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REPORT OF
THE FEDERAL DISTRICT COMMISSION
for the fiscal year
ended
March 31st, 1927

Report of THE FEDERAL DISTRICT COMMISSION

for the Fiscal Year ended 31st March 1927

The Honourable J. A. Robb,
Minister of Finance.

The Federal District Commission, successors to the Ottawa Improvement Commission, as required by the Statute 17 George V, Chapter 55, sections 15-16, has the honour to submit the following report for the fiscal year ended March 31st, 1927.

The gross revenue at the Commission's disposal during the year was \$ 161,988.34 derived from the following sources:

Balance carried from Previous year	\$ 3,392.47
Government Grant to March 31st, 1927	150,000.00 \
Work for Federal Government Departments	3,928.61
Corporation of Ottawa	293.31
Rockcliffe Village	1,114.46
Sundry Accounts	2,642.89
Miscellaneous items	485.00
Interest on Savings Account	<u>131.60 \</u>
	\$ 161,988.34
	<u>51,922.27</u>
	110,066.07

The expenditure during the same period amounted to the sum of \$ 158,875.21, the details of which are covered in a report from the officials of the Commission which is appended hereto. Included in this expenditure is the sum of \$ 8,464.31 which represents the cost of work done for the Government of Canada and other parties. This amount has been paid to the Commission by the parties for whom the work was performed and is shown in the table of revenue above.

On Maintenance, including the cost of administration, there was expended the sum of \$ 98,388.63 and on new work \$ 60,486.58, including \$ 8,464.31, leaving a balance of \$ 3,113.13 to be carried to 1927-28.

The expenditure may thus be summarized as follows:

New Work	\$ 52,022.27	
Work for Federal Govt. and others, refunded	<u>8,464.31</u>	\$ 60,486.58
Maintenance, stock, administration, etc.		<u>98,388.63</u>
Total		\$ 158,875.21

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During the year the bridge at Remic Rapids was completed
Cote Island, as well as the Viaduct on Cunningham Island, connecting
two sections of the bridge. A tool-house and comfort stations
were installed beneath the viaduct. The islands were underbrushed
and artificial stone stairs were built from the bridge to the ground
level. Part of the Island Park Driveway was lighted and some work
was done out at the junction of Cathcart and Rose Streets, and also
at Lakeside Avenue.

After serving for many years as a member and Chairman
of the Commission, Mr. J. B. Fraser tendered his resignation to the
Government which was regretfully accepted and Mr. Thomas Ahearn
was offered and accepted the position of Chairman.

This report covers the final work of the Ottawa
Improvement Commission which about the beginning of the current fiscal
year was merged into The Federal District Commission by Chap. 55 of
the Statutes of Canada 17 George V. 1927.

Labour cost was the same as the previous year and but
slight variation was shown in the cost of materials.

All of which is respectfully submitted,

Your obedient servants,

Sgd. T. Ahearn

Chairman

Sgd W. E. O'Meara

Secretary.

Ottawa, October 1st, 1927

To the Chairman
and Members of the
Ottawa Improvement Commission.

Gentlemen :-

We beg herewith to submit for your consideration the following report upon the work of the Ottawa Improvement Commission during the fiscal year terminated on the 31st March 1927, under the following headings, namely

1. Statement in detail of the expenditure upon new work.
2. Statement in detail of the cost of maintenance of the various Parks and Driveways for the year.
3. Statement in detail of all other expenditures.
4. Statement in detail of the number, variety and location of bedding plants planted during the year.

All of which we beg respectfully to submit

Your obedient servants

Sgd Alex Stuart

Superintendent O.I.C. & F.D.C.

Sgd W. E. O'Heara

Secretary O.I.C. & F.D.C.

THE OTTAWA IMPROVEMENT COMMISSION

REPORT OF

A. Stuart
Superintendent &

W. E. O'Meara
Secretary

For the year ended

31st. March 1927.

STATEMENT "A"
Being a statement in detail
of the expenditure on
NEW WORK
During the fiscal year
ended
31st March, 1927.

1. Henry Rapids Bridges, building viaduct, sidewalks, walks, etc.
2. King Edward Avenue, building new park at junction of King Edward Avenue and Cumberland Street
3. Vincent and Rose streets, extension of
4. Lakeside Avenue, grading and sodding
5. Mount Park Driveway, laying cable for lighting
6. Sewer Works

Remic Rapids Bridges

During the year a viaduct was built between Cunningham and Bate Island
 contain a tool house and comfort station. Built retaining wall and
 level roadway approach to bridges, also finished sidewalks and floors
 bridges; built concrete stairs from bridge to Riobelle Island &c.

