THE ILLUSTRATED LONDON ALMANACK FOR 1883.

SUMMARY of RETURN SHOWING the POPULATION in 1871 and 1881; NUMBER of ELECTORS, NUMBER of MEMBERS; TOTAL AMOUNT of PROPERTY and INCOME TAX; and the AMOUNT of DUTY Charged on the Inhabited Houses for the Year ending 1880.

Counties and Boroughs,	Гори	lation.	Number	of Electors.	Number of Mem- bers,	Area in Square Miles.	Total Sum	Total Sum	Amount of Duty charged on Inhabited Houses for the Year
	1871.	1881.	1871.	1881.		- Paris Militar	MISCOULT.	Chargeu.	April 5, 188
ENGLAND: Counties Boroughs (including Universities)	11,270,415 10,224,711	12,822,302 11,779,016	743,739 1,209,505	862,963 1,536,407	172 287	48,043 2,845½	£ 171,427,640 246,795,861	£ 2,505,705 4,592,163	£ 589,32 1,106,78
Total, England	21,495,126	24,601,318	1,953,244	2,399,370	459	50,8883	418,223,601	7,097,868	1,696,10
WALES: Counties Boroughs	789,428 425,286	876,191 482,767	60,555 51,735	69,897 68,543	15 15	7,075 296 ³	9,413,549 5,188,298	114,666 92,258	13,95 19,00
Total, Wales	1,214,714	1,358,958	112,290	138,440	30	7,3713	14,631,847	206,924	32,95
Public Offices	*** ***			***	***	***	13,982,534	249,214	-
Total, England Wales }	22,709,840	25,96),276	2,065,534	2,537,810	489	58,260}	446,837,982	7,554,006	1,729,06
COTLAND: Counties Burghs (including Universities) Public Offices	1,873,078 1,479,391 	2,080,243 1,647,881 	79,750 180,324	96,570 213,648	32 28	30,485 110 ³ 	25,556,314 29,226,022 291,575	341,222 520,559 5,695	49,10 66,99
Total, Scotland	3,352,469	3,728,124	260,074	310,218	60	. 30,5953	55,073,911	867,476	116,100
RELAND: Counties Boroughs (including) Dublin University) Public Offices	4,546,021 866,356 	4,258,385 901,454 	175,149 51,534	168,217 61,244	64 39	32,238 303‡	23,266,860 10,955,370 896,252	280,803 200,196 15,473	
Total, Ireland	5,412,377	5,159,839	226,683	229,461	103	32,541}	35,118,482	496,472	-
Total, United Kingdom	31,474,686	34,848,239	2,552,291	3,077,489	652	121,3971	537,030,375	8,917,951	1,845,17

THE RAILWAYS OF THE UNITED KINGDOM.

The enormous growth of the Railway system in the United Kingdom will be realised on a comparison of the Parliamentary abstract of returns for a number of years. In the following Table the total Length, Capital, Passengers conveyed, Receipts, and Working Expenses are given. To this is appended the gross amount of profits assessed to the Income Tax.

	Length of Lines open at the End	Total Capital Paid up (Shares, Loans, &c.) at the	Number of Passen (exclud Season-Ticket	ing	Tot of Traffic Re		Total of Working	Net Traffic Receipts of Passengers and	
of each Year.	End of each Year.	Total.	Per Mile.	Total.	Per Mile.	Expenses.	Goods.		
1867 1869 1870 1871 1872 1873 1874 1875 1876 1877 1878 1879 1880 1881	Miles. 14,247 15,145‡ 15,537‡ 15,5376 15,814 16,082 16,449 16,658 16,872 17,077 17,333 17,696 17,933 18,180	£ 502,262,887 518,779,761 529,908,673 552,680,107 569,047,346 588,320,308 609,895,931 630,223,494 658,214,776 674,054,048 608,545,154 717.003,463 728,316,648 745,519,000	No. 287,688,118 312,631,812 336,545,397 375,220,754 422,874,822 455,320,188 477,840,411 506,975,234 534 494,069 549,541,325 565,024,455 562,732,890 603,885,025 622,423,000	No. 20,193 20,643 21,661 24,403 26,741 25,312 29,050 30,434 31,679 32,180 32,588 31,800 33,675 34,224	£ 39,479,999 41,075,321 43,417,070 47,107,558 51,304,114 55,675,421 56,899,498 58,982,753 59,917,868 60,644,057 60,454,375 59,395,282 62,991,767 63,873,000	£ 2,771 2,712 2,719 3,064 3,462 3,459 3,541 3,551 3,551 3,488 3,356 3,411 3,512	£ 19,848,652 20,780,078 21,715,525 23,152,860 26,293,304 30,752,848 32,612,712 33,220,728 33,535,509 33,198,368 32,045,273 33,601,124 34,563,000	£ 19,631,047 21,915,849 23,362,618 25,739,920 26,957,870 26,989,152 26,643,003 28,016,272 28,680,266 29,115,350 29,731,430 31,590,601 31,828,600	

^{*} Returns for the year 1868 incomplete and not made up.

