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BRITISH RAILWAYS in MONMOUTHSHIRE

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This is one of a number of lists covering the pre-1974 counties of south and west Wales which also includes:

List GLA: Glamorgan

List CAR: Carmarthenshire, Pembrokeshire and southern Cardiganshire

List BRE: Brecknock

The following lists may also be of interest:

List NWL: North Wales (BR only)

List SHB: Shropshire, Herefordshire and Mid Wales

List IND: standard gauge Industrial railways in Wales and elsewhere

List NG: narrow gauge lines in Great Britain (including Wales)

BRECON & MERTHYR (LOWER SECTION: NEWPORT exclusive, - NEW TREDEGAR)

Ref number	Description	Date taken (where known)
5175B	0-6-0PT, bunker-first, on a passenger train at New Tredegar. (Loco very close to camera, viewed from the signal box)	Winter 1956/7?
C1786	New Tredegar station with 0-6-0PT bunker-first on passenger train for Newport; signal box on right of picture in foreground	16 April 1960
C3001	The junction at Machen with 0-6-2T about to depart on the Caerphilly line with passenger train; shows semaphore signals	27 June 1964
R1147	Unidentified 72xx 2-8-2T running light engine, photographed bunker-first, near Rhiwderin on the Brecon & Merthyr	May 1964

SIRHOWY VALLEY (ex-LNWR: RISCA exclusive to NANTYBWCH)

Ref number	Description	Date taken (where known)
4508A	Pontllanfraith High Level Station signal box, viewed from the former station footbridge; 0-6-0PT 4643 on freight train passing	Spring 1964
4508B	0-6-0PT 4643 (bunker-first) and short train of mineral wagons passing through Pontllanfraith HL station (track singled)	Spring 1964
5119A	Pontllanfraith High Level Station signal box (ex-LNWR) and level crossing, looking south from the station platform	
5120A	Tredegar station, with 0-6-0PT 7771 and one coach standing at the platform	
5120B	Blackwood station: 0-6-0PT 7771 on northbound passenger train loading parcels at platform	
5121A	0-6-0PT 7771 awaiting departure from Nantybwch station with a passenger train for the Sirhowy line. (Train formed of a single GWR auto-coach, although loco. not auto-fitted.)	
5121B	Distant view of 0-6-0PT 7771 running round its train at Nantybwch, viewed from the station platforms, looking towards Sirhowy.	
51228	Tredegar station, taken from a Newport-bound train approaching the station, hauled by a 0-6-0PT. Grass-grown Tredegar Iron Co. lines to the left; semaphore signals prominent	
C1066	0-6-0PT 6434 with an SLS special train at Nine Mile Point, near Risca	12 July 1958
C1067	View looking along the platform to level crossing at Tredegar, Sirhowy Valley line, with passenger train at other platform	13 July 1958
C1860	Pontllanfraith High Level ex-LNWR station on the Sirhowy Valley line showing signal box, level crossing, footbridge and station buildings	3 July 1960

WESTERN VALLEYS (NEWPORT to EBBW VALE & BRYNMAWR)

Ref number	Description	Date taken (where known)
3235	3-car Derby suburban DMU (later class 116) at Brynmawr. The unit is standing in the bay platform at the west end of the station, waiting to return to Newport via Aberbeeg	July 1960?
3241	DMU from Brynmawr to Newport at Aberbeeg. The destination blind reads "Blaenavon", which reflects the fact that many trains worked through between the Western and Eastern valleys, although not advertised as through services in the timetable	July 1960?
3242	DMU in the Ebbw Vale line platform at Aberbeeg	July 1960?
3243	DMU for Aberbeeg in the platform at Ebbw Vale (Low Level)	July 1960?
5119B	Risca, looking north from the station footbridge towards the junction of the Nantybwch and Aberbeeg lines: 0-6-0PT 9745 coming off the former with a freight, passing an unidentified 72xx 2-8-2T waiting for the road with a coal train	
5490A	Crumlin Low Level with the Crumlin viaduct in the background; northbound steam-hauled freight train on left, DMU at southbound platform	
5490B	DMU in the platform at Ebbw Vale (Low Level), photograph taken looking south	

