

RETURN of Miners' Rights, Licenses, Registrations, &c., issued during the Twelve Months ending the 31st March, 1887.

	Tuapeka.	Waikaia.	Total.
Miners' rights, at £1 ...	387	133	520
" " 5s. ...	276	158	434
Business licenses, at £5 ...	1	2	3
" " half-year, at £3	2	2
" " annual, at £3
" " half-year, at £1 10s.
Water-race licenses, at 5s. ...	29	15	44
" " 2s. 6d. ...	86	60	146
Registration, at 10s. ...	7	...	7
" 5s. ...	4	...	4
" 1s. ...	119	107	226
Applications for gold-mining leases ...	5	1	6
Gold-mining leases granted ...	2	3	5
Applications for agricultural leases
Agricultural leases granted
Licensed holdings issued
Special claims granted...
Mining applications applied for and granted ...	145	128	273

RETURN showing the Revenue collected during the Twelve Months ending 31st March, 1887.

	£	s.	d.
Warden's Department ...	1,092	13	11
Rent under deferred payments ...	2,316	18	7
Resident Magistrates' Courts, goldfields districts ...	498	1	0
" " outside goldfields ...	861	10	0
Licensing fees ...	67	13	0
Total ...	4,836	16	6

RETURN showing the Number of Cases disposed of by the Resident Magistrates' and Warden's Courts, and Revenue collected, for the Year ending 31st March, 1887.

Courts.	Civil.	Criminal.	Warden's	Total.	Receipts.
					£ s. d.
Lawrence ...	249	165	14	428	295 2 0
Waikaia ...	42	43	11	96	67 1 0
Tapanui ...	148	78	...	226	161 10 0
Outside goldfields—					
Milton ...	149	57	...	206	113 1 0
Balclutha ...	101	74	...	175	127 12 0
Kaitangata... ..	37	56	...	93	36 14 0
Clinton ...	61	50	...	111	66 2 0
Gore ...	563	74	...	637	486 18 0
Mataura ...	50	16	...	66	31 3 0
Total ...	1,400	613	25	2,038	1,385 3 0

THE population of the district is estimated at 24,985 souls, and is located as follows:—

Districts.	European.	Chinese.	Total.
Tuapeka	3,865	404	5,910
Waipori } Tuapeka ...	305	60	
Waitahuna } ...	1,126	150	
Waikaia ...	1,013	188	1,201
Tapanui ...	2,500	100	2,600
Milton ...	4,600	39	4,639
Balclutha ...	3,700	...	3,700
Kaitangata ...	1,500	...	1,500
Clinton ...	1,561	...	1,561
Gore ...	2,000	70	2,070
Mataura ...	1,800	4	1,804
Total ...	23,970	1,615	24,985

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The Under-Secretary of Mines, Wellington.

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