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OF  
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The following table shows, as far as can be ascertained, the quantities and values of Metals and Minerals raised during the quarter ending 31st December, 1908, as compared with the previous quarter ending 30th September, 1908:—

	During the Quarter ending 31st Decr., 1908.		During the Quarter ending 30th Sept., 1908.	
	Quantity.	Value.	Quantity.	Value.
* Gold won ..... ozs.	11,521·458	£ 48,940	13,396·343	£ 56,904
Silver-lead Ore produced tons	20,990·88	81,840	17,177·79	83,540
† Blister Copper produced "	2266	161,031	2260	153,987
Copper Ore and Copper produced..... "	191 50	1528	460·65	2281
Tin Ore produced..... "	1191·80	110,920	1187·55	111,094
Iron Ore raised..... "	800	300	1000	400
Coal raised..... "	14,137·50	12,016	15,872·25	13,491
Wolfram Ore produced... "	1·28	134	...	...
Bismuth..... "	1·25	150	1·85	222
...	...	416,859	...	421,919

\* Fine gold, including gold contained in blister copper and silver-lead bullion.

† Value of gold contents deducted.

## GOLD.

During the past quarter, 4355 ozs. of gold were obtained from quartz, 192·33 ozs. from alluvial, 1775 ozs. by means of the cyanide and chlorination processes, 3866 ozs. from blister copper from the Mount Lyell Mining and Railway Company, Limited, and 1506 ozs. from the silver-lead bullion from the Tasmanian Smelting Company's works, Zeehan, valued at £48,940.

The following table shows the quantities obtained from the various sources on the different fields during the period under review, together with the totals for the corresponding period of 1907, and the previous quarter ending 30th September, 1908:—

	Gold obtained during the Quarter ending 31st December, 1908.					TOTAL.	Totals corresponding Quarter, 1907.	Totals for Quarter ending 30th Sept., 1908.
	From Quartz.	Alluvial.	Cyanide & chlorination.	From Blister Copper.	From Silver-lead Bullion.			
	ozs.	ozs.	ozs.	ozs.	ozs.	ozs.	ozs.	
Beaconsfield	3943	...	1558·5	...	...	5501·5	8021	6808·15
Mathinna ...	404	...	...	...	...	404	2440	615
Mt. Victoria	} 8	91·83	...	...	...	99·83	178·75	49·72
Warrentinna								
Mt. Cameron	} ...	..	216·5	...	...	216·5	314	249
Lefroy .....								
Lisle .....	} ...	90	...	...	...	90	133	105
Golconda ...								
West Coast.	...	10·5	...	3866	1506	5382·5	6076	5666·5
<b>TOTALS</b>	<b>4355</b>	<b>192·33</b>	<b>1775</b>	<b>3866</b>	<b>1506</b>	<b>11,694·33</b>	...	...
Totals corresponding Quarter, 1907.....	8273	300·75	2523	5043	1023	...	17,162·75	...
Totals for Quarter ending 30th Sept., 1908.....	5899	158·22	1773·15	4735	928	...	...	13,493·87

Value £48,940; equal to 11,521·458 ozs. fine gold.

BEACONSFIELD.—The quarter's statistics for the district are as follow:—

	Gold produced. ozs.	Men employed.
Tasmania Mine .....	4968	529
Tasmanian Tailings Syndicate...	533·5	17
Others .....	...	19
<b>Total.....</b>	<b>5501·5</b>	<b>565</b>

*Tasmania Mine.*—Fourteen thousand four hundred and twenty-eight tons of quartz crushed, and 4968 ozs. gold obtained (by amalgamation and chlorination), which makes a total of 757,775 tons quartz crushed, and 722,890 ozs. gold obtained since the mine was first started.

LEFROY.—The quarter's statistics are as follow:—

	Gold produced. ozs.	Men employed.
New Pinafore .....	—	3
Creek Cyanide .....	216·5	22
Kitto's Chum Syn .....	—	21
Prospectors and others.....	—	8
Totals.....	<u>216·5</u>	<u>54</u>

LISLE, GOLCONDA, &C.—Ninety ounces of gold have been won from these fields. Thirty-six men have been employed.

RINGAROOMA.—The New Ringarooma Gold Mining Company obtained 8 ozs. of gold from quartz, and employed two men.

