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NEW ZEALAND

REDUCTIONS IN RATES AND CHARGES MADE BY THE
RAILWAY COMMISSIONERS.

Return to an Order of the House of Representatives dated 1st September, 1892.

Ordered, "That a return be laid before this House showing the reductions in rates and charges made by the Railway Commissioners since they were appointed, with explanations regarding the operation of the same."—(Mr. BUCHANAN.)

REDUCTIONS in FARES and RATES since APPOINTMENT of RAILWAY COMMISSIONERS.
GENERAL.

Item.	Nature of Reduction.	Example.
PASSENGERS.		
Ordinary tickets	Return tickets issued <i>daily</i>	50 miles, previously 2 single fares = 14s., 2nd class now, return fare is 9s. 4d., 2nd class.
Season tickets	For 3-mile distances	Previously, 2nd class monthly 11s. 6d. now, 2nd class monthly 10s.
Commutation tickets, up to 20 miles	Concession on monthly season-tickets	A 7-mile single-journey fare under the commutation-ticket rate, 2nd class, will cost 3½d.; under the monthly season-ticket it will cost 5½d.
Newspaper-reporters' season-tickets	Maximum charge for either Island fixed.	
Free school season-tickets	Use extended to private primary schools.	
Religious bodies and friendly societies	Concession made to delegates attending meetings.	
Athletic teams	Concession extended.	
School-boarders' tickets	Enabling school-boarders to return to their homes at holiday times	Previously 50-mile fares, 14s.; now, 50-mile fares, 7s.
Teachers' Saturday tickets	Regulation extended to allow teachers to travel on Fridays or Mondays.	
PARCELS, ETC.		
Bicycles	Concession made when conveyed as passengers' luggage.	
Milk	Rate for distances over 30 miles	Previously, 60 miles, 1½d. per gallon now, 60 miles, 1¼d. per gallon.
GOODS.		
Classified rates	Reduced for distances over 150 miles.	
Goods of Class E Barley, beans, bran, chicory-roots, dholl, flax, flour, germina, grain, horsefeed, linseed, maize, malt, oatmeal, oats, oats crushed, peas (colonial), pollard, potatoes, rapeseed, rye, sacks in bags and bales, sharps, tares, tobacco-leaf, tow, wheat	Minimum quantity to be charged at grain rates reduced from 2 tons to 1 ton 10cwt., and charge for quantities less than minimum reduced	Previously 10cwt., 50 miles 8s. 9d., 100 miles 13s. 3d. now, 10cwt., 50 miles 6s. 6d., 100 miles 8s. 9d.
Ditto	Rates reduced for distances over 70 miles.	Previously, 100 miles 12s. 10d. per ton, 150 miles 17s. per ton, now, 100 miles 11s. 7d. per ton, 150 miles 13s. 8d. per ton.

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GOODS— <i>continued.</i>		
Small lots of Class E goods: Poultry, butter, eggs, honey, beeswax, game, dead rabbits, cheese, fish (fresh or cured), bacon or hams, meat, bread, seeds, vegetables, plants, and shrubs	Reduced scale for quantities of 1cwt. or under	Previously, 28lb. game, 100 miles, 4s. now, 28lb. game, 100 miles, 2s. Previously 28lb. vegetables, 50 miles, 2s. now, 28lb. vegetables, 50 miles, 1s.
Agricultural Show Exhibits Horses (entire) exhibited at horse parades	Further concession made	Previously exhibits carried back from show free now, in addition to free conveyance back, half of freight for conveyance to the show or parade is refunded.
Barley (pearl)	Classification: Previously C now, D	Previously 100 miles, £1 13 7s. per ton; now, 100 miles, £1 6s. 6d. per ton.
Binder-twine	Classification: Previously, B now, D	Previously, 100 miles, £2 1s. 6d. per ton now, 100 miles, £1 6s. 6d. per ton.
Bonedust	Classification: Previously, N; now P	Previously, 100 miles, 13s. per ton now, 100 miles, 10s. 2d. per ton.
Bones	Classification Previously, P now Q	Previously 100 miles, 10s. 2d. per ton now, 100 miles, 7s. 11d. per ton.
