

the coast line between Shatin and Taipo and were commenced in November. One new locomotive and six new coaches were supplied to the Fanling Branch.

The Working Expenses amounted to \$274,366.39 and when compared with Gross Receipts show a slight increase, the percentage for the previous year being 73.68 while for 1914 it was 75.25; this is mainly due to an unforeseen rise in the price of coal.

The Revenue derived from Local Traffic amounted to \$131,381.42 being \$2,174.94 more than in 1913 and the Earnings of Through and Joint Sectional Traffic amounted to \$225,736.61 which exceeded those of the previous year by \$28,222.02, while the Fanling Branch Earnings amounted to \$7,490.29 or \$578.04 more than the previous year. The excess of Earnings over Expenditure for 1914 was \$90,241.93 against \$87,824.74 for 1913.

The Expenditure on the Fanling Branch during the year amounted to \$14,991.24 or \$1,618.24 over the estimate of \$13,373, due chiefly to the repairs to washouts which occurred in July.

	1913.	1914.
Passengers booked by British Section to Stations in China,	250,437	277,512
Passengers booked by Chinese Section to Stations on the British Section, ...	296,614	353,722
Passengers travelling on the British Sec- tion, Main Line,	230,339	245,527
Passengers travelling on the British Sec- tion, Fanling Branch,	47,119	48,997

VI.—GOVERNMENT AND AIDED INSTITUTIONS.

(a.)—HOSPITALS.

Government Hospitals consist of the Civil Hospital, to which is attached an isolated Maternity Hospital, the Victoria Hospital for Women and Children, and the Kennedy Town Infectious Diseases Hospital. There is an Observation Station capable of accommodating 1,500 persons in the event of an outbreak of infectious disease on board a ship arriving in the Harbour.

The Civil Hospital contains 150 beds in 19 wards. 2,742 in-patients and 13,828 out-patients were treated during 1914 as against 2,793 and 13,778 respectively in 1913. 324 cases of malarial fever were admitted as against 254 in 1913 and 198 in 1912. But the total cases of malaria for all Government Hospitals and the Tung Wa Hospital shows an increase of 59 cases as compared with the year 1913. The Maternity Hospital contains 12