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# THE VICTORIAN RAILWAYS COMMISSIONERS 

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YEAR ENDED 30mH JUNE, 1926.
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# REPORT OF THE VIOTORIAN RALLWAYS COMMSSIONERS FOR THE YRAR ENDED 30th JUNE, 1926. 

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> Victorian Railways,
> Commissioners' Office, Spencer-street, Melbourne, 3oth August, 1926.

To the Honorable the Minister of Railuays.
Sir,
In conformity with the provisions of Section 99 of the Railways Act 1915, No. 2716, we have the honour to submit our Report in respect of the year ended 3oth June, 1926.

The financial results of the operation of the Railways and the St. KildaBrighton and Sandringham-Black Rock Electric Tramways during the period under review were as indicated hereunder:-


## Summary of the Financial Results by Contrast with the Results in the Preceding Year.



## Comparison of the Results of Working (excluding Electric Tramways and Road Motor Coaches) with those in the Three Preceding Years.

|  |  |  |  | $\begin{gathered} \text { Year } \\ 1922-1923 . \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} \text { Year } \\ \text { 1923-1924. } \end{gathered}$ | $\underset{1924-1925 .}{\text { Year }}$ | $\underset{1925-1926 .}{\text { Year }}$ |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Average Mileage of Railways operated ... |  |  |  | 4,297 | 4,369 | 4,448 | 4, $5^{28}$ |
| TRAFFIC TRAIN | MLLE |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| $\begin{array}{cc}\text { Passenger-Country } & \ldots \\ \text { Mixed } & \text { Suburban } \\ \ldots \\ \text { Goods (ineluding Live Stock) }\end{array}$ | ... | ... | $\ldots$ | 2,901,822 | 2,987,928 | 3,259,520 | 3,343,344 |
|  | ... | ... | ... | 6,459,903 | 6,956,099 | 7,194,731 | 7,311,755 |
|  | $\ldots$ |  |  | 2,528,387 | 2,404,461 | 2,295,898 | 2,225,038 |
|  | ... |  | ... | 4,504,127 | 4,246,345 | 4,731,857 | 4,695,410 |
|  |  | tal | ... | ${ }^{1} 16,394,239$ | 16,594, $833(a)$ | 17,482,006(a) | 17,575,547(a) |
| Number of Passenger Journeys | $\left\{\begin{array}{l} \text { Country } \\ \text { Suburban } \end{array}\right.$ |  | $\cdots$ | $10,047,058$ $145,910,182$ | $\begin{array}{r} 9,892,197 \\ 157,969,667 \end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{r} 9,765,623 \\ \times 56,678,519 \end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{r} 9,464,911 \\ 158,589,397 \end{array}$ |
| Tonnage of Goods Tonnage of Live Stock | $\cdots$ |  | $\ldots$ | 6,943,011 | 7,820,531 | 8,446,929 | 8,128,905 |
|  | ... | .. | .. | 574,205 | 489,012 | 512,627 | 599,591 |
| GROSS REVENUE. |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Passenger, \&c., B | Busine |  |  |  | $\varepsilon$ | £ | £ |
| Passenger-Country ... ... |  |  |  | 2,695,144 | 2,716,999 | 2,728,500 | 2,689,060 |
| " Petrol Rail Motors | ... |  | ... |  |  | 35,422 | 44,557 |
|  |  |  | ... | 2,399,45 | 2,613,615 | 2,616,965 | 2,693, 187 |
|  | ... | ... | .. | 473,007 | 486,397 | 496,532 | 506,249 |
| Horses, Carriages, and Dogs | $\ldots$ |  |  |  |  | 4,570 | 7,593 |
| Mails ... | $\ldots$ |  | $\cdots$ | 37,228 59,908 | 37,999 59,549 | 39,968 59,480 | 40,681 90,248 |
|  |  |  |  | 5,664,738 | 5,914,559 | 5,981,437 | 6,070,555 |
| Goods, \&c., Business. |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Goods ... |  | $\ldots$ | $\ldots$ | 4,178,192 | 4,534,931 | 5,070,969 | 4,777,686 |
| Live Stock | $\cdots$ | ... | ... | 653,229. | 523,406 | 550,060 | 636,326 |
| Minerals |  |  | ... | 121,771 | 146,189 | 154,493 | 151,439 |
|  |  |  |  | 4,953,192 | 5,204,526 | 5,775,522 | 5,565,451 |
| Other Services. |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Dining Car Services . . . ... |  |  |  | 24,915 28,925 | 24,492 320,669 $\mathbf{3}, 3$ | 24,008 383,840 | 25,807 413,736 |
| Advertising ... ... |  |  | ... | 283,201 | 320,669 25,327 | -34,118 | 413,738 36,987 |
| Book Stalls | $\ldots$ |  | ... | ... |  | 66,322 | 67,855 |
|  |  |  |  | 308,116 | 370,488 | 508,288 | 544,385 |
| Electrical Power |  |  | $\cdots$ |  |  |  |  |
| Rentals ... | ... | $\ldots$ | $\ldots$ | 117.673 | 119,300 | 124,883 | 156,546 |
| Miscellaneous ... | ... | ... | ... | 124,305 | 124,310 | 150,270 | 189,098 |
| Total |  |  | $\ldots$ | 11,347,057 | 11,958,635 | 12,759,197 | 12,671,061 |
| Per mile of Railway worked Per traffie train mile ... | $\cdots$ | .... | ... | $\begin{array}{r} 2,641 \\ \text { 1 } 38.10 \cdot 1 \mathrm{rd.} . \end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{r} 2,737 \\ 14 \mathrm{~s} .4 \div 95 \mathrm{~d} . \end{array}$ | $\begin{gathered} 2,869 \\ 14 \mathrm{~s} \cdot \\ 766 \mathrm{~d} . \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{array}{r} 2,798 \\ 14 \mathrm{~s} .5 \cdot 3 \mathrm{~d} . \end{array}$ |
| WORKING EXPENSES. |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Transportation Branch ... |  |  |  | ¢ | $\xrightarrow[\text { 2, } 543,229]{\text { f }}$ | $\xrightarrow{\substack{\text { 2 } 664,697}}$ | $\underset{\text { 2,70I,124 }}{\substack{\text { 2 }}}$ |
| Way and Works Braneh .... |  |  |  | $2,399,867$ $1,661,951$ 1,062 | $2,543,229$ $\mathrm{I}, 861,887$ | $2,664,697$ $1,963,960$ | 2,7,1,124 |
| Rolling-Stook Brauch - Operating Expenses" |  |  |  | 1,607,733 | 1,638,163 | 1,770,939 | 1,821,763 |
|  |  |  |  | r, 266,108 | 1,331,104 | 1,480,972 | 1,520,727 |
| Repayment to Capitalin respect of Loconwithdrawn from ser |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| " Payment into Rolling-Stock |  |  |  | ... | 50,000 | 50,0 | 50,0 |
|  |  |  |  | 200,000 | 200,000 | 200,000 | 200,000 |
| Electrical Engineering Branch | $\ldots$ | $\ldots$ | " | 406,870 | 538,547 | 564,264 | 466,770 |
| Miscellaneous Operations | $\ldots$ | $\ldots$ | ... | 261,767 191,371 | 312,879 199,697 | 430,151 26,130 | 452,755 238,621 |
| Stores Branch .a. ... ... - ... |  |  |  | 191,37 |  |  | 80,162\% |
| Payment inte Railway Accident and Fire Insuranee Fund |  |  |  | 84,259 | 38,916 | 47,823 | 65,945 |
| Payment to the State Coal Mine towards the cost of re-conditioning the McBride tunnel ... |  |  |  | 84,259 | 38,96 | 47,8268 |  |
| Total Working Expenses | ... | ... | ... | 8,181,926 | 8,714,422(b) | 9,426,204(b) | 9,526,464(b) |
| Per mile of Railway worked |  |  | ... |  |  |  |  |
| Per traffic train mile <br> Percentage of Gross Revenue | $\ldots$ | ... | ... | 9s. 11.788 d , | 10s. 6.03 d . | ros. 9,40d. | ros. ro.cod. |
|  | ... | ... | ... | $7^{2} 11$ | $72 \cdot 87$ | 73.88 | 75.18 |
| Net Revenue |  | ... |  | 3,165,131 | 3,244,213 | 3,332,993 | 3,144,597 |
| Per mile of Ratilway worked | $\ldots$ | ... | $\ldots$ | 737 | 742 | 750 | 6. 694 |
| Per traffic train mile | ... | ... |  | 38. 10.33 d . | 38. 10.92 d . | 3s. 9.76 d . | 35.6 .94 d . |

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## Gross Revenue of the Railways.

The Gross Revenue of the Railways (excluding the Electric Tramways and the Road Motor Coaches) amounted to $£_{12,671,061, ~ w h i c h ~ i s ~ a ~ d e c r e a s e ~ o f ~}^{£ 88,136}$ as compared with the revenue earned in the preceding year, viz., $£_{12,759,197}$, or equivalent to a decrease of 69 per cent. The increases and decreases in the different subdivisions of traffic were as shown hereunder :-


The contributing factors are explained in our comments ou page 13 , under the heading "Analysis of Passenger, Goods, and Live Stock Traffic.'

The Gross Revenue per traffic train mile was $14 \mathrm{~s} .5^{\circ} 03 \mathrm{~d}$., as compared with 14s. $7 \cdot 16 \mathrm{~d}$. in the preceding year.

For comparative purposes, a statement is furnished hereunder showing the gross earnings per traffic train mile each year for the four years ended 30th June, 1926:-

| Year. |  |  | Revenue per traffic train mile. |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  |  | $s$. | $d$. |
| 1922-23 | $\cdots$ | . $\cdot$ | 13 | 10*11 |
| 1923-24 | $\cdots$ | $\ldots$ | 14 | 4.95 |
| $19^{24-25}$ | $\ldots$ | ... | 14 | $7^{\cdot 16}$ |
| 1925-26 | . $\cdot$ | ** | 14 | . ${ }^{\circ} \mathrm{O} 3$ |

## Working Expenses of the Railways.

A detailed statement of the Working Expenses (excluding Electric Tramways and the Road Motor Coaches) is given in Appendix No. 3.

The percentage of Working Expenses to Gross Revenue was 75.18 , by contrast with 73.88 in the preceding year, and 72.87 in 1923-24. The increase in 1925-26 by comparison with 1924-25 was largely accounted for by the increased cost of labour owing to the higher average basic wage.

## Reconciliation with Treasury Figures.

The figures relating to the Revenue and Working Expenses, as shown in our accounts, do not agree with the Treasury figures because, in accordance with ordinary commercial practice, we credit the Revenue Account of each year with all
the moneys which have been earned in such year, whether received or not, and debit the Working Expenses Account with the expenditure actually incurred in the year whether paid or not; whereas in the Treasury it is the practice to credit or debit each year with the amounts actually received or paid during the year.

A reconciliation is embodied in Appendix No. 22, so that the apparent discrepancies between the two sets of figures may be readily appreciated.

## South Australian Border Railways Adjustment Account.

The agreement which was made in 1912 between the Victorian and South Australian Governments-and which was ratified by Act No. 2424-in connexion with the construction of the lines from Murrayville to Pinnaroo, and from Malanganee to Mount Gambier, prescribed that 40 per cent. of the revenue derived from the conveyance over other lines in either State of traffic originating or terminating on the connecting railways shall be paid into a "pool" and that after the losses (if any) on working the connecting railways, and the Ouyen to Murrayville railway, have been paid therefrom the balance is to be divided equally between the States-firstly, up to a maximum of $£ 5,000$ per annum uncouditionally ; and then the balance (if any) in the "pool", subject to the proviso that the credit to either State may be revised under certain conditions.

The adjustment in respect of the year ended 30th June, 1925 , involved the payment to South Australia of the sum of $£_{1}, 630$, which has been charged to the Working Expenses of the year under review.

## Repayment to Capital in respect of the construction of the North Geelong to Fyansford Line.

The construction of the line from North Geelong to Fyansford (which was opened in September, 1918) was authorized by Act No. 2879, subject to The Australian Portland Cement Company Proprietary Limited undertaking to make good the amount by which the annual revenue from the line is insufficient to meet the working expenses, the interest on the Capital cost, and an annual contribution sufficient to extinguish the Capital expenditure within a period of fifteen years.

In accordance with the proposal to write off the cost of the line during the period in question, the sum of $£_{4,049}$ in respect of the first six years had been charged to working expenses and credited to Capital Account, at 3oth June, 192 5, and $\mathfrak{a}$ sum of $£_{1}, 341$ was similarly dealt with in $1925-26$.

## Percentage of Net Revenue to Capital Liability.

The Net Revenue, after providing for the payment of Working Expenses, Pensions and Gratuities under Act No. 767 , the adjustment with South Australia in connexion with the Border Railways, payment to the Superannuation Fund, and the repayment to Capital Account in respect of the North Geelong to Fyansford Line, was equivalent to $4^{\prime} I 6$ per cent. of the total loan liability, as compared with $4^{\prime} 59$ in 1924-25.

## Credits under the Provisions of Section 102 of Act No. 2716, \&c.

Provision is made in section IO2 of the Railways Act 1915 that any losses incurred in respect of the working of new lines of railway, or any increase of expenditure or decrease of revenue occasioned by a direction given by Parliament or the Governor in Council on a matter of policy, shall be notified in writing by the Commissioners to the Auditor-General, and, if certified by him, shall be provided by Parliament in the Annual Appropriation Act, and paid to the Commissioners.

The amounts appropriated by Parliament and paid to the Department under section Io2 of the Railways $A c t$ 19I5, for which credit is taken in the finances of the year under review, were as follow :-

| The loss incurred in comnexion with the operation of certain non-paying lines (vide page 10 ) | 175,458 | $\bigcirc$ |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| The sum paid to South Australia in respect of the operation of certain border railways (as referred to on page 7) ... | 1,630 | $\bigcirc \circ$ |
| The amount of the preference granted on goods of Australian manufacture pursuant to a direction given by Parliament | 3,353 | 1510 |
| The loss incurred in connexion with the reduction of io per cent. in freight charges for certain classes of Agricultural produce ... | 160,000 | $\bigcirc$ |
| Total amount of the loss and increase of expenditure Deduct-Amount not appropriated in 1925-26 | $\begin{array}{r} 340,441 \\ 31,088 \end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{rr} 15 & 10 \\ 0 & 0 \end{array}$ |
| Amount appropriated and paid ... | £309,353 | 1510 |

## Railway Accident and Fire Insurance Fund.

The total amount credited to the Railway Accident and Fire Insurance Fund, inclusive of a contribution of $£_{343}$ in respect of the St. Kilda-Brighton and Sandringham-Black Rock Electric Tramways, was £66,288.

## Pensions and Gratuities.

The amounts paid in pensions and gratuities (to ex-employees or to their dependent relatives) were $£_{216,058}$ and $£ 3,338$ respectively, or a total of $£_{219} 199^{6}$, as compared with $£_{210,503}$ and $£_{4,58} 4$ respectively, or a total of $£_{215}, 087$, in the preceding year.

At 3oth June, 1926, the number of employees still in the Service entitled to either pension or compensation on retirement was 94. By contrast with 3 th June, 1925 , this represents a decrease of 49, vide Appendix No. 14.

It will, of course, be appreciated that these figures relate to payment of pensions, \&c., to employees who were in the Service at the date of the passing of Act No. 767 on 1st November, 1883 , and not to pensions under the Superannuation Act which came into uperation as from ist January last.

## Capital Expenditure.

£ s. $d$.
The total expenditure charged to Capital Account at 3oth June, Iy 25 , was...
... ... ... ... .. and during the year the expenditure so charged (details of which are given in Appendix No. 15) was as follows :-


Total Increase in Expenditure on
Capital Accornt ... $\ldots$... ... $\ldots$... ... $1,392,173 \quad 5.9$
so that the total expenditure charged to Capital Account at 30th


## Loan Funds.

At 30th June, 1925 , the total liability in respect of $\quad £ \quad s . d$. Current Loans was ... 67,852,641 13 9 and during the year the additional amount allocated was as follows :-


Net Increase for the year ... ... ... $1,980,773$ 10 6
so that the total liability, at 30 th June, 1926 , in respect of

Current Loans was (vide Appendix No. 16) ... ...

The proceeds of Loans, after deducting Discounts and Expenses (less Net Premiums received), amounted at

and as this amount was increased during the year ended 30th June, i926, by ... ... ... ... 1,780,926 I4 2
the total proceeds of Loans at 3oth June, 1926, were

> | $\mathcal{£} 69,833,415 \quad 4 \quad 3$ |
| :---: |
| $£$ | s. $\quad d$.

$$
\begin{array}{llll}
1,780,926 & 14 & 2 \\
\hline
\end{array}
$$

$$
£ 67,361,0156 \quad 1
$$

The difference between the increase in the proceeds of Loans and the net increase in the total amount of Current Loans allocated, which represents the Net Discount and Expenses for the year, was ... ... ... ... ...

## Interest Account.

The Interest Charges on Current Loans (vide Appendix No. 16) amounted to $\quad . . \quad \cdots \quad \cdots \quad \cdots \quad . .$. In addition expenses were incurred by the Treasury in connexion
with the payment of Interest to the extent of
3,087,115 167
$5,579 \quad 16.9$
The debit for Interest Charges and Expenses for the year 1925-26
was therefore $\ldots \quad \ldots \quad \ldots \quad \ldots \quad \ldots 2,092,695$ 13 4
which represents a decrease of $\mathfrak{£}_{7}, 189$ as compared with the debit for the previous year.

## Non-Interest Bearing Funds.

At 3oth June, 1925, the amount provided out of Consolidated Revenue for Railway Construction, Equipment, Stores, \&c., and on which interest is not charged, was ... ... and further moneys were provided during the year out of Consolidated Revenue and debited to Construction Works, as shown hereunder-

Expenditure under Division No. 91 of the Appropriation

| Act $\ldots$ | $\ldots$ | $\ldots$ | $\cdots$ | $\cdots$ | $\cdots$ | 3,039 | 0 | 0 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | ---: | ---: | ---: |

The total amount so provided as at 3oth June, 1926 (vide Appendix No. 1), was therefore ... ... $\quad \ldots \quad £_{4,029,213} 15 \quad 0$

## Capital Expenditure on Lines Closed for Traffic, and on Surveys of Lines not constructed.

| Lines Closed for Traftio. |  | Miles. |  | Approximate Capital Cost. |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Dunkeld to Penshurst (dismantled) | $\ldots$ | 15.87 | $\cdots$ | $\mathfrak{£}_{50,000}$ |
| Canterbury Loop Line (dismantled) | ... | 0.21 ) |  |  |
| Ashburton to Oakleigh | ... | $2 \cdot 37$ \} | ... | 130,000 |
| Fairfield Park to Deepdene | .. | 3.34) |  |  |
| Darling to Waverley ... | $\ldots$ | 0.69 | ... | 7,000 |
| Lancefield to Kilmore (dismantled) | ... | 18.10 | ... | 107,873 |
| Fawkner Cemetery to Somerton | ... | $5 \cdot 22$ | ... | 53,217 |
| Geelong Race-course Line (dismantled) | ... | 1.96 | $\cdots$ | 5,317 |
| Totals | ... | 4776 |  | 353,407 |
| Surveys for lines not constructed | ... | ... | ... | 415,318 |
| Grand Total | $\ldots$ | ... | $\ldots$ | £768,725 |

## Non-Paying Lines.

The operation of the following lines for the twelve months ended 28 th February, i926, after the payment of Working Expenses and Interest Charges, resulted in a loss of $\boldsymbol{£}_{181}$ I $_{720}$. The amount for which, in respect of non-paying lines, credit has been taken in the Revenue Account in accordance with the provisions of section 102 of Act No. 2716 is $£_{175,458}$, as shown hereunder.


## New Lines of Railways.

During the year 143.65 miles of new railways were opened for traffic, including II 9.92 miles of Border railways between Moama and Balranald. At 30 th June, 55.75 miles were in course of construction. The details of the different lines are shown in Appendix No. 23.

## Mileage of Railways and Tracks Open for Traffic.

The total route mileage open for traffic and the mileage of the main tracks and sidings, \&c., are shown in the following statement, which also affords a comparison with the respective totals in the preceding year. Further particulars are given in Appendix No. 24 :-


## St. Kilda-Brighton Electric Tramway.

The results of operating the St. Kilda-Brighton Electric Tramway, as contrasted with those of the preceding year, are embodied in Appendix No. 18; the principal itens being as follow:-

| Number of Passengers |  |  | $\text { Year } 1924-25 .$ $5,737,101$ |  | Xear $1925-26$, $5,910,741$ |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | .. | ... | 5,737,101 | $\ldots$ | 5,910,741 |
| Gross Revenue |  | $\ldots$ | 58,038 | $\ldots$ | 56,533 |
| Working Expenses. |  | ... | 48,942 | $\ldots$ | 48,534 |
| Net Revenue ... |  |  | 9,096 | $\ldots$ | 7,999 |
| Interest Charges |  | $\ldots$ | 8,911 | $\ldots$ | 9.277 |
| Net Result ... | $\cdots$ | Profi | t £185 |  | $£_{1,278}$ |

The loss on the year's working was due to decreased Revenue as a result of road motor competition, as well as increases in wages and interest charges.

The Capital Expenditure at 3oth June, 1926 , on account of $£$ the construction of the line was
.. 124,059 $\begin{array}{ccccccc}\text { and of rolling-stock } & . . . & \ldots & \ldots & \ldots & \ldots & . . . \\ & \ldots & \ldots & . . & 72,248\end{array}$

$$
\text { or a total of ... ... ... ... ... } £_{196,307}
$$

## Sandringham-Black Rock Electric Tramway.

A comparison of the results of the operation of this Tramway with those of the preceding year appears in Appendix No. 19, and the chief items are shown hereunder:-

| Number of Passengers | ... | ... | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Year } 1924-25 . \\ & \mathrm{I}, 475,261 \\ & £ \end{aligned}$ |  | $\begin{gathered} \text { r } 1925-26 . \\ 371,558 \\ \mathcal{E} \end{gathered}$ |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Gross Revenue | $\ldots$ | ... | 13,048 | $\ldots$ | 12,061 |
| Working Expenses | $\ldots$ | $\ldots$ | 10,699 | $\ldots$ | 13,233 |
| Net Revenue | .. | ... | 2,349 | Loss | 1,172 |
| Interest Charges... | $\cdots$ | $\cdots$ | 5,326 |  | 5,514 |
| Net Result | $\cdots$ | Loss | $\mathfrak{£}_{2,977}$ | Loss | £6,686 |

Competition by road motors was largely responsible for the decrease in Revenue, while the increase in Working Expenses was due to the payment of higher wages and interest charges, and additional track maintenance.

The Capital Expenditure at 30th June, 1926, on account $£$ of the construction of the line was ... ... ... ... 70, 103 and of rolling stock ... ... ... ... ... 29.574

$$
\text { or a total of } \quad \ldots \quad . . \quad . . \quad . . \quad \text { Eg9,677 }
$$

## Finance.

Last year, although we were able to report a small surplus ( $£ 26,000$ ), we pointed out that the amount set aside for depreciation was quite inadequate, and that the finances could not be regarded as sound until a Depreciation Fund had been established.

Subsequent investigation showed the additional amount required for this purpose to be $£ 450,000$ per annum.

Apart from this fact, the financial situation has been subject to drastic and continual change as a result of various new wages awards and other factors beyond our control.

The extent of the increased expenditure with which we were faced owing to these reasons was quite beyond the possible scope of the economies in working which are continually being effected. We could, therefore, see no prospect of balancing the ledger except by increasing fares and freight rates, and in January last we recommended that this course should be adopted.

The reasons which contributed to the complete alteration in the situation are briefly set out in the following statement, which indicates the position in a normal operating year, on the basis of the wages and costs effective at 30 th June last, by comparison with $1924-25$. It will be noticed that the figures take into account the fact that the revenue of $1924-25$ was abnormal, inasmuch as the wheat yield was above the average, and the revenue obtained from the sale of electric current is a fast disappearing factor:-

| Surplus, 1924-25 | . $\quad$. | $\begin{gathered} f \\ 26,000 \\ \hline \end{gathered}$ |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Increases in Working Expenses, \&c., in a normal | f |  |
| Increased cost of coal owing to an award of the Hibble Tribunal | 46,000 |  |
| Cost of superannuation in 1927 as estimated by the Government Statist | 100,000 |  |
| Increased wages owing to Awards of the Arbitration Court, Railways Classification Board, and various Wages | , |  |
| Boards | 291,000 |  |
|  | 437,000 |  |
| Decreases in Working Expenses on account of expenditure in 1924-25 which will not normally recur | 99,000 |  |
| Net increase in Working Expenses in a normal operating year over 1924-25 |  | 338,000 |
| dd decreases in Net Revenue on account of- |  |  |
| Reduced quantity of wheat to be carried in a normal operating year | 116,000 |  |
| And decreased sale of electric current | 73,000 |  |
| Total retrogression through increased Working Ex decreased Revenue .. | penses and | 527,000 |
| Estimated deficit in a normal operating year, ta as a basis . . | ng 1924-25 | 501,000 |

The additional revenue required to avoid a deficit, without making any additional allowance for depreciation, was therefore .
Fer annum.
£
501,000
The requisite additional provision for depreciation, as already stated, was $\qquad$ ..
450,000
But it was assumed that if fares and freight rates were increased the Department would lose the payment made to it by the Government to meet the losses arising from certain reductions in freight charges previously made at the direction of the Governor in Council, viz.
150,000
The total amount required on this basis would thus be

Having in mind the effect of increased charges on the traffic, however, our recommendation was that increases should be made sufficient to produce an additional revenue of

850,000
Subsequent to the close of the financial year, further noncontrollable increases in expenditure became operative owing to Arbitration Court Awards, higher price of coal, \&c., to such an extent as to increase the amount of £I,IOI,IOO (as shown above) to
..
.
1,311,000
We therefore had no option but to amend our previous figure and to recommend that the increase in fares and freight rates be such as to produce additional revenue to the extent of .. .. .. .. ..

1,000,000
Even this increase would not, as will be seen by a study of the figures, enable the full additional amount required to be devoted to depreciation.

As from Ist May last, authority was received to increase the fares in certain portions of the suburban area, where the fares charged were (and in some cases still are) below the general mileage scale. This adjustment is expected to produce additional revenue to the extent of approximately $£_{130,000}$ per annum.

We regret that, with this exception, the Government has not seen fit to adopt our recommendation. Every week of delay necessarily increases the deficit which is inevitable at the close of the current year, and the position is most serious and disturbing. We are strongly of opinion that railway charges should be maintained at such a level as will enable the finances of the Department to balance, and we therefore urge the adoption of our proposal at the earliest possible moment.

## Analysis of Passenger, Goods, and Live Stock Traffic.

## Passenger Trafife.

Details of the passenger business during the year, as compared with that of the preceding twelve months, are given in Appendix No. 26, but for ready reference a summary is set out hereunder :-

|  | Country Passenger Traffe. |  | Suburbau Passenger Traffic. |  | Totals. |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Year 1924-25. | Year 1925-26. | Year 1924-25. | Year 19:5-26. | Year 192 4 - 45. | Year 5925-26. |
| Total number of journeys | 9,765,623 | 9,464,911 | 156,678,519 | 158,589,397 | 166,444,142 | 168,054,308 |
| Revenue | £2,763,922 | £2,732,617 | £2,616,965 | f2,693,187. | $\mathrm{f}_{5,380,887}$ | £5,425,804 |

The suburban figures are reviewed in the paragraph on the Melbourne Suburban Electrification System on page I8, while in Appendix No. 30 will be found a statement showing the fluctuations in the suburban passenger traffic and the changes in the relative order of importance of the principal metropolitan and suburban stations since 1915-16.

In connexion with the country passenger traffic it will be seen that, notwithstanding the visit of the American Fleet in July and August last year, decreases occurred both in the number of passenger journeys and in the revenue.

A decrease in passenger traffic is a natural accompaniment of an unfavorable season, but in our opinion the decrease was mainly the result of the increasing number
of privately-owned motor cars in the State, the extent of which is again evidenced by the motor registration figures for the year. At the 30th June, 1925, there were 70,246 motor vehicles (other than motor cycles) registered in Victoria, while at the end of June last the number had increased to 83,622 , an addition of 13,376 , or equivalent to approximately I9 per ceut. for the year.

With growing prosperity and with better roads, this form of transport is bound to become increasingly popular, with a detrimental effect upon the railway traffic.

To a minor extent the increasing use of service cars was a factor in the situation. This is more particularly referred to under the heading of "Road Motor Services."

## Goods Trafic.

A detailed analysis of the goods traffic appears in Appendix No. 27. Briefly the tonnage and revenue for the past two years compare as under :-

| $\square$ | $1924+2{ }^{\text {2 }}$. | 1925-2t. | Deerease. |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  |  |  | Per cent. |
| Tonnage | 8,446,929 | 8,128,905 | 318,024 | $3 \cdot 7$ |
| Revenue | £5,070,462 | $\mathcal{E}_{4,795,067}$ | $£_{275,395}$ | $5 \cdot 4$ |

The decreases which occurred in the goods tonnage and revenue were, of course, largely the result of the unfavorable season and the consequent falling off in the wheat traffic.

The fact that the decrease in revenue ( $5 * 4$ per cent.) was greater than the decrease in the tonnage of goods ( $3 \%$ per cent.) was also partly due to the failure of the wheat crop, inasmuch as the climatic conditions were more unfavorable in the remoter wheatgrowing districts-from which the revenue is relatively high owing to the long haulthan in those nearer to Melbourne. Another factor was the large quantity of stone, metal, gravel, \&c., dealt with during the twelve months, which, although greatly inflating the tonnage figures, did not, by reason of the particularly low freight rate applying to its carriage, affect the revenue in a corresponding degree.

## Live Stock Traffic.

Appreciable increases occurred in the live stock tonnage and revenne, the figures for the last two years comparing as under :-


## Train Mileage, Train Loads, sc.

The total train mileage (including assistant engine, light engine, and locomotive coal mileage) for the year was $18,624,896$, a decrease of 5,908 miles compared with 1924-25.

The principal decrease occurred in connexion with the goods train mileage which, as a result of the poor wheat yield, was 142,629 below that of last year.

Decreases also took place in connexion with the mileage run by country steam passenger trains ( 73,024 miles) and mixed trains ( 69,579 miles). The former was not, however, due to any curtailment in regular travelling facilities-which, as a matter of fact, were increased -but was largely brought about by the operation of the Melbourne-Lilydale section by electric instead of steam traction, by the substitution of rail motor cars for steam trains on two short lines, and by a decrease in the mileage of special trains. The reduction in mixed train mileage was due to the extended use generally of petrol rail motor cars in country districts.

The suburban electric passenger train mileage increased by 205,014, while the suburban steam passenger train mileage decreased by 87,236 , due, of course, to conversions to electric traction.

Full details of the train; locomotive, and vehicle mileages are shown in Appendix No. 9 .

For the purpose of comparison a statement of the train and truck performances for the past six years is set out hereunder :--


The gradual decrease in the percentage of actual to authorized loads of goods trains during the past few years is due to the extension of rail motor services to lines previously operated by mixed trains, rendering necessary a regular goods train service, although the available loading is relatively light.

The retrogression in other performances disclosed by the comparison was the outcome of the unfavorable season, and the resultant substantial falling off in the grain traffic.

## The Wheat Harvest.

As a result of unfavorable weather conditions the wheat yield for the $1925-26$ season-29,255,534 bushels-was the smallest since 1919-20, when the harvest produced was $I_{4}, 858,380$ bushels. The quantity transported by rail from the producing districts showed even a greater falling off, owing to the fact that the carry-over from the preceding year was, as is shown hereunder, relatively very small.

The following statement shows the number of bushels produced and the quantity railed from country districts during each of the past six years :-


Only $3,538,605$ bags of wheat were exported, as compared with II, 125,204 bags in 1924-25.

At 30 th June last the quantity of grain stacked at the seaboard and in the country was $1,175,804$ bags. The corresponding figures for the last four years were-

|  | Number of Bags of Wheat Stacked at 3oth June- |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | 1923. | 1924. | 1925. | 1926. |
| At or in the vicinity of Williamstown | 598,120 | 262,842 | 420,836 | 265,248 |
| At or in the vicinity of Geelong | 568,614 | 71,482 | 352,574 | 57,652 |
| At country stations .. | r,228,467 | I,642,628 | 430,685 | 852,904 |
| Totals | 2,395,201 | 1,976,952 | 1,204,095 | 1.175,804 |

Appendix No. 3 I contains particulars of the number of bags of wheat despatched from the principal wheat loading stations in the State in each of the last six financial years.

## Timekeeping of Trains.

We are pleased to record a further improvement in the general timekeeping of trains. The results are more noteworthy when it is borne in mind that considerable reductions in the overall time occupied by many country trains between terminals have been effected during the past few years.

In 1920-2I the percentage of country passenger trains and mixed trains on time was $7^{0} .88$ and 7 I .82 respectively. These figures have gradually been improved upon and this year 88.7 I per cent of country passenger trains were on time while the corresponding percentage in respect of mixed trains was 86.87 .

The timekeeping of suburban electric trains also showed a marked improvement over last year, the respective figures being 9I•14 per cent. in 1924-25 and 93.90 per cent in" 1925 -26.

The following graph shows the yearly results since 1920-2r.


## Improved Country Passenger Services.

In furtherance of our efforts to improve the travelling conditions of long-distance travellers various improvements and innovations were introduced during the year.

The overall time occupied in travelling between certain terminals was further reduced, a saving of 25 minutes being effected in connexion with the running of the 3.20 p.m. from Korong Vale to Robinvale on Mondays and the 5.30 p.m. from Melbourne to Mildura daily, while the journey from Mildura to Melbourne by the 7.25 a.m. daily was curtailed by 35 minutes.

For some time past considerable congestion had occurred at week-ends in connexion with the traffic between Melbourne and Sydney, owing to the fact that there were no trains from Sydney on Saturday or from Melbourne on Sunday. In order to meet the public convenience in this regard arrangements were made, in conjunction with the New South Wales Railways Commissioners, for the running of an additional train in each direction, thus providing a daily service between the two capitals. The patronage accorded these trains has fully justified the innovation, and has shown conclusively that it is appreciated by the travelling public.

