I trust that this detailed information may prove of service in enabling you to fully consider the proposals which have been laid before you on behalf of the company

I have, &c.,

ROBERT WILSON,
Engineer-in-Chief and General Manager, New Zealand
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The Hon. the Premier, Wellington.

Enclosure 1 in No. 6.

New Zealand Midland Railway Company's Estimate of Traffic on East and West Coast Line, calculating Charges on Proportion of Through Rates only on Coal Traffic, to compete with Sea-borne Coal to Lyttelton.

Tons.		Rate.			
		Govt Through.	Company Propor.		
70,000 45,000 21,000 1,430 2,000 200 4,000 2 500 5,000 3,000	West to East. Coal, local consumption, 103 miles "shipping company, "Timber, 15,000,000, 150,000 (c.m.b.) Sleepers, 1,000,000, 10,000 Building-stone, &c., 2,000 Parcels, sundries Passengers, 1st class through, 4,000 (103 miles to Springfield) Passengers, 2nd class through, 5,000 (103 miles to Springfield) Passengers, 1st class local, 5,000 (20 miles) "2nd "6,000 "	$ \begin{array}{cccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccc$	£ s. d. 0 8 7 0 8 7 0 2 2 0 2 2 0 8 1 1 6 10 0 17 11 0 5 3 0 3 7	£ 30,040 19,311 16,250 1,083 808 1,500 5 370 4,480 1,300 1,080	£ 21 000
154,130					81,222
1,000	EAST TO WEST. Merchandise, Class A	$\begin{bmatrix} 2 & 10 & 1 \\ +25 & \% \end{bmatrix}$	3 2 7	3,130	
4,000	" " B	$\left\{ \begin{matrix} 12 & 2 & 0 \\ +25 & \% \end{matrix} \right\}$	2 12 6	10,500	
5,000	, , C	$\left[\begin{array}{ccc} 1 & 14 & 0 \\ +25 & \% \end{array}\right]$	2 2 6	10,625	
6,000	Grain	$\left[\begin{array}{ccc} 0 & 11 & 9 \\ +25 \ \% \end{array} \right]$	0 14 8	4,400	
8,000	Agricultural—Hay, &c. (per ton)	$\left[\begin{array}{cc} 0 & 7 & 5 \\ +25 & \% \end{array} \right]$	0 9 3	3,700	
900	Cattle, 5,000, 417 trucks	$\left[\begin{array}{cc} 2 & 10 & 9 \\ +25 & \% \end{array}\right]$	3 3 5	1 322	
980	Sheep, 16,000, 160 "	$igg egin{array}{c c} 2 & 19 & 6 \\ +25 & \% \end{array} \}$	3 14 4	595	
200 4,000 2,500 5,000 3,000	Parcels and sundries Passengers, 1st class through, 103 miles " 2nd " " " 1st " local, 20 miles " 2nd " "		1 6 10 0 17 11 0 5 3 0 3 7	1,500 5,370 4 480 1,300 1,080	40,000
40,580	Cost of working (calculated on Messrs. Higginson and Maxwell's basis), see Enclosure No. 4.	52 %			129,224 67,318 61,906