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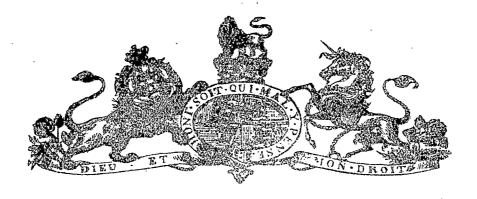
TASMANIA.

HOUSE OF ASSEMBLY.

# LAUNCESTON AND WESTERN RAILWAY:

REPORT FOR 1881.

Laid upon the Table by the Minister of Lands, and ordered by the House to be printed, July 12, 1882.



#### LAUNCESTON AND WESTERN RAILWAY.

Manager's Office, Launceston, March, 1882.

SIR,

I HAVE the honor to submit to you my Report upon the working of the Launceston and Western Railway for the year 1881.

#### Capital Account.

The expenditure under this head during the year has amounted to £1220, for additional Rolling Stock found necessary to meet the growing requirements of the traffic.

Two Guards brake-vans have been constructed, with second class compartments at each end, to be used under ordinary circumstances for second-class traffic, but specially available for the conveyance of prisoners and their escort when required. Besides affording this additional passenger accommodation, these new vans give a much larger space for passengers' luggage, parcels, mail, and small goods of every description.

With the exception of the under-frames, which are of iron, and the wheels and axles, which have been imported from England, these vehicles have been built in the workshops of the department, at a cost of about £900 each.

The advantage to the Department in working the traffic with these vans will be very great, and considerable economy will be effected.

It will be necessary before long to build another of these vans, to take the place of either of the two vans built during their temporary withdrawal from the traffic for repairs, &c.

An ordinary first class carriage has also been authorised, and is being constructed in the workshops to the same design as those at present in use; the cost will be about £460. Similar carriages imported from England cost £580.

I have already had the honor to explain to you the great disadvantages under which these vehicles were built in consequence of the Department having no stock of properly seasoned timber, and therefore timber just cut to our order had to be used. It is most essential that we should always have on hand a quantity of well seasoned timber to meet any emergency. This is necessary as much for ordinary carriage and wagon repairs as for the construction of new Rolling Stock. I have therefore asked you to authorise me to invite tenders for a supply of blackwood and other timber to be stored and seasoned.

Even with this addition the Rolling Stock of the Department to meet any exceptional demand is very limited.

The Locomotives and Rolling Stock of all descriptions have been carefully inspected, and necessary repairs executed, and are in first class working order.

The detailed Report of the Locomotive and Carriage and Wagon Superintendent bears testimony to this.

#### Permanent Way and Works.

No extraordinary expenditure has been necessary during the year; and by the exercise of great care and attention on the part of the Inspecting Surveyor, the earthworks were safely maintained. In several places, however, between Evandale and Breadalbane, there are indications of considerable movement in the deep cuttings, which will call for some extra outlay during the year 1882.

I must again remark upon the excessive wear and tear that takes place upon our rail which is used by the Tasmanian Main Line Railway Company between Evandale Road Junction and Launceston.

Some idea may be formed of the extent of this wear and tear when I inform you that during the year 1880, out of 130 tons of new steel rails put into the whole 45 miles of the Launceston and Western Railway, 109 tons were used upon the 11 miles between Evandale and Launceston, leaving only 21 tons for the requirement of the 34 miles between Evandale and Deloraine. This I believe to be solely attributable to Main Line Railway Co.'s tear and wear by their Rolling Stock.

Prior to the last arbitration the Inspecting Surveyor reported upon what he then conceived to be the extraordinary damage done to the heavy rail used by both lines, and this has since become more marked.

A new Station for Evandale Road Junction has been sanctioned, and a tender accepted. The work, at the time I am writing this Report, is well in hand, and according to the contract should be finished by the end of July next. This will supply a long recognised want.

The erection of the over-footbridge at Longford will in all probability be completed before the next Longford Show-day, and be a great convenience to the public.

The detail report of the Inspecting Surveyor is attached.

# Revenue Account.

The revenue for the year amounted to £24,074 0s. 1d., and considerably exceeded the estimate made during the preceding year. The difference is over £2000, and is accounted for by the supposition that the grain crop for 1881 would fall far short of the yield of 1880. This, indeed, proved to be the case, as there were 2700 tons of grain less carried by the Launceston & Western trains during last year than there were in 1880. There was, however, a large increase in other tonnage and in the distance the gross tonnage was carried, both of which matters will be again referred to.

The gross revenue of the year 1881 shows an increase of £513 19s. 1d. over that of the year 1880.

The following table gives the detail:—

	RECE	CIPTS.	DECREASE.		
	1820.	2831.	Amount.	Per cent.	Amount.
Passengers Parcels, &c	£ s. d. 10,117 10 11 759 10 1 7332 9 8 1080 10 4 4270 0 0	£ s. d. 10,396 9 10 790 16 1 7540 14 3 1288 9 11 4057 10 0	£ s. d. 278 18 11 31 6 0 208 4 7 207 19 7		£ s. d.
			726 9 1 212 10 0		212 10 0
	23,560 1 0	24,074 0 1	513 19 1	2.2	

There was an increase on every item of ordinary revenue. The decrease in Toll was caused by the action of the arbitrators who, last year, fixed the amount to be paid for 1881 and several succeeding years.

Passenger Traffic.