Cheese	Minimum reduced from 1 ton to 10cwt.	Previously, 100 miles, 16s. 10d. per 10cwt. now, 100 miles, 13s. 3d. per 10cwt.
Empties: Casks, cases, kegs, jars, tins and tubs for butter, cement, cheese, cider, fish, fruit, honey, preserved meat, and tallow, and crates and cases for poultry, not "returned empties"	Charged as "returned empties"	Previously, 100 miles, £1 17s. per 10cwt. now, 100 miles, 7s. 6d. per 10cwt.
Carriage and gig bodies	Minimum reduced from 1 ton to 15cwt.	Previously, 100 miles, £2 9s. 4d. per 15cwt. now, 100 miles, £1 17s. per 15cwt.
Coal (brown) and coal-cinders	Previously, Class P now Class Q	Previously 70 miles, 9s. per ton now, 70 miles, 6s. 8d. per ton.
Cornsacks	Previously Class D now, Class E	Previously 100 miles, £1 6s. 6d. per ton now, 100 miles, 11s. 7d. per ton.
Gravestones	Previously Class A now, Class D	Previously 100 miles, £2 9s. 4d. per ton now 100 miles, £1 6s. 6d. per ton.
Gas-water	Previously, Class C now, Class N	Previously 100 miles, £2 1s. 6d. per ton now, 100 miles, £1 13s. 7d. per ton.
Fish (dried)	Previously, Class B now, Class C	Previously 50 miles, £1 14s. 4d. per truck (5 tons); now, 50 miles, £1 12s. 6d. per truck (6 tons).
Firewood	Previously, Class L now Class Q (at per truck)	Previously, 100 miles, 13s. per ton; now, 100 miles, 10s. 2d. per ton.
Guano	Previously Class N now, Class P	Previously, 100 miles, £2 14s. 5d. per truck now 100 miles, £2 3s. 6d. per truck.
Hay (pressed)	Previously, Class F rate and a quarter now, Class F	Previously 100 miles, £2 1s. 6d. per ton; now, 100 miles, £1 6s. 6d. per ton.
Handles (wooden), packed, from factories	Previously Class B now, Class D	Previously 100 miles, £1 13s. 7d. per ton now, 100 miles, £1 6s. 6d. per ton.
Hearthstones	Previously, Class C now Class D	Previously 50 miles, £1 14s. 4d. per truck (5 tons) now, 50 miles, £1 12s. 6d. per truck (6 tons).
House-blocks (split)	Previously Class L (at per truck) now, Class Q	Previously 100 miles, £1 6s. 6d. per ton now, 100 miles, 13s. per ton.
Iron (pig and railway)	Previously Class D; now Class N	Previously 100 miles, 10s. 2d. per ton now, 100 miles, 7s. 11d. per ton.
Iron (scrap)	Previously, Class P now, Class Q	Previously 50 miles, 9s. 10d. per ton now, 50 miles, 5s. 5d. per ton.
Manure (animal)	Previously Class N now, Class Q	Previously, 100 miles, 13s. per ton, now, 100 miles, 10s. 2d.
Manure (artificial and salt)	Previously, Class N now Class P	Previously 100 miles, £1 6s. 6d. per ton now, 100 miles, 16s. 10d. per ton.
Paper (waste) for paper-making	Previously, Class D; now, Class C, half rate	Previously, 100 miles, £1 6s. 6d. per ton now, 100 miles, 13s. per ton.
Paper (waste)	Previously, Class D; now, Class N	Previously 100 miles, £2 1s. 6d. per ton now, 100 miles, £1 6s. 6d. per ton.
Ladders	Previously, Class A now, Class K.	Previously 100 miles, 13s. per ton now, 100 miles, 7s. 11d. per ton.
Machinery (mining)	Previously, Class B now, Class D	Previously 100 miles, £4 18s. 8d. per ton now, 100 miles, £3 14s. per ton.
Pipes (unglazed, earthenware, flangeless, drain) up to 6in. diam.	Previously, Class N now, Class Q	Previously, 50 miles, £1 14s. 4d. per truck (5 tons) now, 50 miles, £1 12s. 6d. per truck (6 tons).