Another improvement in the train service was the introduction of the "Geelong Flier," an express train between Melbourne and Geelong daily. This step was decided upon as a result of the growing importance of Geelong as an industrial centre, and in order to provide a fast service which would enable business men and others to lave Melbourne at a convenient hour in the morning and return in time for the evening meal. Under the existing schedule the "Geelong Flier" leaves Finders-street at 9 a.m. and returns from Geelong at 4 p.m., the journey occupying 70 minutes in each direction, but arrangements are being made which should enable the trip to be completed in an hour. The results to date have been quite satisfactory, and in addition to meeting a public demand the inauguration of this service is an important factor in combating competitive passenger transport by road.

## Petrol Rail Motor Cars.

Our experience in the use of rail motor cars of a modern type now extends over a period of about four years. The results have been highly satistactory, and have proved conclusively that this means of catering for passenger traffic on certain lines is the most economical method of providing a faster and more comfortable service for travellers.

At the close of the year 23 rail motor cars-including four of the larger and more up-to-date type-were in running, the additional routes on which they were placed during the year being as under:-


The following statisties regarding rail motor car operation are interesting and informative and give some idea of the extent to which these services have grown :-


Total working cost ineludes wages of guards and motormen, cleaning, supplies, fuel, lubricants, and repairs to engine and carriage; excludes Depreciation and Interest.

> Averages.

| Motor miles run per day | * | - | $\cdots$ | $\ldots$ | 94 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Trailer miles run per day |  |  | . |  | 67 |
| Passengers per car per day | $\cdots$ |  | - | - | 7 x |
| Motor miles rum per gallon of petrol | . |  |  |  | 9.6 |
| Miles run per hour (speed) |  |  |  | - | 20.4 |
| Working cost per mile (pence) |  |  |  |  | 14.15 |

## The Melbourne Suburban Electrification System.

Compared with the results of the previous year, last year's suburban passenger business showed a slight increase amounting to $1,910,878$ journeys, or equivalent to 1.2 per cent. This increase is partly attributable to the visit of the American Fleet during the months of July and August ; to the stricter regulation of competition by motor omnibuses operating within the inner suburban area, and to the fact that many travellers were diverted to the railways while certain tramways were under conversion to electric traction. Apart from these considerations the larger proportion of people now taking advantage of the fast electric services to travel from the outer suburban districts is an important factor in maintaining the suburban passenger traffic.

It was not to be expected, of course, that the large growth of traffic which took place during the first few years after electrification would continue at the same rate, and last year it was forecasted that a period of comparative stagnation would be experienced.

This prediction is being realized, notwithstanding the slight increase during 1925-26. A considerable amount of traffic has been lost to the railways as a result of the construction of new electric tramways and the conversion of certain of the cable tramways to electric traction, combined with the through routing of trams to the Metropolis on services that previously necessitated a break of journey, while the business has been further adversely affected by the ever-increasing use of privately-owned motor cars.

There can, however, be little doubt in view of the serious tramway competition which is being encountered, that had it not been for the superior facilities now available in the nature of quicker transit and greater frequency of trains, combined with the cleanliness and comfort which are features of electric traction, a serious set-back would have taken place in the development of the suburban railway business.

During the year further extensions were made to the electrified system. The lines from Ringwood to Upper Ferntree Gully and Croydon to Lilydale were completed, and have been electrically operated since 12th October, 1925 and 30 th November, 1925, respectively. Good progress was also made during the year with the conversion work on the Eltham to Hurstbridge line, which has since been completed. In addition, the work of electrifying the line from Williamstown Race-course to Altona, which was recently acquired by the Government, is now in progress, and it is anticipated that electric traction will be established on this section early in October next.

The two electric locomotives in use continue to give satisfactory service, and in addition to the shunting work in the Jolimont Yard are regularly employed operating the goods traffic on the Sandringham and Oakleigh lines, the work of electrically equipping the goods sidings on the latter line having been completed during the year.

The question of extending the use of locomotives of this type in connexion with other suburban goods services is being considered, and investigations are also being made into the possibilities of Diesel-Electric Locomotives for shunting work in the Melbourne Yards.

There are now seven sub-stations on the electrified system which are operated entirely automatically, and as they have proved eminently satisfactory, it has been decided to change over additional sub-stations, viz., at Glenroy, Seaford, and Elwood, to automatic equipment.

As mentioned in our last Report, Mercury Are Rectifiers were installed in lieu of rotary converters at the automatic sub-stations erected at Lower Ferntree Gully and Mooroolbark. This modern equipment enables some savings to be made both in first cost and operating costs, and is being tested to ascertain its suitability. So far the installations have given satisfaction.

At the Newport " A" Power Station, the total number of units generated last year was $238,514,775$, compared with $260,668,092$ for the previous year. In addation 408,895 units were received from the State Electricity Commission to supplement the railway supply,

The decrease in the quantity of energy generated was due to the fact that certain supplies to consumers of bulk energy were transferred during the year to the State Electricity Commission's system.

Newport "B" Power Station continues to be operated by the Department for the State Electricity Commission.

Close attention is still being given to the problem of electrolysis mitigation. A negative feeder has been installed at Newmarket, and satisfactory results have been obtained.

Although the length of track under electric operation has been considerably increased since 1923 , the number of faults due to electrolysis has shown a marked decrease, largely as a result of our policy of maintaining the insulations in as good a condition as is practicable.

A combined electrical workshops and laboratory was provided at Spencer-street by the conversion of the old steam power-house building which became available when the sub-station was built at Spencer-street. Up-to-date machinery and equipment were installed and electrical repair work in connexion with motors and plant for the power-house and sub-stations, and for the system generally, is now carried out at this workshop.

## Metropolitan Town Planning Commission.

Last year we pointed out the desirability of our being represented upon the Metropolitan Town Planning Commission, which has been directed to inquire into and report upon various matters relating to the metropolitan and suburban area, including street and road requirements generally, existing means of transportation, probable future requirements; and the regulation of traffic.

We are pleased to record that by legislative enactment last year this representation has now been authorized, and Mr. C. H. Fethney, Metropolitan Engineer of this Department, has been appointed a member of the Commission.

## Road Motor Services.

During the year the competition against the Railways by road motors became particularly keen between Melbourne and Geelong, where the road constructed by the Country Roads Board, together with the physical features of the country, provided a particularly favorable opportunity for this form of traffic.

In our opinion this competition is not on a fair basis, inasmuch as the road users do not make an adequate contribution towards the cost of the construction and maintenance of the roadways, whereas the Railways are burdened with the full cost of the permanent way and equipment. In actuality, therefore, the people of the State, by their expenditure upon the roads, are assisting the motors to compete against their own railways.

In any case, however, experience both here and in other parts of the world indicates that among a section of the public there is a strong desire to travel by road whenever a reasonably safe, speedy, and comfortable journey can be provided, and we are of opinion that wherever there is a public call for regular road motor services, they should be provided by this Department, in order to conserve the revenues of the State.

The Government has expressed its concurrence in this view, and four coaches are now in operation between Melbourne and Geelong, the service having commenced with one coach on 30 November, 1925 .

A Superintendent of Road Motor Services was appointed to control this section of the Department's activities, and to inquire into the possibilities of establishing services on other routes upon which private buses are now operating.

The investigations made having clearly indicated the advisability of extending such services, arrangements were made to purchase eleven additional motor coach chassis, for which the necessary bodies are now being built. When these are available for traffic, it is proposed to place them in running on routes where the patronage offering is sufficient to justify our entering the field.

## Departmental Motor Transport.

Some time ago we decided that, in order to satisfactorily and economically undertake the necessary inspection, breakdown and maintenance work in the metropolitan and suburban area, it was desirable that a fleet of departmental motor vehicles should be available at all times to meet routine and emergency requirements.

As a result, a number of motor cars and motor lorries were obtained and placed under the control of the Chief Electrical Engineer.

At the 30th June last twelve motor passenger cars were in use by senior officers on inspection work, principally in connexion with the electrification scheme. During the year a total of 151,077 miles was run by these cars, which enabled frequent inspection and adjustment of equipment to be made, and provided a prompt and ready means of dealing with failures of plant, \&c.

A fleet of 2I motor lorries and speed trucks was also in commission at the end of the year. Ten of these were used in connexion with the maintenance of overhead electrical equipment, and for the definite work of certain dépôts which required a vehicle for full time. The remaining eleven motor lorries were utilized for the conveyance of materials between the various stores and dépôts, and for the distribution of plant and materials to works in progress throughout the metropolitan area. They have proved of great service in effecting prompt deliveries and facilitating the conduct of the various works.

To accommodate these vehicles, as well as the road motor coaches referred to in the preceding section, a modern motor garage has been constructed in Batman-avenue, Jolimont. This building, which is I2I feet X I2I feet, is a steel framed, precast concrete block structure of two floors.

The ground floor comprises car storage accommodation, office of the Motor Transport Officer, parcels store, oil store, overhead equipment store, office, pit with car cradle for inspecting undergear of motor vehicles, petrol pump with supply from 1,200 gallon underground tank, and lavatory accommodation. Sliding doors opening on to concrete roadways are provided on the east and west sides of the building and on the south side facing Batman-avenue, thus affording a ready means of ingress and egress.

On the first floor are the offices of the Overhead Superintendent and his staff, a paint shop, motor workshop, Overhead Superintendent's workshop, and workmen's messroom.

A photograph of this new building appears on page 123.

## Way and Works Branch.

The Way and Works were maintained in good order and repair throughout the year, vide the certificate of the Chief Engineer of Way and Works on page 41.

The relaying of 86.8 miles of track with steel rails as shown hereunder was undertaken and completed during the year :-


The tracks were strengthened by 23,105 additional sleepers; 381,505 sleepers were renewed, and a total of I64 miles of fencing rebuilt.

## Spencer-street Station and Terminal Accommodation.

The Melbourne Yard re-arrangement scheme was steadily proceeded with, and a new passenger platform for country trains-immediately east of the new suburban passenger platforms-together with the necessary track work, entrances, Looking facilities, \&c., was completed and made available for the 1925 Christmas traffic. The use of these additional facilities on holiday and other special occasions considerably minimized the congestion previously experienced, and enabled the busy Christmas, New Year and Easter holiday traffic to be handled much more satisfactorily, both to the Department and to the travelling public.

## New Chafi and Potato Depot.

The new Chaff and Potato Dépọt at Cowper-street was completed and brought into use early in October last, which coincided with the rush period for both fodder and potatoes. The results were highly satisfactory, and the up-to-date facilities provided enabled the heavy traffic to be dealt with promptly and conveniently.

This new Dépôt, with its covered platiorms, pitched roadways, weighbridges, \&c., is considered to be one of the most completely equipped in Australia for the economical and expeditious handling of this important class of traffic.

## New Road between Flinders-street Extension and the Napier-street Bridge, Footscray.

A section of the road from Flinders-street Extension to the Victoria Dock and the new Chaff and Potato Dépôt at Cowper-strect was completed and brought into use in September last. A further instalment from the Chaff and Potato Dépôt to Dudley-street is now in hand, and should be completed by the end of 1926.

The completed road, which provides a more direct means of access between the city and Victoria Dock, has been used very extensively since its opening and is greatly appreciated by road users.

The extension from Dudley-street to the Napier-street Bridge will be put in hand when finality is reached on the question of the allocation of the cost. This matter was the subject of investigation by a Committee specially appointed by the Government, and we have drawn attention to the desirability of giving early consideration to the Committee's report.

## Subway at Kerferd-road, Albert Park.

The work of enlarging and raising the railway bridge over Kerferd-road to enable trams to pass under the St. Kilda railway was completed at the end of November.

The alterations-which involved the raising of the level of the railway tracks and the provision of two additional spans to the bridge--were completed with very little interference with the railway or road traffic, and were paid for by the Melbourne and Metropolitan Tramways Board.

## Dandenong Station Yard Re-arrangement.

For some time past the necessity for improved station yard accommodation at Dandenong has been apparent, and after careful investigation, an extensive re-arrangement scheme was decided upon.

The work involves the provision of new bridges and subways, alterations to tracks, diversion of roadways, \&c., and will be spread over a period of five years.

A commencement was made during the year with the first portion of the work. This consisted of the construction of a new roadway bridge at Jones-road, which was completed, and the carrying out of extensive drainage works, which are well in hand, while a commencement was made with the provision of a pedestrian subway at the down end of the station. In addition, contracts were let for the construction of two road diversions on which substantial progress was made.

The work is proceeding in accordance with the programme, and no difficulty is anticipated in completing the scheme within the allotted time.

## Additional and Improved Accommodation.

Various works designed to ensure the expeditious and economical handling of traffic were carried out during the period under review. The following are some of the more important which were undertaken :-

| Ararat | Additional and improved track work and other accommodation |
| :---: | :---: |
| Ballan | Facilities for crossing trains. |
| Clarkefield | Additional siding accommodation and stock yards |
| Daylesford | Additional siding accommodation and improved stock yards. |
| Deniliquin and Moama Line | Additions and improvement to lines. |
| Gordon | Facilities for crossing trains. |
| Horsham | Improved station yard and other accommodation. |
| Melbourne (Flindersstreet) | Re-decking bridges over River Yarra on Port Melbourne and St. Kilda lines. |
| Murtoa | Additional siding accommodation. |
| Quambatook | Additional siding accommodation. |
| Serviceton | Run-round track for turning locomotives. |
| Spotswood | Pedestrian subway. |
| Teddywaddy | Additional siding accommodation. |
| Woomelang | Substitution of a $70-\mathrm{ft}$. turntable for a $53-\mathrm{ft}$. turntable |
| Yallourn | New station buildings and dwelling accommodation for employees. |

## Amalgamation of Workshops.

Satisfactory progress was made with the construction of the combined Way and Works Workshops at Spotswood. A blacksmith's shop, equipped with new labouraiding machinery, suitable iron racks, fuel bins, skids, and concrete runways to assist in the rapid and economical handling of material, was erected and is now in use, and an electric sub-station was also completed.

A new stores building was constructed and is now being fitted; a building for the machine shop is well advanced, and a commencement was made with the erection of buildings for the sheet metal and structural steel shops.

In addition, good progress was made with the necessary fencing, track work, drainage, sewerage, water supply and fire protection appliances.

It is anticipated that the Ironworks Section of the shops will be in full operation early next year.

## New Stations.

The construction of three new stations was completed, viz., Bonbeach, on the Frankston line; Heathmont on the Upper Ferntree Gully line and Eaglemont, on the Heidelberg line.

In accordance with our policy in connexion with the provision of new stations, adjacent landowners and other interested parties were, in each case, called upon to contribute towards the cost of construction of the station.

## Dwelling Accommodation for Employees.

During the year, 25 new houses of pre-cast concrete construction were completed and made available as dwelling accommodation for employees.

## Rolling-Stock Branch.

The whole of the rolling-stock in use and the machinery and equipment were maintained in good working order and condition, vide the certificate of the Chief Mechanical Engineer on page 4I. Inventories of the rolling-stock in existence at 30th June, I926, appear in Appendices Nos. Io and 21.

A further special payment of $£_{50,000}$ was made to the Capital Account during 1925-26 in order that the capital value of certain locomotives rendered obsolete by the electrification of the suburban system might be written off, and I4 of these surplus locomotives were so dealt with during the year. A sum of $£ 8,200$ was also written off the rail motor stock.

In addition, 2 I of the older types of locomotives were broken up; 44 cars, vans, and sundry stock were broken up; 2 were destroyed by fire, and 29 were written down to scrap value, while 277 of the older goods wagons were broken up, and 404 were written down to scrap value.

The output of new rolling-stock was as follows :-


## New Locomotive Construction.

Nine locomotives of the " $N$ " class "Mikado" type with 2-8-2 wheel arrangement were completed and placed in service during the year, and authority was given for the construction of a further ten of the same type.

The manufacture of the pattern "Pacific" three cylinder locomotive for the Melbourne and Sydney express trains is well in hand, and the engine should be available during the latter part of 1927 .

Two locomotives of the " Garratt" type were imported from Messrs. Beyer, Peacock and Co., and placed in service during the year, one on the Colac-Crowes line and the other on the Moe-Walhalla line. They are giving very satisfactory service.

## Superheater Locomotives.

The nine " N " class locomotives constructed during 1925-26 were fitted with superheaters. Two " A2," nine "DD" and one " DDE " saturated steam locomotives were similarly equipped. This brought the total number of superheater locomotives in service at the 30 th June last to 235 (including the two "Garratt" engines),

## Consolidation Locomotives.

The construction of an additional five consolidation locomotives of the " C " class was put in hand during the year, and a further eleven have been authorized. The latter, however, will embody certain alterations which our experience shows to be desirable in the development of this type of engine. These alterations will also have the effect of rendering the engines readily convertible to the $4-\mathrm{ft} .8 \frac{1}{2}$-in. gauge when necessity arises.

## Carriage Construction.

During the twelve months 30 motor coaches and II trailer coaches were built for the suburban electric service. An additional 22 are in course of construction.

Five country cars were completed and 20 were in various stages of construction. These are of an improved type, combining the main features of country cars, but with considerably less tare weight.

Work on the two all-stee! dining cars referred to in our last Report is well advanced, and the cars should be available by the end of this year, while two new sleeping cars will be completed early in 1927.

## Truck Construction.

At the present time there are under construction at the Newport Workshops $35^{\circ}$ trucks with a greater capacity than the existing 16 -ton standard vehicle. These will be an improved type of 20 tons capacity and will be provided with automatic couplers.

The few 30 and 40 ton trucks shown in the year's output of rolling-stock were obtained for trial purposes with a view to the adoption of a standard high-capacity wagon for the carriage of certain classes of traffic, such as wheat, wool, sand, gravel, metal, coal, \&c., which are available for transport in large quantities.

These sample trucks were obtained from the United States of America, where the development of high-capacity vehicles has been the subject of study for a number of years past. They were imported in parts, were assembled at Newport and have proved very successiful in service. It is accordingly proposed to build a number of 40 -ton wagons as soon as the present construction programme is completed, and when these vehicles are in service, the transport of commodities which are available in the requisite quantities will be greatly facilitated, and truck and train mileage materially reduced.

## Electric Lighting of Country Carriage Steam Stock.

To keep pace with modern railway practice and in order to still further improve country travelling conditions, it was decided some time ago to substitute electric for Pintsch gas lighting in cextain country cars. The programme then mapped out has been steadily proceeded with, and approximately 400 country cars and vans are at present electricaliy lit.

Our anticipations as to the value of this innovation have been fully realized, and it is proposed to extend the system to practically the whole of the modern country carriage stock.

## Newport Workshops.

Considerable progress was made with the construction of the new boiler shop at the Newport Workshops. The building, which is to be 794 feet long and 135 feet wide, will be equipped with the latest machinery and appliances. Foundations for the steel columns to support the walls were completed, and the building of the chimney shaft and flues is well advanced. Sewerage, drainage and water supply works are also in progress, while contracts have been let for the supply of the steel columns and runway girders.

It is anticipated that the shop will be ready for occupation early in 1927.

## Fuel Conservation.

The interest of the staff in the matter of fuel conservation was well maintained throughout the year, the meetings of the various committees being well attended.

The educational value of the discussions which take place at these meetings is apparent from the number and standard of the suggestions made from time to time, and there is no doubt that the interest which is taken in the subject will continue to yield satisfactory results.

## Automatic Couplers.

The installation of automatic couplers is essential if further substantial economies in railway operating are to be achieved:

The present type of drawgear is at the limit of its strength with modern locomotives, and further increases in loads are practically impossible. With the growth of traffic considerable savings can be effected by the use of larger and more powerful engines, but these cannot be introduced at present owing to limitations of the existing drawgear.

After very careful investigation we are satisfied that automatic couplers of the M.C.B. type represent the solution of the problem, and are the most satisfactory means of providing stronger drawgear than that at present in use.

Apart altogether from the savings which would be possible as a result of the utilization of higher powered locomotives, the saving in the cost of shunting services and the cost of drawgear maintenance is estimated at $£ 35,000$ per year.

Automatic couplers of a similar type are already fitted on the rolling-stock of the Commonwealth Railways and have been adopted as standard in New South Wales and South Atstralia, and as uniformity of gauge would be useless without uniformity of drawgear, the installation of automatic couplers on the rolling-stock of the Victorian Railways system will, from this aspect alone, be a step in the right direction.

Moreover, the running of South Australian stock on the Victorian lines and vice versa is essential to the economical operation of the traffic, and in view of the fact that automatic couplers have been fitted to the South Australian stock, this interchange will become impracticable unless a similar course is adopted in this State.

The transition will, of course, occupy a considerable time-probably five to ten years and as little financial benefit will accrue until the conversion is completed, it is essential that once the work is commenced it be pursued in earnest so that it may be completed at the earliest possible moment.

In order to derive the fullest advantage from the " Garratt" locomotives which were imported for use on the Colac-Crowes and Moe-Walhalla narrow-gauge lines, it was necessary to have the whole of the rolling-stock on those lines changed over to automatic coupling. This work was carried out during the year, the actual change-over being effected in about three days in each case.

Supplies of couplers are now being obtained for the equipment of new trucks, and, to a limited extent, for the conversion of broad-gauge stock.

## Coaling of Rugines.

As mentioned in our last Report, it was decided, after careful investigation, that the installation of modern facilities for coaling locomotives was desirable in order to enable this work to be more efficiently and economically conducted.

The plant which has been selected will be of the overhead bin type discharging into the engine tenders through gravity chutes.

Arrangements were accordingly made to include the necessary provision for these mechanical coal handling plants in the proposals to the Parliamentary Standing Committee on Railways for the re-arrangement of the Ararat and Hamilton stations. The former scheme has been approved of by the Committee, while the Hamilton rearrangement is at present under investigation.

## Electro-Pneumatic Brakes.

Tests with the electro-pneumatic brake were continued thoroughout the year, but finality has not yet been reached in the matter. These brakes are designed to afford a high braking rate without discomfort to passengers and enable the running time between terminals to be reduced.

## Hlectric Headights on Locomotives.

In accordance with our policy of adopting up-to-date equipment wherever possible it was decided to install electric headlights on a number of locomotives.

These headlights increase the safety of train operation at night, more especially at level crossings.

Several have already been fitted to express engines and have given very satisfactory results.

## Locomotive Boosters.

Arrangements were made during the year to obtain from America for trial purposes a Booster, which is being fitted to an " N " class locomotive at the Newport Workshops. This appliance consists of a small auxiliary engine geared to the trailing truck wheels of the locomotive. It automatically comes into operation at starting or when steaming heavily and, by increasing the tractive power, permits of improvement being effected in train loads or speeds.

## Signal and Telegraph Branch.

The whole of the signalling, interlocking and safe-working appliances were maintained in good order and repair throughout the year, vide the certificate of the Chief Engineer of Signals and Telegraphs on page 4r.

## Interlocking, Ete.

No interlocking machines were installed at new locations during the twelve months under review, but extensive alterations and additions were carried out in connexion with existing equipment. The number of interlocked levers in use was increased by 28 , making a total of 11,438 . These are provided at 945 different locations, the percentage of interlocked or otherwise protected-apart from plunger lockedplaces being 78.68 of the total number of places with points in the main line.

Thirty-four sets of staff, Annett and tablet-locked gear were provided at 2 r intermediate non-staff stations or locations; two staff stations were fitted with plunger locking gear, and six electric staff sections were equipped and brought into use.

The tracklocking of the Wangaratta station yard was completed. Similar apparatus was installed at the west end of the Flinders-street yard, and the work at the east end of the yard is well in hand.

## Power Signalling, Etc.

The provision of automatic signals between Seymour and Tallarook was completed and the points at Goulburn Junction equipped with power mechanism, which is operated from the Seymour signal box. This permitted of the abolition of the signal box at Goulburn Junction.

The work in connexion with the Melbourne yard re-arrangement was also proceeded with, and additional power operated points and signals were provided for the new country and race passenger tracks.

An all-electric interlocked apparatus, with power operated points and signals, was completed and brought into use at "D" box, Flinders-street.

## Mechanical Exchange of Staffs.

Mechanical staff-changing apparatus was installed on the section between Mangalore and Wodonga. This enables the changing of staffs for express trains to be undertaken when passing through stations at a high rate of speed, resulting in a saving of time on the through journey.

## Bonding.

The necessary bonding in connexion with the electrification of the Upper Fern Tree Gully line was completed. Good progress was made with similar work on the section between Eltham and Hurstbridge, preparatory to its electrification.

## Telephones and Telegraphs.

During the year approximately 80 miles of new pole lines and 600 miles of copper telephone and selector telephone lines were erected, and 374 miles of pole lines were overhauled. In addition 57 I miles of pole lines were re-built and re-arranged for the super-imposing of Morse instruments on metallic circuit telephone lines, while about roo miles of wire were erected for electric staff and power signalling apparatus. Unserviceable rails were again used to a very large extent in connexion with this work, 2,367 of the 2,726 poles erected being of this type.

Telephone lines were converted to metallic circuits for telephone working and Morse super-imposed on the sections from Korong Vale to Oakvale and Bendigo to Raywood, while metallic telephone services were provided between Swan Hill and Piangil, Traralgon and Stratiord, Moe and Yallourn, and earth return telephone services between Piangil and Kooloonong, Murtoa and Horsham (super-imposed) and Lilydale and Healesville (super-imposed).

The programme in connexion with the installation of selector telephones was also proceeded with, the following additional sections being completed:-

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\text { Dandenong-Warragul; } & \begin{array}{l}
\text { Spencer-street Seymour } \\
\text { Spencer-street-Woodend; }
\end{array} \\
\text { Spencer-stret-Geelong ; }
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$$

while the Dandenong-Nyora selector line was extended to Korumburra.
The dictagraph intercommunication system was considerably extended, installations being made in the Stores Branch at the Head Office, and at the District Engineer's Office, Oakleigh. Modern telephone switchboards were provided at No. I signal box, Spencer-strect; Newport Power House; Train Running Office, Geelong, and "D" Signal Box, Flinders-street.

## Electric Lighting of Stations, \&c.

A further nine suburban stations were equipped with electric lighting during the year, in addition to the undermentioned country stations :-

| Allansford | Boolarra | Cowwarr | North Mirboo | Upwey |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Belgrave | Cobden | Irrewarra | St. Arnaud | Warncoort |
| Broadford | Cohuna | Moe | Tecoma | Warrnambool. |

Electric light was also provided at 70 Departmental residences, 5 trucking yards, and various refreshment rooms, engine sheds, staff quarters, coal stages, \&c.

## Stores Branch.

At the 30 th June last, the value of the stock of stores on hand was $£ 1,392,530$ (vide the certificate of the Chief Storekeeper on page 41) by comparison with $£ 1,400,783$ at the same date last year-a reduction of 58,253 . The stock on hand would have been considerably less but for the purchase of abnormal quantities of permanent way material in anticipation of large works during the current year.

The effect of our efforts to reduce stocks to a minimum, consistent with the retention of adequate supplies for various requirements, is shown in the following graph :-

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\text { At } 30 \text { th June }
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| 1,300,000 |  |  |  |  |  |

## Central Storehouse and Reclamation Depot at Spotswood.

The new general Storehouse at Spotswood was completed and brought into service during the year. The work is now being carried out under revised methods and systems, which have been in force sufficiently long to prove that the advantages which it was claimed would result from their introduction were not over-estimated.

In addition, the establishment of this Storehouse has, by permitting the concentration of general stores material at a central location, resulted in greater efficiency and decreased cost of supervision.

Activities at the Reclamation Dépôt are now in full operation, and the quantities of materials recovered and reclaimed are increasing rapidly.

During the past six months the Storehouse and Dépôt have been visited by representatives of various Government Departments (both State and Federal) and commercial houses from all States of Australia and New Zealand, as well as by visitors from England and America. All have been impressed by the system in operation, and their remarks-coming in many cases from experts well qualified to judge-have borne ample testimony to the high state of efficiency which has been achieved.

## Improved Storehouse System.

The work of refitting and installing the new methods and systems in the various Branch Storehouses in the metropolitan and country districts was further extended during the year, and it is anticipated that the complete system of section bookkeeping will be introduced during the current twelve months. This, in addition to providing complete and ready checks of material, will greatly facilitate and simplify the bookkeeping and accountancy work.

## Coal Supplies.

During the year 662,515 tons of coal were purchased from the undermentioned sources:-


The quantity obtained from the State Mine was 78,663 tons ( 17,841 tons screened and 60,822 tons slack) greater than last year, while the amount imported from New South Wales was 193,532 tons less than in 1924-25.

A cessation of supplies from all sources caused by the strike of mine enginedrivers and firemen towards the end of the year necessitated the use of large quantities of coal from reserve stocks in order to enable the train services to be carried on without curtailment.

The total quantity of coal consumed by the Department during the twelve months was 745,390 tons. This cost $£ 973,577$, or an average of $£ 16 \mathrm{~s}$. I. 4 d . per ton.

The average cost of coal in 1913-I4 was I3s. I.3d. per ton, and the effect on the Department's finances of the increased price now ruling is apparent from the fact that, had the I9I3-I4 rate operated during the year under review, it would have represented a saving of $£ 485,036$ in our operating expenses.

## Travelling Irregularities.

The following figures show the number of cases of irregular travelling which were detected during the year, as compared with the previous twelve months:-


A very large majority of the transgressions were not of a serious nature. At the same time, no fewer than 2,120 were such as to call for prosecutions under the By-laws, and experience has shown the necessity for organized and systematic checking in order to safeguard the railway revenue.

## Ticket Collection.

A further decrease was achieved in the percentage of non-collected printed country tickets, the figure for 1925-26 being I. 97 as against 2.4 in the previous twelve months. This is very gratifying, and we appreciate the whole-hearted response of the staff to our appeals for co-operation in this important aspect of railway working.

The following graph shows clearly the steady and marked improvement which has been effected since 1920-2I :--

Year ended 30 th June.


## Claims for Missing and Damaged Geods.

The amount involved in mêeting claims in respect of goods and parcels lost,


Although payments in respect of claims for damage were in excess of last year's figures, it is no indication that more damage occurred, inasmuch as, following upon the introduction of the altered conditions in connexion with the carriage of goods at Commissioners' risk, a greater proportion of the traffic was carried at that rate.

The increase was contributed to by heavier payments for goods pillaged and lost, principally owing to the theft of furred skins, but successful action has now been taken in this respect.

The following statement contrasts the number of prosecutions and convictions for theit during each of the past three years, and furnishes particulars of the charges heard by the Departmental Board of Discipline in the same periods :-

| $\begin{gathered} \text { Year } \\ \text { ended } \\ \text { 30th Juno. } \end{gathered}$ | Employees. |  | Other than Employess. |  | Charges against Employees before the Board of Discipline. |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Number Prosecuted. | Number Convicted. | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Number } \\ & \text { Prosecuted. } \end{aligned}$ | Number Convicted. | Employees Charged. | Employees Dismissod |
| 1924 | 49 | 45 | 66 | 55 | 8 | 2 |
| 1925 | 33 | 29 | 68 | 6 r | Io | 10 |
| 1926 | 38 | 34 | $7^{0}$ | 64 | 9 | 9 |

## Ambulance Organization and Equipment.

We regret that the facilities provided for enabling the staff to qualify in "First Aid " are not being availed of to the extent that we desire. Classes of instruction were held at the Victorian Railways Institute, Melbourne, and at various country centres, but the attendances generally were disappointing, although a large number of empl yeees were successful in qualifying for certificates of competency. $\AA$ special endeavour is being made to encourage, on the part of the staff, a greater interest in ambulance work, and it is hoped that a considerable improvement will be effected during the current year.

Practically all of the ambulance equipment in the State was overhauled and given any necessary attention, and 30 additional ambulance boxes and 15 stretchers were provided at various locations.

## Refreshment Services and Bookstalls.

There was an increase of $£_{3} 3,228$ in the revenue obtained from the various operations of the Refreshment Services Branch, the total returns for 1925-26 being $£_{507,398}$, compared with $\mathfrak{E}_{474,170}$ during the previous twelve months.

The figures include the receipts from the bookstalls, viz., $£^{6} 7,855$ in 1925-26 and $£ 66,322$ in 1924-25.

During the year, the Refreshment Room accommodation at Ararat was considerably improved. A commodious and well-furnished dining-room was erected, and more convenient kitchen facilities provided. The enlargement, renovation and re-equipment of the rooms at Flinders-street Railway Station were also undertaken, while approval has been given for carrying out extensive alterations at Seymour. In addition, numerous minor improvements were effected at other refreshment rooms.

During the year, 121,306 meals were served on the dining cars attached to the Sydney and Adelaide express trains, an increase of 9,4050 ver $9924-25$. The dining car services continued to give satisfaction, and care is being taken to maintaim their high standard of service.

Satisfactory results attended the sales of fruit and raisin bread at the various Departmental stalls. This is dealt with more fully under the heading "Publicity to assist the Primary Producer."

The Departmental bakery, butchery; and laundry continued in full operation throughout the year, and proved to be valuable adjuncts in maintaining the Refreshment and dining-car services economically.

An innovation designed to convenience elderly passengers, ladies and children, was the introduction of luncheon cartons, containing sandwiches, cake and fruit, which are prepared and packed under hygienic conditions. These are sold at all refreshment rooms at a charge of Is. They have been much appreciated and are likely to become exceedingly popular with the travelling public.

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There was a total staff of 28,925 , comprising I9,091 permanent officers and employees and 9,834 supernumerary employees, engaged at the end of the year.

1,036 youths were appointed to the Permanent Staff in the grades of pupil engineer, pupil architect, junior clerk, apprentice, lad porter, and lad labourer to fill vacancies due to deaths, resignations, \&c. In addition 6 I adults were appointed in various grades under Section $I_{42}$ of the Railways Act to vacancies which could not be filled by the appointment of employees in the Department.

The total staff employed at the 30 th June, I926, was 227 less than at the 30 th June, 1925.

The number of officers and employees in each branch at the close of the last two years is shown in the following statement:-

| Branch. | $\mathrm{A}^{4}$ 3oth June, 1925. |  |  | At 3oth June, i926. |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Permanent. | Supernumerary. | Total. | Permanent. | Supernumerary. | Total. |
| Secretary's | 76 | 52 | 128 | 77 | 47 | 124 |
| Transportation | 6,578 | I,975 | 8,553 | 6,919 | 1.559 | 8,478 |
| Rolling-stock | 6,843 | 2.503 | 9,346 | 6.847 | 2,622 | 9,469 |
| Way and Works | 3,319 | 3:867 | 7,186 | 3,207 | 3,4II | 6,618 |
| Accountancy . | 226 | 68 | 294 | 225 | 77 | 302 |
| Audit | 158 | 30 | 188 | 159 | 29 | I88 |
| Stores | 259 | 177 | 436 | 274 | 234 | 508 |
| Electrical Engineering . . | 404 | 644 | 1,048 | $45^{2}$ | 649 | I, IOI |
| Traffic .. | 72 | 8 | 80 | 73 | 9 | 82 |
| Refreshment Services | 47 | 653 | 700 | 47 | 730 | 777 |
| Signal and Telegraph | 816 | 377 | I,193 | 8II | 467 | I,278 |
| Totals | 18,798 | 10,354 | 29,152 | 19,091 | 9,834 | 28,925 |

The principal variations are accounted for as follows :-

## Way and Works Branoh.

The reduction of 568 was due to a larger number of supernumerary employees being engaged on extra works at the 3oth June, I925, than at the close of the following year.