		1880.	1281.	Increase.	Decrease.
Total miles travelled	No. No. No. No.	1,783,178 17·33 29,846 69,374 3698 102,918 1·36 1 11·59	1,822,356 17·78 30,777 67,965 3753 102,495 1·37 2 0·34	39,178	1409 423

The decreases in the above table are in the second class journeys, and in total number of passengers carried. Notwithstanding the decrease (423) in number of passengers, the receipts from passenger traffic show an increase of nearly £280. This satisfactory result has been effected by the large increase in total miles travelled, average distance travelled per passenger, and in first class journeys. In each of these factors there was a falling off during the year 1880, but in each there has been more than a recovery during 1881, as there is an increase on 1879 as well as on 1880. The increase in number of season ticket journeys is a continuance of a steady progress which has been taking place in this traffic for many years. There is, again, an increase in the average rate received from each passenger, and again for every mile each passenger travelled. These facts prove that not only is a greater proportion of the passenger traffic conducted over the more remunerative parts of the line (a matter which was explained in last year's report), but there is a great tendency to through or long distance travelling. The following table will show that, with one very important exception, this tendency is general. I may, however, first remark that the 17.78 miles average distance travelled per passenger, 2s. 0.34d. average rate, and 1.37d. average rate per mile, are by far the largest figures yet reached upon the line.

		AVERAGE NO. MILES TRAVELLED BY EACH PASSENGER							
STATION WHERE BOOKED.	MILES TRAVELLED.	No.	Compared with 1880.						
		No.	Increase.	Decrease.					
aunceston	657,856	19.87	.93						
St. Leonard's	53 352	5.97	.09						
Evandale	120,291	11.86	34						
erth	68 706	10.82	.17						
ongford lagley	247,470	14.49	·16	İ					
Iagley	57,467	15.63	1.39						
Vestbury	185,503	21.47	•68						
xton	39,995	16.82	_	-57					
Deloraine	391,716	32.18	•46						
•	1,822,356	17.78	4.22	.57					
				ncrease, 65.					

The figure for Launceston should probably be 19 average miles, as the inwards passengers from "small stations" are booked at the stations where they arrive and are included in the above figures. This would affect Launceston as being farthest removed from these "small stations"; the results at other stations would scarcely be altered. The average for Launceston, Westbury, Exton, and Deloraine all exceed the general average, the travellers from the three latter stations being principally to the chief terminal. The average distance travelled by passengers from Launceston is high when it is considered that considerably more than one-fourth of them travel to St. Leonard's, a distance of four miles only.

The following shows the relative distances travelled during the year :-

25,002	passengers,	or $24\frac{1}{2}$	per cent.	of total,	travelled	1	to	5	miles
18,362	22	18~	,,	_	,,			20	1)
16,526	,,	$16\frac{1}{2}$	"		. ,,	11			"
12,502	"	$\frac{12}{12}$	"		, >>			10	"
12,375 $9535$	"	12	"		"	41			"
4421	"	9 <u>1</u> 4	"		"	31		25	• • •
3592	"	31	"		"			$\frac{20}{30}$	••
180	"	0.9	**		"			40	
	,,		"		,,				,,

A diagram, Table No. 9, is annexed showing these results more clearly. The small number travelling 35 to 40 miles is owing to the fact that there are only three lengths of that particular distance between stations, and the traffic between these stations is poor.

The total number of passengers carried is the smallest during three years, and has been gradually decreasing since the year 1878, although the receipts are larger by £150 than in that year. This decrease is partially accounted for by the operation of the Tasmanian Main Line Railway,—for the total passengers to and from Evandale during 1876, and when the Main Line had been open for two months, reached 25,431; in 1881 the figures were 15,103, or a falling off of over 10,000 passengers, or 41 per cent., in connection with Evandale alone. There was also a decline of 6 per cent. in the number to and from Perth, these large losses not being by any means compensated for by passengers brought by Main Line Railway to Evandale for Launceston and Western Stations, as every passenger is re-booked at Evandale and is included in the foregoing figures. Another source of the decrease is the introduction of labour-saving machines upon the farms and the consequent non-employment of harvest hands or reapers, who used, in former years, to swell up the totals of passenger traffic.

The following table is instructive as showing that the decreases, amounting to over 7000 passengers, have taken place at every one of the intermediate stations,—the terminals alone, including St. Leonard's, showing an increase:—

STATION WHERE BOOKED.	No. PASS	SENGERS.	INCREASE.	DECREASE.
STATION WHERE BOOKED.	1878.	1881.	INCKEASE.	DECREASE.
Launceston St. Leonards Evandale Perth Longford Hagley Westbury Exton Deloraine	30,614 8403 11,631 7990 17,671 4889 10,268 3054 11,952	38,116 8942 10,145 6349 17,079 3676 8638 2378 12,172	2502 539     220	 1486 1641 592 1213 1630 676 
	106,472	102,495	•••	3977

The increase in receipts, in spite of the decrease in numbers, is accounted for by the longer distances travelled and the greater proportion of first-class passengers, the consequence being an advance in the rate received per passenger, which has proved more than sufficient to make up the loss in numbers.

Over one million passengers have now been conveyed by this railway (the exact figures are 1,001,953), the miles travelled being equivalent to carrying one passenger 17,687,055 miles; and this has been accomplished without any casualty whatever.

Goods Traffic.

,	1880.	1221.	INCREASE.	DECREASE.	
Frain	Tons. 10,978 8682 1102	Tons. 8277 11,835 931	Tons 3153	Tons. 2701  171	
	20,762	21,043	3158 2872 281	2872	

The tonnage of 1881 is the largest received since the opening of the Main Line Railway. The effect of that railway's competition upon our receipts from goods traffic may be deduced in the same way as I have done with regard to passenger traffic. The average tonnage prior to Main Line opening was, for Evandale 5079 tons, and for Perth 2000 tons; the same tonnage (inwards and outwards) for 1881 was, respectively, 1064 and 1360, a decrease for Evandale of 4015 tons, or 79 per cent., and for Perth 640 tons, or 32 per cent. It has been contended that compensation is given by traffic from the Main Line, but the foregoing figures include the whole of the tonnage rom whatever source received, as well as the figures do in passenger traffic.

