## REPORT

ON THE

## GOLD FIELDS OF NEW ZEALAND.

(Return to an Order of the House of Representatives, dated 3rd August, 1869.)

'That it is desirable that the Government should cause to be laid upon the Table of this House, during each Session, a Report embodying a general account of the present condition of the Gold Fields of the Colony, their advancement or otherwise during the preceding year, and their probable prospects; together with particulars showing the average price of provisions during the year on each Gold Field, the rate of wages, estimated population, and such other information as would afford a comprehensive idea of the general condition of the mining interest in the Colony; and that His Excellency be requested to forward a copy of such Report to Her Majesty's Secretary of State for the Colonies."

(Mr. W. H. Harrison.)

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