*Alluvial Gold and Dredging Companies.*—Gold has been obtained by the following companies in streaming tin:—

	Standard Gold. ozs.
Briseis.....	11·50
New Brothers' Home.....	15·18
South Mount Cameron .....	29·30
Ringarooma Dredge .....	22·90
Dorset Dredge.....	12·95
Total .....	<u>91·83</u>

MATHINNA.—The quarter's statistics are as follow:—

	Quartz crushed. tons.	Sand treated. tons.	Gold produced. ozs.	Men.
New Golden Gate .....	478	...	341	34
Havelock .....	15	...	7	2
Golden Horseshoe.....	32	...	17	6
Others .....	57	...	39	8
Totals .....	<u>582</u>	<u>...</u>	<u>404</u>	<u>50</u>

WEST COAST.—Mr. Inspector Curtain reports:—Ten and a half ounces of alluvial gold were obtained during the quarter by seven men.

At Lynchford, Elliott and mate are opening on a make of stone adjacent to the Strahan track, surface specimens of which show fairly coarse gold.

At Hall's Creek, a syndicate, on a 40-acre leasehold, are prospecting ground that was formerly held by Forrester and party under

a prospector's area. So far, nothing definite is known respecting their prospects.

*Prospecting.*—Thompson and Donohue, after opening an old track, have taken two months' supplies into the Du Cane Range country, to which they purpose giving a good overhaul during the present dry season; but beyond these men, I know of no others that are similarly engaged.

### TIN.

The statistics for this metal for the past quarter are as follow:—

	Ore won. tons.	Value. £	Men employed.	
			Europeans.	Chinese.
Northern and Southern Division	21·05	1684	36	...
North-Eastern Division.....	730·15	71,240	663	80
Eastern Division.....	71·05	6544	221	34
North-Western Division.....	335	28,688	403	...
Western Division.....	34·55	2764	140	...
<b>Totals.....</b>	<b>1191·80</b>	<b>110,920</b>	<b>1463</b>	<b>114</b>

### NORTH-WESTERN DIVISION.

The output has been as under:—

	tons.	Men employed.
Mount Bischoff .....	250	300
Mt. Bischoff Extended .....	54·2	60
Waratah Alluvial.....	6·3	6
Wombat Mine.....	2	3
Stanhope Alluvial.....	0·5	1
Mt. Cleveland.....	22	30
Others .....	...	3
<b>Totals.....</b>	<b>335</b>	<b>403</b>

*Mt. Bischoff Extended.*—Mr. W. Gullock, manager, reports:—Stone crushed from new battery. Mine opening up very satisfactorily. New lode bottom level discovered; good value in tin oxide; approximate height from Mt. Bischoff peaks, 1200 feet. Bottom level, No. 6 level, advanced to 820 feet; expect to cut main lode in five weeks from present date (1st January).

### NORTH-EASTERN DIVISION.

#### RINGAROOMA DISTRICT:—

	Tin ore won. tons.	Men employed	
		Europeans.	Chinese.
Britannia .....	·3	2	...
Mt. Maurice .....	·7	4	...
Others .....	·45	5	...
<b>Totals .....</b>	<b>1·45</b>	<b>11</b>	<b>...</b>

PIONEER AND GLADSTONE DISTRICTS:—

	Tin ore won. tons.	Men employed.	
		Europeans.	Chinese.
Pioneer Tin Mine .....	109	109	...
Pioneer Extended .....	20	22	...
New Aberfoyle .....	2	6	...
Argus Tin Mine.....	9·80	18	...
South Mt. Cameron .....	36	38	...
Ringarooma Dredge .....	10·35	15	...
Dorset .....	11·20	16	...
Mussel Roe .....	·85	3	...
White Rock.....	4·10	5	...
Scotia .....	1·95	3	...
Purdue Tin Mine .....	18·70	23	...
Garibaldi .....	3·50	5	4
Other Claims .....	23·80	55	45
<b>Totals .....</b>	<b>251·25</b>	<b>318</b>	<b>49</b>

DERBY DISTRICT:—

	Tin ore won. tons.	Men employed.	
		Europeans.	Chinese.
Briseis Tin Mines.....	271·60	76	...
New Brothers' Home, No. 1....	48·95	24	...
Briseis Extended .....	42	36	...
Other Derby Claims .....	6·25	77	13
<b>Total.....</b>	<b>368·80</b>	<b>213</b>	<b>13</b>