## Rolling Stock Branch.

The increase of 123 was mainly accounted for by the working off of more annual leave, and to an additional number of employees being utilized on truck repairs with a view to reducing the number of trucks awaiting repairs.
Stores Branch.
Following on the co-ordination of stores work under the Chief Storekeeper a number of employees were transferred from other branches to the Stores Branch, resulting in the increase of 72 .
Electrical Evgineering Branch.
The increase of, 53 was due to the fact that at 30 th June, 1926, a number of additional employees were engaged on work of a temporary character on cables and at the Newport Power House.
Signal and Telegraph Branch.
The additional staff (85) was due to the increased number of telegraph and telephone lines under construction.

## Refreshment Services Branch.

The increase of 77 was attributable to increased business generally.
The amounts disbursed in salaries and wages to the staff during each of the past three years were-

| Year. |  |  |  |  | Total Salaties |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 1923-24 | . |  | . |  | £6,65I,25I |
| 1924-25 | $\cdots$ | $\cdots$ | $\cdots$ | $\cdots$ | 6,969,519 |
| 1925-26 | . | . | . | $\ldots$ | 7,273,485 |

## Railways Classification Board and Federal Arbitration Court.

Shortly before the commencement of the financial year the Commonwealth Arbitration Court intimated that the Australian Railways Union could not pursue its claims before that Court unless it withdrew its claims in regard to the same matters from the Railways Classification Board.

As a result the majority of the claims which would have been dealt with by the Board in its Award for the year 1925 were withdrawn. The operations of the Board were, therefore, practically confined to fixing the rates of pay of a comparatively limited number of grades which were not included in the plaint before the Arbitration Court, and to dealing with claims for variations and interpretations of existing Awards.

The Arbitration Court sat almost continuously during the year hearing evidence in respect of the claims by the Australian Railways Union for increased wages for 439 grades, covering nearly 20,000 members of the staff.

The evidence was substantially a repetition of that given before the Railways Classification Board, and the Department strongly contended that there was no justification for varying the schedules of salaries and wages fixed by the Board after exhaustive investigations extending over many years.

An interim Award, however, was made under which the basic wage for the wages staff was increased by gd. per day, and for salaried officers receiving up to a maximum salary of $£_{500}$ per annum by £o $_{9}$ per annum.

The interim Award operated from Ist December, 1925, and provided for salaries and wages to be adjusted quarterly in accordance with the rise or fall in the cost of living. This resalted in a further increase of 2 d. per day to the wages staff and $f_{3}$ per annum to the salaried stafif from Ist May, I926.

In announcing its intended basic wage for the year 1926, the Railways Classification Board intimated that it proposed to adopt the wage fixed by the Arbitration Court in the Australian Railways Union case.

The general claims submitted by the latter Union to the Arbitration Court embraced 439 grades, and up to the 3oth June last the Court completed the hearing of evidence for 183 grades, leaving a balance of 256 grades still to be dealt with, in addition to comprehensive claims covering working conditions.

The fixation of the salaries and wages of the Railway staff, with the exception of Heads of Branches and a comparatively small number of other officers, was, at 3oth June, 1926, controlled by various tribunals, as indicated hereunder :-

| Tibumal. |  |  | Approximate (umber of staftCovered by Amards. |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Arbitration Court |  | . | . . | 26,556 |
| Wages Boards | $\cdots$ | . | . | I, 154 |
| Railways Classification Board | . | . | $\cdots$ | 645 |
|  | Total |  | $\therefore$ | 28,355 |

Practically the whole of the 645 employees who are at present subject to the jurisdiction of the Railways Classification Board have been included in plaints submitted by railway industrial organizations to the Arbitration Court, and it is likely that these claims, together with claims submitted by the sections at present working under Arbitration Court Awards, will come on for hearing in the near future.

The increases in salaries and wages which were granted under Awards of the various industrial tribunals at different periods during the year under review represent an annual addition of approximately figI, $^{2}, 000$ to the Working Expenses of the Department. More particular reference to this phase of the subject is made under the heading "Finance."

The Department is at present working under ten Awards of the Arbitration Court, which at 30th June, 1926, prescribed no less than nine different basic wages, ranging from 13 s. 9 d. to 14 s. Iod. per day.

In some Awards the Court has fixed a common base for the whole State, and in other Awards differential rates for town and country. In either case a uniform basis has not been adopted by the Court in its various Awards.

This lack of uniformity has resulted in different amounts being paid to men at the same location for the same class of work, e.g., a labourer working at Geelong might receive a wage of I4s. 5 d., I4s. 7 d., I4s. 9 d., or I4s. Iod., according to the Award under which he is paid. A further example of the anomalous position under the present system is the basic wage applicable to Melbourne, different Awards prescribing a wage of 14 s. 5 d., 14 s. 6 d., I4s. 7 d., and 14 s . 8 d . per day.

Obviously such a system, apart from causing confusion and discontent amongst employees, leads to inconvenience and expense to the Department.

In addition the frequent alteration in wages involved under the Arbitration Court's practice of quarterly adjustments seriously interferes with the finances of the Department, and it is felt that a more satisfactory system, equally as fair to the employee as to the employer, could be evolved.

We direct attention to these matters in the hope that the proper authorities may be able to devise some way of rectifying the position and placing it on a more stable and satisfactory footing.

## Educational Activities.

We are pleased to record that the staff generally continued to maintain their interest in the activities of the Victorian Railways Institute.

That the educational and other facilities offered to employees through the Institute are appreciated is illustrated by the fact that the membership has increased during the year from. Io,9ro to II,545, whilst the number of students enrolled in the educational classes and correspondence courses increased from 2,877 to 3,529, of whom an appreciable number are employees located in country districts.

A modern brick building was erected and opened during the year for Institute purposes at Ballarat. It is gratifying to note that not only are the members of the local railway staff taking full advantage of its facilities, but business people and residents are displaying keen interest in the various activities of its members, and helping to promote the spirit of co-operation between the Department and its patrons.

The work of erecting a fine brick building for Institute purposes at Ararat was practically completed during the year, and at this centre also the staff were materially assisted by the business people and residents generally in their efforts to raise the requisite funds to equip the building.

The scheme under which the great majority of the railway apprentices located in the metropolitan area are given theoretical instruction at the Railways Technical College at Newport is continuing to prove satisfactory. At the end of the year 294 apprentices were attending the college.

Five apprentices for whom it was not practicable to provide suitable courses of instruction at the Railways Technical College attended the Working Men's College, in addition to eight apprentices who are pursuing the Diploma Course in Mechanical or Electrical Engineering under the Departmental scholarship scheme.

Forty apprentices at Ballarat and Bendigo Workshops attended the local Schools of Mines during the year, and they are eligible for the scholarships on an equal footing with the apprentices at the Railways Technical College.

Eleven Pupil Engineers and four Pupil Architects were given facilities during the year to continue their studies at the University. In addition, one apprentice Electrical Fitter and one apprentice Fitter and Turner attended "Free" courses for the Degrees of Bachelor of Electrical and Mechanical Engineering.

The fact that railway apprentices are eligible for "Free " courses has stimulated an appreciable number of them to supplement their departmental instruction by attending various Technical Colleges at night. It has also had the effect of attracting a higher and better educated type of applicant for entry to the Service as apprentice, which must ultimately prove of advantage to the Department and to the State.
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## Visit of Officers Abroad.

Mr. H. P. Colwell; Chief Electrical Engineer, Mr. W. Thomas, Assistant General Superintendent of Transportation, and Mr. S. P. Jones, Assistant Chief Engineer of Signals and Telegraphs, who, as mentioned in our last Report, had been sent overseas to study up-to-date railway practices, returned during the year-Mr. Colwell on the 20th December last, and the two latter officers on the 23rd January, 1926.

Arrangements were also made during the year for two Rolling-stock Branch officials, Messrs. W. J. Grimshaw and W. R. James, to visit Canada and America for the purpose of studying at various workshops there the scheduling of locomotive, car and wagon repairs. They left Australia in July, 1925, and returned in May last.

The knowledge and experience gained by these and other officers who have travelled abroad on departmental business are of great value in dealing with many of the problems affecting the railway system in this State, and we are satisfied that our policy in this regard is more than justified by the results obtained.

Advantage is also being taken of the opportunity afforded by the visit of Mr. H. N. May, Workshops Manager, Jolimont, to Great Britain. Mr. May, although on a private holiday trip, has undertaken to look into certain matters upon which we are anxious to have up-to-date information, and we have arranged for him to return via America, in order that he may pursue his inquiries there also. A somewhat similar arrangement was made with Mr. H. F. James, Engineer in the Electrical Engineering Branch, who, in comexion with a private visit to Colombo, has been requested to include India, Japan, and Java in his itinerary, so that he can investigate certain aspects of electrification.

In pursuance of our general policy of sending officers abroad, we arranged for three Administrative officers-Messrs. V. F. Letcher, Special Officer to the Commissioners, J. McClelland, Assistant General Passenger and Freight Agent, and M. J. Brennan, Officer in Charge " Powers" Machines-to proceed to America in May last to investigate office organization generally, and the use of machines for various phases of office work, while, in addition, Mr. McClelland is looking into rating questions. These officers are expected to return early in 1927.

Through the courtesy and wholehearted co-operation of various leading railroad and engineering companies overseas, we were able to continue and extend the practice of granting leave to suitable young railwaymen to enable them to gain experience, which will be most valuable and helpful when they return to the Department. Under this arrangement nine members of the staff were on leave in America and two in England at 30th June last.

The selected employees are required to defray their "cost of transport and expenses, and are not granted any pay by the Department. Their seniority, however, is conserved, and on their return to duty they are allotted any promotion or increase in remuneration to which they would have been entitled had they not been granted leave.

Special care is exercised to choose employees who will take full advantage of the excellent opportunities thus afforded, and at the same time worthily uphold the prestige of the Department. Judging from the large number of applications which are being received, the privilege is highly appreciated by the staff.

## Suggestions and Inventions.

Increasingly satisfactory results are being achieved by the Betterment and Publicity Board in connexion with the investigation of suggestions and inventions submitted by the staff.

It is evident that the ready and confidential medium which the Board provides for members of the staff to express ideas, however great or small, for the improvement of the system is appreciated. The provision of this facility tends to ensure a more progressive and contented staff, who by constructive suggestions and inventions are enabled to win monetary reward and at the same time render a valuable service to the Department and the community generally.

The extent to which the staff avail themselves of the opportunity thus afforded is evidenced by the number of suggestions received from year to year. The number submitted in 1922-23 was 1,581 ; in 1923-24, 1,840 ; in 1924-25, 2,503 , while in the year under review no fewer than 3,522 ideas were received by the Board for investigation.

## "The Victorian Railways System at Work."

During the year the film "The Victorian Railways System at Work" was screened on 40 occasions in country and metropolitan centres in aid of charitable and community objects. Numerous communications have been received extolling the picture as an interesting and educative medium.

Prints have been supplied for exhibition and lecturing purposes in America and New Zealand. The film is now being revised, and when this has been completed it is proposed to arrange for suitable sections to be screened in the other States.
"Reso" Trains.
Although it was practicable to conduct only one ordinary tour of the Victorian National Resources Development train during the year--that to the North Eastern district in November last-two special trips were, at the request of the Government, arranged to enable officers of the American Fleet in. July, 1925, and Members of the Imperial Press Delegation in October last, to acquire a first hand knowledge of the primary resources of the State.

The success which has attended the eleven tours so far undertaken has more than justified our expectations as to the value of the running of these trains, while the ready patronage accorded on each occasion has been such as to warrant the continuance of the tours indefinitely.

More would have been run during the year but for the unfavorable weather conditions in the summer and autumn. As the objects" and benefits of the "Reso" trains have become better known the applications for inclusion in the tours have greatly increased, showing the appreciation of the public of this means of assisting the development and prosperity of the State.

## "Better Farming" Train.

The facilities which the "Better Farming" train provides for enabling the man on the land to acquire a knowledge of modern and scientific methods, and the objects aimed at in inaugurating the train, were fully explained in our last Report, and the manner in which the various exhibitions and lectures have been attended and welcomed in country districts clearly indicates that the visits of the train are increasingly appreciated.

During the year under notice five tours were made, and demonstrations were held at 53 centres, the attendances aggregating approximately 50,000 people.

In order that the enthusiasm aroused as a result of the visits of the train shall not be allowed to wane, and to ensure as far as possible that the methods advocated shall be brought to a practical issue, the formation of "Better Farming Leagues" throughout the State has been strongly urged. The suggestion is being enthusiastically taken up at many centres.

The successful formation of "Better Farming Leagues" will undoubtedly lead to greater efficiency in the farming industry, and the cultivation of that community spirit which is so helpful in the dissemination of knowledge and experience.

We are convinced that there is no movement more attended with possibilities for the advancement of primary production than the "Better Farming" train, and that as a result of the advice tendered and the methods demonstrated on the train, greatly increased production will be assured at a lower cost, with consequent benefits to the primary producer and the State as a whole.

We again desire to record our appreciation of the co-operation of the Agricultural and Education Departments, and the Victorian Baby Health Centres Association. Their experts have everywhere earned high praise for the practical value of their lectures and demonstrations, and for the enthusiasm which they have displayed in this means of making their services available throughout the State.

## Publicity to Assist the Primary Producer.

Our efforts to assist the primary producer by means of advertising campaigns have been continued throughout the year, principally in the way of issuing posters and booklets urging the consumption of more fruit. Valuable co-operation was again lent by the State Rivers and Water Supply Commission and the various co-operative bodies concerned.

That these efforts have been successful is indicated by the following figures, which show the approximate number of cases of fruit despatched by rail from country districts to Melbourne since the introduction of the "Eat More Fruit" propaganda :-

$$
\begin{array}{ccccccc}
1923 & . & . & . . & . . & . . & 2,840,700 \text { cases ; } \\
1924 & . & . & . & . . & . & 3,288,600 \\
1925 & \cdots & . & . & . . & . . & 3,542,400
\end{array}
$$

In addition, fruit to the value of about $£ 25,000$ was sold or utilized at railway stalls and refreshment rooms during 1925-26.

A booklet containing raisin recipes was prepared; 100,000 copies were distributed throughout the State, and 25,000 copies circulated in New Zealand at the Dunedin and South Seas Exhibition.

The Departmental Bakery is now turning out 600 loaves of raisin bread daily. This represents a consumption of two tons of raisins per month. At the outset of the raisin bread campaign only three bakers in Melbourne were manufacturing this commodity, whereas more than 100 are now undertaking its production. From this may be gauged some idea of the effect of this propaganda on the raisin consumption in the State.

The Department also took a prominent part in featuring " Peach Week," which was held in January last. During the week $7^{\circ}$ tons of Elberta peaches were sold at railway fruit stalls.

We are satisfied that our efforts on behalf of the fruit industry have been beneficial to the State, whose prosperity is largely dependent on the success of the primary producer. The orchards and vineyards in Victoria, upon which approximately 100,000 persons are dependent, are estimated to represent a capital value of $£_{19,000,000 \text {, so that }}$ the creation of a regular demand for the output is of vital importance to the community.

## Tourist and General Publicity.

The policy of issuing attractive tourist posters, booklets and pamphlets was continued thoroughout the year. Many of the booklets regularly on issue to the public are being revised and reprinted in a more engaging manner.

We are extending this class of publicity to the other States in an endeavour to attract tourists to Victoria, and in this connexion have made arrangements with leading hotels in the other capital cities of the Commonwealth and New Zealand for supplies of the various booklets, \&c., to be made available for their patrons.

Various methods of propaganda have also been employed in an effort to retain to the railways traffic which might otherwise be diverted to road vehicles operated by private enterprise.

The railway view point in regard to many controversial subjects was placed before the public through the medium of the Press, and by the issue of pamphlets and bulletins, which it is hoped will ensure a continuance and growth of the co-operation between the Department and the railway user, which has already yielded such satisfactory results.

Advantage was also taken of the opportunity kindly afforded by the management of the Melbourne Broadcasting Station, 3LO, for broadcasting a series of wireless talks on various railway matters. We feel that these talks have been a source of interest to listeners-in, and there is no doubt in our minds that they should promote a better understanding of the position and aims of the Department, and that co-operation which is so necessary if the best results are to be obtained.

Another innovation during the year was the issue of a monthly bulletin to all employees. In this short publication we feature "health talks" and "safety first" matters, and invite the help of the staff by the submission of suggestions for improving our operations.


#### Abstract

Advertising. The revenue derived from advertising during 1925-26 amounted to $£_{36,987}$, an increase of $£ 2,869$ over the previous year.

Extensive additions to the poster hoardings at stations were carried out and a number of de luxe signs erected at various locations.

A gratifying feature of the year's operations was the increasing popularity of advertising in suburban carriages. The revenue from this source is steadily growing, and there is reason to hope for continued expansion in this respect.


## "Safety First."

During the year our activities in connexion with the "Safety First". movement were considerably extended.

It is realized that there are great possibilities in this sphere, and in order that the movement may be organized and sponsored in the best possible way, it was decided to institute a Departmental Safety Council for the purpose of directing the policy of accident prevention and of encouraging the cultivation of "Safety First" principles amongst the staff.

This Council is composed of representatives of the various operating branches, with the chairman of the Betterment and Publicity Board as Chairman. General committees and sub-committees on which the employees will be represented are to be established at the more important locations.

Another innovation was the provision at all workshops, dépôts, \&c., throughout the State of bulletin boards, on which posters issued by the National Safety Council of America - to which we subscribe as members-are regularly displayed.
"Safety First" matters were also featured in the monthly staff bulletin, to which reference is made under the heading of "Tourist and General Publicity".

Several screenings of "Safety First" pictures have been given in some of the more important workshops, and arrangements are being made to extend the practice to other workshops and dépôts.

The weekly school bulletins issued in conjunction with the Mebourne and Metropolitan Tramways Board and the Education Department were continued throughout the year, and a "Careful Crossing Campaign" was conducted on the same lines as in previous years.

It is beyond question that these appeals to the public and the staff must have good results and lessen the possibility of accident.

## The Chalet, Mount Buffalo National Park.

The renovations and improvements at the Chalet, Mount Buffalo National Park, which were commenced last year, have now been practically completed. This work was comprised in a comprehensive scheme, the first section of which was carried out last year before the winter season necessitated a suspension of construction work. This section included the erection of an additional wing, containing a new dining-room, café, and kitchen, the conversion of the old dining-room into a room suitable for balls and concerts, provision of new lavatory and bath wings, extra bedrooms, another lounge, three bungalows, a new septic tank, and a garage for visitors' motor cars.

The improvements include elaborate precautions against fire. The buildings are surrounded by a 4 -in. main, to which are attached, at intervals, hydrants with hoses. By means of an electrically-driven fire pump, the pressure in this main can be raised in a few seconds to 85 lb . per square inch. This gives a force of water which can be directed to any part of the building. The whole of the Chalet staff is regularly drilled in fire protection methods.

The internal heating system was remodelled with satisfactory results, while improvements were made in the electric lighting.

During the year two additional wings, a new engine-room and battery-room, and a garage for the departmental cars used in connexion with the transportation service were provided.

One of the wings contains, on the ground floor, a large games room equipped with billiard table, \&c., while the upper floor affords bedroom accommodation for fifteen visitors. The provision of a sound-proof floor prevents the upstairs occupants from being disturbed. This wing also contains lavatory accommodation for the daily or casual visitors, entrance to which is provided from the roadway. The increasing popularity of the Mount Buffalo Nationsl Park, and the improved condition of the road since we assumed control of the Chalet, have resulted in a large number of motors being attracted there during the week ends. It is our policy to cater for every one who visits the Mount Buffalo National Park, and a notice alongside the main entrance requests casual visitors to communicate with the Manager should they desire to avail themselves of the facilities provided at the Chalet.

The other wing contains accommodation for the staff. On the ground floor are the staff mess-room, store rooms, laundry, and snow sports dépôt, while upstairs comfortable bedrooms are provided, which are capable of housing the whole of the 60 men and women employed on the staff during the busy season. The furnishing and lighting of the staff quarters is in keeping with the generally high standard of housekeeping characteristic of the whole of the premises.

The transportation service between the Chalet and the railway is maintained by a fleet of modern and comfortably upholstered motor cars, which perform the journey in about $1 \frac{1}{2}$ hours. Last winter the road at the higher altitude was kept open by means of a snow plough - the first to be used in Australia-and notwithstanding several heavy falls, the transportation of passengers was maintained according to schedule.

We are gratified by the numerous letters that have been received from visitors expressing satisfaction with the appointments at the Chalet, which they describe as the best equipped tourist house in the Commonwealth.

The number of visitors who stayed at the Chalet during the year was 3,895 , compared with $I, 8 \mathrm{I} 6$ for the preceding nine months during which the Chalet was under our control.

The year's working resulted in a loss of $£ 846$, vide Appendix No. 20. This was partly due to the unfavorable weather conditions experienced during the last three months of the year, and to the fact that for about four months a large gang of workmen was engaged pulling down old structures and erecting the new wings. Such work cannot be done without considerable disturbance, and this induced many visitors to the Chalet to curtail their stay and caused others to postpone their visit.

Now that the construction work and the equipment and furnishing of the Chalet have been completed, an increase in the number of visitors is expected, with consequent improvement in the revenue.

We have felt that the description of the Chalet as being situated at Mount Buffalo does not convey a true idea of the topography of the locality. The Chalet is placed at an altitude of about 4,600 feet in the Mount Buffalo National Park on a plateau extending over an area of about 14 miles and containing numerous natural features of great interest. We have, therefore, decided that all Railway publications and correspondence relative to the Chalet shall describe it as being situated in the Mount Buffalo National Park.

## Altona Bay Railway,

The agreement between the Government and the Altona Beach Estates Limited, under which the Altona Bay Railway has been taken over and operated by the Department as part of its suburban system, was formally executed during the year. As mentioned elsewhere, the work of electrifying the line is now in progress, and will, it is expected, be completed early in October.

## Level Crossings.

The question of providing improvements at level crossings, with a view to minimizing risk of accident wherever practicable, was given unremitting attention during the year.

The abolition of the level crossings at Queen's-parade, Clifton Hill, and Epsom. road, Flemington, was accomplished by the provision of overhead bridges to carry the railway traffic. Owing to delays in the delivery of steelwork, the permanent bridge at Queen's-parade was not completed, but a temporary structure was erected and made available for traffic. At Epsom-road the whole of the work involved was completed in time for the Royal Agricultural Society's Show in September last, and resulted in substantial benefit both to road users and to the Department.

Interlocked gates, controlled from the signal boxes, were provided at Huttonstreet, Thornbury, and at Sydenham, where previously the gates were worked by gatekeepers. In addition, improvements were effected at a number of places by widening and remodelling the crossings.

The installation of "Wig Wag" signals was also actively proceeded with, the device being provided at the following additional places during the year -:

| Mordialloc, | Gapsted, |
| :--- | :--- |
| Batman, | Wooragee, |
| Greensborough, | Glenrowan, |
| Rosanna, | Launching Place, |

while signal protection for gate crossings was provided at Heatherdale-road, Ringwood ; Victoria-street, Middle Footscray; Kinane-street, Brighton; Bonbeach ; and at crossings between Broadford and Seymour, and Seymour and Mangalore.

A Departmental Committee, comprising expert and experienced offcers, meets frequently for the purpose of discussing and devising means for greater protection at crossings. In pursuance of our policy of co-operation with the public, we extended an invitation to the Royal Automobile Club of Victoria to nominate a member to sit on this Committee. This has been accepted by the club, and steps are being made to give effect to the arrangement.

## Use of Machines for Clerical Work.

During the year the " Powers" machine system of accounting was extended to the audit check of payrolls and the compilation of a wide range of valuable statistical information in connexion therewith: Much of this information was previously obtained manually, but a large proportion was never compiled, owing to the heavy cost which would have been involved in its preparation.

Good results are being obtained from the "Powers" machines in connexion with the costing work carried out at the various Rolling Stock Branch Workshops; the compilation of Transportation Branch train and engine miles statistics, freight accounting and statistical work relating to revenue from goods and live stock traffic within Victoria, and, as mentioned above, the audit check of payrolls, and experience has clearly demonstrated that these machines can be successfully and profitably utilized for the handling of large volumes of work.

It is proposed to extend the operations of the "Powers" machines to Interstate goods and live stock accounting in conjunction with the New South Wales and South Australian Railway departments, which also operate these machines for similar work.

Typewriters, with Wahl adding attachments, are now regularly used for goods abstracting at large centres, while adding, listing, and calculating machines of various types are being more widely availed of.

In order that the fullest advantage may be taken of the opportunities for improvement which these mechanical appliances provide, the officers who, as mentioned elsewhere, are at present visiting America, are, inter alia, making a study of the application of machines to railway accounting and other office work. As a result of their investigations it is likely that still further improvements will be effected in this branch of our activities, and that by the adoption of the most up-to-date methods appreciable economies will be possible.

## State Coal Mine.

After the payment of Working Expenses and Interest charges, and allowing for a contribution of $£_{40,236}$ to the Sinking and Depreciation Funds, a net loss of $£ 24,459$ was incurred in the operation of the State Coal Mine during $1925-26$.

We were therefore obliged, in order to balance the mine finances, to make payment of a subsidy of $£ 25,000$, which represented the estimated loss when the accounts for the year were closed.

The total output for the year amounted to 495,864 tons, an increase of $90, \mathrm{I} 69$ tons over that of the previous twelve months, The improved result was largely due to the fact that, with the development of the Dudley Area pit, the average thickness of the coal seams was 18 per cent. greater than last year, thus increasing the output per miner per shift, and decreasing the cost of production by 10.67 d . per ton, as compared with 1924-25.

Of the total quantity of coal produced-495,864 tons-440,78I tons were supplied to this Department, 20,223 tons to other Government Departments, and 16,232 tons to the general public, the balance representing colliery consumption, sales to miners, \&c.

Operations were suspended on account of strikes, \&c., for a total of 53 days as compared with 49 days last year. Omitting the period from 8th May to 23rd June, 1926, when the mine was idle owing to a strike of engine-drivers, work was provided for an average number of $I, 821$ employees, or 133 more than in 1924-25.

In the period under review an amount of $£ 474,86 \mathrm{r}$ was disbursed in wages, as compared with $£ 429,254$ in the preceding twelve months, while the net average earnings of the miners, after deducting the cost of explosives, were 27 s .2 .9 Id . and 26 s . II $\cdot 3 \mathrm{~d}$. per shift respectively, an increase of $3 \cdot 6$ Id. per shift.

During the year the development of the Dudley Area was completed, and an output of 800 tons per day is now being obtained from this source. In addition the work of re-conditioning the McBride Tunnel was accomplished, and operations were resumed on the basis of two shifts per day in all pits except the Eastern Area on the IIth June, 1925, and in the latter pit on the I6th September, 1925

## Acknowledgment of Services of Staff.

The standard of service rendered by the Department during the year was well maintained, and the efforts which have been made to secure greater co-operation among the staff and between the public and the staff continue to show good results.

We receive numerous eulogistic letters from railway users praising the work of the staff, and it is a matter of considerable pleasure to us to place this fact on record, and to express our own appreciation of the excellent service and valuable assistance rendered by officers and employees of the Department throughout the year.

## Appendices, \&c.

The balance-sheet for the year, and various accounts, statements, and other information, are embodied in the Appendices, a list of which is shown in the Index.

In addition, a number of photographs, diagrams, and maps appear at the end of the Report.

We have the honour to be, Sir,
Your obedient servants,

| HAROLD. W. CLAPP, Chairman, |
| :--- |
| $\left.\begin{array}{l}\text { W. M. SHANNON, } \\ \text { T. B. MOLOMBY, }\end{array}\right\}$Victorian Railways <br> Commissioners. |

HEADS OF BRANCHES.

| Secretary | $\cdots$ | Mr. E. C. EYERS. |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Chief Mechanical Engineer | ... | \% A. E. SMITH. |
| Chief Engineer of Way and Works | . 0 | E. H. BALLARD. |
| General Superintendent of Transportation | $\ldots$ | , M. J. CANNY. |
| Chief Electrical Engineer | $\ldots$ | "H. P. COLWELL. |
| Chief Accountant | $\ldots$ | " T. F. BRENNAN. |
| General Passenger and Freight Agent | $\cdots$ | \# W. E. KEAST, |
| Chief Storekeeper ... ... | ... | \# C. W. J. COLEMAN. |
| Superintendent of Refreshment Services ... | $\ldots$ | " W. D. BRACHER. |
| Chief Engincer of Sigoals and Telegraphs | ... | " F. M. CALCUTT. |
| Auditor of Receipts ... | ... | G. K. LOW. |

## CERTIFICATES OF HEADS OF BRANCHES.

Certificate respleting Rolling Stock, Machinery, etc.
I hereby certify that, during the year 1925-26, the whole of the rolling-stock, machinery, \&c., under ny control was maintained in good working order and repair.
A. E. SMITH,

Chief Mechanical Engineer.

Certificate resplecting Way and Works.
I hereby certify that, during the year 1925-26, the whole of the permanent way, stations, buildings, and other works under my control were maintained in good working order and repair.

E. H. BALLARD,<br>Chief Engineer of Way and Works.

Certificate respecting Electrical Equtpment.
I hereby certify that, during the year 1925-26, the whole of the electrical plant and equipment under my control was maintained in good working order and repair.

H. P. COLWELL,<br>Cbief Electrical Engineer.

## Certificate respecting Stores.

I herely certify that the Stock of Stores has been carefully and systematically inspected during the year, and that its value at 30 th June, 1926 , was $\mathfrak{E L}^{2}, 392,530$.

C. W. J. COLEMAN, Chief Storekceper.

Certificate respecting Stanalingg Appliances, etc.
I hereby certify that, during the year 1925-26, the whole of the signalling, interlocking, and safe working appliances and other works under my control were maintained in good working order and repair.
F. M. CALCUTT, Chief Engineer of Signals and Telegraphs,

APPENDIX


This statement has been examined with the Railway ledgers and found correct.
J. A NORRIS,

Auditor-General.

No. 1.


T: F. BRENNAN, Chief Accountant.

## APPENDIX No. 2.

WORKING EXPENSES AND EARNINGS FOR THE YEARS ENDED 30TH JUNE, 1925 AND 1926.
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Railfays (Exclusive of Electric Tramways and Road Motor Coaches).
Cr.

| Working Expenses. |  | Year ended 30th June- |  | Earnings. | $\begin{gathered} \text { See } \\ \text { Apenen. } \\ \text { dix. } \end{gathered}$ | Year ended 30th June- |  |
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|  |  | 1925. | 1926. |  |  | 1925. | 1926. |
| To Maintenance of Way and Works .. | A | $\stackrel{\mathfrak{f}}{1,963,960}$ | $\stackrel{£}{1,928,597}$ | By Passengers .. | 4 | $\underset{5,380,887}{\ddagger}$ | $\stackrel{£}{5,425,804}$ |
| , Rolling Stock-. |  |  |  | "Pareels ... | 4 | 501,102 | 513,842 |
| General Superintendence, \&c. .. | B | 77,498 | 53,569 | "Horses, Carriages and |  |  |  |
| Maintenance of Rolling Stock .. | C | 1,730,972 | 1,770,727 | " Dogs .. .. | 4 | 39,968 | 40,661 |
| Locomotive Power ${ }_{\text {Examination and Lubrication of }}$ | D | 1,628,426 | 1,706,950 | , Mails | 4 | 59,480 | 90,248 |
| Coaching and Goods Vehicles | E | 65,015 | 61,244 | Total Coaching .. | . | 5,981,437 | 6,070,555 |
| \% Transportation and Traffic .. | F | 2,664,697 | 2,701,124 |  |  |  |  |
| \% Electrical Engineering Branch | G | 564,264 | 465,770 | " Goods and Live Stock .. | 4 | 5,775,522 | 5,565,451 |
| " Miscellaneous Operations | H | 430,151 | 452,755 | , Electrical Power | 4 | 218,797 | 145,026 |
| ", General Charges .. .. | 1 | 216,130 | 23s,621 | "\% Rents and Miscellaneous | 4 | 275,153 | 345,644 |
| "Stores Branch | $J$ |  | 80,162 | " Dining Car and Refresll- |  |  |  |
| "Contribution to the Railway Accident and Fire Insurance Fund |  | 47,823 | 65,945 | , Advertising . . . . | 4 | 407,848 34,118 | 439,543 36,987 |
| , Payment to the State Coal Mine |  |  |  | ", Bookstalls | 4 | 66,322 | 67,855 |
| ing the McBride Tunnel |  | 37,268 | .. |  |  |  |  |
|  | £ | 9,426,204 | 9,526,464 |  |  |  |  |
| "Pensions and Gratuities .. |  | 215,087 | 219,396 |  |  |  |  |
| "Payment to the Superannuation |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| ". Repayment to Capital Account |  | 2,849 675 | 1,341 |  |  |  |  |
|  | $\pm$ | $\cdot 9,644,815$ | 9,767,543 |  |  |  |  |
| ,, Balance Net Earnings .. |  | 3,114,382 | 2,903,518 |  |  |  |  |
| Grand Total . . | $\pm$ | 12,759,197 | 12,671,061 | Grand Total |  | 12,759,197 | 12,671,061 |

APPENDIX No. 3.

## AB̈Stract of working Expenses for the years Ended 30th June, 1925 AND 1926 (EXCLUDING THE ELEOTRIC TRAMWAYS AND THE ROAD MOTOR COACHES).



