

CHICAGO, MILWAUKEE AND ST. PAUL

CHICAGO, March 17.—The twentieth annual report of the Chicago, Milwaukee and St. Paul Railway Company, for the year ending Dec. 31, 1883, shows gross earnings of \$23,659,823; gross expenses, \$13,778,037; net earnings, \$9,881,785; increase in gross earnings, \$3,273,097; increase in operating expenses, \$1,591,964; increase in net earnings, 1,681,132. The income account shows a surplus of \$5,079,079. The total common stock at the end of the year was \$30,094,231; preferred stock, \$16,540,983; bonded debt, \$96,272,000; increase, \$6,636,500; total capitalization stock and bonds, \$143,717,244, for 4,760 miles of road, being at the rate of \$30,192 per mile.

The purchase of locomotives and cars for the year amounted to \$679,631; additional equipment on shops, \$185,776; total, \$865,407. In addition to this the expenditures on account of new shops, stations, side tracks, &c., were \$1,624,132. During the year 420 miles of steel rails have been laid, 21½ miles being on the new road constructed in Dakota. During 1883 over 12,000,000 acres of land were taken up by settlers for cultivation. The report shows that the general condition of the company's property was never better than now, the road-bed, track, and rolling stock being in excellent order, while the equipment is not surpassed by that of any road in the country.

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