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TABLE showing the DIFFERENT CLASSES of COAL from the MINES in the COLONY.

Name of Coal.	Output of Coal.		Plus or Minus.	Increase or Decrease.	Approximate Total Output of Coal up to the 31st December, 1887.
	1886.	1887.			
	Tons.	Tons.		Tons.	Tons.
Bituminous	285,357	317,273	+	31,916	2,125,132
Pitch	83,179	81,048	-	2,131	722,639
Brown	154,305	142,113	-	12,192	1,641,589
Lignite	11,512	18,186	+	6,674	129,577
Totals	534,353	558,620	+	24,267	4,618,937

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TABLE showing the NUMBER of COAL-MINES in OPERATION, the NUMBER of MEN EMPLOYED, and the OUTPUT of COAL per MAN.

Number of Mines working.	Number of Miners employed in each Mine.	Total Number of Men employed.	Output of Coal during 1887.	Average Output per Man.
			Tons.	Tons.
87	1 to 4 men in each	162	36,197	223
15	5 to 10 "	85	31,283	368
8	11 to 20 "	118	31,038	263
16	21 men and upwards	1,134	460,102	406
126		1,499	558,620	372

No. 9.

RETURN showing the QUANTITY and VALUE of COALS IMPORTED INTO and EXPORTED FROM NEW ZEALAND during the Year ended the 31st December, 1887.

Imported.			Exported.		
Countries whence imported.	Quantity.	Value.	Countries to which exported.	Quantity.	Value.
	Tons.	£		Tons.	£
United Kingdom	3,158	4,873	United Kingdom*	31,178	35,109
Queensland	588	421	New South Wales	4,279	2,853
New South Wales	103,114	102,632	Victoria	2,485	1,579
Victoria	370	362	Fiji Islands	2,605	1,699
			Hongkong	3,436	3,273
			United States of America on the East Coast	7	9
			South Sea Islands† ..	139	128
Totals	107,230	108,288	Totals	44,129	44,650

* Included in exportation to United Kingdom, 410 tons, value £507, of foreign coal; the remainder is New Zealand produce. † Included in exportation to South Sea Islands, 60 tons, value £60, of foreign coal; the remainder is New Zealand produce.

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