The cost of this work was \$ 25,262.74 detailed as follows :

Labour and cartage		\$ 10,526.81
Hardware, supplies,	Builder Sales	365.51
	A. Workman & Co.	919.44
	E.N. & W.E. Soper	55.42
	Ottawa Fireproof Supply	13.50
	Crane Ltd.	.95
	Can. General Supply	274.13
	F. Lake Mnfg. Co.	87.50
Steel	Dominion Bridge Co.	8,790.62
	Campbell Steel & Iron	406.00
Harvia	Barrett Co.	320.00
Freight	Can. Pacific Ry. Co	31.00
Lumber	Lough & Morris	54.00
Coal	J. A. Barrett	65.99
Stone & Cement	R.R. Foster	999.45
	H. Dupuis & Son	2,071.17
Gravel	H. Edey	<u>281.25</u>
		\$ 25,262.74
Steel superstructure	Dominion Bridge Co	20,000.00

King Edward Avenue Park Extension

This park at the junction of King Edward Ave. & Cumberland
 Street was completed; the work included the building of walks
 sodding, water service, lighting &c. &c.

The cost of this work was \$ 3,795.66 detailed as follows:

Labour and cartage		\$ 2,828.83
Plumbing	Erskine Smith Co.	29.70
Hardware	Builders Sales	55.69
supplies	S. Kirby Co.	27.00
Stone	R. R. Foster	549.94
Sand & cement	H. Dupuis & Son	150.00
Harvia	Hamilton Tar Products	<u>154.50</u>

\$ 3,795.66 ✓ .

Island Park Driveway

This expenditure of \$ 996.65 was for the lighting of
 Part of this driveway, details as following:

Labour		\$ 107.56
Cable	Northern Electric Co.	864.09
Hardware	Builders Sales	<u>25.00</u>

\$ 996.65 ✓ .

Lakeside Avenue

The work covered by the expenditure of \$ 1,108.87 consisted of cutting, sloping and sodding the sides of this Avenue from Bronson Ave. To Dow's Lake, also of some repairs to road.

Labour and cartage		\$ 944.46
Stone	R.R. Foster	102.59
Sods	Hampton Park	<u>61.82</u>
		\$1,108.87 ✓

City Streets

During the year some work was done for different Government Departments, Municipal bodies and on other properties contiguous to Driveways at a cost of \$ 8,464.31 which was refunded to the Commission at the end of the fiscal year. The expenditure is detailed as follows:

Labour and cartage		\$ 5,511.12
Hardware	Builders Sales	14.57
supplies	Victoria Foundry	223.88
	Campbell Steel & Iron Co.	19.47
Cement & sand	H. Dupuis & Son	504.48
	Charette Freres	17.00
Stone	R.R. Foster	532.02
	Wright & Co.	69.07
Barvia	Barrett Co.	804.36
	Hamilton Tar Products	362.30
Coal	Butterworth Co.	256.96
	J. A. Barrett	46.05
Lumber	McAuliffe Davis Lum. Co.	4.88
	Mayno Davis Lum. Co.	2.95
Shrubs &c.	Miller House Co.	42.50
	W. Tubman	28.50
	Sylvester	20.00
	Graham Bros.	<u>4.20</u>
		\$ 8,464.31

Cathcart and Rose St. Extension

The dead ends of both these streets were extended as far as the Rideau river and connected with King Edward Avenue Park at an expenditure of \$ 858.35 detailed as follows:

Labour and cartage		\$ 789.38
Hardware	Builders Sales	12.47
Stone	R.R. Foster	47.70
Sods	Hampton Park	<u>8.80</u>
		\$ 858.35 ✓

S T A T E M E N T "B"

**Being a statement in detail
of the expenditure on**

MAINTENANCE

of the

Various Parks and Driveways

and the Green Houses

during the fiscal year

ended

31st. March 1927,

The ordinary maintenance consists of the keeping of roadways, walks, paths &c., clear of mud and refuse; cutting and watering grass on boulevards, slopes &c; caring for and trimming trees and shrubs in Spring and Autumn, and the cost of materials, tools and machinery. Extraordinary maintenance consists of the cost or renewal of roadways, walks, curbs, gutters, water services and repairs to bridges, crib work, iron fences, &c.