BRANXHOLM DISTRICT:—

	Tin ore won. tons.	Men employed.	
		Europeans.	Chinese.
Arba Tin Mine.....	49·40	43	...
New Ruby Flat .....	18	16	...
Other Claims .....	3·50	4	13
<b>Total .....</b>	<b>70·90</b>	<b>63</b>	<b>13</b>

MOORINA DISTRICT:—

	Tin ore won. tons.	Men employed.	
		Europeans.	Chinese.
Weld Tin Mine .....	15	10	...
Native Youth .....	6	7	...
Abbotsford .....	3·55	6	...
Mutual Hill.....	1·05	5	...
Wilberforce Pump Co. ....	7	7	...
Other Moorina Claims .....	3·85	16	5
<b>Total.....</b>	<b>36·45</b>	<b>51</b>	<b>5</b>

## MT. HORROR DISTRICT:—

	Tin ore won. tons.	Men employed.	
		Europeans.	Chinese.
Banca T. M. Co. ....	·60	4	...
Other Claims .....	·70	3	...
	1·30	7	...
<i>Total for North-Eastern Division</i> .....	<u>730·15</u>	<u>663</u>	<u>80</u>

## EASTERN DIVISION.

	Tin ore won. tons.	Men employed	
		Europeans.	Chinese.
<i>Weldborough Mines.</i>			
Fancy Creek Co. ....	3·30	5	...
Weldborough Mine .....	3·25	3	...
Emu .....	4·85	6	...
Chinese (Weldborough)...	7·10	..	30
Other Claims .....	7·25	32	...
Total .....	<u>25·75</u>	<u>46</u>	<u>30</u>
<i>Lottah and Blue Tier Mines.</i>			
Anchor Mine.....	22	75	...
Other Claims .....	4·15	21	3
Chinese Claims .....			
Total .....	<u>26·15</u>	<u>96</u>	<u>3</u>
<i>St. Helens Mines.</i>			
McAuliffe & Party .....	·55	2	...
A. Williams .....	1·60	8	1
J. C. Macmichael.....	1·35	6	...
Royal Ruby Co. ....	1·55	7	...
Deep Lead.....	1·25	3	...
Others .....	2·85	15	...
Total .....	<u>9·15</u>	<u>41</u>	<u>1</u>
<i>Avoca Mines.</i>			
Story's Freehold .....	1·55	6	...
Mount Rex Co.....	2	12	...
South Esk .....	2·45	3	...
Roy's Hill .....	1·10	3	...
Other Claims .....	2·90	14	...
Total .....	<u>10·05</u>	<u>38</u>	<u>...</u>
<i>Total for Eastern Division</i>	<u>71·05</u>	<u>221</u>	<u>34</u>

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WESTERN DIVISION.

	Tin ore won. tons.	Men employed. Europeans.
Emu Bay Railway (various claims) ....	34·55	140

NORTHERN AND SOUTHERN DIVISION.

	Tin ore won. tons.	Men employed. Europeans.
Shepherd and Murphy Mine .....	21·05	36

SILVER.

WEST COAST.—The registered output of silver ore in the Western Division for the quarter ending 31st December is given below:—

	Ore.	Tons.	Value.	Men.
<i>Zeehan Mines :</i>				
Mount Zeehan, Tas.	galena .....	1178	11,463	200
Zeehan-Montana	" .....	294·60	4666	274
Zeehan-Western	galena, &c .....	111·51	787	70
Silver Queen Extended	" .....	373	812	14
Oonah	" .....	19	200	36
"	pyrites .....	1200	1350	
"	carbonate of iron... ..	135	290	4
Silver King	galena .....	25	259	
Florence	" .....	1004·50	7633	35
New Mt. Zeehan	" .....	439	396	4
Tas. Smelting Co's. Sections,	" .....	1480	783	18
Section 1816-M	" .....	4·56	28	2
Victoria-Zeehan	" .....	8·5	68	16
Colonel North	" .....	271·	507	25
Section T.L.E.	" .....	30·21	122	8
Section 1846	" .....	15·75	151	3
Nubeena	" .....	72·90	860	10
S. Comstock	" .....	22	242	5
<i>Dundas Mines :</i>				
Comet	galena.....	35·71	266	38
"	iron-flux.....	3499·50	1524	
Hercules	zinc-lead sulphide...	4931	18,676	93
Adelaide	galena.....	19·30	241	30
<i>Rosebery Mines :</i>				
Primrose	zinc-lead sulphide ...	505	1717	6
Tasmanian Copper	" .....	2260	7534	35
<i>Mt. Farrell Mines :</i>				
Mt. Farrell	galena.....	196·85	706	15
North Mt. Farrell	" .....	874	6963	137
Mackintosh Mine	" .....	14	143	4
Murchison River	" (9 months)...	279·75	4545	22
<i>Sundries :</i>				
Tasmanian Smelting Co. ....	.....	.....	.....	300
Sundry Companies.....	.....	.....	.....	93
Prospectors, &c. ....	.....	.....	.....	83
Total .....		19,299·64	72,932	1580

