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13. The Company's trucks or sheets shall not be used for local traffic on the Government line, nor shall the Government trucks or sheets be used for the local traffic on the Company's line.

14. No four-wheel truck shall be forwarded from the parent line for interchanged traffic with less load than 1½ tons of goods of classes A, B, C, D, H; 3 tons of E and K; or 4 tons of F, N, P, Q; any less quantity must be transhipped at Wellington or Palmerston North, if necessary. For bogie trucks the minimum shall be double that of four-wheeled trucks. Trucks containing the minimum quantity specified above will be deemed to be loaded trucks for the purpose of this agreement.

15. The Company shall find a covered van and the Government shall find a covered van, each free of charge, to be run with each daily through train between New Plymouth and Wellington for

conveyance of small lots of goods.

16. Where trucks are forwarded from the parent line to the foreign line, and the distance from the junction does not exceed eighty-five miles, two clear days (in addition to the day of arrival at and return to the junction) will be allowed before charges for demurrage are made. Where such distance exceeds eighty-five miles an additional day will be allowed.

17. The charges for trucks will be as follows:-For all four-wheeled trucks, 1d. per mile. For double-bogie trucks,  $1\frac{1}{2}d$ . per mile.

Computed on mileage run by loaded trucks.

18. Sheets will be charged  $\frac{1}{8}$ d. per mile each when in use, and will be subject to the same regulation for return to the parent line as wagons.

19. Mileage will not be charged upon wagons or sheets returning homeward to the parent

20. Demurrage will be charged—on each four-wheeled truck detained by the foreign line beyond the prescribed time, 4s. per day or part thereof; bogie trucks, double rate.

21. Demurrage will be charged on sheets at the rate of 6d. per sheet per day. 22. Sundays and days when goods traffic is suspended must not be counted.

23. The Company shall, if required, run engines, carriage and wagon stock for transfer between stations on the Wellington-Napier-New Plymouth Section at the following rates per mile, viz.:

Engines Four- and six-wheeled cars 3 ••• • • • ••• 6 Double-bogie cars ... Four-wheeled trucks Double-bogie trucks . . .

24. When coaching stock is borrowed, either by the Company or the Minister, and used for local traffic only, the charges will be at the following rates per day or portion of a day:-

Carriages, double-bogie Carriages, six-wheeled ... ... Brake-vans

25. The Company's officers shall act under the instructions issued from time to time by the General Manager of the New Zealand Government Railways in accounting for and dealing with all interchanged traffic, and shall render such returns to the Railway Accountant, New Zealand

Government Railways, as may be required by such instructions.

26. The Minister shall be responsible for causing to be collected from the consignees or other persons all proper charges on behalf of the Company which the Company is legally entitled to charge and collect for passenger, parcels, coaching, and goods traffic which has passed over the line, which charges may have been properly waybilled and otherwise notified by the Company's officers to the receiving-stations on the Government line in accordance with the by-laws and other instructions in operation on the New Zealand Government railways.

27. The Company shall similarly be responsible for collecting the New Zealand Government

railway charges on interchanged passenger, parcels, coaching, and goods traffic.

28. The Minister shall cause the accounts for interchanged traffic to be compiled and audited for each four weeks, or thereabouts, in accordance with the practice on the Government lines, and shall cause accounts to be rendered to the Company within four weeks, or thereabouts, after the close of each accounting-period; and there shall be a settlement of account as between the Government line and the Company's line by cash payment of the balance due from one to the other respectively, as may be ascertained from such audited accounts.

29. The Company shall permit any officer duly appointed by the Minister to examine any traffic accounts on its line, if necessary, for accounting and audit purposes; and, similarly, the Minister shall permit any duly appointed officer of the Company to examine any traffic accounts

on the line interchanging traffic with the Company's line.

30. Except as otherwise provided herein, the fares, rates, and charges for the conveyance of all passenger, parcels, coaching, and goods traffic upon the Company's line shall be fixed by the

Company.

31. The Company shall supply the Minister with schedules of such fares, rates, and charges, and the Minister may cause the same to be gazetted for the information of the public. All such fares, rates, and charges to be used subject to the general regulations in operation on the New Zealand Government railways. Such fares, rates, and charges will be in addition to the fares rates, and charges which are made by the Minister for the conveyance of passenger, parcels, coaching, and goods traffic upon the Government lines.