sixth a trackman, found dead on the track, haviag been run over by the train. No verdict given.

One of the employes killed on the Northern Railway was a Conductor, in the act of coupling cars; one whose remains were found upon the track, was supposed to have been killed by the mail train, and another, who had been intoxicated; was found dend upon the track.

One of the employés killed on the Buffalo and Lake Huron Railmay, by striking against a bridge, was a brakesman; the other the car Inspector, Mr. Thomas Grey; of the Great Western Railway, at Paris Station, was killed on duty there, while examining the wheels of the Great Western Emigrant train, going west. This train, being then at a
stand, was run into at the crossing, by a special freight train of the Buffalo and Lake Huron Railway, on the 11th October, 1860, going East, by which a car was thrown upon the Inspector, and caused his death. For report of this accident, the verdict at the inquest, and the Company's demur thercto, see Return No. 29.

On the Montrcal and Champlain Railway, one employé was run over and killed by a train; he was supposed to have been asleep at the time.

On the Stanstead, Shefford and Chambly Railway, a fireman engaged in oiling his eugine while it was in motion, slipped and fell, and the engine passed over hiim. Of the 20 others killed, 26 may be set down as trespassers on the Railway enclosures; 15 of these are represented as intoxicated, and in that state to have been cither walking, standing or lying on the track when run over by the trains. One unknown person, lying on the track, was supposed to have been insanc; four were deaf, and one deaf and dumb; two were the children of the trackmen; two were boys trying to. get on the cars at stations; one unknown person found dead near the track, (death not accounted for,) and another killed trying to cross the track. A woman trying to cross the track while the train was under way, fell and was instantly killed ; a farmer, who with his wifc, attempted to drive across the track in front of an approaching train, had his waggon struck by the engine; the horses took fright and ran away, and he was thrown out and killed.

## INJURED.

Of the three passengers injured, two were on the Grand Trunk, and one on the Great Western; two met with their misfortunes from attempting to get on the trains when under way, and the third, by a train being thrown of the track, in consequence of running over four horses.

A very large proportion of employés, (no less than 40 ,) have received injuries of a more or less serious nature, by the operations of the past year. Sixteen of these were laborers in the scrvice of the contractors, for the maintenance of way on the Grand Trunk Railway, and received their injurics in the collision which took place near Stratford, reforred to at page 12. These men, having finished their day's. work, were proceeding homeward in the "Caboose" of the "tie train," which was attached next the engine, and several platform cars in rear of it. As this car, which contained about 30 men, was utterly demolished in the collision which ensued, it is only surprising the casualties were not more fatal. Eleven of the employés have received injuries in coupling or uncoupling cars; two in getting on or off the train, and onc by falling from the train in motion; one, a trackman in a hand car, on the time of the express train; one standing on the track; threc by striking against bridges; two by the bursting of a locomotive boiler on the Great Western Railway; two by the breaking down of a wood car on the Grand Trunk Railway, and one, a conductor on the Northern Railway, by the breaking of an axle.

Of the eleven other persons injured, who were neither passengers or cmployés, four who are reported to have bcen tipsy, were walking or lying on the track; one was struck by a snow-plough; one deaf and infirm; one driving across the track at a road crossing; one going under an cngine; one lying between the rails when the train passed over him; onc walking on the track of the Great Western Railway, and having his attention engrossed by a train passing on the Welland Railway, did not see the approaching train, or hear the whistle in time to avoid it; and one in attempting to get on an engine. Nine of these persons were trespassers on the railway enclosures.

It is further to be observed of the accidents of 1860, that no less than 23 persons, or about 22 per cent. of the whole number who have suffered death or injury by the railWay operations of that year, are reported to have been under the influence of liquor- These are classified as follows:-

One "passenger," two " employes" and fifteen "others" killed, and five "others" injured.

The following list of Company's servants will serve to shew upon what class of persons, in railway service, the casualties of 1860 have most heavily fallen.


Of this list, it is reported that disobedience of rules has occasioned the death of four brakesmen, onc fireman, and one car inspector.

Of the whole number of persons killed in 1860, 7 per cent were passengers, 40 per cent. employes, and 53 per cent. neither passengers nor cmployés.

One half of the deaths have been occasioned by persons being improperly on the track, or attempting to cross it when a train was approaching.

In 1860, one passenger was killed for every $26,8.47,305$ milcs travelled, and one was either killed or injured for cvery $15,341,317$ miles travelled.

## VI.-GENERAL OBSERVATIONS ON THE ACCIDENTS OF THE LAST THREE YEARS.

The following abstract furnishes a comparative statement of the accidents which have happened in these threc years, on all the railmays in Canada, to the three classes denominated passengers, cmployés and others.


Striking an average for these three years, it is found that one passenger was killed for every $14,995,150$ miles travelled, which is equal to travelling 600 times the circuit of the earth; and one has met with an accident in which he was either killed or injured, for every $5,551,907$ miles travelled. Considering that all the business is done upon a single track, these results shew a favorable degree of safety in the working of the Railways, so far at least, as the welfare of the passengers is concerned. But the persons who have suffered most from the introduction of Railways, are not those who make use of them, to travel by them, nor yet those engaged in working them, but "others" who have no connection with them whatever, and who, without any right, and entirely by their own imprudence, make use of the track as a convenience for going from place to place.

The Company's rules forbid this practice, but as every individual feels confident of being able to tale care of himself, and aroid the trains, it is a most difficult matter to on-
force their observance. Considerably more than one-third of those who have been killed were of this class. Of 158 killed and 128 injured in these three years, 63 of the killed and 18 of the injured, were "walking, standing, or lying on the track." The same kind of imprudence has led to the death of 16 of the Company's employes during the same period.

It is difficult to suggest any course that shall tend to diminish this class of casualties, unless it be that the several Companies should adopt more stringent means to prevent the public making use of their track.

There is one class of accidents, however, to which the attention of the Companies might be adrantageously directed, with a view of adopting measures to avoid a recurrence of them; that is, the fatal results attending the coupling of cars. It of the Companies' servants have been killed, and 19 injured in this service during the last three years, facts which appear to indicate some mechanical defect in the existing modes.

In my Report for 1858, at pages 18 and 19, the dangers to which the Railway servants were exposed in the performance of this simple duty, were clearly pointed out, and a remedy (tending, at least, to reduce the risk) suggested. No action having been taken upon it, I venture to revert to the subject, as one demanding the earnest attention of all Railway Managers, hoping yet to see the difficulty overcome by the mechanical skill and ingenuity at their command.

Amongst the various devices for self-couplers, designed to obviate the risk of coupling by hand, no one has yet proved to be of such practical value as to find favor with the Companies, and come into general use. The single bunters now in use on the Northern Railway, being placed in the line of traction, would, from their form, and the few oasualties attending them, seem to be the best; while the double-headed bunters reaching out horizontally eighteen inches from the centre of the coupling, being the kind most generally in usc, would seem to require some modification of form or position to render them more safe. In addition, therefore, to the suggestions thrown out in the former Report, I would uow propose for consideration, whether the coupling might not be effected with greater case and safety, by merely changing the double-headed bunters from a horizontal to a vertical position.

I would also again respectfully call attention to the other subjects adverted to in that Report.

1. Level crossings of Railways.
2. Level crossings of common roads with Railways.
3. Clearing the extra width.
4. Ballasting.
5. Sigual switches.
6. Assimilation of signals.

It is unnecessary here to repeat the statements and recommendations contained in that Report, in reference to these subjects; but as nothing has been effected since the date of it, either by the Legislature, or the Companies, for the improvement of the Railway system in these particulars, and considering them of the same importance as I sdid then, and entertaining the same views in regard to them, I would again respectfully urge, for the consideration of the Board, whether some action might not be taken by it to bring these subjects under the notice of the proper authorities.

## VII:-Fiscal and Statistical Returns.

An attempt has been made, for the first time, to collect and arringe in a concise form, information of a reliable character in reference to the cost and operation of the Railways of Canada.

With this view, printed forms of. Returns were sent to the Secretaries of the several Railway Companies; with a request to have them filled up; and at the same time to transmit copies of their accounts for the year 1860, giving.

1. A statement of Receipts and Expenditures on "CapITAL ACcount," up to the end of the year.
2. Revenue Account, Receipt and Expenditures for the year.
3. A General Balance Sueet for the year.

In order not to trouble the Companies with too many details at first, the form was made as concise as possible, consistent with the object of bringing out the leading facts intended to present a general view of the financial position of these important enterprises; and to shew the business they were doing, and at what expense. Further details may be elicited in future Returns.

With few exceptions, the Companies have responded to this request, and furnished the desired information so far as they were able; but owing, doubtless, to the call being new, many of the facts called for have not been supplied; thereby unfortunately rendering it a matter of impossibility to present aggregate results, or to strike arerages upon the operations of the year.

Such facts as are contained in these Returns will be found arranged in a tabular farm, in Tables Nos 11 to 16 inclusive; which, although incomplete as far as relates to the aggregate results, will be found well worthy of attentive consideration.

When taking a general view of the cost and working of these lines, and giving an account of their Receipts and Expenditures, it becomes necessary to take account also of the connecting lines in the United States, which are owned and managed by the same corporations, and therefore the whole length of main line and branches is taken at 2107.96 miles, while the whole length in Canada alone is 1880.96 miles.

From these tables then, we learn that upon the 1974.46 miles of Railway, of the ten lines for which we have Returns, the total amount expended upon the Road and its equipment, up to the end of 1860 , was $\$ 97,179,64175$, making the average cost per mile $\$ 49,218$.

The amount of Capital Stock paid in is $\$ 38,278,98619$, equal to $\$ 19,387$ per mile.
On 9 lines.-The Funded Debt-1st Preference Bonds............ $\$ 21,743,60566$


The Earnings for 1860.
Being from Through Passengers. ..... \$ 926,185 64
Local Passengers. ..... 1,716,815 16
" Through Freight and Live Stock. ..... 1,132,407 20
" Local Freight and Live Stock ..... 2,316,817 09
" Lumber and Cordwood ..... 280,237 05
" Mails ..... 171,654 35
" Parcels and Express. ..... 66,974 57
" Other Sources. ..... 103,638 38
Total Earnings $\$ 6,722,66648$
On 12 Lines and Branches, 2030.96 miles in all.Expenses in 1860.
On Permanent Way and Works ..... \$1,805,109 64
" Locomotive Power. ..... 1,374,861 04
" Rolling Stock. ..... 899,713 55
" Passenger Transit. ..... 527,129 88
"Freight Transit. ..... S52,814:94
Miscellaneous ..... 2,170,254 48
Total Expenses. ..... $5,675,51156 \frac{1}{2}$
Net Income for 1860 ..... 1,046,316 782
Average earnings per mile per week. ..... 6365
Average expenses per mile per week ..... 5373
Percentage of Expenses on Earnings, 84 per cent.
On 12 Lines and Branches, 2030.96 miles in all.
Milcs run by Passenger Trains ..... 1,984,044
" Mixed Trains. ..... 188,633
" Freight Trains ..... 2,909,914
" Wood and Maintenance Trains. ..... 520;904
" Piloting, Shunting; \&c. ..... 1,142,210
" All Trains (exclusive of Piloting, Shunting, \&c). ..... 5,614,715
Number of Passengers carried in Cars ..... 1,825,755
Number of miles travelled by Passengers. ..... 107,389,221
Average number of miles travelled by each Passenger. ..... 589
Number of Tons of Freight carried in Cars ..... 1,459,446
Number of Tons of Freight hauled one mile ..... 55,881,325
(Exclusive of Grand Trunk and nine other Railways.)
Note.-From the incompleteness of the Returns, the movement of passengers and freight, through andlocal, in both directions, cannot be ascertained.
Cents.
Average cost of fuel, per mile run by Engine ..... 6.00
Cost of Engine Repairs, per mile run by Engines ..... 6.34
Cost of Average Repairs, per mile run by Cars ..... 1.57
Cost of Repairs of Permanent Way and Works, per mile run by all Trains ..... 16.92
Average Speed of Express Trains
Including stops is ..... 24.3 miles per hour.
Betweon Stations .....  29.5
Average speed of Freight Trains
Including stops, is ..... 13 miles per hour.
Between Stations ..... 15 (nearly) "
Avcrage number of Cars in Trains:
In Passenger Trains ..... 3.2
Mixed Trains. ..... 7.5
Freight Trains ..... 11.6
Wood and Maintenance. ..... 9.7
The number of persons employed on all Railways, 6,606; of whom
175 are at Head Offlces.
308 " Station Agents.
242. "Switchmen.
833 " Others at Stations.
1837 $\frac{1}{2}$ " Mechanics in Repair and Machine Shops.
2019 " On Permanent Way and Works.
250ㄹ " Enginemen.
2601 " Firemen.
377 " Brakesmen and Baggagemen.
162 $\frac{1}{2}$ " Conductors.
14 "Elevators and Shipping.
VIII-LOCOMOTIVE ENGINES AND ROLLING Stock.

1. Locomotive Engines.

The official Returns of the several Companies, giving the number, description, and general condition of the Locomotive Engines employed by them during the past two years, together with the number of miles run by thom up to the end of each year, cannot fail to be of special interest to the Mechanical Engineer, and to the Raidway Managers generally, and therefore their publication is continued. They will befoundie Appendix; Nos. 63 to 99 inclusive.

Abstracts of these Returns have been prepared, from-which-wetlearn (Seé:Appendix

No. 62) that at the end of the year 1859, there were 384 Locomotive Engines on all the Railways, 54 of which were made in Canada, 221 in the United States, and 109 in Great Britain. The relative performances of these engines, since the time they were placed in service, may readily be ascertained by reference to these returns. At the end of the year i860, there were 394 Engines on all the Railways, 266 of which were reported in good order, 56 requiring slight repairs, and 72 requiring heavy repairs.

As regards their place of manufacture, 57 were built in Canada, 229 in the United States, and 109 in Great Britain. It may here be remarked that the oldest angine in Canada is the Dorchester, now in the service of the St. Lawrence and Industry Railway, where it ran 4,300 miles last year. It is a 10 -ton engine; 10 inch cylinder, inside connections ; one pair 4-feet drivers, built by George Stephenson \& Son, Newcastle-upon-Tyne. It was put in use in 1849, and has run altogether 66,000 miles, and is still serviceable.

The most work has been performed by the Portland, engine No. 108, of the Grand Trunk Railway, put in service January, 1851. It has run since that time to the end of $1860,193,635$ miles; and in $1860,25,348$ miles, and is reported still in good order. The weight of this engine and tender, with wood and water, is 42.8 tons.

> 2.-Rolling Stock.

According to Abstracts No. 62 and 81, of the official Returns of Rolling Stock in use on all roads at the close of each of the past two years, it appears that there were in 1859.1860.

| First Class Passenger Cars, 16 wheels |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 12 wheels. | 26 | 25 |
| " " . 8 wheels. | 208 | 223 |
| " " 4 wheels | 1 | 1 |
| Second Class Passenger and Emigration | 121 | 119 |
| : 6 | 4 | 3 |
| Baggage, Mail, and Express, 12 wheels | 13 | 12 |
|  |  |  |
| " 4 mh | 2 | 2 |
| Box, Freight, and Cattle, $S$ wheels................................... 2,703 3,180 |  |  |
| " 6 4 wheels | 104 | 101 |
| Conductors' Cars, 8 wheels........................................... 33.40 |  |  |
| Platform Cars, 12 wheels ... | 4 | 1,868 |
| " S wheels | 786 | 1,868 |
| Grain Cars |  | 50 |
| Refrigerator Cars. |  |  |
| Gravel Cars, 8 wheels. | 100 | 90 |
| $\because 44$ wheels. | 294 | 360 |
|  |  |  |
| Spar Trucks, 4 wheels ................. | 25 | 16 |
| Hand Cars ............................................................ 59. |  |  |
| Snow Ploughs, large size............................................. 42. |  |  |
|  | EFE <br> or of | ailuays |

Quebec, 16th September, 1861.

APPENDIX, No. 1.
Brockvilue, December 19, 1859.
SIR,-I have the honor to report, that in compliance with the instructions from the Honorable the Receiver General, acting Chairman of the Board of Railway Commissioners, conveyed to me in your letter of the 14 th instant, I left Quebec on the 15 th, and made my examination of the Victoria Bridge on the 16th, and of the Branch leading to it from the main line at Charon Station, on the 17 th instant, and finding both Bridge and Branch
perfectly safe for public use, the new line across the Bridge was this day opened for public trafic.

The test applied to the tubes of the Fictoria Bridge, consisted of a train of 18 platform cars loaded with stones as heavily as they would bear, and drawn by two Locomotive Engines coupled. This train was long enough to reach over two spans at one time, and weighed, as nearly as could be ascertained, without platform scales to weigh the cars, about one ton to the lineal foot. In passing this train over the Bridge, a load of 242 tons was laid on each of the side spans, and 330 tons upon the central span.

The side tubes being in pairs reaching from the abutment to the second pier, from the second to the fourth, and so on; -they were submitted to a different test from the central one. The load, or forward part of the train was brought upon the first half, then the whole train covered the whole tube, and lastly, the rear part of the train rested upon the second half, and the effect noted each time, both at the middle of each half, and at points midway between the middle and the bearings, making six observations upon the tube each time of marking.

The tubes oovering the 14 th and 15 th spans being yet unfinished and unconnected over the 14 th pier, were, of course, on this occasion treated like the central one as indepondent tubes.

A remarkable uniformity was observed in the cffect of this load upon all the side tubes that were completed. When both halves of the tube were loaded, the deflection in cach span was five-eighths ( (8) of an inch, but when it rested on one half only, that half sunk three-quarters ( $\frac{3}{4}$ ) to seven-cighths ( $\frac{3}{8}$ ) of an inch. The central and separate tubes deffected one inch and a quarter under a load of a ton to the foot.

When the train was scat over at speed, the observed deflections did not exceed those just stated, more than the eighth part of an inch, and in all cases when the load was rcmoved, the tabes returned immediately to their former position, thus proving in the most satisfactory manner, that they sere entirely unaffected by the passing of a load which was Jouble that of the heaviest freight train that will ever cross the Bridge.

It may be here remarked that the tabes of this Bridge were designed to sustain practically, a load of one ton per lineal foot throughout their length, in addition to their own weight; under which load; the horizontal strain was not to exceed five tons of tension to the square inch on the bottom, or five tons of compression to the square inch on the top. The test-load applied was as near the intended load as it well could be.

These tubes present the finest specimen of Engineering skill and workmanship to be secu in any part of the world, and the public may bave entire confidence in their strength and durability.

The preparations for testing the tubes in the manner before described, had been made by the Contractors' Agent, Mr. Hodges, at the instance of Messrs. J. D. Brace and 3. 3. Stockman, Engineers from the late Robert Stephenson's office, in London, who had been sent out from England to examine and report on the Bridge. The testing was commenced by them on the 15th instant, accompanied by Mr. A. M. Ross, (the Engincer in charge,) and by Mr. Janies Hodges, and was completed in my presence on the 16th inst. In reporting my entire satisfaction with the test applied and the sufficiency of the tubes, I desire at the same time to express my admiration of the simplicity and accuracy of the means adopted for obscrying the effect of these weights upon the Bridge, and of that perfection of workmanship in the tabes themsclves which are thus made to shew so slight a deflection, under such heary loads.

I have the honor to be, Sir, Your obedient servant,

SAMUEL KEEFER, Inspector of Railways.
J. G. Vansittart, Esq.,

Secretary Board of Railway Commissioners, Toronto.

2.5) Victoria.

Sessional Papers (No 16).

No. 3-RAILWAYS OF CANADA.-Railways inspected and opened for traftic in 1 S59, under the Act 20 Vic., Cap. 12.

| 8 | Corporate Nane of Railitay. | BY Whow Inspected. | Length in Miles. | Date of. Opening. |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | The Grand Trunk Railway: <br> From St. Mary's to Sarnia <br> Victoria Bridge and approaches |  |  | 1859. |
|  |  | Hon: H. H. Killaly | 50 | Novomber 21. |
|  |  | Mr. S. Keefer | 6 | December 16. |
|  |  | Mr. S. Keefer ................. | 53 | December 21. |
|  | The Stanstead, Shefford and Chambly Railway : | Hon. H. H. Killaly ......... | 13 | January 2. |
|  | West Farnham to Granby.................................. | Hon. Fi. H. Killaly ......... | 15 | December 31. |
|  | The Brockville and Ottawa Railway: <br> Erockville to Smith's Falls.. . | Mr. S. Keefer............... | 2 S | February 17. |
|  | Smith's Falls to Almonte.................................... | Hon. H. H. Killaly ......... | 23.25 | $\text { August } 22 \text {. }$ |
|  | $\mid$ Perth Branch | Mr. S. Keefer. | 11.54 | February 17. |
|  | The Welland Railvay............................................... | Mr. S. Keefer.................... | 25. | June 27. |
|  | The Peterborough and Chemung Lake Railway: <br> Poterborough to Saw Mills. | Mr. S. Keefer | 4 | July 0. |
|  | Total miles |  | 248.79 |  |

Inspector of Railwiys' Office,
Queboc, September, 1 SB1.
No. 1.-RAILWAYS OF CANADA.-Nem portions of Railways inspected and opened for Traffic in 1860, under the Act 20 Vic., Cap. 12.


Inspecton of Railways' Office.
Quebec, September, 1861.
No. 5.-RAILIVAYS OF CANADA.-Railways in progress of construction, and the length that will probably be opened this year, 1861.


Ingpector of Ramivars Office,
Quebec; September, 1861.

## No. T.-RAILWAYS OF CANADA.

Description and Length of Bridging on all the Railway Lines in operation in Canada, on the 1st of January, 1861 .

| B | CORPORATE NAME OF RAILWAY. | $\therefore$ : |  | Wooden Bridars |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  |  |  | Tressels. |  | Pile. |  | Bent and Beast: : |  | Anch AND Truse. |  |
|  |  |  |  |  |  | $\left\|\begin{array}{ll} 0 & \dot{0} \\ 0 & \tilde{E n} \\ 0 & 0 \end{array}\right\|$ |  |  |  |  |  |
| 1 | Great Western anil Branches.............. | 345 | 186 | 223 | 5,218 | 36 | 439 | 359 | 8,213 | 61 | 6,014 |
| 2 | Grand Trunk and Erauches................ | 872 | 242 |  |  | 14 | 220 | 224 | 3,427 ${ }^{\frac{1}{2}}$ | 19 | 2,157 |
| $:$ | Northern ........................................ | 95.14 | 37 | 119 | 3,043 | 40 | 459 | 10 | 129 | 7 | 654 |
| 4 | Buffalo and Lake Hurou..................... | 162.27 | 54 | 114 | 2,165 | 15 | 231 | 59 | 1,275 | 21 | 1,954 |
|  | London and Port Stanley................... | 24 | 9 | 28 | 897 |  |  | 24 | 745 | - 3 | 44 |
|  | Wolland ........................................ | 25 |  |  |  |  |  | 1 | 30 |  | 240 |
| 7 | Erie and Ontario.................................... | 17 | 7 | 37 | 600 | ...... | ........' | 30 | 254 |  | 182 |
| s | lort Hope, Lindsay and Beaverton, and Branches. | 56.50 | 25 | 96 | 3,176 |  |  | c |  |  | 313 |
|  | Cobourg and Peterborough.......................................... | 28 | 12 |  |  | 649 | 8,442 | 6 | 315. | :8 | 2,422 |
| 10 | Brockville and Ottara and Branch....... | 63.54 | 16 |  |  |  |  | 20 | $465 \frac{1}{2}$ | 2 | 171 |
| 11 | Ottawa and Prescott.......................... | 54 | 26 | 130 | 1,010 | 89 | S4.1 | 23 | 412 | - | 427 |
|  | Montreal and Champlain.................... | S1.76 | 43 | 2 | 18 |  | . | 43 | 561 |  | 65 |
| 13 | Carillon and Grenville...................... | 12.75 | 4 |  |  | ... | ........ |  |  | $\bigcirc 8$ | 323 |
|  | St. Lawrence and Industry................. | 12 | 4 |  |  | ㅈ... | , |  | 98 | ..... | ......... |
| 15 | Stanstead, Shefford and Chambly........ | 28 | 4 | 6 | 120 | 118 | 1,430 |  | 450 | ..... | ......... |
| 16 | Peterborough and Chomung Lake........ | 1 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  |  | 1,880.96 | 672 | 756 | 17,147 | 365 | 12,065 | 797 | 17,54S | 1150 | 15,672 |

No. 7.-(Continued.)-RAILWAYS OF CANADA.

|  | CORTORARE NAME OF | No. of Bridges. | Iron bridees. |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | SWRNG <br> Bringes <br> OF Woon <br> AD: Inon. |  | Total Bridging. |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  |  | GInd | Dens. |  | Bes. |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | 21.480 |
|  | Grand Trunk nad do | 45 | 30 | 15085 | 93 | 13714 | :00 |  | 1019 | 19.75 |  | 329 |  | ${ }^{7} 712$ | 30,3663 |
|  | Northern ..................... |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  | Buffulo and |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | 2,08: |
|  | Welland......: |  |  | 65 |  |  |  |  |  | 20 |  |  |  |  | ${ }^{669}$ |
|  | Frie anil Ontario |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | 1,036. |
|  | Port ILope, Lindsay Beaverton, ndiminn |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  | Beaverton, nawbunches |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | 11,405 |
| 10. | Srockrille and Ottava and |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  | Branch . |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  | Ottawa nnd Prascolt. |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | .. |  |  |  | 2, 24 | 3,593. |
|  | Montrcal and Champlain |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| $13$ | Carillon and Grenville....... |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | ..... | ... .... |  |  |  | 4 |  |
|  | St. Lawrence and Industry. |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | 184 |  |
| 161 | Peterboro' © Chemung Lake |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
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Infpector of Railways' Office,
Quebec, September 1503.

