

Statement showing the Comparative Returns from the Quartz Mines in the Reefton District, from the 1st April, 1880, to the 31st March, 1901, and a similar Return for the Years ending 31st December, 1901, 1902, 1903.

| Years ending.       |    |    | Calls made. |    |    | Dividends declared. | Quartz crushed. | Yield of Gold. |      |     | Value of Yield. |    |    |
|---------------------|----|----|-------------|----|----|---------------------|-----------------|----------------|------|-----|-----------------|----|----|
|                     |    |    | £           | s. | d. | £                   | Tons.           | Qr.            | dwt. | gr. | £               | s. | d. |
| 31st March, 1881    | .. | .. | 10,218      | 17 | 6  | 19,650              | 25,926          | 17,597         | 14   | 10  | 68,630          | 13 | 10 |
| " 1882              | .. | .. | 25,504      | 3  | 4  | 37,643              | 14,894          | 20,154         | 0    | 0   | 78,600          | 12 | 0  |
| " 1883              | .. | .. | 64,345      | 0  | 0  | 32,600              | 18,928          | 19,194         | 0    | 0   | 74,856          | 12 | 0  |
| " 1884              | .. | .. | 49,456      | 0  | 0  | 16,500              | 23,433          | 16,547         | 0    | 0   | 64,533          | 6  | 0  |
| " 1885              | .. | .. | 29,333      | 0  | 0  | 34,100              | 34,349          | 23,997         | 0    | 0   | 93,588          | 6  | 0  |
| " 1886              | .. | .. | 24,565      | 0  | 0  | 14,500              | 27,198          | 14,591         | 0    | 0   | 56,904          | 18 | 0  |
| " 1887              | .. | .. | 21,596      | 0  | 0  | 33,450              | 23,930          | 21,143         | 0    | 0   | 83,171          | 15 | 5  |
| " 1888              | .. | .. | 30,432      | 0  | 0  | 17,550              | 24,403          | 16,775         | 0    | 0   | 66,030          | 11 | 5  |
| " 1889              | .. | .. | 38,919      | 0  | 0  | 16,688              | 28,564          | 18,663         | 0    | 0   | 72,720          | 18 | 0  |
| " 1890              | .. | .. | 27,531      | 0  | 0  | 18,250              | 32,394          | 17,780         | 0    | 0   | 69,676          | 12 | 1  |
| " 1891              | .. | .. | 20,404      | 0  | 0  | 27,325              | 39,643          | 23,347         | 0    | 0   | 91,998          | 8  | 10 |
| " 1892              | .. | .. | 25,956      | 0  | 0  | 30,743              | 35,562          | 23,390         | 0    | 0   | 95,885          | 5  | 1  |
| " 1893              | .. | .. | 18,800      | 0  | 0  | 16,900              | 37,693          | 20,171         | 0    | 0   | 80,894          | 5  | 1  |
| " 1894              | .. | .. | 14,350      | 0  | 0  | 18,832              | 34,518          | 18,413         | 0    | 0   | 73,752          | 14 | 11 |
| " 1895              | .. | .. | 10,153      | 0  | 0  | 11,012              | 26,602          | 13,426         | 10   | 0   | 53,509          | 5  | 1  |
| " 1896              | .. | .. | 8,418       | 0  | 0  | 25,925              | 29,816          | 22,025         | 0    | 0   | 87,935          | 18 | 4  |
| " 1897              | .. | .. | 9,033       | 6  | 8  | 4,900               | 13,270          | 8,365          | 4    | 20  | 33,824          | 7  | 1  |
| " 1898              | .. | .. | 7,859       | 3  | 4  | 50                  | 9,751           | 4,266          | 7    | 1   | 18,253          | 7  | 3  |
| " 1899              | .. | .. | 5,920       | 6  | 8  | 900                 | 42,305          | 21,487         | 18   | 15  | 87,587          | 1  | 0  |
| " 1900              | .. | .. | 10,747      | 8  | 9  | 47,050              | 58,277          | 26,693         | 3    | 18  | 108,455         | 17 | 8  |
| " 1901              | .. | .. | 5,826       | 9  | 7  | 35,300              | 82,618          | 33,979         | 5    | 5   | 134,557         | 7  | 11 |
| 31st December, 1901 | .. | .. | 6,233       | 6  | 8  | 58,199              | 97,870          | 46,066         | 16   | 12  | 186,719         | 6  | 7  |
| " 1902              | .. | .. | 6,900       | 0  | 0  | 48,475              | 98,485          | 46,561         | 9    | 17  | 188,758         | 2  | 5  |
| " 1903              | .. | .. | 4,587       | 0  | 0  | 57,641              | 109,571         | 58,840         | 6    | 15  | 195,468         | 16 | 10 |