APPENDIX No. 4.
COMPARATIVE ANALYSIS OF RARNINGS AND WORKING EXPENSES FOR THE YEARS ENDED 30 TH JUNE, 1925 AND 1926 (EXCLUSIVE OF ELECTRIC TRAMWAYS AND ROAD MOTOR COACHES).

\begin{tabular}{|c|c|c|c|c|c|c|c|c|}
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\hline Total Country .. \& 9,705,623 \& 2,768,922 \& 626.7 \& 150 . \& \multicolumn{2}{|l|}{0,464,911 2,732,617} \& $608 \cdot 6$ \& 147 <br>

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$30 \cdot 23$
18 \& ${ }^{42,608,731} 5$ \& 937,518
942,606 \& ${ }_{4}^{4,695 \cdot 7}$ \& 30.77
30.97 <br>

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899.9
\end{array}
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6.78 \\
5.78 \\
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6.96 \\
6.95 \\
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\] <br>

\hline Total Suburbnn \& 156,678,519 \& 2,618,965 \& 12,828-2 \& 87.29. \& 158,589,397 \& 2,693,187 \& 13,201,9 \& $88 \cdot 40$ <br>
\hline Total Pissenger .. \& \multicolumn{2}{|l|}{165,44,142 ${ }^{5,380,887}$} \& 1,209.7 \& 111.31 \& \multicolumn{2}{|l|}{188,054,308 5,425,804} \& 1,198.3 \& 110.68 <br>

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190

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\]} \& \multirow[t]{2}{*}{\[

$$
\begin{array}{r}
10.48 \\
183 \\
1.84
\end{array}
$$
\]} <br>

\hline Mails .. .. .. .. \& \multicolumn{2}{|l|}{$\because \quad \quad \begin{array}{r}\text { 59,480 } \\ \hline\end{array}$} \& \& \& \& \& \& <br>
\hline Total Pareels, \&e. \& \multicolumn{2}{|r|}{600,550} \& $135 \cdot 0$ \& $12 \cdot 42$ \& \multicolumn{2}{|r|}{644,751} \& $142 \cdot 4$ \& 13.15 <br>
\hline Total Coaching \& \multicolumn{2}{|r|}{5,981,437} \& 1,344.7 \& 123.73 \& \multicolumn{2}{|r|}{0,070,555} \& 1,340.7 \& $123 \cdot 81$ <br>

\hline General Merchandise \& \multirow[t]{3}{*}{$$
\begin{gathered}
\text { Tons, } \\
0,1,10,302 \\
84,205 \\
512,627
\end{gathered}
$$} \& \multirow[b]{3}{*}{\[

$$
\begin{array}{r}
4,550,779 \\
197,712 \\
500,000
\end{array}
$$

\]} \& \multirow[b]{3}{*}{\[

$$
\begin{array}{r}
1,003.1 \\
124 \cdot 4 \\
123 \cdot 7
\end{array}
$$

\]} \& \multirow[b]{3}{*}{\[

$$
\begin{array}{r}
18.75 \\
8.07 \\
2.04 \\
2.45
\end{array}
$$

\]} \& \multicolumn{2}{|l|}{} \& \multirow[b]{3}{*}{\[

$$
\begin{gathered}
994 \cdot 1 \\
98.3 \\
140 \cdot 5
\end{gathered}
$$

\]} \& \multirow[b]{3}{*}{\[

$$
\begin{array}{r}
172 \cdot 91 \\
9.04 \\
20 \cdot 30
\end{array}
$$
\]} <br>

\hline  \& \& \& \& \& -87,882 \& ${ }^{2}$ \& \& <br>
\hline Live stook \& \& \& \& \& \& 636,326 \& \& <br>

\hline Coni, Coke, and shale \& $$
\begin{array}{r}
999,527 \\
1,633,805
\end{array}
$$ \& \[

$$
\begin{array}{r}
153.121 \\
3.3 .956 \\
\hline
\end{array}
$$

\] \& \[

$$
\begin{aligned}
& \frac{34.4}{72.4}
\end{aligned}
$$

\] \& \[

$$
\begin{array}{r}
6 \cdot 25 \\
13 \cdot 22
\end{array}
$$

\] \& \multicolumn{2}{|l|}{\[

$$
\begin{array}{r|r}
607,278 \\
1,895,951 & \\
\hline
\end{array}
$$

\]} \& \[

$$
\begin{aligned}
& 33 \cdot 4 \\
& 82 \cdot 8 \\
& \hline
\end{aligned}
$$

\] \& \[

$$
\begin{array}{r}
6.24 \\
15 \cdot 49
\end{array}
$$
\] <br>

\hline Total Goods \& 8,959,55 \& 5,775,522 \& 1,298-4 \& 235.74 \& \multicolumn{2}{|l|}{8,728,496 5,615,451} \& 1,229-1 \& 229.98 <br>

\hline | Hieetrical Power | .. | . | .. |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Rentell |  |  |  |
| Miscellaneous | $\because$ | $\because$ | $\because$ | \& $\because$ \& \[

$$
\begin{aligned}
& 218,797 \\
& 124,883 \\
& 150,270
\end{aligned}
$$

\] \& \[

$$
\begin{aligned}
& 49 \cdot 2 \\
& \text { as. } \\
& 33 \cdot 8 \\
& \hline
\end{aligned}
$$

\] \& $\because$ \& \multicolumn{2}{|r|}{\[

$$
\begin{aligned}
& 145,026 \\
& 156,546 \\
& 189,698
\end{aligned}
$$

\]} \& \[

$$
\begin{aligned}
& 52.0 \\
& 34.6 \\
& 41.8
\end{aligned}
$$
\] \& $\because$ <br>

\hline Total Power, Rents, and Miseellaueous \& \multicolumn{2}{|r|}{495,950} \& $111 \cdot 1$ \& - \& \multicolumn{2}{|r|}{490,670} \& 108.4 \& $\underline{\square}$ <br>

\hline ${ }_{\text {Refresing Cars }}^{\text {Rent }}$ Rooms $\quad \because \quad$. \& $\cdots$ \& \multirow[t]{3}{*}{\[
$$
\begin{array}{r}
24,008 \\
38384080 \\
34,118 \\
66,322
\end{array}
$$

\]} \& \multirow[t]{3}{*}{\[

$$
\begin{array}{r}
5 \cdot 4.4 \\
86.9 \\
74.7 \\
14.9
\end{array}
$$

\]} \& \multirow[b]{3}{*}{$\because$} \& \multicolumn{2}{|r|}{\multirow[t]{3}{*}{}} \& \multirow[t]{3}{*}{\[

$$
\begin{array}{r}
5 \cdot 7 \\
91.4 \\
8.1 \\
\hline 5.0 \\
\hline
\end{array}
$$
\]} \& \multirow[t]{3}{*}{} <br>

\hline  \& $\because$ \& \& \& \& \& \& \& <br>
\hline Bookstalls $\quad \because \quad \because$ \& \& \& \& \& \& \& \& <br>

\hline \multirow[t]{4}{*}{| Total Dining Cars, Reirehhnent Rooms, Advertising and Bookstalls |
| :--- |
| Total Earnings |} \& \multicolumn{2}{|r|}{508,288} \& 114 \& \& \multicolumn{2}{|r|}{\multirow[b]{2}{*}{$\begin{array}{r}\text { 544,385 } \\ \hline 12,671,061\end{array}$}} \& \multirow[b]{2}{*}{\[

\frac{120 \cdot 2}{2,798 \cdot 4}
\]} \& \multirow[b]{2}{*}{$\stackrel{.}{173 \cdot 6}$} <br>

\hline \& .. \& 12,750,197 \& 2,868.5 \& $175 \cdot 16$ \& \& \& \& <br>
\hline \& \multicolumn{8}{|c|}{WORKING EXPENSES.} <br>

\hline \& Expeaditure, \& Per cent. to Earmings. \& Per Average rile Open. \& $$
\begin{aligned}
& \text { Per Train } \\
& \text { Mile. }
\end{aligned}
$$ \& Expenditure. \& Per cent. to Earnings. \& Per Average Mile Open. \& Per Mrain Mie. <br>

\hline | working expenses. |
| :--- |
| Maintenance of Way and Works | \& $\xrightarrow{1,863,960}$ \& ${ }_{15}{ }^{\%} \cdot 39$ \& ${ }_{4}^{415}$ \& $\stackrel{d}{26.96}$ \& ${ }_{1,9288,597}^{\text {¢ }}$ \& \%15.22 \& $\underset{425}{\text { ¢ }}$ \& $\stackrel{1}{26.34}$ <br>

\hline $\underset{\text { Reneral Superintendence, \&e. .. }}{\text { Reling }}$ \& \& \& \& \& \& \& \& <br>
\hline Maintenance of Rolliug Stook .. \& $1,780,972$
$1,628,426$ \& 18.57
12.78 \& $388 \cdot 2$
$366 \cdot 1$ \& ${ }_{22}^{23} 86$ \& $1,780,727$
1,706050 \& 18.98
13.47 \& 391.1
37700 \& ${ }_{23}^{2+181}$ <br>
\hline Examination aver Lubrication of Cosehing \& 1,628,426 \& $12 \cdot 78$ \& $368 \cdot 1$ \& \& \& \& \& <br>
\hline  \& 2,604,097 \& ${ }_{20.81}$ \& 59.14 .6 \& 88.89 \& - $\begin{array}{r}6,61,244 \\ \hline, 124\end{array}$ \& 21.48 \& 13.5
596.5 \& . 88 <br>
\hline Theetrical Enginpering Branch ... . .. \& 564,264 \& $4 \cdot 42$ \& 126.9 \& 7.75 \& 466,770 \& $3 \cdot 69$ \& 103.1 \& $6 \cdot 37$ <br>
\hline  \& ${ }^{430,151} 818180$ \& $3 \cdot 37$
1.69
1.69 \& 96.7
48.6 \& $5 \cdot 91$
2.97 \& \& 3.68
1.88 \& ${ }^{100.0}$ \& $6 \cdot 18$
3.29 <br>
\hline Stores Branch \& 216,130 \& 1.69 \& $48 \cdot 6$ \& 2-97 \& - \& 1.88 \& ${ }_{17}^{62.7}$ \& 3.26
1.09 <br>
\hline  \& 215,087 \& 1. 69 \& 48.3 \& $2 \cdot 95$ \& 219,396
18,742 \& ${ }_{1}^{1.73}$ \& $\underset{4.1}{48.4}$ \& $\stackrel{\text { 3.00. }}{20}$ <br>
\hline Contribution to the Railway Accident and \& \& \& \& \& \& \& \& <br>
\hline  \& ¢ 478,849 \& ${ }^{-38}$ \& $\begin{array}{r}10.8 \\ \hline 6\end{array}$ \& -66 \& 65,945
1,630
1,931 \& . 61 \& 14.6
-4 \& $\stackrel{.90}{.01}$ <br>
\hline Reprument to Capital Aerount $\because \because \because$ \& 675 \& . 00 \& . \& 01 \& 1,341 \& . 01 \& $\cdot 3$ \& <br>
\hline the cost of reconditioning the MeBride \& 37,268 \& . 29 \& 8.4 \& 51 \& . \& .. \& .. \& <br>
\hline \multirow[t]{2}{*}{Total Woring Expenses} \& \multicolumn{2}{|l|}{9,644,815 $\quad 75.59$} \& 2,168-3 \& $132 \cdot 41$ \& \multicolumn{2}{|l|}{9,767,543 7703} \& 2,157-1 \& 133.38 <br>
\hline \& \multicolumn{4}{|l|}{Percentage of Workiva Expevsers to Cross} \& \multicolumn{4}{|l|}{Mricentage of Woukive Expenses to Gross} <br>
\hline \multicolumn{9}{|c|}{PERCENTAGE OF WOREING EXPENSES IN EACH DIVISION:} <br>
\hline \multicolumn{5}{|c|}{\multirow[t]{2}{*}{Divisions of Expenditure.}} \& \multicolumn{4}{|c|}{Year ended toth sune --} <br>
\hline \& \& \& \& \& \multicolumn{2}{|r|}{1925.} \& \multicolumn{2}{|l|}{1926.} <br>
\hline \multicolumn{5}{|l|}{Mointenane of Way and Works} \& \multicolumn{2}{|r|}{$20 \% 36$} \& \multicolumn{2}{|c|}{${ }^{2} 978$} <br>
\hline Goneral Superintendence, \&e: \& \multirow[t]{2}{*}{} \& \& \multirow[b]{2}{*}{\%} \& \& \multicolumn{2}{|r|}{\multirow[t]{2}{*}{}} \& \multicolumn{2}{|r|}{\multirow[t]{2}{*}{- ${ }_{\text {\% }}$}} <br>
\hline miaioten mee of Rolling stock \& \& $\ldots$ \& \& . \& \& \& \& <br>
\hline Locomotive Power ibibricaion of Coaching an \& \multicolumn{2}{|l|}{nd Eoods Yehicles} \& $\because$ \& $\because$ \& \multicolumn{2}{|r|}{- 16.88} \& \multicolumn{2}{|r|}{${ }_{17} 148$} <br>
\hline  \& \multicolumn{2}{|l|}{\multirow[t]{2}{*}{$\because$}} \& .. \& $\because$ \& \multicolumn{2}{|r|}{97.63
5.85} \& \multicolumn{2}{|r|}{${ }_{27} \cdot 685$} <br>
\hline Miscellaneons Operations $\quad$.. \& \& \& $\cdots$ \& \& \multicolumn{2}{|r|}{5.85
4.46} \& \multicolumn{2}{|r|}{${ }_{4}^{4.784}$} <br>
\hline Gteneral Charges $\quad \because \quad \because \quad \because \quad \because$ \& \multicolumn{2}{|l|}{$\because$} \& $\because$. \& $\because$ \& \multicolumn{2}{|r|}{${ }_{2}$} \& \multicolumn{2}{|r|}{${ }_{2}{ }_{2}^{4}$. 84} <br>
\hline Peasione snd Gratuitios $\quad \because \quad \ddot{\square}$ \& \multicolumn{2}{|l|}{$\because$} \& $\because \quad \because$ \& $\because$ \& \& $\stackrel{2}{23}$ \& \& ${ }^{25}$ <br>
\hline Contribution to the Railway Accildent and Fire \& Insurame ${ }_{\text {Fu }}$ \& d \& \& $\because$ \& \& -50 \& \& ${ }^{19}$ <br>
\hline  \& $\cdots \quad$. \& $\because$ \& $\because \quad \because$ \& $\because$ \& \& $\stackrel{.03}{-01}$ \& \& ${ }_{0}^{02}$ <br>
\hline Payment to the state Coal Mine towards the e \& cost of recoid \& Sonting the M \& cBride tunnel \& \& \& 39 \& \& <br>
\hline \& \& \& \& \& \& 00.00 \& \& <br>
\hline
\end{tabular}

## APPENDIX No. 5.

GENERAL COMPARATIVE STATEMENT FOR FIFTEEN YEARS, FROM ist JULY, 19if, TO 30th JUNE, 1926.

| Year |  | Avernge Ranwavs Open tor Traffic duringthe Year. | cost of construction. |  | ROLLiNG-Stock. |  |  |  | Total TrafticTrain Miles. | $\begin{gathered} \text { Number } \\ \text { of Passenger } \\ \text { Journeys. } \end{gathered}$ | Tonnage ofCoods and LiveStock conveyed. | gross revenue. |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  |  | Capital Cost incluaing Rolling-stock. | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Average } \\ & \text { Cost per } \\ & \text { Mile open. } \end{aligned}$ | Locamotives. | Passenger Cars. | Trucks. | Vans, dc. |  |  |  | Passenger, <br> Parcels, <br> Rentals, \&c. | Goods and Live Stock. | Total. | Per Average Mile open. | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Per Traffic } \\ & \text { Train Miie. } \end{aligned}$ |
|  |  |  | $\pm$ | $\pm$ | Number. | Number. | Number. | Number. |  |  |  | £ | $\chi$ | £ | £ | $a$. |
| 1911-12 | 3,622 | 3.543 | 45,836,573 | 12,655 | 623 | 1,352 | 14,292 | 634 | 13,8,36,375 | 104,234,732 | 5,297,685 | 2,711,985 | 2,506,982 | 5,218,967 | 1,473 | $7 / 6 \cdot 53$ |
| 1912-13 | 3,647 | 3,639 | 47.568,336 | 13,043 | 668 | 1,399 | 15,868 | 676 | 14,234,550 | 111,513,908 | 5,150,404 | 2,852,804 | 2,352,638 | 5,205,442 | 1,430 | 7/3'77 |
| 1913-14 | 3,835 | 3,747 | 49,529,062 | 12,941 | 735 | 1,460 | 17,391 | 826 | 15,028,649 | 116,611,448 | 5,816,088 | 2,957,543 | 2,603,415 | 5,560,958 | 1,484 | $7 / 4 \cdot 81$ |
| 1914-15 | 3,875 | 3,848 | 52,337,475 | 13,506 | 791 | 1,406 | 18,268 | 874 | 15,303,209 | 117,259,926 | 5,410,045 | 2,892,698 | 2,268,375 | 5,161,073 | 1,341 | 618.94 |
| 1915-16 | 4,100 | 3,955 | 54,600,928 | 13,317 | 808 | 1,584 | 18,913 | 865 | 13,826,538 | 115,771,238 | 5,829,835 | 3,094,953 | 2,610,210 | 5,705,163 | 1,443 | $8 / 3.03$ |
| 1916-17 | 4,123 | 4,104 | 55,802,027 | 13,534 | 812 | 1,612 | 19,270 | 890 | 14,022,040 | 108,341,540 | 5,962,602 | 3,018,460 | 2,934,259 | 5,952,719 | 1,450 | $8 / 5.89$ |
| 1917-18 | 4,152 | 4,139 | 56,655,910 | 13,645 | 817 | 1,641 | 19,380 | 912 | x,626,371 | 105,753,073 | 6,231,093 | 3,424,712 | 3,137,547 | 6,562,259 | 1,585 | 9/7.58 |
| 1918-19 | 4,190 | 4,159 | 57,545,337 | 13,734 | 798 | 1,663 | 19,481 | 911 | 13,031,655 | 111,904,786 | 6,515,470 | 3,474,488 | 2,957,789 | 6,432,277 | 1,547 | 9/10.45 |
| 1999-2\% | 4,214 | 4,194 | $58,445,84^{6}$ | 13,869 | 788 | 1,693 | 19,532 | 910 | 15,022,465 | 134,012,162 | 7,770,694 | 4,503, 850 | 3,721,122 | 8,224,972 | 1,961 | 10/11 40 |
| 1920-2 | 4,267 | 4,237 | 59,972,628 | 14,055 | 790 | 1,748 | 19,579 | 913 | 15,533,556 | 134,045,683 | 7,572,993 | 5,384,487 | 4,411,276 | 9,795,763 | 2,312 | ${ }^{12 / 7} \cdot 34$ |
| 1921-22 | 4,322 | 4,284 | 62,961, 395 | 14,568 | 799 | 1,782 | 19,69+ | 921 | 15,856,815 | 142,456,924 | 7,491,031 | 5,976,026 | 4,815,056 | 10,791,082 | 2,519 | 13/7/33 |
| 1922-23 | 4,333 | 4,297 | $64,854,594$ | 14,968 | 804 | 1,852 | 19,749 | 924 | 16,394,239 | 155,957,240 | 7,517,216 | 6,393,855 | 4,953,192 | 11,347,057 | 2,641 | 13/10-11 |
| 1923-24 | 4,435 | 4,369 | 66,2 53, 102 | x4,039 | 777 | 1,929 | 19,751 | 943 | 16,504,833 | 167,861,864 | 8,309,543 | 6,754, 109 | 5,204,526 | 11,958,635 | 2,737 | 14/4.95 |
| 8924-25 | 4,484 | 4,448 | 67,739,091 | 15,107 | 728 | 1,988 | :9,779 | 962 | 17,482,005 | 166,444,142 | 8,959,556 | 6,983,675 | 5,775,522 | 12,759,197 | 2,868 | 24/7-16 |
| 1925-26 | 4.627 | 4,528 | $69,087,162$ | 14.931 | 704 | 2,033 | 29,662 | 966 | 17,575,547 | 168,054,308 | 8,728, +96 | 7,105,610 | 5,565,451 | 12,671,66: | 2,798 | 14/5.03 |

## Exciusive of Electric Tramways and Road Motor Goaches.

ExCusive of Electric Tramways and Road Motor Goaches.
$*$ Traffic Train Mileage as shown for the years prior to $95^{-24}$ includes Assistant and Light Mileage.

APPENDIX No. 5-continued.


| Year. | Exprimitckz: Tranemertamos ako Trafhe branchey (nelmiva Mectinambeg operations) |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | Grxrral exprsags. |  |  |  | Etorts <br> Bravor. |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  |  |  | Workina. | Rapars and Rexwadis. |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  | Amount. | $\begin{gathered} \text { Per } \\ \text { Traftic } \\ \text { Train Mile. } \end{gathered}$ | Percent Revenue. |  |  |  |  | Amount. | $\begin{gathered} \text { Yer } \\ \text { Aerage } \\ \text { Mile } \\ \text { open. } \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} \text { Per } \\ \text { eratio } \\ \text { Train Miie. } \end{gathered}$ | Per cent of Gross Revenue | Amoums. | $\underset{\substack{\text { Per } \\ \text { Tramin Mile. }}}{\substack{\text { Train }}}$ | Per eent. of Gross Revenue | Amount. | $\underset{\substack{\text { Per } \\ \text { Tratife } \\ \text { Train Mile. }}}{\text { ande. }}$ |  |  | Per cent of Gross | Ainount |  | Yer cent. of Gross Revenue |
|  | $\pm$ | s. ${ }^{\text {d }}$. |  | £ | $\pm$ | *. $d$. |  | $\pm$ | s. $d$. |  | $\boldsymbol{\varepsilon}$ | s. $d$. |  | $\pm$ | s. d. |  | £ | £ |
| 1915-12 | 901,024 | 1/3.63 | 17.27 | 893,350 | 252 | 1/3.50 | $17 \cdot 12$ | $842,43^{88}$ | 1/2.62 | 16.14 | - 547 ,940 | 0/9\% 50 | 10.50 | 74,237 | 01129 | $1{ }^{142}$ | ... | $\cdots$ |
| 1912-13 | 947,868 | $1 / 3 \cdot 98$ | 18.21 | 930,366 | 256 | 1/3.68 | 17.87 | 914,709 | 1/3'42 | $17 \cdot 57$ | T5,51,023 | 01929 | $10 \cdot 59$ | 80,937 | o/1.37 | $1 \cdot 55$ | ... | ... |
| 1913-14 | 1,066,738 | 1/5.03 | 19.18 | 935,652 | 250 | 1/2.94 | 16.83 | 1,603,621 | $1 / 4.03$ | 18.05 | -6,32,859 | 0/10'11 | 11388 | 85,968 | 2/1.37 | $1 \cdot 55$ | ... | ... |
| 1914-15 | 1,099,026 | 1/5.24 | 21.29 | 1,107,310 | 288 | 1/5 $5^{\circ} 37$ | 21.46 | 1,079,973 | 1/494 | 20.93 | \%709,863 | 0/14: ${ }^{13}$ | 13.75 | 92,996 | -/14.46 | 1.80 | ... | ... |
| 1915-16 | 1,127,568 | 1/7.57 | 19.76 | 998,619 | 252 | 1/5*33 | 17.50 | 1,075,002 | 1/6.66 | 18.84 | 49672,317 | $0 / 11.67$ | 11.79 | 95,380 | 0/1/66 | 1.67 | $\ldots$ | ... |
| 1916-17 | 1,137,703 | 1/7'47 | 1911 | 927,315 | 226 | 1/3.87 | 15.58 | 1,283,198 | 1/9.96 | 21.56 | 91670,064 | 0/1147 | 1: ${ }^{\prime 2} 9$ | 95,997 | 0/1.64 | $1 \cdot 61$ | $\ldots$ | ... |
| 1917-18 | 1,225,479 | 1/9.58 | 18.67 | 1,049,270 | 253 | 1/6.48 | 15.99 | 1,327,488 | 1/11-39 | $20 \cdot 23$ | 4715,358 | 1/0.60 | 10.90 | 100,911 | $0 / 1 \cdot 78$ | 154 | ... | ... |
| 1918-19 | 1,257,685 | 1/1196 | 19.55 | 870,123 | 209 | 1/4.02 | 13.53 | 1,320,274 | 2/0.3 ${ }^{2}$ | 20.53 | ¢ 9696,296 | 1/0.82 | 10.83 | 100,094 | \%/1.84 | $1 \cdot 56$ | 3,397 | - |
| 1919-20 | 1,820,588 | 2/5.09 | 22.13 | 1,262,069 | 301 | 1/8.16 | 15.35 | 1,722,967 | 2/3'53 | 20.95 | T 976,684 | 1/3.60 | 11.87 | 124,012 | 0/1.98 | $1 \cdot 51$ | 85,963 | ... |
| 1920-21 | 2,483,789 | 3/147 | 25.35 | 1,576,857 | 372 | $2 / 0 \cdot 36$ | 16.10 | 2,139,809 | 2/906 | 21.84 | T1,255,460 | 17740 | 12.82 | 159,174 | 0/246 | 1.62 | 146,698 | $\ldots$ |
| 1921-22 | 2,636,978 | 3/3.91 | 24.44 | 1,708,539 | 399 | 2/1:86 | 15.83 | 1,793,643 | 2/315 | 16.52 | 71,367,902 | 1/8\%\% | 12.68 | 174,553 | 0/2.64 | $1 \cdot 62$ | 264,825 | ... |
| 1922-23 | 2,661,634 | $3 / 2 \cdot 9^{6}$ | 23.46 | 1,761,951 | 410 | 2/179 | 15.53 | 1,607,733 | 1/11"54 | $14^{117}$ | ¢1,468,108 | 1/9.49 | 12.94 | 191,371 | 0/2.81 | 1.69 | 406,870 | $\cdots$ |
| 1923-24. | 2,856,108 | $3 / 5 \cdot 3^{1}$ | 23.88 | 1,861,887 | 426 | 2/293 | $\times 5.57$ | 1,658,163 | 1/11.69 | 13.70 | f1,581,104 | 1/10.87 | 13.22 | 199,697 | 0/2.89 | 1.67 | 538,547 |  |
| 1924-25 | 3,094,848 | $3 / 6 \cdot 49$ | 24.26 | 1,963,960 | $44^{2}$ | 2/2'96 | 1539 | 1,770,939 | 2/0.31 | 13.88 | T $1,730,972$ | 1/1176 | 13.57 | 216,130 | -12.97. | $1 \cdot 69$ | 564,264 |  |
| 1925-26 | 3,153,876 | 3/7.06 | 24.90 | 1,928,597 | 4こ9 | 2/2 34 | 15.22 | 1, $8_{21,}$, 63 | 2/0.88 | 14.37 | T1,770,727 | 2/0.18 | $13^{\prime} 98$ | 238,621 | \%/3.26 | 1.88 | 466,770 | 80,162 |

[^1]APPENDIX No. 5-continued.
GENERAL COMPARATIVE STATEMENT FOR FIFTEEN YEARS, FROM ist JULY, : 911 , TO zoth JUNE, 1926.

| Year. | Raluwar Accingat and Fire Issuraxce Fumb. |  |  | total working expenses. |  |  |  | net revenue after payment ofwonkina expenies. |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | $\begin{aligned} & \text { NET } \\ & \text { NTERET } \\ & \text { INERGES } \\ & \text { ANDEX. } \\ & \text { QENSES. } \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { AMOUNTS } \\ & \text { PAD FOR } \\ & \text { PRENINOSS } \\ & \text { ARATVU- } \\ & \text { GTIS } \\ & \text { TEDER } \\ & \text { ACT } 787 . \end{aligned}$ |  |  | Deficit. | surplus. |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Amount. | $\begin{gathered} \text { Per } \\ \begin{array}{c} \text { Tratac } \\ \text { Train } \\ \text { Mrile } \end{array} \end{gathered}$ | Per cent. of Gross Revenue | Amount. | $\begin{gathered} \text { Aver } \\ \text { Averae } \\ \text { cile } \\ \text { open. } \end{gathered}$ | Per Traffic | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Per cent. } \\ & \text { of Gross } \\ & \text { Revenue } \end{aligned}$ | Amount. |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  | $\pm$ | s. d. |  | $\pm$ | ${ }^{4}$ | s. d. |  | $\ddagger$ | £ | s. $d$. | £ | $\pm$ | $\Sigma$ | $\varepsilon$ | £ | $\pm$ | f | $\pm$ | $\pm$ | £ | ${ }^{\text {f }}$ |
| 13-12 | *51,495 | \%10.89 | $0 \cdot 99$ | 3.310,484 | 934 | $4.9{ }^{\circ} 42$ | 63.43 | 1,908,483 | 539 | 2/9.10 | $4 \cdot 16$ | $4 \cdot 32$ | 1,910,212 | 45, 136,620 | 4.23 | 1,513,102 | 131,319 | ... | $\ldots$ | ... | 265,791 |
| 1912-13 | *5,054 | 010.88 | $1 \cdot 00$ | 3,476,957 | 955 | 4/1062 | 66.80 | 1,728,485 | 475 | $2 / 514$ | 3.63 | 3.81 | 1,729,506 | 46,715,44* | $3 \% 0$ | 1,595,020 | 112,236 | ... | $\ldots$ | ... | 22,250 |
| $1913-14$ | 27,805 | 01045 | 0.50 | 3,752,643 | 1,002 | 4/11*93 | $67^{\circ} 48$ | 1,808,355. | 483 | 2/4-88 | $3 \cdot 64$ | 376 | 1,807,981 | 49,034,811 | 3.69 | 1,677,369 | 112,853 | ... |  |  | 17,757. |
| 1914-15 ... | 25,805 | $0 / 1040$ | 0.50 | 4,114,973 | 1,069 | 5/4*54 | $79 \cdot 73$ | 1,046,100 | ${ }^{2} 72$ | 1/4*41 | 12 | 2.00 | 1,048,809 | 51,406,892 | $2 \cdot 0$ | 1,767,807 | 123,438 | ... |  | 842,436 | ... |
| 1915-16 ... | 28,526 | -10.50 | 0.50 | 3,997,412 | 1,011 | 5/939 | 70.07 | 1,707,751 | $43^{2}$ | 2/5:64 | $3^{\prime 1} 1$ | 3.45 | 1,710,487 | 54,391,352 | 3.14 | 1,927,107 | 121,332 | ... | $\cdots$ | 337,952 | ... |
| 1916-17 | *39,763 | 0/0.68 | ${ }^{0.67}$ | 4,154,040 | 1,012 | 5/11'10 | 69.78 | 1,798,679 | 438 | 2/6.79 | $3 \cdot 22$ | 3.25 | 1,806,096 | 55,680,341 | $3^{124}$ | 2,012,447 | 131,416 | ... | $\ldots$ | 337,767 | ... |
| 1917-18 | 32,586 | 010.5\% | 0.50 | 4,451,092 | 1,075 | 616.40 | $67 \cdot 83$ | 2,111,167 | 510 | 3/1'18 | $3 \cdot 73$ | 3.76 | 2,119,128 | 56,563,081 | $3 \cdot 75$ | 2,126,906 | 129,660 | ... | $\ldots$ | 136,938 | $\cdots$ |
| 1918-19 ... | 31,794 | 0/0\%9 | ${ }^{\circ} \cdot 49$ | 4,279,663 | 1,029 | $616 \cdot 82$ | $66 \cdot 53$ | 2,152,614 | 518 | $3 / 3 \cdot 64$ | $3 \cdot 75$ | 3.81 | 2,167,414 | 57,441,685 | $3 \cdot 77$ | 2,164,902 | 151,588 | ... | 14,521 | 163,597 | ... |
| 1919-20 ... | 40,668 | 0/0.65 | ${ }^{\circ} \times 49$ | 6,032,951 | 1,433 | $8 / 0 \cdot 38$ | 73.35 | 2,192,021 | 523 | $2 \cdot 1102$ | 371 | 3.75 | 2,203,401 | 58,367,373 | $3^{\circ} 78$ | 2,234,202 | 152,932 | ... | 29,160 | 212,893 | ... |
| 1920-21. | *73,969 | 0/114 | 0.76 | 7,835,756 | 1,849 | 10/1'06 | 79.99 | 1,960,007 | 463 | 2/5 57 | 3:27 | 3.32 | 1,943,429 | $6 \mathrm{c}, 255,042$ | ${ }^{3.2}$ | 2,409,674 | 182.036 | ... | 3,354 | 651,635 | $\cdots$ |
| 1921-22 | 80,225 | o/1'21 | $\bigcirc \cdot 74$ | 8,026,665 | 1,874 | 101149 | 74.38 | 2,764,417 | 645 | 3/5.84 | 4.39 | 4.32 | 2,769,842 | 63,626,393 | 4.35 | 2,589,816 | 194,581 | $\ldots$ | 4,554 | 19,109 | ... |
| 1922-23 | 84,259 | 0/123 | $0 \cdot 74$ | 8,181,926 | 1,904 | 9/1178 | $72 \cdot 11$ | 3,165,131 | 737 | 3/10. 33 | 4.88 | . 474 | 3,179,651, | 65,190,862 | 4.88 | 2,951,385 | 203,470 | $\ldots$ | 4,613 | ... | 20,183 |
| 1923-24 ... | 38,916 | 010.56 | $0 \cdot 32$ | 8,714,422 | 1,995 | 10.6 .03 | 72.87 | 3,244,213 | 742 | 3/10'92 | 4.90 | $4 \cdot 84$ | 3,253,445 | 66,544,677 | 4.89 | 3,015,455 | 206,366 | $\ldots$ | 3,972 | 108,765 $\ddagger$ | ... |
| 1924-25 ... | 47,823 | 10.66 | $\bigcirc{ }^{\circ} 8$ | 9,426,204 | 2,119 | 10/9 43 | 73.88 | 3,332,993 | 750 | $3^{19} 96$ | $4 \cdot 92$ | $4 * 91$ | 3,344,438 | 67,716,281 | 4.94 | 3,099,885 | 215,087 | ... | +40,117 | ... | 5,943 |
| 1925-26 ... | 65;945 | 0/0.90 | $0{ }^{\circ} 2$ | 9,526,464 | 2,104 | 10:10.09 | 75.18 | 3,144,597 | 694 | 3/6.94 | $4 \% 5$ | 4.50 | 3,151,405 | 70,035,763 | 4.50 | 3,092,695 | 219,396 | 18,712 | 2,971 | 182,369 | ... |

 was not paid.
$\dagger$ Includes a payment of $f_{37,268}$ to the State Coal Mine towards the cost of reconditioning the McBride tunnel.

* Includes Special Payment into Fund, year 1911-12, £25,400; year 1912-13, £26,027; year 1915-17, f10,000; yeur 1920-21, £25,000,

Inclusive of Electric Tramways and Read Motor Coaches.

## APPENDIX No. 6.

STATEMENT OF THE TOTAL AMOUNT PAID FOR SALARIES AND WAGES (EXCLUSIVE OF TRAVELLING AND INCIDENTAL EXPENSES IN THE VARIOUS BRANCHES OF THE RAILWAYS DURING THE YEARS ENDED 30xi JUNE, 1925 AND 1926.


