

Auckland.—Revenue, £1,790,473; increase, £72,349. Passengers decreased 440,785. Season tickets increased 12,272. Parcels, luggage, and mails increased £4,669. Cattle increased 18,408, and sheep 118,200. Timber increased 2,968 tons, and all other goods 100,286 tons.

Ohakune.—Revenue, £519,935; increase, £12,605. Passengers decreased 46,058, and season tickets 380. Parcels, luggage, and mails decreased £558. Cattle increased 2,999, and sheep 219,700. Timber decreased 9,407 tons; all other goods increased 16,390 tons.

Wanganui.—Revenue, £633,515; decrease, £11,009. Passengers decreased 115,400, and season tickets 685. Parcels, luggage, and mails increased £577. Cattle increased 3,536, and sheep 76,900. Timber decreased 546 tons, and all other goods 11,445 tons.

Wellington.—Revenue, £1,213,588; increase, £24,423. Passengers decreased 331,003. Season tickets increased 7,583. Parcels, luggage, and mails increased £2,668. Cattle decreased 2,271; sheep increased 86,361. Timber increased 2,008 tons, and all other goods 22,305 tons.

Picton Section.

Revenue, £34,123; decrease, £3,275. Passengers decreased 7,338. Season tickets increased 63. Cattle decreased 284; sheep increased 24,700. Timber increased 466 tons; all other goods decreased 10,844 tons.

Nelson Section.

Revenue, £24,737; decrease, £36. Passengers decreased 9,458, and season tickets 160. Parcels, luggage, and mails decreased £29. Cattle increased 142, and sheep 1,359. Timber increased 167 tons; all other goods decreased 4,403 tons.

Westport Section.

Revenue, £130,366; increase, £14,723. Passengers decreased 7,024, and season tickets 537. Parcels, luggage, and mails decreased £123. Timber decreased 793 tons; all other goods increased 115,869 tons.

Westland Section.

Revenue, £312,490; increase, £86,947. Passengers decreased 39,394, and season tickets 226. Parcels, luggage, and mails increased £687. Cattle increased 649, and sheep 9,200. Timber increased 20,426 tons, and all other goods 9,786 tons.

South Island Main Line and Branches.

Revenue, £2,297,750; decrease, £76,839. The principal items of traffic were: Passengers 4,164,194; decrease, 382,607. Season tickets, 122,918; decrease, 5,602. Parcels, &c., revenue, £145,947; increase, £1,944. Live stock, 3,874,715; decrease, 151,639. Timber, 144,814 tons; increase, 1,584 tons. All other goods, 2,160,807 tons; decrease, 181,494 tons. The revenue per mile of railway (including Westland) decreased from £1,638 4s. 9d. to £1,636 16s. 7d., and from 15s. 5d., per train-mile to 15s. 2d. The variations of traffic in the individual districts were approximately as under:—

Christchurch.—Revenue, £965,056; decrease, £84,047. Passengers decreased 15,528, and season tickets 4,176. Parcels, luggage, &c., increased £1,911. Cattle increased 919; sheep decreased 156,700. Timber decreased 12,899 tons; all other goods decreased 132,780 tons.

Dunedin.—Revenue, £780,856; decrease, £6,977. Passengers decreased 292,693. Season tickets increased 1,156. Parcels, luggage, &c., increased £56. Cattle decreased 512, and sheep 68,800. Timber increased 4,736 tons; all other goods decreased 31,771 tons.

Invercargill.—Revenue, £551,838; increase, £14,186. Passengers decreased 74,386, and season tickets 2,592. Parcels, luggage, &c., decreased £23. Cattle increased 5,844, and sheep 67,570. Timber increased 9,748 tons. All other goods decreased 16,943 tons.

Lake Wakatipu Steamers.

Revenue, £10,096; increase, £1,224. Passengers increased 8,000. Parcels, &c., increased £153. Cattle decreased 31, and sheep increased 1,120. Timber increased 24 tons, and all other goods 916 tons.

TRAIN-SERVICES.

The following table shows the average late arrivals of the suburban, mixed, and express trains for the year:—

Average Late Arrival of Trains, Year ended 31st March, 1925.

| Year ended | Period ended | | | | | | | | | | | | | | Average for Year, in Minutes. |
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| | April. | May. | June. | July. | Aug. | Sept. | Oct. | Nov. | Dec. | Jan. 3. | Jan. 31. | Feb. | Mar. | | |
| Express and Mail Trains. | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| March 31, 1925 | .. | 7-95 | 4-95 | 4-67 | 2-75 | 3-72 | 1-76 | 1-28 | 2-30 | 1-47 | 9-71 | 2-91 | 1-53 | 2-41 | 3-64 |
| March 31, 1924 | .. | 4-03 | 6-05 | 4-69 | 6-92 | 1-80 | 2-20 | 1-56 | 1-76 | 1-51 | 5-60 | 3-04 | 3-34 | 3-20 | 3-51 |
| Long-distance Mixed Trains. | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| March 31, 1925 | .. | 7-81 | 6-36 | 4-38 | 2-80 | 2-49 | 1-93 | 1-80 | 3-09 | 3-79 | 7-22 | 4-88 | 6-49 | 7-20 | 4-63 |
| March 31, 1924 | .. | 4-63 | 5-59 | 4-61 | 3-50 | 2-02 | 2-48 | 2-29 | 2-84 | 3-17 | 6-22 | 6-37 | 6-18 | 5-49 | 4-26 |
| Suburban Trains. | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| March 31, 1925 | .. | 2-90 | 1-25 | 0-74 | 0-42 | 0-34 | 0-23 | 0-24 | 0-33 | 0-23 | 0-64 | 0-41 | 0-38 | 0-45 | 0-65 |
| March 31, 1924 | .. | 1-42 | 0-88 | 1-18 | 0-80 | 0-57 | 0-40 | 0-42 | 0-43 | 0-46 | 0-78 | 0-51 | 0-64 | 0-80 | 0-71 |