DMU in the southbound Ebbw Vale line platform at Aberbeeg, viewed from the north end of the northbound platform	
Aberbeeg: DMU in the southbound Ebbw Vale line platform, viewed from the apex of the V-shaped platform	
Risca station, looking north	
Ebbw Vale Low Level station with steam passenger train at the platform (loco at far end and not visible); shows signal box	7 April 1962
Unidentified 0-6-0PT with passenger train at the platform at Cwm on the GWR Ebbw Vale branch; view of whole train from track level	7 April 1962
Abercarn station, overall view from track level	7 April 1962
Aberbeeg station viewed from the south showing both routes northwards; a DMU standing at the southbound Ebbw Vale line platform	7 April 1962
DMU for Ebbw Vale standing in the station at Aberbeeg; station nameboard reads "Aberbeeg, change for Brynmawr"	7 April 1962
Overall view of Risca in foul weather, with the Sirhowy Valley line on the left and the Western Valleys line on the right; 54xx 0-6-0PT on a Sirhowy Valley train	4 Jan 1958
Tredegar Junction Lower signal box; good broadside view on the curve from Pontypool Road to the Neath line	12 July 1958
0-6-0PT 6434 with the SLS Cardiff II Rail Tour at Nine Mile Point	12 July 1958
Tredegar station, looking north from the platform	13 July 1958
Penrhos Junction with 0-8-0 49121 on the 9.30am public excursion train from Nantybwch; the train was held by signals on the Barry Railway, waiting for the previous train from Pontypridd to Barry Island to clear the Wenvoe - Tynycaeu Junction outer home from Penrhos Junction; view shows abutments of Barry Railway avoiding line from Brecon; and the Merthyr to Penrhos Lower Junction over the top	13 July 1958
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NEWPORT AREA

Ref number	Description	Date taken (where known)
3234	DMU for Brynmawr in Platform 7 at Newport (High Street)	July 1960?
5173A	Clean Castle class 4-6-0 7025 Sudeley Castle on down special (Reporting no.011) formed of GWR stock at Newport station (platform 1); something else is signalled on the up through line	Winter 1956/7?
5173B	Class 4 4-6-0 75008 with a down train of BR Mark 1 stock in two-colour livery at Newport station (platform 1)	Winter 1956/7?
5174A	Wintry sunshine illuminates 57xx class 0-6-0PT 9662 (shed plate 86A), standing at platform 7 at Newport (High St.) with a two-coach train (for Brecon or New Tredegar)	Winter 1956/7?
5174B	Busy scene at the west end of Newport (High Street) station, with three trains visible: 2-6-2T 3170 on a down local in the bay (platform 3), 4-6-0s 5981 <i>Frensham Hall</i> at the down main platform 1 and 5989 <i>Cransley Hall</i> coming past on the down through line with train M153.	Winter 1956/7?
5313	0-6-0PT 6434 with SLS special train (Target Y Special) at the site of the former Monmouthshire Railway passenger station at Newport Mill Street	12 July 1958

