

RETURN No. 28.
HURUNUI-BLUFF SECTION.

COST of MAINTENANCE of VARIOUS SECTIONS of MAIN LINE and BRANCHES.

Line of Railway.	Mileage.	Expenditure for Thirteen Periods up to 31st March, 1890.	Average for Four- weekly Period on Reduced Mileage.		Rate per Mile per Annum.
			Expendi- ture.	Rate per Mile.	
CHRISTCHURCH DIVISION :—	M. ch. lk.	£ s. d.	£	£	£
Main Line	216 23 29	52,397 18 7	4,031	18'66	242'58
Rangiora to Sheffield, and Eyreton Junction to Bennett's ...	53 56 49	4,041 8 8	311	5'75	74'75
Southbridge and Little River Branches ...	48 6 84	4,964 15 5	382	7'95	103'35
Springfield and Whitecliffs Branches ...	42 26 36	3,219 2 8	248	5'83	75'79
Mount Somers Branch ...	27 35 78	1,465 3 2	113	4'38	56'94
Albury Branch ...	36 12 76	3,711 4 0	285	7'92	102'96
Rakaia and Ashburton Forks Branch ...	22 20 18	1,303 3 11	100	4'55	59'15
Waimate Gorge Branch ...	8 21 16	535 13 4	41	5'15	66'95
Total Christchurch Division	454 42 86	71,638 9 9	5,511	12'19	158'14
DUNEDIN DIVISION :—					
Main Line	195 4 59	37,367 14 11	2,874	14'74	191'62
Pukeuri-Duntroon Branch	22 2 86	1,660 4 8	128	5'81	75'53
Duntroon-Hakateramea Branch	15 37 64	971 9 10	75	4'82	62'66
Ngapara and Livingstone Branches	27 4 58	2,118 14 8	163	6'04	78'52
Waihemo Branch	8 55 0	436 7 4	33	3'73	48'49
Walton Park Branch	2 49 20	257 16 6	20	7'93	103'09
Otago Central Railway	17 10 0	481 4 8	37	5'15	66'95
Outram Branch	9 0 24	907 13 8	70	7'76	100'88
Lawrence Branch	22 0 34	3,591 17 11	276	12'56	163'28
Catlin's River Branch	7 76 1	632 8 10	49	6'08	79'04
Tapanui Branch	20 3 77	1,197 18 2	92	4'61	59'93
Total Dunedin Division	347 4 23	49,623 11 2	3,817	11'32	147'16
INVERCARGILL DIVISION :—					
Main Line	158 42 45	16,180 1 0	1,244	7'88	102'44
Waimea Plains Line	36 40 71	2,248 10 11	173	4'67	60'71
Seaward Bush Branch	11 24 76	581 5 6	45	4'06	52'78
Makarewa-Orepuki, Thornbury-Wairio, and Nightcaps Branches	60 23 9	5,020 19 8	386	6'44	83'72
Total Invercargill Division	266 51 1	24,030 17 1	1,848	6'95	90'34
Grand Total	1,068 18 10	145,292 18 0	11,176	10'59	136'17

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STATEMENT of ALTERATIONS effected in and ADDITIONS made to the SCALE of CHARGES during the Year ending 31st March, 1890.

PART I.—PASSENGERS.

GENERAL FARES AND REGULATIONS.

Free school tickets: Regulation extended.
 Religious bodies and friendly societies: Special provision for carriage of members.
 Regulation regarding athletic teams extended.
 Season-ticket rates reduced for 3-mile distances.
 Reserved carriages: New regulation.
 Introduction of commutation tickets for distances up to 20 miles.
 New regulation about school boarders' tickets.

LOCAL FARES AND REGULATIONS.

Kawakawa Section.

Adoption of fares to and from Te Akeake.

Hurunui-Bluff Section.

Removal of Invercargill suburban fares.

PART II.—LUGGAGE, PARCELS, HORSES, ETC.

Adoption of rates for carriage of newspapers.
 Parcels consigned to Christchurch to be charged extra for cartage delivery.

PART III.—GOODS.

Classified Rates.

Class L, Firewood, &c.: Rates increased for distances 1 to 6 miles.
 Class O, Road Materials, &c.: Rates reduced.
 Classified rates generally: Scale slightly altered after 150 miles.