

APPENDIX B.

REPORTS RELATING TO THE INSPECTION OF COAL-MINES.

The INSPECTING ENGINEER OF MINES to the UNDER-SECRETARY OF MINES.

SIR,—

Wellington, 11th April, 1913.

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, 1912.

The reports are divided into the following sections :—

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

Annexures—

- (a.) Inspectors' Reports, Extracts from.
- (b.) Mine Officials' Examinations, and List of Certificate-holder .
- (c.) Statistics of Working Collieries.
- (d.) Technical Papers relating to Breathing-apparatus ; Qualification of British Deputies ; Safety-blocks for Inclines ; and Mine-gases.

SECTION I.—OUTPUT OF MINERAL.

The output of the several classes of coal mined in each inspection district is summarized as follows :—

Class of Coal, &c.	Output of Coal during 1912.				Total Output to the End of 1912.
	Northern District.	West Coast District.	Southern District.	Total.	
	Tons.	Tons.	Tons.	Tons.	Tons.
Bituminous and semi-bituminous coal	116,147	1,301,461	...	1,417,608	21,326,053
Pitch-coal ... ..	...	...	4,115	4,115	1,991,197
Brown coal	267,700	...	276,975	544,675	10,450,092
Lignite ... ..	...	...	211,217	211,217	1,693,472
Totals for 1912 ...	383,847	1,301,461	492,307	2,177,615	35,460,814
Totals for 1911 ...	397,872	1,218,693	449,508	2,066,073	33,283,199