6803	Interior view of Newport West signal box	14 Jan 1961
J311	Overall view of Maesglas Junction, Newport	12 July 1958
J312	Newport Dock Street goods station with the ex-Wantage Tramway locomotive 0-4-0ST built by Manning Wardle 1057/1888 (see views of this loco listed under the Cordes Doc steel mills heading in my list IND, including the loco in steam in 1954)	12 July 1958
R0521A	Unidentified Hall class 4-6-0 crossing the river Usk at Newport with up passenger train, seen from the parallel road bridge	Aug 1962
R0521B	As R0521A, but train going away from camera	Aug 1962
R1076	0-4-0ST <i>Alison</i> (Avonside 1590 of 1910): ³ / ₄ broadside in the factory yard at Newport (Ebbw Junction). This locomotive was owned by A.R. Adams & Son and is believed to have been just off-hire at Nine Mile Point colliery; it may have been on its way back to Adams' yard in Newport at this time.	May 1964
R1077	0-6-0PT 4627 seen broadside on the turntable inside Newport (Ebbw Junction) shed	May 1964
R1078	Castle class 4-6-0 5076 <i>Gladiator</i> (loco only, complete with "home-made" nameplate), broadside on the turntable inside Newport (Ebbw Junction) shed	May 1964
R1079	Head-on view of four locomotives inside Newport (Ebbw Junction) turntable shed, including 0-6-0PTs 3767 and 4671	May 1964
R1080	0-6-0PT 4643 with GWR 20-ton brake van, nearly broadside in front of the disused coaling stage at Newport Dock Street	May 1964
CORDES	(DOS) STEEL MILLS, NEWPORT	
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PONTYPOOL ROAD to HENGOED (both exclusive)

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Ref number	Description	Date taken (where known)
4489A	A train bound for Pontypool Road crossing Crumlin viaduct, viewed from the hilltop to the south-east. Note the hog-backed girders of the bridge carrying the Western Valleys line over the river Ebbw in the bottom left-hand corner of the picture, and the buildings of Crumlin Navigation Colliery visible behind the piers of the viaduct	
5312	0-6-0PT 6434 with SLS Special train (Duty Y special) at Junction Halt, between Crumlin High Level and Hengoed on the Vale of Neath line; it was open for passengers from 1 January 1913 to 1 January 1917.	12 July 1958
5828	Pontllanfraith (Low Level) station, looking west, taken from a train leaving the station. Shows station building (designed by Liddell for the Newport, Abergavenny & Hereford Railway), platform canopy and split-level platform	
B234/7	View from Crumlin viaduct, showing the railway layout and colliery below, including loaded coal train	
C1063	0-6-0PT 6434 taking water at Penar Junction whilst working an SLS special train; ¾ view of train	12 July 1958
C1861	Crumlin viaduct GWR viewed over the town from Crumlin High Level station	3 July 1960
C2219	Crumlin High Level station, showing both platforms viewed from track level; no trains	7 April 1962
J1559	Overall view from above of Pontypool Road station with an 0-6-2T in bay 3 and the 8.30am to Newport in platform 1	31 March 1961
R0939	0-6-0PT 8495 shunting at Maesycwmmer Junction, near Hengoed: loco. seen nearly broadside from the signal box	Sept 1963
R0940	0-6-0PT 9655 shunting at Maesycwmmer Junction, near Hengoed: broadside view of loco. from the signal box	Sept 1963
R1126	0-6-0PT 4639 passing Hafodyrynys West signal box (between Crumlin HL and Pontypool) with an eastbound passenger train: ¾ view of loco., signalbox mainly hidden by train	May 1964
R1127	0-6-0PT with passenger train passing Hafodyrynys Colliery Platform, between Pontypool and Crumlin High Level, going away from the camera. The colliery sidings came into use in 1911. The train is heading east. The platform was not used after 6 Nov 1961	1958
R1128	Crumlin Viaduct, overall view of the entire structure from the hilltop to the south-west, looking down into the valley	May 1964

N.C.B. HAFODYRYNYS COLLIERY

Ref number	Description	Date taken (where known)
R1155	Manning Wardle 0-6-0ST (no.1942 of 1918), ¾ broadside view alongside the colliery buildings	May 1964

PONTYPOOL

Ref number	Description	Date taken (where known)
5007	0-6-0PT with BPGV-line Brake Third coach W1323W (restricted clearance special design, Lot 1611, built 3/39, 57ft long, Diag. D129) at Pontypool Crane Street. 3/4 view of coach	c.May 1957

