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NEW ZEALAND.

THE GOLDFIELDS OF NEW ZEALAND:

REPORT ON ROADS, WATER-RACES, MINING MACHINERY, AND OTHER WORKS IN CONNECTION WITH MINING.

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

Mr. GEORGE WILSON, Inspecting Engineer, to the Hon. A. J. CADMAN, Minister of Mines.

SIR,—

Mines Department, Wellington, 12th May, 1898.

I have the honour to submit my annual report, for the year ending the 31st March last, on the progress of the mining industry, and on different works in connection with the same having a tendency to promote a further development of the mineral wealth of the colony.

SUBSIDISED ROADS AND TRACKS.

The following statement will show the expenditure on subsidy principle authorised for the construction of roads and tracks in the different counties for the year ending the 31st March last, and the liabilities on outstanding authorities on that date:—

Name of Local Body.	Expenditure for the Year ending 31st March, 1898.			Liabilities on Authorities on 31st March, 1898.		
	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
Piako County	145	0	0	125	0	0
Coromandel County	1,325	0	0	600	0	0
Te Aroha Town Board	43	15	0	31	5	0
Thames County	104	4	6	466	15	6
Thames Borough	600	0	0	588	0	0
Ohinemuri County	516	7	2	1,773	4	7
Katikati Highway Board	88	6	8	100	0	0
Picton Road Board ... ..	...	...	...	50	0	0
Collingwood County... ..	100	0	0	100	0	0
Pelorus Road Board... ..	...	...	...	30	0	0
Buller County	516	13	4	983	6	8
Inangahua County	80	9	0	19	11	0
Grey County	1,850	0	0	1,971	10	0
Westland County	36	13	3	57	12	0
Tuapeka County	5,348	7	3	1,331	9	3
Lake County	500	0	0	1,000	0	0
Southland County ... ..	...	...	...	450	0	0
Vincent County	850	0	0	...	...	...
Contingencies	53	10	5	...	...	...
Totals	12,158	6	7	9,677	14	0