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RAILWAY BRANCH.

G.O., No. 195-96 R

DATED 25th July

[Despatch Abstract.]

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Forwarding Proc: enclosing the list of Sanctioned & unSanctioned works to accompany the Capital budget Estimate — for 1895-96.

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Working expenses	25,15,789	24,41,161	23,83,717	23,70,280	23,82,127
Net earnings ..	17,32,095	14,03,370	14,83,586	18,08,977	20,48,732
Gross earnings per open mile per week	156·79	142·04	142·88	154·41	163·70
Percentage of expenses to receipts	59·22	63·50	61·64	56·72	53·76
Train mileage	NO. 1,637,671	NO. 1,562,305	NO. 1,528,283	NO. 1,623,924	NO. 1,620,825
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Total ..	5,504,605	5,016,006	5,428,247	5,886,084	6,103,952
Receipts .. First class	RS. 35,719	RS. 29,354	RS. 27,471	RS. 30,332	RS. 35,569
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