PONTYPOOL ROAD (exclusive) to ABERGAVENNY

Ref number	Description	Date taken (where known)
4688	County class 4-6-0 1028 <i>County of Warwick</i> heading north past Little Mill Junction with 1M12, the 12.40pm Cardiff to Manchester London Rd. (Taken from branch platform)	3 July 1960
R0520	3-car Swindon Cross-Country DMU heading north towards the site of Abergavenny Junction station; interesting signals in shot and remains of former LNWR Merthyr line in foreground	Aug 1962

ABERGAVENNY JUNCTION to NANTYBWCH ("HEADS OF THE VALLEYS" LINE)

Ref number	Description	Date taken (where known)
5008	Poster announcing the closure of the line between Merthyr High Street and Abergavenny (dated May 1957)	1957
5009	0-6-0PT 6408 on passenger train for Merthyr standing at Abergavenny Junction station (platform view, ¾ rear of locomotive)	1957
5010	As 5009, but head-on ¾ view from track level, including goods yard to left of train	1957
5802	3-car DMU for Newport in platform 4 at Brynmawr	
5946	Brynmawr, looking east towards the junction between the Abergavenny (on the left) and Blaenavon lines. Brynmawr No. 1 signalbox is beyond the end of the platforms. Signalling and trackwork is all intact. Taken between the closure of the Abergavenny line on 5 January 1958 and 30 April 1962, when passenger services to Newport were withdrawn	
9173	Ivat class 2 2-6-2T 41201, in LMS livery, standing outside Abergavenny (Brecon Road) shed. ¾ view, in steam. Time 2.10 p.m.	29 Oct 1949
9174	Ex-LNW "Coal Tank" 0-6-2T LMS 7808 at Abergavenny (Brecon Road), broadside outside the shed	29 Oct 1949
C647	Abergavenny Brecon Road station viewed from the north end looking through the station towards Govilon; no train	5 Jan 1958
C648	Webb "coal tank" 58926 at Abergavenny Junction prior to working the SLS <i>Last train over the Heads of the Valleys line</i>	5 Jan 1958
C649	Ebbw Vale LMS (LNW) station on the occasion of the visit by the SLS special Last train over the Heads of the Valleys line	5 Jan 1958
C650	View from a carriage window on the SLS special <i>Last train over</i> the Heads of the Valleys line as it reverses out of the Ebbw branch at Ebbw Vale Junction near Beaufort	5 Jan 1958
C2212	Overall view of Brynmawr LNWR station	7 April 1962
J476	SLS Last Train from Abergavenny to Merthyr at Ebbw Vale High Level; locos were LNWR coal tank 58296 and LNWR 0-8-0 49121	5 Jan 1958

J477	View from a carriage window on the SLS special train as it is propelled back from Ebbw Vale High Level to Ebbw Vale Junction, passing over the viaduct	5 Jan 1958
J478	View from the SLS special train as it is propelled over Ebbw Vale Junction on its way back from Ebbw Vale High Level	5 Jan 1958
J553	Abergavenny Brecon Road station, looking towards Abergavenny Junction	5 Jan 1958
J554	LNWR "coal tank" 58926 at Abergavenny Junction	5 Jan 1958
J555	Abergavenny Junction with LNWR 0-8-0 49121 on the SLS Last Train from Abergavenny Junction to Merthy	5 Jan 1958
J556	Abergavenny Junction station	5 Jan 1958
J2769 # X217 #	Abergavenny LNWR loco shed after closure, but rails still in place LMS 2-4-0 No.155 bearing a cast iron plate "Engineer South Wales" 3/4 broadside view; rear half of tender not on negative. This locomotive was one of a batch of 10 built by the Midland Railway in 1876; it was taken into Engineer's service from 1933 to 1936, but was renumbered 20155 in the duplicate list in 1934. So this photograph was taken in either 1933 or 1934, probably at Abergavenny, where it was based. It survived until October 1950, and was allocated BR number 58020, but never carried it.	26 May 1962

