

Average Late Arrival of Trains.

	Period ending													Average for Year, in Minutes.
	May 1.	May 22.	June 26.	July 24.	Aug. 21.	Sept. 18.	Oct. 16.	Nov. 13.	Dec. 11.	Jan. 8.	Feb. 5.	Mar. 5.	Mar. 31.	
<i>Express and Mail Trains.</i>														
Year ending 31st March, 1910	3·62	1·61	1·31	0·77	1·23	0·73	1·77	1·09	1·43	5·31	1·63	2·97	4·51	2·15
Year ending 31st March, 1909	2·72	0·87	1·64	1·50	0·61	0·31	0·48	0·78	0·97	2·15	1·60	1·61	1·57	1·29
<i>Long-distance Mixed Trains.</i>														
Year ending 31st March, 1910	3·88	3·05	2·94	1·54	1·57	1·56	1·31	1·45	2·20	3·49	2·49	4·42	5·10	2·69
Year ending 31st March, 1909	3·22	1·97	2·10	1·32	1·17	1·30	1·04	1·12	1·30	2·01	1·76	2·74	3·42	1·88
<i>Suburban Trains.</i>														
Year ending 31st March, 1910	0·71	0·41	0·44	0·30	0·19	0·18	0·21	0·15	0·34	0·67	0·61	0·95	1·08	0·48
Year ending 31st March, 1909	0·55	0·33	0·58	0·34	0·40	0·28	0·16	0·22	0·16	0·49	0·42	0·52	0·31	0·36

STORES.

Mr. H. Baxter, Stores Manager, reports as follows :—

The value of stores (purchased under the Railway vote) on hand at the 31st March, 1910, at the various depots amounted to £243,439 14s. 7d., as against £284,496 12s. 7d. on the 31st March, 1909—a decrease of £41,056 18s.

The value of stores on hand on account of additions to open lines amounted to £29,066 6s. 2d. on the 31st March, 1910, as against £30,692 13s. 9d. on the 31st March, 1909, a decrease of £1,626 7s. 7d. The total stock of stores on hand has therefore decreased during the past year by £42,683 5s. 7d. The stock is in good order, has been carefully and systematically inspected, and is value for the amount stated.

The conduct of the staff as a whole has been very satisfactory.

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T. RONAYNE,

The Hon. the Minister of Railways.

General Manager.