## APPENDIX No. 7.

STATEMENT OF ALL STAFF EMPLOYED ON THE RAILWAYS OF VICTORIA IN JUNE, 1925 , AS COMPARED WITH THE AVERAGE NUMBER OF STAFF EMPLOYED DURING THE YEAR ENDED 30th JUNE, 1926.

|  |  |  |  |  | onth of June, 1 |  | Year | nded 30th June | 22\%. |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  |  |  | No. of Salaried | No. of Wages taff, | Total Stafir | No. of Sataried Staff. | No. of Wages staft. | Trotal Staff. |
| Commissionets' and Secretary's Office |  |  |  | 74 | 54 | 128 | 75 | 48 | 123 |
|  |  |  |  | 225 | 69 | 294 | 225 | 67 | 292 |
| Traffic Audit | . . |  | . | 157 | 31 | 188 | 159 | 27 | 186 |
| Stores | $\cdots$ | . | $\cdots$ | 121 | 315 | 436 | 121 | 340 | 461 |
| Permanent Way | $\cdots$ | $\cdots$ | . | 423 | 6,763 | 7,186 | 425 | 5,969 | 6,394 |
| Signalling | .. . |  | $\cdots$ | 82 | 850 | 932 | 101 | 807 | 908 |
| Locomotive | $\cdots$ | $\cdots$ | $\cdots$ | 459 | 8,887 | 9,346 | 490 | 8,916 | 9,406 |
| Traffic | .. .. | $\therefore$ | .. | 2,441 | 6,192 | 8,633 | 2,5ั5 | 6,289 | 8,844 |
| $\xrightarrow[\text { Electrical }]{\text { General }}$ | .. .. |  | $\cdots$ | 124 | 924 | 1,048 | 136 | 866 | 1,002 |
|  | .. .. | . | . | 57 | 904 | 961 | 58 | 1,004 | 1,062 |
| Totals |  |  | . | 4,163 | 24,989 | 29,152 | 4,345 | 24,333 | 28,678 |

CONSTRUOTION BRANCH.
Year ended 30th June.

| 1925. |  |  | 1920. |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| No, of Salaried Staft. | No. of Wages Staff. | Total Staff. | No. of Salaried Staff. | No. of Wages Staff. | Total Staff, |
| 21 | 1,094 | 1,115 | 43 | 846 | 889 |

AVERAGE NUMBER OF MEN* EMPLOYED (EXCLUSIVE OF CONSTRUCTION BRANCH) DURING THE YEARS ENDED 30th JUNE, 1925 AND 1926.

|  | How Employed. |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |

*Overtime and penalty payments have been taken into connideration and the equivalent number of men shown in the figures.

## APPENDIX No. 8.

STATEMENT SHOWING THE TOTAL COST (EXCLUSIVE OF ROLLING-STOCK), LENGTH, HIGHEST POINT, STEEPEST GRADIENT, AND AVERAGE COST PER MLLE OF EACH LINE; ALSO THE COST OF ROLLING-STOCK, WORKSHOPS, GENERAL OFFICES, ETC., AT 3 OTH JUNE, 1926.


## APPENDIX No. 8-continued.

Statement showing the total cost, etc., of each line, etc.-continaed.


APPENDIX No. 8-continued.
STATEMENT SHOWING THE TOTAL COST, ECC., OF EACH LINE, ETC.-continued.


## APPENDIX No. 8-continued.

STATEMENT SHOWING THE TOTAL COST, ETC., OF EACH LINE, ETC.-continued.


[^2] traffe as shown above, but are included in the mileage of sidings as ghown in Appendix No. 24 . are not included in the length of lines opened for

## APPENDIX No. 9.

STATEMENT OF TRAIN, LOCOMOTIVE AND VEHTCLE MILEAGE.


Nome,-- These totals do not include departmental mileage.

## APPENDIX No. 10.

STATEMENT SHOWING STEAM AND ELECTRIC LOCOMOTIVES, STEAM ORANES, RAIL MOTOR PASSENGER VEHICLES, STEAM AND ELECTRIC COACHING STOCK, ELECTRIC TRAMWAY STOCK, GOODS STOCK, AND SERVICE STOCK AT 30TH JUNE, 1926.


## APPENDIX No. 10 -continued.

STATEMENT SHOWING ROLLING STOCK-continued.


APPENDIX No. 11.

RETURN OF PERSONS KILLED OR INJURED DURING TEN YEARS, FROM IST JULY, 1916, TO 30 th JUNE, 1926 .


| Year. | Train Accidents. |  |  |  |  |  | Accidents on Line (Other than Train Aecidents). |  |  |  |  |  | Shurting Accidents. |  |  |  |  |  | Emplogeesprocerding toand from Dutywithin theBailuayBoundary. |  | Pomons Killed or Injured |  | Trespassers. |  | Miscellaneous. |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Passengers. |  | Employes. |  |  |  | Passengers. |  | Employess. |  | Other Perrons. |  | Passengest. |  | Employees. |  | Other Persons, |  |  |  |  | Total. |  |  |  |  |
|  | Eilled. | Injured. | Killed. | Injured. | Killed. | Tnjured. | Killed. | Injured. | Killed. | Injured | Killed. | Tnjured. | Killed. | Injured. | Killed. | Injured. | Killed. | Injured. | Killed. | Injured. |  |  | Killed. | Injured. | Killed. | Injured. | Killed. | Injured. | Killed. | Tnjured |
| $\begin{aligned} & 1924-25 \\ & 1925-26 \end{aligned}$ | $\cdots 3$ | 153 | $\cdots$ |  | .000 .017 | .000 .910 | 7 | 133 186 | 5 11 | 103 89 | $\cdots$ | ${ }^{-}$ | $\cdots$ | $\because$ | 5 | 44 33 |  | 5 | 3 2 | 2 | 12 | 3 | 15 | 3 <br> 8 | .. | 4 | 47\% | 298 498 |

The form of this return has been altered in accordance with a decision of the Interstate Conference of Railway Commissioners.
In all cases, only Casualties in comexion with train working and the movement of rolling stock are included.

## Appendix No. 12.

STATISTICAL STATEMENT.


## APPENDIX No. 13.

IHE RAILWAY ACCIDENT AND FIRE INSURANCE FUND-ACT No. 2716, SECTIONS 109 ANL bo-AT $30 T H$ JURE, 9926.


## APPENDIX No. 14.

NUMBER OF STAFF IN THE SFRVICE OF THE COMMISSIONERS AT 3 TTA JUNE, 1926, AS COMPARED WITH THE NOMBER AT $30 T H$ JUNE, i925, ENTITLED TO PENSION OR COMPENSATION ON RETIREMENT UNDER THE ORIGINAL PENSIONS SCHEME APPLICABLE TO THOSE HOLDING OFFICE AT IST NOVEMBER, 1883.

| Branch |  |  |  |  | $\begin{gathered} \text { At } 30 \text { th June, } \\ 2925 . \end{gathered}$ | $\underset{\text { At soth June, }}{\substack{\text { squ. }}}$ |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Secretary's ... ... | ... | ... | ... | $\cdots$ | 2 | 2 |
| Acconntancy and Audit of | Receipts | *. | ** | ... | 11 | 9 |
| Refreshment Services | ... | $\cdots$ | $\ldots$ | $\cdots$ | ... | ... |
| Rolling-Stock ... | $\cdots$ | . | $\cdots$ | ... | 44 | 28 |
| Stores ... ... | ... | $\cdots$ | $\cdots$ | $\cdots$ | 1 | 1 |
| Transportation and Traffic | $\cdots$ | $\cdots$ | ... | ** | 57 | 37 |
| Way and Works ... | ... | $\ldots$ | ... | $\cdots$ | 21 | 13 |
| Signal and Telegraph | ... | ... | ... | $\cdots$ | 7 | 4 |
|  | Total | ..* | ... | ... | 143 | 94 |

APPENDIX No. 15.
EXPENDTTURE CHARGED TO CAPITAL ACCOUNT FOR THE YEAR ENUED 30 TH JUNE, 1926.


## APPENDIX No. 15-continued.

EXPENDITURE CHARGED TO CAPITAL ACCOUNT FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30тн JUNE, 1y26-sontinuted.

$\begin{array}{llllll}\text { originally charged to Capital } & \text {... ... } & \text {... } \\ \text { Electrification of the Melboerne Suburban Lines, excludine the Construch }\end{array}$
and Stederueal Auferations of Rolinges Stock, bet including the


Rollina Srock.


APPENDIX No. 16.

STATEMENT OF LOANS AT 301 HI JUNE, 1926 , AND OR THE INTEREST CHARGES AND EXPENSES INCURRED DURING THE YEAR I925-26.


| E6 Edw. VIII. No. 2041 er \% Edw. VII, No. 2116 | $\cdots$ $\ldots$ | :* | $\ldots$ | $3 \frac{1}{2}$ <br> 4 <br> $4 \frac{1}{4}$ <br> 4 <br> 4 <br> $3 \frac{1}{2}$ <br> 1 | $\begin{array}{rrr\|} 259,778 & 14 & 9 \\ 200,000 & 0 & 0 \\ 24,700 & 0 & 0 \\ 4,000 & 0 & 0 \\ 140,000 & 0 & 0 \end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{rrr}9,092 & 5 & 1 \\ 8,000 & 0 & 0 \\ 1,0+9 & 15 & 0 \\ 190 & 0 & c \\ 5,250 & 0 & 0\end{array}$ | $\ldots$ $\ldots$ $\ldots$ $\cdots$ $\cdots$ | $\begin{array}{rrr}9,092 & 5 & 1 \\ 8,000 & 0 & 0 \\ 1,049 & 15 & 0 \\ 190 & 0 & 0 \\ 5,250 & 0 & 0\end{array}$ | $\left\{\begin{array}{l}\text { 30th } \begin{array}{l}\text { 1917 }\end{array} \text { September, } \\ 30 \text { Sh September, } 1917\end{array}\right.$ | Ist October, 1930 Ist January, 1929 | Melbourne Melbourne |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| $\mathrm{Or}_{7}^{7}$ Edw. VII. No. 2116 | $\ldots$ | ... | ... | $3 \frac{1}{2}$ <br> $3 \frac{1}{2}$ | 150,000 0 0 <br> $1,000,000$ 0 0 | $\begin{array}{\|ccc\|} 5,250 & 0 & 0 \\ 35,000 & 0 & 0 \end{array}$ | $\therefore$   <br> 150 $\circ$  <br> 0   | 5,250 35,150 00 | 30th September, 1917 | 1st danuary, 1929 <br> ist October, 1949 | Melbourne London |
| 9 Edw. VII. No. 2161 |  | ... | ... | 3 | 300,000 ○ o | 9,000 ○ 0 | ... | 9,000 ○ 0 3 | 30 th September, 1917 |  | Melbeurne |
| 9 Edw. VII. No. 2163 | $\ldots$ | ... | ... | 3i2 | $144,67612 \quad 6$ | 5,063138 | ... | 5,0631387 | 1st August, 1913 | 1st Oetober, 1944 | Melbourne |
| 1 Geo. V. No. 2308 ... | ... | ... | ... | 4 | 353,052 15 | 14,122 20 | $\ldots$ | $14,1222^{2} \quad 3$ | 1 ist June, 1931 |  | Melbourne |
| 2 Geo. V. No. $2323 \ldots$ | $\ldots$ | $\ldots$ | ... | $3{ }^{\frac{1}{2}}$ | 442,900 ○ ○ | 15,501100 | $\cdots$ | 15,501100 | 30th September, 1917 | Ist October, 1946 | Melbourne |
| 3 Geo. V. No. 2428 ..., | ... | ... | ... | 4 | 2,000,000 003 | $80,000 \times 0$ | $297 \quad 72$ | $80,2976{ }^{2} 7$ | 1st April, 1940 | 1st April, 1960 | Londou |
| 3 Geo. V. No. $2429 \ldots$ | $\cdots$ | $\cdots$ | ... | 4 | $\begin{array}{llll}166 & 2 & 1\end{array}$ | 61211 |  | 1211 |  |  |  |
| 4 Geo. V. No. 2480/2531 | $\ldots$ | ... | $\ldots$ | 43 | 1000 | 4100 |  | 410 |  |  |  |
| 4 Geo. V. No. $2480 .$. | ... | ... | $\ldots$ | $5 \frac{1}{2}$ | 1,034,700 ○ 0 | 56,908 10 0 | $\begin{array}{llll}476 & 2 & 9\end{array}$ | 57,384129 |  |  |  |
| 4 Geo. V. No. $24{ }^{81}$... | $\ldots$ | $\ldots$ | $\cdots$ | 4 | 347,077 $19 \quad 5$ | 13,883 15,502 | $\cdots$ | 13,883 15,5 15 |  |  |  |
| 4 Geo. V. No. 2481 ... | $\cdots$ | $\cdots$ | $\cdots$ | $4{ }^{\frac{3}{4}}$ | , ... | $\begin{array}{llllll}15,502 & 15 & 2\end{array}$ | $\cdots$ | 15,302150 |  |  |  |
| 4 Geo. V. No. $2530 \ldots$ | ... | $\ldots$ | $\ldots$ | 5 | 284,700 ○ 0 | 14,235 0 ○ | $4214 \quad 2$ | 14,277 $14{ }^{2}$ |  |  |  |
| 4 Geo. V. No. $2530 \ldots$ | ... | ... | $\ldots$ | $5 \frac{1}{2}$ | 2,215,300 0 O | I $241,84110 \mathrm{c}$ | $\cdots$ | 121,841100 |  |  |  |
| 4 Geo. V. No. 2531 ... | ... | $\ldots$ | $\cdots$ | 3 | 22,300 00 | $\begin{array}{llll}659 & 0 & 0\end{array}$ | $\ldots$ | $669 \bigcirc 0$ |  |  |  |
| 4 Geo. V. No. $2531 \ldots$ | $\cdots$ | $\ldots$ | $\ldots$ | 4 | 3,000 ○ O | 120 - 0 | $\cdots$ | $120 \quad 0 \quad 0$ |  |  |  |
| 4 Geo V. No. $2531 .$. | $\cdots$ | $\cdots$ | $\cdots$ | $4{ }^{3}$ |  | 79,979 505 | ... | 79,979 6,50 |  |  |  |
| 5 Geo. V. No. $2794 \ldots$ | ... | $\cdots$ | $\cdots$ | 3 | 206,851482 | 6,205 10 | $\cdots$ | 6,205 10 |  |  |  |
| 5 Geo. V. No. 2794 | ... | $\cdots$ | ! | $3 \frac{1}{2}$ | $\begin{array}{llll}13 & 17 & 3 \\ 89\end{array}$ | 0 9 8 | ... | $\begin{array}{llll}- & 9 & 8\end{array}$ |  |  |  |
| 5 Gee. V. No 2794 ... | ... | ... | ... | 4 4 4 | $\begin{array}{r}183 \\ \hline 9.000 \\ \hline 29\end{array}$ | $\left.\begin{array}{rlrl} 35 & 15 & 2 \\ 1,187 & 10 & 0 \end{array} \right\rvert\,$ | $\ldots$ | $\begin{array}{r}35 \\ 15 \\ 1,18 \\ \hline\end{array} 150$ |  |  |  |
| 5 Geo. V. No. $279+\cdots$ | ... | ... | $\ldots$ | $5 \frac{1}{4}$ | 100,000 0 | 5,250 00 | 10190 | 5,250 6120 |  |  |  |
| 5. Geo. V. No. 2794 ... | ... | ... | $\cdots$ | $5 \frac{1}{2}$ | 1,109,480 19.4 | 61,021981 | 110190 | $61,132{ }^{8} 81$ |  |  |  |
| Geo. V. No. 2968 ... | ... | $\ldots$ | ... | $5 \frac{1}{4}$ | 150,000 ○ 0 | 7,875 ○ 0 | ... | 7,875 ○ 0 |  |  |  |
| Geo. V. No. 3012 ... | $\ldots$ | ... | ... | 3 | $8,913 \quad 2 \quad 7$ | 267.711 | $\ldots$ | $267 \quad 7.11$ |  |  |  |
| Geo. V. No. 3012 ... | $\cdots$ | ** | $\ldots$ | $3 \frac{1}{2}$ | 1,273 12 10 | 44116 | $\cdots$ | 44116 |  |  |  |
| Geo. V. No. 3012 ... | ... | ... | $\cdots$ | 4 | $71,02614 \quad 0$ | 2,841 I 4 |  | 2,841 1 I 4 4. |  |  |  |
| Geo. V. No. 3012 ... | ... | ... | ... | 5 | 6,314119 | 315147 | .. | $31514 \quad 7$ |  |  |  |
| Geo. V. No. 3012 ... | ... | ... | ... | $5 \frac{1}{4}$ | 83,000 ㅇ 0 | 4,357120 | $\cdots$ | 4,357 10 0 |  |  |  |
| Geo. V. No. 3063 ... | ... | ... | ... | 3 | 31,748 614 | $\begin{array}{llll}952 & 9 & \circ\end{array}$ | $\cdots$ | 952 9. c |  |  |  |
| Geo. V. No. 3063 ... | $\cdots$ | $\ldots$ | ... | $3 \frac{1}{1}$ | 66177 | $23 \quad 3 \mathrm{c}$ | ... | $23 \quad 30$ |  |  |  |
| Geo. V. No. 3063 ... | $\ldots$ | ... | ... | 4 | 1,486 76 | $\begin{array}{lll}59 & 9 & 1\end{array}$ | ... | $\begin{array}{llll}59 & 9 & 1\end{array}$ |  |  |  |
| Geo. V. No. 3063 ... | ... | ... | ... | 44 |  | 2,125 0 ○ | ... | 2,125 0 0 |  |  |  |
| Geo. V. No. 3063 ... | ... | ... | $\ldots$ | $4 \frac{3}{4}$ | 20,000 ○ 0 | 950 ○ ${ }^{\circ}$ | .. | $950 \times 0$. |  |  |  |
| Geo. V. No. 3063 ... | ... | ... | ... | 5 | 22,812 $\circ$ ○ 10 | 1,140 12 ○ | ... | 1,140 i2 c |  |  |  |
| Geo. V. No. 3063 ... | ... | ... | ... | $5 \frac{1}{2}$ | 226,355 ○ ○ | 12,871 12 II | ... | 12,871 12 II |  |  |  |
| Geo. V. No. 3063 ... | $\ldots$ | $\ldots$ | .. | $5{ }^{\frac{3}{4}}$ |  | 8,625 ○ 0 | $\ldots$ | 8,625 ○ 0 |  |  |  |
| Geo. V. No. 3063 ... | $\ldots$ | ... | ... | 6 | 9,084 226 | $\begin{array}{lllll}538 & 4 & 2\end{array}$ | $\ldots$ | 53884 |  |  |  |
| Geo. V. No. 3063 ... | $\ldots$ | ... | $\ldots$ | $6 \frac{1}{1}$ | 78,890 ○ 0 | 4,930 126 | $\ldots$ | 4,930 126 |  |  |  |
| Geo. V. No. 3189 ... | ... | ... | $\ldots$ | 4 | 38,92863 |  | ... | 925158 |  |  |  |
| Geo. V. No. 3189 ... | $\cdots$ | $\cdots$ | ... | 5 | 78,500 ○ 이 | 3,925 ㅇo | ... | 3,925 ○ 이 |  |  |  |

## APPENDIX No. 16-continued.

STATEMENT OF LOANS AT $30 T \mathrm{~J}$ JUNE, 1926 , AND OF THE INTEREST CHARGES AND EXPENSES INCURRED DURING THE YEAR $1925-26-c o n t i n u e d$.


## APPENDIX No. 17.

detailed statement of Cost of generating electric current at THE NEWPORT POWER HOUSE, "A" STATION.


Nore.-The costs do not include charges in connexion with the proposed Antiquation Fund for which Parliamentary authority has not yet buen obtained.

## APPENDIX No. 18.

$$
\begin{gathered}
\text { DETAILED STATEMENT OF RESULTS OF WORKING THE ST. KILDA AND } \\
\text { BRIGHTON ELECTRIC TRAMWAY. }
\end{gathered}
$$



## APPENDIX No. 19.



APPENDIX No. 20.

## THE CHALET, MT. BUFFALO NATIONAL PARK.

Capital Expenditure.


Worining Account from ist July, 1925, to 30th June, 1926.


APPENDIX No. 21

INVENTORY UF ROLLING-STOCK AT 30TH JUNE, 1926.-CAPACITY, Etc.


[^3]
## APPENDIX No. 22.

## reconciliation of the railway and treasury figures relating to REVENUE AND WORKING EXPENSES (VIDE PAGE 6).

## Revenue.

$\begin{array}{llllllll}\text { The Revenue of the Railways was } & \ldots & \ldots & \ldots & \ldots & \ldots & \ldots & \ldots \\ \text { And of the St. Kilda and Brighton Electric Tramway } & \ldots & £ j 6,533 & \text {-... } & 0\end{array}$
$\begin{array}{llrrrr}\text { And of the Sandringham to Black Rock Tramway } & \cdots & 12,061 & 2 & 4\end{array}$

Making a total of
...
That total includes the net amount of accounts due but unpaid at 30th June, 1926, which amount is not included in the Treasury figures because it was not received on that date, and which, in order to agree with the

Treasury, must be deducted, viz.

## Working Expenses.

The Working Expenses of the Railways amounted to ... ... $\quad . . \quad$ £9,526,464 $5 \quad 9$ And of the Electric Tramways and Road Motor Coaches

Making a total of
In order to bring this sum into agreement with the Treasury figures the following amounts must be deducted :-
(1) Amount of wages and accounts unpaid at 30th

June, 1926. which will be debited by the Trea-
$\begin{array}{lllll}\text { sury in the year or years in which they are paid } & £ 10,394 & 7 & 1\end{array}$
(2) Amounts paid in 1925-26 by public bodies in respect of works carried out for them by the Railway Department in previous years, which amounts were credited in the Treasury figures. for 1925-26, but not in the Railway Working Expenses . ... :... ... ... 15,650 811

15,650 811
£9,566,115 $19 \quad 6$
And on the other hand the following amounts must be added :-
(1) Amount of wages and accounts unpaid at 30th .June, 1925, paid and charged by the Treasury in the year 1925-26, but debited by the Railways in previous years
(2) Amount of expenditure incurred, and defrayed from the Vote of 1925-26, in providing works, sidings, \&c., for public bodies, such expenditure not having been recouped to the Vote at 30th June, 1926, and not charged to the Railway Working Expenses
$10,916 \quad 15 \quad 0$
(3) Amount paid to the State of South Australia in respect of the Border Railways adjustment
(4) Amount repaid to capital account in respect of the North Geelong and Fyansford Live
$1,630 \quad 0 \quad 0$
(5) Amount of Interest paid on advances to Railways Stores Suspense Account from Public Account -Adrances Account ... ... ...
$\begin{array}{ccccrrr}\text { (6) Advances Account } & \cdots & \cdots & \cdots & 7,000 & 0 & 0 \\ \text { (6) Amount paid to the Superannuation } & \text { Fund } & \cdots & 18,712 & 2 & 1\end{array}$
$\mathfrak{£ 1 2 , 7 4 3 , 5 6 6} \quad 9 \quad 6$

95,850 11 1
$\boldsymbol{£ 1 2 , 6 4 7 , 7 1 0 \quad 1 8 \quad 5}$
$82,003 \quad 12 \quad 7$
$£ 12,729,71411 \quad 0$
$\begin{array}{ll}£ 9,592,160 \quad 15 & 6\end{array}$
$\mathfrak{£} 12,674,972 \quad 2 \quad 2$ $68,594 \quad 7 \quad 4$

2,729,714 $11 \quad 0$
.
$65,696 \quad 9 \quad 9$

## APPENDIX No. 22-contanued.

## RECONCLLLATION OF THE RALLWAY AND TREASURY FIGURES, ETC.-coninued.

The Working Expenses as shown by the Treasury are:-
Division 89, subdivision 1 of the Appropriation

Division 89, subdivision 2 (Rolliug Stock Re
placement Fund) $\ldots$
Division 89, subdivision
2 (Railway Accident and
£9,260,219 $\quad 5 \quad 7$ Fire Insurance Fund)

200,000 $0 \quad 0$
66,288 l 3
Division 89, subdivision 2-(To repay to Capital Account, in respect of locomotives retired from service)
$50,000 \quad 0 \quad 0$
Division 89, subdivision 2a-Payment to Superannuation Fund
$18,712 \quad 2 \quad 1$
Division 89, subdivision 3-Amount paid to the State of South Australia account adjustment Border Railways
$1,630 \quad 0 \quad 0$
Division 89, subdivision 4-Repayment to Capital Account, in connexion with the North Geelong and Fyansford Line
$\cdots \quad$ …
on Advance
from Public Account - Advance Account to Raijway Stores Suspense Account ... ..
Division 84, subdivision 6-Salary of the Chairman of the Board of Discipline from 1/7/25 to 30/6/26 Act No. $2814 / 3011$ (Commissioners' Salaries)
$55511 \quad]$
$8,500 \quad 0 \quad 0$

## APPENDIX No. 23

NEW LINES OPENED FOR TRAFFIC DURING THE YEAR ENDED 30TH JUNE, 1926.

| Section. | Miles. | Date opened. |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Werrimul to The Hut | 15.17 | 30th October, 1925 |
| Melbourne Yard (New Country Lines) | 1.85 | I4th December, 1925 |
| Kooloonong to West Narrung | 6.71 | 29th March, 1926 |
| Moama to Balranald | r19.92 | 26th March, 1926 |
| Total | 143.65 |  |

NEW LINES UNDER CONSTRUCTION AT 30 th JUNE, 1926.

| Section. | miles. |
| :---: | :---: |
| Gonn Crossing to Stony Crossing (New South Wales Border Railway Act) | 38 |
| Black Rock to Beaumaris Electric Tramway .. .. .. | $2 \frac{1}{4}$ |
| Goroke to Morea $\quad$. | 9 |
| Marnoo to Wallaloo | $6 \frac{1}{2}$ |
|  | $55^{\frac{3}{4}}$ |

NEW LINES AUTHORIZED, BUT NOT COMMENCED, AT 30 тH JUNE, 1926.


## APPENDIX No. 24

MILEAGE OF RAILWAYS AND TRACKS.

| - - |  | Mileage open for Traffic at 30th June. |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  | Railways. |  |  |  |  |  | Tracks. |  |  |
|  |  | Six Tracks. | Mour Tracks | Three <br> Tracke | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Two } \\ & \text { Tracks. } \end{aligned}$ | ${ }_{\text {One }}^{\text {One }}$ | Total. | Tracks. | Sidings. | Total. |
|  | $\left\lvert\, \begin{array}{ll}5^{\prime} & 3^{\prime \prime} \text { gruge } \\ 2^{\prime} 6^{\prime \prime} \text { gauge } & \cdots \\ \end{array}\right.$ | 3.30 | 6.57 | 25 | $\begin{array}{r}318.21 \\ \hline 21\end{array}$ | 403128 121.56 | $4361 \cdot 86$ 12177 | 7721.28 12198 | $972 \cdot 65$ 9.56 | $\begin{array}{r} 5693.93 \\ 131.54 \end{array}$ |
|  | $\begin{array}{rr}\text { Total } & \ldots \\ \text { Electric } & \text { Street }\end{array}$ | $3 \cdot 30$ | $6 \cdot 57$ | 2.5 | 318.42 | $4.152 \cdot 84$ | 448.63 | $4^{843.25}$ | $982 \cdot 21$ | 582547 |
|  |  | ... | $\ldots$ | ... | $5 \cdot 18$ | $\ldots$ |  | $10 \cdot 36$ | 114 | 1150 |
|  | gauge $\begin{aligned} & \text { Ray } \\ & \end{aligned}$ | $\ldots$ | $\ldots$ | ... | $2 \cdot 21$ | 20 | 2.41 | $4^{62}$ | 26 | 488 |
|  | Grand Total | 3330 | $6 \cdot 57$ | 2.5 | 32581 | 4153.0 | 4491'22 | 4858.24 | $9^{83} \cdot 61$ | 584185 |
|  | $\left(\begin{array}{ll}5^{\prime} \\ 2^{\prime} & 3^{\prime \prime} \text { gauge } \\ \text { gauge } & \ldots \\ \text { gau }\end{array}\right.$ | 3.30 | $6 \cdot 57$ | 2.5 | 318.21 .21 | 417493 121.56 | 4505.51 <br> 12177 | $\begin{array}{r}486493 \\ 12198 \\ \hline\end{array}$ | $988 \cdot 10$ 9.58 | 5853.03 131.56 |
|  | Total Electric | $3 \cdot 30$ | $6 \cdot 57$ | 2.5 | 31842 | 429649 | 4627.28 | 4986.91 | $997 \cdot 68$ | 5984.59 |
|  | gauge Electric Street | $\ldots$ | $\ldots$ | ... | 5:18 | $\ldots$ |  | $10 \cdot 36$ | 114 | 1150 |
|  | Railway, $4^{\prime} 8 \frac{1}{2}$ <br> gauge | $\ldots$ | $\cdots$ | $\ldots$ | $2 \cdot 21$ | 20 | 2.41 | $4^{\prime 62}$ | $\cdot 26$ | $4^{\cdot 88}$ |
|  | Grand Total | 330 | $6 \cdot 57$ | $2 \cdot 5$ | 325.81 | $4296 \cdot 69$ | $4634 \cdot 87$ | $5001 \cdot 89$ | 999.08 | $6000 \cdot 97$ |
| - - |  | Average Mileage open for Traffc during the Year. |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  |  | Railways. |  |  |  |  |  | Tracks. |  |  |
|  |  | Six Trueks. | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Four } \\ & \text { Tracks } \end{aligned}$ | Three | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Two } \\ & \text { Tracks. } \end{aligned}$ | One | Total. | Tracks. | Sidings. | Total. |
|  | $\begin{cases}5^{\prime}, 3^{\prime \prime} \text { gange } & \ldots \\ 2^{\prime} 6^{\prime \prime} \text { gange } & \ldots\end{cases}$ | 330 | $6 \cdot 57$ | 2.5 | $\begin{array}{r}\text { 318*21 } \\ \hline 21\end{array}$ | 3995.20 12156 | $\left\|\begin{array}{r} 4325.78 \\ 121.77 \end{array}\right\|$ | $\begin{array}{r} 685 \cdot 20 \\ 121.98 \end{array}$ | 967.48 9.56 | $\begin{array}{r} 5652.68 \\ 131.54 \end{array}$ |
|  | Total $\begin{array}{rr}\text { Toric } \\ \text { Elecric } & \text { Street }\end{array}$ | $3 \cdot 30$ | 6.57 | $2 \cdot 5$ | 318.42 | $4116 \cdot 76$ | 444:35 | 4807.18 | 977.04 | 5784.22 |
|  | gauge ... | $\cdots$ | $\ldots$ | $\cdots$ | 5'18 | $\cdots$ | $5 \cdot 18$ | 10.36 | $1 \cdot 14$ | 1150 |
|  |  | $\ldots$ | $\ldots$ | $\cdots$ | 2.21 | '20 | $2 \cdot 41$ | $4 \cdot 62$ | $\cdot 26$ | $4^{88}$ |
|  | Grand Total | 330 | $6 \cdot 57$ | $2 \cdot 5$ | 325.81 | 4116.96 | 445514 | 4822.16 | 978*44 | 5800.60 |
|  | $\left(\begin{array}{ll} 5^{\prime} 3^{\prime \prime} \text { gauge } & \ldots \\ 2^{\prime} & 6^{\prime \prime} \text { gauge } \end{array}\right.$ | 3330 | $6 \cdot 57$ | $2 \cdot 5$ | $\begin{array}{r} 318.21 \\ 21 \end{array}$ | $\begin{gathered} 4076.02 \\ 121.56 \end{gathered}$ | $\left\|\begin{array}{c} 4406 \cdot 6 c \\ 121.77 \end{array}\right\|$ | $\begin{array}{r} 4766.02 \\ 121.98 \end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{r} 978 \cdot 10 \\ 9.56 \end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{r} 574412 \\ 131.54 \end{array}$ |
|  | $\begin{array}{rr}\text { Total } \\ \text { Electric } & \ldots \\ \text { Street }\end{array}$ | 330 | $6 \cdot 57$ | $2 \cdot 5$ | 318.42 | $4197 \times 5$ | 452837 | 4888.00 | $987 \cdot 66$ | 5875.66 |
|  |  | $\cdots$ | $\cdots$ | $\cdots$ | 518 | $\ldots$ | $5 \cdot 18$ | 10.36 | $1 \cdot 14$ | 11.50 |
|  | $\begin{array}{lr} \text { Railway, } \left.4^{\prime} 8\right]_{2}^{\prime \prime} \\ \text { gange } & \ldots \end{array}$ | $\ldots$ | ... | $\cdots$ | 2.21 | 20 | 2.41 | $4^{-62}$ | $\cdot 26$ | 4*88 |
|  | Grand Total | 330 | $6 \cdot 57$ | $2 \cdot 5$ | 325.81 | 4197.78 | 453596 | 4902.98 | 989.06 | 5892.04 |

## APPENDIX No. 25.

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## RAILWAYS STORES SUSPENSE ACCOUNT AT 30th JUNE, 1926

Cr.

To Stores and Materials on hand when Account was authorized at 30th June, 1896 (Act 1439, Section 20)
"Advances from Loan Funds
Advances from Public Account



By Stores issued for Belated Repairs (in accord $\left|\begin{array}{ll}\text { s. } & \text { \& }\end{array}\right|$
Stores issued for Belated hepairs (in accordauce with Act
", Cash in Treasury with Agent-General in London and in transit
" Stores 1926
1926 Materials on hand at 30 th June, Stores and Materials in $\ldots$ transit at 30 th Juve, 1926 ... $\cdots$... ... ..


## APPENDIX No. 26.

COMPARATIVE ANALYSIS OF PASSENGER TRAFFIC AND REVENUE FOR YEARS ENDED $30 T H$ JUNE, 1925 and 1926.


APPENDIX No. 27.