⁺ Exclusive of the receipts from steam-boats, rents, and other miscellaneous sources not ascertained before 1869, in which year these receipts amounted to £1,620,606, in 1870 to £1,661,073, in 1871 to £1,785 222, in 1872 to £1,931,396, in 1873 to £2,066,579, in 1874 to £2,356,217, in 1875 to £2,254,247, in 1876 to £2,297,907, in 1877 to £2,329,271, in 1878 to £2,408,299, in 1879 to £2,381,421, in 1880 to £2,529,858, and in 1881 to £2,544,000.

† Length of line constructed returned for these years.

Inclusive of expenses and net receipts for steam-boats and other miscellaneous items from 1869.

The following Companies are not included, as they made no return as required by Parliament; and, in consequence, legal proceedings were ordered to be taken against them:—Dover and Deal, St. Austell and Pentewar, Scuthsea, Clonakilty Extension, Cork and Kenmare, and Donegal Extension.

THE ILLUSTRATED LONDON ALMANACK FOR 1883.

THE RAILWAY EXTENSION OF THE UNITED STATES.

STATES.

The extension of the railway system in the United States in 1881 has been greater than in any previous year. During the year 1881 9358 miles of railway have been built. The cost, at 25,000 dols. per mile, is reckoned at 233,950,000 dols.; expended on lines in progress, 75,000,000 dols.; expended on old lines, 100,000,000 dols. — total, 468,950,000 dols. It is expected that the mileage to be opened in 1882 will equal that of 1881. Up to June 1, 1882, 3677 miles of line were opened, against 1734 for the same period of 1881. Although this increase will not continue, it is likely that the mileage opened this year will not fall short of 10,000 miles. The railway mileage rose from 52,914 miles in 1870 to 104,813 miles in 1881. At a similar rate, the mileage in 1890 will exceed 200,000 miles. The earnings of all the lines in operation during the past year equalled 725,325,119 dols, an increase over the previous year of 10,000,000 dols, or nearly 16 per cent. The earnings equalled 13 dols. 60c. per head of the population. The current expenses were 449,565,071 dols,, and the amount of interest paid on funded debt was 128,887,002 dols.; the amount of dividends paid was 93,344,200 dols., against 77,115,411 dols. for 1890. The cost of working the lines was 449,565,071 dols,, or 62 per cent of the gross earnings. The number of persons employed in working them averaged 12 to the mile, or 1,200,000 in all. The number employed in construction was 400,000, making a total of 1,600,000, or about 1-32nd part of the population (53,200,000). The amount of tonnage transported is estimated at 3500 tons per mile, or 350,000,000 tons, which, at an assumed value of 50 dols, per head of the population. The following is a statement of the number of miles worked, capital stock, and funded debt, and dividends paid for ten years:—

Years.	Miles - Worked.	*Capital and Funded Debt.	Dividends Paid			
District of		Dols.	Dols.			
1881	94,486	5,010,389,579	93,344,200			
1880	84,225	4,897,401,997	77,115,411			
1879	82,223	4,762,506,910	61,681,470			
1878	78,960	4,589,948,793	53,629,368			
1877	74.112	4,568,597,248	48,556,312			
1876	75,508	4,468,591,935	63,039,668			
1875	71,759	4,415,631,630	74,294,208			
1874	69,273	4,221,763,594	67,042,942			
1873	66,237	3,784,543,034	67,120,709			
1872	57,323	3,159,423,057	64,418,157			

The great increase in foreign commerce is due almost wholly to the increased export of provisions and breadstuffs produced in that portion

of the country in which railroads have had their widest and most rapid

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The following table shows the extent to which the production of wheat and corn increases along with the extension of the railway system in the corn-growing States therein mentioned. The facilities for transport at once had this effect, for it is said that wheat will not bear transportation over ordinary roads more than 250 miles, and corn cannot be carried more than 150 miles over earth roads. 150 miles over earth roads:

