

to be a Commission for the purpose of making an inquiry into the present conditions of the trusts and trust estates created by the said Crown grants, including in the case of each trust estate the matters following, that is to say,—

- (1.) Of what the trust estate now consists, distinguishing land from money.
- (2.) The mode in which the land has been utilised and administered by the trustees: if leased—in what manner, at what rental; if sold—at what price; what accumulations have been made, and how they are invested.
- (3.) The total receipts and disbursements for each year since the creation of the trust.
- (4.) Whether the original trusts have been carried out, and what school or schools have been maintained, where situated, for whose benefit, and whether a school or schools have been established in the district of Ahuriri for the education of British subjects of both races in New Zealand; and, if not, what are the reasons for not carrying out the trusts in their entirety.
- (5.) If they cannot be carried out in their entirety, what modification should be made in order to give effect to the original intention as far as practicable.
- (6.) Whether the school or schools are so conducted as to give to the children contemplated in the trust the greatest benefit; especially whether there is sufficient provision for manual and technical education of the children of both races, and especially of Maoris; and whether agricultural classes could be established and practical farming be taught in connection with such schools.
- (7.) What proportion of the revenue is paid on account of each school maintained under the trust, and to what purposes such moneys are applied in respect of each school.

And you are hereby enjoined to make such suggestions and recommendations as you may consider desirable or necessary with respect to the future administration and control of the said trust estates and for the better efficiency and usefulness of the school or schools maintained thereunder, and with respect to the necessity of legislation in the premises.

And with like advice and consent I do further appoint you, the said

CHARLES CARGILL KETTLE,

to be Chairman of the Commission.

And for the better enabling you, the said Commission, to carry out these presents into effect, you are hereby authorised and empowered to make and conduct any inquiry under these presents at such times and places in the said colony as you deem expedient, with power to adjourn from time to time, and from place to place, as you think fit; and to call before you and examine on oath or otherwise, as may be allowed by law, such person or persons as you think capable of affording you information in the premises: and you are also hereby empowered to call for and examine all such books, documents, papers, plans, maps, or records as you deem likely to afford you the fullest information on the subject-matter of this inquiry, and to inquire of and concerning the premises by all lawful ways and means whatsoever.

And, using all diligence, you are required to transmit to me, under your hands and seals, your report and recommendations in respect of the several matters inquired into by you not later than the 31st day of May, 1906, or such extended date as may be appointed in that behalf.

And it is hereby declared that these presents shall continue in full force and virtue, although the inquiry be not regularly continued from time to time or from place to place by adjournment.

And lastly, it is hereby further declared that these presents are issued under and subject to the provisions of "The Commissioners Act, 1903."

SCHEDULE OF CROWN GRANTS.

FIRSTLY, the Crown grant, dated the 10th day of June, 1857, of all that parcel of land in the district of Ahuriri, in the Province of Wellington, containing 1,745 acres, more or less, as more particularly described in the said grant.

Secondly, the Crown grant, dated the 10th day of June, 1857, of all that parcel of land in the Province of Wellington, containing 1,408 acres, more or less, situated in the district of Ahuriri, as more particularly described in the said grant.

Thirdly, the Crown grant, dated the 7th day of July, 1857, of all that parcel of land in the Province of Wellington, containing 4,244 acres, more or less, situated in the district of Ahuriri, as more particularly described in the said grant.

Fourthly, the Crown grant, dated the 28th day of November, 1866, of all that parcel of land in the Province of Hawke's Bay, containing 382 acres, more or less, being section numbered 19A, situated at Te Aute, as more particularly described in the said grant.