Public Service Commission, 17th June, 1912. My Lord,—

I have the honour to inform Your Excellency that the Commission appointed to inquire into the unclassified Departments of the Public Service I have therefore to respectfully ask whether roun extend the period by one month, until the 25th July proximo.

I have, &c.,

W. D. Hunt, finds that it will be unable to complete its work by the date directed.

I have therefore to respectfully ask whether Your Excellency can kindly

His Excellency the Governor, Wellington.

Chairman.

PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION: EXTENDING PERIOD WITHIN WHICH COMMISSIONERS SHALL REPORT.

ISLINGTON, Governor.

To all to whom these presents shall come, and to William Duffus Hunt, Esquire, James Macintosh, Esquire, and Peter Barr, Esquire.

Whereas by Warrants dated the twenty-third day of May, one thousand nine hundred and twelve, and the seventh day of June, one thousand nine hundred and twelve, William Duffus Hunt, James Macintosh, and Peter Barr were appointed to be a Commission, under the Commissions of Inquiry Act, 1908, for the purposes set out in the said Warrants: And whereas by the said Warrants you were required to report to me under your hands and seals your opinion as to the aforesaid matters not later than the twenty-fifth day of June, one thousand nine hundred and twelve: And whereas it is expedient that the said period should be extended as hereinafter provided:

Now, therefore, I, John Poynder Dickson-Poynder, Baron Islington, the Governor of the Dominion of New Zealand, in pursuance of the powers vested in me by the said Act, and acting by and with the advice and consent of the Executive Council of the said Dominion, do hereby extend the period within which you shall report to me as by the said Commission provided to the twenty-

fifth day of July, one thousand nine hundred and twelve.

And in further pursuance of the powers vested in me by the said Act, and with the like advice and consent, I do hereby confirm the said Commission except as altered by these presents.

> Given under the hand of His Excellency the Right Honourable John Poynder Dickson-Poynder, Baron Islington, Governor and Commander - in - Chief in and over His Majesty's Dominion of New Zealand and its dependencies; and issued under the Seal of the said Dominion, at the Government House, at Wellington, this twenty-fourth day of June, in the year of our Lord one thousand nine hundred and twelve.

> > THOS. MACKENZIE, Prime Minister.

Approved in Council.

J. F. Andrews, Clerk of the Executive Council.

Public Service Commission, 5th July, 1912. My Lord,-I have the honour to inform Your Excellency that the Commission appointed to inquire into the unclassified Departments of the Public Service expects to finish its first sittings in Wellington on Monday next, the 8th instant.