No. 0.-(Continued.)-Classification of the Accidents which occurred on the Railways of Canada, in the year 185!

Inspector of Railiways' Orfices






No. 12.-RAILWAYS
Abstract of Fiscal Returns of the Railway Companies, for the year 1860 , includ

| $\stackrel{8}{8}$ | CORPORATE NAME OF RAILWAF. | EARNINGS IN |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  | From through Passengers. | From Local <br> Passengers. | F'm thro' Freight and Live Stock. |
|  | Great Westera (avd Branches)..................... | \$594,736 431 | \$420,985 053 | \$853,725 05 |
|  | Grand Trunk (and Branches)......................... | 234,224 75 | 935,534 12 | 308,813 06 |
|  | Northern... | 2,992 2S | 85,749 21 | 50,367 82 |
|  | Buffalo and Lake Ifuron | 16.08134 | 84,05068 | 29,002 34 |
|  | London and Port Stanley |  | 11,039 20 | 2,002 3 |
|  | Welland. | ........ | 6,281 41 | 47,207 92 |
|  | Erie and Ontario. |  |  |  |
|  | Port Hope, Lindsay and Deaverton (and Eranch). | 15,5シ9 12 |  | 8,700 58 |
|  | Breckrille and Ottawa (and Braneli |  | $27005{ }^{56}$ |  |
|  | Ottawa and Prescott........... | 11,020 72 | 26,755 23 |  |
|  | Moutreal and Champlain | 1,00 72 | 113,43: 69 | 24,957 63 |
|  | Carillon and Erenville... |  | $110,43 \pm$ m |  |
|  | St. Lawrence and Industry.. | 1,596 00 |  | 5,033 00 |
|  | Stanstead, Shefford and Chambly ................... |  |  |  |
|  | Petorborough and Chemung Lake |  |  |  |
|  |  | \$926,185 644 | \$1,716, $51515 \frac{1}{2}$ | \$1,132,407 20 |

No. 12 (continued).-RAIL

## OF CANADA.

ing their U. States comnections, shewing the Earnings and Expenses for the year.

## THE YEAR 1860.

| From Lacal Freight \& Live Stock. | From Taumber and Cordwoon: | Erum Mails. | From Parcels and Express. | From otber sources. | Tutal Earaings |
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| \$ 431,252 87 |  | \$ 40,193 433 | \$33.136 68 | \$11.933 82 | 2,197,943 34, |
| 1,393,053 67 | 249,361 20 | 110,340 20 | 27,597 24 | 42,733 94 | 3,349,658 18 |
| 186,085 80 |  | 3.58414 |  | 4,20788 | 332,967 ul |
| 173,99630 |  | 4.83000 | 5,017 27 | 2,7SB 00 | 315.76399 |
| 16,046 5S | 50000 | 960.00 | 22243 | 61756 | 29,35557 |
| ............ |  |  |  | 06507 | 84,554 40 |
| 8,783 39 | 19,149 95 | 1,290 00 |  | 23600 | 53,60404 |
|  | 5,320 50 | 1.88597 | 31808 |  | 53.80110 |
| 5,696 80 | 4,338 40 | 174960 | 68487 | 15801 | 75.36216 |
| 82,62S 69 |  | 6,541 00 | ................... | 29,899 00 | 232,803 444 |
| ............ | 1,56600 |  |  | ...................... | 8,796 00 |
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| \$2,316,517 0002 | \$280.237 05 | \$171,654 347 | \$66.974 57 | \$103,63S 38 | \$6,722,686 48 |

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Kı. 14.-Continued.-RAILWAYS OF C_nADA.

Insphetor of Ralinays Office,
Quebec, September, 1861.

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| Cobourg aid Poterborough．．．． |  | No | return． |  | 13 | 17 | 12 | 11 | ， |  | 12 |
| 10 Brockrille and Ottawa（and | 22 | 25 | 14 | 16 | 1.4 | 15 | 12 | 1： | 3 |  | s |
| 12 Dfontroal amd Champlain | 30 | 35 |  |  | 16 | 24 |  |  | 3 ．．．．．．． | 8 | 10 |
| 13 Carillo a and Crenvillo．．． | ．．．．．．．．． |  |  |  |  | 30 |  |  | $3{ }^{3}$ |  | 3 |
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| 15 Stanstond；Shetiord and Chaubly ．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．． |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | ．．．．． |  |  |
| 18 Peterborough ：um Chemung Lako．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．． |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | ．．．．．．．．． | ．．．．．．．．． |  |  |
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Office of the Tuspector of Railways， $\begin{gathered}\text { Quabes，September，} 1861 .\end{gathered}$

## No. 16.-RAILWAYS OF CANADA

Absprack of the Statistical Recurns of the Railway Comranies, for the year 1860, shewing the number of persons employed.
on all the Railways.


## VERDICT OF THE CORONER'S TNQUEST,

On the Fatal Accident which took place on the Great Western Railuray on the moning of 19th of March, 1859.
"That the said William Milne, Alexander Braid, Gcorge Morgan, a person called "Hans Peter Jochinson, C. Vigil King, and Thomas Farcett, came to their deaths in the manner following, that is to say :
"That on the morning of the 16 th day of March instant, a certain Locomotive Steam " Engine named the "Elk," with a certain tender and baggage car attached thereto, and " worked therewith, and also with drivers, to wit, four cars used for the conveyance of " passengers for hire, (and forming the 'Express' train going East,) on a certain Railway "called the Great Western Railway, and which said cars respectively were then attached " and fastened together, and to the said Tender, and were then propelled or drawn by the "said Locomotive Steam Engine, and were moving and traveling along the said Railway, " towaids the City of Hamilton-and the Jurors aforesaid, upon their oaths aforcsaid, do " further say, that whilst and during the time the said Locomotive, Tender, and Cars, ". were so moving and travelling along said Railway, they were suddenly procipitated " into a breach, which, during a severe stom then raging, had been formed in a certain :" embankment, forming part of the said Railway, and situated about tro miles from the "town of Dundas, by means whereof the said William Milne, Alexander Braid, George "Morgan, and a person said to be Hans Peter Jochiuson, there received divers mortal
"wounds, bruises, and concussions, of which the said William Milue, Alcxander Braid,
"George Morgan, and a person said to be Hans Peter Jochinson, instantly died ; That the
"said Charles Vigil King and Thomas Fawcett have subsequently died, and so the Jurnes
" aforesaid upon their oaths do say, that the said William Milnc, Alceander Braid, George
"Morgan, a person said to be Hans Peter Jochinson; Charles Vigil King, and Thomas

- Farectt, in manncr and by means aforcsaid, came to their death, and not otherwise.
"They further say, that from a personal survey of the scene of said disaster, and a earcful examination of the immediate and adjacent grounds made in company with the Provincial Inspector of Railroads, they find that the said embankment has been formed
" on a slope of the mountain which rises above onc hundred feet in height above it, at an
"angle of about 35 degrees; that the base of said embankment is a continuation of said
"slopes, though it may not fall at quite so great an angle; that it has been comprised of
"s sand and gravel covering a trestle work, and is about sixty fect in perpendicular height
"on the south side, and about twenty-five on the north, or side next to the mountain;
. they further find that the point at which the breach has occurred, seems to be onc of
: conveyance of a large portion of the surface water which is discharged from about sizty
$\because$ acres of the high table land to the northward of the Railway; they also find that the
" means which have been mployed for conducting this converging flow of watcr from the
" natural basin, which it seems to have formed for itself at the base of the Railway cm-
"bankuent, have not been sufficient to prevent the rater from penctrating it, and thus,
" no doubt, directly causing the breach which has occurred. They find that at the point
" of the breach there is no culvert, or drains of any kind through the conbankment; and
" while there is a culvert at the distance of four hundred and fifty fect to the eastward, of $\because$ quite a sufficient capacity aud strength to convey all the water which might, under any "circumstancos, drain towards it, aod a sufficiont decline for such drainage, get the only - chanuel for the intervening distance is formed simply by the angle of depression of the " mountain on one side, and the lailway embankment on the other. That the natural " drainare of about one thousand fect westward, is towards the said culvert, but the water " instead of running down the said channel, has usually percolated through the cmbank-
" ment, except on the occasion of heavy rains, when a considerable portion of it, no doubt,
" has found its way to the culvert; they also find that the decline towards the culvert is
" very irregulir, for, according to levels taken by the Government Inspector between the
" breach and the culvert, the greater portion of descent is within fifty feet of the culvert,
$\because$ and the highest point is at a distance of about 350 feet, where the rise is $1,2 \pi 7$ feet,
"while immediatcly opposite the breach, the rise is only 1,046 , shewing a basin of
" 2 f'cet 4 inches opposite the breach, which, of course, in cases of heavy rains, would
"cause a body of water of upwards of two fect in depth to lic at this point or find its way
"through the loose stones at their base, through or under the embankment itself. Fur-
"ther it is the unanimous opinion of said Jurors, that had there been cither a culvert at the
" point of breach, or an cfficient drain constructed, communicating with the existing culvert,
" the disaster would not have occurred. The said Jurors would further add, that the
"Railway Company, nevertheless, scemed to have taken every reasonable procaution to
"provide against all the ordinary contingencies, and that their gencral arrangements are
"such as are well adapted for the security of passengers, and it is only to be regretted that
"their watchfuilieses has not been adequate to guard against the effects of a storm so severe
$\because$ is that lately experienced. The only suggestion the said Jurors would be clisposed to
" offer in the matter of such arrangements is, that a watchman should be required on oc-
"casions of violent rains occurring during the night, to pass frequently over cmbankments
" of such magnitude. The said Jurors would further add, that no culpability nor nerli-
"gence can be attributed to the Conductor or other cmployés of the Company in charge
" of the ill-fated train, but on the contrary, their conduct has been characterized by all
" possible carc and efficiency, and crery assistance possible under the circumstanecs, wes
"rendered to thie wounded.
"The said Jurors would, in conclusion, renark that they would fail in their duty;
"were they not to record their high approbation of the conduct of Mr. Brydges, the Man-
"aging Director, and other prominent officers of the Railway Company, on the occasion of
" the sad accident. Their untiring efforts to alleviate the distress, by the furnishing of
" medical and other attendance, the opening up of communication with the friends of the
"wounded, and the facilitics which they have in all respects, unsolicited, furnished for
" satisfactorily couducting this investigation, have been such as to call for the thanks of
" the said Jurors and all interested."
(Signed,) JANES McMILLAN, Cormer.
A correct copy of the Verdict.
(Signed,) W. C.STEPHENS,
Socretary G. W. R. Co.

No. 17.-RETURN of the Accidents and Castalties which have occurcd on the GREAT WESTERN RALLWAX of Canada during the half-year onding the 31st December, 1859 , nuade in compliance with the Provisions of the "Accidents on Railways Act," 20 th Tictoria, Chapter 12th, Section 14.


The foregoing is subscribed by William Comber Stephens, Secretary of the Great Western Railway Company, sworn to in my presence as a true Retiurs
according to the best of his knowledge and belief, at the City of Hamilton, in the County of Wentworth, this 23rd day of January, A. D. 1860 .
6.
A Commissioner for taking Affidavits in the Queen's Bench.
(Signed,
W. C. STEPHENS

Secretary Great Western Railuay Cornpany-
A. 17.-(Continued)-REIURN of the Accidents and Casualties which have occurricd on the GREAT WESTERN RACWWA of Canada, during the halfyear ending the 30th Jne. 1859, made in compliance with the Provisions of the "Accidents on Railways Act," 20 th Victoria, Chapter 12th, Section 14

 Railways Act," 20 th Victoria, Chapter 12 th, Section 14.



| Date. | Time of <br> or Nignt. | No. and description of Train. | Name of Con- <br> duetor. | $\left\lvert\, \begin{gathered}\text { Name of Engine- } \\ \text { man. }\end{gathered}\right.$ | No. uf Engine. | Place of Accident. | Name or Description of person injured or killed | $\begin{gathered} \text { f Wether pas- } \\ \text { senger, employe } \\ \text { or other. } \end{gathered}$ | Natare of Accident to Persons. | Damage cone to property. | Cause of Accident-Action taken by Company to prevent recurrence. <br> REMAPKS. | Verdict of Corotior's Jary |
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| $\begin{gathered} 1859 . \\ \text { July 16.. } \end{gathered}$ | 700 p.x.s. | No. 5 Freight Train. | Robert | J. Reid | 160 | ar Thorndal | Catherine Hays | Trackman's | Kille |  | Child 15 months old-on the | Accidental death |
| $\text { Aug. } 3.1 .$ | $\left\lvert\, \begin{array}{ll}10 & 00 \\ 10 & 0 \\ 10 & \text { A.r.s. }\end{array}\right.$ | No. 1 Passenger Train...... No. 4 Passenger Train.... | Charles Keary. | W. Winin | 162 | Rockrood ............................ | R. Bro | Whald | Arm bro |  | char monks ou-od tac | to fence dwellings of tbe track |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | Killed |  |  | o direct evidence ; supposed fell from train |
| Sept. 20. | S 00 A.xs. | Specinl Engine. |  | P. Broisbenu... | 38 | Ricbmond ............................ | $\left\{\begin{array}{l}\text { Patrick Casey........ } \\ \text { Jobn Mcclure..... }\end{array}\right\}$ | Track | Killed.. | Hand Car broken. | Came in collision with Engine coming round $n^{\prime}$ | Accidental denth. |
| Oct. 27. | ${ }_{6}^{9} 300$ A. A. | Freight Train. | J. MeColl......... | P. Temple. | ${ }_{19} 8$ | Oshawa | J. McCoil................ | Employb....... | Arm broke |  | Coupling Cars-Accidental. |  |
| Nov. $9 .$. | 345 P.as.. | Passe | J. Rearney......... | J. Austen | 19. | Near Ricbmor | J. Rejnoidas...... |  | $\left\{\begin{array}{l}\text { Injury to bip......... } \\ \text { Manchinjured.... }\end{array}\right.$ | Waggon broken............ | Jumped from train while in motion, ${ }^{\text {Jrave }}$ across track in spite of erery efort to stop bim by $\{$ | Verdict, "Accidental death |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  | Mrs. Reynolds ... | gon | (Eilled .......... |  | Engine whistle and bell............................. | acquittion the Company blame. |
| " ${ }_{18}^{15 . . .}$ | 10.00 p.x. | Mixed | F. Dasbeec......... Wm. Neilson.... | S. ${ }_{\text {S. }}^{\text {Sambes Stonar.......... }}$ | $1 \begin{aligned} & 186 \\ & 156\end{aligned}$ |  | F. Gingras.............. | Passenger:...... Employe...... | Killed.............. |  | Attemting to get on train in motion._............ | "Accidental death, ${ }^{\text {a }}$ |
| Dec. $13 .$. | 530 ¢, mi.. | Freight | J. Kerr............. | T. Laughlin....... | 72 | Williamburgh .............................. | Isace Deaver. | Waytarer ........ |  |  | Accident occurred at a level crossing. Deaver was so intoxi- | dental desth <br> Killed while crossing trac |

 Railways Act," 20th Victoria, Chapter 12th, Section 14.



 on Railways Act," 20th Victoria, Chapter 12, Section 14.

| Date. | ( $\begin{gathered}\text { Time of } \\ \text { Day } \\ \text { or Sight. }\end{gathered}$ | No. and description of Train. | Namo of Conductor. | Name of Engineman. | Engino. | Plaee of Accident | Name or deseription of perep injured or killed. | Whether passenger, emplogé o: other. | Nature of Accident to Perzons: | Damage done to Property. | Cause of Accident-Action taken by Company to prevent recurrence. <br> REMARKB. | Verdict of Coroners Jary. |
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| 1859. <br> Jลロ. 6... <br> Yob. 2... <br> Juce 15. |  | $\left\{\begin{array}{l} \text { Liro Stock and Freight } \\ \text { Train, Cars being 8hunted } \\ \text { on to the Ferry buat...... } \\ \text { Social Enyino........... } \\ \text { No. 8, Accommodation West. } \end{array}\right.$ |  | Mollingbrooke ... <br> Enoch Bowen...... Robert Gladders. | $\begin{aligned} & 28 \\ & 10 \\ & 10 \end{aligned}$ | Fort Erie................................ 京 milo east of Carron Brook..... mile east of Goderich............. | Edward Duckloy .. <br> George Lane. George Wright....... | Employé.............. <br> Stranger $\qquad$ Employe, - Section man. |  | $\}$ | $\left\{\begin{array}{l} \left\{\begin{array}{l} \text { Breaking down of Bridgo-The Bridgo bas been ro-built, } \\ \text { of increased strength. } \end{array}\right. \\ \text { Intoviastad-malking on the track.................................. } \\ \text { Intozicated-on the track. } \end{array}\right.$ |  |
| Sworn before me at Fort Erie, C. W., this 7th July, 1859. <br> (Signed,) … JAMES PATTON, J. P. |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | J. B. WATTS, Road Superintendent, B. \& L. | Railway. |



| Date. | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Timo of } \\ & \text { Dor Night. } \end{aligned}$ | No. and deseription of Train. | Name of Conductor. | Namo of Fugineman. | No. of Enginc. | Plase of Accident. | Name or description of person ujared or killed | Whether prasenger. employe or other. | Naturc or Alceident tio Perscons. | Dimare done to Property. | Cause of Accident-Action taken by Company to prevent recurreace. <br> REMARKS. | Veribet of Coroner's Jury : |
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| $\begin{gathered} 1552 . \\ \text { July } 14 . \end{gathered}$ | 200 ¢.m. | No. 1 Nigtt 1xpress......... | If. K. Houso | M. Rubertson.... | No. s.... | Brigy ${ }^{8}$ crossing, between Dunrillo and Canfiela......................... | $\left\{\begin{array}{r} \text { R. Snith (colored } \\ \text { mana........... } \end{array}\right.$ | $\left\{\begin{array}{l} \text { (Neither }) \text { tres- } \\ \text { passing on crack- } \end{array}\right.$ |  |  |  | $\left\{\begin{array}{l}\text { Accidental donth. "Filled } \\ \text { by being on the track." }\end{array}\right.$ |
| Dec. 10. | 940 a.mı. | No. 2 Mixed... | James Quinlan.... | Bow | No. 16.... | Plattsville Station. | Frederick Finni..... | Brakesman......... | Killed while in the act of coupling engine to case. |  | $\left\{\begin{array}{l} \text { Failure to enter drav bar of engine proporiy; was told to } \\ \text { get out of the way, but pergisted in remain:ng............. } \end{array}\right.$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Frederick Finnig came to } \\ & \text { his death by an accident } \\ & \text { arising frown his onan cree. } \\ & \text { cossnegs. } \end{aligned}$ |

 ear 1859. So help me God

Sworn before me at Fort Erie, this Ninth day of January, 1860.
(Signed, )
ABRAHAM FELL

No. 21.-RETURN of the Accidents and Casualtics which have occurcel on the LONDON AND PORT STANLEY RAILWAY, during the half-year ending the 90 th June, 1859 , made in compliance with the Provisions of the Accidents on Railways Act," 20th Victoria, Chapter 12th, Section 14

| Date. | $\begin{gathered} \text { Time of } \\ \text { day or } \\ \text { night. } \end{gathered}$ | No. asd description of Train. | Name of conductor. | Name of Engine man. | $\begin{aligned} & \text { No. of } \\ & \text { Engine. } \end{aligned}$ | Place of Aecilent. | Name or description of person injured or killed. | $\left.\begin{gathered} \text { Weither pas } \\ \text { senger, pomplost } \\ \text { or other. } \end{gathered} \right\rvert\,$ | Nature of Accident to Persons. | Damage done to Proporty. | Cause of Accident-Action taken by Company to arerent recurrence. <br> HEMARKS. | Verdict of Coroners Jury. |
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| $\begin{gathered} 1559 \\ \text { Sune } 24 . \end{gathered}$ | $1.00 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. | Special | m. Fraser........ | IV. Harrison ...... | 2 | Noar Stanleg. | Ann Laris. | Trespazer...... | Killed ................... |  | Walking on track, and being deaf and dumb, could not hear the approach of the train. |  |

Sworn before me, this 7 th day of July, 1859.
S. MORRILL, J. P.

London: Canada West.

Signed.) W. BOWMAN
Superintindent L. \& P. S. Railuay Company.
 Act," 20th Victoria, Chapter 12th. Section 14

| Jate. | Time of day or night. | So. and description of Train. | Name of Con- ductor. | $\left\lvert\, \begin{gathered} \text { Name of Engino. } \\ \text { mann. } \end{gathered}\right.$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { No. of } \\ & \text { Engine. } \end{aligned}$ | Place of Acciden. | Name or description of person injured or killect. | $\left.\begin{gathered} \text { Whetuer pas- } \\ \text { senger, emplose } \\ \text { or other. } \end{gathered} \right\rvert\,$ | Nature of Accident to Persons. | Damage done to Property. | Cause of Accident-Action taken by Company to prerent recurrence. <br> REMARES. | Ferdict of Coroner't Jury. |
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| $\begin{gathered} 1859 \\ \text { Aug } 30 . \end{gathered}$ | 6.45 l 1.mı... | a Paseuger. | Thos, H. Tourers.. | Jances Matelife... | 3 | $\left\{\begin{array}{l} \text { Wilson crossius, near } \\ \text { crines. Cath- } \\ \text { c.............................. } \end{array}\right.$ |  |  |  | killo | Boy attemited to drire the animal over a crossing immediately before the approaching Train. The bell and whistle werc sounded as usual at crossing. |  |
| Sep. $\frac{2}{20}$ | Unknowa. |  |  | Sark Stot........ | $\frac{1}{1}$ | Balls Crossing, Grantham <br> Thorold. <br> Croviand | ............................................................. | . |  | 1 Hog killed <br> A. Hog killed | At largo on the track contiary to statute. At large on the track contrary to Statute. |  |
| $\because \quad 32$ | .: | Passenger .................... | Thos. H. Towers... | James Ratclifife.. |  | Cromland.............................. |  |  |  | A Heifer kailed..................... | Ran on to a crossing in front of Train. |  |
| (6. 23 | : | Balla |  | Mark Stott | 1 | Grantham............................. | Daricl 0 'Ifen | Other.... ....... | Death ................. | .... $\}$ | Throw himself upon the track immediately before the train While in notion. | suicide. |
| ${ }_{80}{ }_{8}$ | 1.00 p...... | Freight and Passcugcr...... <br> Freight and Passenger..... |  | James Ratcliffo... Jame3 Anderson. |  | St. Catherincs <br> St. Catherince. | John Wright............... | Brakcsman ..... <br> Brakcsman .... | Death <br> Dcath |  | Caught betreen the bumpers while coupling cars.................. Canght between the bampers while coupling care.. | No. Tnquest. |
|  |  |  |  | Wm. Morrison ... | 4 | Gratham ........................... |  |  |  | A Colt billed ............... |  | the cars |
| Dec. ${ }^{\text {a }}$. | 1.00 p.m... | Engine and Tender. |  | Wm. Morrison | 4 | St. Catherincs......................... |  |  |  | A Horse injurod ............ | Frightened at approash of Engine, and ran against a fen |  |

Srom before me at St. Catherines, the third day of April, A.D. 1860.
I, Hiram Slate, Secretary of the Welland Railway Company, make oath and say, that the foregoing return of Casualties is a correct statement.
(Signed, ALPHEUS S. SI. JOHN,
(Signed;)
HIRAM SLATE,
A Commissioner in $B$. R., fo.