There was a decrease of 2701 tons of grain, and a large decrease had been anticipated when I estimated the goods receipts at a much smaller figure than was realised. The considerable increase in fencing, bark, &c. would not have made up for the decrease in grain, had not the increased distance carried come into force to affect the goods receipts in the same way as the passenger receipts were affected. The average distance each ton was carried was 29.29 miles, as compared with the previous years, 28.35 miles; and the receipts per ton were 6s. 9.03d., as compared with 6s. 7.85d.

There has been a large general increase in the tonnage of firewood, bark, and timber.

The tonnage of manure, which shows a decrease, is the smallest for some years.

The following is the usual comparative statement of acreage in cultivation and in crop, &c. in the Launceston and Western Railway District for the years 1880 and 1881:—

	,	1880.	1881.	Increase.	Decrease.
Land in cultivation Land in crop Per cent. of land in crop to land in cultivation Tonnage carried by Launceston and Western	Acres. Acres. Per cent.	153,867 62,521 40·6	162,410 57,273 35·3	85 <b>4</b> 3 —	5248 5·3
Railway  Tons carried per acre under crop  Per cent. of tons carried to land in crop	Tons. Tons.	$20,762 \mid 0.33 \mid$	21,043 · 0·36 · 36.7	281 0·03	

It is curious to notice, as has been remarked in former years, the closeness of the figures of land in crop compared to land in cultivation, and tons carried compared to land in crop; for 1881 the latter is 36.7 per cent., the former 35.3 per cent.

## Working Expenses.

The amount of working expenses, £17,711 0s. 3d., was £205 over the estimate; but this is satisfactorily accounted for by an amount of £265 extraordinary expenses in connection with the arbitration for Toll, and an amount of £220 extra labour for unforeseen extraordinary work required upon the bridges and earthworks. These sums have caused increases under the heads of General Charges and Maintenance as compared with the previous year, otherwise the charge against Maintenance would have been less and that against General Charges about equal to the expenses of 1880. Under the heads of Locomotive Charges and Traffic Charges there was in each case a decrease. The amount of increase in working expenses over those of the year 1880 was £255 5s. 11d. The cost per mile open, £339, and per train mile, 3s. 5·7d., was a little in advance of the previous year from the afore-mentioned causes.

The following is the usual comparative table with various railways, and which shows the working expenses of the Launceston and Western Railway in a most favorable light:—

United States (1880) Cape of Good Hope (1880) Victoria (1880) New South Wales (1880) Queensland (1880) South Australia (1878-9). New Zealand (1880-81) Tasmanian Main Line (estimated) (1881) Launceston and Western (1881)	Per mile open. £ 855 527 682 823 261 494 409 412 339	 Per train mile. s. d. 4 11.5 3 8.6 3 11.99 4 3 5 1.84 4 4.3 3 8.2 3 5.7
The train service for the year was—  Train mileage  Ditto per mile  Engine mileage (Launceston and Western		 101,934 2265 102,727

#### Net Earnings.

In spite of the extra expenditure shown under the working expenses heading, the net earnings for 1881 (£6362 19s. 10d.) exceeded those for 1880 by £258 13s. 2d., and consequently were the largest net receipts of any year yet reached. The amount represents a return of 1.6 upon the original debenture capital, and 1.5 upon the sum actually expended. The aggregate net earnings are £35,375 15s. 6d., and exceed by more than £12,000 the Government advances to complete equipment since the transfer of the line.

#### General.

The prospects of the yield from the harvest in progress at the time this report is written are very good, and I anticipate a most satisfactory year, and trust to be in a position to announce before its close that my estimate of receipts will be far exceeded.

It is extremely gratifying to me to report that more than one million passengers have been carried, and nearly eighteen millions of "miles travelled," is the result of our eleven years of working, and that no casualty of any kind whatever has occurred.

I have the honor to be, Sir,

Your obedient Servant,

R. W. LORD, Manager.

The Honorable C. O'Reilly, M.H.A., Minister of Lands and Works.

Launceston and Western Railway, Locomotive and Carriage and Wagon Department, Launceston, January, 1882.

DEAR SIR,

I HAVE the honor to report that the locomotives, rolling stock, buildings, machinery, signals, pumps, and water supply in connection with this Department have been well maintained during the year ending 31st December, 1881.

The locomotive engine mileage, including shunting, for the twelve months was 102,727 miles.

During the year two new passenger brake-vans, with compartments at each end for carrying prisoners, have been constructed in the Railway workshops, but owing to the non-arrival of the wheels, axles, &c. from England, they are not yet on the road.

I experience great difficulty in building new rolling stock through not having a supply of any description of seasoned timber on hand. The timber should be cut when the sap is down, and stacked under a shed for at least three years before it is worked up. I beg to suggest that this be done. These remarks apply also to carriage and wagon repairs.

I have still a large number of the wagon under-frames to renew as opportunity offers.

In consequence of the greater part of the stock being now thirteen years old it requires a large amount of attention.

A large expenditure will require to be incurred on the locomotive boilers in a year or so, as most of the tubes will have to be taken out for the purpose of examining the shells, &c. Should the Mersey line be constructed on a 3 feet 6 inch gauge this expenditure would probably be avoided.

I beg again to draw your attention to the fact that a few more wagons, horse-boxes, a carriage, and another long passenger break-van are necessary to meet the requirements of the traffic; as, owing to the increased age of the stock, from 6 to 10 per cent. will always be under repairs.

