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RETURN showing the QUANTITY and VALUE of COALS IMPORTED into NEW ZEALAND during the Quarter ended the 31st March, 1898.

Country whence imported.	Quantity.	Value.
	Tons.	£
Victoria	1	5
New South Wales	26,844	24,282
Totals	26,845	24,287

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TABLE showing the INCREASE or DECREASE in the PRODUCTION of COAL in the Colony, and Imported, Year by Year, during the last Twenty Years.

Year.	Coal raised in the Colony.		Coal imported.		
	Tons.	Yearly Increase.	Tons.	Plus or Minus.	Increase and Decrease.
1878	162,218	..	174,148	..	..
1879	231,218	69,000	158,076	-	16,072
1880	299,923	68,705	123,298	-	33,778
1881	337,262	37,339	129,962	+	6,664
1882	378,272	41,010	129,582	-	380
1883	421,764	43,492	123,540	-	6,042
1884	480,831	59,069	148,444	+	24,904
1885	511,063	30,232	130,202	-	18,242
1886	534,353	23,290	119,873	-	10,329
1887	558,620	24,267	107,230	-	12,643
1888	613,895	55,275	101,341	-	5,889
1889	586,445	27,450	128,063	+	26,722
1890	637,397	50,952	110,939	-	17,124
1891	668,794	31,397	125,318	+	14,379
1892	673,315	4,521	125,453	+	135
1893	691,548	18,233	117,444	-	8,009
1894	719,546	27,998	112,961	-	4,483
1895	726,654	7,108	108,198	-	4,763
1896	792,851	66,197	101,756	-	6,442
1897	840,713	47,862	110,907	+	9,151

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TABLE showing the OUTPUT of COAL from the various Mining Districts, and the Comparative INCREASE and DECREASE, for the Years 1896 and 1897, together with the TOTAL APPROXIMATE QUANTITY of COAL produced since the Mines were opened.

Name of District.	Output of Coal.		Plus or Minus.	Increase or Decrease.	Approximate Total Output of Coal up to 31st December, 1897.
	1897.	1896.			
	Tons.	Tons.		Tons.	Tons.
Kawakawa and Hikurangi	53,449	53,586	-	137	974,187
Whangarei, Kamo, Ngunguru, and Whau-whau	17,285	21,106	-	3,821	375,053
Waikato	66,125	61,899	+	4,226	950,857
Mokau	3,148	1,943	+	1,205	13,653
Pelorus .. .. .	..	..	..	..	711
West Wanganui	908	504	+	404	49,766
Westport	298,551	262,696	+	35,855	2,642,983
Reefton	2,865	3,795	-	930	70,672
Greymouth	128,676	137,890	-	9,214	2,395,928
Malvern	13,710	11,714	+	1,996	341,685
Timaru .. .. .	..	103	-	103	10,657
Otago	212,292	193,814	+	18,478	3,324,297
Southland	43,704	43,801	-	97	426,164
Totals	840,713	792,851	+	47,862	11,576,613