	<u>Bideau Canal Driveway</u>	Appropriation \$ 24,825.00
	Labour and cartage	\$ 18,481.78
Rent	Rent. Rys & Canals	2.00
Hardware	Builders Sales	66.45
	Gray Harvey Co.	75.60
Supplies	Sterling Products	50.00
&c.	R.R. Foster	63.52
	Graham Bros.	11.25
	Gutta Percha & Rubber	155.23
	Lough & Morris	60.00
	McAuliffe Grimes Lumber Co.	20.67
Tarvia	Barrett Co	664.28
	Hamilton Tar Products	404.94
Light	Ottawa Electric Co.	4.00
Freight	Can. Pacific Ry.	12.00
Supplies	H. Dupuis & Fils	420.35
	Total	\$ 20,492.07

Central Park APPROPRIATION \$ 5,152.00

	Labour and Cartage	\$ 4,990.25
Supplies	Builders Sales	36.80
	Gray Harvey Co.	75.60
	Graham Bros	33.75
	Vetchum Co.	5.40
Repairs	R.C. Gaitens & Sons	10.20
		<u>\$ 5,152.00</u>

Clemow & Monkland Aves. APPROPRIATION \$ 2,838.00

	Labour and Cartage	\$ 2,207.62
Supplies	Builders Sales	35.00
&	Dupuis & Fils	207.31
Tarvia	Barret Co.	100.00
	Hamilton Tar Products	277.07
Freight	Can. Pacific Ry. Co.	11.00
		<u>\$ 2,838.00</u>

Minto Bridges APPROPRIATION \$ 500.00

	Labour and Cartage	\$ 369.00
Supplies	Builders Sales	11.00
Light	Ottawa Electric Co.	120.00
		<u>\$ 500.00</u>

CONVENT ST. PARK

APPROPRIATION

\$ 676.00

Supplies	Builders Sales	\$ 40.82
	Labour and Cartage	<u>635.18</u>
		\$ 676.00

Bronson Park

APPROPRIATION

\$ 676.00

Supplies	Labour and Cartage	\$ 636.56
Repairs	Builders Sales	27.86
	Corporation of Ottawa	<u>17.58</u>
		\$ 676.00

STRATHCONA PARK

APPROPRIATION

3,707.00

Supplies	Labour and Cartage	\$3,590.17
&	Builders Sales	52.31
Pervia	Gray Harvey Co.	9.70
Freight	Barrett Co.	34.79
	Can Pacific Ry.	<u>4.48</u>
		\$3,707.00

Macdonald Gardens

Appropriation

3,400.00

Supplies	Labour and Cartage	3,214.90
	Builders Sales	30.16
	Gray Harvey Co.	28.35
	Graham Bros.	33.45
	Gutta Percha & Rubber Co.	<u>93.14</u>
		3,400.00

King Edward Avenue & Park

Appropriation

5,350.00

Supplies	Labour and cartage	4,528.25
	Builders Sales	31.08
	Gray Harvey Co.	28.35
Pervia	Barrett Co.	471.47
Sand	H. Dupuis & Fils	243.47
	Charette Freres	13.60
Freight	Can. Pacific Ru.	11.00
Per	Hamilton Tar Products	21.31
Cart	Can. Pacific Ry.	<u>1.00</u>
		\$5,350.00

LADY GREY DRIVE & NEPEAN POINT

APPROPRIATION 35,075.00

	Labour and Cartage	\$ 4,098.01
Supplies	Builders Sales	37.23
	Gray Harvey Co.	28.35
Paint	Ottawa Electric Co.	337.52
Paint	Barrett Co.	388.13
Paint	Can. Pacific Ry.	11.00
Paint	E. Dupuis & Filas	10.11
	R. R. Foster	65.68
Paint	McKinley Northwood	7.70
	H. Waitens & Sons	4.25
	Incorporation City	25.81
Supplies	Northern Electric Co.	49.34
	Merling Products Co.	12.70
Paint	Can. Pacific Ry.	5.17
		<u>\$ 5,075.00</u>

ROCKCLIFFE PARK

APPROPRIATION 19,100.00

	Labour and Cartage	\$ 7,362.54
Paint	Ottawa Electric Co.	194.22
Paint	Barrett Co.	721.98
	Hamilton Tar Products	42.63
Supplies	Builders Sales	54.25
	Gray Harvey Co.	28.35
Paint	Can. Pacific Ry.	12.00
Paint	E. Dupuis & Filas	380.12
	Marquette Freres	47.60
Stone	R. R. Foster	191.19
Supplies	Stone Ltd.	18.43
Paint	McKinley Northwood	46.09
		<u>\$ 9,100.00</u>

