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STATE COAL-MINES

(REPORT ON THE WORKING OF) FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31st MARCH, 1921.

Prepared in accordance with the requirements of Section 118 of the Coal-mines Act, 1908.

The General Manager, State Coal-mines, Wellington, to the Under-Secretary, Mines Department, Wellington.

Sir,—

20th May, 1921.

I have the honour to submit my annual report on the working of the State coal-mines for

LIVERPOOL COLLIERY.

The gross total output for the year was 153,722 tons 19 cwt., an increase of 33,310 tons 11 cwt. when compared with the figures of last year. After making allowance for stock in hand (2,851 tons 1 cwt.) at the beginning of the year, and deducting 4,667 tons 19 cwt. for mine consumption and waste, there remained 151,906 tons 1 cwt., which was disposed of as follows:—

Export	,	•	Tons.	cwt.	Tons.	cwt.
Screened coal	 	 	8,621	18		••
Unscreened coal	 	 	114,218	14		
Small coal	 • .	 	2,678	10		
					125,519	2
Local sales—						
Screened coal	 	 	4,031	16		
Unscreened coal	 	 	11,721	1		
Small coal	 	 	6,038	10		
					21,791	7
Mine sales—			•			
Sold to workmen	 	 	2,370	11		
Mine sales	 	 	94	10		
Stock in bin	 	 	1,429	19		
					3,895	0
Stock on wharf—						
Unscreened coal	 	 			700	12
Total	 	 			151,906	1
Used on works	 • •	 	3,365	0		
Waste	 	 	1,302	19		
					4,667	19

The gross total output won from this colliery since its inception is 888,157 tons 14 cwt. Days worked.—The Nos. 1 and 34 mines worked on 251 days, and the No. 3 mine 250 out of a possible 313. The difference between the days worked and the possible working-days is accounted for as follows: (a) Pay Saturdays, 26; (b) union holidays, 18; (c) want of shipping, 2; (d) quarterly cavils, 2; (e) stop-work meetings, 2; (f) strike re train service, 8; (g) irritation strike, 4: total time lost for Nos. 1 and 34 mines, 62 days.

the year ended 31st March, 1921.