

1899.
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, 1899.

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, 1899.			Liabilities on Authorities on 31st March, 1899.		
	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
Piako County	175	0	0	162	0	0
Coromandel County	250	0	0	550	0	0
Te Aroha Town Board	31	5	0	...	...	...
Thames County	39	2	0	155	18	0
Thames Borough	1,043	0	0	45	0	0
Ohinemuri County	894	2	7	825	2	6
Katikati Road Board	153	18	9	5	1	3
Matamata Road Board ... ..	...	...	...	100	0	0
Picton Road Board	34	0	0	16	0	0
Collingwood County ... ..	...	...	...	150	0	0
Pelorus Road Board ... ..	...	...	...	30	0	0
Wairau Road Board	23	3	8	...	...	...
Buller County	35	0	0	883	6	8
Inangahua County ... ..	...	...	...	150	0	0
Grey County	557	5	0	45	15	0
Westland County	25	8	0	47	4	0
Tuapeka County	200	0	0	400	0	0
Taieri County ... ..	...	...	...	75	0	0
Southland County	575	0	0	80	0	0
Contingencies	150	2	3	...	...	...
Totals	4,186	7	3	3,720	7	5