NATIONAL PARK

APPROPRIATION 16,500.00

Supplies	Labour and Cartage	\$ 5,699.84
	Builders Sales	40.00
Paint	Ottawa Paint Works	19.62
Paint	Barrett Co.	471.94
Stone	Marquette Freres	132.60
Paint	R. R. Foster	133.00
	Can. Pacific	10.00
		<u>\$ 6,500.00</u>

ISLAND PARK DRIVEWAY

APPROPRIATION

\$ 5,351.00

	Labour and Cartage	\$ 4,441.96
Wag	Can. Pacific Ry.	309.48
maint.	Can. National Ry.	270.84
Supplies	Builders Sales	34.91
	Graham Bros.	29.25
Tarvia	Barrett Co.	100.00
	Hamilton Tar Products	85.25
Freight	Can. Pacific Ry.	11.00
		<u>\$ 5,282.69</u>

GREEN HOUSES

APPROPRIATION

\$ 7,350.00

	Labour and Cartage	\$ 4,625.24
Light	Ottawa Electric Co.	14.00
Coal	Butterworth Co.	758.25
	J.A. Barrett	1,126.89
Supplies	Builders Sales	46.60
	Graham Bros.	287.91
	Gutta Percha & Rubber	31.25
	Ottawa Dairy	28.15
Lumber	Lough & Morris	60.75
Supplies	Ottawa Fireproof Supply	2.00
Repairs	R. Gaitens & Sons	9.70
Supplies	Sterling Products	50.00
	H. A. Dree	9.22
	Fuel & Lubrication	20.37
Duty	Dent. of Customs	2.21
		<u>\$ 7,072.52</u>

S T A T E M E N T "C"

**Being a statement in detail
of the expenditure on
Machinery, Rolling Stock, Road Machinery &c.,
Contingencies, Printing & Office expenses
Interest and Office Staff
during the fiscal year
ended
31st. March 1927.**

**Being all expenditures not properly chargeable to any
particular appropriation**

Contingencies, printing, advertising and office expenses

Stationery	J. Hone & Sons	\$ 85.30	
Stationery	Ponham Co.	27.65	
	Instruments Ltd.	14.00	
Printing	Modern Press	90.16	
	Dominion Loose Leaf Print Co.	13.13	
	Photographs Ltd.	1.00	
	Dept. Public Printing	2.50	\$ 233.74
Office rent	Fraser Co.	1,000.00	
and	J. Ing	45.30	
office	Bell Telephone Co.	140.29	
services	Night Directories	12.60	
	Royal Typewriter	1.00	
	Pritchard Andrews Co.	4.10	
	Crabtree Co.	13.83	
	Ottawa Electric Commission	7.59	
Revenue stamps	Dept. of Excise	82.00	
Transportation	Ottawa Electric Ry. Co.	350.00	1,656.71
Police	Slater Shoe	34.00	
Supplies	Garland son & Co.	87.42	
	Devlin Co.	40.50	
	C. Wilder	9.00	
Professional	H. Carson Co.	15.68	186.60
services	J. B. Lewis	332.00	
	Dr. Irigett	28.00	
	Murphy, Fisher	100.00	460.00
Supplies	S. Short	50.00	
xxxxxxx	H. H. Petch Col	5.15	
	Grant Holden Graham	36.23	
	Fuel & Lubrication Ltd.	402.14	
	H. A. Dreer	.50	
	Hygiene Co.	12.95	
	Ottawa Electric Co.	440.60	
	Ottawa Percha Co.	87.89	
	Ottawa Paint Works	104.14	
	Builders Sales	378.44	
	Andy Co.	27.30	
	E. M. Shearn	1.75	
	Mayno Davis L. Col	296.74	
	Imperial Oil Co.	1,519.78	
	Grey Harvey Co.	166.51	
	A. Workman Co.	16.48	
	Ottawa Fireproof Supply Co.	45.90	
	Northern Electric Co.	645.07	
	Maxwell's Ltd.	145.87	
	A. Couvrette	10.00	
	Mott's Ltd.	8.01	
	E. Smith and Son	86.07	
	J. A. Barrett	129.13	
	Crane Ltd.	2.85	
	H. Dupuis & Fils	274.50	
	Jamieson & Co.	195.31	
	Miller House Co.	40.00	
	Lough & Morris	794.28	
	Barrett Co.	1,009.92	
	Duford's Ltd.	4.15	
	Fraser Co.	15.00	
	Provost & Allard	4.75	6,957.41
Trt	Ottawa Transportation Co.	.60	
	Can. Pacific Ry. Co.	150.68	
	Can. National Railways	.80	152.08
			9,646.54

