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QUARTZ-MINING, REEFTON DISTRICT.

SUPPLEMENTARY REPORT.

Presented to both Houses of the General Assembly by Command of His Excellency.

H. A. GORDON, F.G.S., Inspecting Engineer, to the Hon. A. J. CADMAN, Minister of Mines. Mines Department, Wellington, 16th September, 1895. Sir,-

I have the honour to submit a supplementary report on the state of quartz-mining in the Reefton District, as considerable developments have been made since writing my annual report on the goldfields. A deal of attention is at present being given to the mining industry, and mining properties generally have increased in value. The Mining Registrar has compiled a state-ment showing the results of the quartz-workings in the district from information received from the different managers, taken from their companies' books, which not only shows that a large quantity of gold has been produced, but also that a large sum has been paid in dividends to shareholders.

The table referred to differs in some instances from that published in my last report, but the Mining Registrar having taken a great deal of trouble in collecting reliable information, the following table can be taken as practically correct. However, the totals of the two tables differ so slightly, that either of them is sufficiently correct to show approximately the total yield from the field and the amount of dividends paid :--

RETURNS, &c., from QUARTZ-MINES from opening of District to 31st August, 1895.

LARRY'S CREEK.

Company, &c.				Quartz.	Gold. Value.			Dividends.		
Caledonian No. 2 South Larry's				Tons. 566 7,514	0z.2,0801/24,129	£ s. 8,065 10 13,999 17	d. 0 6	2,250 	s. 0	d. 0
				8,080	$6,209\frac{1}{2}$	22,065 7	6	2,250	0	0
				Воатман	1's.					
Alexandra			• • •	394	168	651 0	0	1		
Argus				82	105	407 5	4			
Boatman's Creek				138	122	$472 \ 15$	Ō			
Boatman's Tailings					617	1,068 19	Ō			
El Dorado				478	653	2,530 7	6			
Fiery Cross				27,691	$30,476\frac{1}{3}$	119,839 11	9	32,268	0	0
Golden Arch				149	139	538 12	6		Ť	Ũ
Homeward Bound		· •••		62	213	$859\ 13$	7			
Hopeful				12,898	21,129	81,698 0	7	40,425	0	0
Imperial and Reform	n			1,624	1,020	3,959 16	11			
Italian Gully				897	512	1,984 0	0	146	0	0
Just-in-Time				12,489	15,394	59,832 2	10	15,666	0	0
Lady of the Lake				10	3	11 2	6			
Lone Star				220	75	$291 \ 12$	0			
Pactolus				108	498	1,929 15	0	1,000	0	0
Southern Cross	• • •	• • •		21	43	$166 \ 12$	6	•••		
South Hopeful		• • •		48	52	207 1	9	•••		
Specimen Hill				2,265	1,105	4,222 14	4	•••		
Walhalla Extended				238	354	1,396 5	3			
Welcome	•••		•••	27,030	63,784	249,091 4	11	110,250	0	0
				86,842	$136,462\frac{1}{2}$	531,158 13	3	199,755	0	0
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