

1894.  
NEW ZEALAND.

RAILWAY SLEEPERS:

NUMBER OF SLEEPERS ON HAND ON THE 31st AUGUST, 1894; LOCALITIES WHERE STACKED;  
ALSO PARTICULARS AS TO CONTRACTS FOR, AND COST.

*Returns to Orders of the House of Representatives, dated the 6th and 11th September, 1894.*

*Ordered* (Sept. 11), "That a return be prepared by the Railway Department, and laid before this House, showing—(1) The number of sleepers on hand on the 31st August, 1894; and (2) the localities and numbers where same are stacked."—(Mr. G. J. SMITH.)

*Ordered* (Sept. 6), "That a return be prepared by the Railway Department, and laid before this House, showing—(1) The number of sleepers purchased, ordered, or contracted for in each class of timber; (2) the price paid for sleepers; (3) the locality where they were obtained; (4) the cost of freight paid per sleeper, and the number shipped to different ports—all during the financial year ending 31st March, 1894."—(Mr. MILLS.)

RETURN showing NUMBER of SLEEPERS in CHARGE of STOREKEEPERS on 18th August, 1894, the LOCALITIES WHERE STACKED, and NUMBER in EACH LOCALITY.

Locality where stacked.	Number of Sleepers on Hand.	Locality where stacked.	Number of Sleepers on Hand.
Auckland Section—		Hurunui-Bluff— <i>continued</i> .	
Auckland .. .. .	9,137	Christchurch Section— <i>continued</i> .	
Waikato line .. .. .	4,679	Rakaia, Ashburton, and Springburn ..	8,775
Kaipara line .. .. .	2,318	Rangitata .. .. .	2,369
		Dunedin Section—	
Napier-Taranaki Section—		Oamaru .. .. .	92
Wanganui-New Plymouth District ..	3,622	Dunedin .. .. .	10,898
Napier-Palmerston District .. ..	4,497		
		Invercargill Section—	
Wellington-Eketahuna Section—		Lawrence .. .. .	100
Wellington and Hutt District .. ..	3,054	Invercargill .. .. .	5,975
Mangamahoe .. .. .	230	Thornbury .. .. .	361
		Lumsden .. .. .	204
Hurunui-Bluff—		Picton Section—	
Christchurch Section—		Picton Railway .. ..	2,198
Christchurch and Lyttelton .. ..	6,742		
Oxford District .. .. .	22,004	Westport Section—	
		Westport .. .. .	2,701

NOTE.—Return is made up to end of last accounting period, viz., 18th August, as particulars are not available to end of month, as required by order of the House.

17th September, 1894.

E. G. PILCHER, Secretary.

**RETURN of SLEEPERS ORDERED or CONTRACTED FOR, and SLEEPERS PURCHASED, during the  
Financial Year ended 31st March, 1894.**

