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STATEMENT showing approximately SLEEPERS LAID and REMOVED up to 31st March, 1898.

Year.	Approximate Length opened each Year.			Sleepers.	
	North Island.	Middle Island.	Total.	Laid during Construction. (2,100 per mile.)	Removed during Maintenance.†
	M. ch.	M. ch.	M. ch.		
1867	..	45 70	45 70	96,338	..
1870-71	..	18 58	18 58	39,323	..
1871-72	..	11 68	11 68	24,885	..
1872-73	..	27 62	27 62	58,327	..
1873-74	10 55	11 21	21 76	46,095	..
1874-75	61 19	126 78	188 17	395,246	..
1875-76	69 23	248 4	317 27	666,409	..
1876-77	64 24	152 39	216 63	455,254	..
1877-78	103 76	94 58	198 54	417,217	..
1878-79	27 19	56 46	83 65	176,006	..
1879-80*	26 33	40 73	67 26	141,382	..
1880-81	68 39	32 71	101 30	212,888	74,261
1881-82	22 67	40 16	63 3	132,379	73,947
1882-83	2 2	40 19	42 21	88,751	106,763
1883-84	22 19	22 50	44 69	94,211	125,632
1884-85	56 0	24 0	80 0	168,000	148,325
1885-86	43 26	47 52	90 78	191,048	137,993
1886-87	58 72	11 39	70 31	147,814	139,040
1887-88	11 47	17 32	28 79	60,874	122,027
1888-89	18 31	..	18 31	42,814	108,690
1889-90	11 57	20 68	32 45	68,381	129,634
1890-91	28 21	5 68	34 9	71,636	133,954
1891-92	..	27 27	27 27	57,408	139,912
1892-93	17 26	..	17 26	36,382	132,569
1893-94	28 38	33 58	62 16	130,620	155,827
1894-95	16 62	27 24	44 6	92,558	170,681
1895-96	14 73	3 48	18 41	38,876	188,291
1896-97	3 64	1 11	4 75	10,370	210,588
1897-98	27 46	10 2	37 48	78,960	243,479
Totals	..	..	..	4,240,452	2,541,613

* Nine months only.

† Complete information not recorded until 1880-81.

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COMPARATIVE STATEMENT of the NUMBER of EMPLOYÉS for March, 1897, and March, 1898.

Department.	Kawakawa.	Whangarei.	Kaihu.	Auckland.	Wellington-Napier-New Plymouth.	Hurunui-Bluff.	Greymouth.	Westport.	Nelson.	Pictou.	Total.
1896-97.											
General	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	120
Traffic	6	11	7	169	344	947	57	35	18	11	1,605
Maintenance	10	26	16	263	512	1,173	222	41	19	23	2,305
Locomotive	4	17	6	176	432	853	47	44	10	8	1,597
Totals	20	54	29	608	1,288	2,973	326	120	47	42	5,627
1897-98.											
General	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	122
Traffic	8	14	7	180	400	980	51	34	21	12	1,707
Maintenance	4	25	12	248	610	1,153	159	52	15	26	2,304
Locomotive	4	14	7	210	502	1,066	49	48	10	8	1,918
Totals	16	53	26	638	1,512	3,199	259	134	46	46	6,051

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STATEMENT of ACCIDENTS for the Year ending 31st March, 1898.

Section.	Passengers Killed or Injured.				Servants of the Department Killed or Injured.				Persons Killed or Injured while crossing at Level Crossings.		Trespassers.		Workshops.		Miscellaneous.		Total Killed.	Total Injured.
	From Causes beyond their own Control.		From their own Misconduct or Want of Caution.		From Causes beyond their own Control.		From their own Misconduct or Want of Caution.											
	Killed.	Injured.	Killed.	Injured.	Killed.	Injured.	Killed.	Injured.	Killed.	Injured.	Killed.	Injured.	Killed.	Injured.				
Kawakawa ...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Whangarei ...	...	...	...	...	...	2	...	2	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	4
Kaihu ...	...	...	...	...	...	2	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	2
Auckland ...	...	...	...	2	1	19	...	2	4	8	...	...	...	5	...	1	5	37
Wellington-Napier-New Plymouth ...	...	1	1	3	...	31	2	23	...	...	2	1	...	18	...	...	5	77
Hurunui-Bluff ...	1	...	4	7	...	94	1	32	1	3	...	1	...	30	...	...	7	167
Greymouth ...	...	...	...	1	...	4	...	2	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	8
Westport ...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	1
Nelson ...	...	...	...	...	...	3	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	4
Pictou ...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Totals ...	1	1	5	13	1	155	3	61	5	11	2	2	...	56	...	1	17	300