

Number of Subsidized Prospectors, the Amount of Subsidy granted and paid, also the Character and Result of such Prospecting Operations, from 1st April, 1915, to 31st March, 1916.

Name of Prospecting Party.	Number of Prospectors.	Locality of Operations.	Amount of Subsidy granted.		Amount of Subsidy expended.		Distance driven.	Distance timbered.	Nature of Claim.	Character of Operations.	Remarks.	
<i>Northern Inspection District.</i>												
Hauraki Prospecting Association—Lahrs and Ryan ..	2	Mahakirau, Coromandel	£1,000 at £2 subsidy for £1 subscribed	£	s.	d.	Ft.	Ft.	Quartz	Surface prospecting and driving	Several small leaders were intersected yielding good dish prospects. A number of low-grade lodes varying between 18 in. to 4 ft. in thickness were discovered. Prospecting the country between the heads of Karaka and Otanui Creeks; nothing of value discovered. Loose boulders of surface quartz having high assay value were found, but driving through disturbed country proved nothing of value, and work was abandoned. A large lode visible on the surface was expected to live downwards, but 1,842 ft. was driven in very hard country and failed to intersect such lode. The company expended several thousand pounds in this unsuccessful but legitimate exploration. The subsidy was on the last 150 ft. driven. A low-level crosscut driven 500 ft. without success was subsidized for a further 350 ft. At about 647 ft. in an 18 in. lode value £4 16s. per ton was intersected. The lode sought for is believed to be ahead of the present face. To intersect a 2 ft. lode on the Tokatea main range a subsidy on 200 ft. of driving was granted, so far nothing of value has been proven. The drive is now being advanced on ore. Lode of no value; cut in several places.	
Ross and Anderson ..	2	Waihi-Whangamata		239	0	0	..	..	..	..		
Turnbull and Martin ..	2	Thames ..		34	10	0	138	..	..	..		Driving
O'Keefe and party ..	2	Karangahake ..		37	10	0	..	..	..	..		..
Dominion Gold-mining Company	3	..	37	10	0	Subsidy on 150ft.; total driven, 1,842 ft.	..	..	..	..	..	
Success Development Syndicate	3	Waitekauri (May Bell claim)	125	0	0	677 (total)	..	..	..	..	..	
Power and party ..	2	Coromandel ..	50	0	0	135	..	..	..	..	..	
Hauraki Reefs Gold-mining Company—McGregor and party ..	4	..	125	0	0	..	..	..	..	..	..	
..	2	Horahora ..	26	0	0	..	..	..	..	..	..	
<i>West Coast Inspection District.</i>												
A. B. Alford and others ..	4	Deep Creek, Marlborough ..	104	0	0	27	6	8	..	Scheelite	Trenching and driving	A quartz lode carrying gold and scheelite has been found about two miles north of the Dominion Mine. The prospects so far are favourable.
Alpine Consolidated Company ..	4	Eight-mile Creek, Lyell ..	200	0	0	..	..	..	Quartz	Driving	A crosscut to intersect the Alpine line of lode north of the old workings. Auriferous leaders have been found.	
H. A. Banke and party ..	2	Seddon's Terrace, Rimu ..	27	10	0	..	..	..	Alluvial	..	In progress.	
Blackmer Bros. ..	2	Hatters, Stafford ..	212	10	0	15	12	0	..	..	To test an alluvial terrace. Prospects of success reported favourable.	
Energetic Extended Syndicate No. 2	4	Murray Creek, Reefton ..	125	0	0	49	15	0	Quartz	..	Prospecting for lodes at Murray Creek, north of the Energetic shaft. Three small lodes have been driven on, but so far nothing payable has been found.	
Etheredge and party ..	2	Ross ..	80	0	0	10	0	0	Alluvial	..	Alluvial prospecting between Mont D'Or and Mikonui. The ground has now been taken up by the Mont D'Or Company.	