NEW ZEALAND RAILWAYS.

In this return of the cost of construction, net revenue, &c., for the ten years ending the 31st March, 1893, the cost of construction is as supplied by the Public Works Department; the net revenue is as supplied by the Working Railways Department; the estimated interest of $4\frac{3}{4}$ per cent. on cost of construction is given by the Hon. J. G. Ward, Colonial Treasurer.

	Year.	Cost of Construction.	Interest at 43 per Cent.	Net Revenue over Working-expenses.	Loss.
1883–84 1884–85 1885–86 1886–87 1887–88 1888–89 1889–90 1890–91 1891–92		 £ 11,078,501 11,810,194 12,472,814 13,017,567 13,352,978 13,472,837 13,899,955 14,278,586 14,656,691	£ 526,229 560,984 592,459 618,334 634,266 639,960 660,248 678,233 696,193	£ 305,314 355,686 357,078 299,696 307,515 350,570 412,782 420,998 408,914	£ 220,915 205,298 235,381 318,638 326,751 289,390 247,466 257,235 287,279
1892–93	 Totals	 14,733,120	6,306,729	3,667,933	250,443

29th August, 1893.

A. C. FIFE, Accountant, Railways.

The Secretary, Railway Department, to the Clerk, Public Accounts Committee.

Railway Department, Head Office, Wellington, 31st August, 1893.

In reply to your request of the 29th August, I am now directed by the Railway Commissioners to forward the enclosed supplementary returns of profit or loss on various sections of New Zealand Railways for ten years ending the 31st March, 1893.

E. G. PILCHER, Secretary. E. W. Kane, Esq., Clerk, Public Accounts Committee, House of Representatives.

NEW ZEALAND RAILWAYS.

Return supplemental to that furnished yesterday to Public Accounts Committee, showing Profit or Loss on each Section of Bailway, 1st April, 1883, to the 31st March, 1893, reckoning Capital devoted to their Construction to have been raised at 43 per cent. interest. Details attached.

		Cost of		Net Revenue		Loss.	Gain.
Section.		Construction at 31st March, 1893.	Interest at 4¾ per Cent.	Over Working- expenses.	Under Working- expenses.		
Kawakawa		90,337	39,618	10,223		29,395	
Whangarei		70,145	32,569	5,009	20	27,580	
Kaihu		49,622	2,357		161	2,518	
Auckland		1,912,287	805,331	327,559		477,772	
Napier-Taranaki		2,391,394	1,000,056	482,076		517,980	
Wellington		1,067,812	452,428	226,748		225,680	
Hurunui-Bluff		8,353,213	3,606,396	2,387,598		1,218,798	
Greymouth		200,288	90,639	102,070		1,172	12,603
Westport		227,496	105,051	111,112		10,935	16,996
Nelson		165,609	78,100	13,639	2,230	66,691	
Picton		204,917	94,184	4,580	270	89,874	•••
Totals		14,733,120	6,306,729	3,670,614	2,681	2,668,395	29,599

Net loss, £2,638,796.

A. C. Fife, Accountant, New Zealand Railways.

Accountant's Office, 31st August, 1893.