Mr. Inspector Harrison reports:—The *Zeehan Montana Company* has purchased Barnett's section, and intends to push along with the work of development as quickly as possible.

The lode lately struck in the No. 5 shaft, Mt. Zeehan (Tasmania) Mine, continues to open up well.

**ZEEHAN DISTRICT—*Mount Zeehan (Tasmania)*.**—Mr. T. Vincent, manager, reports:—Owing to the depreciation in price of metals and the non-success in finding new ore bodies we have had to close down No. 2 Queen Extended Mine. In the No. 1 shaft (Spray Mine) we have been developing No. 1 lode in No. 2 level. In No. 2 shaft, stoping Nos. 1 and 3 lodes, 3, 4, and 5 levels. Balstrup's No. 5 shaft, crosscutting to No. 2 lode. Since the close of the quarter the lode has been cut 3 feet wide, showing 6 inches of clean galena, the balance being a good milling ore.

*Queen Extended Mine.*—Mr. Charles Stevens, manager, reports:—Development during the quarter—Driving, 192 feet; sinking, 51 feet; rising, 12 feet; stoping, 339 feet; total, 594 feet.

*Florence Mine.*—Mr. F. K. Astell, manager, reports:—Operations have been confined above water-level. Horton's tribute is turning out a fair quantity of ore, and looks very promising. Quigley and party, on the southern side of the section, have a continuation of the south lode, which looks well for the future of this part of the section. A drive is being put in to cut this lode at the extreme end of the section. At the northern end of the section some very good galena is being won from the big lode known as "Flaherty's."

*Victoria-Zeehan.*—Mr. A. Batten, manager, reports:—During the quarter the east crosscut has been extended at the 300-foot level to 211 feet. At 184 feet the lode-formation was cut, 10 feet wide, carrying a little galena. This has been driven on for 30 feet, and shows signs of improvement, but so far is not payable. The ore won has been obtained by tributers in No. 3 tunnel workings.

*Color el North.*—Mr. Alexander Yates, manager, reports:—During the quarter 62 feet of driving has been done at No. 4 level, and 23 feet of rising above No. 2 level. The main crosscut at No. 4 level has been extended out westward with the view of picking up the ore at a point about 97 feet from the shaft. An ore vein was met with, but it appears to be associated with a good deal of blende and iron pyrites. Stoping has been carried on at various points with varied results. The stopes over the south drive in No. 2 are now producing more first-class ore than hitherto.

**MT. DUNDAS DISTRICT—*Adelaide Mine.***—Mr. Thos. J. Dyson, manager, reports:—During the past quarter the work has been confined to driving No. 3 (320-foot) level, which was extended 142 feet; total, 501 feet.

The shaft was sunk 35 feet; total, 89 feet below No. 3 level. At 50 feet below No. 3 level the lode was exposed 7 feet wide, with 18 inches to 2 feet of galena.

**MT. READ DISTRICT—Hercules Mine.**—Mr. Claude H. Moxon, manager, reports:—Ore-extraction has been continued. The "Dawson's," "B," and "E" ore-bodies being the chief contributors. A fair amount of development work, chiefly the extension of the main drives on the known lodes, has also been completed, with more or less satisfactory results.

**Tasmanian Smelting Company.**—Mr. H. Harris, manager, reports:—Ore bought during the quarter, 13,479 tons, containing—2154 tons lead, 299,653 ozs. silver, 1671 ozs. gold. Exported, 2232 tons bullion, containing 288,728 ozs. silver and 1506 ozs. gold.

NORTH-WESTERN DIVISION.

	Tons.	Value.	Men.
Magnet Mine.....	1668·24	£8639	40
Victorian Magnet.....	...	...	5
Long Tunnel .....	16	199	1
	<u>1684·24</u>	<u>8838</u>	<u>46</u>

NORTHERN AND SOUTHERN DIVISION.