Gold-yield, Reefton District for the Year 1903.

| Name of Company.                                   | Calls. | Dividends. | Tons treated. | Yield of Gold. |      |     | Value of Gold. |    |    |
|----------------------------------------------------|--------|------------|---------------|----------------|------|-----|----------------|----|----|
|                                                    | £      | £          |               | Oz.            | dwt. | gr. | £              | s. | d. |
| Progress Mines of New Zealand (Limited) ..         | Nil    | 34,375     | 57,114        | 27,346         | 4    | 6   | 108,217        | 4  | 8  |
| Consolidated Goldfields of New Zealand (Limited)   | "      | 11,250     | ..            | ..             | ..   | ..  | ..             | .. | .. |
| (1) Golden Fleece .. ..                            | "      | Nil        | 14,133        | 6,384          | 3    | 9   | 26,790         | 17 | 8  |
| (2) Wealth of Nations .. ..                        | "      | "          | 12,385        | 4,819          | 14   | 8   | 20,422         | 5  | 8  |
| Welcome Gold-mining Company (Limited) ..           | "      | "          | 1,611         | 1,143          | 12   | 8   | 4,431          | 19 | 1  |
| Big River Gold-mining Company (Limited)            | 1,500  | 1,166      | 340           | 453            | 2    | 0   | 1,836          | 18 | 10 |
| Kirwan's Reward Gold-mining Company (Limited)      | Nil    | 2,100      | 4,814         | 1,791          | 5    | 6   | 7,131          | 9  | 1  |
| Keep-it-Dark Quartz-mining Company (Limited)       | "      | 8,750      | 12,568        | 5,282          | 7    | 0   | 20,473         | 2  | 2  |
| New Inkerman Mines (Limited) .. ..                 | "      | Nil        | 5,247         | 1,372          | 10   | 12  | 5,252          | 1  | 1  |
| New Scotia Gold-mining Company (Limited)           | 1,837  | "          | 1,344         | 162            | 7    | 14  | 568            | 18 | 7  |
| Golden Lead Gold-mining Company (Limited)          | 550    | "          | Nil           | Nil            | ..   | ..  | Nil            | .. | .. |
| Industry Gold-mining Company (Limited) ..          | 700    | "          | "             | "              | ..   | ..  | "              | .. | .. |
| Last Chance (Private) .. ..                        | Nil    | ..         | 15            | 85             | 0    | 0   | 344            | 0  | 0  |
| <i>Dredging Companies</i>                          |        |            |               |                |      |     |                |    |    |
| A. 1 Gold-dredging Company (Limited) ..            | Nil    | 850        | ..            | 998            | 16   | 0   | 4,002          | 17 | 10 |
| Boatman's Creek Gold-dredging Company (Limited)    | 6,120  | Nil        | ..            | 226            | 0    | 0   | 900            | 7  | 6  |
| Reeves Proprietary Gold-dredging Company (Limited) | Nil    | "          | ..            | 653            | 16   | 12  | 2,549          | 17 | 10 |
| Greymouth Lagoons Gold-dredging Company (Limited)  | "      | "          | ..            | 777            | 14   | 8   | 3,149          | 15 | 5  |
| Blackwater River Gold-dredging Company (Limited)   | "      | 1,421      | ..            | 1,280          | 17   | 10  | 5,194          | 15 | 5  |
| <i>Other Alluvial Gold.</i>                        |        |            |               |                |      |     |                |    |    |
| Sold to Bank of New Zealand .. ..                  | ..     | ..         | ..            | 1,133          | 14   | 15  | 4,432          | 14 | 6  |
| Sold to National Bank of New Zealand (Limited)     | ..     | ..         | ..            | 1,807          | 4    | 9   | 7,043          | 1  | 8  |
| Totals .. ..                                       | 10,707 | 59,912     | 109,571       | 55,718         | 9    | 21  | 222,742        | 7  | 0  |