COMPARATIVE ANALYSIS OF GOODS AND LIVE STOCK TRAFFIC AND REVENUE FOR YEARS ENDED $30 T H$ JUNE, 1925, AND $30 T H$ JUNE, 1926.

| Class of Goods. | Year ended 30th June. 1925. |  | Year ended 3oth June, 1926. |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Tons carried. | Revenue. £ | Tons carried. | Revenue. £ |
| 2nd Class | 111,875 | 294,185 | 105,735 | 328,749 |
| ist Class | 136,858 | 285,593 | 142,546 | 295,593 |
| "C" Class | 152,700 | 294,189 | 173,740 | 354,826 |
| "B" Class | 208,991 | 238,823 | 233,317 | 274,036 |
| "A" Class | 288,418 | 326,603 | 376,87.5 | 352,663 |
| Miscellaneous | 311,612 | 165,057 | 295,570 | 144,934 |
| Fish | 4,862 | 8,136 | 5,427 | 7,525 |
| Fruit | 146,011 | 138,003 | 145,599 | 130,680 |
| Butter ... | 41,905 | 58,502 | 30,901 | 43,579 |
| Other Dairy Produce | 45.077 | 55,515 | 51,409 | 46,391 |
| Wine | 5.545 | 7,037 | 7,7,95 | 9,151 |
| Wool | 84,205 | 197,612 | 87,882 | 218,788 |
| Flour, Bran, Sharps, and Pollard | 340,550 | 129,084 | 326,874 | 116,329 |
| Wheat ... ... | 1,520,584 | 806,327 | 796,242 | 369,007 |
| All other Agricultural Produce | 518,190 | 255,201 | 495,102 | 255,285 |
| Hay, Straw, and Chaff ... | 313,905 | 117,374 | 380,038 | 152,225 |
| Fertilizers ... ... ... | 290,902 | 97,690 | 308.796 | 102,083 |
| Minerals (including Coal, Coke, Ores, \&c.) | 600,096 | 154,493 | 607,788 | 151,439 |
| Firewood ... | 713.597 | 256,008 | 711.697 | 261,215 |
| Timber ... ... ... ... | 425,945 | 227,480 | 369,975 | 191,474 |
| Stone, Gravel, and Sand ... ... | 1,632,236 | 322,584 | 1,895,851 | 374,431 |
| All other Goods ... ... | 552,865 | 541,668 | 579,746 | 525,040 |
| Haulage, Storage, Demurrage, Quayage, Hire of Tarpaulins, Unloading, and Weighing ... | 5 | 93,298 | 57 | 89,624 |
| Total Tonnage of Goods carried, and Total Revenue derived therefrom <br> Live Stock | 8,446,929 | 5,070,462 | 8,128,905 | 4,795,067 |
| Live Stock | 512,627 | 550,059 | 599,591 | . 636,326 |
| Total Tonnage of Groods and Live Stock carried, and Total Revenue derived therefrom ... | 8,959,556 | 5,620,521 | 8,728,496 | 5,431,393 |

Number of Live Stock.

|  |  | Year ended 30th June, 1925. |  | Year ended 30 th June, 1926. |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Calves | $\ldots$ | 53,310 | $\ldots$ | 38,384 |
| Cattle | $\ldots$ | 461,050 | $\ldots$ | 498,717 |
| Horses | $\ldots$ | 34,538 | $\ldots$ | 33,234 |
| Pigs | $\ldots$ | 383,292 | $\ldots$ | 433,775 |
| Sheep | $\ldots$ | $6,408,994$ | $\ldots$ | $8,215,683$ |

## APPENDIX No. 28.

STATEMENT OF EXPENDITURE CHARGED TO CAPITAL ACCOUNT FOR TWENTY YEARS ENDED 3 отн JUNE, 1926.

| $\begin{aligned} & \text { Year ended 3oth } \\ & \text { June-- } \end{aligned}$ | New Lines and Surveys. | Additions and Improvements on Existing Lines. | Rolling-Stock. | Total. |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | £ | $\pm$ | £ | $\boldsymbol{\pm}$ |
| 1907 | 34,25 ㅇ | 112,979 | 12.199 $\dagger$ | $159,428 \dagger$ |
| 1908 | 38,125 | 187,722 $\dagger$ | 174,168 $\dagger$ | 400,015 $\dagger$ |
| 1909 | 129,976 | 269,752 $\dagger$ | 158,558 $\dagger$ | 558,286† |
| 1910 | 197,928 | 250,511 $\dagger$ | 208,126 $\dagger$ | 656,565t |
| 1911 | 253,882 | 328,125 $\dagger$ | 397,826 $\dagger$ | 979,833 $\dagger$ |
| 1912 | 355,939 | 445,796 $\dagger$ | 914,634 $\dagger$ | 1,716,389 $\dagger$ |
| 1913 | 397,915 | $\ddagger 544,6061$ | $816,785 \dagger$ | 1,759,306 $\dagger$ |
| 1914 | 481,459 | $\pm .770,406 \dagger$ | 816,222 $\dagger$ | 2,068,087 $\dagger$ |
| 1915 | 535,610 | $\ddagger 1,452,826 \dagger$ | 726,209 $\dagger$ | 2,714,645 $\dagger$ |
| 1916 | 360,678 | $\ddagger 1,429,008 \dagger$ | 504,341 $\dagger$ | 2,294,027 $\dagger$ |
| 1917 | 153,501 | $\pm 806,671 \dagger$ | 264,869 $\dagger$ | 1,225,041 $\dagger$ |
| 1918 | 134,161 | $\ddagger 595,194 \dagger$ | 125,272 $\dagger$ | 856,627† |
| 1919 | 135,167 | $\ddagger 707,740 \dagger$ | 94,586 $\dagger$ | 937,493 $\dagger$ |
| 1920 | 242,916 | $\ddagger 531,598 \dagger$ | 126,981 $\dagger$ | 901,495 $\dagger$ |
| 1921 | 3c6,205 | $\ddagger 1,057,104 \dagger$ | 168,988† | 1,532,297 $\dagger$ |
| 1922 | 277,551 | $\ddagger{ }^{\text {2,315,387 }}$ | 431,673 $\dagger$ | 3,020,611 $\dagger$ |
| 1923 | 286,942 | $\ddagger 1,455,082 \dagger$ | 181,174 $\dagger$ | 1,923,198 $\dagger$ |
| 1924 | 556,888 | $\ddagger 725,395 \dagger$ | 125,718 $\dagger$ | 1,408,001t |
| 1925 | 525,138 | \$725,282 $\dagger$ | 245,473† | 1,495,893 $\dagger$ |
| 1926 | 408,601 $\dagger$ | $\ddagger 559,97$ ○ $\dagger$ | 423,502 $\dagger$ | 1,392,173 $\dagger$ |
| Totai ... | $5,812,852$ | 15,269,154 | 6,917,404 | 27,999,410 |

$\dagger$ Includes Electric Tramways.
$\ddagger$ Includes expenditures towards Electrification of the Melbourne Suburban Lines as follows:-

| Year | 1912-13 | ... | ... | ... | ... | ${ }_{\text {E27,976 }}$ |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| " | 1913-14 | $\ldots$ | ... | $\cdots$ | ... | 151,618 |
| " | 1914-15 | ... | $\ldots$ | $\ldots$ | ... | 751,980 |
| * | 1915-16 | ... | - | ... | ... | 690,483 |
| " | 1916-17 | ... | ... | .." | $\ldots$ | 532,102 |
| " | 1917-18 | ... | ... | ... | ... | 290,038 |
| " | 1918-19 | .. | ... | ... | $\ldots$ | 479,464 |
| " | 1919-20 | $\cdots$ | ... | ... | ... | 389,773 |
| " | 1920-21 | $\ldots$ | $\ldots$ | ... | $\ldots$ | 572,737 |
| " | 1921-22 | ... | ... | ... | $\ldots$ | 1,610,670 |
| " | 1922-23 | ... | $\ldots$ | ... | ... | 773,314 |
| " | 1923-24 | ... | $\ldots$ | $\ldots$ | . $\times$ | 113,76\% |
| " | 1924-25 | $\ldots$ | ... | ... | ... | 74,135 |
|  | 1925-26 | ... | ... | ... | $\ldots$ | Of 271,607 |

## APPENDIX No. 29.

STATEMENT SHOWING DATES OF OPENING AND LENGTH IN MILES OF THE DIFFERENT SECTIONS OF THE VICTORIAN RAILWAYS.

| Date of Opening. | From- |  | To- | Length in Miles. | Authorization Act. |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 1854-Sept. 13 | Flinders Street | ... |  |  | $\text { [ } 20.1 .53$ |
| 1857-May 13 | Flinders Street |  |  |  |  |
| 1859 -Feb. 8 | Prince's Bridge |  | St. Kilda <br> Richmond 寻 |  | 19.3.56 |
| ", Dec. 12 | Richmond $\quad .$. | ... | RichmondCremorneNorth Brighton |  |  |
| ", ", 19 | Windsor | ... |  |  | , 42 |
| 1860-Sept. 24 | Richmond | $\ldots$ | North BrightonPic-nic Station $\{16.62$ |  | 43 |
| ,' llec. 22 | Cremorne ... | ... | Windsor ... |  | 43 |
| 1861-April 13 | Pic-nic Station |  | Hawthorn... |  | 43 |
| ,, Dec. 21 | North Brighton ... | ... | Brighton Beach ${ }^{\text {J }}$ |  | 127 |
| 1857-June 25 | Williamstowı Junction | $\ldots$ | Geelong ... ... | 38.51 | 82.53 |
| 1859-Jan. 17 | Footscray ... | -• | Williamstown Pier | 5.87 | 8.2.53 |
| " Feb. 10 | Melbourne | ... | Sunbury ... ... | 23.95 |  |
| 1860-Oct. 21 | Essendon Junction | $\ldots$ |  | Essendon ... ... 3.50 | 85 |
| 1861-July 8 | Sunbury $\quad .$. | $\cdots$ | Woodend ... ... 24.70 |  | $\begin{aligned} & 35 \\ & 35 \end{aligned}$ |
| 1862-April 11 | North Geelong Junction | ... | Ballarat ... ... | 53.03 |  |
| " " 25 | Woodend ... | ... | Kyneton ... . ... 8.32 |  | 35 |
| \% Oct. 21 | Kyneton | ... | Bendigo .. .. $43 \cdot 92$ <br> Echuca .. .. $55^{\prime} 13$ <br>     |  | $\begin{aligned} & 35 \\ & 35 \end{aligned}$ |
| 1864-Sept. 19 | Newnmarket Junction | ... |  |  |  |  |
| $\begin{array}{ll}1867-\text { Nov. } & 30 \\ 1872-A p r i l \\ 18\end{array}$ | Newmarket Junction Essendon | $\ldots$ | *Race-course ... I.50 |  | 126 |
| ", Aug. 26 | Schoolhouse-lane | $\ldots$ | $\begin{array}{lll}\text { Seymour ... } & 2 . & 2.29\end{array}$ |  | 348 |
| " Nov. 20 | Seymour ... | ... | Long wood | 23.38 | 348 |
| 1873-March 20 |  | ... | $\begin{array}{ll}\text { Violet Town } & \text {... } \\ & 20.54\end{array}$ |  | 348348 |
| " Aug. 18 | Violet Town ... | ... | Benalla ... ... 16.14 |  |  |
| " Oct. 28 | Benalla | ... | Wangaratta ... 24.04 |  | 348 |
| 1874-Juv. 21 | Wangaratta | ... | Wodonga ... ... 4 I. 60 |  | 348 |
| 1874-July 7 | Castlemaine | ... | Maryborough ... 33.02 |  | 415 |
| " ${ }^{\text {\% }} 7$ | Ballarat ... | ... | Creswick ... ... 11.05 |  | 415 |
| ". Aug. ${ }^{1} \mathrm{I}$ | Ballarat ... | ... | Beaufort ... |  | 415 |
| " Oct. 6 | Maryborough | $\cdots$ | Dunolly ... ... 13.82 |  | 415 |
| ${ }^{\prime \prime}{ }^{\prime 2}$ Nov. 16 | Creswick ... | $\ldots$ | Clunes ... ... 11 '19 |  | 415 |
| $1875-\mathrm{Ceb}$ <br> April | lunes Beaufort | $\cdots$ | $\begin{array}{ll}\text { Maryborough } & \text {.. } \\ \text { 19.49 }\end{array}$ |  | 415 |
| " July 7 | Beechworth Junction |  | Ararat ... ... 28.64 |  | 415 |
| 1876-Feb. 15 | Ararat ${ }^{\text {a }}$, | $\ldots$ |  |  | 475 |
| " April 14 | Scallan's Hill | ... | Stawell ... ... 1.00 |  | 475 |
| " Sept. 19 | Bendigo ... | ... | Bridgewater $\ldots .$. 24.49 |  | 475 |
| " " 30 | Everton ... | ... | Beechworth ... 10.21 |  | 475 |
| " Oet. 21 | Maryborough | $\cdots$ | A voca $\ldots$. ... 14.93 <br> Inglewood   |  | 475 |
| " Nov. 18 | Bridgewater ... | ... |  |  | 475 |
| " M" 25 | Geelong Winchelsea | .. | Wiuchelsea $\ldots$. 25.64 <br> Birregurra $\ldots$. 12.79 |  | 475 |
| 1877-March 13 | Winchelsea ... | $\cdots$ |  |  | 475 |
| " April 24 | Ararat ... | ... | Birregurra $\ldots$. 12.79  <br> Dunkeld ... $\ldots$. 47.02 |  | 475 |
| " June $\quad 1$ | Sale | ... |  |  | 475475 |
| " July 27 | Birregurra | ... |  |  |  |  |
| " Oct. $\quad 8$ | Oakleigh ... ... | $\ldots$ | Bunyip ..  <br> 1.77   |  | 475 |
| " Dec. 1 | Moe ... | $\ldots$ |  |  | 475 |
| " " 19 | Hamilton ... ... | $\ldots$ | Portiand North $\ldots$ |  | 475 |
| " $\quad 19$ | Portland North ... <br> Race-course Junction ... | ... | Portland Pier ... | 1.00 | 475 |
| 1878-Feb. $\quad 1$ |  | ... | †Geelong Race-course ${ }^{1 \cdot 96}$ |  | 580 |
| " March I | Moe | ... | Bunyip ... $\ldots$. 31.59 <br> Bealiba $\ldots$. $\ldots$. 12.16 |  | 475580 |
| " Sept. 3 | Dunolly | ... |  |  |  |  |
| " Dec. 17 | Stawell ... | ... | Murtoa $\ldots$. $\ldots$. 35.44 <br> St. Arnaud $\ldots$ 20.85 |  | 580 |
| 1879-Jan. $\begin{gathered}23 \\ 29\end{gathered}$ | Bealiba ... | ... |  |  | 580 |
| 1879-Jan. $\quad 29$ | Springhurst ... ... | ... | Wahgunyah ... 13.95 |  | 580 |
| , Feb. 5 | Murtoa ... | ... | Horsham ... <br> Oakleigh |  | 580 |
| , April 2 | South Yarra ... | ... |  |  | 604 |
| " May 7 | Warrenheip ... | ... | Gordons ... |  | 580 |
| 1880-Jan. $\begin{aligned} & 12 \\ & 1\end{aligned}$ | Geelong ... | $\ldots$ | Queenscliff $\quad . . .820 .72$ |  | 580 |
| " $\quad$ ' 13 | Mangalore <br> Toolamba | . | Tatura ... $\quad .$. | $\begin{array}{r} 45.85 \\ 6.83 \end{array}$ | 636 |
| " Feb. 16 | Carlsruhe | ... | Trentham .... | 10.82 | 606 |
| ;) March 17 | Trentham ... |  | \{Daylesford (includ- \} | 11*73 | \{ 606 |
| 1881-June 7 | Lancefield Junction |  | \{ ing extension) \} | 1175 | $\left\{\begin{array}{l}671\end{array}\right.$ |
| 1881-June ${ }^{\prime}$ |  | $\cdots$ | Lancefleld -.. | 14.50 | 660 |
| " Sug. II | Waubra Junction | ... | Ballarat Race-course | 2.10 | 682 |
| ", Dec. 19 | CaulfieldSt. Arnaud | $\cdots$ | Mordialloc | 20.75 9.86 | 682 |
| 1882-Jan. ${ }^{26}$ |  | $\ldots$ | Cope Cope | 16.33 | 682 |
| " April 3 | St. Arnaud Hawthorn |  | Camberwell | 2.09 | 682 |
| " $\quad 15$ | Inglewood ... | $\cdots$ | Korong Vale | $20 \cdot 20$ | 682 |
| " J", 22 | Cope Cope Horsham | ... | Donald ... | $7 \cdot 53$ | 682 |
| " July I | Horsham ... |  | Dimboola ... | 21.46 | 682 |
| " Aug. I | Mordialloc ... |  | Frankston | 10.02 | 682 |
| ", Dec. ${ }_{\text {I }}$ | Camberwell ... | $\cdots$ | Lilydale ... | 17.63 | 682 |
|  | Eaglehawk ... | ... | Ray wood ... | 13.42 | 682 |
|  | Korong Vale ... ... | ... | Charlton ... | 22.62 | 682 |
|  |  |  | Carried forward | r, 372.35 |  |

* Trains run ouly as required for traffic.
$\dagger$ Dismantled 28 th May, 1909.

APPENDIX No. 29-continued.
STATEMENT SHOWING DATES OF OPENING AND LENGTH IN MILES OF THE DIFFERENT SECTIONS OF THE VICTORIAN RAILWAYS-continued.


## APPENDIX No. 29-continued.

STATEMENT SHOWING DATES OF OPENING AND LENGTH IN MLLES OF THE DIFFERENT SECTIONS OF THE VICTORLAN RAILWAYS-continued.


## APPENDIX No. 29-continued.

STATEMENT SHOWING DATES OF OPENING AND LENGTH IN MILES OF THE DIFFERENT SECTIONS OF THE VICTORIAN RAILWAYS-continued.


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## APPENDIX No. 30.

## STATEMENT SHOWING FLUCTUATIONS IN PASSENGER TRAFFIC at METROPOLITAN AND SUBURBAN STATIONS WHICH IN $1915-16 \mathrm{HAD}$ A VOLUME IN EXCESS OF 500,000 PASSENGER JoUrneys, or which have since had at least that volume of traffic.

Number of Passenger Journeys-in Thousands.

\begin{tabular}{|c|c|c|c|c|c|c|c|c|c|c|c|c|c|c|}
\hline \& \& 1015-16. \& 1916-17. \& 1917-18. \& 1918-19. \& 1019-20. \& 1920-21. \& 1921-22. \& 1922-23. \& 1923-24. \& 1024-25. \& 1925-26. \& Relativ
Impo \& $$
\begin{aligned}
& \text { rder of } \\
& \text { ace. }
\end{aligned}
$$ <br>
\hline \& \& Jourmeys \& Joarneys \& Joarneys \& Journeys \& Journeys \& Journeys \& Journeys \& Journeys \& Journeys \& Joarneys \& Journeys \& 1015-16. \& 1925-2 <br>
\hline Spencer-strbet- \& \& \& \& \& \& \& \& \& \& \& \& \& 34 \& 12 <br>
\hline \& \& 1,137, \& 1,090, \& 1,100, \& 1,158, \& 1,461, \& 1,528, \& 2,444, \& 2,602, \& 2,755, \& 1,215, \& 1,198, \& 35 \& 48 <br>
\hline North Melbourne \& \& 1,133, \& 1,022, \& 928 , \& 974, \& 1.124, \& 1,119, \& 1,163, \& 1,198, \& 1,253, \& 1,215, \& 1,198, \& 35
76 \& $$
\begin{aligned}
& 48
\end{aligned}
$$ <br>
\hline West Footscray \& \& 357, \& 369 , \& 398, \& 429, \& 501, \& 569, \& 541, \& 555, \& 650, \& 705 , \& 766 , \& 76 \& 73 <br>
\hline Sunshine .. \& \& 298, \& 289, \& 284, \& 309 , \& 374. \& 416, \& 442 , \& 470, \& 522, \& 548 , \& 602, \& 82 \& 83 <br>
\hline Kensington \& \& 1,501, \& 1,451, \& 1,365, \& 1,420, \& 1,610, \& 1,586. \& 1,569, \& 1,624, \& 1,642, \& 1,602, \& 1,551, \& 19 \& 37 <br>
\hline Newmarket \& \& 2,026, \& 1,751, \& 1,615, \& 1,639, \& 1,873, \& 1,829, \& 1,873, \& 1,94), \& 2,007, \& 2,011, \& 1,862, \& 11 \& 28 <br>
\hline Ascot Vale \& \& 2,636, \& 2,592, \& 2,530, \& 2,597, \& 3,052, \& 3,084, \& 3,138, \& 3,255, \& 3,407, \& 3,331, \& 3,189, \& 4 \& 5 <br>
\hline Moonee Ponds \& \& 2,023, \& 1,969, \& 1,946, \& 2,050, \& 2,486, \& 2,481, \& 2,545, \& 2,693, \& 2,861, \& 2,919, \& 2,812, \& 12 \& 6 <br>
\hline Essendon \& \& 1,821, \& 1,745, \& 1,755, \& 1,874, \& 2,335, \& 2,464, \& 2,636, \& 2,752, \& 2,926, \& 3,061, \& 2,989, \& 14 \& 6 <br>
\hline Footscray \& \& 2,907, \& 2,743, \& 2,716, \& 2,828, \& 3,213, \& 3,309, \& 3,554, \& 3,763, \& 3,975, \& 3,913, \& 3,861, \& 2 \& 3 <br>
\hline Seddon \& \& 1,232, \& 1,213, \& 1,258, \& 1,351, \& 1,583, \& 1,578, \& 1,596, \& 1,619, \& 1,617, \& 1,593, \& 1,561, \& 31 \& 35 <br>
\hline Yarraville \& \& 1,288, \& 1,286, \& 1,247, \& 1,299, \& 1,477, \& 1,542, \& 1,646, \& 1,747, \& 1,881, \& 1,915, \& 1,959, \& 27 \& 20 <br>
\hline Newport \& \& 1,150, \& 1,123, \& 1,158, \& 1,240, \& 1,426, \& 1,469, \& 1,544, \& 1,607, \& 1,655, \& 1,694, \& 1,724, \& 33 \& 31 <br>
\hline North Williamstown \& \& 886, \& 834, \& 846, \& 894, \& 1,029, \& 1,076, \& 1,094, \& 1,164, \& 1,226, \& 1,235, \& 1,171, \& 44 \& 52 <br>
\hline Williamstown Beach \& \& 502, \& 500, \& 508 , \& 552 , \& 627 , \& 624, \& 625, \& 664, \& 683, \& 708. \& 704,
570
5 \& 66
69 \& 78 <br>
\hline Williamstown \& \& 468, \& 428, \& 423, \& 495 , \& 557, \& 549, \& 535, \& 584, \& 615, \& 628
503, \& 570,
514, \& 69
88 \& 87 <br>
\hline Macaulay \& \& 155, \& 142, \& 166, \& 180, \& 189, \& 256, \& 376, \& 444, \& 496, \& 603, \& 514, \& 88
85 \& 818 <br>
\hline Flemington Bridge \& \& 238, \& 231, \& 212, \& 247 , \& 264, \& 341. \& 491, \& 571, \& 603, \& 615, \& 503, \& 85 \& 84 <br>
\hline South Brunswick \& \& 471, \& 416, \& 374, \& 372, \& 435, \& 490, \& $\begin{array}{r}630, \\ 1,004 \\ \hline\end{array}$ \& 693, \& 761, \& 715, \& 652,
1,120, \& 68
57 \& 80
53 <br>
\hline Brunswiok .. \& \& 678 , \& 610, \& 551, \& 683,
644, \& 632, \& 745,
879, \& 1,004,
1,245, \& 1,098,
1,482, \& 1,257, \& 1,247, \& 1,120,
1,900, \& 53 \& 26 <br>
\hline Moreland \& \& $\begin{array}{r}677, \\ 1,046 \\ \hline\end{array}$ \& 628, \& 598, \& 644, \& -727, \& 879
1,157 \& 1,245, \& 1,482,
1,649, \& 1,749, \& 1,776, \& 1,900, \& 59
39 \& 15 <br>
\hline Noburg ${ }^{\text {Norlton }}$ \& \& $\begin{array}{r}1,046, \\ 10, \\ \hline\end{array}$ \& 918, \& 885, \& 903, \& 1,067, \& $\begin{array}{r}1,157, \\ 10, \\ \hline 10\end{array}$ \& 1,462,
372,

3, \& 1,649, \& 1,945,
596, \& 2,
543,
4, \& 2,198, \& 93 \& 93 <br>
\hline North Fitzroy \& \& 436, \& 347, \& 280, \& 288, \& 318. \& 260, \& 556, \& 653, \& 745, \& 665 , \& 617, \& 71 \& 82 <br>
\hline Merri \& \& 433, \& 401, \& 352 , \& 361 , \& 402, \& 361, \& 432, \& 473, \& 533, \& 483 , \& 451, \& 72 \& 94 <br>
\hline Northeote \& \& 676, \& 655 , \& 638, \& 707, \& 771, \& 727, \& 947, \& 1,027, \& 1,079, \& 1,057, \& 1,035, \& 59 \& 57 <br>
\hline Croxton \& \& 1,063, \& 1,036, \& 949, \& 959 , \& 1,018, \& 901, \& 1,125, \& 1,232, \& 1,361, \& 1,254, \& 1,179, \& 37 \& 51 <br>
\hline Thorabury \& \& 883, \& 893, \& 884, \& 919 \& 1,003, \& 902, \& 1,075, \& 1,205 \& 1,351, \& 1,343, \& 1,249, \& 45 \& 47 <br>
\hline Bell \& \& 455, \& 481 , \& 491, \& 502, \& 538, \& 482 , \& 629 , \& 732 , \& 859, \& 878 , \& 896, \& 70 \& 63 <br>

\hline Preston \& \& 364, \& 394, \& 379, \& 393, \& 434, \& 378, \& 475, \& 613, \& 833. \& | 930, |
| :--- |
| 720 | \& $\begin{array}{r}1,010, \\ 862, \\ \hline\end{array}$ \& 75

80 \& 58
66 <br>

\hline Regent \& \& 311. \& 337, \& 341, \& 363 , \& 410, \& 369 , \& 435, \& 531, \& 649, \& | 720 |
| :--- |
| 460 | \& 862,

520 \& 80
90 \& 90 <br>
\hline Reservoir \& \& 119, \& 120, \& 142, \& 168, \& 195, \& 206, \& 256, \& 328 , \& 447, \& 460, \& 520 \& 90 \& 90 <br>
\hline Prince's-bridgeSuburban \& \& 1,238, \& 1,180, \& 1,157, \& 1,234, \& 1,489, \& 1,386, \& 1,782, \& 2,037, \& 2,352, \& 2,293, \& 2,207, \& 30 \& 14 <br>
\hline Hawksburn \& \& 1,698, \& 1,569, \& 1,497, \& 1,504, \& 1,598, \& 1,391, \& 1,360, \& 1,568, \& 1,665, \& 1,506, \& 1,498, \& 16 \& 40 <br>
\hline Toorak \& \& 876, \& 859 , \& 842, \& 904, \& 995, \& 945, \& 943, \& 1,105, \& 1,130, \& 1,062, \& 1,067, \& 47 \& 55 <br>
\hline Armadale \& \& 1,462, \& 1,448, \& 1,343, \& 1,447. \& 1,641, \& 1,516, \& 1,523, \& 1,839, \& 1,922, \& 1,862, \& 1,843, \& 21 \& 30 <br>
\hline Malvern \& \& 2,100, \& 2,129, \& 2,128, \& 2,193, \& 2,480, \& 2,287, \& 2,289, \& 2,662, \& 2,733, \& 2,581, \& 2,645, \& 9 \& 9 <br>
\hline Caulfield \& \& 1,593, \& 1,702, \& 1,828 \& 1,981, \& 2,407, \& 2,328, \& 2,383, \& 2,599, \& 2,646, \& 2,532, \& 2,720, \& 18 \& <br>
\hline Carnegie \& \& 515, \& 568 , \& 634, \& 700 , \& 820, \& 927, \& 994, \& 1,132, \& 1,275, \& 1,336, \& 1,392* \& 63 \& 43 <br>
\hline Murrumbeena \& \& 472, \& 522, \& 568 , \& 619, \& 769 , \& 797, \& 883 , \& 1,030, \& 1,177, \& 1,241, \& 1,195, \& 67 \& 99 <br>
\hline Oakleigh \& \& 948, \& 977. \& 1,023, \& 1,067, \& 1,253, \& 1,345, \& 1,440, \& 1,692, \& 1,768, \& 1,867, \& 1,918, \& 41
84 \& $\stackrel{24}{92}$ <br>
\hline Dandenong \& \& 272, \& 252, \& 268, \& 287, \& 306, \& 321, \& 323, \& 401, \& + 4556 \& 508, \& 1,694, \& 84 \& <br>
\hline Glen Huntly \& \& 551, \& 591, \& 652, \& 604. \& 820,
259 \& 847, \& 949,
364, \& 1,323,
471, \& 1,557,
614, \& 1,613, \& 1,684, \& 84
87 \& 60 <br>
\hline Ormond \& \& 177, \& 187, \& 193,
290 \& 211, \& 259,
348, \& 307, \& 364,
304, \& 471,
422, \& 614,
472, \& 775
508.
78. \& 527, \& 83 \& 89 <br>

\hline Cheltenham \& \& 274, \& 287, \& | 199 |
| :--- |
| 392 | \& 310,

436, \& 348,
456, \& 374,
463, \& 394,
477, \& 422, \& 665, \& 714, \& 753, \& 77 \& 75 <br>
\hline Mordialloe \& \& 338 , \& 352. \& 368, \& 408, \& 424. \& 434, \& 452, \& 553 , \& 610, \& 613, \& 623 , \& 79 \& 81 <br>
\hline Chelsea \& \& 214, \& 243, \& 278 , \& 329, \& 371, \& 409 , \& 422, \& 528, \& 573, \& 577. \& 687. \& 86 \& 85 <br>
\hline East Richmond \& \& 1,114, \& 653, \& 539, \& 545, \& 693, \& 568 , \& 553, \& 688, \& 735, \& 692, \& 710, \& 36 \& 77 <br>
\hline Buraley \& \& 1,247, \& 879 , \& 785. \& 748, \& 800, \& 728, \& 683, \& 732, \& 876, \& 860, \& 868, \& 29 \& 65 <br>
\hline Hawthorn \& \& 1,269, \& 1,100, \& 1,076, \& 1,097, \& 1,232, \& 1,167, \& 1,093, \& 1,150, \& 1,293, \& 1,223, \& 1,184, \& 28 \& 50 <br>
\hline Glenterrie \& \& 2,189, \& 1,975, \& 1,828, \& 1,829, \& 2,056, \& 1,947, \& 1,916, \& 1,997, \& 2,048, \& 1,898, \& 1,904, \& 7 \& 25 <br>
\hline Auburn \& \& 1,611, \& 1,322, \& 1,235, \& 1,274, \& 1,502, \& 1,439, \& 1.497, \& 1,589, \& 1,662, \& 1,561, \& 1,550, \& 17 \& 38 <br>
\hline Camberwell \& \& 1,725, \& 1,513, \& 1,455, \& 1,485, \& 1,751, \& 1,757, \& 1.771, \& 1,944, \& 2,157, \& 2,131, \& 2,136, \& 15 \& 16 <br>
\hline East Camberwell \& \& 919, \& 863. \& 901, \& 921, \& 1,053, \& 1,014, \& 1,008, \& 1,065, \& 1,109, \& 1,070, \& 1,009, \& 43 \& 59 <br>
\hline Canterbury . \& \& 1,396, \& 1,337, \& 1,235, \& 1,316. \& 1,552, \& 1,574, \& 1,646, \& 1,757, \& 1,884, \& 1,954, \& 1,943, \& 54 \& 44 <br>
\hline Surrey Mills . \& \& 759, \& 753, \& 748 , \& 769, \& 891, \& 925, \& 933 , \& 1,062, \& 1,238, \& 1,355, \& 1,353, \& 78 \& 68 <br>
\hline Mont Albert \& \& 343, \& 350, \& 342, \& 374, \& 447, \& 481, \& 531,
1.079 \& 602, \& 696
1,363, \& 778, \& 816,
1,557 \& 51 \& 36 <br>
\hline Box Hill \& \& 761, \& 778 , \& 820, \& 854, \& $\begin{array}{r}1,007 \\ \hline 389\end{array}$ \& 1,039, \& 1,079,
446, \& 1,196
516, \& 1,363, \& 1,488, \& 1,557,
690 \& 89 \& 79 <br>
\hline Tooronga \& \& 123, \& 123, \& 221, \& 343, \& 389, \& 411, \& 446,
232, \& 516,
304, \& 650,

430, \& | 681, |
| :--- |
| 509, | \& 690,

561,
5 \& 89
91 \& 88 <br>
\hline Gardiner
Glen Iris \& \& 74, \& 77,
16, \& 115, \& $\begin{array}{r}162, \\ 90, \\ \hline\end{array}$ \& 183, \& 205, \& 142, \& 304,
218, \& 430,

364, \& | 508, |
| :--- |
| 480 | \& 571, \& 92 \& 86 <br>

\hline Glen Iris \& \& 659, \& 16, \& 538, \& 593, \& 708, \& 679, \& 618, \& 756, \& 1,032, \& 1,080, \& 1,109, \& 62 \& 54 <br>
\hline West Richmond \& \& 683, \& 599 , \& 501 , \& 521, \& 598, \& 593, \& 731, \& 855. \& 959 \& 927, \& 914 , \& 56 \& 62 <br>
\hline North Richmond \& \& 739, \& 616, \& 515, \& 544, \& 643 , \& 623, \& 778 , \& 897, \& 1,005, \& 955, \& 916, \& 54 \& 61 <br>
\hline Collingwood .. \& \& 668. \& 600 , \& 495 , \& 521, \& 590, \& 558, \& 669, \& 737 , \& 809 , \& 787, \& 789, \& 61 \& 72 <br>
\hline Victoria Park. \& \& 879, \& 748, \& 640, \& 705, \& 811, \& 796, \& 1.000, \& 1,127, \& 1,290, \& 1,248, \& 1,243, \& 46 \& 46 <br>
\hline Clifton Hill \& \& 1,499, \& 1,339, \& 1,199, \& 1,289, \& 1,449, \& 1,398, \& 1,698, \& 1,909, \& 2,090, \& 1,975, \& 1,840, \& 20 \& 23 <br>
\hline Westgarth \& \& 800, \& 738, \& 684, \& 763 , \& 862, \& 849, \& 995, \& 1,089, \& 1,064, \& 865, \& 856 \& 49 \& 67 <br>
\hline Dennis .. \& \& \& \& \& \& \& \& \& \& i 251, \& $\begin{array}{r}773 \\ 1805 \\ \hline\end{array}$ \& $\begin{array}{r}887, \\ 1883 \\ \hline\end{array}$ \& 26 \& 29 <br>

\hline Fnirfield Park \& \& 1,298, \& 1,292, \& 1,193, \& 1,247, \& 1,426, \& 1,446, \& 1,602, \& $\begin{array}{r}1,779 \\ 497 \\ \hline\end{array}$ \& | 1,828, |
| :---: |
| 573 | \& 1,805,

683
1, \& 1,883,
$7 \times 5$, \& 81 \& 76 <br>
\hline Alphington \& \& 303, \& 304, \& 313, \& 336,
790 \& 412, \& 446,
961, \& 505,
1,085, \& 497,
1,068, \& 573,
1,143, \& 683,
1,214, \& 1,201, \& 60 \& 45 <br>

\hline Ivanhoe $\because$ \& \& | 673 |
| :--- |
| 398. | \& 696

402 \& 742,
415, \& 790,
449, \& 912,
516. \& 901, \& 1,085,
633 \& 1,068,
700 \& 1, 747 , \& 1,794, \& 814, \& 74 \& 69 <br>
\hline Heidelherg .- \& \& 398, \& 402, \& 415, \& 449, \& 516, \& 545, \& 633; \& 700, \& 747, \& 794, \& \& \& <br>
\hline Flinders-streetSuburban \& \& 9,930, \& 8,955, \& 8,445, \& 8,650, \& 11,098, \& 10,945, \& 11,561, \& 12,615, \& 13,552, \& 12,819 \& 13,298, \& 1 \& <br>
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## APPENDIX No. 30-continzued.

