

WAIHI MINE.

The following are the returns from this famous mine since 1890:—

	Tons.	£	s.	d.
1890 ... ..	...	21,112	13	0
1891 ... ..	...	23,935	5	11
1892	18,236	44,888	2	4
1893	19,805	61,900	10	11
1894	24,864	82,827	2	2
1895	33,670	120,334	2	2
1896	34,400	137,321	8	2
1897	40,764	144,040	9	7
1898	77,929	253,304	12	5
Period ending 4th February, 1899	8,538	24,256	0	0
Period ending 4th March, 1899	7,152	22,076	0	0
Period ending 4th April, 1899	7,635	22,095	0	0
Total to date ... ..	...	£958,091	6	8

WAITEKAURI MINE.

The following are details of the returns up to date:—

	£	s.	d.
To December, 1897	85,490	11	0
For the year to December, 1898	64,052	6	0
Period ended 28th January, 1899	8,731	0	0
Period ended 25th February, 1899	6,018	0	0
Period ended 25th March, 1899	5,629	0	0
Total	£169,920	17	0

NEW ZEALAND CROWN MINES.

The details of the returns are as under:—

	Tons.	£	s.	d.
Prior to 1898 ... ..	...	138,104	0	0
In the year 1898	25,563	52,024	0	0
January, 1899	2,664	5,592	0	0
February, 1899	2,524	4,889	0	0
March, 1899	2,730	5,652	0	0
Total to date ... ..	...	£205,261	0	0

MIDDLE ISLAND.

NELSON AND WEST COAST DISTRICTS.

The chief quartz-mining centre in the Middle Island is the Reefton district. A number of mines continue to be worked for a satisfactory yield of gold, and a considerable amount of prospecting and development work has been carried on. In the Lyell district the chief work has been confined to one mine—the United Alpine. In the Collingwood district some of the mines at West Wanganui are giving satisfactory yields. At Paparoa Range some encouragement is being derived from the recent yields from the Ceresus Mine.

ABSTRACT of LICENSES for SPECIAL CLAIMS and LICENSED HOLDINGS issued from the Wardens' Offices, and registered on or before the 31st March, 1899, in the Books of the Mining Registrars.

Date of License.	Area.	Locality.	Block.	Survey District.	Name of Claim.	Name of Registered Owner.
<i>Havelock.</i>						
6/8/88	A. 225 2 0	R. P. Endeavour Inlet	..	..	Star	Star Antimony Co. (Ltd.).
6/8/88	287 0 0	"	..	..	" .. ..	"
6/8/88	300 0 0	"	..	..	" .. ..	"
1/10/94	30 0 0	Waikakaho ..	..	..	Captain Cook No. 1	Robert Ewing.
30/6/94	30 0 0	Wakamarina ..	..	Wakamarina	Empire City ..	Golden Bar Gold-mining Co.
13/11/95	8 2 15	" ..	..	"	Federation Extd. ..	Walter J. Hunt.
13/11/95	24 2 21	" ..	..	"	Great Yorkshire ..	"
30/7/96	20 1 0	Waikakaho ..	..	..	Captain Cook No. 2	Robert Ewing.
19/8/96	30 1 8	Wakamarina ..	..	..	Golden Bar ..	Golden Bar Gold-mining Co.
27/9/98	47 0 0	Pelorus ..	..	Blenheim ..	Queen of Sheba ..	Alfred Rogers.
27/9/98	41 0 0	" ..	..	"	Pelorus ..	G. B. Richardson.
11/10/98	61 0 0	Wairau Valley	..	" ..	Prospectors ..	Rountree and Bradcock.
22/10/98	87 1 24	" ..	..	" ..	Trocadero ..	Palliser and Raymond.
<i>Collingwood.</i>						
3/3/87	16 2 0	Bedstead Gully	VIII.	Aorere ..	..	Johnston's United Mining Co.
5/7/88	63 3 34	"	..	..	..	"
6/10/96	16 0 0	Onakaka ..	II.	Waitapu ..	..	I. S. M. Jacobsen.
12/8/97	19 0 0	Boulder River ..	X.	Aorere ..	..	J. Taylor and others.
29/3/97	100 0 0	Cole's Gully ..	VIII.	" ..	..	D. C. Tana.
21/7/97	38 3 18	" ..	"	" ..	..	Josiah Corby.
15/4/98	29 3 30	" ..	II.	Waitapu ..	Licensed holding ..	Joseph Jacobsen.
13/5/98	30 0 0	" ..	"	" ..	..	Samuel G. Robinson and W. P. Scott.
14/9/98	28 3 29	" ..	VIII.	Aorere ..	..	William Johnston.