

RETURN NO. 32.

COMPARATIVE STATEMENT of the Mileage open, Capital expended, Expenses, &c., of Railways in Queensland, New South Wales, Victoria, South Australia, New Zealand, and Cape Colony.

Railways.	Miles open.	Capital Cost.	Cost per Mile open.	Train Miles.	Gross Earnings.	Earnings per Train Mile.	Working Expenses.	Working Expenses per Train Mile.	Percentage of Net Earnings to Cost.	Percentage of Expenses to Revenue.	Year ending
Queensland ..	1,033	£ 7,092,973	£ 6,833	1,698,482	£ 590,551	d. 83.45	£ 291,947	d. 41.17	4.22	49.33	31st Dec., 1883.
New South Wales ..	1,321	16,905,014	12,810	5,937,261	1,931,464	78.07	1,177,788	47.61	4.48	60.98	"
Victoria ..	1,562	21,488,065	13,757	5,701,513	1,898,311	79.91	1,273,921	53.62	2.91	67.11	"
South Australia ..	1,036	6,849,081	6,629	1,732,716	557,055	77.16	372,187	51.55	2.77	66.81	30th June, 1884.
New Zealand ..	1,477	11,810,194	7,996	2,882,422	1,045,713	87.00	630,027	57.45	3.01	65.99	31st March, 1885.
Cape Colony ..	969	9,352,365	9,652	2,892,878	968,511	80.35	746,665	61.95	2.40	77.09	31st Dec., 1882.