I also beg to draw your attention to the state of the running-shed, which is now unfit for men to work in at night time, and in consequence I have a great deal of trouble with the cleaners, who, as a rule, will not remain when they discover the nature of the work.

The engines and stone-crushing machinery belonging to the Public Works Department have been repaired by this Department, and a new revenue stamp-press has been constructed and one repaired for the Post Office, in addition to the repairs charged to the sub-departments of the Launceston and Western Railway.

I am, dear Sir,

Your obedient Servant,

W. E. BATCHELOR.

R. W. LORD, Esq., Manager.

DEÁR SIR,

Launceston & Western Railway, Permanent Way Department, Launceston, January, 1882.

for 1881.

Throughout the year a fair working condition has been maintained.

The great fall of rain during the winter months severely tried the heavy earthworks on the Evandale section, and it was with some difficulty a fair running condition was preserved in that locality.

I BEG to submit my Annual Report on the condition of the Permanent Way and Works of this Line

As before reported, the extensive disturbances in this locality render it imperative, to secure a good and safe condition, to periodically make provision to assist the staff during the summer months to cope with the difficulty during the winter.

Much is done by the concentration of the gangs occasionally with an engine; but our present strength being barely sufficient to meet the rapidly increasing demands of the way, it is embarrassing and at the risk of a general depreciation when compulsory to withdraw them for any length of time from their respective sections.

As it may be fairly assumed that the life of the original sleepers inserted during the construction of the line is now almost exhausted, a supply of about five thousand per annum will be a necessity for some years to come. Six thousand were inserted during 1881, against four thousand in 1880.

About 35 tons of steel rails were used for maintenance purposes only. One hundred and thirty tons were used during 1880; but this was owing to having had to relay many of the curves on the Launceston and Evandale section which were damaged during construction, and having to bear the strain of the traffic of both lines since 1876.

About 35 tons may be considered the lowest estimate of our annual demands; and as our present stock does not exceed that quantity, I trust my requisition now in your hands may be early and liberally met.

The station buildings, cottages, &c. are generally in good order, but the old timber platforms are in a bad condition, almost past repair. Increased accommodation at the smaller stations is required. If my original suggestion to extend them in stone or brickwork, with asphalt or cement tops, could be carried out, I am satisfied the department would annually effect a saving.

The decay of all descriptions of woodwork is rapidly increasing, necessitating a daily and careful inspection and a constant demand for material and mechanical labour.

Under these circumstances I am happy to be able to report the preservation of a safe and careful maintenance of all works included in the Permanent Way Department.

I am, dear Sir, Your obedient Servant,

LEONARD DOWLING.

R. W. LORD, Esq., Manager.

To Debenture Capital	£ s.	d. £ 400,000 50,000	.0 0	£ 450,000	o. d.	Telegraph prior to transfer to Government
Accrued Interest, Premiums, &c	1220 0	0		12,015	4 1	436,815 8
Ditto ditto towards payment of Interest on original Debentures		21,037 273,000	0 0	294,037	9 0	Railway Income, 1881
Revenue Expenditure, 1881	•••	17,711 159,797	0 3 3 11	177,508		Less Net Revenue from working the Line 35,375 15 6
Stores transferred to Government by the L. & W. Railway Company				1762 1	5 3	·
			£	035,323 1	2 6	<b>£</b> 935,323 12
J. W. ISRAEL, Accountant.						R. W. LORD, Secretary and Manager

# No. 2.

## STATEMENT of Receipts and Expenditure for the Year 1881.

Train Mileage—Goods and Passengers, 86,758; Ballasting, 1240: Total (L. & W. R.), 87,998: T. M. L. R. Train Mileage, Evandale to and from Launceston, 20,823: Grand Total, 108,821.

Mean Train Miles, 101,934. Engine Miles, 102,727.

		Train	Cost per	Cost per	·	Receip	ota per
EXPENDITURE.	Ł	Mileage.	Mile open.	Train Mile.	RECEIPTS.—C.	Train mile.	Open mile.
A.—Working Expenses.  Maintenance of Permanent Way and Works. Locomotive and carriage and wagen charges.  Traffic charges  Police, gatekeepers, &c.  General charges.  Extra charges—Tolls and compensation, Arbitration  Mails, &c.	£ s. d. 5727 3 8 5205 15 8 4313 3 1 509 7 9 1292 13 6 264 17 7 397 19 0	No. 108,821 87,998 108,821	£ 102·3 b 115·7 80·1 b	s. d. 1 0.6 1 2.2 0 10.6	Passengers, 102,495, at average 2s. 0·34d. per passenger		£
B.—Construction.  Expenditure upon new works of construction not chargeable to Working Expenses  Total Expenditure	1220 0 0	101,934 *	393·6 °	3 5-7	Total Railway Income	s. d. 4 8 7	\$ 461 <sup>8</sup>

a Mean Train Mileage. b Reduced to the equivalent of a Single Line throughout. c On actual Mileage.

No. 3.

ANALYSIS of Traffic, and Traffic Receipts, 1881.

