

## STORES.

Mr. H. Baxter, Comptroller of Stores, reports as follows :—

The value of stores (purchased under the Railway vote) on hand at 31st March, 1913, at the various stores and depots amounted to £328,754 18s. 2d., as against £250,764 8s. 9d. on the 31st March, 1912, an increase of £77,990 9s. 5d.

The value of stores stock on hand on account of additions to open lines amounted to £37,801 16s. 6d., as against £17,266 18s. 5d. on 31st March, 1912, an increase of £20,534 18s. 1d.

The total stock of stores on hand has therefore increased during the year by £98,525 7s. 6d.

The whole stock is in good order, has been carefully and systematically inspected, and is good value for the amounts stated.

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

I have, &c.,

T. RONAYNE,  
General Manager.

The Hon. the Minister of Railways.

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