

1913.
NEW ZEALAND.

EXPENDITURE OF RAILWAY DEPARTMENT

CAUSED BY INCREASES OF SALARIES AND WAGES PROVIDED FOR IN THE
RAILWAYS AMENDMENT ACT, 1912.

Return to an Order of the House of Representatives dated the 25th July, 1913.

Ordered, "That there be laid before this House a return showing the increased expenditure of the Railway Department during the year ended 31st March, 1913, caused by the increases of salaries and wages provided for in the Railways Amendment Act, 1912, such return to show the increase in each division."—(Mr. RUSSELL.)

RETURN SHOWING INCREASED EXPENDITURE OF THE RAILWAY DEPARTMENT DURING THE YEAR
ENDED 31st MARCH, 1913, CAUSED BY THE INCREASES OF SALARIES AND WAGES PROVIDED
FOR IN THE RAILWAYS AMENDMENT ACT, 1912.

As the provisions of the Government Railways Amendment Act, 1912, did not come into operation until 1st April, 1913, the increased expenditure due to the increases provided therein for the year ended 31st March, 1913, is nil.

In January, 1912, an allowance was granted to members in receipt of a wage of less than 9s. per day to bring their pay up to that amount, and to give a number of those in receipt of more than 9s. per day a relatively higher remuneration; also to increase the minimum pay of married members from £133 to £140 17s. per annum.

The Government Railways Amendment Act, 1912, made these allowances, which increased the working-expenses by £44,316 per annum, statutory rates, and to this extent the Act of 1912 may be said to have increased the expenditure for financial year 1912-13.

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General Manager.

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