Tii 23.-REIURN of the Accidents and Casualties which have occurred on the BROCKVILLE AND OTTAWA RAILEVAY during the half-vear ending the 30 th December, 1859 , made in compliance with the Provisions of the "Accidents on Railmays Act,' 20 th Victoria, Chapter 12th, Section 14.

 Railways Act," 20th Victoria, Chapter 12th, Section 14.

| Eatc. | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Tinc of } \\ & \begin{array}{c} \text { Day } \\ \text { Or Nigut } \end{array} \end{aligned}$ | Ǎv. aud description of Train. | Dame of <br> Conluctor. | Same of Eugineman. | No. of Ensinc. | Place of Accident. | Name or description of person injured or killed. | Whether passengor, employe or other. | Nature of Accideat to Perzons. | Damage donc to Properity. | Causo of Accident-Action taken by Company to prevent recurrence. <br> REMARKS. | Ferdict of Coroner's Jury |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Feb. 18. Nay 6. | $100 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m} .$. $\text { \| } 2 \text { on p.m... }$ | None $\qquad$ <br> Accommodation. | Nonc ............... <br> A. Coulonobec.... | A. Bullis........... <br> Tames Bray. | Caughnawagn ....... <br> Dorchester $\qquad$ | Grande Ligno.............. <br> St. John's. | Josoph Coupal <br> Joseph Bromly | Other........................................... | Log breken.............. <br> Killed $\qquad$ | None $\qquad$ <br> None $\qquad$ | Attempting to cross the track from betreen cars standing on sido track, when an extra Engine was passing the Station... Engine, as the train approached the Station. | Verdict, "That the said deceased carae to his death by haring voluntariyg bimelf on the track of the Railroad, at St. Johng, in a state of alicnatinn of mind." |

Sworn before me at Montreal, this Ninth day of Junc, 1859. 12
(Signed,
T. BOUTHLLLER, J.P.

I hereby swear that the above return is correct and true, to the best of my knowledge and belief.

No. 25.-RETURN of the Accidents and Casualies which have oceured on the GRENVILLE and CARILLON RAILWAY, during the half year ending the 31 st December, 1859 , mide in compliance with the Provisions of the

| Dase. | Time of day or | No. and descrip. fien of Train. | Name of coos- ductor. | Name of Enq̧ibe. mมง. | $\begin{aligned} & \text { No. uf } \\ & \text { Eneive. } \end{aligned}$ | Mace of Aceident. | Name or description of person injured or killet. | Whether rassenger, cuplosé. <br> or other. | Nature of haceident <br> to Persons. | Demago dono to Properts. | Cause of Accident-Action taken by Cumpany to prerent recurrence. <br> KEMARKS | Yerdict of Coroner's Jury. |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| $\begin{gathered} 1859.2 \\ \text { fuly } . . \end{gathered}$ | 8in mis.... | Empty Flatormas. | ग. Parclas....... | Syber | 2 | Chathau..... | Minuic McCog ................. | Other, a girl seven years of age...... | Tocs of one foot lost... | Smashed IIand-car... | A danghter and tiro nicees of the $\Delta$ gent at Chatham, touk the Mand-car after dark, thinking no more trains would pas8 wards towards 2 : place where the summit of two gradienta a curve (in the woodg), and the dusky light of the moon prerented their being seen in time to aroid a collision. |  |

The road was closed for the winter on the 26 th November.
(Signed:) J. F. BARNARD, Superintendent.


| Date. | Time of day or night | No. and description of $\operatorname{Train}$. | Name of Conductor. | Nune of Engineman. | No. of Engine. | Plice of Accident. | Name or description <br> of pergon injured or killed. | Whether passenger: cmploye or other. | Nature of Accilent <br> to Persons. | Damnge done to Property. | Cause of Accilent-Action taken by Company to prerent recurrence: | Yerdict of Coroner's Jury. |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| $3350 .$ |  | Day Express East..... | Goodrich........... |  |  | St. Calharincs............... | Cauninghan ................ | Passenger... |  |  | Yamped of a crain white in motion an |  |
| Yebe $2 .$. | 9753.10. | No. 1 Preight East.... | Delany............ |  | Tiger................ | Paris....................... | Janes Ross................. | Brabesman. | Arm Crushed.......... |  | In In coupling cars |  |
| Feb. 2i.. | 210 p.m.. | No. 2 to Toronio...... | Leounrd............. | Yerks .................... | Titun........ | Port Credit...... | Camberilige. | ${ }_{\text {che }}^{\text {brakeman }}$ | Killed ........... |  | In atiempting to catch a flat car, (allioug |  |
| Msrch 6. | 1000 a.m. | Night Express East... | Hawkins............. | Donelly,............ | Reindeer..... | Near Grimbsy | Joseph ITcore. |  | Killed...... |  | found by trackmen at 0.00 an | Accidental death,', |
| \arch 19 | 1130 r .m. | Emigrant West........ | Thompson......... | Con. Mation and | Chatham, Panther. | Near Flambore | Thomas MeDona | Drak | Killcd |  | In oignalling Engine-Dricer, lost his balance and fell under $\{$ | Accilental Ioath |
|  |  |  |  | Jackson... | Elephant........ | Beachrille. |  | Brakes | Arm serc |  | Uriile coupling two timb |  |
| April 12. | $120 \mathrm{n}: \mathrm{m}$. | Mornivg Expross..... | Thompson. | Mason ... | Prospero | Wear llencoc................ | Sccord. |  | Killed. |  | Walking on the track ... | Lhat Secorr ras dear |
| April 21. | 350 p .m. | Special Freight | Hall. | Morris | Panti |  |  | Tavern-kee |  |  | Attempting to jump on train after closing swi |  |
|  |  | Emigrant............... | Flynn... | Lorre................ | Eiric................. | Ingersoil , .................. | Thomas Craft................ | Switchman.............. | Foot injured............ Killed .............. |  | Attending to some shunting: tried to jump on Engi |  |
| Jene 25. |  |  |  |  |  | 12 miles cast of Jfamilton. | Jum Hecror. |  | Both Locs Broken |  |  | laring used all precaution to prevent aceidents. |
|  |  | to Turonto. |  |  |  | 12 mike castor mamiton. | Joms teimer. |  | Doth Legs broken ..... |  | Was asleep wir side of track, and jumped up and ran right under the Engine; was in safety where be was lying.- |  |

Sworn before me, at the City of Hamilon, this 17th day of July, 1860 .
(Signed)

1. William Comber Stephens, of the City of Hamilton, Secretary of the Great Western Railway Company, make oath and say, that the foregoing, on tiro sheets of paper written, is a Return of the Casualties and Accidents on the G. W. Railway, during the period specified.



Note.-The G.W. Railway Company demur to that portion of the Verdict which states that the Employes of the G. W. Company were not in the practice of attending to the rules of the Company, to come to a dead stand before passing over the crossing where the accident occurred. The rules of the Company require all Trains to come to lected. The B. \& L. H. Company has since put in a switch alongside the G. W. track, on to which their trains now rum before crossing the Great Western Railway.


| Date. | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Time of } \\ & \text { or Nay } \\ & \text { or Night. } \end{aligned}$ | No. and inseription of Trsin. | Name of Coninctur. | Naure of Engine- man. | No. of Engine. | Plate of Accidont. | Namc or Deseription of prrison injured or killed. | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Whether pas- } \\ & \text { senger, employe } \\ & \text { or other. } \end{aligned}$ | Nature of Accident to Persone. | Damiago done to property. | Causc of Accident-Action takon by Company to proren: recurrence. <br> REMARKS. | Verlict of Coronor's Jury. |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 1865. |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Tau'y ${ }^{\text {and }}$ | ${ }_{\text {chen }}^{6.10}$ | Freighte....... | W. Kingston ..... | J. Cotterel | ${ }_{17}^{17}$ | Yoar Trenton <br> Guelph | iiv. McComb | Employé.......... | Killed $\qquad$ | Cars damaged | Sroken rail-Train ran off track, Stipped on snow and was struck by passenger Train | ental deatl |
| .. $2 .$. | 8. 090 |  |  | J. Findly ........... | 179 | Bellerilie | Mrrs. Kıvanagh............ | Resident......... | Brokien Leg |  | Trespassing on track-drunk. |  |
| Feb. 3. | (3.3i) p.an. | Rright. No. ${ }^{\text {a }}$ Ma | S. Paulot .... | I. Milliagton...... I. Corrin....... ar | 176 30 | Matild. ${ }^{\text {M }}$ | C. Gazines ................. | Employe......... | Hand bruised ..... | $\because$ |  |  |
| Mar. ${ }^{\text {er }}$ | 4.00 aim. | Nivout | د. Groll | I. Brovnlow | 71 | Brockvile | 5. Cavan. | Employé |  |  | Crushed wilie coupling Emgine to Train. |  |
|  | 2.00 ${ }^{\text {pram}}$ | Snecial Priel |  | P. Tenples, | 196 162 | Near Scarboro'............. |  | Employe | Hand and one foot bruise |  | Fell letween the cars. |  |
| April | 11.05 $1.3 . \mathrm{m}$. | A0.2 Expros |  | W. Wortily | ${ }_{178}^{162}$ | ${ }^{\text {Weston...iil }}$ | J. Ransia | ${ }_{\text {Wayphret }}$ | Leg dislocated.................. | ". | Deai and infirm-ciossidy tae track. |  |
| .. | 2.00 p.ma | nised... | P. Ratiorty | S. Hail .... | S1 | Oshawa.. | J. Rafferty | Employe | Killed |  | Standing on top of car-struck by a bridge | "Accidontal death." |
| . 7. | 3.00 p.2n: | Phot En\%ine ................ | IV. Kingston... | J. Laruché. | 21 | Point St. Charle: ........... | W. Kingston | Employ | Hand bruis |  | Coupling cars. | "Neglect ou part of Landram |
| $\cdots 17$. | 7.d.5 p.m. | 2 | 3. W. Landrum... |  | 159 | Str | $\|$T. Techav.................... <br> F. Murpi............... <br> Sixtecn Men ......... <br> F. Murping. | Employé <br> Laborers | Killed ......................... Injured and died at Hospital.. ......................$~$ | \} $\mathrm{Car}^{\text {r }}$ | n betiveen Tie Train and Freight T | and Baxter, in not attending to the Co's Rules." Arrestod to wait trial. |
|  | \%.010 p.un. |  |  |  |  |  | C. Martin |  |  |  |  | "Acciuental death," |
| " 3 30., | 9.15i p.m. | Expres | M. Wook. | (1.) iraceft | 199 | Neirtonvill | G. Elliot.... | Pascenger | Foot cru |  | Jumped of Train while in motion. |  |
| May ${ }^{\text {and }}$ | 9.35 p.m. |  | r. W. sp | Heiil |  |  | -. Cumpbell. | Wayfarer | hilled. |  | Drunk--ralking on track | Same effect. No blame to the |
| . 15.0 | (11.01) 3.0. | Empty Trai | A. D. Dough | D. Presion | 200 | Toronto. | W. Galla | Trackmau....... | Filled |  | Walking on track. | ccidenta |
| June | 11.0in n n.m. | Freighr......................... |  | 1. Blatebiad | ${ }_{152}^{204}$ | Mear Irea Malton ... | J. Heirn. | Wayfure: | Killed .............. | " | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Deaf and dumb-trespassing } \\ & \text { Drunk-trespassing on track } \end{aligned}$ | Accidental death. <br> IIabitual drunkard-Accide |
| $\because 19$ | 4.00 p.m. | Treigh | P. Smith | I. Wilson | ${ }_{161}^{147}$ | Forre | If. Donald | Emplo | Internal in | $\stackrel{\square}{\square}$ | Carelessness in conpli |  |
| 20. | 11.05 a.e. |  |  |  |  |  | T. Thorp. |  |  |  | Crossing tr | ${ }_{\text {Special Var }}^{\text {ing gates. }}$ |
| \% | 5.10 p.m. | sfixed | J. If. IThot | A. Lamorn | 193 | Nercas | 19. Fisher | Wayf | Cut ore |  | Intoxicated-crossed track in front of Train. |  |
| $\because 29$. |  | Hrijht | iv. Valte | f. Finn | 14 | Boundary Linc | P. Muray |  | Killed .... | None | Child fonrteen moonths old-sititing on track. |  |
| July 1. | 6.519 p.m. | Expres | w. co | IJ. Preston. | 35 | Kingston | Charleẹ Ham |  | Killed. |  | Crossing track in waggon, which was struck by Train ; horse ran awzy, dragging Mr. H., who struck his head on a stone | - Neglect of those whoso duty it was to give requisite sig- |
|  |  |  | Charieio |  | 188 | Near William | Abruham Hoppe |  |  |  | Intiox and wat killed. | , |
| ". 14. | 10.15 p.in. |  | f. Higrins. | F. Richardsou..... | 20.1 | Near Cobourg | Toln Richardson |  |  |  | Supposed to have been drunk. | " $\Delta$ ccidental doath." |
| " 30. | 3.20 a.ma |  |  |  | 98 | Near Sarnia | Tas Burke...(1) ...Jobin | Contract's Employe | Ankle dislocated (1)..internally injured...(2) | Four cars demolished. | Wood cars broken down. |  |
| Sep. 11. | 400 p.mer | Piot | J. Christop | Tw. Somurvil | 205 | Dou. | W. Shunham. |  | Killed. |  | Boy hanging on cars; head crushed ngaingt b | " Accidental deat |
| Ocr | 11.40 2.80 | Freielit | iv. Goudy | 5. Mroziva | - | Near Brockville |  | Employe.... | "، ............................. |  | Carelessly coupliug cars.. |  |
| 25. | 1.100 | Frizht | (A. Conuor | W. Amstrong.... | 150 | Toronto ...................... | Pat. Rafferty | Wayfarer ....... | " ............................ |  | Drunken ioldier lying on track |  |
| Nor. 16. | \% 7.10 p.m. | Mixed | Drap | \% Simexbird | 152 <br> 152 <br> 1 | Near Forest...... |  |  | " |  | ${ }^{\text {Drans }}$ |  |
| $\cdots 1.7$ | 7.30 pm. | Express | 3. S. Clarke | W. 12. cine | 199 | Whitby | Thos. Shaw |  | " |  | Drunk-ciught in catte guard |  |
|  | i2.00 p.u. | Eised. |  | P. Condor | ${ }_{\text {Unknown. }}^{47}$ | Becancour .................. | Un McDonald | Passenger.... | " |  |  |  |
| Dant ${ }^{\text {a }}$ | , | - Unknowa | Unknows | Ürbпown | Unknown. | Vanson's Pond ................ | Henderso |  | " |  | Found neir track, mangled -unaccointaible | 吅 |
| ${ }^{-1} 1$. | 5.01 | Mui! | J. В. Harri | J. Donaldso |  |  | Louis Stick |  |  |  | Dranken Endian. |  |
| 21. | 4.00 p.m. | Special | aio | J. Balfour | 84 | Port St. Charles | Du | Passeinger....... | Hoad and arm injured arm amputated, but doath ensued |  | Drank-autempting to get on cars in motion. |  |

Sworn before me, this fourth day of January, 1861, at Montreal.
(Signed.)

# The above is correct, to the best of my knowledge and belief. 

 Railways Act," 20th Victoria, Chapter 12th, Section 14.



Brantford. 17 th July, 1860.

No. 29.-RETURN of the Accidents and Casualties which have occurred on the BUFFALO \& LAKE HURON RAILWAY, during the half-year ending the 31 st December, 1860 , made in compliance with the Provisions of the "Accidents on Railways Act," 20 th Victoria, Chapter 12th, Section 14.


[^14] Railways Act," 20 th Victoria, Chapter 12th, Section 14

| Date. | $\left\|\begin{array}{c} \text { Time of } \\ \text { Day } \\ \text { or Night. } \end{array}\right\|$ | No. rad description of Traia. | Name of Conductor. | Name of Enginoman. | No. of Engino. | Place of Accident. | Name or doscription of yerson injnred or kilued. | Whethor paseenger, employe, or other. | Nature of Accident to Porsons. | Damago done to Property. | Cause of Accident-Action taken-by Company to prerent recurrence. <br> REMARES. |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Sept. 26. | 1100 a.m... | Pasbeagor Traia.. | W. Nash............ | Joseph Brady |  | Tro miles north of Suspension Bridge, at the crosing of the Groat Western lailmar. | O'Brien; a maa aged about 60 years, resident of Lockport, N. Y. | Was not an omploye of the Companyor of the Compans or pasgenger. | Foot cut of by truck Wheel of Engine. | No damage done to property, ecepte and killing of cattle and hogs, value about seventy-fire dollars. |  1,000 feet distant from the Engine. The Engine whistle was one, and on a down grade of sisty fect per mile, and though all the brakes were pat on, it was impossiblo to stop the Train The man turned round, looked at the Train, and continued on the track until the Train reached him, When he endearored to etep on sent to his family at Lockby one foot: port, X . |

State of New York, S. S.-Isaac C. Colton, of said City, being duly sworn, deposes and says that he was Lessee of the County of Erie, Erie and Ontario Railway, for and during the year 1860, and that the Statement within se

Subscribed and sforn before me, this 11th day of February, A. D. 1861
(Signed.)

CITr of Burfalo. $\int \quad \begin{aligned} & \text { forth is true to the best of his knowledge and } \\ & \text { said Railway, except the one within mentioned. }\end{aligned}$
FREDERICK KEPPLE
Commissioner of Deeds for Buffalo.
(Signed) I. C. COLTON.
Cor

W, BOWMAN, Superintendent.
 with the Provisions of the "Accidents on Railways Act;" 20th Victoria, Chapter 12th, Section 14.

A. T. WILLIAMS,

Superintendent Port Hope, Lindsay and Beaverton Railway.

The abore is a true copy of the verdict returned me by the Jury empanelled to try the cause of death to the late Archibald Douglas.

No. 32--RETURN of the Accidents and Casualties which have occurred on the BROCKVILLE AND OTTAWA RAILWAY, during the year ending the 31st December, 1860 , made in compliance with the Provisions of the "Accidents

| Date. | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Time of } \\ & \text { or } \end{aligned}$ | $\left\lvert\, \begin{gathered} \text { No. and description of } \\ \text { Train. } \end{gathered}\right.$ | Coname of or | Yame of Engineman. | No. of <br> Engine. | Place of Accident. | Name or deasciption injurece or or killed. | Whether passenger, employt or other. | Nature of Accident to Persons. | Damage done to | Cause of Accident-Action taken by Company to prevent recurrence. <br> REMARKS | Verdict of Coroner's Jary: |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Jan. 11.1 | 11:00 a.m. | Mised | Alesander Allan. | nes | 3, Tay. | Perth | Michael OMalles...\| | Brakesman............ | red |  |  |  |
| \% 4. |  | Special: Engine |  |  |  | Near Smith's Falls. |  |  |  | coms silled |  |  |
|  |  | Special Train | E. Il Burniston. | Patsecy Donegan: | Oитама...... | 1 mile Sorth of Brockrille........... |  |  |  | Horses killed... | Sapposed to have jumped fence to graze along trob--fencee |  |
|  | 130 645 | $\underbrace{\text { and }}_{\text {Raulast Enginc........ }}$ | A. F. Leely, | $\xrightarrow{\text { Pataseg Donegan. }}$ |  |  | Luke Healy......... | $\xrightarrow{\text { Resident... }}$ | Kil |  | Man taat, making on track. | ry exonerated C |
| Ooct s... | ${ }^{1} 182 \times$ | Mired Mrain... | E. I. Brarnitton. | James Fitton...... | ${ }^{3}$, Try , ............ | Cartbon Prace |  |  |  | Com | At arimeon pubicic roadr, at orossing. |  |
| Nor. $3 .$. |  | Mised Train: | E. II. Burnito | Myron Ellific. | 1, Stay Luwrenc | Brockrille. | E. H. Burisiton... | Conductor | med betureen |  | Ater |  |
| Tor 10. | Night ..... | Eng |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | Pars leftopen. |  |

I hereby certify that the above return is correct, to the best of my knowledge and belief.
Sworn before me at Brockyille, this 12th day of January, 1861. (Signed,) $\quad$ E. LAWLESS, J. P
 visions of the "Accidents on Railways Act," 20th Victoria, Chapter 12 th, Section 14.


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No. 34--RETURN of the Accidents and Casualties which have occurred on the CARILLON AND GRENVILLE RAIIWAY of Canada, during the half-year ending the 31st December, 1860 , made in compliance with the Provisions of the "Accidents on Railways Act," 20th Victoria, Chapter 12th, Section 14

| Date. | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Time of } \\ & \text { or Dig } \\ & \text { or Night. } \end{aligned}$ | No. and description of Train. | Name of Conductor. | Name of Engineman. | No. of Engine. | Place of Accident. | Name or description of person injured or killed. | Whether passenger, employe, or other: | Nature of Acciaent to Persons. | Damago done to Property. | Cause of Accident-Action taken by Company to prevent recurrence. | Verdict of Coronors Jury |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Sept. $7 .$. | $1 \pm$ p.m. | Ballast ............. | J. Ross............. | c. J. Bradford..... | 1 | Chatha | Xavier Leaderoute............. | Other. | One foot smashea.... |  | Was drunk, lying by roadside in a ditch, with one foot on the rail, in a deep cutting, on a curre where be could not be seen in time to prevent the accident. |  |

Personally appeared before me, this Twenty-sixth day of December, A.D. 1860, the said J. F. BARNARD, and maketh oath to the above return.
N. B.-The Line was closed for the winter on the 28th November. J. F. B.
EDWIN PRIDHAM, J. P.
J. F. BARNARD, Superintendent.

ST. LAWRENCE AND INDUSTRY RAILWAY:-No accident during the half-year ending the 31 st December, 1860.
 Act," 20 th Victoria, Chapter 12 th , Section 14.

| Date. | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Tine of } \\ & \text { Day } \\ & \text { or Night. } \end{aligned}$ | No. and description of Train. | Name of Conductor. | Name of Engine- <br> - man. | No. of Engine. | Place of Accident. | Name or Description of person injured or killed.\| | Whether passenger, employé, or other. | Nature of Accident to Persons. | Damage done to property. | Cause of Accident-Action taken by Company to prevent recarrence. <br> REMARTS. | Verdict of Coroner's Jary. |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 1860. Sept. 7. | $\therefore 00 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. | Shunting to make up train. | Not reported...... | Hugh Keonan..... | 1 | Port Colborne.... | Daniel Sullivan, laborer. ${ }^{\text {a }}$ | Neither passenger or employe. | Death: |  | Deceased was standing on the track, tho whistle was blown before the train moved, but no attention-was paid to it by him. He was supposed to have been partially intoxicatod at the time. He was: standing in rear of the train whica pany to prevent a recurrence beyond their general instruc tions in regard to the management of trains to the omployes in charge. | Accidental doath. |




Sworn before me, Charles S. Peirce, one of H. M. Justices of the Peace, for the District of Montreal, St. John. 2 C. E., July 3rd, 1860.
(Signed,
(Signed,
FRANCIS PRUYN,
Superintendent $\&$ Engineer.
 on Railways Act, 20 tli Victoria, Chapter 12th, Section 14


## Sworn before me this Twenty-first day of Janualy, 1861.

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GRAND TRUNK RAILWAY COMPANY OF CANADA.-


Capital Account for half-year ending 30th Junc, 1860.


