

No. 16.

RETURN of the NUMBER of MINING LEASES or LICENSES and AGRICULTURAL LEASES in Force on the 31st March, 1897, the EXTENT of GROUND LEASED or held under LICENSE, and RENTAL per ANNUM.

Mining Leases.									Agricultural Leases.									
Mining District.				No.	Gross Acreage.		Rental per Annum.		No.	Gross Acreage.		Rental per Annum.						
					A.	R.	P.	£	s.	d.		A.	R.	P.	£	s.	d.	
AUCKLAND—																		
Hauraki North				426	25,327	0	33	7,681	6	0	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	
Hauraki South				530	36,690	0	11	13,229	12	0	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	
Te Aroha				..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	100	0	0	..	1	5	0
Puhipuhi				18	1,790	2	12	895	10	0	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	
Ohinemuri				622	44,895	2	38	20,902	11	6	16	744	0	0	..	Granted before 1884. No rent payable.		
MARLBOROUGH—																		
Wairau and Pelorus				26	1,335	2	14	304	2	9	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	
NELSON—																		
Collingwood				1	10	0	0	10	0	0	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	
Inangahua				165	9,688	1	9	4,255	7	6	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	
Charleston				9	119	0	0	64	10	0	7	147	0	0	..	4	8	6
Ahaura				..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	
Westport				..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	
Lyell				..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	
Murchison				..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	
Owen's				..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	
WESTLAND—																		
Okarito				..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	50	0	0	..	1	17	6
Hokitika and Kanieri				9	637	3	35	317	0	0	6	242	0	3	..	14	16	0
Kumara				20	235	1	9	167	18	0	3	58	1	3	..	6	0	0
Stafford				5	100	0	0	50	0	0	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	
Greymouth				39	1,408	0	0	568	0	0	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	
Ross				23	1,342	0	23	685	0	0	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	
OTAGO—																		
Waikaia				19	936	0	16	375	15	0	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	
Cromwell				..	..	..	..	..	..	..	8	746	3	26	..	53	17	8
Hindon				36	1,041	0	0	520	10	0	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	
Tuapeka				55	2,560	2	9	1,278	0	0	40	492	0	0	..	41	5	0
Black's				19	680	0	0	264	15	0	14	343	0	0	..	15	18	3
Clyde and Alexandra				38	1,458	0	0	729	0	0	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	
Roxburgh				27	1,218	0	0	609	0	0	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	
Naseby				59	1,777	3	36	726	17	6	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	
Arrow (Wakatipu Goldfield)				..	..	..	..	..	..	..	4	154	3	21	..	\$11	10	6
Queenstown				..	..	..	..	..	..	..	12	209	0	34	..	17	18	3
Maerewhenua				1	30	0	12	15	10	0	33	1,164	0	0	..	145	12	8
Tapanui				..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	
Wyndham				..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	
Totals				2,147	133,281	2	17	53,650	5	3	145	4,351	1	7	..	204	9	4

	No.	Area.			Rental.		
		A.	R.	P.	£	s.	d.
* Occupation licenses ..	5	137	0	27	10	6	0
†	9	385	2	0	21	2	3
‡	37	1,687	3	19	85	18	0
§	17	580	0	2	25	7	0
.. ..	19	238	1	19	12	13	0
¶	13	361	2	33	19	9	0
	100	3,390	2	20	£174	15	3

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