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(COPY OF A LETTER FROM MR. WILSON, ENGINEER-IN-CHIEF AND GENERAL MANAGER.)

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Copy of a Letter from Mr. Wilson, Engineer-in-Chief and General Manager, Midland Railway Company, to the Hon. the Premier.

Wellington Club, Wellington, New Zealand,
Sir,—
19th September, 1893.

I have the honour to inform you that I cabled to my Board in London the report of the Public Accounts Committee on the New Zealand Midland Railway Company's proposals, and have received a reply from my directors to the effect that, although much disappointed that the Committee did not accept their offer without alteration, the Board are prepared to accept the terms stated in the report, as a compromise for a settlement, rather than by refusing to allow the question to drift into a serious complication which would result in legal action.

My Board trust that this important question will receive full consideration and settlement this session; and I must ask you to kindly place the reply of my directors before the Ministry in Cabinet.

I have, &c.,

The Hon. the Premier, Wellington.

ROBERT WILSON, Engineer-in-Chief and General Manager.

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