Grand Thune Rainvay Company or Cayade
Secretary and Treasurer's Office,
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## DETAILS OF EXPENDITURE REFERRED TO IN CAPITAL ACCOUNT.

## A

ENGINEERING.

|  | Eastcrn Division. | Contral Division. | Western Division. | Porthad <br> Division. | Total. |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | \$ cts. | \$ cts. | \$ cts. | * cts. | \$ cts. |
| Salarien and Office Expenses............. | 13166 | 4,190 78 | . 00000 | 20200 | 5.12281 |
| Sarveying, \&c.............................. | 16005 | -830 00 | 20:3 57 | :00 00 | 97632 |
| Travelling Expenses....................... | 15500 | :59 21 |  |  | .11421 |
| Instrumente and Drawing Mraterials.... | 751 | !) 12 |  |  | 16:3 |
| Maps and Plans............................. |  | 200 |  |  | 200 |
| Inspectors................. ................... | 36980 |  | 1000 |  | :379 30 |
|  | \$1,423 52 | \$4,S43 41 | \$513 57 | \$231 00 | \$7,011 80 |

B
WORKS AND PERMANENT WAY.

|  | Eastern Division. | Central Divisiou. | Western Division. | Portland <br> Diribion. | Total. |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | \$ cts. | \$ cts. | \$ ets. | S. ct | $\leqslant$ |
| Wry contracted for.. | 51,066 67 | 150,847 98 |  |  | 201,914 65 |
| Rails, Chairs, Ties, Fittings, Sloepers. | 81,688 68 | 28,654 92 | 10.324 27 | \%2,1:50 31 | 15:3335 SS |
| Bridges, Tunnolg, Culvorta, \&c........... | 27,055 2.4 | 2119 | 21.3 ! | 21,70746 | 4S,907 82 |
| Extra mid additional works.............. | 12,323 02 | Cr32,552 42 | 5.864 30 |  | Cr. 7.36510 |
| Signals. | $52 \mathrm{S8}$ | 1,502 75 | 228 , 2 |  | 2,784 37 |
| Ballast and Ballasting | 10,440 14 | 2.38495 | 8.7878 | 127 4\% | 16.740 -5 |
| Fencing. | 7200 | $2 \div 870$ | 12386 |  | 4010 |
| Wiecellancons. | 10190 | 9110 |  |  | 11090 |
|  | \$189,500 53 | \$161,467 07 | \$21.54. 06 | \$73,965 20 | \$447,075 86 |

C STATHONS, BUILDINGS, AND OFFICES.


|  | Eastern Division. | Central <br> Division. | Western Division. | Portland Division. | Total. |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Furniture, $\mathcal{S}$ c., in General 0ffees.. | $s$ cts. | ${ }_{161}{ }^{\text {cts. }} 5$ | S cts. | \$ cts. | ${ }_{181}{ }^{\text {c }}$ cts |
| Ilouses....................................... | 64974 | 11617 | 64158 | 1612 | 1,4989181 |
| Fire Engines.............................. |  |  | 2,122.40 | 403 | 2,125*4 |
|  | \$649 74 | 3277 \%1 | \$2,862 98 | $\$ 2015$ | \$3,710-68 |

## E

ELECTRIC TELEGRAPH.

|  | Eastern <br> Division. | Central <br> Division. | Western Division. | Portland Division. | Total. |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Instrumeuts................................ |  |  | \$ cts. | \$ cts. | ${ }_{\text {S }}^{535}$ cts. ${ }^{\text {cts. }}$ |
| Hepairing Implements.................... | 1560 | 500 |  | ................ | 2000 |
| Line........... ......... ................... |  | 3s 98 | 1,095 37 |  | 1,134 33 |
| lfice Fittings...................... ...... | $3+46$ |  |  |  | 3446 |
| Bitteries .................................. | 14 0 0 | \%3 18 | 372 | 1107 | 6287 00.28 0.8 |
| Incidentals............................................ | 455 | 1017 |  |  | 14.72 |
|  | \$247 26 | \$144 08 | \$1,090 09 | $\$ 1107$ | 81,50195 |

## F

GENERAL EXPEXSES.

|  | Fastern Vicision. | Central División. | Western Divieion. | Portland Division. | Total. |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | \$ cts. | \$ cts. | \$ cts. | \% cto. | \$ cts |
| Sularies and Oftice Expenses. | 1,171.39 | 2.34275 | 1;17138 | 2,174 98 | 8,880 58 |
| Rent and Taxes............................ | 14934 | 298 6r | 14934 | ...0........... | 59755 |
| Looks, Stationery, Advertising, \&c...... | 31515 | 62361 | $70 \cdot 04$ |  | 1,00890 |
| Insurance... | 5454 | 261.58 | 1771 |  | 93888 |
| Auditing. | 75478 | 1,509 57 | 75479 |  | 2,01914 |
| Lav and Notarial Charges................ | 1,395 79 | 2,556 23 | 1,27811 |  | 5,230 38 |
| Ifraelling Rxpenses \& Miscellaneous...! | 1,48800 | 2,990 : 97 | 1,457. 37 |  | 5,972 94 |
|  | \$5,32S 99 | \$10,is9 50 | 84,929 35 | \$2,17498 | \$23,02289 |

## DETATLS OF EXPENDITURE REFERRED TO IN REVENIE ACCOUNT.

## LOCUROTIVE EXPENSES.



|  |
| :---: |
| Salaries to Superintendenta, Jooking Clerks, |
| Wages to Conductors. Brakesmen, de. |
| Oil, Tallow, and Whate.. |
| Materials for Repairing Cars |
| Wages for do do |
| Repairs to Workshons, Tanks, and Tools. |
| Repairs not done ly the Company |
| Small Stores. |
| Lighting.. |
| Wages to Switchmen. |
| Miscellaneous. |
|  |

I

## MERCHANDISE TRAFFIC EXPENSES.

|  | \$ cty. |
| :---: | :---: |
| Salaries to Superintendents, Clerks, sc.. | 27,433 89 |
| Wages to Conductors, Braliesmen, and Por | 79,959 35 |
| Oil. Tallow, and Waste. | 18,220 15 |
| Materinls fur Mepairing Cars and Sheets | 52,809.70 |
| Wages tior dus do | 43.9386 |
| Lepairs to Workshop., Tanks, 'Torls, de | 5,94270 |
| Repaire not done by the Company.. | -520 70 |
| Lighting....... | 7.4346 |
| Fuel....... | 1:3923 50 |
| Small Storen. | 1984 |
| Wages to Switchmen. | 12,0\%7 12 |
| Miscellaneous.... | 5,531 13 |
|  | \$271.S54 0\% |


| Maintenance of way and buildings. |  |
| :---: | :---: |
|  | cte. |
| Inspectore', Plateluyers', and Laborers' Wages and Tools. | 134.912 $1:$ |
| Rails, Chairs. Ties, Fittings, \&c.. | 84,.337 43 |
| Yallast and Ballasting......... | 7.766411 |
| Repairs to Bridges, Culverts, do. | 314, 5 S3 2 s |
| Repairs to Stations, Buildings, \&c. | 11,147 41 |
| Repairs to Housc Property |  |
| Proportion of Engineers' Salaries and Office Expenses. | 16,29014 |
| Maintenanco contracted for. | 17,57495 |
| Small Stores. |  |
| Lighting.. | 1.14185 |
| Fuel... | $1.10 \geq 0$ 6s |
| Miscellaneous | 30699 |
|  | s314,059 75 |

## $L$

GENERAL CHARGES.


REVENUE ACCOUNT for the half-year ending 30th June, 1860.



GRAND TRUNK RAILWAY COMPANY OF CANADA.-Statement of the Total Expenditure of the Company, and of the Sources whence its funds have been provided, to 31st December, 1860.

| DR. EXPENDED ON. | 安 |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Eastern Division- | 362 | \$ cts. | \$ cts. |
| Engineering ................................................... ..... |  |  |  |
| Works and Permanent W ay ...................................... |  | 12,831,327 97 |  |
| Stations, Buildings and Offices <br> Miscellaneous Stock |  | $\begin{array}{r}1,152,77737 \\ -70,23202 \\ \hline\end{array}$ |  |
| Electric Tolegraph.. |  | 30,682 25 |  |
| $G$ general Expenses . |  | 905,594 66 |  |
| Victoria Bridge .............................. ........................... |  |  | 6,599,300 68 |
| Central Ditiaion- | 335 |  |  |
| Engineering........................................................... |  | 373,447 42 |  |
| Works and Permanent Way............................................ |  | $\begin{array}{r}14,351,401 \\ 1,685 \\ \hline\end{array}$ |  |
| Stations, Buildings and Offices........................................................................... |  | 1,685,924 ${ }^{32,732} 84$ |  |
| Electric Telegraph |  | ${ }_{24.485} 89$ |  |
| General Expenses ........................................................................................... |  | 731,077 54 |  |
| Weatern Dicision- | 100 |  |  |
| Enginueringi... |  | 220,418 58 |  |
| Works and Permanent Way. |  | 7,558,498 55 |  |
|  |  | $\begin{array}{r}694,729 \\ 24 \\ \hline 18\end{array}$ |  |
| Electric Telograph.. |  | 13,576 90 |  |
| General Expenses |  | 150,942:64 |  |
| Compensation to Contractors |  | 121,666 67 |  |
| Lands and Land Damages........... .................................... |  |  | 210,00738 |
| Rolling Stock- |  |  |  |
| Locomotive Stock................................ |  | 2,377,330 68 |  |
| Passenger Car Stock <br> Merchandize Car Stock |  | $\begin{array}{r} 484,31152 \\ 1,916,51352 \end{array}$ |  |
| Portland Division-(Leased Line.) | 149 |  |  |
| Engineering ............................................................. |  | 10,752 35 |  |
| Works and Permanent Way............................................ |  | - 942,835 28 |  |
| Stations, Buildings and Offices |  | 362,988 19 |  |
| Miscellaneous Stoc |  |  |  |
| Electric Telegraph. |  | 9,467 47 |  |
| General Expenses |  | 118,641 07 |  |
| Rolling Stock ..... |  | 161,752 07 |  |
| Lands in Portland Division............................................ |  | 7,866 75 | 1.621,231 |
| Sundries- |  |  |  |
| Steam Ferry Boats and Barges........................................ |  | 233,516 64 |  |
| Advanced in Canada on Three Rivers and Arthabaska Branch, (exclusive of Drafts from Canada on Funds in hands of |  |  |  |
| Messrs. Baring |  | 356,133 50 |  |
| Expended on Works of Detroit Line............... ................... |  | 29,02829 10.519 74 |  |
| Expended on Telegraph, Miscellaneous Stock, \&c., of ditto......... <br> Cash advanced to be repaid by Detroit Company. |  | 10,519 11,432 45 |  |
| Subscription to St. Lamrence Warehouse and Dock Co................. |  | 123,000 00 |  |
| Port Hope Railway Junction......... .................................. |  | 4,013 56 |  |
| Union Station, Toronto. |  | 20,518 27 |  |
| Montreal Extension Railway......................................... |  | 1,051 96 |  |
| River du Loup and Woodstock Survey.............................7 |  | 1,251 00 |  |
| London Office Expenses. <br> Less Transfer Fees $\qquad$ \$123,305 74 4,623 33 |  | 118,882 41 | 959,145 82 |
| Amount carried forward |  |  | \$55,690,039 92 |

GRAND TRUNK RAILWAY COMPANY OF CANADA- - Statement of the Total Expenditure, \&c.-(Continued.)


## GRAND TRUNK RAILWAY COMPANY OF CANADA.-Statement of the

 Total Expenditure, \&c.-(Continued.)

GRAND TRUNK RAILWAY COMPANY OF CANADA.-Statement of the Total Expenditure, \&c.-(Continued.)

| PROVIDED BY. |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Amuunt brought forward.......................... | \$ ets. | $\underset{57,835,737}{\mathbf{S}} 00$ |
| Bills Payable Outstauding. Canada, (to 30th June, 1860, subsequent Bills included in Prirate Credits)............\$ 155,032 42 London $\qquad$ $2,504,44110$ |  |  |
| Loans on Sccurities and otherwise <br> (Sce Schedule D).. | 2,749,473 32 |  |
| Special Loaus from Canadian Governurent | 178,000 00 | $\because$ |
| Private Credits, on Store, Fuel, Engineering, Statinnery and Miscellaneous Disbursement Schedules, (inclading a small credit to Freight Department for carriage of Company's Stores).... | 597,655 92 |  |
| Private Credits, per Gencral Account. | 27,502 18 | . |
| Credits per Montreal Paymaster's and Portiuad Treasurer's Accounts: Wages, per Montreal Paymaster's Account.................... $\$ 125,44361$ Wages and Stores per P'ortland Treasurer's Account..... 70,930 46 |  |  |
| Chicago, Detroit and Canada Grand Trunk Junction Railroad Company on their Leaso Account. | 166,121 71 | - |
| Interest in arrear, Debenture Capital, I | 655,417 81 | - |
| Suspense Accounts, Profit and Loss. | 13,055 45 | 12,163,213 07 |
|  |  | \$69,998,950 07 |

JOSEPH ELLIOTT, Secy. and Treasurer.

## Grand Trunk Eallway Company of Caxada, Secretary and Treasurer's Office, Montreal, 20th May, 1861.

EXPENDITURE on Capital Account, for works of Construction, distinguishing the Expenditure for half-year ending 31st December, 1860.

| (See details.) | Miles. | Expenditure to 30th June, 1860. | Expenditure for Half-Year ending 31st Dec., '60. | Total expenditure to 31st Dec., 1860. |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Eastern Division. | 362 | S cts. | cts. | \$ cts. |
| A Engineering. |  | 399,672 47 | 348,191 06 | 547,863 53 |
| B Works on Permanent Way. |  | 13,169,053 70 | C'r. 337,731 73 | 12,831,327 97 |
| C Stations, Buildings and Ofices.............. |  | 1,057,935 78 | 94,841 59 | 1,152,777 37 |
| D Miscellancous Stock. |  | 70,282 02 |  | 70,282 02 |
| E Electric Telegraph. |  | 30,425 60 | 25665 | 3068225 |
| General Expenses.. |  | 905,594 68 |  | 905,594 66 |
| Victoria Bridye ............ |  | 6,494,067 34 | 10.4,633 34 | 6,509,300 68 |
| Central Diviaion. | 333 |  |  |  |
| A Engineerin |  | 373,437 42 | 10) 00 | 373,447 42 |
| B Works and Pernanent Way .............. |  | 14,340,465 50 | 10,935 53 | 14,351,401 03 |
| C Stations, Buildings and Offic |  | 1,675,785 69 | 111,138 40 | 1,685,924 08 |
| D Miscellancous Stock.. |  | 32.15399 | 54865 | 32,732 64 |
| E Electric Telegraph............................ |  | 24,432 66 | 5323 | 24,485 89 |
| : General Expenses..... ....................... |  | 731.07 7 54 |  | 731,077 54 |
| Hestern Division. | 190 |  |  |  |
| A Engincering |  | 219,601 44 | 81714 | 220,418 58 |
| B Works and Permanent Way |  | -.500,673 04 | 57,825 51 | 7.558,498 55 |
| C Stations, Buildings and Officos............. |  | 6S7,493 99 | 7,235 74 | 694,72963 |
| D Miscellaneous Stock.. |  | 24,42363 | 34562 : | 24,769 25 |
| E. Electric Telograph. |  | 13.513 66 | 6324 | 13,576 90 |
| Gencral Expenses.. |  | 150,9+2 64 |  | 150,942 64 |
| Compensation to Contr |  | 121.68667 |  | 121,666 67 |
| Lands and Land Dnmagre. |  | 207,462 73 | 2,544 65 | 210,007 38 |
| Folling Stuck. |  |  |  |  |
| Locomotive Stock. |  | -230,163 46 | 147,167 22 | 2,377,330 68 |
| Passenger Car Stock. |  | $4+43,29965$ | 41,01187 | 484,311 52 |
| Merchandize Car Stuck |  | 1,501,78. 24 | 114.729-28 | 1,916,513 52 |
| Portland Division.-(Leased Line.) | 149 |  |  |  |
| A Enginecring ... |  | 110,75235 |  | $10,75235$ |
| 13 Works and Permanent Way. |  | 939,641 25 | 3, 19.403 | 9.42,S35 28 |
| C Stations, Buildings and Offices |  | 362,578 S1 | 10938 | 362,988 19 |
| D Miscellaneous Stock. |  | 5,323 2S | 1.80523 | 7,12S 51 |
| E Electric Telegraph. |  | 9,467 47 |  | $\begin{array}{r}9.46747 \\ \hline 1864107\end{array}$ |
| General Expenses. |  | 118,641 07 |  | 118.64107 |
| Rolling Stock............. ....... |  | 161,544 14 | 20793 | 189,75207 |
| Lands in Portland Division |  | 7.666 75 |  | 7,666 75 |
| Sundrics. |  |  |  |  |
| Steam Ferry Poats and Barges................. |  | $274,320+9$ | 9.19615 | 283.516 64 |
| Advanced in Canada on Three Rivers and Arthabaska Branch, exclusive of dral's |  |  |  |  |
| from Canada, on find in hands of Messrs. Baring $\qquad$ |  | 162.81258 | 103,520 97 | 356,1.33 50 |
| Expended on Works of Detroit Line........... |  | 22.928 \$1 | 6,09748 | 29,026 29 |
| Expended on Tulegraph, Miscellancous St:'k. sec., of clitto. |  | 15.4740.0 | Cr. 7.95431 | 10,519 74 |
| Cash Adravees to be repaid by Detroit Company $\qquad$ |  | 40.029 | 2838 | 11,432 45 |
| Subscription to St. Lawrence Warehouse and Dock Company |  | 123.00000 |  | 123,000 00 |
| Port Hope Railway Juuctiou..................... |  | 4,013 56 |  | 4,013 56 |
| Uninn Station, Torontn... |  | 53876 | 19.97S 51 | 20,518 27 |
| Montreal Extensiou Railmay. |  | 75196 | 30000 | 1,051 98 |
| River du Loup and Woodstock Survey....... |  |  | 1,251. 10 | $1,251 \quad 00$ |
| Loudon Office Expenses, less Transfer Fees. |  | 113,410 05 | 5,27938 | 118,682 41 |
|  |  | \$55,050,764 47 | \$839,275 45 | \$55:690,039-92 |


| Dr. <br> Rerenue Suspense Account, Amount charged to Revenue on Transactions previous to 1st July, 1860. <br> Balance at debit of Revenue Account for half-year ending 31st Dec., 1860 | $\begin{aligned} & \text { S cts. } \\ & 2,386,341 \\ & 10,440 \\ & 57 \end{aligned}$ |
| :---: | :---: |
|  | \$2,396,781 83 |
| Cr. | S cts. |
| Balance at Credit of Revenue, in Accounts of 30th June, 1860, as audited. | 1,4i2,113 08 |
| Balance carricd to General Account, being the dobit against Rerenuc Account on 31st Dec., 1860.. | 924,668 75 |
|  | \$2,396,781 83 |

REVENUE ACCOUNT for the half-year ending 31st December, 1860.


REVENUE ACCOUNT for the half-year ending 31st Dec., 1860.-(Continued.)

| RECEIP'SS. | Cr. |
| :---: | :---: |
|  | \$ cts. |
| Passengers, No. 418,0762. | 705,472 58 |
| Special Service........... | 4,422 30 |
| Baggage.. | 4,74766 |
| Mails.... | 57,652 80 |
| Merchandise; Tous, 334,145. | 1,011,030 71 |
| Expresses. | 15,199 89 |
| Car Hire.. | 54664 |
| Telegraphic Messages | 1,165 76 |
| Newspaper Rent..... | 26666 |
| Ticket Printing. | 10.00 |
| Rents.. | 10,461 99 |
| Sarnia Hotel. | 1,560 00 |
| Amount from Great Western and Nerthern Railways for use of Union Station, Toronto. | 2,00998 |
| Amount from same Companies for Expenses of same........................ | 2,504 26 |
| Received for Charter of a Ferry Boat................................... .... | 40000 |
| Fines............................... | 12398 |
| ¢ Dip en * | \$1,817,575 21 |
| Less-Disputed Claim on ITratfic Returns..................................... | 27,383 96. |
|  | \$1,790,191 25 |
| Balance at debit of Revenue Aecount for half-year ending 31st Dec., 1860, after payment of Rents and interest on Mortgages............ | 10,440 57 |
|  | \$1,800,631 82 |

REVENUE SUSPENSE ACCOUNT, being Charges against Revenue (less Credits) which have been made in the Company's Books, in the present halfyear, but which were incured previously to 1st Fuly, 1860.