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STATIONS.	PASSE	NGERS.	GOODS T	ONNAGE.		RECEIPTS DURING EACH MONTH.							
	Outwards.	Inwards.	Outwards.	Inwards,	Passengers.	Parcels, &c.	Goods and Live Stock.	Mails, Rent, Toll, &c.	TOTAL.	Month.		Relative Value of each Month,	Amount.
Launceston. St. Leonard's . Breadalbane* . Evandale . Perth . Longford . Wilmore's Lane* . Little Hampton* . Bishopsbourne* . Oaks* . Glenore* . Hagley . Westbury . Exton . Deloraine . Mails, Rents . Sundry Receipts . Toll, &c. (T.M.L.R.)	8942 10,145 6349 17,079  3676 8638 2378 12,172	38,979 5834 1886* 4958 5339 11,614 1013* 1007* 4931* 2803* 1666* 1641 5850 1023 9909 4042*	3166 35 383 325 505 2747 1530 458 956 1358 1761 1100 6719 	14,505 265 53 739 856 2138 390 172 116 293 515 69 932 	£ s. d. 3354 18 2 334 3 0 746 18 9 410 1 0 1454 1 7 302 11 5 883 5 10 216 3 4 2284 15 3 409 11 6	10 4 3 40 2 2 28 11 9 123 0 7 0 8 6 0 1 3 26 13 9 47 13 9 8 19 9 196 17 3 65 10 0	£ s. d. 4570 18 2 35 6 5 194 4 4 311 12 6 940 18 1 2 3 11 0 11 7 156 10 9 356 11 5 78 7 2 893 9 11 7540 14 3	17 4 5 18 18 10 18 16 0 14 3 0 45 16 10 103 15 5 1068 15 5 4057 10 0	£ s. d. 8185 13 10 379 13 8 1000 4 1 769 1 3 2532 8 3 2 12 5 0 12 10 485 15 11 1334 7 10 303 10 3 3478 17 10 1543 16 11 4057 10 0 24,074 0 1	January February March April May June July Angust September October November December	27 26 26 26 26 26 27 26	8·3 8·0 11·0 11·7 8·0 7·4 7·3 6·9 6·9 7·8 7·6 9·1	£ s. d. 2009 4 0 1920 18 7 2655 4 11 2805 13 4 1923 13 0 1781 18 10 1763 11 11 1652 15 0 1649 18 3 1873 0 9 1840 8 9 2197 12 9

<sup>•</sup> Includes Outwards and Inwards.

R. W. LORD, Secretary and Manager.

J. W. ISRAEL, Accountant.

No. 4.—A.

ANALYSIS of Working Expenses, 1881.

	Salaries and Wages.	Stores and Renewals. (D.)	Sundry Charges.	TOTAL.
Maintenance of Permanent Way. Inspecting Surveyor, Sub-Inspector, platelayers, carpenters, labourers, &c	£ s. d. 4621 9 5	£ s. d.	£ s. d. 29 9 3	£ s. d. 5727 3 8
Locomotive and Carriage and Wagon Department.  Loco-Superintendent, carpenters, blacksmiths, strikers, painters, turners, fitters, drivers, firemen, cleaners, labourers, &c	2948 18 0	2256 17 8		5205 15 8
Traffic Charges. Station-musters, booking clerks, goods clerks, telegraph operators, guards, porters, signalmen, watchmen, &c.—				
LauncestonSt. LeonardsBreadalbane	1382 15 4 — — 330 10 7	84 15 6		
Perth Longford Wilmore's Lane Little Hampton	101 2 6 473 17 6	19 5 3 30 12 6	·	
Bishopsbourne Oaks Glenore Hagley	_ 	- - 18 17 8		·
Westbury Exton Deloraine	121 0 0 80 0 0 374 8 2	26 7 3 12 3 6 55 5 2	966 1 #	
CartageGeneral traffic charges	74 3 11	516 2 9	366 1 5 128 16 5	
·	3031 16 0	786 9 3	494 17 10	4313 3 1
Police, Gates, &c. Gatekeepers at level crossings	487 15 2	21 12 7		509 7 9
General Charges.  Office of Manager, Accountant, Cashier, Storekeeper, &c.  T.M.L. Railway, Toll arbitration	1225 0 0	58 15 6	8 18 0 264 17 7	
	1225 0 0	58 15 6	273 15 7	1557 11 1
Mails.  Contracts for the conveyance of mails between the L. & W. Railway Stations and the several Post Offices situated within the L. & W. Railway District			397 19 0	397 19 0
	12,314 18 7	4200 0 0	1196 1 8	17,711 0 3

J. W. ISRAEL, Accountant.

R. W. LORD, Secretary and Manager.

# No. 5.—B.

# ITEMS charged to Construction during the Year 1881.

Guard's van partially altered into passenger carriage	£ 510			
Guard's van partially altered into van with special compartments for prisoners One new guard's van, with special compartments for prisoners	710	0	0	
	£1220	0	0	

J. W. ISRAEL, Accountant.

R. W. LORD, Secretary and Manager.

# No. 6.—D. Further Analysis of Stores consumed during the Year 1881.

	£	s.	d.
Fuel—Coal, 1217 tons; firewood, 290 tons		14	5
263 gallons; cylinder, 18 gallons; turps, 23 gallons; sundry oils, 58 gallons	240	18	0
Paints and varnish		2	3
Tallows, &c.—Tallow, 700 lbs.; grease, 152 lbs	. 16	7	8
Packings, &c Tucks, packing, &c., 125 lbs.; flax, 32 lbs.; waste, 1532 lbs	. 60	15	1
Stationery and advertisements	. 312	3	4
Timber	395	10	<b>2</b>
Iron	197	19	10
Tools		8	5
Ordinary sundries	231	5	9
Extra sundries	231	3	9
Duplicates	. 14	11	4
Renewals—Rails, crossings, sleepers, machinery	850	0	0
	£4200	0	0
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J. W. ISRAEL, Accountant.

R. W. LORD, Secretary and Manager.

No. 7.

DIRECTION and Extent of Goods Traffic for the Year 1881.