SEVERN TUNNEL JUNCTION

Ref number	Description	Date taken (where known)
MHW529	Severn Tunnel Junction marshalling yard; hump signals	14 Jan 1961
MHW530	Severn Tunnel Junction marshalling yard; diesel shunter D3436 coming up the hump, gradient 1 in 18	14 Jan 1961
MHW531	Severn Tunnel Junction marshalling / hump yard; inductive wheel detector to measure rollability	14 Jan 1961
MHW532	Severn Tunnel Junction hump yard: one of the two primary retarders	14 Jan 1961
MHW534	Severn Tunnel Junction hump yard: wagon on retarder	14 Jan 1961
MHW537	REC party in the control room at Severn Tunnel Junction hump yard	14 Jan 1961
R0522	6-car Swindon Cross-Country DMU approaching Severn Tunnel Junction station on a working to Cardiff; unit is in original livery with white cab roof and "speed whiskers"	Aug 1962
R1074	42xx class 2-8-0T 5254: ¾ front view at Severn Tunnel shed (taken from inside shed, looking out)	May 1964
R1075	28xx class 2-8-0 3838: ¾ front view standing outside Severn Tunnel Junction shed	May 1964
W1231	Dark view of 0-6-0PT 5417 at Severn Tunnel Junction	20 April 1958
W1232	Similar to W1231, but not so dark	20 April 1958

SEVERN TUNNEL (including Pumping Engines at SUDBROOK)

For views of the Sudbrook branch see separate heading

Ref number	Description	Date taken (where known)
6804 to 6808	Sunday total occupation of the Severn Tunnel for engineering work: Five views, listed below	15 Jan 1961

Track-laying machine	
Track laying	
Working on tunnel lining	
Steam engine for ventilation fan	
75" Cornish beam engine (water pumping only)	
In the Severn tunnel; diesel loco with track laying machine during Sunday occupation	14 Jan 1961
Working on the brick lining (between 2'3" and 3' thick) in the Severn tunnel	14 Jan 1961
REC party in the Severn tunnel during engineering work - not a hard hat to be seen!	14 Jan 1961
In the Severn tunnel; side heading for the Great Spring, which produces between 23 and 30 million gallons a day	14 Jan 1961
The pumping engines at Sudbrook; two of the six Cornish beam engines, built in 1886, which have a capacity of 66 million gallons a day	14 Jan 1961
Sudbrook 70" Cornish beam engines, built by Harveys of Hayle in 1886, pumping water out of the Severn tunnel; 10ft stroke	14 Jan 1961
Severn Tunnel steam pumping engines, Sudbrook: Three views of the valve gear in the main engine house	Aug 1962
REC members in the Severn tunnel during closure for maintenance work; in this view workers are using a platform staging to reach the roof to repoint the brickwork (the REC members in the foreground are Austin Attewell and Roger Arnold)	15 Jan 1961
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CHEPSTOW

Ref number	Description	Date taken (where known)
B83/5	The rail bridge over the River Wye viewed from the platform end of Chepstow station	2 April 1956
J793	0-6-0PT 6439 with the 11.50am Monmouth Troy to Newport High Street at the platform at Chepstow	1 Nov 1958
J794	The railway bridge over the river Wye near Chepstow, photographed from a carriage window on the 12.20pm Cardiff to Gloucester	1 Nov 1958
R1070	Unidentified 0-6-0PT on eastbound ballast train, silhouetted on embankment, seen from Fairfield-Mabey yard. Former GER 0-4-0ST in foreground.	May 1964
R1071	Former GER 0-4-0ST in Fairfield-Mabey yard, front ¾ view surrounded by clutter. This locomotive was GER 0229, built by Neilson (no.2119) in 1876 and sold to the Admiralty, Chepstow in 1917. After many years lying derelict at this site it passed eventually to the Dean Forest Railway for preservation in 1982.	May 1964
R1072	As R1071, but head-on view of loco.	May 1964
R1073	0-4-0WT (Kerr Stuart 3063 of 1918) in Fairfield-Mabey yard, front ¾ view. This locomotive had a similar history to GER 0229 (see above), but had previously worked for the Admiralty at Beachley Dock and passed to the Swindon & Cricklade Railway for preservation in 1982.	May 1964

