Abstract of Railways Working Account.

FOUR-WEEKLY PERIOD ENDED 17TH AUGUST, 1940, WITH COMPARATIVE FIGURES FOR CORRESPONDING PERIOD OF PREVIOUS YEAR.

Section.	Revenue.			Expenditure.			Net Revenue.	
	1940–41.	1939–40.	Variation.	1940–41.	1939–40.	Variation.	1940–41.	1939–40.
	£	£	£	£	£	£	£	£
Kaihu	263	145	+ 118	923	770	+ 153	— 660	— 625
Gisborne	1,296	2,060	— 764	1,604	2,612	— 1,008	— 308	— 552
North Island main line and branches	428,698	341,843	+ 86,855	382,899	368,993	+ 13,906	45,799	— 27,150
South Island main line and branches	241,301	203,179	+ 38,122	238,919	234,985	+ 3,934	2,382	— 31,806
Westport	10,855	8,039	+ 2,816	7,585	6,911	+ 674	3,270	1,128
Nelson	659	616	+ 43	1,445	2,334	— 889	— 786	— 1,718
Picton	2,383	2,354	+ 29	3,269	3,687	— 418	— 886	— 1,333
Total railway operation ..	685,455	558,236	+ 127,219	636,644	620,292	+ 16,352	48,811	— 62,056
Miscellaneous revenue	29,876	29,476	+ 400	..	..	..	29,876	29,476
Lake Wakatipu steamers ..	330	371	— 41	1,073	881	+ 192	— 743	— 510
Refreshment-rooms, advertising, road services, and other subsidiary services	61,881	60,859	+ 1,022	59,587	63,385	— 3,798	2,294	— 2,526
Departmental dwellings	10,762	10,792	— 30	16,436	16,738	— 302	— 5,674	— 5,946
Total	788,304	659,734	+ 128,570	713,740	701,296	+ 12,444	74,564	— 41,562

1ST APRIL, 1940, TO 17TH AUGUST, 1940 (139 days), WITH COMPARATIVE FIGURES FOR PERIOD 1ST APRIL, 1939, TO 19TH AUGUST, 1939 (141 days).

Revenue.			Expenditure.			Net Revenue.	
1940–41.	1939–40.	Variation.	1940–41.	1939–40.	Variation.	1940–41.	1939–40.
£	£	£	£	£	£	£	£
1,511	909	+ 602	4,124	3,910	+ 214	— 2,613	— 3,001
6,529	9,986	— 3,457	9,875	13,140	— 3,265	— 3,346	— 3,154
2,252,706	1,867,640	+ 385,066	1,937,377	1,788,272	+ 149,105	315,329	79,368
1,257,823	1,136,896	+ 120,927	1,195,812	1,154,569	+ 41,243	62,011	— 17,673
46,404	38,512	+ 7,892	33,008	31,207	+ 1,801	13,396	7,305
4,014	3,651	+ 363	7,862	9,901	— 2,039	— 3,848	— 6,250
16,500	13,502	+ 2,998	17,762	17,381	+ 381	— 1,262	— 3,879
3,585,487	3,071,096	+ 514,391	3,205,820	3,018,380	+ 187,440	379,667	52,716
153,071	147,698	+ 5,373	..	..	..	153,071	147,698
1,936	2,669	— 733	4,150	4,378	— 228	— 2,214	— 1,709
316,476	330,883	— 14,407	300,043	326,772	— 26,729	16,433	4,111
54,884	53,202	+ 1,682	77,346	78,636	— 1,290	— 22,462	— 25,434
4,111,854	3,605,548	+ 506,306	3,587,359	3,428,166	+ 159,193	524,495	177,382

ANALYSIS OF RAILWAY OPERATING REVENUE AND TRAFFIC.

	Four-weekly Period.			Year to Date.		
	1940–41.	1939–40.	Variation.	1940–41.	1939–40.	Variation.
	£	£	£	£	£	£
Passengers	169,760	118,506	+ 51,254	801,843	648,852	+ 152,991
Parcels, luggage, and mails ..	23,973	24,978	— 1,005	119,772	127,516	— 7,744
Goods	475,343	398,905	+ 76,438	2,575,851	2,218,348	+ 357,503
Labour and demurrage ..	16,379	15,847	+ 532	88,021	76,380	+ 11,641
Total railway operating revenue	685,455	558,236	+ 127,219	3,585,487	3,071,096	+ 514,391
Passengers .. .. No.	1,750,139	1,470,835	+ 279,304	9,481,951	8,523,382	+ 958,569
Live-stock .. .. Tons	28,761	27,528	+ 1,233	242,084	200,650	+ 41,434
Timber .. .. „	47,591	40,854	+ 6,737	219,494	192,223	+ 27,271
Other goods .. .. „	563,200	451,619	+ 111,581	2,870,847	2,508,477	+ 362,370
Total goods .. „	639,552	520,001	+ 119,551	3,332,425	2,901,350	+ 431,075
Road Services—						
Passengers .. .. No.	545,328	455,549	+ 89,779	2,822,102	2,296,288	+ 525,814
Revenue: Passenger £	30,492	22,679	+ 7,813	157,142	125,271	+ 31,871
Goods £	3,154	16,562	— 13,408	18,060	87,132	— 69,072

ANALYSIS OF RAILWAY OPERATING EXPENDITURE.

	Four-weekly Period.			Year to Date.		
	1940–41.	1939–40.	Variation.	1940–41.	1939–40.	Variation.
	£	£	£	£	£	£
Maintenance—						
Way and works	117,315	114,482	+ 2,833	605,318	556,442	+ 48,876
Signals and electrical appliances	15,196	14,672	+ 524	81,487	71,156	+ 10,331
Rolling-stock	164,838	153,557	+ 11,281	775,665	721,187	+ 54,478
Transportation—						
Locomotive	149,940	143,314	+ 6,626	773,646	715,824	+ 57,822
Traffic	169,544	176,172	— 6,628	878,340	864,352	+ 13,988
General charges	6,462	6,943	— 481	32,065	33,319	— 1,254
Superannuation subsidy ..	13,349	11,152	+ 2,197	59,299	56,100	+ 3,199
Total operating expenditure	636,644	620,292	+ 16,352	3,205,820	3,018,380	+ 187,440
Net operating revenue ..	48,811	— 62,056	+ 110,867	379,667	52,716	+ 326,951
Total railway operating revenue	685,455	558,236	+ 127,219	3,585,487	3,071,096	+ 514,391

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Capital cost of open lines as at 31st March, 1940	63,059,188
Capital cost of open lines as at 31st March, 1939	58,676,608