1909. NEW ZEALAND.

INSPECTION OF COAL-MINES REPORT.

("THE COAL-MINES ACT, 1908.")

Presented to both Houses of the General Assembly by Command of His Excellency.

Mr. Frank Reed, M.I.M.M., Inspecting Engineer, to the Under-Secretary, Mines Department.

Mines Department, Wellington, 15th April, 1909.

SIR,-I have the honour to present the annual reports of inspection, together with statistical information in regard to the coal-mines of the Dominion for the year ended 31st December, 1908.

The reports are divided into the following sections:—

- I. Output of Mineral.
- II. Persons employed.
- III. Accidents.
- IV. General Remarks.

Annexures-

- (a.) Inspectors' Reports.
- (b.) Mine-managers' Examinations, and Certificate-holders.
- (c.) Statistics of Working-collieries.