Picture-frames	Previously Class A, double rate now, Class A, rate and a half	Previously, 100 miles, £2 9s. 4d. per ton; now, 100 miles, 7s. 11d. per ton.
Posts and rails	Previously, Class L (at per truck) now, Class Q	Previously, 100 miles, £1 6s. 6d. per ton now, 100 miles, 13s. per ton.
Pumice-stone	Previously, Class A now Class Q	Previously 100 miles, £1 13s. 7d. per ton now, 100 miles, 16s. 10d. per ton.
Quartz and quartz-tailings	Previously, Class N now Class Q	Previously, 100 miles, £1 6s. 6d. per ton; now, 100 miles, 13s. per ton.
Rabbits (dead)	Previously, Class C; now, Class C, half rate	Previously, 100 miles, £1 13s. 7d. per ton now, 100 miles, 16s. 10d. per ton.
Rails (steel) and fastenings	Previously, Class D now, Class N	Previously, 100 miles, £1 6s. 6d. per ton; now, 100 miles, 13s. per ton.

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Goods— <i>continued.</i>		
Rags	Previously, Class D; now, Class N	Previously, 100 miles, £1 6s. 6d. per ton; now, 100 miles, 13s. per ton.
Road materials	Previously Class O now, Class Q	Previously, 50 miles, 6s. 11d. per ton; now, 50 miles, 5s. 5d. per ton.
Sawdust	Previously, Class N now, Class F	Previously, 100 miles, 10s. 2d. per ton; now, 100 miles, 7s. 11d. per ton.
Shale	Previously, Class P now, Class Q	
Seed (mangold)	Previously Class B now Class D	Previously, 100 miles, £2 1s. 6d. per ton now, 100 miles, £1 6s. 6d. per ton.
Soap locally manufactured for export	Previously, Class C now, Class D	Previously, 100 miles, £1 13s. 7d. per ton now, 100 miles, £1 6s. 6d. per ton.
Soot (in bags)	Previously, Class N now, Class P	Previously, 50 miles, 9s. 10d. per ton; now, 50 miles, 7s. 8d. per ton.
Stone-crushers	Previously, Class B; now, Class C	Previously, 100 miles, £2 1s. 6d. per ton, now, 100 miles, £1 13s. 7d. per ton.
Straw (pressed)	Previously, Class F rate and a quarter now, Class F	Previously, 100 miles, £2 14s. 5d. per truck; now, 100 miles, £2 3s. 6d. per truck.
Tin-plates (to rabbit factories)	Previously, Class B now, Class D	Previously, 100 miles, £2 1s. 6d. per ton now, 100 miles, £1 6s. 6d. per ton.
Vegetables not otherwise specified	Previously, Class D now, Class E, rate and a half	Previously, 100 miles, £1 6s. 6d. per ton; now, 100 miles, 17s. 5d. per ton.
Willows (green)	Previously, Class D now, Class N	Previously, 100 miles, £1 6s. 6d. per ton; now, 100 miles, 13s. per ton.
Wire-netting	Previously, Class A now, Class D	Previously, 100 miles, £2 9s. 4d. per ton now, 100 miles, £1 6s. 6d. per ton.

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PASSENGERS.			
Auckland	Suburban fares	Reduced (see example)	Previously, Auckland to Newmarket, 6d. return 2nd class; now, Auckland to Newmarket, 4d. return 2nd class.
Napier-Wellington	Through tickets between Wellington and Hawke's Bay stations introduced, <i>via</i> Rimutaka, including coach-fare Eketahuna and Woodville		Previously, Auckland to Greenlane, 1s. return 2nd class; now, Auckland to Greenlane, 8d. return 2nd class.
Picton	Local fares	Ordinary fares substituted for local fares	Wellington to Napier, £1 7s. single, £1 15s. 4d. return, 2nd class.
Greymouth	Kaiata-Brunner fares	Reduced (see example)	Previously, Blenheim to Picton, 4s. single, 5s. return, 2nd class; now, Blenheim to Picton, 2s. 6d. single, 3s. 4d. return, 2nd class.
