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And for better enabling you to make the said inquiry you are hereby empowered to employ such clerks and shorthand-writers as you may think necessary for the purpose of effectually transcribing and taking down the evidence given before you and recording and preserving the same: And I direct that the said inquiry shall be conducted at the office of the Public Trustee, at Wellington, in the said colony, and that, using all diligence, you, the said Commissioners, do report to me under your hands and seals, your opinion resulting from the said inquiry, stating your recommendations in respect thereof, not later than calendar month from the date of these presents, accompanying such report with the evidence taken by you as hereinbefore authorised: And it is hereby lastly declared that this Commission shall continue in full force and virtue although the inquiry be not regularly continued from time to time by adjournment; and that you or any two of you sitting and acting together shall and may from time to time proceed in the execution of the powers hereby conferred upon you, the said Commissioners, and of every matter and thing herein contained.

In witness whereof I, William Hillier, Earl of Onslow, the Governor of the Colony of New Zealand, have hereunto set my hand, and have caused the seal of the said colony to be hereunto affixed, at Wellington, in the said colony, this twenty-seventh day of February, one thousand eight hundred and ninety-one.

Issued in Executive Council-

(L.s.) Onslow,

Governor.

ALEX. WILLIS, Clerk of the Executive Council.