

The following table shows the number of tons of stone and mullock crushed and the yield of gold from the northern goldfields since the returns have been supplied to the Mines Department. The Thames returns include the Ohinemuri district up to 1886-87:—

District.				Number of Tons of Quartz and Mullock crushed or sold.	Yield of Gold.	Average Yield of Gold per Ton.		
					Oz.	Oz.	dwt.	gr.
<i>Coromandel—</i>								
1st April, 1880, to 31st March, 1881	...			720	4,960	6	18	0
" 1881, " 1882	...			3,358	7,352	2	4	0
" 1882, " 1883	...			2,907	7,577	2	12	0
" 1883, " 1884	...			1,043	4,018	3	17	0
" 1884, " 1885	...			456	3,201	7	0	0
" 1885, " 1886	...			550	3,382	6	3	0
" 1886, " 1887	...			305	4,170	13	13	0
" 1887, " 1888	...			1,923	6,774	3	10	5
" 1888, " 1889	...			2,149	8,090	3	15	7
" 1889, " 1890	...			1,690	6,708	3	19	9
" 1890, " 1891	...			5,650	9,838	1	14	19
Totals	...	...	...	20,751	66,069	3	6	8
<i>Thames—</i>								
1st April, 1878, to 31st March, 1879	...			41,917	57,207	1	7	7
" 1879, " 1880	...			33,017	59,576	1	16	2
" 1880, " 1881	...			32,405	53,154	1	12	19
" 1881, " 1882	...			30,698	45,803	1	9	20
" 1882, " 1883	...			25,867	43,311	1	13	12
" 1883, " 1884	...			34,228	54,878	1	12	2
" 1884, " 1885	...			31,496	37,705	1	4	4
" 1885, " 1886	...			35,998	61,540	1	14	4
" 1886, " 1887	...			34,827	38,142	1	1	22
" 1887, " 1888	...			32,819	35,949	1	1	11
" 1888, " 1889	...			47,363	35,796	0	15	3
" 1889, " 1890	...			60,753	33,817	0	11	14
" *1890, " 1891	...			61,756	38,113	0	12	8
Totals	...	...	...	503,144	594,991	1	3	15
<i>Ohinemuri—</i>								
1st April, 1887, to 31st March, 1888	...			2,388	3,406	1	8	13
" 1888, " 1889	...			3,795	3,679	0	19	9
" 1889, " 1890	...			4,773	†8,564	1	15	21
" 1890, " 1891	...			9,902	†12,914	1	6	2
Totals	...	...	...	20,858	28,563	1	7	4
<i>Te Aroha—</i>								
1st April, 1883, to 31st March, 1884	...			4,262	4,629	1	1	17
" 1884, " 1885	...			11,042	9,506	0	17	5
" 1885, " 1886	...			6,552	4,489	0	13	17
" 1886, " 1887	...			4,743	3,658	0	15	10
" 1887, " 1888	...			7,166	2,918	0	8	3
" 1888, " 1889	...			1,381	1,113	0	16	3
" 1889, " 1890	...			4,894	‡20,416	4	3	10
" 1890, " 1891	...			280	557	1	19	18
Totals	...	...	...	40,320	47,286	1	3	11
Grand totals from North Island				585,073	736,909	1	5	4

* This includes 50,856 tons of mullock crushed the last two years.

† The gold obtained last year includes 42,331oz. bullion, reckoned as being equal to 9,934oz. gold, and ore sold as equal to 1,701oz. gold.

‡ Is bullion worth only 11s. 6d. per ounce.

MIDDLE ISLAND.

MARLBOROUGH DISTRICT.

Mahakipawa.

A considerable amount of prospecting work has been done on the quartz reefs in this district. Only two companies are working quartz—viz., the Ravenswood Gold-mining Company of London, and the Southern Cross Company registered in the colony. These companies hold all the ground that is at present considered of any value.