				<u> </u>	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·	I	NWARDS AT		·		·			тот	AL OUTW.	ARDS.
OUTWARDS FROM	Launceston.	St. Leonard's.	Breadalbane.	Evandale.	Perth.	Longford.	Wilmore's Lane, Little Hampton, and Bishopsbourne.	Ouks.	Glenore.	Hagley.	Westbury.	Exton.	Deloraine.	Tons.	Average Distance.	Miles travelled.
Launceston	Tons.  26 373 256 486 2620	Tons. 11	Tons, 44 — — — — — 3	-	5 395 7 — 5 2 — 5	935 1 	Tons. 258 — — — — — — — — — — — — — — — — — — —	Tons. 97 — 1	Tons. 74 — — — — — — — — — — — — — — — — — —	Tons. 185 ———————————————————————————————————	Tons. 362 1 — 9 2	Tons. 43	Tons. 697 — 8 7 57	Tons. 3166 35 383 325 505 2747	Miles.	No, 86,187 198 2742 3717 7513 48,865
Wilmoro's Lane Little Hampton Bishopsbourne Oaks Glenore Hagley Westbury Exton Deloraine	1315 378 876 1251 1476 909 4539	12 — — — 2 215	5    1		$egin{array}{c cccc} 1 & & & 6 \\ 4 & & - \\ 2 & & 4 \\ 1 & & 27 \\ 5 & & 53 \\ \hline \end{array}$	41 20 70 131 77		1 2 1 53	- - 1 40	1  4 1 84	 36 1  1 83	$-\frac{1}{\frac{1}{4}}$	20 19 19 28 76 1	1530 458 956 1358 1761 1100 6719		34,829 11,098 25,379 40,871 55,882 32,735 266,415
Tons inwards	14,505	265	53	73	9 856	2138	390	172	116	293	515	69	932	21,043	-	
Average Distance							<u> </u>								29-29	
Miles travelled *	449,534	9402	475	21,95	16,837	44,059	8615	3735	2744	7208	14,360	1899	35,613			616,431
		v			1880.	1881.					1880.		1881.			
	Goods train Ton miles Goods tonns Average ton Ditto m		mile		90,890 588,679 20,762 0.23 28:35	87,998 616,431 21,043 0.24 29.29	Goods receipt Average ditto Ditto per g Ditto per t Ditto per v	per ton pe goods train ton	er mile		£ s. d. 8897 19 2 0 0 2-89 0 1 6-21 0 6 7-85 132 13 0-75		s. d. 4 19 3 0 0 2.77 0 1 7.38 0 6 9.03 6 12 8.13			

Decimals omitted.

No. 8.

DISTRIBUTION and Extent of Passenger Traffic for the Year 1881.

		- <del> </del>						INWA	RDS A	Т							ТОТА	L OUT	WARDS.
OUTWARDS FROM	Season Ticket- holders, &c.*	Launceston.	St. Leonard's.	Breadalbane. *	Evandale.	Perth.	Longford.	Wilmore's Lane.	Little Hampton. *	# Bishopsbourne.	Oaks, *	Glenore. *	Hagley.	Westbury.	Exton.	Deloraine.	Passengers.	Average Distance.	Hiles travelled.
Launceston St. Leonard's Breadalbane	1293 364	7557	7727 —	1494 114	1799 182	2385 111	6570 288	316 16	352 11	1927 35	1084 14	501	609 43	1949 93	142 12	4968 94	33,116 8942		657,856 53,352
Evandale Perth Longford Wilmore's Lane Little Hampton Bishopsbourne	404 243 687	5167 2775 9274	149 67 54	143 28 126	955 1166	1032 — 1488	1520 1522 —	31 35 380	54 32 387	388 176 1037	164 53 475	85 18 257	143 57 220	206 95 494	17 17 55	642 276 979	10,145 6349 17,079		120,291 68,706 247,470
Oaks Glenore Hagley Westbury Exton Deloraine	162 323 81 485	1094 3732 607 6350	18 38 5 73	13 89 13 42	93 132 30 601	54 75 14 180	312 516 88 798	81 53 2 99	9 75 14 73	305 475 73 515	243 428 31 311	215 342 53 187	288 43 238	685 — 560 1768	38 290 — 452	354 1832 764	3676 8638 2378 12,172		57,467 185,503 39,995 391,716
No. Passengers	4042	36,556	8131	2012	4958	5339	11,614	1013	1007	4931	2803	1666	1641	5850	.1023	9909	102,495	•••	••
Average Distance .	•••					•••	•											17.78	:.
Miles travelled	68,714	769,923	38,305	16,771	58,689	52,691	172,050	12,920	13,910	81,256	47,393	25,343	31,892	110,153	12,465	309,831	•••		1,823,356
			1880. 90,890 1,783,178	8'	881. 7,998 2,356	Avera	age ditto	per pas	senger pe	£. 10,117	ļ	£ s.		<del></del>					
		Average of Ditto	o per trai:	n mile			·33 ·13	17·78 1·16 2,495	mil D	le litto per t litto per 1	rain mile passenger		0 0	0 1·36 2 2·72 1 11·59 11 4·36	0 0 0 2 0 2 199 18	4·35 0·34			

<sup>\*</sup> Includes Outwards and Inwards.

<sup>†</sup> Decimals omitted.

No. 10.

COST of Railway and Equipment and List of Rolling Stock, 1881.

