

And, using all diligence, you are required to report to me, under your hands and seals, your opinion resulting from the said inquiry in respect of the several matters and things inquired into by you under or by virtue of these presents not later than the first day of October next ensuing, stating in such report what steps, if any, it would, in your opinion, be expedient to adopt under the circumstances which you find to exist, and in what manner effect should be given to such recommendation.

And it is hereby 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 shall and may from time to time proceed in execution hereof, and of every power, matter, and thing herein contained.

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

Given under the hand of His Excellency the Right Honourable William Lee, Baron Plunket, Knight Commander of the Most Distinguished Order of Saint Michael and Saint George, Knight Commander of the Royal Victorian Order, Governor and Commander-in-Chief in and over His Majesty's Colony of New Zealand and its Dependencies, acting by and with the advice and consent of the Executive Council of the said colony; and issued under the Seal of the said Colony, at the Government House, at Wellington, this twenty-third day of August, in the year of our Lord one thousand nine hundred and seven.

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JAMES MCGOWAN,
Minister of Mines.

Issued in Executive Council.

ALEX. WILLIS,
Clerk of the Executive Council.

EXTENDING TIME OF COMMISSION.

PLUNKET, Governor.

To all to whom these presents shall come, and to William Reeve Haselden, Esquire, of Wellington, District Judge; Huntly John Harry Elliott, Esquire, of Hutt; Henry Andrew Gordon, Esquire, of Auckland, Mining Engineer; and Alexander Forbes, Esquire, of Kaitangata, Secretary to the Otago Coal-miners' Union of Workers: Greeting.

WHEREAS by a Commission bearing date the twenty-third day of August last, you, the said

WILLIAM REEVE HASELDEN,
HUNTLY JOHN HARRY ELLIOTT,
HENRY ANDREW GORDON, and
ALEXANDER FORBES,

were appointed to be a Commission for the purposes and with the powers in the said Commission more particularly mentioned: And whereas by the said Commission you were directed and required to report to me, on or before the first day of October then next ensuing, your proceedings and your opinion touching the matters mentioned therein: And whereas it is expedient that the said period should be extended as hereinafter provided:

Now, therefore, in exercise of the powers conferred by "The Commissioners Act, 1903," and of every other power and authority enabling me in this behalf, I, William Lee, Baron Plunket, the Governor of the Dominion of New Zealand,