**Round Hill Mine.**—Seven men employed.

**Devon Mine.**—Seven tons won, value £70; two men employed.

COPPER.

**Mt. Lyell Mine.**—Mr. Robert Sticht, general manager, reports:—The ores and metal-bearing fluxes treated during the quarter ending 31st December were as follow:—

Ores and metal bearing fluxes treated at Reduction Works:—

	Dry weight.			
	tons.	cwt.	qrs.	lbs.
Mt. Lyell Mine ore .....	67,301	8	1	6
North Lyell Mine ore .....	33,670	10	3	6
Purchased ore.....	100	18	3	10
	<u>101,072</u>	<u>17</u>	<u>3</u>	<u>22</u>
<b>Metal-bearing fluxes:—</b>				
North Lyell Mine.....	19	10	1	0
Lyell Tharsis Mine.....	97	5	1	11
	<u>116</u>	<u>15</u>	<u>2</u>	<u>11</u>
<b>Total.....</b>	<u>101,189</u>	<u>13</u>	<u>2</u>	<u>5</u>

## Quantity and value of metal produced :—

Blister Copper, 2266 tons, containing —	£	s.	d.
Copper, 2238 tons, valued at .....	143,187	4	10
Silver, fine, 186,188 ozs., valued at.....	17,843	0	4
Gold, fine, 3866 ozs., valued at .....	16,430	10	0
Total.....	£177,460	15	2

## Number of men employed :—

At the Company's Mt. Lyell Mine .....	372
"    "    North Lyell Mine.....	499
"    "    Lyell Tharsis Mine.....	9
"    "    Crotty Mine .....	5
"    "    Reduction Works.....	885
"    "    ... ..	938
Railway Department—Mt. Lyell Railway .....	134
"    "    North Lyell Railway ....	17
	151
Total.....	1974

## Inspector Curtain reports:— ,

*Mount Lyell Mining and Railway Company's Group—Mount Lyell Mine Iron Blow Workings.*—There is nothing special to add to that which has from time to time been reported in connection with these workings, the same routine continuing daily. The two top benches (O and A) are being permanently battered in view of operations being suspended on them, which will follow each bench until the completion of this (open cut) mode of extraction is exhausted. To supplement the supply whenever necessary preparations have been made to resume underground work in the lower levels that have been idle since the amalgamation.

*North Lyell Mine.*—Chambers at the 1100-foot level have been opened at either side of the main shaft and crosscuts started, while similar work is likewise underway at the winze or auxiliary shaft that has also attained the same depth. At the 1000-foot level, high-grade sulphide ore continues to be won from 23 and 24 stopes, from which connections with the next level are being made for dispatch and ventilation. At the 850-foot level, stopes 18, 19, 20, and their subsections provide excellent ore; that also refers to stopes 15, 16, 17, and their extensions and sub-stopess in the 700-foot level, while in the higher or shallower workings appreciable quantities of serviceable ore and fluxes are mined and forwarded to the Reduction Works for treatment.

On the surface, the newly-erected electrical hoist has proved capable of negotiating some 30 tons per hour, in addition to being equipped with appliances for regulation and safety, that tends to generally commend it. The compressing plant, whose supply exceeds 2000 cubic feet of free air per minute, is in commission,

and will materially assist progress by relieving the strain the deeper works have necessarily imposed upon the central power-station at the Iron Blow recently.

At the Reduction Works four furnaces are usually under blast and with the steady and increased pressures from the recently completed turbo-blowers (3), cope successfully with the daily tonnage from the mines and quarries, that shows no signs of diminishing.

*Tasman Crown Extended.*—Mr. Edward Carter reports:—Development has been devoted to rising on the copper-bearing formation from the No. 3 adit in different places, one of which carried a small vein of ore that was remarkably rich in silver. In addition to this, 2 miles of a 2-ft. gauge wooden tramway has been laid, leaving about  $\frac{3}{4}$ -mile more to complete, when the mine will be in a position to send out regular shipments of marketable ore. Twenty men are employed.

*Comstock Copper Mines.*—Mr. Charles E. Cootes reports:—Prospecting by diamond-drilling was continued on the north-eastern slope of the mount, where some 20 feet of fairly dense sulphide ore was located. In addition to this, the face of No. 3, or the lowest, adit was advanced in green schist that carried fair impregnations of yellow copper ore. With diamond-drilling included eight men were employed.