CONST	RUCTIO: QUIPME	N AND						,		RC	LLI	NG	STO	cĸ.				
		Cost.			Carr	iages				-	Wag	ons.	Horse Boxes.	Broke Vans.	Total No. Vehicles.			
Miles open.	Amount.	Per Mile open.	Locomotives.	1st Class.	2nd Class.	Composite.	Excursion.	Ballast.	Low-sided.	High-sided.	Medium.	Swivel.	Covered.	Cattle.	Sheep.			
45	£ 436,815	£ 9707		4	3	7	2	5	13	16	42	8	15	9	6			
			5		]	6			•	-	1	14		,		4	7	146

J. W. ISRAEL, Accountant.

R. W. LORD, Secretary and Manager.

No. 11.
SUMMARY of Railway Statistics for Five Years ending 31st December, 1881.

	-	1877.	1878.	1879.	1580.	1881.
Miles open	No.	45	45	45	45	45
Miles worked (reduced to the equivalent of a single line)	No.	52	51.3	51.6	52.1	52.2
Total cost of construction and equipment	£	433,419	435,445	435,595	435,595	436,815
Ditto ditto per mile	£	9631	9676	9679	9679	9707
Gross earnings	£	21,442	22,189	21,583	23,560	21,074
Working expenses	£	18,103	17,681	18,699	17,456	17,711
Profits on working	£	<b>á</b> 3339	4508	2884	6104	6363
Proportion of working expenses to gross earnings	Per cent.	84.42	79.68	86.82	74.09	73.57
Passenger journeys	No.	102,959	106,472	103,256	102,918	102,495
Average distance travelled per passenger	Miles.	17.33	17.39	17.63	17:33	17:78
Average rate per passenger	s. d.	1 11.07	1 11.10	1 11.43	1 11:59	2 0.34
Ditto per passenger per mile	Pence.	1.33	1.32	1.33	1.36	1.37
Goods tonnage	No.	18,516	17,421	16,363	20,762	21,043
Average distance travelled per ${ t ton}$	Miles.	30.1	29.11	27.36	28.35	29.29
Average rate per ton	s. d.	6 9.46	6 9.02	6 3.55	6 7.85	6 9 03
Ditto per ton per mile	Pence.	2.71	2.78	2.76	2.82	2.77
Prain mileage	No.	102,471	101,712	100,624	104,473	101,934
Average ditto per mile open	No.	2277	2260	2236	2322	2265
Engine mileage	No.	102,745	101,271	100,590	105,280	102,727
Gross earnings per train mile	s. d.	4 2 2	4 4.3	4 3.4	4 6 1	4 8.7
Ditto per mile open	£	476.4	493.0	479.6	523 6	535
Working expenses per train mile	s. d.	3 6.4	3 5.7	3 8.6	3 4.1	3 5 7
Ditto per mile worked	£	348.0	342.2	360.4	334.7	339.
Locomotives	No.	5	5	5	5	5
Other vehicles	No.	126	144	144	144	146

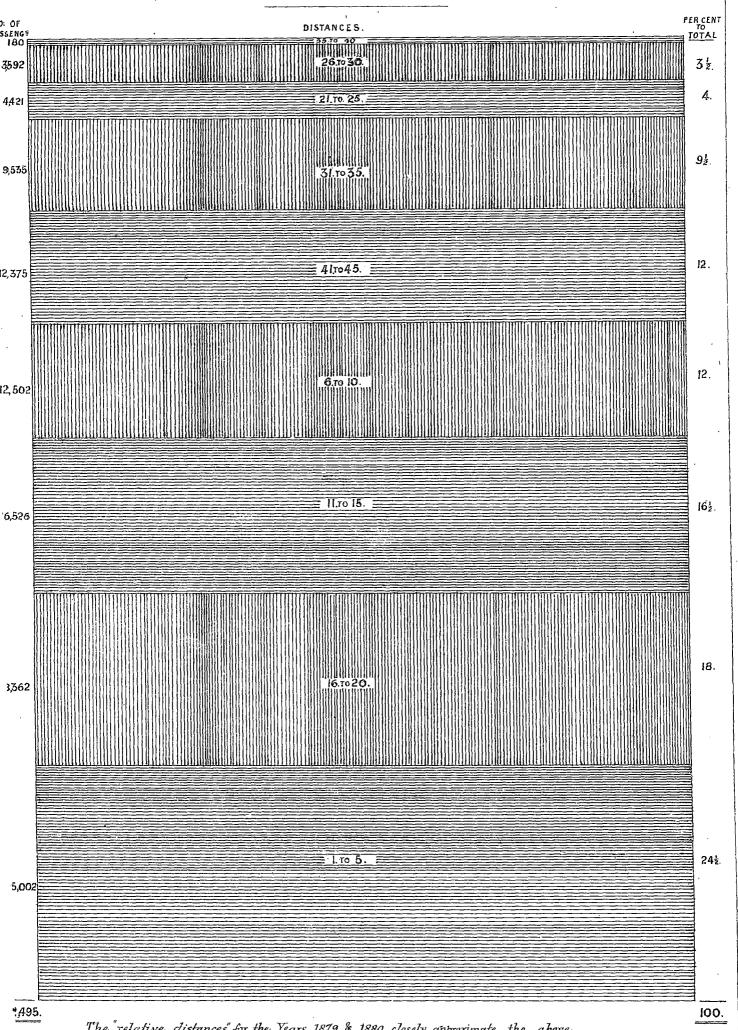
R. W. LORD, Secretary and Manager.

J. W. ISRAEL, Accountant.

# LAUNCESTON & WESTERN RAILWAY

Nº 9.

DIAGRAM SHOWING THE RELATIVE DISTANCES TRAVELLED BY PASSENGERS DURING 1881.



The "relative distances" for the Years 1879 & 1880. closely approximate the above.

J. W. Israel. Accountant. R.W. Lord. Secretary & Manager

No. 12.

