

5. No article weighing more than 10 tons or the weight of which exceeds the lifting-capacity of the crane at either the receiving or forwarding station, or which requires for its carriage a specially constructed truck, or any alteration in a truck, shall be received and carried except under a special agreement.

(29.) Check and Empty Railway-wagons.

1. Check wagons and empty railway-wagons hauled on their own wheels will be charged 6d. per truck per mile up to 50 miles, and 4d. per truck per mile for each additional mile. Bogie trucks will be charged double rates.

2. A check wagon or wagons will be charged for when the running of the same is required by reason of the length of the goods. When such goods cannot be loaded in a four-wheeled truck and a bogie truck is specially provided, charges as for a check wagon will be made unless other provision is made for charging for such goods when loaded in bogie wagons.

(30.) Yardage.

1. Live-stock (not carried or to be carried by rail) occupying or using Railway stock-yards will be charged as follows :—

Cattle, 8½d. per head per day or part of a day.

Calves, sheep, goats, pigs : For the first 100 or part thereof, 3d. per head per day or part of a day ; for each additional animal, ¾d. per head per day or part of a day.

2. Live-stock will be held at the sole risk of owners, who will also require to make their own arrangements for feeding and watering the same.

3. Railway stock-yards may be used for such live-stock only at the convenience of the Department.

(31.) Tarpaulins.

1. Consignors who undertake the covering of any goods shall make good all damage to tarpaulins arising from such goods being insufficiently or negligently covered, secured, or protected.

2. The Department does not undertake to provide tarpaulins for goods of Classes F, K, M, N, P, Q, nor labour for covering such goods when loaded by consignor, and will take no responsibility in respect of these classes of goods on account of their not being covered by tarpaulins. Tarpaulins, if supplied for these classes of goods, will be charged for as follows :—

Distance.	Rate per Tarpaulin.	
	s.	d.
Not exceeding 100 miles	1	5
Over 100 miles and not exceeding 250 miles	2	10
Over 250 miles	4	2

3. When tarpaulins are provided to cover goods of Classes F, K, M, N, P, Q, or R from one consignor to various consignees, or from various consignors to one or several consignees, the consignor who requires the goods to be covered will be called upon to pay the charges for cover.

4. Tarpaulins not released within eight working-hours from time of arrival will be charged demurrage at the rate of 1s. 5d. per tarpaulin per day or part of a day after the first eight hours. Working-hours shall be deemed to be from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. Sundays and days on which goods-sheds are closed for the whole day will be treated as *dies non*.

5. When owners of goods do their own loading, and require the use of tarpaulins, they must provide the labour for covering the truck. If covering is done by the Department 1s. 5d. per tarpaulin will be charged.

6. Private tarpaulins supplied by consignors for the protection of their consignments during transit by rail will be conveyed free of charge on both the outward journey and when being returned from the original destination station to the original forwarding-station.

(32.) Haulage, Handling, Sorting, and Transhipment Charges.—Port Stations.

1. Except as otherwise provided, the charge for haulage and handling at and between ship's side and private stores or sidings or Government sheds and public sidings at the same station will be as follows :—

(a.) For handling at ship's side—	s.	d.
Goods not otherwise specified, per ton (minimum charge 9d.)	1	5
Goods charged Class E, single rate, per ton (minimum charge 9d.)	1	1
Timber (Class K), per 100 superficial feet (minimum charge 9d.)	0	6
(b.) For haulage from ship to Government shed or public siding, or vice versa—		
Goods not otherwise specified, per ton (minimum charge 9d.)	1	5
Timber (Class K), New Zealand, per 100 superficial feet (minimum charge 1s. 6d.)	0	6
Timber (Class K) imported, per 100 superficial feet (minimum charge 2s. 3d.)	0	9
(c.) For haulage from ship to ship or private store or siding, or vice versa—		
Goods not otherwise specified, per ton (minimum charge 2s. 2d.)	1	5
Timber (Class K), New Zealand, per 100 superficial feet (minimum charge 3s. 6d.)	0	6
Timber (Class K) imported, per 100 superficial feet (minimum charge 5s. 3d.)	0	9