

1910.
NEW ZEALAND.

INSPECTION OF COAL-MINES REPORT.

(THE COAL-MINES ACT, 1908.)

Presented to both Houses of the General Assembly by Command of His Excellency.

Mr. FRANK REED, M.Inst.M.M., Inspecting Engineer, to the UNDER-SECRETARY, Mines Department.

SIR,—

Mines Department, Wellington, 24th May, 1910.

I have the honour to present the annual reports of inspection, together with statistical information in regard to the coal-mines of the Dominion for the year ended 31st December, 1909.

The reports are divided into the following sections :—

- I. Output of Mineral.
- II. Persons employed.
- III. Accidents.
- IV. General Remarks.

Annexures—

- (a.) Inspectors' Reports.
- (b.) Mine Officials' Examinations, and List of Certificate-holders.
- (c.) Statistics of Working-collieries.

SECTION I.—OUTPUT OF MINERAL.

The output of the several classes of coal mined in each inspection district is summarised as follows :—

Class of Coal, &c.	Northern District.	West Coast District.	Southern District.	Total.
	Tons.	Tons.	Tons.	Tons.
Bituminous and semi-bituminous coal ...	134,957	1,122,276	...	1,257,233
Pitch-coal	...	...	5,473	5,473
Brown coal... ..	212,962	366	346,181	559,509
Lignite	451	...	38,581	89,032
Totals...	348,370	1,122,642	440,235	1,911,247