## Revevoe Suspense Account.-(Continued.)

| $\mathrm{DR}_{\mathrm{R}}$ Brought forvard.............. | \$145,184 08 |
| :---: | :---: |
| Rents and Interest on Mortgages: <br> Atlantic and St. Lawrence Leasc Account............ $\$ 2,2+8,75622$ <br> Rent of Lands at South Quebec......................... 1,864 39 <br> Interest on Mortgage on Lands at Toronto.......... 75100 <br> Interest on Mortgage on Lands at Sarnia............. $\quad 2,40000$ |  |
|  |  |
|  |  |
|  |  |
|  | 2,253,781 61 |
|  | \$2,398,965 69 |
| Cr. <br> Amount credited Detroit Company per first Igreement, returoed, tho Agreement being cancelled. <br> Credits on Maintenance Account. $\qquad$ <br> Received from Sarnia Hotel. $\qquad$ <br> Fines. $\qquad$ <br> Balance debited to Revenue Account, 31st December, 1860. $\qquad$ |  |
|  |  |
|  | 5,114 73 |
|  | 5,865 65 |
|  | 1,053 73 |
|  |  |
|  | $\begin{array}{r} 12,62443 \\ 038634126 \end{array}$ |
|  | \$2,398,965 69 |
| $\left.\begin{array}{l}\text { Grand Trdnk Railway Company of Canada, } \\ \text { Secretary and Treasurer's Office, } \\ \text { Montrcal, 20th May, 1861. }\end{array}\right\}$ JOSEPE | ELLIOTT, |
|  | c. and Tra |

## DETAILS REFERRED TO IN THE FOREGOING ACCOUNTS.

Sciedule b.
LOANS ON SECURITIES AND OTHERWISE.

|  | \$ cts. |
| :---: | :---: |
| K. D. Hodgson | 121,590 22 |
| Baring Brothers | 1,408,104 95 |
| Special Loan, Bank of Oppor Canada. | 200,000 00 |
| Loans on Company's Ordinary 6 per cent. Bonds | 632,666 85 |
| Loans on Toronto Curporation Bonds.. | 183,765 33 |
| London Cash Account (due Glyn \& Co.) | 50,344 56 |
| Peta \& Co., Company's Debentures Loan Suspense Account | 28,713 33 |
| Glyn E Co., Loan Account, 1860.. | 1,385,174 96 |
| Thomas Baring, Lioan Account, 1860 | 261,377 96 |
| G. C. Glyn, Loan Account.. | 247, 83500 |
| Provincial Agents, Loan Account. 1860, London. (Lona on joint security of Postal Kevenue of the Company and second Preference Debentures. | $245,53066$ |
| G1jn, Mills \& Co., New Loan, 1860....... Baring Brothers \& Co., New Loan, 1860. | $\begin{aligned} & 158,16666 \\ & 15 s, 16667 \end{aligned}$ |
| Expense Loan Account, Glyn \& Co....... | -2,433 33 |
| Financial Agents of Canaday Loan Account, London Board Minute, Juth Nov.. 1S60. (Loan on Security of Debentares of Province of Canada) | 2,433,333 33 |
| Less Baring Brothers \& Co., Susponse Account, London | $\begin{array}{r} \$ 7,577,50361 \\ 6,59120 \end{array}$ |
|  | \$7,570,612 41 |

DFTAILS OF EXPENDITURE REFERRED TO IN CAPITAL ACCOUNT.

| A Ebainesring. | Eastern Division. | Central <br> Division. | Western Division. | Portiand <br> Division. | Total. |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Salaries and Office Expenses.............. <br> Do <br> River du Loup Section <br> Surveying........................................ <br> Maps and Plans. | S cts. | S cts. | S cts. | $s$ cts | $s$ cts. |
|  | - 500 |  |  |  | 500 |
|  | 145,000 00 |  |  |  | 14S.0100 00 |
|  | - 2606 | 1000 | S17 14 |  | \$53 20 |
|  | - 16000 |  |  |  | 1600 |
|  | S145,191 06 | \$1000 | \$817 14 |  | S149,01820 |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |
| B Works and Permanemt Way. |  |  |  |  |  |
| Rails, Chuirs, Ties, \&c.................. | Cr. 5,565 63 | 8,759 72 | 36,774 46 | 1,617 47 | 41,616 02 |
| Way not contracted for................. |  |  |  | 4760 | 4760 |
| Bridges, Culverts, dc.................... | 1,270 37 | Cr. 1,644 43 | 33045 | 1,075 96 | 1,032 35 |
| Extra Works............................. | 23895 | 2.652 Il | 16,596 32 | 15300 | 19,840 35 |
| Signals... |  | 903 36 | 15950 |  | 1,062 92 |
| Ballasting... | 25460 | TS S4 | 3,924 22 |  | 4.25766 |
| Fencing..... | 14615 | 15593 | 4050 | ............ | 342 5S |
|  | Cr. 3.65556 | \$10,935 53 | \$57,825 51 | \$3.194 03 | \$68,299 31 |
| River du Lubu Section................... |  |  |  |  |  |
| Transferrel per Engineer's Report... <br> To Engineering $\$ 148,00000$ |  |  |  |  |  |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |
| To Station Buildinga, ic. 92,63617 |  |  |  |  |  |
| To Locomotive Stock..... 93,44000 | -rouera |  |  |  | 334,076 17 |
|  | Cr. 334,07614 |  |  |  | .304,076 17 |
|  | Cr. 337,731 33 | \$10,935 53 | \$57,S25 51 | \$3,194 03 c | 265,776 66 |
| C Stations, Buildings and O.fices. |  |  |  |  |  |
| Tomporary Station |  |  | 2.59600 |  | 2.59600 |
| Engine Stations. |  | 2.33221 | 35913 |  | 2,691 34 |
| Passenger Stations | - 56807 | 1,54S 91. | 35276 |  | 2,769 74. |
| Do River du Loup Secriun.. | - 46,318 09 |  |  |  | 46,31509 |
| Merchandise Stations...................... | . 16492 | 31708 | 79969 | 2589 | 1,307 59 |
| Do River da Loup Section.. | .. 4i4,318 0S |  |  |  | 46,315 0s |
| Wood and Water Stations................ | - 1,400 25 | 3,044 23 | 764 S9 | 2366 | 5,23302 |
| Offices.......................... | 218 | 2182 |  |  | 2400 |
| Wharves and Depot Grounds | 7000 | 2.57414 | 2,363 27 | 59.83 | $5,0672.4$ |
|  | \$9.1,541 59 | \$10.19s 40 | 57.235 i.1 | \$109 3S | \$112,325 11 |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Furniture in Offices................................................ |  | 54865 |  |  | 34S 65 |
|  |  |  | 27133 |  | 271.3 |
| Houses......................................... |  |  | $7 \pm 29$ | 1,505 23 | 487952 |
|  |  | \$548 65 | \$345 62 | \$1,S05 23 | \$2.698 50 |
| E Elenric Telegraph . | \$ cts. | \$ cts. 1 | \$ cts. | \$ cts. | \$ cts. |
| Instrumonte.................................................. |  | 1600 | 1600 |  | 3200 |
| Ropairing [mplements.......................Office Fittings...................... | . 10301 |  | 40.50 |  | 14351 |
|  | $5650$ | 1532 | 424 |  | 7906 |
| Batterios $\qquad$ <br> Incidentale $\qquad$ | $1641$ | 1.465 |  |  | 9538 |
|  |  | 426 | 250 | ..... ............ | 2317 |
|  | \$256 65 | \$5323 | S63 24 |  | \$373 12 |

## DETATLS OF EXPENDITURE REFERRED TO IN REVENUE ACCOUNT.

G

## LOCOMOTIVE EXPENSES.

|  | \$ cts. |
| :---: | :---: |
| Salaries and Wages connected with the workin | 95,750 71 |
| Firewood........... | 134,954 58 |
| Oil, Tallow, and Waste. | 14,383 46 |
| Materinls for Repairing Engines and Tenders. | 5S,847 16 |
| Wages for do do | 73,701 52 |
| Repairs to Workshops, Tanks, Tools, \&c. | 82482 |
| Repairs nut done by the Company | 11,435 79 |
| Lighting. | 56459 |
| Water.. | 16,963 98 |
|  | \$407,431 61 |

HI
PASSENGER TRAFFIC EXPENSES.

|  | \$ |
| :---: | :---: |
| Salaries to Superintendonts, Clerks, de | 20,591 |
| Wages to Conductors, Brakesmen, de. | 30,456 |
| Oil, Tallow, and Waste. | 3,241 |
| Matcrials for Repairing. Cars. | 17,335 |
| Wages for do do | 18,993 |
| Repairs to Worksbops, Tanks, Tools, 4 | 4,649 |
| Repairs not done by the Company. | 2,205 1 |
| Fuel. | 7.9308 |
| Small Stores. | 176 |
| Lighting... | 5,121 8 |
| Wages to Switchmen. | 13,652. 7 |
| Miscellancous. | 1,036 |
|  | 125,401 |




## L <br> GENERAL OFARGES.



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## TELEGRAPH EXPEASES.

|  | 5 cis. |
| :---: | :---: |
| Salaries. | 10,287 4] |
| Instruments ........ | - 615 |
| Repairs | 3703 |
| Office Fittings .... | 135 '35 |
| Batteries............ | 71620 |
| Incidentals................. ..................... | 45646 |
| Stationery, (Telegraph Stationery included in General charges)... | 63 |
|  | \$11,669 21 |
| $\mathbf{N}$ : GENERAL EXPENSES. |  |


|  | \$ cts. |
| :---: | :---: |
| Sularies and Office Expenses. | 5,006' 62 |
| Direction | 8,516 67 |
| Books, Stationery and Advortising | 2,463 68 |
| Ingurance. | 2,713 69 |
| Lighting. | 78.43 |
| Auditing | 68790 |
| Law and Notarial Charges | 4,378 72 |
| Travelling and Miscellaneons | 5,697 55 |
|  | \$29,543 33 |

0 TAXES.

|  |  | \$ cts. |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| School Taxes... | ...... | 1,204 43 |
| Municipal Taxos |  | 10,150 28 |
| Rodd Taxes..... | ...... | 5,393 90 |
|  |  | \$16,748 61 |

No. 43.-NORTHERN RAIEWAY OF CANADA.-Statement of Receipts and Expenditures on (new) Capital Account, up to the end of the year 1860 .

| First Preference Bonds, (delivered). | $\begin{array}{cc} 8 & \text { cts } \\ 491,046 & 67 \end{array}$ | In payment of Loans by Govern ment... <br> Floating Debt <br> Preliminary Expenses. <br> Discount on Bonds..... | $\begin{array}{r} \$ \mathrm{cts} \\ 121,22683 \\ 223,866 \\ 198466 \\ 106,580 \\ 197 \\ 19,90700 \end{array}$ |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | \$491,046 67 |  | \$491,046 67 |

No. 44.-NORTHERN RAILWAY OF CANADA.-Revenue Account for Fiscal Year of 1860.


No. 45.-NORTHERN RAILWAY OF CANADA.-General Balance Sheet for the year ending 31st December, 1860.

| Capital Account (old).... i............ |  | Capital Account (new) | ${ }_{725,620}^{\$} 000$ |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Discount on Bonds.................... | 34,090 99 | First Preference Bonds............... | 491,046 67 : |
| Cash ......... | 10,308 74 | Second do do ............. | 1,092;566 63 |
| Bills Receiprole. | - 5,517 60 | Government Lien:. | 2,311,666 67 |
| Due from Stations | 3,416 34 | Bonds not entitled to Priority.. ..... | 241,134 68 |
| Through Freight.. | 9,616-64 | Bonds not Exchanged.................. | 46,346 67 |
| Material on hand....................... | 20,074 16 | Revenue Account....................... | 38,506 03 |
| Works of restoration................... | 159,232 70 | Bills Payable... | 10,004 48 |
| Proliminary Expenses................. | 19,466 67 | Orders on London....................... | 47,153 87 |
| First Preference Bonds on hand..... | 779,314 27 | All other accounts........................... | 53,945 77 |
| All other accounts...................... | 11,415 48 |  |  |
|  | \$5,057,991 50 |  | \$5,05\%,991 50 |

No. 46.-BUFFALO AND LAKE HURON.-Statement of Capital AccountYear ending 31st January, 1861.

| DR. RECEIPTS. | $\text { To } \begin{gathered} \text { 31st July } \\ 1560 . \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} \text { To 31st Jan., } \\ 1861 . \end{gathered}$ | Total. | Storling. |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  | \$ cts. | \$ cts. | $\pm$ s d. |
| Original Sbares, (1st and 2nd Issuc)...... | 2,993,000 00 |  | 2,993,000 00 | 615,000 00 |
| Preference Shares............................. | 651,942 62 |  | 651,94262 | 133,960 163 |
| Newr Shares (April, 1859, Issue)........... | 364,580 27 | 336,17837 | 700,758 64 | 143,991 100 |
| Chattel Mortgage Bonds....................... | 187,368 66 | .................... | 187,366 66 | 30.00000 |
|  | \$4,196,889 55 | 336,178 31 4136667 | $4,533,067$ 41,366 67 |  |
|  | \$4,196,889 55 | 294,51170 41,04362 | $4,491,701$ 41,043 62 | $\begin{array}{rrr} 922,952 & 6 & 3 \\ 8.433 & 12 & 6 \end{array}$ |
|  | \$4,106,889 55 | \$335,555 32 | \$4,532,744 ${ }^{5}$ | \$931,385-18-9 |
| DR. PAYMENTS. | To 31st July. | To 31st Jan. 1861. | Total. | Sterling. |
| Advertising, Printing and | $\begin{array}{ll}\$ & \text { cts } \\ 3,542 & 02\end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{ll} \$_{147} & \text { cts. } \\ 13 \end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{cc} \$ & \text { cts. } \\ 3,739 & 15 \end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{ccc} \underset{\tau 0 S}{E} & \text { s. } & d . \\ \hline \end{array}$ |
| Preliminary, Parliamentary, and Legal Expenses | 41.5St 35 | 1,772 15 | 43,356 50 | S,908 17 C |
| Direction, Salaries, Office Expeuses, Travelling $\qquad$ | 42,503 01 | 1.96806 | 4,521 07 | 9,148 3 |
| 0 ffice and Station Furniture and Fittings, Tickot Machines, de. $\qquad$ | 12,063 64 | 1060 | 11,495 94 | 2,362 3 |
| Less for T. Machine destroyed... 8578.30 <br> Engineering and Survering. | 65,78\% 53 | 2,152 00 | 67,9.39 53 | 13,960 3 |
| Land for Road and Stations................... | 46,653 51 | 2,563 15 | 49,216 69 | 10,113 0 |
| Works and Buildings.............. .......... | 1,919,503 S0 | 42.80539 | 1,962,109 19 | 403.173 2 |
| Engines and Tenders.............. ........... | 333,789 OS | 20400 | 333,993 08 | 6S,62S 144. |
| Cars, Trucks, Wagons, and other Rolling Stock. $\qquad$ | 327,227 81 | 47,659 05 | 374,887 76 | 77,031 14.10 |
| Steamboats.................... | 97,914 76 |  | 97,914 76 | 20,119 9 9:5 |
| Buffalo Extension, and Fort Eric New Works $\qquad$ | 101,725 67 | 3,634 66 | 105,360 43 | 21,649 81 |
| Goderich Extension and Harbor. | 37,669 93 | 91.06138 | 128,731 31 | 26,451 12. |
| Stationery, Engines and Boilers........... | 2,263 25 |  | 2,263 2 S | ${ }^{46512}$ |
| Stores | 3,416 97 |  | 3,416 90 | $702 \quad 21$ |
| Rental Account.......... | 524,800 50 | 146,000 00 | 670,500 50 | 137,835 14 |
| Forfeited Sbares sold, \&c.................... | 27,905 34 |  | 27,905 34 | 5.73319 |
| Loss Account - Less Credit transferred-.......................\$25,493 49 | 165,321 9S |  | 136,32S 49 | 28,115 8 . 11 |
| Interest and Premium Account.............. | 120,307 43 | 20,680 71 | 140,988 14 | 28,970 3 |
| Settlement and Expenses, Whitehead and Company $\qquad$ | 5,374 \$5 | 125,308 40 | 130,683 25 | 26,852 14 |
| Unsettled Account of former Directo |  | 10,704 12 | 10,704 12 | 2,199 9 |
|  | \$3,879,455 39 | 496,471 93 | 4,346,855 43 |  |
| Buffalo, Brantford, and Godorich Railway Company, Balance on Canada Books... | S8,356 04 | 20000 | SS,556 04 | 18,196 \& 10 |
| Deforred Bonds. | 97,333 40 |  | 97,333 40 | 20,000 0 |
|  | \$4,065,144 83 | S496,671 83 | \$4,532,744 S7 | 6931,385 18 |
| By Balance brought domn...... |  |  | \$41,0.43 62 | £5,433 126 |


No. 48.-BUFFALO AND LAKE HURON RAILWAY.-General Balance Sheet, 31st January, 1861.


No. 49.-LONDON AND PORT STANLEY RAILWAY COMPANY.

Superintendent's Depaidicient,<br>London, April 19, 1861.

J. G. Vansittart, Esq.,<br>Secretary Board of Railioay Commissioners, Quebec.

Dear Sir,- I enclose answers to the questions 1, 2 and 3 , which I promised; hoping
the information contained in the Returns will be satisfactory,

> I remain,
> Yours respectrilly,
> $\quad$ W. BOWMAN

1st.-Received on Capital Account....................................................8939,452 00
Expended on Capital Account......................................... $\$ 1,017,22000$
2nd.—Traffic Receipts for 1860...... ..................................................829,385 77
Expended in 1860........................................................... $\$ 23,25602$
BALANCE SHEET.

| Receipts on Stock - $\quad$$\$ 0$ | Iron Account $\quad \therefore \quad 141,72400$ |
| :---: | :---: |
| Receipts on Stock - - ${ }_{6}$ - ${ }^{\text {at Bonds - }}$ - 399,400000 | Iron Account Right of Way Account - $\quad 121,71800$ |
| ". 2nd Bonds - 120,000 00 | Rolling Stock Account - 73,240 00 |
| Floating Debt - - 877.77000 | Turn Tables and Buildings $\because$ - 32,47400 |
|  | Superstructure \& Incidental ac't, 457,034 00 |
|  | Engineering Account - - 37,91600 |
|  | Interest Account - . 45,01600 |
|  | Discount on Debentures - - 108,100 00 |
| Total - - $\$ 1.017,22900$ | Total - - - - \$1,017,222 00 |

No. 50.-WELLAND RAILWAY, 1860.

| babings. |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Pamoo. |  | rescegere. |  | Preight | Sileatiog. |  | Mentof fars. | Toul. |  | Ver Weet: |
|  |  | $\pm$. |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| M, me Precengeret 4 neatis 43 | cenne exh... |  | 28812 | \$7t,207 29 |  | 010 07 | S,0,55 00 | Sca,be | 恠11 | 51,211 |
| expensbs. |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| ${ }^{\text {Pex }}$ | $\underbrace{\substack{\text { Traing }}}_{\text {Raming }}$ | Mijatiniog | Mationaing |  | $\xrightarrow{\text { Manainioing }}$ |  |  |  | ${ }_{\text {a }}^{\text {ancice }}$, |  |
| Mats unotua. | ${ }^{5} 5.3938$ | ${ }_{2,365}^{545}$ | 3,.088 80 | ${ }_{888}{ }^{\text {cif }}$ (1) | ¢ | 8 cts | $\mathrm{sss}_{5} \mathrm{cts}$ |  |  | ${ }_{10,885}^{50}$ |
| Syyyy. |  |  |  | $\stackrel{y}{272050} 5$ | ${ }^{138500}$ | -1 $16{ }^{162}$ |  |  |  |  |
|  |  |  |  |  | 1691 ${ }^{16981}$ |  |  |  |  |  |
| mmode S Motata. | - |  |  |  | (14635 | 300 |  |  |  |  |
| Nale |  | 56,391717 | ${ }_{5}^{56,68887}$ | S1,0819 ${ }^{\text {a }}$ | *21851 | H20360 | 58,7624 | 50,138 82 | 53,980 11 | $\frac{51,075}{50,274}$ |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  |  |  |  |  | (Signed, |  | hiram slate, |  |  |  |

No. 51.-WELLAND RAILWAY.-General Balanco Sheet, 31st Dec., 1860.


No. 52.-BROCKVILLE AND OTTAWA RAILWAY.-Receipts and Expenditure for 1860.

| Date. |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| December 31. | $\mathrm{C}_{\mathrm{R}}$. | \$ cts. | \$ cts. |
|  | By Passengers. $\qquad$ <br> By Freight. $\qquad$ <br> By Lumber and Cordwood. $\qquad$ <br> By Mail Service. <br> By Express $\qquad$ | 27,005 58 |  |
|  |  | 19,272 99 |  |
|  |  | -5,320 60 |  |
|  |  | ${ }_{316} \mathbf{3}$ |  |
|  |  |  | 53,801 10 |
| Secomber 31. | Permanent Way and Works.. $\qquad$ <br> Locomotive Power and Rolling Stock. <br> Passenger Transit and Freight $\qquad$ <br> Miscelladeous. $\qquad$ | S ctar | \$ cta. |
|  |  | 9,340: 61 |  |
|  |  | 11,062 76 |  |
|  |  |  |  |
|  |  |  | 34,427 25 |
|  |  |  | 19,373 85 |

$\left.\begin{array}{l}\text { Note.-The above income was all expended in payment of Interest } \\ \text { and in construction and extension of Line. }\end{array}\right\}$
(Signed;) ROBT. HARVEY,
Sec. \& Treas., B. \& O.R. R.
Brockville, 23rd May, 1861.


Dr.
No. 55.-MONTREAL AND CHAMPLAIN RAILWAY.-Revenue and Expenditure, 1860.


G. IRVING, Accountant.
(Signed,)
Montreal, 13th February, 1861.
No. 58.-REVENUE ACCOUNT, Ottawa and Prescott Railway-Receipts and Expenses for 1860.


## No. 60.-St. LAWRENCE AND INDUSTRY RAILWAY.

Statement of Receipts and Disbursements on the St. Lawrence and Industry Village Railway, during the year ending 31st December, 1860.

|  | PAYMENTS. |  |  | RECEIPTS. |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| $\begin{aligned} & 1880 \\ & \text { Dec. } 31 \end{aligned}$ | To J. II. Evans, of the Champlain Co., for Repairs $\qquad$ <br> do Richelieu Company..... <br> Total for Repairs $\qquad$ | $\dot{L}$ s. d. <br> 677 0 5 <br> 151 10 11 | $\left\lvert\, \begin{aligned} & 1860 . \\ & \text { Dec. } 31 \end{aligned}\right.$ |  | £ 3. d. |
|  |  |  |  | From C. J. Goulet for Freight and Passage $\qquad$ From C. Lord, for Passengers.. | $\begin{array}{cc}1,319 & 4 \\ 204 & 11 \\ \\ \text { S }\end{array}$ |
|  |  |  |  | Erom C. Lord, for Passengers.. | $\begin{array}{llll}204 & 8 & 4 \frac{1}{2} \\ 366 & 16 & 9\end{array}$ |
|  |  | \$2S 114 |  | do Sundry persons .............. | $3081511 \frac{1}{2}$ |
|  | To Carter \& Kerry... 1318 : To Beauchemin \& Payette $\qquad$ 1172 |  |  |  |  |
|  | Total for working............ | 523 G 2 |  |  |  |
|  | Debt to Government ................. | 150 |  |  |  |
|  | For 525 cords wood................. | 1.25144 |  |  |  |
|  | Contingent Expenses................ | 495 |  |  |  |
|  | Thomas Sheppard, Engincer...... | 150 |  |  |  |
|  | C. L. Goulet, Superintendent... | 100 |  |  |  |
|  | C. Lord. Commissioner.............. | 60.00 |  |  |  |
|  | D. Giguère. Commissioner.......... | $\begin{array}{llll}50 & 0 & 0 & 11\end{array}$ |  |  |  |
|  | Secretary Treasurer................. | 5000 |  |  |  |
|  | Dividend to Shareholders......... | 206100 |  |  |  |
|  | Total | 2,161 715 |  |  |  |
|  | Palance | 371861 |  |  |  |
|  |  | \$2,199 6 6 0 |  | Total....................... | \$2,199 60 |

No. 61.-General Balance, account of the St. Lawrence and Industry Railway Company, for the year ending 31st December, 1860.


## Certified.

Industry Village, 19th April, 1 S61.

