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COMPARATIVE RETURN of REVENUE derived from the GOLDFIELDS in the several DISTRICTS of NEW ZEALAND during the Years 1890 and 1891, showing INCREASE or DECREASE under each Head of Revenue.

District.	Miners' Rights	Business Licenses, &c.	Water-races, Sluices, &c.	Gold-mining Leases, Rents, and Royalties.	Registration.	Fees and Fines, Wardens' Courts.	Miscellaneous.	Gold Duty.	Totals.
AUCKLAND—									
Year 1890	534	344	52	2,630	25	25	179	3,175	6,964
Year 1891	470	261	24	3,496	37	49	391	4,541	9,269
<i>Increase</i> .. .. .	..	..	..	866	12	24	212	1,366	2,305
<i>Decrease</i>	64	83	28	..	..	..	..	..	..
WELLINGTON—									
Year 1890 .. .. .	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Year 1891 .. .. .	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
<i>Increase</i> .. .. .	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
<i>Decrease</i> .. .. .	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
NELSON—									
Year 1890	838	91	105	2,668	92	22	898	291	5,005
Year 1891	895	25	95	3,134	89	36	498	16	4,788
<i>Increase</i>	57	..	..	466	..	14	..	..	..
<i>Decrease</i> .. .. .	..	66	10	..	3	..	400	275	217
MARLBOROUGH—									
Year 1890	123	..	4	120	9	15	2	612	885
Year 1891	100	..	2	206	10	11	..	..	329
<i>Increase</i> .. .. .	..	..	..	86	1	..	..	..	..
<i>Decrease</i>	23	..	2	..	..	4	2	612	556
WESTLAND—									
Year 1890	910	47	104	1,009	97	32	145	8,947	11,291
Year 1891	1,075	54	91	1,231	97	18	56	2,009	4,631
<i>Increase</i>	165	7	..	222	..	..	..	..	..
<i>Decrease</i> .. .. .	..	..	13	..	..	14	89	6,938	6,660
OTAGO—									
Year 1890	1,280	165	214	4,894	157	170	1,092	6,300	14,272
Year 1891	1,715	117	183	4,777	160	132	686	7	7,777
<i>Increase</i>	435	..	..	..	3	..	..	..	..
<i>Decrease</i> .. .. .	..	48	31	117	..	33	406	6,293	6,495
<i>Total Increase</i>	570	..	..	1,523	13	..	..	..	..
<i>Total Decrease</i> .. .. .	..	190	84	..	..	18	685	12,752	11,623

NOTE.—The gold duty was abolished in the South Island on 31st March, 1891, by "The Gold Duty Abolition Act, 1890."