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COMPARATIVE RETURN of REVENUE derived from the GOLDFIELDS in the several DISTRICTS of NEW ZEALAND during the Years 1895 and 1896, showing INCREASE or DECREASE under each Head of Revenue.

District.	Miners' Rights.	Business Licenses, &c.	Water-races, Sluices, &c.	Gold-mining Leases, Rents, and Royalties.	Registration.	Fees and Fines, Wardens Courts.	Miscellaneous.	Gold Duty.	Totals.
AUCKLAND—	£	£	£	£	£	£	£	£	£
Year 1896	3,955	529	76	28,362	216	342	1,084	9,902	44,466
Year 1895	2,296	266	21	6,867	64	80	997	11,658	22,249
Increase	1,659	263	55	21,495	152	262	87	..	22,217
Decrease	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1,756	..
NELSON—									
Year 1896	1,244	35	122	5,273	111	55	697	..	7,537
Year 1895	1,027	26	79	2,881	98	43	403	..	4,557
Increase	217	9	43	2,392	13	12	294	..	2,980
Decrease	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
MARLBOROUGH—									
Year 1896	46	1	5	216	3	..	1	..	272
Year 1895	47	1	5	216	3	..	1	..	273
Increase	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Decrease	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
WESTLAND—									
Year 1896	1,174	15	77	3,305	83	38	307	..	4,999
Year 1895	1,007	19	70	766	65	36	2,201	..	4,164
Increase	167	..	7	2,539	18	2	..	..	835
Decrease	..	4	..	..	..	..	1,894	..	..
OTAGO—									
Year 1896	1,848	97	172	6,014	160	105	700	..	9,096
Year 1895	1,713	82	134	4,556	147	126	692	..	7,450
Increase	135	15	38	1,458	13	..	8	..	1,646
Decrease	..	..	..	..	..	21	..	..	..
Total Increase	2,177	283	143	27,884	196	255	..	..	27,677
Total Decrease	..	..	..	..	..	..	1,505	1,756	..