LITTLE MILL JUNCTION to MONMOUTH (excluding the latter)

Ref number	Description	Date taken (where known)
4685	Dingestow station, after closure - intact, but no track. Looking towards Monmouth	3 July 1960
4687	Usk station, after closure to passengers. One track still in situ. Looking towards tunnel.	3 July 1960
S/253A	0-6-0PT 4668 on SLS Special <i>Usk-Monmouth Centenary</i> at Usk, looking down on station from the tunnel mouth. (Spots on negative hence sub-standard, but composition and exposure OK)	12 Oct 1957 e,
253B	4668 on SLS Special at Raglan, view from track level	12 Oct 1957
253C	4668 on SLS Special at Dingestow, view from track level	12 Oct 1957
C606	0-6-0PT bunker-first with the Centenary special train at Dingesto on the line from Monmouth to Pontypool Road; shows whole train at platform, view largely unspoilt by humans	
C607	The SLS Usk - Monmouth Centenary train (which was the last tra over the line) at the platform a Usk; view taken from the top of a signal post; loco is 0-6-0PT 4668; overall view of station; DMU on second track in background	
C608	The SLS Usk - Monmouth Centenary special (which was the last train over the line) on its outward journey to Pontypool Road, hauled chimney-first by 0-6-0PT 4668, at the platform at Dingestow; 3/4 view of whole train	12 Oct 1957
C609	Raglan Road Crossing Halt; good view of platform and nameboard; 0-6-0PT bunker-first just approaching the platform with the SLS special last train over the Monmouth - Usk line	12 Oct 1957
C610	Llandenny station, between Monmouth and Usk, showing platform and station building with level crossing beyond; just beyond the gates can just be seen the SLS special train, which marked the centenary of this section and was the last train over the line	n 12 Oct 1957
C611	View of Usk station from inside the tunnel with trains at both platforms; the steam train is the SLS special marking the centenary of the Monmouth - Usk section hauled by 0-6-0PT 466 and the DMU is a Craven-built set on trial	12 Oct 1957 3;
C1862	Little Mill Junction station, Monmouth branch platform; also showing sidings	3 July 1960
C1863	Usk station, showing both platforms, looking from the west end towards the tunnel; only one track still in place	3 July 1960
C1864	Dingestow station; rails lifted, track overgrown	3 July 1960
C1865	Raglan station and goods shed with rails lifted and track overgrown	3 July 1960
MONMOU	TH (including WYE VALLEY LINE to CHEPSTOW)	
Ref number	Description	Date taken (where known)
5375	0-6-0PT 6412 at rear of SLS special, Last Train Monmouth – Ross/Chepstow, in the snow at Tintern	4 Jan 1959
5376	Monmouth Troy in the snow with passengers awaiting the special last train to Chepstow	4 Jan 1959
5378	Monmouth Troy in the snow, viewed from the hillside: viaduct to right of picture, SLS special in the station	4 Jan 1959

