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NEW ZEALAND

MARINE DEPARTMENT

ANNUAL REPORT FOR THE YEAR 1948-49

Presented to Both Houses of the General Assembly by Command of His Excellency

Marine Department,
Wellington, 15th June, 1949.

YOUR EXCELLENCY,—

I do myself the honour to transmit for Your Excellency's information the report of the Marine Department for the financial year ended the 31st March last.

I have, &c.,

F. HACKETT,
Minister of Marine.

His Excellency the Governor-General of the Dominion of New Zealand.

REPORT

The SECRETARY, MARINE DEPARTMENT, to the Hon. the MINISTER OF MARINE,
SIR,—

Marine Department, Wellington, 10th June, 1949.

I have the honour to submit the report of the Marine Department for the year ended 31st March, 1949.

A matter of momentous importance to the West Coast, and, indeed, to the whole of New Zealand, was finalized during the year by the receipt of Cabinet approval for the implementation of improvements to the coal ports of Greymouth and Westport, as recommended by the expert British engineers, and augmented by the recommendation of Messrs. Wood, Furkert, and Newnham.

In respect to Greymouth, plans have already been approved and the necessary material ordered for the repairs to the South Breakwater, combined with the placing of steel piling on the channel side.