Hurunui-Bluff	Duntroon and Hakateramea District Railway	Local fares abolished, ordinary fares substituted	Previously, Duntroon to Hakateramea, 2s. 8d. single 2nd class; now, Duntroon to Hakateramea, 2s. 3d. single 2nd class.
	Invercargill and Bluff	Local fares adopted	Previously, 2s. 5d. single, 3s. 1d. return, 2nd class now, 2s. single, 2s. 6d. return, 2nd class.
PARCELS, ETC.			
Auckland	Milk	Rate to Newmarket from stations not exceeding ten miles from Auckland reduced	Previously, $\frac{3}{4}$ d. per gallon now, $\frac{1}{4}$ d. per gallon.
Wellington	Milk	Rate to Wellington reduced	Previously, Belmont to Wellington, 1d. per gallon now, Belmont to Wellington, $\frac{1}{4}$ d. per gallon.
GOODS.			
Kawakawa	Flax, Kawakawa to Opua	From Class A to Class D	Previously 6s. 6d. per ton; now, 5s. 2d. per ton.
Whangarei	Carts, drays, wagons, and carriages	Minimum charge reduced	Previously, Whangarei to wharf, 10s. per vehicle, now, Whangarei to wharf, 5s. per vehicle.
	Minerals	Rates from coal-mines to wharf reduced	Previously, coal-mines to wharf, 2s. per ton, now, coal-mines to wharf, 1s. 10d. per ton.
	Coal	Rate from coal-mine to Whangarei reduced	Previously, 2s. per ton; now, 1s. 9d. per ton.
Auckland	Pig-iron	Rate between Auckland and Onehunga reduced	Previously, Auckland to Onehunga, 4s. per ton; now, Auckland to Onehunga, 3s. per ton.
	Cement	Auckland or Auckland Railway Wharf to Onehunga Wharf: Previously, Class D; now, Class N	Previously, Auckland to Onehunga Wharf, 5s. 3d. per ton; now, Auckland to Onehunga Wharf, 3s. 6d. per ton.

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Auckland— <i>continued.</i>	Sugar, fencing-wire, and iron	Rate, Auckland and Newmarket to Te Aroha, adopted	Sugar, previously, Auckland to Te Aroha £1 5s. per ton; now, Auckland to Te Aroha, 18s. per ton.
	Wool	Rates from Te Aroha branch stations, including Morrinsville, to Auckland, reduced	Previously, Te Aroha to Auckland, 6s. 6d. per bale; now, Te Aroha to Auckland, 5s. 6d. per bale.
	Classes A, B, C, and D, merchandise	Through rate, Auckland or Newmarket to Oxford for Rotorua, adopted.	
	Ditto	Rate for goods ex ship at Helensville from ports outside Kaipara Heads to Auckland adopted	
	Timber	Rates from Kaipara line reduced	Previously, Helensville to Auckland, 1s. 6d. per 100 super. feet now, Helensville to Auckland, 1s. 4d. per 100 super. feet.
	Timber	Local rate, Hunua to Auckland and Newmarket, adopted	Previously Hunua to Auckland, 1s. 5d. per 100 super. feet, now, Hunua to Auckland, 1s. per 100 super. feet.
	Coke and native coal	Local rate, Auckland and Onehunga to Huntly, adopted	Previously, Auckland to Huntly, 13s. per ton; now, Auckland to Huntly 7s. 2d. per ton.
	Raw materials for manufacture of oil, soap, and candles	Rate, Auckland to Westfield, reduced	Previously, 4s. per ton; now, 3s. 6d. per ton.
	Oil, soap, candles, soda-crystals, refined tallow, and oil-cake	Rate, Westfield to Auckland, reduced	Previously 4s. per ton; now, 3s. 6d. per ton.
	Ore, road material, bricks, &c.	Special charge on Rotorua District Railway, abolished	Sulphur-ore, previously, Oxford to Auckland, 14s. 8d. per ton now, Oxford to Auckland, 9s. 4d. per ton.
Napier-Taranaki	Class E goods, grain and other agricultural produce	Practice of charging rate and a quarter abolished	Previously, Wanganui to Hawera, 12s. 5d. per ton now, Wanganui to Hawera, 9s. 11d. per ton.
