

EIGHTH ANNUAL REPORT OF THE BOSTON AND PROVIDENCE RAILROAD CORPORATION.

To the Honorable Legislature of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts:

The directors of the Boston and Providence railroad corporation do hereby make their eighth annual report of their acts and doings, receipts and expenditures, as required by law.

During the past year they have settled their controversy with the Boston Water Power Company, and have also, under the authority given them by the act of the legislature of the tenth of April last, purchased of the Seekonk branch railroad company, their entire road, with its appurtenances, and all the rights, privileges and franchise to them belonging, and have filed in the secretary of State's office a duplicate of the deed or contract of sale.

They have also erected a large brick store house at the Boston depot, for the accommodation of the Taunton and Dedham branches, and have filled up a large piece of flats, and secured the same from the tides by a substantial stone wall. They have enlarged the machine shop, and erected an additional wood shed and a passenger house in Roxbury. They have also completed the second track to Roxbury, and have incurred a heavy expense in widening the road in various places, and in making drains and bank walls.

The whole amount of the capital of the corporation paid in, is 1,782,000 00

The whole amount of their expenditures the past year is as follows :

For the purchase of the road and franchise of the Seekonk branch company, including their cars,	31,955 70
For construction of the main road, including sums paid for land and damages, erection of buildings, amount paid to Boston Water Power Company, completion of second track to Roxbury, and other permanent improvements,	\$62,424 67
For repairs of road,	8,604 28
" repairs of engines and cars,	19,466 99
" amount paid to the Rhode Island railroad company, for the lease of their road, bridge, and depot, under contract sanctioned by the legislature of this Commonwealth,	6,468 10
For fuel, oil, salaries, wages, and all other miscellaneous expenses,	65,491 74
	<u>\$194,411 48</u>

The amount received during the past year, is :

For transportation of passengers,	234,237 42
" transportation of merchandize,	72,939 11
" transportation of mail,	3,000 00
" interest,	\$3,495 74
From which deduct the balance of interest against the company at the beginning of the year,	661 08

Leaves the present balance of interest account in favor of the company, 2,834 66

For rents, 896 25

\$313,907 44

The amount divided the past year, is 142,560 00
being in two dividends.

The first dividend was declared in Janurry, and the second in July last,