

Wanganui District.—Revenue, £461,407; decrease, £30,175. Passengers decreased 38,061, and season tickets 30. Parcels and luggage decreased £119. Cattle increased 1,781, and sheep 116,236. Timber increased 838 tons, and all other goods decreased 34,267 tons.

Wellington District.—Revenue, £1,300,766; decrease, £3,722. Passengers decreased 43,089, but season tickets increased 11,110. Parcels and luggage increased £2,993. Cattle increased 2,392, and sheep 86,356. Timber decreased 313 tons, but all other goods increased 10,667 tons.

Picton.—Revenue, £38,740; increase, £1,224. Passengers increased 2,461, and season tickets increased 117. Cattle increased 155, and sheep decreased 41,784. Timber increased 293 tons, and all other goods 3,487 tons.

Nelson.—Revenue, £26,383; increase, £1,630. Passengers decreased 4,728, and season tickets decreased 93. Cattle decreased 230, and sheep 4,146. Timber decreased 486 tons, and all other goods 632 tons. Labour, demurrage, &c., increased £1,730 (engine-hire).

Westport.—Revenue, £138,052; increase, £3,306. Passengers decreased 17,008, and season tickets increased 44. Parcels, luggage, &c., decreased £189. Cattle decreased 41, and sheep 67. Timber decreased 654 tons, and all other goods increased 22,339 tons.

South Island Main Line and Branches.—Revenue, £2,920,308; increase, £58,203. The principal items of traffic were: Passengers, 3,761,341; decrease, 183,012. Season tickets, 176,975; increase, 3,325. Parcels luggage and mails revenue, £128,359; decrease, £127. Live-stock, 4,997,736; increase, 363,515. Timber, 278,208 tons; increase, 17,239 tons. All other goods, 3,065,381 tons; increase, 185,431 tons. The revenue per mile of railway increased from £1,760 to £1,795, and decreased from 167·72d. per train-mile to 154·23d.

The variations of traffic in the individual districts were approximately as follows:—

Christchurch District.—Revenue, £1,296,816; increase, £24,915. Passengers decreased 23,772, but season tickets increased 3,756. Parcels, luggage, &c., increased £1,229. Cattle decreased 381, but sheep increased 127,518. Timber increased 8,578 tons, and all other goods 110,057 tons.

Dunedin District.—Revenue, £994,313; increase, £3,008. Passengers decreased 83,132, and season tickets 1,456. Parcels, luggage, &c., decreased £922. Cattle increased 575, and sheep 47,217. Timber decreased 457 tons. All other goods increased 31,021 tons.

Invercargill District.—Revenue, £629,179; increase, £30,280. Passengers decreased 76,108, but season tickets increased 1,025. Parcels, luggage, &c., decreased £434. Cattle increased 6,423, and sheep 182,163. Timber increased 9,118 tons, and all other goods 44,353 tons.

Lake Wakatipu.—Revenue, £11,447, increase £507. Passengers increased 677. Sheep increased 3,050. Timber increased 231 tons. All other goods increased 1,194 tons.

COMPARATIVE STATEMENT, YEAR ENDED 31ST MARCH, 1930.

—	Number of Passengers.	Number of Season Tickets.	Parcels, &c.	Cattle.	Sheep.	Timber.	Other Goods.	Revenue.
			£	Number.	Number.	Tons.	Tons.	£
Kaihu—1929-30 ..	22,683	24	1,258	53	1,486	2,724	3,477	6,268
1928-29 ..	24,046	32	1,218	68	1,616	1,811	4,381	7,158
Increase ..	..	..	40	..	..	913	..	..
Decrease ..	1,363	8	..	15	130	..	904	890
Gisborne—1929-30 ..	42,045	158	2,325	1,516	86,953	9,701	54,743	32,044
1928-29 ..	61,188	223	2,440	1,384	101,853	9,690	51,416	36,601
Increase ..	..	..	..	132	..	11	3,327	..
Decrease ..	19,143	65	115	..	14,905	..	..	4,557
Picton—1929-30 ..	62,709	603	1,814	1,662	164,207	816	50,986	38,740
1928-29 ..	60,248	486	1,784	1,507	205,991	523	47,499	37,516
Increase ..	2,461	117	30	155	..	293	3,487	1,224
Decrease ..	..	..	..	..	41,784	..	..	..
Nelson—1929-30 ..	58,614	708	1,963	1,056	23,222	1,579	28,263	26,383
1928-29 ..	63,342	801	1,898	1,286	27,368	2,065	28,895	24,753
Increase ..	..	..	65	..	..	..	..	1,630
Decrease ..	4,728	93	..	230	4,146	486	632	..
Westport—1929-30 ..	49,238	586	1,118	171	1,120	3,578	653,160	138,052
1928-29 ..	66,246	542	1,307	212	1,187	4,232	630,821	134,746
Increase ..	..	44	..	..	..	..	22,339	3,306
Decrease ..	17,008	..	189	41	67	654	..	..
Lake Wakatipu—1929-30 ..	29,403	13	936	251	13,605	1,289	8,812	11,447
1928-29 ..	28,726	14	995	290	10,555	1,058	7,618	10,940
Increase ..	677	..	..	..	3,050	231	1,194	507
Decrease ..	..	1	59	39	..	..	..	..
Auckland—1929-30 ..	1,948,702	228,689	124,061	290,521	1,148,189	77,594	1,607,394	2,051,066
1928-29 ..	2,189,070	231,549	117,364	247,523	1,107,317	94,416	1,682,199	2,125,834
Increase ..	..	..	6,697	42,998	40,872	..	..	..
Decrease ..	240,368	2,860	..	..	..	16,822	74,805	74,768
Ohakune—1929-30 ..	359,004	2,155	21,645	53,057	854,595	168,715	181,842	498,959
1928-29 ..	391,922	2,431	22,270	46,180	807,755	163,680	157,349	500,082
Increase ..	..	..	..	6,877	46,840	5,035	24,493	..
Decrease ..	32,918	276	6,251	..	..	..	..	1,123