And generally to report upon any matters which come under your notice in the course of your investigations, and make any suggestions which in your

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opinion will tend to the greater efficiency of the Public Trust Office.

And for the better enabling you, the said Commission, to carry these presents into effect, you are hereby authorized and empowered to make and conduct any inquiry under these presents at such times and places in the said Dominion 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, papers, writings, documents, or records as you deem likely to afford you the fullest information on the subject-matter of the inquiry hereby directed to be made, and to inquire of and concerning the premises by all lawful means whatsoever.

And, using all diligence, you are required to report to me, under your hands and seals, not later than the tenth day of February, one thousand nine hundred and thirteen, your opinion as to the aforesaid matters.

And it is hereby declared that these presents shall continue in full force and virtue although the inquiry is 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 Commissions of Inquiry Act, 1908.

> Given under the hand of His Excellency the Honourable Sir Robert Stout, Knight Commander of the Most Distinguished Order of Saint Michael and Saint George, Chief Justice, Administrator of the Government 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 sixteenth day of December, in the year of our Lord one thousand nine hundred and twelve.

> > A. L. HERDMAN,

Approved in Council.

J. F. Andrews,

Clerk of the Executive Council.

Minister of Justice.

PUBLIC TRUST OFFICE COMMISSION: EXTENDING PERIOD WITHIN WHICH COMMISSIONERS SHALL REPORT.

LIVERPOOL, Governor.

To Alexander Macintosh, Esquire, and John Henry Hosking, Esquire, K.C.

Whereas you, the said

ALEXANDER MACINTOSH and JOHN HENRY HOSKING,

were appointed to hold an inquiry and to make a report into the working of the Public Trust Office:

And whereas you were required to report to me on or before the tenth day of February, one thousand nine hundred and thirteen:

And whereas it is expedient that the said period should be extended as

hereinafter provided:

Now, therefore, I, Arthur William de Brito Savile, Earl of Liverpool, Governor of the Dominion of New Zealand, in pursuance of the powers vested in me, 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 to the thirty-first day of March, one thousand nine hundred and thirteen.