Statement of the muber and condition of the Passenger, Freight, and other Cars and Rolling Stock on all the Railways in Canada, on the 31st December, 1859.

| טESORTPTION OF STOR\&. |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| First class Passonger (are with it whels | 24 | $\stackrel{\sim}{2}$ |  | 26 |
| dy dis with 8 wheels . ........................ | 149 | -ic | 20 | 20 S |
| (io do with it wheels ..................... |  | 1 |  | 1 |
| Second class l'assenger Cars with R wheals....................... | 52 | 12 | 5 | 69 |
| d!, ${ }_{\text {d, }}$ with l wheels............................ |  | 4 |  | 4 |
| Emigrant Cars with S wheels..................... | 41 | 9 | 2 | 52 |
| Bagguce, Mail, and Express Cars with 12 wheels.. | 10 | $\stackrel{\square}{\square}$ | 1 | 13 |
| in dio with \& whecls................. | 80 | 16 | 10 | 108 |
| (to dio with 4 wheels..... |  | 2 | . | $\because$ |
| Conduetare care with s whecis..... | :3: |  |  | 8 |
|  | 2,364 | 259 | so | 2,705 |
| do dos with i wheils..................... | 90 | 10 | 1 | 101 |
| Pintiorm Curs with 12 wheela | 4 |  |  | 4 |
| I? with \& wheels | 1,285 | 216 | 183 | 1,788 |
| dravel Curs with \$ wheels | 4 |  | 96 | 110 |
| th with 4 wheels | 10\% | 87 | 119 | 294 |
| Epar Tratke wita 4 wheels |  | 10 |  | 25 |
| Hzad Cars................................................................. | S3 | 6 | ......... | * |
| Snuw Ploughs, large ................................ .................. | 42 |  | ........ | 42 |

No. 63.-Numbers and State of Repairs of Locomotive Engines running on all the Railmays of Canada, at the end of the year 1859.

| $\begin{aligned} & \dot{\#} \\ & \stackrel{y}{3} \\ & \ddot{Z} \end{aligned}$ | NAME OF RAILWAY. |  |  |  | 㵄 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 1 | The Graat Western and its Branche | 65 |  | 23 | SS |
| 2 | The Grand Trunk Railway of Cunada |  |  |  | 209 |
| 3 | The Northern Railway of Canada.. | 10 | 2 | 5 | 17 |
| 4 | The Bufialo and Lake Ifuron Railway....................... | 17 | 5 | 6 | 28: |
| 5 | The London aud Port Stanley Railway ................... | 2 |  |  | 2 |
| 6 | The Cobourer and Peterboro Lailway ...................... |  |  | 3 | : |
| 7 | The Prescott and Ottawa Railway ........................... | :3 |  | $\underline{9}$ | j |
| 8 | The Erie and Ontario Railway ............................... |  | 1. |  | 1 |
| 9 | The Montreal and Champlain Railway. | 13 |  | : | 16 |
| 10 | The Carillon and Grenville Railway.. | 1 | 1 |  | 2 |
| 11 | The St. Lawrenee and Industry Railmay................... |  |  |  | 2 |
| 12 | The Port Hope, Lindsay and Bearerton Railway .... .... | 3 |  |  |  |
| $1 ;$ | The brock villo and Ortawa Railwny ......................... | 3 |  |  | + |
| 14 | The Welland Railway ................ |  |  |  | 4 |
| 15 | Tho Shetford, Scanstead and Chambly Railway ........... |  |  |  |  |
| 18 | The Peterboro' and Chemung Railway.. |  |  |  |  |
|  | Totals | 117 | 10 | 42 | 3S4 |

## REMARKS.

The tfo last named Railways, Nos. 15 and 16, are worked by the Engines and Rolling Stock of the Montrent and Champlain and the Cobourg and Peterboro' Railways respectively.

There is an increase of 12 Locomotives on the Grand Trunk Railway.
*The numbers on the Buffalo and Lake Huron Railmay shew 29 Engines, but No, 9 (the Huron) was burnt, consequently leayes hut 28.

No. 64.-LOCOMOTIVE ENGINES.-Where madc, owned by Railway Companics in Canada, 31st December, 1859.

|  | SAME OF COMPANY. | Canada. | United States. | Great Britain. | Tutal. |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Great Western and its Branches. | 2 | 42 | 44 | ES |
|  | Grand Trunk............. | 34 | 115 | 60 | 209 |
|  | Northern... | 9 | 8 |  | 17 |
|  | Buffalo and LakeerHuron............................................. | 1 | 27 | . | $\underline{3}$ |
|  | Inndon and Port Stanley .......................................... |  | 2 |  | 2 |
|  | Welland ................................................................. | 1 | : | ... ... | 4 |
|  | Erie and Ontario....................................................... |  | 1 | ............ | 1 |
|  | Port Hope, Lindsay and Beaverton....... . . .................. | 1 | 3 | ............... | 4 |
|  | Cobourg and leterboro' ....................... ....................... | : |  |  | 3 |
|  | 1 Brockville and Ottawa ......... .................................... | 2 | 1 | .............. | 3 |
|  | Ottawa and Preseott .................................................. |  | 5 |  | j |
|  | Mantreal and Champlain.. |  | 13 | : | 16 |
|  | Carillon and Grenville ............................................... | 1 |  | 1 | 2 |
|  | St. Lawrence and Industry .......................................... |  | 1. | 1 | 2 |
|  | Stanstead; Sbefford and Chambly |  |  |  |  |
| 16 | Puterboro' and Chemung ................................. ......... |  | ......... .... |  | ....... |
|  |  | 54 | 221. | 109 | 384 |

## PEMARKS.

The two last named Railwaya, Nos. 15 and 16, are worked by the Engines and Rolling Stock of the Montreal and Champlain, and the Cobonrg and Peterboro' Railways respectively.

The numbers on the Luffalo and Lake Haron Liailway shew 29 engines, but No. 9 (the Ifuron) mas hurnt, consequently leaves but 2 .

No. 6t.-LOCOMOTIVE ENGINES.-Where made, orned by Railway Companies in Canada, 31st December, 1860.

| NAME OF COMPAN土. | 淢 |  |  | - |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 1 Great Western and its lranches.. | 2 | 4. | 42 | 8 S |
| 2 Crand Trunk........................ | 34 | 115 | 60 | 219 |
| 3 Vorthern .................... | 9 | S | .... | 17 |
| 4 Bufalo and Lake Huron | 1. | 27 |  | 23 |
| St Loudon and Port Stanley.................. |  | 2 |  | 2 |
| G Cobourg and Peterboro'.................... | 3 | .............. | ......... .. | 3 |
| 7 Preseotit and Ottawa..... |  | - 5 | .............. | 5 |
| S\|Erie anl Ontario...... |  | 1 |  | 1 |
| 9 Montreal and Champlain. |  | 13 | 3 | 16 |
| 10 Carillon and Grenville..... | 2. |  |  | 2 |
| 11 St. Lawrence and Industry. |  |  | 1. | 2 |
| 12 Port; Hope, Lindsay and Beaverton...... | 1. | : |  | 4 |
| 13 Brockville and Ottawa................. ... | 2 | 1 |  | \% |
| 14 Welland | 1 | : |  | 4 |
| 15 Stanstead, Shefford and Chambly. |  |  |  | -........... |
| 16 Peterboro and Chemung Lake................................... |  |  |  |  |
|  | 55 | 22:3 | 106 | 384 |

REMARKS.
No. 15. The Stanstead, Shefford and Chambly Railway is worked by Locomotives belonging to the Mon treal and Champlain Railway.

No. 16. The Peterboro ${ }^{\circ}$ and Chemung Railway is worked by Locomotives belonging to the Cobourg and Peterborough Railway.
Secretary's Office, Board Railioay Commiseionary, 24th April, 1860.
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No. 65.-GREAT WESTERN RAILWAY OF CANADA.
ROLLING STOCK. -Number and condition of Passenger, Freight and other Cars owned by this Company on the 31st December, 1859.

| DESERIPTION OF STOEK. | Average Weightin Pounds. | Ingood repair. |  |  | Total <br> No. |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| First Class Passenger Cars, 12 Wheels. | 35,000 | 24 | 2 |  | 26 |
| do do 8 Wheels. | 30,000 | 40 | 11 | 6 | 57 |
| Second Class Passenger Cars, 8 Wheels. | \} 20,000 | 40 | 2 | 2 | 44 |
| Baggage, Mail; and Express, \% Wheels. | 20,000 | 6 | 1 |  | 7 |
| do do 12 Wheels. | 30,000 | 10 | 2 | 1 | 13 |
| Box, Freight, and Cattle, 8 Wheels.: | 18,500 | 800 | 45 | 15 | 860 |
| do do 4 Wheels. | 12,000 | 90. | 9 | 1 | 100 |
| Platform Cars, 8 Wheels. | 18,000 | 216 | 16 | 14 | 246 |
| do 12 Wheels. | 30,000 | 4 |  |  | 4 |
| Gravel Cars, 8 Wheels.. |  |  |  |  | None. |
| do 4 Wheels | 10;000 | 309 | 50 | 50 | 409 |
| Hand Cars.. | 1,000 | 50 | ....... | ..... | - 50 |
| Snow Ploughs - Large... |  |  |  |  | None. |
| Timber Trucks, 4 Wheels | 6,500 | 6 |  | ...... | 6 |
| Conductors Cars, 8 Wheels | 20,000. | 33 |  |  | 33 |
|  |  | 1,628 | 138 | 89 | 1,855 |

The cars in every Train on this Railway hare their whèls ana running gear examined every trip at the following Stations:-

Suspension Bridge (N. Falls), Hamilton, Maris, London, Galt, Guelph, Toronto, Windsor and Sarnia.
(Sigried,) S. SHARP, Superintendent Car Departmen:.


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## No. 66.-GRAND TRUNK RAILWAY OT CANADA.

Rolling Stock.-Number and condition of Passenger, Freight, and other Cars owned by this Company, on the 31st Deceäbier, 1839.

| DESCRIPTION OF STOCK. | Average weight in Pounds. |  |  |  | $\stackrel{0}{4}$ |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| First Class Passenger Cars, 12 wheels........................... |  |  |  |  |  |
| do do 8 wheels............ | 27,000 | 78 | 8 | 8 | 84 |
| Second Class do 8 wheels.. | 24,300 | 41 | 6 | 4 | 51 |
| Emigrant Cars, 8 wheels............................................ \|............ .......... |  |  |  |  |  |
| Baggage, Mail, and Express, 8 wheels......... | 26,600 | 44 | 7 | 1 | 52 |
| Box, Freight, and Cattle, 8 wheele. | 17,500 | 1,365 | 37 | 22 | 1,424 |
| Platform Cars, 8 wheels.. | 14,000 | 1,009 | 33 | 20 | 1,082 |
| Gravel Cars, do . | 14,000 | 11 |  | 96 | 107 |
| Hand Caxs.................. | 9,300 | 28 | ......... |  | 28 |
| Hund Caxs............... | 17000...: |  | $\cdots$ | ............ | 34 |
| Snow Ploughs-large. | 17,000 |  | ...... |  | 34 |

The Cars on every Train on this Railway have their Wheels and Running Gear examined every trip, at the following Stations:-


Point St. Charles, 5th April, 1860.

## No. 67.-NORTHERN RAILWAY OF CANADA.

Rollina Stock.-Number and condition of Passenger, Freight, and other Cars owned by this Company, on the 31st Эecember, 1859.

| DESCRIPTION OF STOCK. | Average Weight in pounds. |  | 品 |  | 管 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| First Class Passenger Cars, pith 8 wheels. | 27,350 | 7 | 4 | 2 | 13 |
| Emigrant Cars, 8 Fheels..................... | 23,000 | 1 | 7 |  | 5 |
| Baggage, Mail, and Express.. | 23,950 | $3$ | 1 | 2 | 6 |
| Box, Freight, and Cattle, 8 wheels | 16,500 | 50 | 25 | 41 | 110 |
| Platform Cars, 8 Wheels.. | 14,300 | 54 | 30 | 76 | 160 |
| Hand Cars................. | .......... |  | 3 | \% | 3 |
| Spar and Timber Trucks, 4 wheels. | 4,700 |  | 19 |  | 19 |

The Cars on every Train on this Railway have their wheels and Ruaning Gear examined every trip, at the folloring Stations:-

Toronto and Collingrood by car repairers, and at all other Stations bs the headbratesman of each train.
(Signed,)
J. THEETNGHAST;

Superintentent 2 otive Power.


No. 68.-BUFFALO AND LAKE
Number, description and condition of Locomotive Engines owned by this Com-

| Engines. |  |  | Driving Whecls. |  | Cylinders. |  | Flucs. |  |  | Weight of Engine. |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| $\stackrel{\circ}{4}$ | Name. |  |  |  | $\begin{aligned} & \dot{E} \\ & \stackrel{E}{0} \\ & \underline{E} \\ & \stackrel{\rightharpoonup}{A} \end{aligned}$ |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  |  |  |  | ft . in. | inches | inches |  | feet. in. | inches | tons. | gallons. |
| 1 | Goderich | Outside | 4 |  | 16 | 22 | 170 | 112 | 18 | 234 | 1500 |
| 2 | Waterlon. | do | 4 | 60 | 16 | 22 | 170 | 112 | 19 | 232 | 1400 |
| 3 | Calcdonia ........... | do | 4 | 56 | 15 | 22 | 116 | 11.2 | 1.4 | 23 | 1360 |
| 4 | Cayuga ............... | do ... | 4 | 50 | 15 | 22 | 146 | 11.2 | 14 | 23 | 1500 |
| 5 | Dunnville ........... | do | 4 | 50 | 15 | 22 | 117 | 11.2 | 17 | 20 | 1500 |
| ${ }^{6}$ | Stratford ............ | do | 4 | 50 | 15 | 22 | 117 | 1011 | 17 | 20 | 1500 |
| 7 | Victoria... | do | 4 | 56 | 15 | 22 | 117 | 1011 | 14 | 20 | 1500 |
|  | Welland ............. | do | 4 | 5 c | 15.2 | 22 | 130 | $114 \frac{1}{2}$ | 13 | 23 | 1400 |
| 10 | Superior ............ | do | 4 | $\bigcirc 0$ | $10^{\circ}$ | 22 | 145 | 115 | 13 | 25 | 1400 |
| 11 | Eric ...... ........... | do | 4 | 50 | 16 | 22 | 145 | 115 | $1{ }^{18}$ | 24. | 1300 |
| 12 | Ifeseltine. | Inside ...... | 4 | 50 | 16 | 22 | 156 | 112 | 14 | 251 | 1500 |
| 13 | Powell. | do | 4 | 50 | 10 | 22 | 156 | 112 | 14 | 25.2 | 1500 |
| 14 | Brant ................. | do ...... | 4 | 50 | 10 | 22 | 156 | 112 | 13 | 25. | 1500 |
| 15 | Buffalo ....... | do ...... | 4 | 56 | 16 | 22 | 156 | 112 | $1: 1$ | 25.4 | 1500 |
| 16 | Michigan............. | do ...... |  | 56 | 16 | 22 | 156 | 11.2 | 13 | 25.2 | 1500 |
| 17 | Chicago ............. | do ...... | 4 | 50 | 10 | 22 | 156 | $\begin{array}{ll}11 & 2 \\ 11 & 2 \\ \\ 11\end{array}$ | 17 | ${ }_{25}^{25.2}$ | 1500 1500 |
| 18 | Minnesota.......... | ${ }^{10}$...... | 4 |  | 16 | 22 | 156 |  | $1 \%$ | 20.1 | 1500 1500 |
| 19 | Milwaukic .......... | $\begin{array}{ll}\text { do } & . . . . . \\ \text { do } \\ \text { do } & \ldots . . \\ \end{array}$ | 4 | $\begin{array}{ll}5 & 0 \\ 5 & 6\end{array}$ | 16 | 22 | 156 |  | 18 | 25. | 1500 |
| 21 | Wisconsin ............. | do ${ }^{\text {do }}$ c....... | 4 | 50 | 16 | 22 | 150 | 112 | 1. | 25.1 | 1500 |
| 22 | Iowa .... | do | 4 | 56 | 16 | 22 | 156 | 11. 2 | $1:$ | 25. | 1.500 |
| 23 | Saginaw | do | 4 | 56 | 16 | 22 | 156 | 112 | 1. | 25.4 | 1500 |
| 24 | Paris.... | do | 4 | 56 | 16 | 22 | 156 | 112 | $1:$ | 25.4 | 1500 |
| 25 | Oxford .............. | do | 4 | 50 | 16 | 22 | 150 | 112 | 13 | 25.4 | 1500 |
| 20 | Perth ....... ........ | do | 4 | 50 | 16 | 22 | 150 | 112 | 14 | 25.4 | 1500 |
| 27 | Maldimand ......... | do | 4 | 56 | 10 | 22 | 156 | 112 | 17 | $25 \frac{1}{4}$ | 1500 |
| 28 | Boxer ............... | do | 4 | 49 | 15 | 20 | 105 | 10) 5 | $1: 3$ | $15_{2}$ | 1000 |
| 29 | Growler ... ......... | do | 4 | 49 | 15 | $\underline{2}$ | 105 | $105!$ | $1:$ | $18:$ | 1000 |

W. MACLEAN,

## Secretary.

Brantford, 3rd February, 1860.

HURON RAILWAY.
pany, on the 31 st December, 1859, and miles run by the same up to that date.

|  |  | Whero Built, <br> or <br> Builder's Namc. | .․․荨范 <br>  |  |  | General condition and <br> Remarks. |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| tons. | tons. |  |  |  |  |  |
| 17 | $43 \frac{1}{4}$ | Schencetady, U. S.......... | . 1856 | 7,809 | 71,0473 | Wants slight repairs. |
| 174 | 424 | do ......... | 1856 | S,994 | 32,154 | $\cdots$ do |
| 16.4 | $4{ }^{4}$ | do $\qquad$ | 1856 | 10,597 | 76,066 | do |
| 173 | $42{ }^{3}$ | do $\qquad$ | 1856 | 15,7933 | S3,438 ${ }^{\text {a }}$ | do |
| 174 | $39+$ | Springficld, U S............ | 1857 | 26,491 | 60,107 | Under rcpairs. |
| 174 | 9, | do $\quad$.......... | 1858 | 13,596 | 28,3172 | First class condition. |
| $17 \pm$ | 383 | $\stackrel{\text { do }}{\text { Toronto C. }}$ C. WV ........... | 1856 | , | 28,061 | do |
| $17 \pm$ | 4.2 .2 | Toronto, C. W............... | 1857 |  | 14,564 | Under repairs. |
| 16. | 43 | $\underset{\substack{\text { do }}}{\text { Springrid, U. S........... }}$ | 1856 | 24,6053 | $69,574 \frac{1}{2}$ $\mathbf{3 9 , 4 2 7}$ |  |
| 174 | 45 | Schenectady, U. S......... | 1856 | 31,95212 | S9, $375 \frac{1}{2}$ | Run'g, but wants slight |
| 173 | 45 | do ........ | 1856 | 8,742 $\frac{1}{2}$ | 61,795 $\frac{1}{2}$ | First class condition. |
| 173 | 45 | do ......... | 1856 | 11,915 $\frac{1}{2}$ | 71,162 | do . |
| 174 | 45 | do | 1856 | 12,757 | 75,391 | do |
| 174 | 45 | do | 1857 | 33,131 $\frac{1}{2}$ | S9,355 2 | Under repairs. |
| 174 | 45 | do | 1857 | 21,146 | 71,580 $\frac{1}{2}$ | First class condition. |
| 174 | 45 | do | 1857 | 7,3351 | 67,400 $\frac{1}{3}$ | do |
| 173 | 45 | do $\quad$........ | 1857 | 18,063 | 67,7533 | do |
| 178 | 45 | do $\begin{aligned} & \text { do } \\ & \text { do }\end{aligned}$ | 1857 | 19,875 ${ }^{2}$ | 62,657 | do |
| 179 | 45 45 | do do do........ | 1857 1857 | 29,921 | S0,003 | do |
| 174 | 45 | $\begin{array}{ll}\text { do } \\ \text { do } & \text {........... }\end{array}$ | 1857 1857 | 30,907 20,3837 | 79,409 ${ }^{\text {2 }}$ | do |
| 17i | 45 | do $\quad$......... | 1857 1857 | 20,383 9,739 | $67,082 \frac{1}{2}$ $38,495 \frac{1}{4}$ | do |
| 17.7 | 45 | do......... | 1857 | 34,496 | 71,664 | Under repairs. |
| $17 \%$ | 15 | do | 1858 | 4,967 | 6,744 | First class condition. |
| 1:3 | 45 | do | 1858 | 2,723 | 2,728 | do |
| 10 | 29 id | Boston, U. S................. | 1857 | 6,632 | 27,8797 | do |
| 10 | 293 | do | 1857 | 21,527 | 43,552 | do |

(Signed,
J. PARK.

## No. 68.-BUFFALO AND LAKE HURON RAILWAY.

Rolling Stock.-Number and Condition of Passenger, Freight and other Cars owned by this Company, on the 31st December, 1859.

| DESCRIPTION OF STOCK. | Average weight in pounds. |  |  |  | \% |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| First Class Passenger Cars, 12 wheels. |  |  |  |  |  |
| First Class Passenger Cars, 8 wheels........................... | 26,550 | 7 | 9 | 2 | 18 |
| Second Class Passenger Cars, 8 wheels......................... | 20,700 |  | - 5 | 1 | 6 |
| Emigrant Cars, 8 wheels......... |  |  |  |  |  |
| 13aggage, Mail and Express, 8 wheels.......................... | 21,120 | 2 | 4 | 6 | 12 |
| Box Freight and Cattle, 8 whecls.................... ........... | 17,100 | 25 | 117 | 5 | 147 |
| Platform Cars, 8 wheels............................................ | 11,620 | 6 | 37 | 53 | 96 |
| Gravel Cars, 8 wheels ,............................................ | 9,700 |  |  | 24 | 24 |
| Gravel Cars, 4 wheels ............................................. |  |  |  | 74 | 74 |
| Hand Cars............................................................. |  |  | 39 |  | 39 |
| Snow Ploughs-Large............................................. |  |  | ..... | ............ | 1 |

The Cars in every train on this Railway have their wheels and running gear examined every trip, at the following Stations:-

Goderich, Paris, Brantford, Fort Eric.
(Signed,) W. MACLEAN,
Secretary.

## Nc. 69.-LONDON AND PORT STANLEY RAILWAY.

Rolling Stock.-Number and Condition of Passenger, Freight and other Cars owned by this Company, on the 31st December, 1859.

| DESCRIPTION OF STOCK. | Avorago weight in pounds. |  |  |  | 定 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| First Class Passenger Cars. ........................................ | 28,000 |  |  |  |  |
| First Class Passenger Cars, 8 wheels........................... | ........... | 2 | .......... | ........... | 2 |
| Baggage, Mail and Express, 8 whocls........................... | 19,500 | 2 | $\ldots$ | .......... | 2 |
| Box, Freight aud Cattle, 8 wheels ............................... | 18,500 | 20 | 6 | 2 | 2 S |
| Platform Cars, 8 wheels......................................... ... | 14,000 | 13 | 7 | . | 20 |
| Hand Cars............................................................ |  | 6 |  |  | 6 |

The Cars in every train on this Railway have their wheels and running gear examined every trip, at the following Stations:-

London and Port Stanley.
(Signed,)
W. BOWMAN, Superintendent L. \& P. S. Railway.


## No. 70.-WELLAND RAILWAY.

Romars Srock-Number and Condition of Passenger, Freight, and other Cars owned by this Company, on 31st December, 1859.

| DESCRIPTION OFSTOCR. | Average weight pounds. |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| First chas Cussenger Cars, 12 wheels. $\qquad$ | IS,600 | 1. | 1 |  | $\stackrel{2}{2}$ |
| Sceond class 1atscnger Cars, s whecis......................... |  |  |  |  | Nonc. |
| Emigrant Cars, $S$ wheels....................................... |  |  | . |  | None. |
| Lagraye. Mitil and Express, S whicels........................ | 18.000 | (1) |  |  | 1 |
| Box, Freight and Catte, S whecls............................ | 18,000 | ${ }_{21}^{611}$ |  |  | 60 |
| Plitiom C:ars, \& wheels........................................ | 16,000 | 26 |  |  | 20 |
| travel cars, S wheels...... |  |  |  |  | Nonc. |
|  |  | . |  |  | Nonc. |
|  | ........ | .......... |  |  | Yone. |
| Stow fough-bargc ............................................ |  |  |  |  | 2 |

The Cars in every train on this Pailway have their whels and rumning sear examined cery trip, at the following Station:-St. Catharines.
(Signer,)

HIRAM SLATE, Sec. W. R. Company.

## No. 71.-ERTE AND ONTARIO RAILWAY.

Rolming: Srock.-Number and Condition of Passenger, Freight, and other Cars owneld by this Company, on 31st December, 1859.

| nescnirrion of stock. |  | 我 |  | - |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| First cl:ss Pasenger Cars, with 12 whecls..................... ............. ................................. Nonc. |  |  |  |  |  |
| (d) do with S wheels.... | 24,000 |  | 4 |  | - 4 |
| Second class lassenger Cars, S whecls ....................... ....................... ........... ........... None. |  |  |  |  |  |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Barsage, Mail, and Express, 8 whecls | 22,000 | ........ | 1 | ....... . |  |
| Box, Freight, and Cattle, S whecls. | 17,000 |  | 1 |  | 1 |
| Platform Cars, 5 whecls............ | 15,000 |  |  |  | 8 |
| Gravel Cars, 8 whecis.................. |  |  |  |  | None. |
| Inad Cars.............. | 6,000 700 |  | 7 | 20 | 20 2 |
| Snow Ploughs-large. |  |  |  |  | None. |

The Cars in every train on this Railway have tiveir wheels and running gear examined every trip, at tho following Stations:-Niagara and Chippewa.


