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APPENDICES TO THE MINES STATEMENT

APPENDIX A.

REPORTS RELATING TO METALLIFEROUS MINES AND STONE - QUARRIES.

The Inspecting Engineer of Mines to the Under-Secretary of Mines.

Wellington, 18th June, 1930. SIR,

I have the honour to present my report on metalliferous mines and stone-quarries, together with statistical information, for the year ended 31st December, 1929.

In accordance with the usual practice, the tables showing expenditure on roads, bridges, tracks, prospecting operations, &c., are for the period covered by the financial year—viz., from the 1st April, 1929, to the 31st March, 1930.

The reports, &c., are divided into the following sections:-

I. Minerals produced and exported.

II. Persons employed.

III. Accidents.

IV. Gold-mining.

- Quartz-mining.
 Dredge Mining.
- (3) Alluvial Mining.
- V. Minerals other than Gold.
- VI. Stone-quarry Inspection and Statistics. VII. State Aid to Mining.

- (1) Subsidized Prospecting.
- (2) Government Prospecting-drills.
- (3) Subsidized Roads on Goldfields.
- (4) Schools of Mines.

Annexures :--

- (A) Summary of Reports by Inspectors of Mines.
- (B) Summary of Report by Inspector of Quarries.
- (C) Mining Statistics.

I. MINERALS PRODUCED AND EXPORTED.

The following statement shows the quantity and value of the production of metal-mines and of the value of the production from stone-quarries under the Stone-quarries Act during 1929 and 1928:—

	Mineral.					1929.		1928.	
						Quantity.	Value.	Quantity.	Value.
						Oz.	£	Oz.	£
Gold and silver (estimated)						571,320	527,340	532,914	551,242
Platinum	••		. 191			7	36	35	263
Osmiridiu	\mathbf{m}							$\frac{1}{2}$	10
						Tons cwt.		Tons cwt.	
Tungsten-ore			$22 \ 13$	2,613	6 4	432			
Iron					!	4,393 0	21,965	6,362 0	31,802
Stone					[479,199		461,890
Pumice						2,242 0	8,298	2,301 0	8,280
Sulphur						967 0	13,918	719 0	8,200
Silica-san	d	• •				318 0	159		
	Tota	ls			-		1,053,528		1,062,119