

Now, therefore, I, the Right Honourable William Hillier, Earl of Onslow, Governor of the Colony of New Zealand, by and with the advice and consent of the Executive Council of the said colony, having full confidence in your knowledge, ability, and integrity, do hereby appoint you the said

Honourable THEODORE MINUET HAULTAIN, of Auckland, and
HANITA TE AWEAWE, of Palmerston North,

to be a Commission to inquire into and ascertain the several matters aforesaid, and to report upon the same, that is to say,—

1. Whether the boundary of the said block of land called Tauponuiatia, as delineated on the said plan and thereon coloured red, is the correct boundary thereof, or whether the said boundary is correctly delineated by the line coloured yellow on the said plan, or whether the correct boundary would be properly defined by an intermediate line between the said lines coloured red and yellow.

2. Whether the Native chief Hitiri Paerata has suffered any injustice in consequence of his claim to a block of land known as Pouakani having, in consequence of some misapprehension, been unsatisfactorily dealt with; and whether he or his people have any just cause of complaint in relation thereto.

3. Whether Karawhira Kapu was induced by a Land Purchase Commissioner in the employ of the Government to forego large claims to land of her own and of her relations in consequence of promises made to her by the said Commissioner, which have not been fulfilled or carried out.

Provided that the title of the Crown to the lands awarded to Her Majesty for the cost of the survey of the said block of land called Tauponuiatia, or any part thereof, shall not be brought into question.

And I do hereby, with the advice and consent aforesaid, require you to report your decision separately upon each matter referred as aforesaid, within forty days after the date of this Commission, or as much sooner as can be done, using all diligence, and to certify to me under your hands and seals concerning the premises; and with the like advice and consent I do declare that this Commission shall continue in full force and virtue, and that you, the said Commissioners, shall and may from time to time proceed in the execution thereof to such place and places and at such time as you shall judge meet and convenient, although the same shall not continue from time to time by adjournment.

(L.S.) Given under the hand of His Excellency the Right Honourable William Hillier, Earl of Onslow, of Onslow in the County of Salop; Viscount Cranley, of Cranley in the County of Surrey; Baron Onslow, of Onslow in the County of Salop, and of West Clandon in the County of Surrey; Baron Cranley, of Imbercourt; Baronet; a member of Her Majesty's Most Honourable Privy Council; Knight Grand Cross of the Most Distinguished Order of Saint Michael and Saint George; Governor and Commander-in-Chief in and over Her Majesty's Colony of New Zealand and its Dependencies, and Vice-Admiral of the same; and issued under the seal of the said Colony at the Government House, at Wellington, this ninth day of July, in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and eighty-nine.

EDWIN MITCHELSON.

Approved in Council.—ALEXANDER WILLIS, Clerk of Executive Council.

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