

RETURN of LEASES ISSUED for COAL-MINING PURPOSES upon the BUTLER COAL RESERVE, showing the DATE of ISSUE, NAMES of LESSEES, CONDITIONS of LEASE, whether such CONDITIONS have been COMPLIED with or NOT, and whether any of the LEASES have been AMALGAMATED or FORFEITED.

Name of Lessee.	Date of Issue of Lease.	Locality.	Term of Lease.	Rent per Annum.	Royalty and Rent in Arrear.	Conditions of Lease.	Remarks.
James Mills, Union S.S. Company (formerly Koranui Company)	Dec. 11, 1878	Waimangaroa	42 yrs., from 1st Jan., 1876	First yr., £33; remainder of term, £165	£ ..	Royalty—6d. per ton first twenty-one years, 1s. per ton remainder of term. Output—second year, 8,000 tons; third year, 11,000 tons; fourth year, 15,000 tons; fifth year, 17,000 tons; remainder of term, 20,000 tons per annum. Lessee to pay rates and taxes. Coal to be conveyed by Government railway; rate not to exceed 2d. per ton per mile and terminal charges. Works to be carried on with full and unabated vigour during term. Lease may be determined if rent or royalty in arrear forty-two days, or for breach or non-performance of covenants of lease after notice to perform same	Not working this mine at present.
James Mills, Union S.S. Company (formerly Koranui Company)	April 15, 1880	Ditto	42 yrs., from 1st Jan., 1879	First year, £44 0s. 6d.; remainder of term, £220 2s. 6d.	..	Royalty—6d. per ton first twenty-one years, 1s. per ton remainder of term. Output—second year, 8,000 tons; third year, 11,000 tons; fourth year, 14,000 tons; fifth year, 17,000 tons; remainder of term, 20,000 tons per annum. Other conditions as above.	Not working this mine at present.
James Mills, Union S.S. Company (formerly Koranui Company)	Mar. 27, 1885	"	37 yrs., from 1st Jan., 1884	£8	Surface lease only. To run concurrent with above lease. On revocation or determination of above lease this lease to be null and void.	
Westport Coal Company (Limited)	Mar. 20, 1883	"	99 yrs., from 1st Jan., 1880	£352	1,848 6 9	Royalty, 6d. per ton. Output—first year, 30,000 tons; second year, 35,000 tons; third year, 40,000 tons; fourth year, 45,000 tons; remainder of term, 50,000 tons per annum. Other conditions as in above leases	On the application of the company the Government consented to allow the payment of rents and royalties to stand over until the 31st December, 1887. This mine is not being worked at present.
Westport Coal Company (Limited)	Nov. 26, 1883	Ngakawau	99 yrs., from 1st Jan., 1882	£738	738 0 0	Royalty, 6d. per ton. Output—third year, 20,000 tons; fourth year, 25,000 tons; fifth year, 30,000 tons; sixth year, 35,000 tons; seventh year, 40,000 tons; eighth year, 45,000 tons; remainder of term, 50,000 tons per annum	No return of output.
Mokihinui Coal Company (Limited)	June 8, 1885	Mokihinui	45 yrs., from 1st July, 1885	First 2 yrs., £4 per ann.; next 2 yrs., £16 per ann.; remainder of term, £40 per ann.	..	Royalty, 6d. per ton. Output—third year, 2,000 tons; next four years, 4,000 tons; remainder of term, 5,000 tons per annum. Other conditions similar to above leases	
A. D. Bayfield	June 8, 1885	"	42 yrs., from 1st July, 1885	First 2 yrs., £8 per ann.; next 2 yrs., £32 per ann.; remainder of term, £80 per ann.	20 0 0	Royalty, 6d. per ton. Output—third year, 2,000 tons; next four years, 4,000 tons; remainder of term, 5,000 tons per annum. Other conditions as before.	

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