## Ño. 72.-PORT HOPE, LINDSAY AND BEAVERTON RAILWAY.

Rollinu Srock.-Number and Condition of Passenger, Freight and other Cars owned by this Company, on the 31st December, 1859.

| DESCRIPTION OF STOCK. | Approximate averagu weight in pounds. |  |  |  | $\dot{8}$ B E - |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| First Class Passcager Cars, S wheels. | 24.000 | 1 | 2 |  | 3 |
| Buggage, Mail and Exprese, 8 wheels. | 20,000 | 1 |  | .... ....... | 2 |
| Binc, Freight and Cattle, 8 wheels.. | 16,000 | 15 |  |  | 15 |
| Phatform Cars, S wheels............. | 14,000 | 42 | 2 | 4 | 4 S |
| Gravel Cars, 4 wheels... | 10,000 | 15 | 5 | 5 | 25 |
| Hand Cars. |  | 10 |  |  | 10 |

The Cars in every train on this liailmay have their wheels and ruming gear examined every trip, at the fullowing Stativios:Port Hupe anal Kindsay.

(Signed,)<br>A. T. WILLIAMS,<br>Supcrintendent.

## No. 73.-COBOURG AND PETERBORO' RAILWAY.

Rolling Stock.-Number and Condition of Passenger, Freight and other Cars owned by this Company, on the 31st December, 1859.


The Cars in overy train on this Railway havo their wheels and running gear examined every trip, at ite following Statious:-

Cobourg, Harwood and Peterboro'.
(Signed,) J. H. DUMBLE,
April 12, 1860.
Engineer.


## No. 74.-BROCKVILLE AND OTTAWA RAILWAY.

Rolling Strock.-Number and condition of Passenger, Freight, and other Cars owned by this Company, on the 31st December, 1859.

| DESCRIPTION OF STOCK. | Average Weight in pounds. |  |  |  | \% |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| First Class Passenger Cars, with 8 wheels. | 26,220 | 4 |  |  | 4 |
| Second Class do do . | 22,800 | 4 |  |  | 4 |
| Baggaje, Mail, and Expross do | 24,700 | 2 |  |  | 2 |
| Box, Freight, and Cattle, 8 wheels.. | 17,770 | 4 |  |  | 4 |
| Platform Cars, 8 wheels. | 15,300 | 40 | 18 | 15 | 73 |
| Hand Cars. |  |  |  |  | 8 |

The Cars on overy Train on this Railway have their Wheels and Running Gear examined overy trip, at the following Statious:-

Almonte, Muntague Tank Station, Perth, and Brockville.
(Signed,) ROBERT WATSON,
Managing Director, Brockville and Ottawa Railway.

No. 75.-OTTAWA AND PRESCOTT RAILWAY.
Rollivg Stock.-Number and condition of Passenger, Freight, and other Cars owned by this Company, on the 31st December, 1859.

| DESCRIPTION OF STOCK. | Average weightin Pound. |  |  | 电 | \% |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| First Class Passenger Cars, 12 wheels. |  |  |  |  |  |
| do do $S$ wheels.. | 16,000 | 2 | 4 |  | 6 |
| Secoud Class do 8 wheels.. | 16,000 |  | 1 |  | 1 |
| Emigrant Care, S wheels................. | 16,000 |  |  | 1 | 1 |
| Baggase, Mail, and Express, 8 wheel | 14,000 | 2 |  |  | 2 |
| Mox, Freight, and Cattle, 8 wheels. | 12,000 | 25 | 19 | . | 47 |
| Platform Cars, S wheels. | 11,000 | 14 | 15 | 3 | 30 |
| Gravel Cars, do ........... |  |  |  |  |  |
| Hand Cars................ | 4,000 $\mathbf{5 0 0}$ |  | 0 | 20 | 4) |
| Snow Ploughs-large.... |  |  |  |  |  |

The Cars on cyory Train on this Railmag have their Whecls and Runuiug Gear examined every trip, at the following Station:-Prescott.
(Signed,) JOHN R. WHI'TE,
Secretary.

No. 76.-MONTREAL


## No. 76.-MONTREAL AND CHAMPLAIN RAILWAY.

Roldiric Stock--Number and Condition of Pasenger, Freight and other Cars owned by this Company, on the 31 st December, 1850.

| DESCRIPTIOA OF STOCK. | Averare weight in pounds. |  |  |  | ¢ 0 $\square$ 0 0 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| First Class Passenger Cars, with 12 wheels |  |  |  |  |  |
| do do: s do |  | ${ }^{6}$ | : | 2. | 1.1 |
| Second Class Passenger Cars, S wheels. |  | 4 |  |  | 4 |
| Emigrant Cars, S wheels... |  |  |  |  |  |
| Baggage, Mail and Express, S wheels | . .. ........ | 5 | 2 |  | 7 |
| Box, Freight and Cattle, $\$$ wheels |  |  |  |  | 66 |
| Platform Cars. 8 wheels. |  |  |  |  | 100 |
| Gravel Cars, \$ wheels .... |  |  |  |  |  |
| do 4 do . |  |  | : 0 |  | 30 |
| Hand Cars................ |  |  |  |  | 10 |
| Snow Ploughs-Large. |  |  |  |  | 1 |

The Cars in every train on this Railway have their Wheels and Running fone examiaed every trip, at the iollowing Stations:-

St. Lambert, Rouse's Doint, Montreal, and Caughawaga.

## No. $7 .-C A R I L L O N$ AND GRENYILLE RAILWAT.

Rolling Stock:-Number and Condition of Passenger, Freight and other Cars owned by this Company, on the 31st December, 1859.


The Cars in every train on this lialtray haye their Whecls and Kunning Gear examined every trip, at the following Station:-(renville.

> (Signel,)
J. G. BARNARD, Superintendent.
No．

No．78．－ST．LAWRENCE AND INDUSTRY RAILWAY．－Number，description and condition of Locomotive Engines owned by this Company，on the 31st December， 1859 ，and Miles run by the same up to that date．

| ENGINES． |  | $\left\lvert\, \begin{aligned} & \text { Driving } \\ & \text { Whecle } . \end{aligned}\right.$ |  | Cylinders |  | Flues． |  |  |  |  |  |  | $\begin{gathered} \text { Where Built } \\ \text { or } \\ \text { Builder's Name. } \end{gathered}$ |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | $\dot{\text { ஷ }}$ |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | $\stackrel{\square}{\square}$ |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Name． |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | 寻 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  |  |  | $\begin{aligned} & \stackrel{0}{0} \\ & \text { 品 } \\ & \end{aligned}$ |  |  | $\begin{aligned} & \text { 另 } \\ & \text { 号 } \end{aligned}$ |  | 䓂 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  |  |  | ft． |  |  |  | ．ft．in． | in． | tons． | gals． | tons． | tons． |  |  |  |  |
| 1 Dorchester．．．．．．．． | Ynside ．．．．． | 2 | 4 |  | 15 | 6.4 | ${ }^{6} 10$ | $1 \frac{1}{2}$ | 8． | ${ }_{350}$ | 2 | 10. | R．Stephenson \＆Sou，England．．． | 1834 | 5000 | ＊0，000 |
| 2 Jason C．Pierce．． | Outside．．．． | 4 | $3{ }_{36}^{2}$ | 103 | 20 | 94 | $7 \cdot 6$ | $1 \frac{1}{2}$ | 12 | 500 | 3 | 15 | Wm．Norris，Philadelphia，U．S．．． | 1838 | 7000 | 70，000 |

No．78．－ST．LAWRENCE AND INDUSTRIE RAILWAY． rolling stock．
Number and condition of Passenger，H＇veight and other Cars owned by this Com－ pany，on the 31st December， 1859.

| DESCRIPTION OF STOCK． |  | $\begin{aligned} & \dot{E} \\ & \text { 芯 } \\ & \text { ت} \\ & \text { B } \\ & \tilde{E} \end{aligned}$ | 菏踏 <br> 㿻空关苞 $\underset{\sim}{\sim}$ |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 1 First Class Passenger Car． | 4000 |  | Slight． |  | 1 |
| 4 Second Class Passenger Cars， 4 Wheels． | 3000 |  | do | ．．．． | 4 |
| 2 Baggage，Mail，and Express， 4 Wheels． | $\because 500$ | ．．．．． | do |  | 2 |
| 1 Box，Freight，and Cattle， 4 Whecls ．．．．． | 2000 |  | do |  | 1 |
| 2 Platform Cars， 8 Whecls．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．． | 8000 |  | do |  | 2 |
| 12 Gravel Cars，\＆Wheels．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．． | 1200 |  | do |  | 12 |
| 2 Hand Cars．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．． | 300 | crond． | do | ．．．． | 2 |

No．79．－STANSTEAD，SHEFFORD AND CHAMBLY RAILWAY．
The Rolling Stock is leased from the Montreal and Champlain Company．
（Signed，）A．B．FOSTER，
Manager．

No．80．－PETERBORO＇AND CHEMUNG LAKE RAILWAY．
The Peterborough and Chemung Railway has no Rolling Stock－it is worked by the Cobourg and Peterboro＇Railway Company．
（Signed，）A．M．BURNHAM， President．

## No．81．－ROLLING STOCK．

Statbuest of the munher and condition of the Passenger，Freight，and other Cars and Rolling Stock on all the Pailways in Canada，on the 31st Dcc．， 1860.

| DESCRIPTION OF STOCK． |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| First Class lasenger Cars，with 76 wheris． | 1 |  |  | 1 |
| do do 12 dio．． | 24 | 1 |  | 2.5 |
| do de $\mathrm{do} \mathrm{do}^{\text {de }}$ | 1.60 | 49） | 1.4 | 22.3 |
| do di） 4 do | ， |  |  | 1 |
| Second Class ayd Dinigrant Ciars with S wheels | 96 | 21 |  | 117 |
| do do a dar | 3 |  |  | 3 |
| Composite Cars，withs wheels．．．．．．．．．．．． | 2 |  |  | 2 |
| Baggage，Mail，：ad Expres Cam，with is whecls， | 11 | 1 |  | 12 |
| do sin s io | 91 | 11 | 2 | 104 |
| du di，$\quad+d^{\prime}$ | 2 |  |  | 2 |
| Bra，Freight．mat Cathe Cars，withs whects．． | 2．95： | 21： | 1.1 | 3，180 |
| do du 1 do | 95 | 4 | 2 | 101 |
| Conductors＇Cars．with s wheels |  | ； |  | 41 |
| Platform Cars，with S whecls． | 1，555 | 249 | 6.4 | 1，56S |
| Grain Cars． | 50 |  |  | 50 |
| Refrigerator Car． |  | 1 |  | 1 |
| Gravel Cars，with：whels．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．． | 62 | 20 | S | 30 |
| do ${ }^{\text {d }}$ do ．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．． | 284 | 83 | 2： | 360 |
| Timber Cats．with 10 whecls．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．． | 1 | ． | ．．．．．．．．．．． | 6 |
|  | $1 ;$ |  |  | 6 |
| Spar Timber Truck－．．．．．．．．．．． |  |  |  | 16 |
| Snow Plougbs－large | $\because 4$ |  | 1 | 8 |
| IIand Cars ．．．．．．．．．．．．． | 11.1 |  |  | 121 |

No．82．－Nemper ayd State of Redar of Locomotive Engines running on all the Railways in Canala，at the end of the year 1860.

| OORPORATE NAME OF SAILWAY． |  |  | 范䓌䔍 | \％ E E E |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  |  |  |  |
| 1 The Grand Trunk hailway of Canata， | 1：3\％ | 4 | 38 | $21 \%$ |
| 2 The Groat Western Railway of Camali | 71 |  | 18 | S9 |
| 3 The Northern Failmay of Canada． | ！ | 5 | 3 | 17 |
| 4 The Buthalo and Lake Ifuron Railway ．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．． | 21 | 1 | 7 | 2 S |
| 5 The Brockville and gtama Railway．．．． | 1 | 2 |  | $\stackrel{1}{*}$ |
| 6）The Montreal and Champlat liailvay．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．． | I： |  | 2 | 15 |
| 7 The Prescott anh Ontava Liethray．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．． | $:$ |  | ？ | $:$ |
| NThe Wellim！Rathray | ：： |  | 1 | 4 |
| 9 The Eric ami Ontario Railwiy．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．． | 1 |  |  | 1 |
| 10）The Purt Hope，Lindsay and feavertun Rainar．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．． | ＋ |  |  | 4 |
| 11 The Carillon and Grenville Railway． | 1 | 1 |  | 2 |
| 12 The St．Lawrence and Tudustry Ratway |  | 2 |  | 2 |
| 13 The London and Port Staniey Railmay．．． | $\checkmark$ |  |  | 2 |
| 14 The Cobourg and Petcrbore liailway．．． | 2 | 1 | 1. | 4 |
| 15 The Peterboro Brmeld of the Purt Ifope．Lindsay \＆Beaverten R．R． | I |  |  | 1 |
| Totals． | 206 | 56 | 72 | 394 |

The Petorhoro ath Chemuñer Lake Rahway is worked by the Cobourg and Peterboro＇Railway Company， and the Locomotive and Kolling Stock on the Stanstead，Sheford and Chambly Railway is leased from the Montrad and Chanplain Railway Company．

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No. 83.-LOCOMOTIVE ENGINES.-Where made, owned by Railway Companies in Canada, 31st December, 1860.


No. 15.-Tho Stanstead, Sheford and Chambly Railway is worked by Locomotires belonging to the Montreal and Champlain Railway Company.

No. 16-The Peterborough and Chemung Railway is worked by Locemotives belonging to the Cobourg and Peterborough Railway Company.

Secretart's Oftice,
Board of Railway Commissioners.

## No. 84.-GREAT WESTERN RAILWAY OF CANADA.

Rolling Stock.-Number and Condition of Passenger, Freight, and other Cars owned by this Company, on 31st December, 1860.


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Superintendent Car. Departmett.

| $\begin{aligned} & \text { of Locomotive Engines } \\ & \text { that date. } \end{aligned}$ |  |  |
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| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| No． | Name． |  |  | $\begin{aligned} & \dot{\Delta} \\ & \text { 免 } \\ & \text { 品 } \end{aligned}$ |  | $\begin{gathered} \dot{g} \\ \text { 品 } \\ 0 \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { 高 } \\ & \text { 唯 } \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{gathered} \text { 总 } \\ \text { 畨 } \end{gathered}$ |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  |  |  | （1）6 <br> 6 <br> 6 <br> 6 <br> 6 <br> 8 <br> 4 <br> 4 <br> 4 <br> 4 <br> 4 <br> 4 <br> 4 <br> 4 <br> 4 <br> 6 |  | in． <br> 16 <br> 16 <br> 16 <br> 16 <br> 16 <br> 16 <br> 15 <br> 15 <br> 15 <br> 16 <br> 16 <br> 16 <br> 16 <br> 16 <br> 16 |  |  |  |  | galls． 1031 1981 1452 1152 1152 1452 1452 1452 1452 2183 2183 1883 1806 1806 2000 | Slaughter，Bristol，Ragland．．．． Stophenson，Newcastle，Eng．．．．do $\ldots . .$. <br> do $\ldots .$. <br> do $\ldots .$. <br> do $\ldots .$. Fairbairn，Manchester，Eng．．．．． D．c．Gounn，Hamilton，c．W．．．． a．W．İailway，Mamilton．． |  |  |  | In good working order In shop for repairs． In good working order do do In shop fer repairs． In good vorking order do In shop for repairs In good rorking order do do do |
| （Signed，）RICHARD EATON， <br> Locomotive Shiperintend |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |

## No. 85.-GRAND TRUNK RAILWAY OF CANADA.

Rolliva Stoch.-Number and Condition of Passenger, Freight, and other Cars orned by this Company, on 31st December, 1860.

| DESCRIPTION OF STOCK. | Average <br> Weightin <br> Pounds. |  |  | 苞 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| First Class Passenger Cars, 16 wheels | 32,000 | 1 |  |  |
| do do 8 do | 28,500 | 74 | 15 | 89 |
| Second Class Passenger Cars, 3 whecls................... | 24,300 | 41 | 8 | 49 |
| Composite. | 25,000 | 2 |  | $\pm$ |
| Baggage, Mail, and Express, 8 wheel | 27,800 | 52 | 4 | 56 |
| do do 12 do | 30,000 | 2 |  | $\underline{2}$ |
| Ros, Freight, and Cattle, 8 wheels. | 17,000 | 1611 | 86 | 1697 |
| Platform Cars, 8 wheels. ${ }^{\text {a }}$. | 14,000 | 968 | 111 | 1079 |
| Gravel Cars, $\begin{gathered}8 \\ \text { do } \\ 4 \text { do } \\ \text { do }\end{gathered}$ | $\begin{array}{r} 10,600 \\ 6,000 \end{array}$ | \} 101 | 32 | 133 |
| Hand Cars....... |  |  |  |  |
| Snow Ploughs-large. | 17,300 | 33 | 1 | 34 |

The Cars in every train on this Railway have their Wheels and Running Gear examined every trip, at the following Stations:-

Detroit, Port Huron, Sarnia, St. Mary's, London, Queen's Wharf, Toronto, Cobourg, Belleville, Kingston, Brockville, Cornwall, Point Charles, Richmond, Hadlow Cove, Rivière du Loup, Sherbrooke, Island Pond, Gorham, and Portland.
(Sigaed,)
W. J. MACKENZIE.
J. G. Vansittant, Esq.,

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No. 86.-NORTHERN RAILWAY OF CANADA.-Number,


# No 86．－NORTHERN RAILLWAY OF CANADA． <br> Rolling Stock．－Number and Condition of Passenger，Freight and other Cars owned by this Company，on the 31st December， 1860. 

| DESCRIPTION OF STOCK． | Average weight in pounds． |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |
| do do do with 8 wheels．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．． | 27，350 | 4 | 2 | 7 | 13 |
| Second class Passenger Cars， 8 wheels ．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．． | 23，000 |  | 7. | ．．．．．．．．．．．． | 7 |
| Emigrant Cars， 8 wheels．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．． |  |  |  | ． |  |
| Baggage，Mail，and Express， S wheels ．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．． | 23，725． | 2 | 2 | 2 | 6 |
| Box，Freight，and Cattle， 8 wheels．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．． | 16；800 | 64 | ．．．．． | 44 | 108 |
| Platform：Cars， 8 wheels．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．． | 14，800 | 64 | ．．．．．．．．．．． | 94 | 158 |
| Gravel Cars， 8 wheels．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．． | ．．．．．．．．．．． |  | ．．．．．．．．．．． |  | ．．．．．．．． |
| ．do 4 wheels．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．． | ．．．．．．．．．．．． | ．．．．．．．．．． | $\ldots$ | ． 4. | － |
| Hand Cars．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．． |  |  | 2. | ． 4. | － |
| Snow Ploughs－large．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．． |  |  | ， 3 | ．．．．．．．．．． |  |
| Freight Caboose Cars， 8 wheels．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．． | 17，000 | 4 | $\ldots$ | ． | 7 |
| Refrigerator．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．． | 19；500 |  | 1. | ．．．．．．．．．．． | \％ |
| Spar Timber Trucks．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．． | 4，700 | ．．． | － |  | 16 |

The Cars in every train on this Railway have their Wheels and Running Gear cxamined every trip，at the following Stations ：－

Toronto and Collingwood，and by Trin men at Stations where wood and water aro taken．
（Signed，）
J．TILLINGHAST， Superintendent Motive Power．

## No．87．－BUFFALO AND LAKE HURON RAILWAY．

Rolling Stock．－Number and Condition of Passenger，Freight and other Cars owned by this Company，on the 31st December， 1860.

| DESCRIPTION OF STOCK． | Average weight Pounds． | $\begin{aligned} & \text { 薜 } \\ & \text { 品 } \\ & \text { 뭉 } \end{aligned}$ |  |  | 莒 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| First class Passenger Cars， 12 wheels $\qquad$ <br> do do 8 wheels <br> ．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．． |  |  |  | ${ }^{-1 . . . . . . . . ~}$ |  |
|  | 25，60019,000 | ${ }^{12} 1$. | － |  | 186 |
| Second class Passenger Cars， 8 wheels．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．． |  |  | ．．．．．．．．．．． |  |  |
| Emigrant Cars， 8 wheels．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．． |  | 122149312446 | ．．．．．．．．．． | ．．．．．．．．．． | 12 |
| Baggage，Mail and Express， 8 wheels．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．． | 21，17,21017,50010,00010,5004,000400 |  |  |  |  |
| Box，Freight and Cattle， 8 wheels．． |  |  | 4 |  | 218 |
| Platform Cars， 8 wheels． |  |  |  | 3 | 98 |
| Gravel Cars， 8 wheels．．．．． |  |  | 4 | 8 | 24 |
| Hand Cars 4 wheels．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．． |  |  | 10 | 20 | 74 |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Snow Ploughs－large．．． |  |  |  |  |  |

The Cars in every train on this Railpay have their wheels and running gear examined every trip，at the following Stations：－

Fort Erie，Dunnyille，Brantford，Paris，Etratford，Goderich．
（Signed，W．MACLEAN， Secretary．