STATEMENT SHOWING FLUCTUATIONS IN PASSENGER TRAFFIC, ETC.- continued.
Number of Passenger Journeys-in Thousands,

| Name of Station. |  | 1915-16. | 1016-17. | 1017-18, | 1918-12. | 1919-20. | 1020-21. | 1921-22. | 1022-23. | 1923-24. | 1024-25. | 1925-28. | Relative Import | Order of tance. |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  | Joumers: | Journeys | Journeys | Jowrneys | Journeys | Joumeys | Jouraeys | Tourners | Journeys | Journeys | Journeys | 1915-16. | 1925-26. |
| North Port | $\cdots$ | 765 | 622, | 490, | 497 , | 670, | 721, | 749 . | 781, | 810, | 797, | 756, | 50 | 74 |
| Graham | . | 759, | 685, | 594 , | 617, | 745, | 775, | 814, | 881, | 897, | 834, | 813, | 52 | 71 |
| South Melbourne | . | 1,167, | 1,007, | 800, | 837, | 1,039, | 991 , | 1,002, | 1,066, | 1,131, | 1,093, | 1, 446 , | 32 | 56 |
| Albert Park | . | 2,404, | 2,169, | 1,883, | 2,041, | 2,548, | 2,435, | 2,401, | 2,495, | 2,628, | 2,605, | 2,420, | 7 | 11 |
| Middle Park |  | 2,099, | 2,084, | 2,037, | 2,097, | 2,451, | 2,422, | 2,429, | 2,513, | 2,586, | 2,565, | 2,236, | 10 | 13 |
| St. Kilda | $\cdots$ | 2,828, | 2,931, | 2,918, | 3,060, | 4,251, | 4,326, | 4,399, | 4.644, | 4,690 , | 4,598, | 4.488 | 3 | 2 |
| Richmond | * | 2,418, | 1,545, | 1,443, | 1,509, | 1,839, | 1,876, | 1,999, | 2,281, | 2,324, | 2,013, | 1,954, | 6 | 21 |
| South Yarra . | . | 1,918, | 1,758, | 1,614, | 1,699, | 2,030, | 1,981, | 1,023, | 2,078, | 2,226, | 1,941, | 2,086, | 13 | 17 |
| Prahran | - | 1,429, | 1,303, | 1,169, | 1,231, | 1,597, | 1,751, | 1,856, | 1,961, | 2,034, | 1,737, | 1,711, | 23 | 32 |
| Windsor | $\bullet$ | 1,375, | 1,298, | 1,195, | 1,249, | 1,658, | 1,866, | 2,020, | 2,136. | 2,125, | 1,836, | 2,004, | 25 | 19 |
| Balaclava | . | 1,450, | 1,405; | 1,402, | 1,490, | 1,997, | 2,290, | 2,518, | 2,695, | 2,772, | 2,383, | 2,495, | 29 | 10 |
| Ripponlea | ** | 830, | 822, | 807, | 866. | 1,078, | 1,193, | 1,310, | 1,427, | 1,434, | 1,337, | 1,476, | 48 | 41 |
| Elsternwick | . | 2,494, | 2,588, | 2,602, | 2,906 | 3,566, | 3,690, | 3,848, | 3,922, | 3,639, | 3,271, | 3,224, | 5 | 4 |
| Garden Vale .. | . | 706, | 841, | 901, | 1,007, | 1,242, | 1,360, | 1,458; | 1,585, | 1,703, | 1,623, | 1,614, | 55 | 34 |
| North Brighton | = | 1,058, | 1,048, | 1,105, | 1,167, | 1,393, | 1,431, | 1,525, | 1,631, | 1,793, | 1,863, | 1,881, | 38 | 27 |
| Middlo Brighton | . | 990, | 962, | 988, | 981, | 1,217, | 1,263, | 1,321, | 1,395, | 1,469, | 1,459, | 1,466, | 40 | 42 |
| Brighton Beach | . | 422, | 423, | 452, | 481, | 571, | 597, | 658, | 725, | 766, | 799 | 813. | 73 | 70 |
| Hampton | ** | 643, | 679. | 700 , | 731, | 985, | 997. | 1,089, | 1,180, | 1,255, | 1,367, | 1,502, | 63 | 39 |
| Sandringham.. | . | 940, | 937, | 987, | 1,078, | 1,405, | 1,574, | 1,769, | 1,890, | 1,907, | 1,985, | 2,008, | 42 | 18 |

## APPENDIX No. 31.

STATEMENT SHOWING STATIONS AT WHICH AT LEAST 20,000 BAGS OF WHEAT HAVE BEEN LOADED IN ANY ONE OF THE SIX YEARS ENDED 30TH JUNE, 1926, ALSO THE RECORD QUANTITY LOADED IN ANY ONE YEAR.

Nores.-(1) During the year 1920-21 all wheat required by Countiry Flour Mills was supplied from the districts in which the mills are located, and this considerably reduced the number of bags forwarded from certain stations, such as St. Arnaud, Donald, Horsham, and Nhill, in which towns Flour Mills exist.
(2) In cases in which no figures are shown the total number of bags of wheat forwarded by rail was less than 20,000 bags for the particular year or years.

| Stations. |  | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Year ended } \\ & \text { 30th June } \end{aligned}$ $1981 .$ | $\begin{gathered} \text { Year ended } \\ \text { 30thJune, } \\ 1922 . \end{gathered}$ $1922 .$ | Year ended <br> Both Jmae, <br> 1923. | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Year ended } \\ & 30 t h \text { June, } \\ & 19 \% 4 . \end{aligned}$ | Year ended <br> 30 H June, 1925. | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Year ended } \\ & 30 \text { June, } \end{aligned}$ $1926 .$ | Recond quantity loadedin in any one year. |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  | No. of Baga. | No. of Bags. | No. of Bags. | No. of Bags. | No. of Bags. | No. of Bags. | No, of Bags. |
| Goornong |  | 20,713 | 38,293 | 28,600 | 20,446 | 43,622 | 20,010 | 58,496 |
| Avonmore |  |  | 21,896 |  |  | 27,919 |  | 28,174 |
| Elmore |  |  | 72,862 | 44,309 | 48,054 | 96,150 |  | 144,127 |
| Rochester |  |  | 71,688 | 36,104 | 31,607 | 60,722 | 28,050 | 130,087 |
| Strathallan |  | 22,662 | 25,258 | .. | .. | 34,618 |  | 85,105 |
| Echuca |  | .. | 41,964 |  |  |  |  | 41,964 |
| Moama |  | . |  |  |  | 21,247 |  | 21,247 |
| Mathoura |  |  |  |  | 72,138 | 59,925 | 24,968 | 72,138 |
| Gulpha Siding |  | - |  |  | 49,484 | 38,790 | 27,175 | 49,484 |
| Hill Plains |  |  |  |  |  | 26,110 | 21,662 | 26,110 |
| Deniliquin |  |  |  |  | 52,052 | 76,901 | 47,055 | 76,901 |
| Shelbourne |  | 41,881 | 51,872 | 35,610 | 20,415 | 48,955 | 24,467 | 113,952 |
| Maryborough |  |  |  | 24,069 |  |  |  | 24,069 |
| Bealiba |  | 22,235 | 28,295 | 23,118 |  | 28,099 |  | 57,150 |
| Carapooee |  | 22,651 | 29,069 | 26,095 |  | 25,224 |  | 40,078 |
| St. Arnaud |  |  | 48,370 | 53,414 | 26,271 | 28,952 |  | 56,742 |
| Sutherland | . | 93,628 | 101,310 | 80,463 | 52,640 | 1.22,013 | 87,902 | 122,013 |
| Swanwater |  | 71,943 | 81,810 | 57,674 | 40,652 | 108,494 | 61,291 | 108,494 |
| Cope Cope |  | 68,869 | 142,285 | 65,149 | 74,110 | 125,585 | 84,002 | 153,184 |
| Donald |  | 50,708 | 76,450 | 56,828 | 77,979 | 137,540 | 136,580 | 167,848 |
| Litchfield |  | 120,516 | 133,550 | 119,843 | 108,505 | 181,497 | 87,914 | 181,497 |
| Massey |  | 47,716 | 46,356 | 41,475 | 54,577 | 70,230 | 35,728 | 70,230 |
| Watchem |  | 96,097 | 118,106 | 79,310 | 82,608 | 151,138 | 70,655 | 165,982 |
| Morton Plains | . | 46,638 | 46,543 | 29,625 | 38,049 | 55,688 | 24,384 | 56,726 |
| Birchip |  |  | 51,520 | 23,229 | 59,426 | 86,448 | 31,358 | 86,448 |
| Kinnabulla | $\cdots$ | 48,041 | 51,618 | 31,352 | 57,382 | 66,348 | 28,877 | 75,361 |
| Curyo | . | 28,346 | 48,518 | 26,398 | 55,589 | 51,781 | 20,632 | 71,444 |
| Watchupga |  | 48,711 | 82,121 | 62,784 | 72,113 | 91,142 | 38,906 | 91,142 |
| Woomelang | $\cdots$ | 57,980 | 80,002 | 63,393 | 105,098 | 134,848 | 44,385 | 142,624 |
| Lascelles |  | 38,114 | 49,649 | 39,033 | 53,651 | 89,934 | 26,605 | 125,222 |
| Gama |  | 27,808 | 22,655 | . | 31,836 | 28,320 | . | 61,403 |
| Turriff |  | 41,280 | 26,373 |  | 25,838 | 21,934 | $\cdots$ | 81,723 |
| Speed |  | 63,234 | 51,870 | 45,758 | 58,708 | 27,375 | . - - | 102,568 |
| Tempy |  | 68,524 | 47,052 | 35,824 | 45,606 | 29,901 | $\cdots$ | 68,738 |
| Gypsum Siding | $\cdots$ | 20,080 | .. | .. |  | .. | $\cdots$ | 20,080 |
| Bronzewing |  |  |  |  | 21,783 |  |  | 21,783 |
| Nunga |  | 55,577 | 30,749 |  | 27,851 |  |  | 78,207 |
| Ouyen | $\cdots$ | 49,379 | 48,478 | 21,154 | 37,106 | 32,411 | $\cdots$ | 1.26,811 |
| Kiamal | . | 66,111 | 24,520 |  | 34,189 | 21,313 |  | 66,111 |
| Carwarp |  | 45,763 | 20,840 | 26,114 | 35,918 | 20,893 |  | 45,763 |
| Yatpool | $\cdots$ | 24,074 |  | .. | 21,358 |  |  | 31,358 |
| Llanelly | . | 20,639 | 20,894 | $\cdots$ | .. | 36,869 | $\cdots$ | 36,869 |
| Tiega | . | 26,572 |  |  |  |  |  | 26,572 |
| Galah |  | 85,487 | 38,852 | 34,427 | 51,638 | 38,193 |  | 121,512 |
| Walpeup | $\cdots$ | 148,171 | 73,236 | 59,727 | 52,198 | 119,433 | 42,263 | 148,171 |
| Torrita |  | 65,934 | 30,195 | 24,124 | 42,116 | 29,925 |  | 65,934 |
| Underbool |  | 136,889 | 75,712 | 64,297 | 84,930 | 73,830 | 31,143 | 136,889 |
| Linga |  | 72,720 | 43,972 | 34,861 | 44,197 | 32,451 |  | 78,264 |
| Boinka |  | 60,436 | 31,769 | 25,497 | 33,600 | 26,820 |  | 60,436 |
| Tutye |  | 57,056 | 31,085 | 32,691 | 36,121 | 35,928 |  | 57,056 |
| Cowangie | $\cdots$ | 108,483 | 39,624 | 55,432 | 67,046 | 53,832 | 45,292 | 108,483 |
| Danyo |  | 48,843 | 27,481 | 20,591 | 34,823 | 36,711 | 20,711 | 69,443 |
| Murrayville |  | 103,882 | 52,301. | 47,917 | 72,232 | 62,475 | 33,577 | 158,807 |
| Carina .. | . | 66,062 | 38,887 | 36,091 | 40,970 | 43,038 | 34,755 | 111,282 |

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STATEMENT SHOWING STATIONS AT WHICH AT LEAST 20,000 BAGS OF WHEAT HAVE BEEN LOADED IN ANY ONE OF THE SIX YEARS ENDED 30TH JUNE, 1926 , ALSO THE RECORD QUANTITY LOADED IN ANY ONE YEAR.

| Stations. |  | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Year ended } \\ & \text { 30th June, } \\ & 1921 \text {. } \end{aligned}$ | Year ended 30th Juve, 1922. | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Year ended } \\ & \text { 30th June, } \\ & 1023 . \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Year ended } \\ & \text { soth June, } \\ & 1924 . \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Year ended } \\ & \text { 30th June, } \\ & 1925 . \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Year ended } \\ & \text { 80th Jume, } \\ & 1920 \text {. } \end{aligned}$ | Record quantity loaded in year. |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  | No. of Daga. | No. of Bags. | No. of Bags. | No. of Eaga. | No. of Bags. | No. of Bags. | No. of Bags. |
| Panitya | $\cdots$ | 48,988 | 36,041 | 32,705 | 44,367 | 64,404 | 45,006 | 99,846 |
| Derby |  |  | 27,241 |  | .. | 21,330 |  | 33,521 |
| Bridgewater |  |  | 25,880 |  |  | 29,593 |  | 57,399 |
| Korong Vale . |  | 30,158 |  | 20,706 |  | 33,575 |  | 66,230 |
| Wychitella .. |  | 54,077 | 49,634 | 29,023 | 35,962 | 69,255 | 20,470 | 76,530 |
| Buckrabanyule |  | 45,017 | 46,813 | 28,612 | 25,036 | 58,141 | 24,794 | 88,208 |
| Barrakee |  | 69,684 | 73,276 | 46,259 | 25,900 | 81,320 | 32,870 | 92,556 |
| Charlton |  | 53,254 | 231,681 | 71,062 | 32,429 | 221,306 | 70,562 | 237,678 |
| Teddywaddy |  | 55,569 | 47,374 | 29,201 | 21,634 | 47,876 |  | 60,422 |
| Glenloth | $\cdots$ | 66,604 | 62,849 | 36,676 | 33,490 | 68,735 | 32,193 | 83,927 |
| Wycheproof |  | 41,742 | 135,682 | 57,503 | 50,218 | 109,734 | 71,715 | 175,585 |
| Damosa |  | 62,003 | 73,765 | 52,695 | 55,119 | 76,188 | 36,896 | 85,035 |
| Nullawil | $\cdots$ | 57,099 | 62,658 | 53,474 | 55,512 | 92,842 | 42,288 | 92,842 |
| Warne |  |  | 28,048 |  | 26,716 | 35,564 |  | 35,564 |
| Culgoa |  | 59,213 | 83,825 | 47,622 | 50,259 | 103,747 | 38,327 | 152,048 |
| Berriwillock |  | 98,799 | 114,769 | 49,644 | 93,448 | 163,574 | 46,975 | 173,540 |
| Boigbeat | $\cdots$ | 23,453 | 32,295 | 24,854 | 33,979 | 58,512 |  | 59,379 |
| Sea Lake |  | 62,861 | 92,785 | 48,985 | 71,857 | 116,451 | 48,021 | 138,728 |
| Ninda |  | 25,037 | 24,650 | .. | 30,271 | 38,060 |  | 47,399 |
| Nyarrin |  | 37,610 | 29,425 | 22,177 | 35,129 | 31,458 |  | 56,181 |
| Nandaly |  | 37,319 | 28,567 | .. | 27,359 | 24,544 |  | 58,610 |
| Pier Millan |  | 32,994 | 23,962 | $\cdots$ | 22,214 | 24,027 |  | 32,994 |
| Mittyack | . | 32,987 | .. | . | 35,438 | 20,615 |  | 35,438 |
| Leitpar |  |  |  | . | 23,394 |  |  | 23,394 |
| Kulwin |  |  |  |  | 33,303 | 24,803 |  | 33,303 |
| Wedderburn |  | 65,990 | 60,224 | 54,692 |  | 78,681 | 24,583 | 86,790 |
| Borung |  | 50,645 | 42,637 | .. | 25,332 | 42,275 | .. | 77,154 |
| Mysia |  | 21,909 | 25,413 |  |  | 30,296 |  | 46,744 |
| Boort |  | 76,002 | 73,202 | 47,631 | 54,401 | 125,960 | 31,391 | 125,960 |
| Barraport |  | 105,814 | 113,015 | 60,052 | 78,926 | 128,687 | 51,568 | 128,687 |
| Gredgwin |  | 35,574 | 41,582 |  |  | 45,869 |  | 45,869 |
| Oakvale |  | 29,007 | 39,993 | 24,978 |  | 55,190 | 20,568 | 55,190 |
| Quambatook |  | 123,354 | 125,553 | 72,126 | 99,816 | 149,171 | 49,257 | 157,217 |
| Cannie |  | 70,227 | 70,607 | 32,874 | 53,034 | 90,347 | 37,313 | 90,347 |
| Lalbert |  | 71,659 | 69,576 | 29,789 | 69,571 | 95,859 | 36,263 | 115,799 |
| Meatian |  | 76,643 | 78,286 | 54,114 | 65,437 | 92,014 | 39,000 | 117,139 |
| Ultima | - | 96,113 | 104,666 | 38,477 | 63,181 | 108,947 | 29,386 | 168,709 |
| Gowan |  | 38,403 | 37,319 |  | 56,854 | 57,808 |  | 57,808 |
| Waitchie |  | 56,377 | 55,545 | 24,698 | 42,692 | 74,734 | 22,867 | 126,827 |
| Chillingollah |  | 69,772 | 44,009 |  | 58,854 | 28,883 |  | 99,303 |
| Chinkapook |  | 84,973 | 58,160 | 23,737 | 71,436 | 53,858 | 24,588 | 87,172 |
| Cocamba | . | 50,623 | 26,623 | . | 27,470 | 21,804 | .. | 62,996 |
| Manangatang | $\cdots$ | 81,846 | 39,097 | $\cdots$ | 64,131 | 41,589 |  | 81,846 |
| Bolton |  |  |  |  | 40,754 |  |  | 40,754 |
| Raywood | . | 39,328 | 45,089 | 35,523 | 22,211 | 53,740 | 21,249 | 77,555 |
| Tandarra | $\cdots$ | 39,709 | 66,586 | 37,953 | 26,836 | 56,304 | 25,308 | 78,426 |
| Dingee | . | 49,600 | 43,065 | 22,618 | 30,780 | 44,778 | 23,942 | 98,007 |
| Prairie |  | 52,271 | 60,619 | 31,610 | 37,715 | 39,400 | 25,002 | 94,229 |
| Mitiamo |  | 41,831 | 57,867 | 28,005 | 25,942 | 53,167 | 32,126 | 114,645 |
| Mologa | . | 22,721 | 45,163 | 24,562 | , | 36,429 | , | 59,542 |
| Pyramid | . |  | 37,613 | 22,025 |  | 31,052 |  | 61,768 |
| Kerang |  | 20,443 | 32,907 | .. | $\cdots$ | 38,384 | $\ldots$ | 89,314 |
| Mystic Park |  |  | 21,267 | . |  |  |  | 56,074 |
| Lake Boga |  | 22,844 | 34,016 | . | 33,547 | 42,500 |  | 92,564 |
| Swan Hill |  | 21,971 | 63,026 | . | 45,118 | 48,884 | 22,477 | 158,641 |
| Woorinen |  |  | 23,280 | . |  |  |  | 39,611 |
| Pira.. | $\cdots$ | 24,616 | 28,140 | . | 42,426 | 37,577 |  | 60,061 |
| Nyah West |  | 37,950 | 25,506 |  | 45,250 | 40,178 | 26,211 | 65,001 |
| Miralie |  | 39,397 |  |  | 36,465 | 25,770 | .. | 39,397 |
| Piangil | . | 37,784 | 54,154 | . | 40,800 | 26,632 | . | 61,562 |
| Natya |  | 28,390 | $\cdot 21,002$ |  | 36,572 | 24,740 |  | 36,572 |
| Kooloonong |  |  |  |  | 62,090 | 25,098 |  | 62,090 |
| Huater | $\cdots$ | 25,219 | 37,354 | 22,763 | 23,867 | 56,974 | 20,610 | 56,974 |

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STATEMENT SHOWING STATIONS AT WHICH AT LEAST 20,000 BAGS OF WHEAT HAVE BEEN LOADED IN ANY ONE OF THE SLX YEARS ENDED 30th JUNE, 1926, ALSO THE RECORD QUANTITY LOADED IN ANY ONE YEAR

| Stathons. |  |  |  | Year ended 20 H , June 1923. |  | $\begin{gathered} \text { Year ended } \\ \text { 30th } \\ \text { 1925.5. } \end{gathered}$ |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  | No. of Bagg. | No. of Bags. | No. of Bags, | No. of Bage. | No. of Bags. | No. of Bugs.' | No. of Bags. |
| Warragamba |  | 20,574 | 43,100 | 21,802 | 26,479 | 40,380 |  | 49,758 |
| McCal | $\cdots$ |  | 30,721 |  |  | 25,117 |  | 40,043 |
| Lockington | .. | 20,958 |  |  |  | 25,246 |  | 53,435 |
| Kotta |  | 36,254 | 43,822 | 26,940 | 29,423 | 61,370 |  | 61,370 |
| Kyemery | . | 28,776 |  |  |  | 25,664 |  | 32,703 |
| Bunaloo |  |  |  |  |  | 73,709 |  | 73,709 |
| Womboota |  |  |  |  |  | 25,485 |  | 25,485 |
| Glenorchy |  | 22,624 | 21,970 | 32,765 |  | 23,745 |  | 72,183 |
| Lubeck | $\cdots$ | 81,026 | 64,101 | 32,313 | 71,114 | 55,391 | 40,752 | 110,831 |
| Martoa | $\cdots$ |  |  |  | 48,028 | 27,544 |  | 48,028 |
| Jung |  | 131,962 | 247,347 | 96,921 | 176,981 | 170,648 | 130,522 | 247,347 |
| Dooen | $\cdots$ | 128,761 | 125,429 | 83,234 | 135,330 | 121,538 | 106,691 | 136,437 |
| Horsham |  |  |  | 29,548 |  | 29,855 |  | 96,272 |
| Dahlen |  | 26,424 | 42,864 | 35,423 | 41,460 | 36,283 | 34,966 | 42,864 |
| Pimpinio | $\cdots$ | 104,155 | 122,674 | 86,939 | 68,304 | 136,430 | 88,915 | 136,430 |
| Wail |  | 143,729 | 145,955 | 101,551 | 83,325 | 248,147 | 111,338 | 248,147 |
| Dimboola |  | 21,462 | 99,761 | 35,423 | 38,412 | 150,440 | 53,813 | 160,634 |
| Gerang Gerung | $\cdots$ | 94,875 | 63,939 | 76,923 | 48,767 | 117,215 | 55,657 | 117,215 |
| Kiata | $\cdots$ | 60,187 | 55,185 | 53,035 | 30,667 | 83,288 | 46,202 | 96,784 |
| Salisbury | $\cdots$ | 28,007 | .. | 46,896 |  | 57,370 | 26,012 | 57,370 |
| Nhill | $\because$ |  |  | 39,838 |  | 47,244 |  | 92,311 |
| Tarranginnie | $\cdots$ |  | 53,005 | 54,139 | 28,563 | 59,165 | 38,879 | 70,092 |
| Diapur | . |  | 25,927 | 28,333 |  | 25,202 |  | 74,611 |
| Miram | $\cdots$ | 55,578 | 70,682 | 32,780 | 47,206 | 84,109 | 39,770 | 84,109 |
| Kaniva |  | 56,636 | 77,081 | 35,557 | 45,826 | 95,604 | 37,856 | 105,611 |
| Lillimur | $\cdots$ | 49,092 | 60,379 | 82,314 | 65,080 | 81,096 | 64,051 | 82,314 |
| Serviceton | $\cdots$ | 34,609 | 45,584 | 67,715 | .. | 65,656 | 39,682 | 67,715 |
| Lismore | $\cdots$ | 34,841 |  | 20,919 |  |  |  | 40,960 |
| Westmere | $\cdots$ | 43,676 | 58,555 | 46,955 | 86,160 | 58,137 | 39,618 | 100,324 |
| Mininera | $\cdots$ |  | 33,479 | 30,414 | 28,590 |  |  | 87,584 |
| Tatyoon | $\cdots$ |  | 25,942 | 30,636 |  | 20,180 |  | 58,378 |
| Skipton | . |  |  | 26,836 |  |  |  | 49,696 |
| Calvert Siding | $\cdots$ | 22,008 |  |  |  |  |  | 51,008 |
| Willaura |  | 40,963 | 76,812 | 53,702 | 64,145 | 45,488 | 36,357 | 92,245 |
| Stavely | . | 28,813 | 24,483 | 26,849 |  |  |  | 57,173 |
| Jackson | $\cdots$ | 40,062 | 48,194 | 43,685 | 37,070 | 44,640 | 48,576 | 48,576 |
| Rupanyup | . |  | 73,330 |  | 46,629 | 54,986 | 25,324 | 96,998 |
| Burrum |  | 70,647 | 84,912 | 84,196 | 71,942 | 116,031 | 92,363 | 116,031 |
| Banyena | $\cdots$ | 102,459 | 120,327 | 79,447 | 41,951 | 134,334 | 76,234 | 134,334 |
| Marnoo | . | 122,705 | 128,547 | 75,425 | 104,331 | 148,731 | 82,352 | 202,512 |
| Coromby | . | 77,855 | 89,784 | 38,758 | 70.593 | 114,877 | 39,828 | 114,877 |
| Minyip | $\cdots$ | 208,424 | 176,769 | 206,399 | 180,291 | 321,140 | 136,711 | 321,140 |
| Nullan |  | 64,681 | 84,611 | 83,015 | 46,563 | 100,864 | 59,046 | 100,864 |
| Sheep Hills | $\cdots$ | 176,624 | 199,697 | 94,590 | 115,284 | 208,908 | 133,302 | 245,792 |
| Mellis | $\cdots$ | 47,580 | 48,268 | 39,676 | 23,718 | 51,441 | 20,058 | 51,441 |
| Warracknabeal | $\cdots$ |  | 88,938 | 54,702 | 97,045 | 164,887 | 36,506 | 188,401 |
| Batchica | $\cdots$ |  |  |  |  |  | 38,743 | 38,743 |
| Lah | $\ldots$ | 84,771 | 142,536 | 111,689 | 101,980 | 143,671 | 97,554 | 143,671 |
| Brim | $\cdots$ | 119,298 | 162,401 | 52,473 | 144,763 | 229,921 | 104,226 | 229,921 |
| Galaquil | $\cdots$ | 61,937 | 76,982 | 74,852 | 49,669 | 122,726 | 69,036 | 122,726 |
| Beulah | . | 110,369 | 182,214 | 101,462 | 174,255 | 193,213 | 110,597 | 212,022 |
| Roseljery | $\cdots$ | 45,937 | 62,659 | 58,025 | 66,100 | 88,435 | 47,266 | 106,011 |
| Goyura | $\cdots$ |  | 23,606 | 27,867 | 21,003 | 34,579 | 21,151 | 38,322 |
| ${ }_{\text {Hapetoun }}$ Patchewollock | . | 99,022 | 116,926 | 99,909 | 143,328 | 159,779 | 80,675 | 214,647 |
| Patchewollock | $\cdots$ |  |  |  |  |  | 24,637 | 24,637 |
| Remlaw | $\cdots$ | 34,850 | 31,320 | 25,901 |  | 34,813 | 22,368 | 45,221 |
| Vectis |  | 43,038 | 54,202 | 36,791 | 41,446 | 45,856 | 37,231 | 65,729 |
| Noradjuha | $\cdots$ |  |  | 21,028 |  |  |  | 23,806 |
| Natimuk | . |  | 128,704 | 54,604 | 54,508 | 81,749 | 52,641 | 128,704 |
| Arapiles | .. |  | 24,903 |  |  | 24,786 |  | 24,903 |
| Mitre | $\cdots$ |  | 24,047 |  |  |  | $\because$ | 29,471 |
| Goroke | .. | 21;461 | 34,228 | 40,134 | . | 27,317 | . | 38,003 |

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STATEMENT SHOWING STATIONS AT WHICH AT LEAST 20,000 BAGS OF WHEAT HAVE BEEN LOADED IN ANY ONE OF THE SIX YEARS ENDED 30TH JUNE, 1926, ALSO THE RECORD QUANTTTY LOADED IN ANY ONE YEAR.

|  |  | Year ended 192L. | Year ended 30th June, 1922. | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Year ended } \\ & \text { 30th Jone, } \\ & 1923 . \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Year maded } \\ & 3041 \text { June, } \\ & 1924 . \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Year ended } \\ & 306 \mathrm{Jmme} \\ & 1925 . \end{aligned}$ | Year endel <br> 30 th June, 1020. |  |
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|  |  | No. of Bagz, | No. of Dags. | No, of Bage. | No. of Bags. | No. of Baga. | No. of Bags. | No. of Bags |
| Arkona |  | 42,541 | 56,180 | 39,781 | 23,533 | 64,313 | 25,950 | 64,313 |
| Antwerp |  | 106,210 | 105,509 | 76,501 | 46,268 | 131,136 | 22,773 | 131,136 |
| Tarranyurk |  | 75,495 | 104,414 | 81,508 | 98,458 | 130,596 | 67,993 | 130,596 |
| Jeparit |  | 59,085 | 68,302 | 71,238 | 61,023 | 79,579 | 40,382 | 114,859 |
| Ellam |  | 60,805 | 72,619 | 66,381 | 44,943 | 93,125 | 52,212 | 93,125 |
| Pullut |  | 50,397 | 50,089 | 26,127 | 66,630 | 110,489 | 43,960 | 110,489 |
| Rainbow |  |  | 64,895 | 43,076 | 110,269 | 69,636 | 29,671 | 188,258 |
| Albacutya |  | 33,659 | 37,540 | 37,408 | 45,479 | 45,878 | 33,066 | 45,878 |
| Yaapeet |  | 63,017 | 57,911. | 54,411 | 72,272 | 99,449 | 46,119 | 116,830 |
| Detpa |  | 71,712 | 64,834 | 36,233 | 88,777 | 81,431 | 64,151 | 92,655 |
| Lorquon |  | 78,378 | 104,994 | 81,624 | 60,760 | 106,030 | 74,381 | 106,727 |
| Netherby |  | 68,451 | 62,548 | 49,556 | 64,011 | 86,489 | 50,930 | 86,489 |
| Yanac |  | 93,637 | 87.527 | 53,345 | 62,228 | 136,659 | 47,142 | 136,659 |
| Wangaratta |  | . | 32,731 |  |  | 25,674 |  | 32,731 |
| Bowser |  |  | 33,049 |  | 22,160 | 27,593 |  | 33,049 |
| Springhurst |  | 27,373 | 20,025 | 23,659 | 27,955 | 42,450 |  | 44,588 |
| Mooroopna |  |  |  | . | . | 20,796 |  | 22,672 |
| Shepparton |  |  | 27,779 |  |  | 22,070 |  | 55,382 |
| Congupna |  | 37,170 | 32,480 | 22,167 | 35,812 | 36,030 |  | 51,359 |
| Tallygaroopn |  | 64,408 | 95,360 | 33,659 | 34,639 | 105,322 | 32,498 | 105,322 |
| Wunghnu |  | . . | 60,956 | 25,504 | 50,002 | 66,295 | 29,804 | 66,295 |
| Numurkah |  |  | 51,988 | 20,928 | 41,905 | 63,964 | 27,127 | 63,964 |
| Katunga |  | 48,097 | 78,831 | 30,969 | 56,257 | 100,921 | 43,418 | 100,921 |
| Strathmerton |  | 44,883 | 43,873 | . | 24,124 | 75,204 |  | 75,204 |
| Yarroweyah |  | 28,039 | 28,109 | $\cdots$ | 21,582 | 39,485 |  | 39,485 |
| Cobram |  |  | 37,005 |  |  | 66,305 |  | 66,305 |
| Colbinabbin |  | 69,900 | 67,563 | 47,596 | 67,014 | 83,990 | 49,278 | 119,851 |
| Girgarre |  |  | 27,590 | .. |  | 30,180 |  | 30,309 |
| Merrigum |  | 30,389 | 31,347 |  | 25,661 | 33,310 |  | 78,609 |
| Kyabram |  | 21,846 | 59,346 | 22,209 | 24,883 | 49,003 |  | 93,653 |
| Koyuga |  | 23,484 |  |  |  |  |  | 69,198 |
| Pine Lodge | $\cdots$ | 64,146 | 47,256 | 36,729 | 35,040 | 54,730 | 25,787 | 64,929 |
| Cosgrove |  | 64,366 | 40,700 | 42,429 | 41,422 | 66,763 | 25,395 | 87,552 |
| Dookie |  | 32,460 | 24,691 |  | 24,194 | 37,308 | 24,291 | 54,067 |
| Yabba Sout | ; | 20,382 |  |  |  | 25,806 |  | 25,806 |
| Yabba North |  | 47,624 | 38,414 | 27,972 | 33,389 | 50,538 |  | 65,685 |
| Youanmite |  | 40,816 | 41,890 | 24,868 | 34,162 | 61,898 |  | 61,898 |
| Katamatite |  | 98,371 | 92,655 | 35,025 | 68,324 | 117,710 | 47,912 | 137,960 |
| Waaia |  | 44,038 | 86,773 | 34,572 | 74,251 | 104,714 | 21,790 | 104,714 |
| Nathalia |  |  | 61,140 |  | 44,809 | 176,082 | 52,520 | 176,082 |
| Picola |  | 77,688 | 87,780 | 35,102 | 83,014 | 111,826 | 41,164 | 121,601 |
| Mywee |  | .. | .. | .. | 20,495 | . . |  | 20,495 |
| Tocumwal |  |  |  |  |  |  | 33,364 | 34,583 |
| Goorambat |  | 21,688 | 43,006 | 32,444 | 27,434 | 44,974 | 21,713 | 65,048 |
| Devenish |  | 54,603 | 48,556 | 40,768 | 42,976 | 72,103 | 29,872 | 85,002 |
| St. James |  | 58,737 | 63,884 | 43,152 | 47,562 | 70,055 | 32,084 | 101,327 |
| Tungamah |  | 66,066 | 42,711 | 43,204 | 39,590 | 81,229 | 24,783 | 81,229 |
| Telford | $\cdots$ | 88,077 | 58,978 | 43,063 | 68,410 | 85,487 | 42,157 | 103,129 |
| Yarrawonga |  | 221,180 | 167,808 | 59,169 | 178,878 | 359,643 | 118,885 | 359,643 |
| Rutherglen |  |  | 28,312 |  | 30,203 | 53,736 |  | 53,736 |
| Wahgunyah |  |  | 41,731 |  |  | 43,964 |  | 104,213 |
| Country Wh | Dépôts | 1,492,243 |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Other Statio |  | 959,933 | 722,339 | 1,212,145 | 934,976 | 1,067,983 | 1,611,976 |  |
| Totai | $\cdots$ | 12,613,780 | 12,720,251 | 8,447,655 | 10,816,955 | 16,055,186 | 7,636,133 |  |

APPENDIX No. 32.

