

APPENDICES TO THE MINES STATEMENT.

APPENDIX A.

REPORTS RELATING TO METALLIFEROUS MINES.

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SIR,—

Mines Department, Wellington, 7th June, 1912.

I have the honour to present the annual reports of inspection of mines, together with reports of Wardens and other officers, accompanied by statistical information in regard to the goldfields and the metalliferous mines of the Dominion, for the year ended 31st December, 1911.

In accordance with the usual practice, the tables showing expenditure through the Mines Department on roads, bridges, tracks, prospecting operations, &c., are for the period covered by the financial year—viz., from the 1st April, 1911, to the 31st March, 1912.

The reports, &c., are divided into the following sections :—

- I. Production of Minerals.
- II. Persons employed.
- III. Accidents.
- IV. Gold-mining.
 - (1.) Quartz.
 - (2.) Dredging.
 - (3.) Alluvial.
- V. Minerals other than Gold.
- VI. Ventilation and Hygiene.
- VII. State Aid to Mining.
- VIII. Schools of Mines.

Annexures.—Reports of—

- (a.) Inspectors of Mines.
- (b.) Wardens.
- (c.) Directors of Schools of Mines.
- (d.) Water-race Managers.
- (e.) Mining Statistics.
- (f.) Examinations under the Mining Act, 1908, and Lists of Certificate-holders.

I. PRODUCTION OF MINERALS.

The following statement shows the value of the exports from metal-mines and kauri-gum fields from the 1st January, 1853, to the 31st December, 1911.

Classification.	1910.	1911.	Increase or Decrease.	Total from the 1st January, 1853, to the 31st December, 1911.
Gold	£ 1,896,328	£ 1,816,782	£ 79,546†	£ 79,253,913
Silver	171,562	131,587	39,975†	1,750,109
Other minerals	22,227	22,200	27†	463,076
Kauri-gum	465,044	395,707	69,337†	15,809,152
Totals	2,555,161	2,366,276	188,885†	97,281,250

* Increase.

† Decrease.