*Lyell Extended Copper Mine.*—Mr. William Madden reports:—The prospecting shaft in the copper clays has been sunk 50 feet, and a like distance crosscutted on similar material that throughout prospected most satisfactorily. Two men were employed.

*Crown Lyell Mine.*—This mine has been idle, but preparations are being made by way of renewing the ladder-ways, &c., whereby operations may be resumed in sinking of the main shaft.

*Lyell Consols.*—Mr. John Carrol reports:—This property has been reconstructed as the "Lyell Consols Copper Corporation, No Liability," with sufficient capital to pay off all liabilities of the old company, and leave a balance sufficient to give the mine a fair trial. Twelve men are, at the time of writing, engaged, which are likely to be increased to 100 during the quarter.

*Darwin-Thompson P.A.*—Mr. O'Brien, from Gormanston, reports:—An additional 35 feet has been added to the adit workings without meeting anything favourable, and as this work totals a distance much beyond that estimated, work has been suspended, with little probability of its being renewed. Two men were employed.

*Darwin Copper Syndicate.*—Mr. James Souter continues prospecting in favourable schist country, with three men.

**NORTH DUNDAS DISTRICT.**—The Ring Valley Mining Company obtained 80·5 tons of copper sulphides, valued at £873. Sixteen men employed.

#### NORTHERN AND SOUTHERN DIVISION.

*Burnie Copper Mines.*—Output 111 tons, valued at £655. Twenty men employed.

#### COAL.

The output this quarter was 14,137·5 tons, against 15,872 tons the previous quarter. The output of the respective collieries was as follows:—

Colliery.	Tons raised.	Men employed.
Cornwall Colliery .....	7130	68
Mt. Nicholas „ .....	4827	50
Spreyton „ .....	210	4
York Plains „ .....	168	2
Mount Cygnet „ .....	250	3
Wallsend „ .....	1552·5	24
<b>Total .....</b>	<b>14,137·5</b>	<b>151</b>

#### IRON.

*The Tasmanian Iron Company* at Penguin raised 800 tons of iron ore, with 10 men, valued at £300.

#### BISMUTH.

*The Shepherd and Murphy Company* obtained 1·25 tons of bismuth from its tin ore, valued at £150.

#### WOLFRAM.

The output of wolfram during the quarter was as follows:—

	Tons	£	Men.
Shepherd and Murphy Mine .....	·25	20	...
Ben Lomond Tungsten Mine .....	1·28	114	3
	<b>1·53</b>	<b>134</b>	<b>3</b>

#### BARIUM.

The presence of this mineral in appreciable quantities has been brought into prominence by Mr. W. H. Taylour, who is engaged opening up a clean reef or deposit on a north-eastern flank of the mountain, from where he has obtained extensive bulk samples that have merited the approval of intercolonial investors who are at present interested in the property. From American

files it is gathered that some 89,000 crude tons of barytes were disposed of some 12 months ago for approximately 277,000 dollars.

The following return shows the average number of men employed in or about the mines during the quarter ending the 31st December, 1908:—

District.	European.	Chinese.	Total.
Northern and Southern .....	763	...	763
North-Eastern .....	665	80	745
Eastern .....	392	34	426
North-Western .....	449	...	449
Western .....	3765	...	3765
Total .....	6034	114	6148

Value of mineral output per man:—£67 16s.

Dividends paid by Mining Companies during the quarter ending 31st December, 1908:—

	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
From Copper Mines:—						
Mt. Lyell Mining and Railway Co., Limited .....	105,000	0	0	105,000	0	0
From Gold Mines.....	<i>Nil</i>					
From Tin Mines:—						
Bischoff T.M. Co., Registered.....	9600	0	0			
New Brothers' Home No. 1 T.M. Co., N.L.....	3000	0	0			
Purdue Tin Mines .....	750	0	0			
Briseis Tin Mines, Ltd.....	15,000	0	0			
New Ruby Flat T.M. Co., N.L.....	609	0	0			
				28,359	0	0
From Silver Mines:						
Zeehan Montana Pros. Syndicate .....	390	0	0			
North Mt. Farrell Mg. Co. N.L. ....	874	0	0			
				1264	0	0
From Coal Mines:						
Cornwall Coal Co. ....	906	0	0	906	0	0
Total .....			...	£135,529	0	0