Description of Sleepers.	Contracted for or ordered.	Purchased.	Price.	For delivery at	Locality obtained from.
Silver-pine .. ..	..	2,000	s. d. 3 10	Port Chalmers .. ..	Greymouth.
" .. ..	..	10,000	3 10	Bluff .. ..	"
" .. ..	4,000	2,762	3 9	Lyttelton .. ..	"
" .. ..	2,000	2,000	3 8	" .. ..	"
" .. ..	..	4,136	3 5	Port Chalmers .. ..	"
" .. ..	2,000	1,712	3 4	" .. ..	"
" .. ..	..	423	3 4	Bluff .. ..	"
" .. ..	..	602	3 4	Wanganui .. ..	"
" .. ..	..	339	2 5	Greymouth .. ..	"
" .. ..	..	*1,000	4 3½	Lyttelton .. ..	"
	8,000	24,974			
Birch .. ..	2,000	342	3 0	Lyttelton .. ..	Reefton.
" .. ..	23,000	18,067	3 0	Oxford District .. ..	Oxford.
" .. ..	10,000	6,166	3 0	Springburn .. ..	Springburn.
" .. ..	1,000	..	3 0	Wellington Section .. ..	Hutt and Manawatu.
" .. ..	10,000	10,000	2 11	Springburn .. ..	Springburn.
" .. ..	2,000	2,000	2 10½	Lyttelton .. ..	Reefton.
" .. ..	2,000	2,000	2 9½	" .. ..	"
" .. ..	1,460	682	2 8	Wellington Section .. ..	Wellington District.
" .. ..	1,500	1,500	2 4	Westport Section .. ..	Westport District.
" .. ..	..	9,231	2 6	Picton Wharf .. ..	† Picton District.
" .. ..	..	6	2 3	Westport .. ..	Westport District.
" .. ..	..	1,500	2 2½	" .. ..	"
" .. ..	..	479	1 11½	Nelson Section .. ..	Nelson District.
" .. ..	..	2,043	1 11	" .. ..	"
" .. ..	1,000	..	1 8½	" .. ..	"
	53,960	54,016			
Totara .. ..	..	1,638	4 0	Timaru .. ..	Hawke's Bay.
" .. ..	..	3,254	4 0	Port Chalmers .. ..	North Island.
" .. ..	..	1,720	3 11	Timaru .. ..	Hawke's Bay.
" .. ..	3,500	1,369	3 11	Rangitata .. ..	Rangitata.
" .. ..	1,500	1,500	3 9	" .. ..	"
" .. ..	2,000	326	3 5	Southland .. ..	Southland District.
" .. ..	..	1,500	3 3	" .. ..	"
" .. ..	2,000	..	3 3	Auckland Section .. ..	Auckland District.
" .. ..	1,700	2,029	3 0	Wellington Section .. ..	Wellington and Manawatu Districts.
" .. ..	..	5,477	3 0	" .. ..	Southland District.
" .. ..	..	100	3 0	Southland .. ..	"
" .. ..	3,000	624	2 10	Napier Section .. ..	Hawke's Bay.
" .. ..	..	2,053	2 10	Wellington Section .. ..	Manawatu.
" .. ..	1,000	..	2 9	Napier Section .. ..	Hawke's Bay.
" .. ..	1,000	..	2 8	" .. ..	"
" .. ..	3,000	582	2 7½	" .. ..	"
" .. ..	..	7,042	2 6	" .. ..	"
" .. ..	..	1,155	2 6	Wanganui Section .. ..	Wanganui District.
" .. ..	..	217	2 6	Dunedin Section .. ..	Dunedin District.
" .. ..	..	1,466	2 5	Wanganui Section .. ..	Wanganui District.
" .. ..	4,000	5,253	2 4½	" .. ..	"
" .. ..	..	2,379	2 4	" .. ..	"
" .. ..	..	555	1 9	Whangarei Section .. ..	† Auckland District.
" .. ..	..	327	1 8	Napier Section .. ..	† Hawke's Bay.
	22,700	40,566			
Black-pine .. ..	2,000	519	2 8	Southland .. ..	Southland District.
" .. ..	2,000	2,000	2 6	" .. ..	"
" .. ..	2,000	2,000	2 3	" .. ..	"
" .. ..	7,500	5,393	1 11	" .. ..	"
	13,500	9,912			
Yellow-pine .. ..	6,600	8,054	2 6	Westport Wharf .. ..	§ Westport District.
Jarrah .. ..	13,000	11,841	3 11	Port Chalmers .. ..	Australia.
Puriri .. ..	..	210	4 6	" .. ..	Auckland District.
" .. ..	..	12,365	4 0	Auckland Section .. ..	"
" .. ..	..	717	3 9	" .. ..	"
" .. ..	..	2,488	3 3	" .. ..	"
" .. ..	..	50	3 0	Whangarei and Kawakawa..	"
" .. ..	..	20	2 6	" .. ..	"
	15,850				
Maire .. ..	..	217	4 0	Wanganui Section .. ..	Wanganui District.
Kamai .. ..	..	3,000	1 11	Southland .. ..	Southland District.
" .. ..	..	6,674	1 11½	" .. ..	"
" .. ..	..	3,893	1 9½	" .. ..	"
	13,067				

\* Broad—7ft. by 10in. by 5in. † Freight on 3,500 sleepers from Picton to Wanganui, 7d. each—shipped by department.  
 ‡ Second class. § Freight on 5,349 sleepers from Westport to Oamaru, 8d. each—shipped by department.

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E. G. PILCHER, Secretary.

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