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Brought Over

\$ 9,646.54

Services and repair parts	Capital Motors	\$ 372.12	
	McDonald Tire Shop	927.34	
	C.C.B. Electric Shop	17.65	
	Battery & Ignition Co.	89.30	
	General Electric Co.	29.44	
	Clarke & Co.	51.00	
	Campbell Motor Sales	435.00	
	Garrloch Godard Co.	17.65	
	T. St. Jacques	9.50	
	Ottawa Motors	205.20	
	Rideau Battery Service	62.90	
	Dufour Sons & Co.	12.00	
	H. L. Byles	83.63	
	Imperial Auto Top Co.	24.00	
	Geo. Bourne	31.80	
	Stewart & Hoey	9.55	
	C. E. Howe	26.35	
	Reliable Radiator Co.	11.00	
	Victoria Foundry Co.	257.11	2,415.83
	McMullen Perkins Co.	134.88	
	Perkins Smith Co.	2.00	
	Gerard & Stewart	2.40	
	Public Booth Co.	7.50	
	Thornton & Trueman	12.30	
	A. Hare	107.00	
Can. Fairbaks Morse Co.	8.32		
E. Lake Mng. Co.	17.67		
Campbell Steel & Iron Works	21.93		
McKinley & Northwood	4.20		
General Supply Co.	10.50		
Welsh & Davies	84.75		
Insurance	E. McMahon & Son	309.50	670.56
	Dewar & Bethune	10.00	
	Greene & Robertson	51.96	
Advertising	The Citizen	15.20	371.46
	Journal Dailies	14.40	
	A. Mark	4.50	
Licenses	H. K. Carruthers	89.00	34.10
Supplies	J. Dunne	6.00	89.00
	W. A. Stewart	4.78	
	Dept. of Interior	1.00	
	Proulx	10.00	
	A. Stuart	450.00	471.78
	Labour and Cartage	617.08	617.08
			<u>\$ 14,316.35</u>

Interest on Overdrafts

51.00

CHIEF STAFF

Superintendent	A. Stuart	\$ 4,000.00	
Secretary	W. E. O'Meara	2,400.00	
Clerk	A. Chevrier	1,800.00	\$ 8,200.00
			<u>\$ 22,567.35</u>

RECAPITULATION

Maintenance

Widean Canal Driveway		\$ 20,492.07
King Edward Ave. & Park		5,350.00
Central Park		5,152.00
Rockcliffe Park		9,100.00
National Park		6,500.00
Clenow & Monkland Aves.		2,838.00
Green Houses		7,072.52
Lady Grey Road and Nepean Point Park		5,075.00
Island Park Driveway		5,282.69
Somerset St. Park		676.00
Bronson Park		676.00
Strathcona Park		3,707.00
Macdonald Gardens		3,400.00
Winto Bridges		<u>500.00</u>
		\$ 75,821.28
Contingencies	\$ 3,507.64	
Machinery &c.	10,808.71	
Office Staff	8,200.00	
Interest	51.00	22,567.35

NEW WORK

Bridges, steel	20,000.00	
Bridges, viaduct &c.	25,262.74	
Colthart & Rose St. ext.	858.35	
King Edward Ave. Park	3,795.66	
Inhacide Ave.	1,108.87	
Island Park Driveway	996.65	
City Streets	8,464.31	<u>60,486.58</u>
		\$158,875.21

S T A T E M E N T "D"

**Being a statement in detail of the
number and variety of
Bedding Plants
planted during the year
ended
31st March 1927.**

Statement of Bedding Plants
 grown at the Commission's Greenhouses and
 used on the Driveways and Parks
 during the year ended
 31st March 1927

	Greenhouse perennials	Annuals	Total
Ideau Canal Driveway and Russell House Park	15,000	11,000	26,000
Central Park	13,325	6,000	19,325
Stratford Park	3,000	5,000	8,000
King Edward Ave. Park	1,000	800	1,800
Consett St. Park	600	1,000	1,600
Amerson Park	125	75	200
Redcliffe Park	600	600	1,200
Plots, etc.	1,500	700	2,200
Stock	<u>1,800</u>	<u>700</u>	<u>2,500</u>
Total	36,950	25,875	62,825