

Three class B heavy locomotives for goods traffic and six class Fb tank engines are being built at Addington.

Three class WA locomotives for heavy mixed traffic are being built at Hillside.

Three class LA locomotives are being built at Petone to replace three old class L locomotives, two of which have already been sold.

The following table gives particulars of repairs, &c., to locomotive boilers for the year :—

Year ending 31st March, 1902.	Number passed through Shops.	Built new.	Heavy Repairs.	Light Repairs.	New Tubes.	Tubes pieced.	New Barrels.	New Smoke-box Tube-plate.	New Fire-boxes complete.	New Fire-box Tube-plates.	Boilers patched.
Boilers ... ..	226	10	75	141	36	32	...	4	4	3	67

Seven new boilers are in hand.

The following cars, brake-vans, wagons, and tarpaulins were completed and added to stock during the year, viz. : 101 bogie cars, twenty-seven bogie brake-vans, fifty-two bogie and 1,562 four-wheel wagons, and 810 tarpaulins.

The seating-accommodation of carriages has been increased 14·18 per cent. ; also the carrying-capacity of wagon stock has been increased 24·52 per cent.

Carriage repairs and rebuilding : 1,149 carriages passed through shops, sixty corridor cars were erected, and forty-one cars built.

The following table gives particulars of repairs, &c., to carriages for the year :—

Particulars.	Number.	Class of Car.
Number passed through shops ... ..	1,149	990 A, 55 B, 82 C, 22 D.
Erected ... ..	60	60 A (American corridor cars).
Built new ... ..	41	41 A.
Rebuilt or converted ... ..	...	...
Thoroughly overhauled ... ..	50	42 A, 4 B, 3 C, 1 D.
Heavy repairs ... ..	208	183 A, 13 B, 6 C, 6 D.
Light repairs ... ..	790	664 A, 38 B, 73 C, 15 D.
Wholly painted and varnished ... ..	290	261 A, 19 B, 9 C, 1 D.
Touched up and revarnished ... ..	397	369 A, 11 B, 14 C, 3 D.
Fitted with standard draw-gear ... ..	85	83 A, 2 C.

One hundred and two bogie cars have had cushions fitted to seats of second-class compartments : total number of cars so fitted to end of year, 305.

The following new car-work is in hand : Building thirty-three Class A bogie cars, and converting twenty-three four- and six-wheel cars to double bogie, Class A.

Brake-van repairs and rebuilding : 417 brake-vans passed through shops, twenty-seven new bogie vans were built.

The following table gives particulars of repairs, &c., to brake-vans for the year :—

Description.	Number passed through Shops.	Built new.	Rebuilt.	Converted from Four-wheel to Bogie.	Thoroughly overhauled.	Heavy Repairs.	Light Repairs.	Painted.	Touched up.	Fitted with Standard Draw-gear.
Brake-vans ... ..	417	27	...	...	10	71	309	93	123	36

The conversion of six four-wheel vans to bogie vans is in hand.

Wagon repairs and rebuilding : 9,261 wagons passed through shops, fifty-two bogie and 471 four-wheel wagons were built new, 900 four-wheel wagons were erected ; 200 four-wheel wagons, built under contract—viz., 100 by Southland Implement Company and 100 by J. MacAlister and Co., Invercargill—were added to stock.

The following table gives particulars of repairs, &c., to wagons for the year :—

Description.	Number passed through Shops.	Erected.	Built new.	Rebuilt.	Converted.	Thoroughly overhauled.	Heavy Repairs.	Light Repairs.	Painted.	Touched up.	Fitted with Standard Draw-gear.
Wagons ... ..	9,261	900	523	11	73	20	1,868	5,866	2,606	2,367	2,589