

Boilers.—Boiler-work generally, including new boilers, renewals, and repairs, has been kept well up to date. Twenty-five new locomotive boilers were made.

The following statement shows details of the boiler-work done :—

Description.	Number passed through Shops.	Built new.	Heavy Repairs.	Light Repairs.	New Tubes (Sets).	Tubes pieced and Second-hand (Sets).	New Fireboxes.	New Firebox Tube-plates.	Boilers patched.
Boilers	415	25	144	246	81	15	8	16	133

Thirty-eight new boilers were under construction at close of year, and comprised ten Class Ab, seven Class F, two Class J, one Class P, and eighteen Class Ww.

Carriages.—The stock on the 1st April, 1914, consisted of 1,363 cars, and on the 31st March, 1915, the number was 1,397 cars. Two cars were damaged in a collision and written off, and replaced with two new cars. Thirty-four new bogie cars were built and added to stock.

The following table shows details of car-work for the year :—

Particulars.	Number and Type of Carriages.			Total.
	Bogie.	Six-wheel.	Four-wheel.	
Number passed through shops	1,923	109	64	2,096
Built new	36	...	...	36
Rebuilt	1	...	...	1
Heavy repairs	1,052	13	3	1,068
Light repairs	834	96	61	991
Painted	541	16	...	557
Touched up	563	7	...	570

Seventy-seven new bogie cars are under construction in railway workshops.

Brake-vans.—The number of brake-vans on the line on the 1st April, 1914, was 406, and the number on the 31st March, 1915, was 410. Eight new bogie vans were built, five being additional stock and three to replace two vans damaged and one written off. One van was sold and written off, and is being replaced with a new bogie van.

The following table shows the work done on brake-vans during the year :—

Description.	Number passed through Shops.	Built new.	Heavy Repairs.	Light Repairs.	Painted.	Paint touched up.
Brake-vans	641	8	292	341	126	186

Thirty new bogie brake-vans are under construction.

Wagons.—The wagon stock on the 1st April, 1914, consisted of 19,845 vehicles, and the number on the 31st March, 1915, was 20,816. Ten wagons were sold, six wagons were damaged, and twenty-five worn-out wagons were written off. One thousand and twelve new wagons were built: of these, 966 were additional stock, thirty-one wagons to replace the wagons worn out and damaged, thirteen wagons to replace wagons sold last year, and two wagons to replace wagons sold this year. The second-hand wagons sold are being replaced with new stock.

The carrying-capacity of wagon stock increased by 9,889 tons, equal to 5.93 per cent., or an equivalent of 1,648 ordinary wagons.

The following table gives particulars of the work done on wagons during the year :—

Description.	Number passed through Shops.	Built new.	Rebuilt.	Heavy Repairs.	Light Repairs.	Painted.	Touched up.
Wagons	20,339	1,013	61	5,716	13,549	3,517	6,497