

The following is a table showing the quantity of quartz crushed and scheelite concentrates obtained for the year ended the 31st December, 1918:—

Name of Mine or Company.	Locality.	Quartz crushed.	Scheelite Concentrates obtained.	Value.
<i>Marlborough—</i>		Tons.	Tons. cwt. qr. lbs.	£
Dominion Consolidated Company	Wakamarina	11,973	23 1 2 4	4,761
Deep Creek Gold-mining Syndicate	„	77	0 1 0 0	23
J. M. Cadigan	„	Concen- trates.	4 0 0 0	800
J. Whiting	Tophouse .. ..	..	0 1 3 4	26
<i>Otago and Southland—</i>				
Glenorchy Scheelite Company, and five parties of miners	Glenorchy, Lake County ..	1,059	65 0 1 5	14,365
John R. Tripp .. ..	„ .. ..	..	0 6 0 0	66
Sutherland and Hood	„	5	1 0 1 19	226
Hall and Ross	„	10	2 11 0 1	564
W. H. Long .. ..	„ .. ..	..	0 4 2 3	50
Black and McPherson	„	5	2 1 0 19	455
Grant and Sinclair .. ..	„ .. ..	..	2 3 3 23	486
Hood and Beasley	„	18	2 16 2 3	625
Thomas Scurr .. ..	„ .. ..	..	0 16 1 9	180
Paulin and Tripp	„	16	6 13 3 21	1,480
Huntly Groves	„	50	1 3 2 19	262
Golden Point Gold-mining Company	Macrae's, Waihemo County	34	2 6 2 4	513
Deep Dell	„	8	1 5 2 11	283
G. A. Carson	„	1½	0 6 2 8	73
A. Phelan	„	2	0 10 2 1	116
F. A. Smith	„	8	1 0 2 9	227
Fraser and Gaytan	„	20	5 3 2 1	1,144
Gaytan and Innes	„	14	2 18 1 22	646
Hugh Fraser	„	9	0 15 0 2	166
Phelan and McConnell	„	4	0 12 3 27	143
Philip Donoghue	„	6	1 6 3 11	297
A. A. Cockerell	„	3½	0 7 0 0	77
Cockerell and Randall	„	32	4 10 1 26	999
C. Brown	„	2	0 7 3 3	86
J. H. Evans .. ..	„ .. ..	..	0 13 0 14	145
Donaldson Bros. and Ellis	„	3½	0 15 3 18	176
D. Allan	„	15	2 7 1 16	524
Stoneburn Mining Company	Stoneburn,	386	0 5 0 15	57
Mareburn Mining Company	Hyde,	819	2 6 0 23	510
R. A. Mathewson .. ..	„ .. ..	..	0 1 3 14	21
Pukerangi Mining Company	The Reefs, Taiari County ..	118	2 2 0 22	466
H. S. Molineaux	„	40	0 8 1 8	92
C. G. White	„	10	0 7 3 24	88
Reefs Syndicate	„	339	0 5 0 0	55
Totals, 1918 .. ..	.. ..	15,098	143 6 0 17	31,279
Totals, 1917 .. ..	.. ..	19,655	199 8 2 11	37,863
Decrease .. ..	.. ..	4,557	56 2 1 12	6,584

Certain of the above mines also produced a quantity of gold.

PETROLEUM.

No development of commercial value occurred during the year as the result of oil-prospecting operations, and none of the existing bores yielded oil in payable quantity.

The Taranaki Oil-wells (Limited) was engaged during the year recasing No. 5 bore with 8 in. pipe. No drilling was done. During 1918 7,550 gallons of crude oil was obtained from No. 3 bore. The Blenheim Oil Company continued drilling its Blenheim borehole to a depth of 5,329 ft., the greatest depth attained in the Dominion. The Canterbury Petroleum Company, operating near Chertsey, continued drilling through gravel and conglomerate to a total depth of 1,820 ft. The Kotuku Oilfields Syndicate attained a depth of 3,466 ft. in the Waipatiki bore and obtained strong gas emissions.