Session I.

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NEW ZEALAND.

ROYAL COMMISSION ON MINES

(REPORT ON THE).

Presented to both Houses of the General Assembly by Command of His Excellency.

COMMISSION.

ISLINGTON. Governor.

To all to whom these presents shall come, and to Neil Dundonald Cochrane, Esq., of Dunedin, Mining Engineer; John Dowgray, Esq., of Granity, Miner; James Sim Evans, Esq., of Nelson, Warden and Stipendiary Magistrate; George Fletcher, Esq., of Granity, Mine-manager; Herbert Scott Molineaux, Esq., of Barewood, Mine-manager; William Edward Parry, Esq., of Waihi, Miner; and Frank Reed, Esq., of Wellington, Inspecting Engineer of Mines.

Whereas it is deemed expedient to appoint a Commission to inquire into and report on the conditions relating to the health and safety of the miners of New Zealand and the administration of the laws relating to mining and coal-mines, and to make recommendations for any amendment of these laws which may be considered necessary for the better protection of the health and safety of persons working in mines:

Now, therefore, I, John Poynder Dickson-Poynder, Baron Islington, the Governor of the Dominion of New Zealand, in exercise of the powers conferred by the Commissions of Inquiry Act, 1908, and of all other powers and authorities enabling me in that behalf, and acting by and with the advice and consent of the Executive Council of the said Dominion, do hereby constitute and appoint you the said

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to be a Commission to make inquiry into the matters hereinbefore referred to, and for that purpose to inquire and report generally as to—