B83/3	0-6-0PT 6439 with the 3.47pm train to Chepstow at Monmouth Troy; view from footbridge with train beneath, loco at far end and only partly visible	2 April 1956	
B83/4	View from the footbridge at Chepstow of the 3.47pm train from Monmouth Troy. 0-6-0PT 6439 is about to take water; shows goods shed, rolling stock and semaphore signals	2 April 1956	
C1866	Monmouth Troy station looking from the west end with the line to Ross straight ahead and the Chepstow line branching off to the right; rails still in position and station and platform furniture intact	3 July 1960	
J789	Monmouth May Hill station with the 11.0am service from Ross at the platform; loco at far end and therefore not visible	1 Nov 1958	
J790	Monmouth Troy station, looking westwards towards Usk from inside the tunnel	1 Nov 1958	
J791	Monmouth Troy viewed from above the tunnel portal looking east; auto-trains from Ross and from Chepstow are in the station area, worked by 1424 and 6439 respectively (though the locos are not close to the camera)	1 Nov 1958	
J792	Site of the erstwhile Wireworks branch junction near Tintern	1 Nov 1958	
J2328 #	Monmouth May Hill station, viewed from above	17 Sept 1961	
N0379B	Monmouth May Hill station and signal box from track	Sept 1954	
N0379C	Close-up of Monmouth May Hill signal box from track	Sept 1954	
N0379D	Monmouth May Hill station (closer than N0379B)	Sept 1954	
N0379E	Monmouth May Hill signal box: opposite end to N0379C	Sept 1954	
N0379F	Overall view of Monmouth May Hill from track; opposite end of station to N0379B. Also shows sidings	Sept 1954	
N0380B	Monmouth (Troy) station: overall view looking along platforms towards junction of Ross and Chepstow lines	Sept 1954	
N0380C	Monmouth (Troy): view along eastbound platform towards main station buildings	Sept 1954	
N0380D	Monmouth (Troy): close-up of waiting shelter on westbound platform	Sept 1954	
N0380E	Monmouth (Troy): view from platform towards junction of Ross and Chepstow lines. Shows signalbox, signals, etc.	Sept 1954	
N0380F	Close-up of Monmouth Troy Signal Box from track	Sept 1954	
N0381A	Monmouth (Troy): view along main platform towards station buildings; bracket signal in foreground	Sept 1954	
N0381B	Monmouth (Troy): looking along platforms towards the tunnel; main station buildings to right	Sept 1954	
N0381C	Monmouth (Troy): view looking towards junction of Ross and Chepstow lines from footbridge	Sept 1954	
N0381D	Monmouth (Troy): view looking down on main station building from footbridge; platform canopy prominent	Sept 1954	
N0381E	Monmouth (Troy): view from platform ramp at east end of station, looking towards the tunnel; main station buildings on right	Sept 1954	
N0381F	Overall view of Monmouth Troy goods yard, photographed from the water tower at the east end of the station!	Sept 1954	
(The next four pictures under the above heading were taken after withdrawal of passenger services, when the line from Chepstow to Monmouth was in use for freight only.)			
R0554	Monmouth May Hill station	Aug 1962	
R0555	0-6-0PT shunting at Monmouth Troy	Aug 1962	

R0556	0-6-0PT at Monmouth Troy	Aug 1962
R0557	0-6-0PT leaving Monmouth for Chepstow	Aug 1962

SUDBROOK BRANCH

Ref number	Description	Date taken (where known)
B110/11	0-6-0PT 5417 with the REC Severn Rambler special train at the end of the branch at Sudbrook pumping station, above the Severn Tunnel; near head-on view with pumping station building on the right and ancillary buildings on left	20 April 1958

NEWPORT (exclusive) to BLAENAVON via PONTYPOOL

Ref number	Description	Date taken (where known)
C2216	Cwmbran station, overall view from track level, showing both platforms and buildings; no train	7 April 1962
C2217	DMU standing at the platform at Upper Pontnewydd, the next station north of Cwmbran on the line to Pontypool	7 April 1962
C2218	Blaenavon Low Level, terminus of the GWR branch, with a DMU standing at the platform; destination blind reads "Porthcawl"	7 April 1962
J1557	Llantarnam station, looking north from the bridge	31 March 1961
J1558	0-6-2T 6690 bunker-first passing through Llantarnam station with a southbound goods train	31 March 1961

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