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## NEW ZEALAND

REDUCTIONS IN RATES AND CHARGES MADE BY THE  
RAILWAY COMMISSIONERS.*Return to an Order of the House of Representatives dated 1st September, 1892.**Ordered, "That a return be laid before this House showing the reductions in rates and charges made by the Railway Commissioners since they were appointed, with explanations regarding the operation of the same."—(Mr. BUCHANAN.)*

## REDUCTIONS IN FARES AND RATES SINCE APPOINTMENT OF RAILWAY COMMISSIONERS.

## GENERAL.

Item.	Nature of Reduction.	Example.
PASSENGERS.		
Ordinary tickets	Return tickets issued <i>daily</i>	50 miles, previously 2 single fares = 14s., 2nd class now, return fare is 9s. 4d., 2nd class.
Season tickets	For 3-mile distances	Previously, 2nd class monthly 11s. 6d. now, 2nd class monthly 10s.
Commutation tickets, up to 20 miles	Concession on monthly season-tickets	A 7-mile single-journey fare under the commutation-ticket rate, 2nd class, will cost 3½d.; under the monthly season-ticket it will cost 5½d.
Newspaper-reporters' season-tickets	Maximum charge for either Island fixed.	
Free school season-tickets	Use extended to private primary schools.	
Religious bodies and friendly societies	Concession made to delegates attending meetings.	
Athletic teams	Concession extended.	
School-boarders' tickets	Enabling school-boarders to return to their homes at holiday times	Previously 50-mile fares, 14s.; now, 50-mile fares, 7s.
Teachers' Saturday tickets	Regulation extended to allow teachers to travel on Fridays or Mondays.	
PARCELS, ETC.		
Bicycles	Concession made when conveyed as passengers' luggage.	
Milk	Rate for distances over 30 miles	Previously, 60 miles, 1½d. per gallon now, 60 miles, 1¼d. per gallon.
GOODS.		
Classified rates	Reduced for distances over 150 miles.	
Goods of Class E Barley, beans, bran, chicory-roots, dholl, flax, flour, germina, grain, horsefeed, linseed, maize, malt, oatmeal, oats, oats crushed, peas (colonial), pollard, potatoes, rapeseed, rye, sacks in bags and bales, sharps, tares, tobacco-leaf, tow, wheat	Minimum quantity to be charged at grain rates reduced from 2 tons to 1 ton 10cwt., and charge for quantities less than minimum reduced	Previously 10cwt., 50 miles 8s. 9d., 100 miles 13s. 3d. now, 10cwt., 50 miles 6s. 6d., 100 miles 8s. 9d.
Ditto	Rates reduced for distances over 70 miles.	Previously, 100 miles 12s. 10d. per ton, 150 miles 17s. per ton, now, 100 miles 11s. 7d. per ton, 150 miles 13s. 8d. per ton.