The sum of £333,386 was expended under the head "Additions to Open Lines," and charged to Capital Account. Of this amount £243,262 was expended on rolling-stock, tarpaulins, gas storeholders, foot-warmers, and machinery for workshops. The rolling-stock, in respect of which the charges are made, consists of 12 locomotives, 47 carriages, 7 brake-vans, 99 bogie-wagons, 667 four-wheeled wagons, 435 tarpaulins, and 4 cranes, completed on the 31st March, 1908; and 35 locomotives, 74 carriages, 11 brake-vans, 20 bogie and 946 four-wheeled wagons, 75 tarpaulins, and 2 cranes, incomplete, but in hand on that date; £90,124 was spent on tablet and interlocking, telegraph and telephone extensions, bridges, sidings, purchase of land, extension of wharves, stone-crushing plant, fencing, furnaces for foot-warmers, additions to workshops, and dwellings.

DUPLICATION OF LINES.

On duplication-work the following sums were charged to Capital Account under the provisions of the special Acts relating thereto, passed in 1903, 1904, and 1905, respectively, viz.:—

Wellington-Hutt duplication-works New Hutt Road, and purchase of land for same	•••			38,830 7,391
				46,221
Auckland-Penrose duplication-works Addington-Rolleston duplication-works				54,302 11,031
Dunedin-Mosgiel duplication and deviation of lin	.e		•••	74,720
Less profit on sale of debentures, as per Treasury Accounts			•••	140,053 891
		•		139,162