	White-pine timber for export	Foreign export rates made applicable to timber exported to ports in New Zealand	Previously, 2s. 9d. per 100 super. feet, 80 miles; now, 1s. 9d. per 100 super. feet, 80 miles.
	Rimu timber for export	Foreign export rates made applicable to rimu timber exported coastwise	Previously 2s. 9d. per 100 super. feet, 80 miles, now, 1s. 11d. per 100 super. feet, 80 miles.
	Sheep	Through rates, Hawke's Bay stations to Petone, Ngahauranga, and Wellington, <i>via</i> Eketahuna, application extended.	
	Wool	Rate, Farndon to Napier and Spit reduced, and made to apply in either direction	Previously Farndon to Spit, 11d. per bale now, Farndale to Spit, 8d. per bale.
	Wool	Local rate to Spit from stations Dannevirke to Woodville, inclusive, adopted	Previously Woodville to Spit, 7s. 4d. per bale now, Woodville to Spit, 6s. 4d. per bale.
	Wool	Local rate, Spit to Hastings, adopted	Previously, 1s. 5d. per bale now, 11d. per bale.
	Wool	Local rate, Palmerston North and Longburn to Foxton, adopted	Previously, Palmerston North to Foxton, 2s. 7d. per bale; now, Palmerston North to Foxton, 2s. per bale (includes wharfage at Foxton).
	Wool	Local rate, Wangaehu to Wanganui, adopted	Previously, 1s. 9d. per bale now, 1s. 6d. per bale.
	Wool	Local rate, Feilding to Foxton, adopted, including wharfage	Previously 3s. 7d. per bale; now, 3s. per bale.
	Coal, native	Local rate, Foxton to Longburn, including wharfage, adopted	Previously, 5s. 4d. per ton now, 5s. per ton.
	Fruit	Local rate, New Plymouth Breakwater or Waitara to Wanganui, in 4-ton lots	Previously, £1 13s. 10d. per ton now, £1 5s. per ton, in 4-ton lots.
	Dead meat and hides, tallow, and pelts	Local rates, Woodville to Spit, adopted	Meat, previously, £1 13s. 3d. per ton; now, £1 8s. per ton.
	Butter, in 4-ton lots	Maximum rate from stations on Napier-Taranaki Section to Wellington, <i>via</i> Manawatu Company's Line, adopted	Previously, New Plymouth to Wellington, £3 5s. 3d. per ton now, £2 8s. per ton, in 4-ton lots.

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GOODS— <i>continued</i> .			
Napier-Taranaki	Limed pelts and tallow	Local rate, Longburn to Foxton, including wharfage, adopted, 4-ton lots	Previously, 11s. 10d. per ton; now, 7s. 6d. per ton.
	Dead meat	Rate reduced for consignments of 2 tons from Napier-Taranaki Section to Wellington, <i>via</i> Manawatu Company's Line	Previously, 22s. 11d. per ton, 50 miles; now, 17s. 5d. per ton, 50 miles.
Wellington	White-pine timber for export	Foreign export rates made applicable to timber shipped to ports within the colony	Previously, 2s. 9d. per 100 super. feet, 80 miles; now, 1s. 9d. per 100 super. feet, 80 miles.
	Rimu timber for export	Foreign export rates made applicable to timber shipped coast-wise	Previously, 2s. 9d. per 100 super. feet, 80 miles; now, 2s. 1d. per 100 super. feet, 80 miles.
	Timber for local market	Rate to Wellington reduced	Previously, 2s. 2d. per 100 super. feet, 50 miles; now 1s. 11d. per 100 super. feet, 50 miles.
	Class E goods, grain and other agricultural produce	Practice of charging rate and a quarter abolished	Previously, 12s. 6d. per ton, 60 miles; now, 10s. per ton, 60 miles.
	Coal	Local rate, Wellington to Ngahauranga, adopted, 2s. 6d. per ton.	
	Cased meat, tallow, pelts, and wool	Local rates, Petone to Wellington, adopted	Cased meat, 2s. 8d. per ton, tallow and pelts, 3s. per ton; wool, 8d. per bale.
