

REPORT.

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SIR,—

Mines Department, Wellington, 28th April, 1911.

I have the honour to present the annual reports of inspection of mines, together with reports of Wardens and other officers, accompanied by statistical information in regard to the goldfields and metalliferous mines of the Dominion, for the year ended the 31st December, 1910.

In accordance with the usual practice, the tables showing expenditure through the Mines Department on roads, bridges, tracks, prospecting operations, &c., are for the period covered by the financial year—viz., from the 1st April, 1910, to the 31st March, 1911.

The reports, &c., are divided into the following sections :—

- I. Production of Minerals.
- II. Persons employed.
- III. Accidents.
- IV. Gold-mining.
 - (1.) Quartz.
 - (2.) Dredging.
 - (3.) Alluvial.
- V. Minerals other than Gold.
- VI. State Aid to Mining.
- VII. Schools of Mines.

Annexures.—Reports of—

- (a.) Inspectors of Mines.
- (b.) Wardens.
- (c.) Directors of Schools of Mines.
- (d.) Water-race Managers.
- (e.) Mining Statistics.
- (f.) Examinations under the Mining Act, 1908, and Lists of Certificate-holders.
- (g.) Thames Deep Levels Mining Board.