Sta	tes.		Area.	Popu	Miles of Railroad.			
				1870.	1880.	1870.	1880.	
Ohio			39,964	2,665,260	3,197,794	3,538	5,192	
Michigan		***	56,451	1,185,859	1,634,096	1,668	3,931	
Indiana			33,809	1,680,637	1,878,358	3,177	4,454	
Illinois	***	***	55,410	2,539,891	3,078,636	4,823	8,163	
Wisconsin	1000	2000	53,924	1,054,670	1,315,376	1,525	3,130	
Minnesota	***	***	83,516	439,526	780,807	1,092	3,107	
Dakota Te	rritor	y	150,922	14,181	134,502	56	1,265	
Iowa		444	55,645	1,194,020	1,624,463	2,683	5,235	
Nebraska		444	75,995	122,993	452,432	705	2,000	
Missouri		***	65,350	1,721,295	2,169,091	2,000	4,011	
Kansas			81,318	364,399	995,335	1,501	3,439	
Total	***		752,304			22,768	43,947	

Stat	es.		Earnings o	f Railroad.	Number of Bushels of Wheat and Corn Produced.				
			1870.	1880.	1870.	1880.			
Ohio Michigan Indiana Illinois Wisconsin Minnesota Dakota Ter Iowa Nebraska Missouri Kansas	ritor	7	Dols. 42,331,733 7,900,382 19,080,240 42,095,227 7,618,985 1,941,716 5,581,456 8,075,227 12,865,734 5,048,610	Dols. 63,314,749 19,297,775 31,813,948 71,289,545 15,482,630 9,353,889 	95,383,303 30,086,238 78,841,760 160,048,799 40,640,342 23,609,340 240,802 98,674,559 6,861,746 80,350,007 19,416,723	158,695,925 72,381,326 164,410,909 378,933,350 60,876,144 46,605,401 5,096,443 312,366,968 79,632,316 228,436,347 91,301,970			

BIRTHS AND DEATHS OF GREATER LONDON.

POPULATION: BIRTHS AND DEATHS IN GREATER LONDON (THE METROPOLITAN AND CITY POLICE DISTRICTS) DURING THE FIFTY-TWO WEEKS ENDING DEC. 31, 1881.

10 10 10	Annual Rate						The Deaths Registered in the 52 Weeks include										
PER ST F	Estimated	Estimated per 1000 living.			Total	Total	Deat	Deaths from							ublic ons.		
	Population, Middle of 1881.	Births.	Deaths.	Seven Zymotic Diseases,	Births.	Deaths	Infants under One Year of Age,	Persons aged 60 Years and upwards.	Smallpox.	Measles,	Scarlet Fever.	Diphtheria.	Whooping-	Fever	Diarrhora.	Deaths in Publi Institutions.	
GREATER / LONDON /	4,791,856	34.6	20.3	3 3	165,245	96,772	23,418	20,806	2588	2776	2534	808	2235	1401	3577	18,639	
Inner London Outer Ring	3,831,710 960,137	31·7 34·1	21·2 16·4	3·6 2·2	132,674 32,571	'81,071 45,701	19,975 3,843	19,905 3,901	2371 217	2583 243	2108 426	654 154	1961 274	1196 205	2988 589	16,847 1,792	

POLICE EXPENDITURE IN ENGLAND AND WALES.

The Comparative Summary of Total Expenditure was as follows:-

	1874-5		5.		1875-6.		1876-7.		1877-8.	1878-9.	Total or Approximate Amount Expended in Building Stations and Lock-up Houses from 1852 to 1879, both inclusive.	
England and Wales:		£	8.	d.	£	s.	đ.	£	s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£
Counties	***	961,234	19	8	1,000,246	3	1	1,084,143	0 2	1,067,220 7 3	1,082,606 4 8	1,134,792
Boroughs	+++	747,140	2	6	747,351	13	0	757,114	4 10	790,139 16 11	805,337 10 7	488,675
Metropolian Police District	***	1,048,700	16	5	1,071,487	5	9	1,077,399	7 2	1,088,230 11 0	1,137,881 13 7	331,120
London (City)	***	83,931	11	4	84,879	9	8	85,231	0 6	92,282 19 2	88,670 2 9	41,177
Total	***	£2,785,010	9	11	£2,903,964	11	6	2,954,887	12 8	3,037,873 14 4	3,114,445 11 7	1,995,764