	Cased meat, tallow pelts, manure, and wool	Local rate, Ngahauranga to Wellington, adopted	Cased meat, tallow, pelts, and manure, 2s. 6d. per ton; wool, 6d. per bale.
Greymouth	Coals and coal-dross for shipment	Rate reduced	Previously, Brunner to Greymouth, 2s. per ton now, Brunner to Greymouth, 1s. 10d. per ton.
	Coal for local use	Rate to Greymouth reduced	Previously, Brunner to Greymouth, 2s. 6d. per ton; now, Brunner to Greymouth, 2s. per ton.
	Coke for export beyond Colony of New Zealand	Rate reduced	Previously, Brunner to Greymouth, 2s. 6d. per ton; now, Brunner to Greymouth, 2s. 4d. per ton.
Westport	Flax (dressed), screw pressed	Rate reduced	Previously, Ngakawau to Westport, 13s. 4d. per ton; now, Ngakawau to Westport, 5s. per ton.
	Coals and coal-dross for shipment	Rate reduced	Previously, Wellington Mine to Westport, 2s. 5d. per ton; now, Wellington Mine to Westport, 2s. per ton.
	Coal for local use	Rate reduced	Previously, Wellington Mine to Westport, 2s. 6d. per ton; now, Wellington Mine to Westport, 2s. 3d. per ton.
	Contractors' plant and permanent way material in full truck-loads	Local rate, Westport to Ngakawau, adopted	Previously, 13s. 4d. per ton; now, 7s. per ton.
Nelson	.. Bark extract	Local rate adopted	Previously, Wakefield to Nelson, 11s. 4d. per ton now, Wakefield to Nelson, 9s. 4d. per ton.
	Bark, native ..	Local rate, Wakefield to Nelson, adopted	Previously, Wakefield to Nelson, 4s. 4d. per ton; now, Wakefield to Nelson, 3s. 3d. per ton.
	Wool	Local rate, Belgrove to Nelson or Port, adopted	Previously, Belgrove to Port, 2s. 3d. per bale now, Belgrove to Port, 1s. 9d. per bale.
	Cement	Local rate, Port to Belgrove, adopted	Previously, 13s. 6d. per ton now, 8s. per ton.
Picton	Hides and pelts, consigned to Picton for export	Local rate adopted	Previously, Blenheim to Picton, 12s. per ton; now, Blenheim to Picton, 7s. 6d. per ton (including wharfage).
	Fresh meat, Blenheim to Picton	Reduced, Class A to Class C	Previously, 12s. per ton; now, 9s. 9d. per ton.
	Straw ..	Rate for straw, consigned to Picton for shipment, reduced	Previously, Blenheim to Picton, 15s. per truck; now, Blenheim to Picton, 12s. per truck, 2 tons.
	Timber ..	Local rate, Para to Koromiko, adopted	Previously, 8d. per 100 feet super. now, 6d. per 100 feet super.
Hurunui-Bluff	A, B, C, and D goods, merchandise	Local rate, Christchurch to Timaru, adopted	Previously, average rate, £1 17s. 9d. per ton; now, average rate, 18s. per ton.
	Wool	Reduction of rate from stations on Livingston Branch for distances over 71 miles	Previously, 7s. 5d. per bale, 100 miles; now, 6s. 7d. per bale, 100 miles.
	Wool ..	Charge, from stations on Tapanui Branch to Bluff, reduced 4d. per bale.	

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Goods—continued.			
Hurunui-Bluff—cont.	Timber	Rate, from sawmills in Southland to Winchester and Orari reduced 9d. per 100 super. feet.	
	Timber other than white-pine, for export	Rate reduced .	Previously, 3s. 1d. per 100 super. feet, 90 miles; now, 2s. 1d. per 100 super. feet, 90 miles.
	A, B, C Class goods, merchandise	Rate for goods of these classes reduced Christchurch to stations between Ashley and Amberley, inclusive	Previously, Class A, Christchurch to Amberley £1 2s. 8d. per ton; now, Class A, Christchurch to Amberley, 13s. 5d. per ton.
	Sheepskins	Refrigerating siding, near Timaru, to Orari, local rate adopted	Previously 13s. 2d. per ton; now, 10s. 6d. per ton.