No．87．－BUFFALO AND LAKE
Number，description and condition of Locomotive Engines owned by this Com－

|  | Emaines． |  | Driving Wheels． |  | Cylinders． |  | Flues． |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| \％ | Name． |  |  |  |  |  | $\begin{aligned} & \text { 守 } \\ & \text { 荘 } \\ & \text { 己 } \end{aligned}$ |  |  |  |  |
|  |  |  |  | ft．in． | inches | inches |  | feet．in． | inches | tons． | gallons． |
| 1 | Goderich ．．．．．．．．．．．． | Outside ．．．． | 4 | 56 | 16 | 22 | 170 | 112 | 13 | 231 | 1500 |
| 2 | Waterloo ．．．．．．．．．．．． | do ．．． | 4 | 60 | 16 | 22 | 170 | 112 | 13 | 232 | 1450 |
| 3 | Caledonia ．．．．．．．．．．． | do | 4 | 50 | 15 | 22 | 11.6 | 112 | 14 | $23^{-}$ | 1560 |
| 4 | Cayuga ．．．．．．．．．．．．． | do | 4 | 56 | 15 | 22 | 146 | 112 | $1{ }^{19}$ | 23 | 1500 |
| 5 | Dunnrille ．．．．．．．．．．． | do ．．． | 4 | 50 | 15 | 22 | 117 | 112 | 13 | 20 | 1400 |
| 6 | Stratford ．．．．．．．．．．．． | do． | 4 | 5 C | 15 | 22 | 117 | 1011 | 13 | 20 | 1500 |
| 7 | Victoria ．．．．．．．．．．．．． | do | 4 | 56 | 15 | 22 | 117 | 1011 | 14 | 20 | 1400 |
| 8 | Wolland ．．．．．．．．．．．．．．． | do | 4 | 56 | $10 \frac{1}{2}$ | 22 | 130 | 114 | 13 | 23 | 1500 |
| 10 | Superior ． | do | 4 | 60 | 16 | 22 | 1.45 | 115 | $1{ }^{3}$ | $25 \frac{1}{4}$ | 1500 |
| 11 | Erie ．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．． | do | 4 | 50 | 16 | 22 | 145 | $11.5 \frac{1}{2}$ | $1{ }^{3}$ | 237 | 1500 |
| 12 | Heseltine ．．．．．．．．．．．． | Inside ． | 4 | 50 | 16 | 22 | 156 | 112 | 13 | 24 | 1500 |
| 13 | Powell．．．．．．．．．．．．．．． | do ．．．．．． | 4 | 5 6 | 16 | 22 | 156 | 112 | 17 | 24. | 1500 |
| 14 | Brant．．．． | do ．．．．．． | 4 | 56 | 16 | 22 | 156 | 112 | $1{ }^{4}$ | 244 | 1500 |
| 15 | Buffalo．． | do ．．．．．．． | 4 | 56 | 16 | 22 | 156 | 11.2 | 14 | 243 | 1500 |
| 16 | Michignn． | do | 4 | 56 | 10 | 22 | 156 | 112 | 19 | 243 | 1500 |
| 17 | Chicago ．．．．．．．．．．．．．． | do ．．．．．． | 4 | 56 | 16 | 22 | 156 | 11.2 | 17 | 244 | 1500 |
| 18 | Minnesota．．．．．．．．．．．．． | do ．．．．．． | 4 | 50 | 16 | 22 | 156 | 112 | 13 | 24.4 | 1500 |
| 19 | Milmaukie ．．．．．．．．．． | do ．．．．．． | 4 | 50 | 16 | 22 | 156 | 11.2 | 1 | 244 | 1500 |
| 20 | Illinois ．．．．．．．．．．．．．． | do ．．．．．． | 4 | 50 | 16 | 22 | 150 | 11.2 | 14 | 243 | 1500 |
| 21 | Wisconsin ．．．．．．．．．．．． | do ．．．．．． | 4 | 56 | 16 | 22 | 156 | $\begin{array}{ll}11 & 2 \\ 11\end{array}$ | 14 | 243 | 1500 |
| 22 | Iowa ．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．． | do | 4 | 56 | 16 | 22 | 156 | 112 | 14 | 24 | 1500 |
| 23 | Saginaw ．．．．．．．．．．．． | do | 4 | 56 | 16 | 22 | 156 | 11． 2 | 13 | 249 | 1500 |
| 24 | Paris．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．． | do ．．．．．． | 4 | 56 | 16 | 22 | 150 | 11． 2 | $3{ }^{3}$ | 244 | 1500 |
| 25 | 0xford ．．．．．．．．．．．．．． | do | 4 | 50 | 16 | 22 | 150 | 112 | 14 | 24 | 1500 |
| 26 | Perth ．．．．．．．．．．．．．．． | do | 4 | 50 | 16 | 22 | 156 | 112 | 13 | 24.4 | 1500 |
| 27 | Haldimand ．．．．．．．．． | do ．．．．．． |  | ${ }^{5} 66$ | 16 | 22 | 156 | 112 | 14 | 247 | 1500 |
| 28 | Boxer ．．．．．．．．．．．．．．． | do ．．．．．． |  | 49 | 15 | 20 | 105 | $\begin{array}{ll}11 & 2 \\ 11\end{array}$ | $1 \%$ | $18 \pm$ | 1000 |
| 29 | Growler ．．．．．．．．．．．．． | do | 4 | 49 | 15 | 20 | 105 | 112 | 13 | 184 | 1000 |

## HURON RAILWAY．

pany，on the 31 st December，1860，and miles run by the same up to that date．

|  |  | Where Built， or <br> Buildcr＇s Name． | $\begin{aligned} & \Xi \\ & \text { 志 } \\ & \text { 总 } \\ & \text { 弟苟 } \end{aligned}$ |  |  | General condition <br> and <br> Remarks． |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| tons． | tons． |  |  |  |  |  |
| 173 | 4.437 |  | 1856 1856 | 10,131 22,639 | 81，178 | $\underset{\text { do }}{\text { Good running }}$ order． |
| 163 | 412 ． | do－．．．．．．．．．．． | 1856 | 23，846 | 99，912 |  |
| $17 \frac{3}{2}$ | 427 | do | 1856 | 505 | 83，944 | Under repairs． |
| 173 | 397 | Springfield，U S．．．．．．．．．．．． | 1857 | 22，232 | 50，253 | do |
| 173 | 391 | do ．．．．．．．．．．．． | 1858 | 2］，207 | 81，314 | Running order． |
| $17 \pm$ | 383 | do do ．．．．．．．．．．．． | 1856 | 20，171 | 48，488 | Good do |
| $17 \pm$ | 427 | ＇Toronto，C．W．．．．．．．．．．．．．．． | 1857 | ．．．．．．．．．．．．．． | 14，564 | Under repairs． |
| $17 \pm$ | 45 | Springfield，U．S．．．．．．．．．．．． | 1856 |  | 69.574 | First do |
| $16{ }^{163}$ | 43 | $\stackrel{\text { do }}{ }$ U $\dddot{\text { S }}$ ．．．．．． | 1856 | 5,564 16,952 | 44,991 106,827 | First class condition． |
| 173 | 45 | Schenectady，U．S．．．． do | 1850 | 1，632 | 71，428 | do |
| 173 | 45 | do ．．．．．．．．． | 1856 | 4，053 | 75，216 | do |
| 173 | 45 | do | 1856 | 13，395 | 88，786 | do |
| 173 | 45 | do | $185 \%$ | 556 | 89；912 | Undar repairs． |
| 173 | 45 | do | 1857 | 14，414 | 85，995 | First class condition． |
| 173 | 45 | do | 1857 | 17，845 | 85,246 | $\therefore$ do |
| 173 | 45 | lo ．．．．．．．． | 1857 | 27，368 | 35，122 | $\because \mathrm{do}$ |
| 174 | 45 | do......... | 1857 | 31，697 | 94，355 | do |
| 173 | 45 | do | 1857 | 19，680 | 99，684 | Under repairs． |
| 174 | 45 | do | 1857 | S，163 | 87，573 | First class condition． |
| 173 | 45 | do | 1857 | 24，3，36 | 91，397 | Onder repairs． |
| 173 | 45 | de | 1857 | 20，439 | 59，935 | Good ranning order． |
| 173 | 45 | do | 1857 | 13，643 | 85，307 | do |
| 174 | 45 | do ．．．．．．．．． | 1858 | 14，087 | 16，815 | do |
| 173 | 45 | de $\quad$ ．．．．．．．．． | 1858 | 31，930 | 38，683 |  |
| 10 | 293 | Buston，U．S．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．． | 1857 | 14，850 | 42，730 | do |
| 10 | 293 | do ．．．．．．．．．．．．．．． | 1857 | 16，468 | 60,020 | do |

W．MACLEAN，
Secretary，Buffalo \＆L． $\boldsymbol{H} \cdot \boldsymbol{R}$ Company：



## Nc．88．－LONDON AND PORT STANLEY RAILWAY．

Rolling Stock．－Number and condition of Passenger，Freight and other Cars owned by this Company，on the 31st December， 1860.

| DESCRIPTION OF STOCK． | Average weight in pounds． |  | 品范: | 亚邑邑 | ¢ $\stackrel{y}{1}$ $\vdots$ $\vdots$ $E-1$ |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| First Class Passenger Cars with 8 wheels． | 28，000 | 2 |  |  |  |
| Baggage，Mail and Express， 8 wheels．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．． | 19，500 | 2 | ．．． |  | 2 |
| Box．Freight and Cattle，S wheels．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．． | 15，500 | 22 | 6 | ．．．．． | 2 S |
| Platform Cars，8，wheels．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．． | 1.1 .000 | 14 | 2 | 4 | 20 |
| Hand Cars．．．．． |  | ＇； |  |  | 6 |

The Cars in every train on this Railway have their wheels and running gear examince every trip，nt the following Stations：－

> London and Port Stanley.
（Signed，W．BOWMAN，
Superintendent L．P．S．Railuay．

## No．89．－WELLAND RAILWAY．

Rolling ：Stock．－Number and Condition of Passenger，Freight，and other Cars owned by this Company，on the 31st December， 1860.

| DESCRIPTION OF STOCK． | Average weight in pounds． |  |  | 关首总 | 号 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| First Class Passenger Cars， 12 wheels． |  |  |  |  |  |
| First Class Passenger Cars， 8 wheels．．． | 18，000 | 1 | 1 |  | 2 |
| Sccond Class Passenger Cars， 8 wheels． |  |  |  |  |  |
| Emigrant Cars， 8 wheels．． |  |  |  |  |  |
| Baggage，Mail and Express， 8 wheels． | 18，000 |  | 1. |  | 1 |
| Box，Freight，and Cattle，S wheels：． | 18，000 | 60 | 15 |  | 75 |
| Platform Cars， 8 wheels．．．． | 16，000 | 7 | 3 | 1. | 11 |
| Gravel Cars，with S wheels．． |  |  |  |  | ．．．．．．．．．． |
| do 4 do |  |  |  |  | ．．．．．．．．．．． |
| Hand Cars．．．．．．．． | 400 | 5 | 1 |  | 6 |
| Soow Plouths－－large |  |  |  |  |  |
| Grain Cars， 4 wheels． | 7，785 | 50 |  |  | 50 |

The Cars in erery train on this Railway have their Whecls and Running Gear examined every trip，at tbe follorying Station ：－Port Dalhouse．
（Signed．）
HTRAM SLATE， Sec．W．Re Company．


## No. 90.-ERIE AND ONTARIO RAILWAY.

Rolling Stock.-Number and Condition of Passenger, Freight, and other Cars owned by this Compiny, on 31st December, 1860.

| DESCRIPTIOA OF STOCK. |  |  |  |  | 宮 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| First Class Passenger Cars, 12 wheels.. |  | 2 | 2 |  |  |
| First Class Passenger Cars, S whecls... |  |  |  |  |  |
| Second Class Passenger Cars, 8 wheels. |  |  |  |  | ..... |
| Emigrant Cars, 8 wheels................. |  |  |  |  |  |
| Baggage, Mail and Express, S wheels |  | 1 |  |  |  |
| Box, Freight and Cattle, S wheels... |  | 1 |  |  |  |
| Platform Cars, S wheels............... |  | $\bullet$ |  |  | s |
| Gravel Cars, 4 wheels ... |  |  | 5 |  | 10 |
| Hand Cars................ |  | 2 |  |  | 2 |
| Sow Ploughs-Large.. |  |  |  |  |  |

The Cars in every train on this Railway have their wheels and running gear examinod every trip, at the following Stations:-Niagara and Chippewa.

The Cars are leased. The Company owns no Cars.
(Signed,)
J. C. COLTOR, Lessee.

J. G. Vansittart; Esq., Secretary Railuay C'ommissioners.

## No. 91.-PORT HOPE, LINDSAY AND BEAVERTON RAILWAY.

Rolling Stock.-Number and Condition of Passenger, Freight, and other Cars owned by this Company, on 31st December, 1860.

| DESCRIPTION OF STOCK. | Average weight in pounds. |  |  |  | 安 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| First Class Passenger Curs, with 8 wheels. | 24.000 | 1 | 1 |  | 2 |
| Baggage, Mail, and Express Cars, with S wheels............. | 20,000 | 2 | .......... | $\ldots$ | 2 |
| Box, Freight, and Cattle Cars, with 8 wheels.................. | 16,150 | 15 |  |  | 15 |
| Platform Cars; with 8 wheels..................................... | 14,400 | 42 |  | 5 | 48 |
| Gravel Cars, 4 wheels ............................................ | 10,150 | 15 | 5 | 5 | 25 |
| Hand Cars ......................................... .............. ... |  | 10 |  | - | 10 |

[^16]
No. 92.-COBOURG AND PETERBORO' RAILWAY.-Number, description and condition of Locomotive Engines owned


## No. 91.-PETERBORO BRANCH, PORT HOPE, LINDSAY AND BEAVERTON RAILWAY.

Roling Stock.-Number and condition of Passenger, Freight, and other Cars owned by this Company, on the 31st Dec., 1860.


The Cars in every train on this Rnilmay have their wheels and running gear examined every trip, at the fullowing Station :-.

> Sty, at Port TIope, on leaving.
F. FERGUSON, Manager.
B. R. KIMBALL, Superintendent.

## No. 92.-COBOURG AND PETERBORO' RAILWAY.

Rolling Stock.-Number and condition of Passenger, Freight and other Cars owned by this Company, on the 31st December, 1860.

| $\because:$ DESCRIPTION OF STOCK. | Average weight in pounds. |  |  |  | 号号 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |
| First Class Passenger Cars, with 12 wheels.............. ...... |  |  |  |  |  |
| do do $\frac{8}{\text { do }}$ do ................... | ….. ........ |  | 1 | ............ |  |
| Second Class Passenger Cars, $S$ wheels......................... | ......... .... |  |  | . .......... |  |
| Emigrant Cars, 8 wheels.......................................... | ............... |  |  |  |  |
| Baggage, Mail and Express, S wheels.......................... |  |  | 1 | . |  |
| Box, Freight and Cattle, S wheels |  |  | 8 | 20... | 8 |
| Platform Cars, 8 wheels. |  |  | 30 | 26 | 56 |
| Gravel Cars, 8 wheels. |  |  |  |  |  |
| do 4 do |  | 12 | 2 | 3 | 17 |
| Mand Cars............. |  | 4 |  | .... |  |
| Snow Ploughs-large. |  | .......... | ........... | , |  |

The Cars in every train on this Railway bare their wheels and running gear examined every trip, at the following Station :-Cobourg.

> G. M. GOODEVE, Secretary.
J. G. Vansittart, Esq.,

Secretary Railivay Commissioners.


## No. 93.-BROCKVILLE AND OTTAWA RAILWAY.

Rolling Stock. - Number and condition of Passenger, Freight, and other Cars owned by this Company, on the 31st December, 1860.

| DESCRIPTION OF STOCK. | Average Weight in pounds. |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| First Class Passenger Cars, with S whecls.. | 26,220 |  | 1 |  | 4. |
| Second Class do do | 22,800 | 1 |  |  | 1 |
| Baggage, Mail, and Express do | 24,700 | 2 | .... |  | 2 |
| Box, Freight, and Cattle, 8 wheels.: | 17,770 | 5 |  |  | 5 |
| Platform Cars, 8 whoels.............. | 15,300 | 61. | 9 | 2 | 72 |
| Hand Cars... |  | 9 | 1 |  | 10 |

The Cars in every Train on this Railway bave their Wheels and Running Gear examined every trip, at the following Stations:-

Almonte, Perth, Smith's Falls, and Brockville.
(Signed, A. BROOKS,
Engineer and Acting Superintendent.

No. 94.-OTTAWA AND PRESCOTT RAILWAY.
Rolling Stock.-Number and condition of Passenger, Freight, and other Cars owned by this Company; on the 31st December, 1860.

| DESCRIPTION OF STOCK. | Average weight in Pounds. |  |  |  | 安 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| First Class Passenger Cars, 12 whecls..... |  |  |  |  |  |
| do do 8 wheels.......................... | 16,000 | 2 | 2 | 2 | 6 |
| Second Class do 3 wheels | 16,000 |  |  |  | 1 |
| Emigrant Cars, 8 wheels........................................ | 16,000 |  |  | 1 | 1 |
| Baggage, Mail, and Express, 8 wheels | 14,000 | 2 | . |  | 2 |
| Box, Freight, and Cattle, 8 wheels. | 12,000 | 25 | 22 |  | 47 |
| Platform Cars, 8 wheels........................................ | 11,000 | 25 | 4 | 1 | 30 |
| Gravel Cars, ${ }_{4}$ do wheels............................................................................................. |  |  | 25 |  |  |
| Hand Cars................. | ${ }_{5} 500$ | 6 |  |  |  |
| Snow Ploughs-large............................................. |  |  |  |  |  |

The Cars in every Train on this Railway havo their. Wheels and Ranning Gear examined every trip, at the following Station :-Prescott.

JOHN R. WHITE, Secretary, O. \&P. Railway.
No. 95.-MONTREAL AND CHAMPLAIN RAILWAY.-Number, description and condition of Locomotive Engines owned

## by this Company, on the 31st December, 1860, and Miles run by the same up to that date.



## No. 95.-MONTREAL AND CHAMPLAIN RAILWAY:

## Rolling Stock.-Number and Condition of Passenger, Freight and other Cars owned by this Company, on the 31st December, 1860.

| DESCRIPTION OF STOCK. | Average weight in pounds. |  |  |  | - |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| First Class Passenger Cars, with 12 wheels |  |  |  |  |  |
|  | ............. | 7 | 3 | 1 | 11 |
| Second Class Passenger Cars, 8 wheels........................... |  | 5 |  |  |  |
| Emigrant Cars, 8 wheels............................................... <br> Baggare, Mail and Express, 8 wheels |  | 7 | . | .......... |  |
| Box, Freight and Cattle, 8 wheels ...... | . . . ....... |  |  |  | 93 |
| Platform Cars, 8 wheels.............. |  |  |  |  | 73 |
| Gravel Cars, 8 wheels .......................................... | ............. |  |  | ........... |  |
| $\mathrm{Ha}^{\text {do }}{ }^{\text {d }} 4$ do ...... ................................. |  |  | .......... |  | 30 |
| Snow Ploughs-Large........................................................................... |  |  |  |  | $\therefore 10$ |
|  |  |  |  |  | $\cdots 1$ |

The Cars in evory train on this Railway have their Wheels and Running Gear examined every trip, at the following Stations:-

> St. Lambert, Rouse's Point, Montreal, and Caughnavaga.
> JOHN DODSWORTH,
> Supt. Motive Power, M. o C. Railuay.

## No. 96.-CARILLON AND GRENVILLE RAILWAY.

Rolling Stock.-Number and Condition of Passenger, Freight and other Cars owned by this Company, on the 31st December, 1860.

| DESCRIPTION OF STOCK. | Average weight in pounds. |  |  |  | E: |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| First Class Passenger Cars, 12 wheels. |  |  |  |  |  |
| First Class Passenger Cars, 8 wheels................................ |  | 2 |  |  | 2 |
| Second Class Passenger Cars, 8 wheels........................ |  |  | 3 | A........ | 3 |
| Emigrant Cars, ${ }^{\text {B }}$ wheels........................................ |  |  | 2 |  | 2 |
| Baggage, Mail and Express, S 世heels.......................................... | ................. | . | 2 |  |  |
| Platform Cars, 8 wheels..................................................... |  |  | . 3 |  | - |
| Gravel Cars; 8 wheels................ |  |  |  |  |  |
| Gravel Cars, 4 wheels ........................................ |  | .......... | I |  |  |
| Hand Cars..................................................... |  | . | 1 |  | 1 |
| Snow Ploughs-Large........................................... |  |  |  |  | , |

The Cars in every train on this Railway have their Wheels and Ranning Gear examinedevery trip, at the following Station:-Grenville.
J. F. BARNARD,

Superintendent.
No.


## No. $97 .-S T$. LAWRENCE AND INDUSTRIE RAILWAY.

ROLLING STOCK.-Number and condition of Passenger, Freight and other Cars owned by this Company, on the 31st December, 1860.

| DESCRIPTION OF STOCK. |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| First Class Passenger Cars, 12 Wheels... |  |  |  |  |  |
| 1 do do 4 do ...... | 4500 | 1 |  |  | 1 |
| 3 Second Class Passenger Cars, 4 Wheels.. | 4000 | 3 |  |  | 3 |
| Emigrant Cars, 8 Wheels. |  |  |  |  |  |
| 2 Baggage, Mail, and Express, 4 Wheels.. | -3000 | $\stackrel{2}{1}$ |  |  | 2 |
| 1 Box, Freight, and Cattle, 4 Wheels ...... | 2500 | 1 | ........ |  | 1 |
| 2 Platform Cars, 8 Wheels................... | 11000 | 2 | ......... |  | 2 |
| Gravel Cars, 8 Wheels.. |  |  |  |  |  |
| 12 Gravel Cars, 4 Wheels..................... | 2000 | 12 | ........ |  | 12 |
| 3 Hand Cars............... | 250 | 3 |  |  | 3 |
| Snow Ploughs, Large .......................... |  |  |  |  |  |

The Cars in every train on this Railmay have their Wheels and Running Gear examined every trip, at the following Stations :-At Lanorie, and Industry.
C. J. GOULET, Superintendent.

## No. 98.-STANSTEAD, SHEFFORD AND CHAMBLY RAILWAY.

The three Locomotive Engines, and the Rolling Stock used on this Road, are leased from the Montreal and Champlain Railway Company.

FRAS. PRUYNE.
J. G Vansititart, Esq.,

Secretary Railway Commissioners, Quebec.

## No. 99.-PETERBORO' AND CHEMUNG LAKE RAILWAY.

There are no Locomotive Engines or Rolling Stock owned by this Company, the Road having been used by the Peterboro' Railway Company.
(Signed,) ASA A. BURNHAM,
President P. \& C. L. R. Comp'y.
J. G. Vansittart, Esq.,

Secretary Railway Commissioners.
December 31st, 1860.


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[^1]:    SThe Books were closed immediately after tio occurronce of the great fire in London. This amount was drawn from the Bank in Liverpool, and placed to the credit of the Company in a London Bank, to insure prompt payment to all claimants. The greater portion of the Company'siosa by that fire tras paid bafore the olose of the booke, and the temporary loan from the Bant has since boon repaid.

[^2]:    5th. The amount due and not due to Eanks and other creditors
    nove.
    6th. Losses adjusted and due
    none.
    7th. Losses adjusted and not dite. $\$ 7.75000$
    8th. Losses resisted, -cause, illogal 7.50000
    
    
    Total Liabilities
    \$24,330 00
    (Signed.)
    s. L. LOOMIS,

    Presidemt.

    State of Connecticut, $\}$ ss
    Then Personally appeared S. L. Loomrs, Prosident, and make oath that the above Statement by him subscribed, is true according to his hest knowledge and helief.

    > (Signed, )

    Before me,
    CHARLES C. SHULTAS,
    Juetice of the Poace.

[^3]:    P. M. Partnidge, Superintendent of Wooda cud Fateeners

[^4]:    WILLIAM F. COFFIN,
    Ordnance Land Agent.

[^5]:    $\therefore$ Ryc unfortunately was not som this year in as great puantity as during the past

[^6]:    - Nusc.-Ecomony is affeted by making the crowning oniy six inohes on very dry ground (mbich merely pecricics ground levelling) when the nature of the ground and ofhet circumstances admit of such being marked and provided for in contracting, of where wort is done by a skilful overseer and a
    

[^7]:    "The phrase "azimuth of Polaris;" is used, albeit teehnical, because it conveys a precise ilea to the mind ol a surveror, For the information of others, it may not be amiss to explain that the "azimuth" of a celestial object is the arc of the horizon intercepted between the meridian and a vertical circle passing through the object.

[^8]:    "List of Freights, on the 31st May, 1861."
    "General Statement of Wood Goods imported in to the Enited "Kingdom."
    ${ }^{6}$ Prices of Lumber Free on Board at the different Ports on " the Baltic."
    "Comparative Statement of the increase in the price of Baltic "Timber at the Port of Shipment in proportion to the "reduction of the duties in Great Britain."
    "Importation of Lumber into France."

[^9]:    *The quantities are not fiven, but I have no dombt that the proportion is even greater in favor of the Foreign ship-owner than during the previous three years.

[^10]:    is If in ballast, 50 cents per ton. say 120 francs at most. Lioaded in freight, 1 franc 50 cent. per ton.
    British vessels are on a perfect equality with French vessels when they comedrom British ports in Europe, utucrise they pay the foreign pilotage and tonnage dues; which-wogfor be the formerabout 55 frapcs, and is the latter 744 franes, in addition to the above.

[^11]:    * These 500 quintuln, or thoreabouts, were caught by H. B. Co's. servants, and used as winter-food.

[^12]:    Bu'maz's Orvicm, Toronto, 31 st Decomber, 1880.

[^13]:    Septambor, 1861. The first sum includes interest on Capital Account, \&c.

[^14]:    Signed and declared before me, at the Village of Fort Erie, in the county of Welland, this Twelfth day of January, 1860

[^15]:    The Cary in every train on this Railway havo their wheels and running gear examined every trip, at the following Stations :-

    Suspension Bridge (Niagara Falls), Hamilton, Paris, Jondon, Windsor, Galt, Guelph, Tonronto, and Sarnia.

[^16]:    The Cars in every train on this Railway have their wheels and running gear examined every trip, at the following Stations:-

    Port Jope und Lindsay.
    A. T. WILLIAMS,

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