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TABLE showing the DIFFERENT CLASSES of COAL from the MINES in the COLONY.

Name of Coal.	Output of Coal.		Increase or Decrease.	Approximate Total Output of Coal up to the 31st December, 1896.
	1895.	1896.		
	Tons.	Tons.	Tons.	Tons.
Bituminous	429,981	473,637	+ 43,656	5,641,685
Pitch	104,566	110,547	+ 5,981	1,651,087
Brown	166,697*†	179,744	+ 13,047	3,098,234
Lignite	25,410	28,923	+ 3,513	344,894
Totals	726,654	792,851	+ 66,197	10,735,900

* 14,193 tons, error 1895, deducted.

† 20 tons, omitted 1895, added.

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TABLE showing the NUMBER of COAL-MINES in OPERATION, the NUMBER of MEN EMPLOYED, and the OUTPUT of COAL per MAN.

Number of Mines working.	Number of Miners employed in each Mine.	Total Number of Men employed.	Output of Coal during 1896.	Average Output per Man.
122	1 to 4 men in each	239	Tons. 53,054	Tons. 222
19	5 to 10 "	130	45,340	349
2	11 to 20 "	39	13,967	358
20	21 men and upwards	1,529	680,490	445
163		1,937	792,851	409

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RETURN showing the QUANTITY and VALUE of COAL IMPORTED INTO and EXPORTED FROM NEW ZEALAND during the Year ended the 31st December, 1896.

Imported.			Exported.		
Countries whence imported.	Quantity.	Value.	Countries to which exported.	Quantity.	Value.
	Tons.	£		Tons.	£
United Kingdom	2,447	2,410	United Kingdom	58,306	59,379
New South Wales	99,304	91,719	Chili	4,763	3,962
Victoria	5	9	New South Wales	593	459
			Tasmania	7,871	5,346
			United States of America— On the West Coast	4,383	3,212
			Fiji Islands	1,173	704
			South Sea Islands	9,191	5,398
Totals	101,756	94,138	Totals	86,280	78,460

NOTE.—Foreign coal included in exportation to—United Kingdom, 4,388 tons, value £4,388; New South Wales, 1,224 tons, value £1,120; United States of America—On the West Coast, 796 tons, value £741; South Sea Islands, 348 tons, value £227. The remainder is New Zealand produce.