

APPENDICES TO THE MINES STATEMENT.

APPENDIX A.

REPORTS RELATING TO METALLIFEROUS MINES AND
STONE-QUARRIES.

THE INSPECTING ENGINEER OF MINES TO THE UNDER-SECRETARY OF MINES.

Wellington, 30th June, 1936.

SIR,—

I have the honour to present my report on metalliferous mines and stone-quarries, together with statistical information, for the year ended 31st December, 1935.

In accordance with the usual practice, the tables showing expenditure on roads, bridges, tracks, prospecting operations, &c., are for the period covered by the financial year—viz., from the 1st April, 1935, to the 31st March, 1936.

The reports, &c., are divided into the following sections: I. Minerals produced and exported. II. Persons employed. III. Accidents. IV. Gold-mining—(1) Quartz-mining; (2) Dredge Mining; (3) Alluvial Mining. V. Minerals other than Gold. VI. Stone-quarry Inspection and Statistics. VII. State Aid to Mining—(1) Subsidized Prospecting; (2) Government Prospecting-drills; (3) Subsidized Roads on Goldfields.

Annexures: (A) Summary of Reports by Inspectors of Mines. (B) Summary of Report by Inspector of Quarries. (C) Mining Statistics.

I. MINERALS PRODUCED AND EXPORTED.

The following statement shows the quantity and value of the production from metal-mines and of the value of the production from stone-quarries under the Stone-quarries Act during 1935 and 1934 :—

Mineral.	1935.		1934.	
	Quantity.	Value.	Quantity.	Value.
	Oz. dwt.	£	Oz. dwt.	£
Gold and silver (estimated)	603,244 0	1,300,046	542,863 0	1,195,840
Platinum	14 0	79	..	..
	Tons cwt.		Tons cwt.	
Pig-iron	4,902 0	23,775	1,337 0	6,484
Stone .. .. .	..	289,274	..	261,637
Pumice	3,300 0	8,769	2,491 0	6,796
Tungsten-ore	39 7	4,719	39 0	4,678
	lb.		lb.	
Quicksilver	563	132	3,852	516
Totals .. .. .	..	1,626,794	..	1,475,951

The following statement shows the value of New Zealand minerals (other than coal and coke) and allied substances exported during 1935 and 1934, and since 1st January, 1853 :—

—	1935.	1934.	Increase or Decrease.	Total from the 1st January, 1853, to the 31st December, 1935.
	£	£	£	£
Gold	1,423,026	1,284,059	Inc. 138,967	99,874,523
Silver	61,277	39,355	„ 21,922	3,401,897
Tungsten-ore	7,083	4,462	„ 2,621	324,550
Kauri-gum	79,113	86,917	Dec. 7,804	23,266,002
Quicksilver .. .. .	..	510	„ 510	19,024
Sand, lime, and building-stone	8,769	6,796	} Inc. 1,973	604,721
Other minerals .. .. .	..	..
Totals	1,579,268	1,422,099	Inc. 157,169	127,490,717