	A, B, C, D Class goods, merchandise	Local rate, Dunedin or Port Chalmers to Oamaru, adopted	Previously, average, Dunedin to Oamaru, £1 13s. 2d. per ton, now, average, Dunedin to Oamaru, 12s. 6d. per ton.
	A, B, C, D Class goods, merchandise	Local rate between Dunedin and Invercargill adopted	Previously, average, Dunedin to Invercargill, £1 2s. 9d. per ton; now, average, Dunedin to Invercargill, 18s. per ton.
	Bar-iron and castings in 4-ton lots	Rates from Burnside to Christchurch, Timaru, Oamaru, and Invercargill adopted	Previously, Burnside to Christchurch, £2 19s. 10d. per ton, now, Burnside to Christchurch, £1 5s. per ton.
	Goods of Class E, agricultural produce, oil, soap, tallow, candles, bar-iron, iron castings, &c.	Rate between Dunedin and Burnside reduced 6d. per ton.	
	Timber, manures, native coal, Classes K, N, P	Charges imposed over Clarkesville and Lawrence, Duntroon, Ngapara, Livingston, and Mt. Somers Branches, in addition to classified rates, abolished	The charges were ½d. per ton per mile Classes N and P; 1d. per 500 super. feet per mile on timber.
	Cheese, in 4-ton lots from factories	Maximum rate of £1 3s. per ton adopted to Bluff, Invercargill, Dunedin, Port Chalmers, Oamaru, Timaru, Christchurch, and Lyttelton	Previously, £1 9s. per ton, 120 miles.
	Paper, from local mills	Rate reduced	Previously, 13s. 5d. per ton, 50 miles now, 11s. 6d. per ton, 50 miles.
	Cased meats, tallow, pelts, native coal, and artificial manures; ships' ballast	Local rates between Bluff and Ocean Beach adopted	Cased meats, 2s. 6d. per ton, native coal, 2s. per ton; ships' ballast, 1s. 6d. per ton.
	Class E, grain	Rates on following branch lines reduced:—	Previously, Methven to Christchurch, 11s. per ton; now, Methven to Christchurch, 9s. 4d. per ton.
	Class N P minerals and coal	Rakaia-Methven	Coal, previously, Springfield to Methven, 10s. 1d. per ton now, Springfield to Methven, 9s. 3d. per ton.
	Class H, wool	Waimate-Waihao Downs	Wool, previously Methven to Christchurch, 5s. 4d. per bale now, Methven to Christchurch, 5s. 2d. per bale.
	Class K, timber	Duntroon-Hakateramea	Timber, previously, Methven to Ashburton, 2s. 3d. per 100 super. feet; now, Methven to Ashburton, 1s. 11d. per 100 super. feet.
	Class F hay straw, chaff, &c.	Gore-Lumsden	Chaff, previously, Methven to Ashburton, £1 9s. 3d. per truck now, Methven to Ashburton, £1 3s. 6d. per truck.
	Class M, cattle and sheep		Cattle, &c., previously Balfour to Burnside, £3 8s. 11d. per truck now, Balfour to Burnside, £2 15s. 9d. per truck.
	Classes C and D, merchandise	Rates on Waimate-Waihao Downs Branch Line reduced 3d. per mile	Previously, 9d. per ton per mile; now, 6d. per ton per mile.
Kawakawa	Classes N P, and Q, minerals and firewood	Wharfage at Opua reduced 3d. per ton	Previously, 6d. per ton now, 3d. per ton.
Auckland	Class F, hay, chaff, &c.	Wharfage at Onehunga reduced 1s. per ton	Previously 2s. per ton; now, 1s. per ton.
Greymouth	Green flax	Rate reduced	Previously 2s. per ton; now, 6d. per ton.
Nelson	Green flax	Rate reduced	Previously, 2s. per ton, now, 6d. per ton.
	Bricks ..	Rate reduced ..	Previously 3s. per 1,000; now 1s. 6d. per 1,000.
Westport	Tonnage dues.	Vessels' dues reduced after first seven days from 2d. to ½d. per ton.	
	Flax and tow ..	Rate reduced ..	Previously, 6d. per bale; now, 3d. per bale.

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