## RETURN OF TRAFFIC AT EACH STATION.

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## RETURN OF TRAFFIC AT EACH STATION

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| Kyabram.. | .. 112 | Merri | 110 | North Ballarat | 102 | Rocklyn | 95 | Torgala |  | 112 |
| Kyneton . ${ }^{\text {a }}$ | [ $\quad \begin{array}{r}94 \\ \hline\end{array}$ | Merricks ${ }_{\text {Merricum }}$. | 115 112 | North Brighton | 121 | Rokeby | 117 | Lorpey's Siding |  | ${ }^{96}$ |
| Kyup Laceby | . <br> $\cdots$ 1139 | Merrigum . | 112 98 | Northcote North Carlton | 1110 | Rokewood | 106 95 | Tooborac ${ }_{\text {Toolamha }}$ |  | ${ }_{111}^{111}$ |
|  | .. 108 | Merton | 1.11 | North Creswick | 97 | Rosanna | 120 | Toolondo |  | 108 |
| Lake Boga | .. 100 | Miakite | 107 | North Essendon | 109 | Rosebery | 108 | Toongabbie |  | 118 |
| Lake Buloke | $\begin{array}{r}\text { [ } \\ \hline . \\ \hline .96 \\ \hline 100\end{array}$ | Midas Mide Brighton | ${ }_{121}^{97}$ | North Fitzroy | 110 | Rosebrook | 104 | Toora |  | 116 |
| La La Exterision | 119 | Middle Creels | 102 | North Learmorth | 107 | $\xrightarrow{\text { Rosediale }}$ Read | 114 | ${ }_{\text {To }}$ Tooradiv |  | 114 |
| Lalbert . | - 99 | Middle Footscray | $9+$ | North Melbourne | 94 | Rowsley . | 103 | Teororga |  | 119 |
| Lal Lal | 101 | Middle Park | 120 | North Mirboo | 118 | Royal Park | 110 | Topiram |  | 116 |
| Lamrock | 112 | Mildura | 97 | North Monegeetta | 95 | Roystead | 119 | Torrita |  | 98 115 |
| Lancefield.: | 97 | Mildura Rail Motor.. | 97 | North Port North Richmold | 120 | Ruby ${ }^{\text {Rupanyup }}$ | 116 107 | Tostaree . ${ }^{\text {a }}$ |  | 115 94 |
| Lang Lang | .. 116 | cil Siding | 98 | North Shore | 101 | Rushworth | 112 | Tourello |  | 97 |
| Langi Logan | 107 | Millbrook.. | 103 | North Willianstowil | 103 | Rutherglen | 113 | Trafalcar .. |  | 114 |
| Langi Logan Sth | 107 | Millgrove .. | 119 | Nowa Nowa | 115 | Sailor's Falls | 95 | Tragowel .. |  | 110 |
| Langi Logan New S | dg. 107 | Milltown .. | 107 | Nowingi | 97 | Sale . | 114 | Traralgon |  | 114 |
| Langwarrin | .. 115 | Mincha | 100 | Nulan | 108 | Salisbury | 102 | Trawalla |  | 102 |
| Lara | 101 | Minhamite | 105 | Nulliwil | 99 | Sandown Park | 114 | Trawool .. |  | 111 |
| Larpent | 104 | Mininera | 166 | Numurkah | 111 | Sandford .. | 107 | Trenthan |  | 95 |
| Lascelles | 96 | Minyip | 108. | Nunga | 97 | Sandringham | 121 | Tresco |  | 100 |
| Launehing | 198 | Miralie | 100 102 | Nurcoung. | 108 | Scarsdale | 106 | Tribolm |  | 116 97 |
| Laurere's Hili | 105 | Mitcham | 118 | Nyarin | 100 99 | Seatord | $\begin{aligned} & 115 \\ & 103 \end{aligned}$ | Trinitit |  | 97 |
| Laverton.. | 101 | Mitcliell's Siding | 117 | Nyora | 116 | Sea Lake | 99 | Tulloh |  | 105 |
| Iayard | 104 | Mitiamo | 100 | Oakleigh | 114 | Sebastian | 100 | Tungamah |  | 113 |
| Learmonth | 97 | Mitre .. | 108 | Oakvale | ${ }^{99}$ | Seddon | 102 | Tunstall . |  | 118 |
| Lelchardt. | .. 98 | Mittyack .. | 99 | Officer | 114 | Selby | 119 | Turriff |  | 96 |
| Leitchville | .. 101 | Moama | 95 | Oil Co.'s Siding | 101 | Serviceton | 102 | Tutye |  | 98 |
| Leitpar .. | 99 | Moe | 114 | Ondit | 106 | Seville | 119 | Tyabb |  | 115 |
| Leonard.. | ${ }^{95}$ | Moira | ${ }_{111}^{95}$ | Orbost | 115 | Seymour . ${ }^{\text {a }}$ | 109 | Tylden |  | 95 |
| Leongatha <br> Leopold | $\begin{array}{ll}. . & 116 \\ \because & 103\end{array}$ | Molesworth | 111 100 | ${ }_{\text {Ormond }}^{\text {Orshea }}$ \& Bennetios | 115 | Sheephills | 108 96 | Tynong |  | 114 98 |
| Leslie .. | 111 | Monea | 149 | Siding .. | 117 | Shelley | 110 | Underbool |  | 98 |
| Lethbridge | 101 | Monegeetta | 95 | Otway Coal Co.'s |  | Shenley | 119 | Upper Ferntree |  | 119 |
| Lethbridge Ory. Sd | . 101 | Monomeith | 116 | Siding | 104 | Shepparton | 111 | Upwey . ${ }^{\text {d }}$ |  | 119 |
| Levy ${ }^{\text {lightor }}$ | 106 | Montague . ${ }_{\text {M }}$ | 120 120 | ${ }_{\text {Outtrim }}^{\text {Outtrim }}$ Oorth | 117 | Simsou | ${ }^{96}$ | Urangara |  | 109 |
| Lillieo | 117 | Mont Albert | 118 | Ouyen | 117 | ${ }_{\text {Skinchan }}$.. | ${ }_{113}^{107}$ | Vectis |  | 108 |
| Lillimur | 102 | Montgomery | 114 | Ovens | 113 | Skipton | 106 | Victoria Park |  | 120 |
| Lilliput | 113 | Mont Parls | 120 | Oxley | 113 | Smythesclale | 106 | Victoriad Iron Mo | Mould |  |
| Lilydale .. | 118 | Moolap | 103 | Paiuswick | 98 | Somerton. | 109 | Co. s Siding |  | 103 |
| Lima .. | 113 | Moolort | 96 | I ${ }^{\text {akenham }}$ | 114 | Somer ville | 115 | Violet Town |  | 109 |
| Lindenow | 115 | Moolpa | 101 | Panitya | 98 | South Prunswick | 110 | Vite Vite |  | 106 |
| Linga | 98 | Moondarra | 117 | Panmure | 104 | South Geelong | 103 | Waia |  | 112 |
| Linton | 106 | Moonee Ponds Moorabbin |  | Parkdale | ${ }_{103}^{115}$ |  | 102 |  |  | 110 113 |
| Lismore | ${ }_{96}^{105}$ | Moorabbin Moorabool | 115 | ${ }_{\text {Pascoe }}^{\text {Parwan }}$ Vale | 103 109 | $\xrightarrow[\text { South Kerang }]{\text { South Morang }}$ | 1100 | Wahgunyah ${ }_{\text {Wahring }}$ |  | 111 |
| Iittle Brooklyn Sd | . 103 | Moorooduc | 115 | Patchewollock | 108 | South Melbourne | 120 | Wail |  | 102 |
| Little River | 101 | Moorroolbark | 118 | Patho . ${ }^{\text {Pen }}$ | 101 | South Yarra | 121 | Waitchie |  | 99 101 |
| Llandeilo .. | 103 98 | Mooroopna | 111 | Pennyroyal Penshurst | 104 | ${ }_{\text {Speed }}^{\text {Spood }}$ - | ${ }_{102}^{97}$ | Wakool |  | 117 |
| Loch $\quad \therefore$ | 116 | Mordialloc | 115 | Pental ${ }^{\text {Prent }}$ | 100 | ${ }_{\text {Sprinighurst }}$ | 110 | Wallace |  | 103 |
| Lockington | 101 | Moreland | 110 | Perelkerton | 101 | Spring Vale | 114 | Wallan .. |  | 109 |
| Locksley . ${ }^{\text {a }}$ | 109 113 | Moriac ${ }_{\text {Mornington }}$ | 1104 | Pettavel ${ }_{\text {Pettitt's }}$ Siding | 104 | St. Albans | 94 96 | Walpeup ${ }_{\text {Wal }}^{\text {Wal }}$. |  | 98 102 |
| Londrigan.: | $\begin{array}{ll}. & 113 \\ \because \quad 111\end{array}$ | Mornington | 105 | ${ }_{\text {Phosphate Co.'s Sdg. }}$ | 101 | Stalker Arna | 105 | Wanalta |  | 112 |
| Longwarry | 114 | Morton Plains | 96 | Piangil .. | 100 | Stanhope. | 112 | Wandin .. |  | 119 |
| Longwood.. | 109 | Morwell | 114 | Picola | 112 | Stanley Quarries | 103 | Wandong .. |  | 109 |
| Lorquon .. | 109 | Mossiface.. | 115 | Pieper | 113 | State Mines ${ }^{\text {States }}$ | 117 | Wangaratta |  | 110 |
| Lovat ${ }^{\text {a }}$ | [i) 119 | Moulamein | 101. | Pier Millan | 99 105 | State River's Siding Staughton.. | $\begin{array}{r}96 \\ 103 \\ \hline\end{array}$ | ${ }_{\text {Wannon }}^{\text {Waranga }}$ |  | 107 |
| Lower Yang | .. 114 | Mount Evelyn | 119 | Pimpinio. | 102 | Stavely | 107 | Warburton |  | 119 |
| Lubeck | $\because 102$ | Mount Helen | 106 | Pine Lodge | 112 | stawell .. | 102 | Warncoort |  | 104 |
| Lyndhurst | ${ }_{107}^{115}$ | Moutajup .. ${ }_{\text {Moyhu }}$ | 107 113 |  | 160 98 | St. James.: | 113 |  |  | 99 108 |
| Lyons ${ }_{\text {L }}$ Lyonville .. | . 107 | Moyhu Moyne | 1104 | ${ }_{\text {Pirlta }}^{\text {Pirron }}$ Yaliock | 98 104 | $\xrightarrow[\text { Stoneyford }]{\text { Stilda }}$ | 120 | Warracknabeal Warragamba |  | ${ }_{101}^{108}$ |
| Macaulay .. | 110 | Muckleford | 96 | Pisgah | 97 | Stony Creek | 116 | Warragul |  | 114 |
| Maeedon .. | $\cdots 94$ | Munro | 114 | Pittong | 106 | Stony Point | 115 | Warra Yadin |  | 97 |
| Macknott .. | $\cdots 105$ | Murchison.. | 111 | Platina | 117 | Stopping Place (Or- |  | Warrenheip |  | 101 |
| Macleod .. | 120 100 | Murchison East Murgheboluc |  | ${ }_{\text {Pollard }}$ Pomborneit | $\begin{array}{r}96 \\ 104 \\ \hline\end{array}$ | bost Line) Strangway | ${ }_{96}^{115}$ | Warrnambool |  | 104 105 |
| Macorna ${ }_{\text {Maftescioni's Siding }}$ | $\cdots{ }^{.} \mathrm{V} 96$ | Murrabit |  | Poorncet . | $\cdot 105$ | Stratford .. | 114 | Watchem .. |  | 96 |
| Maffra .. | 118 | Murrayville | 98 | Porepunkah | 113 | Strathallan | 95 | Watchupga |  | 96 |
| Maindample | 111 | Murroon | 1104 | Portland ${ }^{\text {Portland }}$ North | ${ }_{107}^{107}$ | Stratkellar | 1167 | Watson ${ }_{\text {Watsonia }}$ |  | 117 |
| Maldon <br> Mallum | 96 113 | Murrumbeena Murtoa |  | Portland North Port Albert | 117 | Strathmerton |  | $\xrightarrow{\text { Watsonia }}$ Wattleglen |  |  |
| Malmsbury ${ }^{\text {M }}$ | ... ${ }^{19}$ | Musk | 95 | Port Fairy | 104 | Sulky .. | 97 | Waubra |  |  |
| Malvern . | .. 114 | Myall | 100 | Port Mellburne | 1.20 | Sunbury .. | 94 | Waubra Junction |  | 97 |
| Manangatang | -. 99 | Myamyn | 107 | Powerscourt | 118 | Sunshiue | 94 | Waygara |  |  |
| Mangalore : | 109 | Myer's Flat |  | ${ }_{\text {Prahran }}$ Prahran city Coun- | 121 | Surrey Hills Sutherland |  | Wedderburn $\begin{aligned} & \text { Wedderburu }\end{aligned}$ | Junct. | 99 99 |
| Mannerlm | $\because$ <br> $\because \quad 103$ | Myrtleford |  | $\underset{\text { Prahran }}{ }$ |  | Swan Hill |  | Weeaproinah |  |  |
| Mansfield .. | $\cdots \quad 111$ | Mystic Park | 100 | Prairie |  | Swanwater |  | Weerite .. |  |  |
| Marcus .. | .. 103 | Mywee .. | 111 | Preston |  | Sydenhain |  | Wellsford.. |  |  |
| Margooya .. | 99 | Nagambie | 111 | Prossor |  | Tabilk |  | Welshpool. . |  |  |

Appendix No. 32.-Index to Stations-continued.


## APPENDIX No 32.

RETURN OF TRAFFIC AT EACH STATION.

| stattons. | passengers. |  | parcels. | morses, CARRIAGES, AND DOGS. Outwards. | goods. |  |  | Live stocis. |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | OUTW TAL praftic BryENEE |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Outwatds. |  | Outwards. |  | Outwards. | Inwards. | Outwards. | Outwards. |  |  |  | Inwards. |  |  |  | Outwards. |  |
|  |  | Revenue. | Revenue. | Revenue. | Tons. | Tons. | Revenue. | Number of Trucks. |  |  |  | Number of Trucks. |  |  |  | Revenile. |  |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | Horses. | Cattle. | Sheep. | Pigs. | Horses. | Cattle. | Sheep. | Pigs. |  |  |
| MaLbourne - Spencer - street,SpenitryStreet, | 1,873,065 |  |  |  | 748,413 | 967,450 | $\left\lvert\, \begin{array}{ccc} £ & s & d . \\ 1,251,038 & 1 & 7 \end{array}\right.$ | $83$ | 162 | 71 | 411 | ${ }^{672}$ | 517 | 78 | 2,419 | $\begin{array}{ccc} \varepsilon & s & d \\ 5,075 & 2 & 11 \end{array}$ | 2,245,330 1510 |
|  |  | $\begin{array}{rrrr} \varepsilon & \text { s. } & d & \left.\left.\begin{array}{rrr} z & \text { s. } & d \\ 734,560 & 0 & 9 \\ 73,744 & 0 & 10 \end{array}\right\}\right\} \begin{array}{rl} 177,883 & 12 \end{array} \\ \hline \end{array}$ |  | 3,084 171 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  |  |  |  |  | $967,450$ |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  |  | $\left.\begin{array}{rrr} 73,744 & 0 & 10 \\ 301,210 & 10 & 3 \\ 206 & 0 & 8 \end{array} \right\rvert\,$ | \} $\cdot$ |  | . | . | . | . | $\cdots$ | $\cdots$ | . | .. | $\cdots$ | $\ldots$ | $\cdots$ | . | .. | 301,425 1911 |
|  | $\begin{array}{r} 2,852 \\ 855,609 \end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{rrr} 206 & 0 & 8 \\ 155,768 & 9 & 9 \end{array}$ |  | 10047 | . | $\cdots$ | .. |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  |  |  | $\begin{array}{llll}79,653 & 5 & 6\end{array}$ |  |  |  |  | $\cdots$ | $\cdots$ | . | $\cdots$ | . | . | $\cdots$ | $\cdots$ | . | 502,453 18.4 |
|  | 13,298,901 | $\begin{array}{lll} 155,768 & 9 & 9 \\ 266,931 & 18 & 6 \end{array}$ |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  | 142,275 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  | ${ }_{2,207,580}^{14,270}$ | $38,170 \bigcirc 8$ | \} . |  | . | . |  | .. | .. | . | $\cdots$ | . | . | . | . | . | 57,122 19 |
| Total-Country.. <br> Suburban |  | 1,210,501 | $)^{257,541182}$ | 3,125 128 | 746,413 | 967,450 | 1,251,038 17 | 836 | 162 | 71 | 411 | 672 | 517 | 78 | 2,419 | 5,075 211 | 3,106,333 13 |
|  | ${ }^{177,899,497}$ |  |  |  |  | 967,400 |  |  |  |  | 411 |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| mamburse-meruea Line, |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| North Meiborume Ardenstreet | 1,198,808 | $\begin{array}{rrr} 15,878 & 9 & 8 \\ 6,85 i & 6 & \\ 10,58 & 10 \\ 10,208 & 10 \\ 1,286 & 3 & 6 \\ 16,868 & 17 & 6 \\ 2,019 & 14 & 0 \end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{rrr} 1,437 & 18 & 6 \\ 34 & 8 & 2 \\ 885 & 8 & 2 \\ 9 & 12 & 3 \\ 1,705 & 11 & 5 \\ 12 & 12 & 0 \end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{rrr} 10 & 2 & 5 \\ 0 & 5 & 0 \\ 83 & 0 & 3 \\ 8 & 5 & 7 \\ 0 & 0 & 3 \\ 11 & 6 & 8 \\ 0 & 2 & 1 \end{array}$ | 34,044 | ${ }_{1.39,304}^{1}$ |   <br> 9,756 14 | $\because$ | $\because$ | $\because$ | $\because$ | $\because$ | . | $\cdots$ | $\because$ | $\because$ | $\begin{array}{ccc} 17,326 & 15 & 4 \\ 9,76 & 11 & 8 \\ 0,585 & 16 & 4 \end{array}$ |
|  | $\begin{aligned} & \begin{array}{l} 79,349 \\ 766,11 \\ 102855 \\ 602,869 \\ 128,700 \end{array} \end{aligned}$ |  |  |  | 34,044 | 1.09,304 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| West Footseray $\quad \because \quad \because \quad \therefore$ |  |  |  |  | 32,930 | 62,554 | 18,102 1110 | $\because$ | .. | $\because$ | $\because$ | $\because$ | $\because$ | $\because$ | . |  | 29,599 151510 |
| - Susthine $\quad \because \quad \because \quad \because \quad \because$ |  |  |  |  | 19,596 | 55,657 | $\begin{array}{llll}39,6885 & 1 & 5\end{array}$ | 2 | 2 | $\because$ | . | ${ }^{2}$ | $\because 2$ | $\because$ |  | io 181 | 58,29915 |
| Albion Atone siding $\quad \because \quad \therefore$ |  |  |  |  | ( 20.58 | ${ }^{968}$ | 36,485110 | $\because$ | $\because$ | .. | $\because$ | :. | : |  | $\because$ |  |  |
| Darling's siding $\quad \therefore \quad \therefore$ | $128,463$ |  | $\cdots$ | 0 . ${ }^{2} 18$ |  |  | 56.94888 | $\because$ | $\because$ | $\cdots$ | $\because$ | 1 |  | $\because$ | $\because$ | $\because$ |  |
|  |  |  | 41 <br> 120 <br> 18 |  | $\underset{\substack{48,548 \\ 5,903}}{4,58}$ | 8,809 | 7,187 <br> 1,469 <br> 109 | ${ }_{4}$ |  | $\sim_{6}$ |  |  | $\square 1$ 10 6 | 44 |  |  |  |
| Diguer's Rest .. .. ... | 12,835 40790 | 8,378 ${ }^{3} 88$ | 98 <br> 282 <br> 258 <br> 18 |  | 4,979 4,938 | 4,785 <br> 6,604 <br> , 689 | $\begin{array}{rrrr}1,469 & 5 \\ 1,450 \\ 40 & 5 & 1 \\ 49 & 19 & \frac{1}{3} \\ 491 & 5 & 0\end{array}$ | 17 | 121 | ${ }_{128}^{125}$ | $\stackrel{23}{\square}$ | 34 | $6{ }^{6}$ | ${ }^{96}$ | 14 |  |  |
|  | 40,790 |  |  |  | ${ }^{4,933} 11078$ |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | 6,010 14.4 |
|  | $\underset{\substack{6,413 \\ 5,833}}{\text { c, }}$ |  | 128 9 11 <br> 94 4  | 29 <br> 38 <br> 38 <br> 15 <br> 7 | 1,484 <br> 8,580 | ${ }_{829}^{989}$ |  |  |  | 156 |  | ${ }_{2}^{2}$ | ${ }_{22} 8$ | ${ }_{21}^{7}$ | .$^{1}$ |  |  |
| Gisborue $\quad \because \quad \therefore \quad \because \quad \therefore$ | 111,484 | ${ }_{1,593}^{12} 1211$ | 152.1210 | ${ }^{6} 161810$ | 3,257 | ${ }_{8}^{8,966}$ | 1,19818 12 | 5 | 43 | 49 | 2 | 9 | 41 | ${ }^{103}$ | 1 | 300197 | ${ }_{3,249}^{2,13} 11$ |
|  |  | ${ }_{5}^{3,205} 8178178$ | 850 <br> 89 <br> 890 <br> 15 <br> 15 | [1616 <br> 41 <br> 41 <br> 18 |  | \% ${ }_{7}^{2,1614}$ |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | $\frac{2}{4}$ | 26.38 <br> 335 <br> 788 <br> 8 |  |
| Carisrube | 4,397 | ${ }^{5}$ | ${ }^{47} 4$ | ${ }_{6} 9119$ | 4,40 | ${ }^{7}{ }_{81}{ }^{181}$ | ${ }^{2}{ }_{41}{ }_{4}{ }^{7} 1$ | 3 |  | 18 |  |  | 1 | 9 |  | 92910 | ${ }_{4}^{8,40513} 13$ |
| Kynetor ${ }^{\text {a }}$, | 48,824 | 10,417 5111 | 1,372 198 | 302 9 1 <br> 0 9 1 <br> 1  1 | 12,119 | 14,249 |  | 40 | 222 | 381 | 53 | 39 | ${ }^{336}$ | 576 | 50 | $\begin{array}{llll}3,245 & 9 & 2\end{array}$ | 21,077 16 11 |
|  | \% 9,164 | 105 <br> 1,565 <br> 18 <br> 10 | 4313 <br> 24819 | 0 10 10 19 | ${ }_{620}^{32}$ | ${ }_{6}^{888} 6$ | 24 13 <br> 40817  <br> 406  | 3 | 251 | 97 | 27 | $\cdots$ | 23 | 39 |  | $5 \ddot{2 \%} 17 \times$ | $\begin{array}{r}17311 \\ 2,76117 \\ \hline 8\end{array}$ |



Appendix No. 32.-Return of Traffio at eacii Station-continued.



Appendix No. 32.-Return of Trafeic at rach Station-continued.

| Starions. | passengers. |  | Patcels. <br> Outwards. | HORSES <br> OARBLAGES, <br> AND DOGS. <br> Outwards. | coods. |  |  | live stock. |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | $\underset{\text { OUTWARD }}{\text { TOTAL }}$ REAFFIC |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Outwards. |  |  |  | Outwards. | Inwards. | Outwands. | Outwards. |  |  |  | luwards. |  |  |  | Outwards. |  |
|  | $\begin{gathered} \text { Number } \\ \text { Patenger } \\ \text { Journeys. } \end{gathered}$ | Revenne. | Revenuo. | Revenue. | Tons. | Tons. | Revenue. | Number of Truoks. |  |  |  | Number of Trucks. |  |  |  | Revenue. |  |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | Horses. | Cattle. | Sheep. | Pigg. | Horses. | Cattie. | Sheep. | Pigs. |  |  |
| Dexolly-Inglewood tame. | $\begin{gathered} 12 \\ 14 \\ \hline 258 \\ 269 \\ 435 \\ 62 \end{gathered}$ | \& . $\quad$. d. | \& s. ${ }^{\text {d. }}$ | $\pm$ e. e. | $\begin{array}{r} 298 \\ 570 \\ 1,661 \\ \hline, 664 \\ 8,564 \\ 8,115 \\ \hline 210 \end{array}$ |  | $\begin{array}{ccc} z & 8 . & d . \\ & \\ 74 & 13 \\ 280 \\ 980 & 8 & 11 \\ 968 & 610 \\ 1,626 & 60 \\ 1,688 & 0 & 5 \\ 124 & 8 & 8 \end{array}$ | $\ddot{Z}^{\prime}$$\ddot{n}_{1}$ | $\because$$\because$$\ddot{n}_{1}$. | $\because$ <br> $\because$ <br> $\because$ <br> 60 <br> . | $\because$$\because$$\because$$\because$ | $\because$ <br> $\because$ <br> $\because$ <br> $\because$ | $\because$$\cdots$$\cdots$$\cdots$ | $\because_{3}$ |  | \& s. ${ }^{\text {d }}$ | $\pm$ s. d. |
|  |  | 4 4 5 5 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Traramella $\quad \because \quad \because \quad \because \quad \because$ |  | 234 | 0 1  <br> 63 17 71 <br> 18   | $\because 6107$ |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | $\because$ | 7819 281511 |
|  |  |  | $\begin{array}{r}17 \\ 17 \\ 28 \\ 28 \\ \hline 18 \\ \hline\end{array}$ | $\because$ |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Bullabul -- .. $\quad$ - |  | 4 4 | 150 | $\because 42$ |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | 19750 | 1,940 $130 \times 8$ |
| murrayyilie cink. |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| $\underset{\substack{\text { Tiezai } \\ \text { Galah }}}{ }$ | 210 478 | $\begin{array}{rrrr}30 & 9 & 7 \\ 128 & 4 \\ 4 \\ 5\end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{r}519 \\ \hline 2178 \\ \hline 8\end{array}$ |  | ${ }^{621}$ | ${ }_{1}^{249}$ | 597.38 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | ${ }^{633} 127$ |
| ${ }_{\text {Walpeup }} \quad \ddot{*} \quad \because \quad \because \quad \because$ | 1,817 |  | $10817{ }^{6}$ | ${ }_{1}^{6} 11{ }^{6} \frac{4}{5}$ | ${ }_{4}^{1,962}$ |  | ${ }_{3}^{1,5509} 11{ }^{1}$ | $1{ }_{10}^{1}$ | $\frac{1}{7}$ | ${ }^{2} 8$ | $\because$ | ${ }_{8}^{2}$ | $\stackrel{2}{9}$ | ${ }_{4}^{2}$ | $\cdots$ | 4 4 4 <br> 302 2 5 | 1,71414 <br> 4,739 <br> 10 |
| Torrita ${ }_{\text {Underbol }}^{\text {U }}$ | 106 1,989 | $\begin{array}{r}15715 \\ \hline 1.167 \\ \hline 1810\end{array}$ | 21 <br> 1621 <br> 168 <br> 0 | $\begin{array}{llll}0 & 4 & 1 \\ 4 & 0 & 9\end{array}$ | 2,006 8,187 | $\xrightarrow{2,626}$ | 1, $810101919{ }^{10} 8$ |  |  | ${ }_{21}$ | $\because_{2}$ | 9 | $\stackrel{2}{2}$ | -3. | $\cdots$ |  | ${ }_{1}^{1,790} 112$ |
|  | $\begin{array}{r}1812 \\ \\ \hline 1090\end{array}$ |  | ${ }_{24}^{27} 1818$ |  | 7,495 | -048 | 6,598810 | 3 | 1 | ${ }_{4}^{21}$ | .$^{2}$ | 9 | 5 | $\stackrel{22}{7}$ | $\cdots$ | $\begin{array}{llll}514 & 15 \\ 60 & 10 \\ 6\end{array}$ | ${ }_{6,761}^{9,06719} 19$ |
| Tuatye $\quad \because \quad \because \quad \because \quad \because$ | ${ }^{1} 768$ | ${ }_{254}{ }^{35}$ | ${ }_{50}^{44} 95$ |  | 2,015 | ${ }_{771}^{884}$ | 1, $1,640211{ }^{17} 4$ | $\stackrel{2}{4}$ | $\sim_{2}$ | ${ }_{6}^{4}$ | $\because$ | 2 | $\stackrel{1}{2}$ | ${ }_{11}^{6}$ | $\because$ | 34168  <br> 3419 5 <br> 18419 1 | 1,612 11.3 |
| Comangie Danyo | 1,670 | ${ }_{7}^{773} 18118$ |  | 29 8 8 0 18 | ${ }_{4}^{4,596}$ | 1,888 | ${ }_{3,729} 107$ | ${ }^{4}$ | 1 | 7 | $\because$ | $\frac{2}{2}$ | ${ }_{1}^{2}$ | 13 | $\because$ | ${ }_{84518}^{134} 11$ | ${ }_{2}^{4,993}$ |
| Marrayville $\quad \therefore \quad \ddot{ }$ | 2,753 | 1,4179 9 | 160118 | 018 - | 5,808 | 3,384 | ${ }_{5,057}^{4,067} 1$ | ${ }_{6}$ | $\because$ | $\cdots$ | $\because$ | 3 | ${ }_{2}$ | $\stackrel{3}{24}$ | $\because$ | 5083 192 | $\begin{array}{r}4,188 \\ 7,160 \\ \hline 15\end{array}$ |
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| $\underset{\text { Canina }}{\substack{\text { Caritya } \\ \text { Pan }}} \quad \because \quad \cdots \quad . .$ | ${ }_{114}^{128}$ | 16 1 <br> 23 4 | 1816 25 9 | $\begin{array}{llll}0 & 0 & 8 \\ 0 & 2 & 1\end{array}$ | ${ }_{5}^{5,168}$ | $\begin{array}{r} 969 \\ 1,203 \end{array}$ |  | $\cdots 1$ | 1 | ${ }^{\prime} 8$ | $\because$ | $\because$ | 1 | $\because$ | $\because$ | 012 3819 | 3,788 <br> 4,485 <br> 19 |
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Appendix No. 32.--Return of Traffic at each Station-continued.



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" G" CLASS (GARRATT, 2-6-6-2 type) LOCOMOTIVE.
Heating surface, 1,268 sq. ft. ; grate area, 22.6 sq . ft.
Diameter of cylinders, $13 \frac{1}{4} \mathrm{in}$; stroke, 18 in
Diameter of driving wheels, 3 ft ; length of wheel base, 44 ft .6 in .
Tender capacity-water, 1,680 gallons; fuel, $3 \frac{1}{2}$ tons.
Length overall, 52 ft . ; Total weight (roadworthy), 69 tons 1 cwt .
Tractive power, $25,270 \mathrm{lbs}$. ( 180 lbs . steam pressure).
(See page 23)


OVERHEAD EQUIPMENT DEPOT AND MOTOR GARAGE, BATMAN AVENUE, JOLIMONT,

" INTERNATIONAL" 23-PASSENGER SEDAN MOTOR COACH RUNNING BETWEEN MELBOURNE AND GEELONG. 6 cylinder, 38 h.p. (R.A.C./rating) engine.
Length of wheel base, 190 in ; length overall, 21 ft .8 in ; tare weight, 5 tons 3 cwt ; electrically lighted.


INTERIOR VIEW OF "INTERNATIONAL" 23PPASSENGER SEDAN MOTOR COACH, SHOWING SEATING ARRANGEMENTS, ETc.



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## DIAGRAM No ${ }^{0}$









[^0]:    ${ }^{\text {a }}$ For details see Appendix No. 9. (b) For details see Appendix No. 3
    *Figures for the year 1922-23 include Assistant and Light Mileage.
    IPrior to 1925-26, the expenditure of the Stores Branch was included with that of the various Branches.

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    (a), 8 LLocomotives have been written down to the tractive power represented by their value as scrap materials.
    (b) 422 vehicles have been written down to internal floor area represented by their valne as scrap materials. Only 60 per cent. of internal floor area of 34 cars includedon aecount of these vehicles being owned jointly with the South Australian Railways. down to one-half and 2 to one-third internal floor area. Only 60 per cent. of internal floor area of 6 luggage vans and 3 mail vans included on account of being owned. jointly with the South Australian
    
     and " $0_{0}$ " (breakdown) trucks to half tomnage capacity.

[^4]:     roffic as show traffic as shown above, but are included in the mileage of sidings as shown in Appendix No. 24

