

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.

SIR,—

Wellington, 15th June, 1935.

I have the honour to present my report on metalliferous mines and stone-quarries, together with statistical information, for the year ended 31st December, 1934.

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, 1934, to the 31st March, 1935.

The reports, &c., are divided into the following sections: I. Minerals produced and exported. II. Persons employed. III. Accidents. IV. Gold-mining—(1) Quartz-mining; (2) 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.

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 1934 and 1933:—

Mineral.	1934.		1933.	
	Quantity.	Value.	Quantity.	Value.
Gold and silver (estimated)	Oz. dwt. 542,863 0	£ 1,195,840	Oz. dwt. 592,247 0	£ 1,099,579
Platinum .. .. .	.. .. .	..	3 10	21
Pig-iron	Tons cwt. 1,337 0	6,484	Tons cwt. 3,286 0	16,842
Stone .. .. .	.. .. .	261,637	.. .. .	196,481
Pumice	2,491 0	6,796	2,387 0	8,544
Tungsten-ore	39 0	4,678	.. .. .	..
Quicksilver	lb. 3,852 0	516	lb. 9,000 0*	1,240
Totals .. .. .	.. .. .	1,475,951	.. .. .	1,322,707

* Includes 1,500 lb., valued at £240, produced in 1932 but not recorded in that year.

The following statement shows the value of New Zealand minerals (other than coal and coke) and allied substances exported during 1934 and 1933, and since 1st January, 1853:—

—	1934.	1933.	Increase or Decrease.	Total from the 1st January, 1853, to the 31st December, 1934.
	£	£	£	£
Gold	1,284,059	1,205,364	Inc. 78,695	98,451,497
Silver	39,355	36,620	.. 2,735	3,340,620
Tungsten-ore	4,462	766	.. 3,696	317,467
Kauri-gum	86,917	77,973	.. 8,944	23,186,889
Quicksilver	510	1,230	Dec. 720	19,024
Sand, lime, and building-stone	6,796	8,552	.. 1,756)	595,952
Other minerals .. .. .	..	5	.. 5)	
Totals	1,422,099	1,330,510	Inc. 91,589	125,911,449