# RECEIPTS, Traffic, and Working Expenses, &c.—Decennial Return.

### TRAFFIC RECEIPTS, &c.

-	open.	Cost of Cor and Equ		Total Train	otives.	Goods o	ind Pas- Traffic.	4	Receipts.														Receipts per Train Mile.		ng Days.
Year.	Miles	Amount.	Per mile.	Miles.	Госото	Tons.	Passen- gers.	Passe	nge	rs.	Parcels, &c.			Goods and Live Stock.			_	scel eou:		Tor	AL.	Mue.			Working
		£	£	·	No.		_	£	s.	d.	£	<i>s</i> .	d.	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.	£	s. (	i.	s.	d.	
1872	45			72,300		18,111	63,647	6199	15	7	316	14	1	5813	14	6	1306	2	1	13,636	6	3	3	9.24	278
1873	45	426,279	9472	83,682	4	25,283	82,923	7659	9	7	132	18	9	7968	15	2	1032	3	8	17,093	7	2	4	1.02	313
1874	45	427,946	9509	94,110	5	24,804	91,264	8918	13	6	515	9	1	7496	2	4	1394	19	11	18,325	4 1	0	3	10.7	313
1875	45	429,604	9547	89,650	5	25,837	92,122	9132	3	5	571	10	5	8691	8	3	1041	11	1	19,435	13	2	4	4.8	313
1876	45	431,613	9591	89,101	5	20,630	103,017	9838	4	70	398	4	0	6787	19	4	1589	8	3	18,913	16	2	4	2.9	313
1877	45	433,409	9631	102,471	5	18,516	102,959	9899	2	5	571	15	9	6804	9	2	4167	9	9	21,442	17	1	4	2.2	313
1878	45	435,445	9676	101,712	5	17,421	106,472	10,250	19	8	674	9	7	6448	3	11	4816	6	8	22,189	19 1	0	4	4.3	312
1879	45	435,595	9679	100,624	5	16,363	103,256	10,082	8	7	769	9	1	5685	17	7	5046	4	3	21,583	19	6	4	3.4	313
1880	45	435,595	9679	104,473	5	20,762	102,918	10,117	10	11	759	10	1	7332	9	8	5350	10	4	23,560	1	0	4	6.1	314
1881	45	436,815	9707	101,934	5	21,043	102,495	10,396	9	10	790	16	1	7 <b>54</b> 0	14	3	5345	19	11	24,074	0	1	4	8.7	313

#### WORKING EXPENSES.

	orked.	Mai	nțenano	e.	Locomoto and Wa			Traffi	c Char	ges.		al Cha		Total Wor	Days.		
Year.	Miles w	Amount.	Per Mile open.	Per Train Mile.	Amount.	Per Mile open.	Per Train Mile.	Amount.	Per Mile open.	Per Train Mile.	Amount.	Per Mile open.	Per Train Mile.	Amount.	Per Mile open.	Per Train Mile.	Working
1874 1875 1876 1877 1878 1879	45 45 45 45 45 45 45 45	£ s. d. 4008 5 4 3400 1 0 4790 17 4 4863 12 8 4650 15 8 5960 1 2 5341 10 0 6550 12 5 5553 17 8 5727 3 8	89·07 75·5 106·4 101·8 103·3 132·4 97·2* 118·7*	0 9.75 1 0.2 1 1.2 1 0.5 1 1.1 0 11.7 1 2.5 0 11.9	5284 9 9 5084 17 6 5031 16 7 5657 9 2 5662 8 6	95.54 101.3 117.6 113.0 111.8 125.7 125.8 126.2 116.6	1 1.08 1 1.5 1 1.8 1 1.5 1 3.1 1 3.4 1 3.7 1 1.9	# s d. 3907 13 10 4237 15 1 4231 2 2 4780 16 5 4665 18 11 4884 1 9 4805 18 4 4719 18 0 4976 0 8 4822 10 10	94·1 94· 106·2 103·7 108·5 85·8* 84·3* 88·9*	1 0·16 0 10·7 1 1 1 0·5 0 10·7 0 10·5 0 10·5 0 10·7	# s. d. 1570 19 8 1454 18 0 1321 9 5 1483 14 5 1493 18 6 1601 13 2 1871 4 0 1747 13 0 1677 8 7 1955 10 1	32·4 29·3 33· 31·9 35·6 33·4* 31·2* 30·0*	0 4·16 0 3·4 0 4· 0 3·9 0 3·5 0 4·1 0 3·9 0 3·6	16,213 1 0 15,782 9 8 18,103 5 3 17,681 0 10 18,699 7 5 17,455 14 4	306·36 303·3 347·3 360·3 350·7 402·2 342·2* 360·4* 334·7*	3 3·15 3 3·8 3 8· 3 6·4 3 6·4 3 5·7* 3 8·6•	313 313 313 313 313 312 313 314

<sup>\*</sup> Reduced to the equivalent of a single line of Railway throughout.

R. W. LORD, Secretary and Manager.

### J. W. ISRAEL, Accountant.

### No. 13.

# RECONCILIATION of Treasury and Railway Statement of Accounts for the Year 1881.

Traffic Receipts for year 1881, as per Launceston and Western Railway Accounts	£	8.	d.	£ 94.074	s. 0	d.
Traffic Receipts for year 1881, as per Launceston and Western Railway Accounts	23,769 1385	10 16	3 11	~ ±,07 ±	Ü	•
Less Outstandings, 31st December, 1880						
Less Outstandings, 31st December, 1880	1381	· ·		24,074	0	1

# J. W. ISRAEL, Accountant.

R. W. LORD, Secretary and Manager.

Reconciliation Statement, No. 13, correct.

W. LOVETT, Colonial Auditor.