

RETURN showing the VALUE of the SALES of WATER, and EXPENDITURE on, and COLLATERAL ADVANTAGES derived from, the Working of the WATER-RACES constructed and maintained by GOVERNMENT during the Year ending 31st March, 1895.

Name of Water-race.	Value of Sales of Water and Channel-fees.	Expenditure on Maintenance.	Profit or Loss.	Cost of Construction.	Total Cost of Construction.	Percentage on Capital invested.	Average Number of Men employed.	Approximate Amount of Gold obtained.	Value of Gold obtained.	Average Weekly Earnings of Men after deducting Value of Sales of Water and Channel-fees.
	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.			Oz.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.
Waimea	988 0 7	1,061 9 4	*73 8 9	131,366 0 2	194,660 6 7	..	68	2,475	9,652 10 0	2 9 0
Kumara	4,646 19 9	1,976 17 7	2,670 2 2	41,329 8 3		..	108	6,961	27,147 18 0	4 0 1
Kumara Sludge-channel ..	..	..	..	21,964 18 2		..	..	..	..	..
Nelson Creek	..	..	..	..	90,722 10 8	..	..	..	..	..
Argyle	..	..	..	..	15,151 15 3	..	..	..	..	..
Mikonui	..	..	..	..	25,927 4 6	..	..	..	..	..
Mount Ida	1,067 7 6	1,052 3 7	15 3 11	69,644 4 9	69,644 4 9	..	61	3,574	13,759 18 0	4 0 0
Totals	6,702 7 10	4,090 10 6	2,611 17 4	264,304 11 4	396,106 1 9	..	237	13,010	50,560 6 0	..

* Loss.

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