#### THURSDAY, 25TH MAY, 1916.

The Commission met at the Supreme Court House, Palmerston North, at 10 a.m.

The following witnesses were called by Mr. Skerrett and examined on oath: Alfred Kingsley Drew (further examined), Howard Nicholson, Walter Ryder, Basil Robertson Gardener, John Alfred Bush, William Charles Kensington, Richard William McVilly.

### FRIDAY, 26TH MAY, 1916.

The Commission met at the Supreme Court House, Palmerston North, at 10 a.m.

The following witness was called by Mr. Skerrett and examined on oath: Frederick Charles

The following witnesses were called by Mr. Innes and examined on oath: William McKenzie, Meldrum Alfred Elliott, Arthur Edward Pearce, John Moore Johnston, Edmond Goodbehere.

As it had been suggested by some of the witnesses that a more appropriate deviation would be one from Mangaweka to Feilding or some more southern point on the Main Trunk line or on the Napier-Palmerston line, the Commission, at the conclusion of the evidence, proceeded by motorcar to Feilding, Kimbolton, and Apiti, returning to Palmerston via Pohangina and Ashhurst, for the purpose of inspecting the nature of this country.

#### TUESDAY, 30TH MAY, 1916.

The Commission met at the Supreme Court, Wellington, at 2 p.m.

The following witnesses were called by Mr. Myers and examined on oath: Gerald Fitzgerald, Robert Edwards, Francis William MacLean, and August Charles Koch.

The following witnesses were called by Mr. Weston and examined on oath: Edward John Harvey, William Edwin Fuller.

## WEDNESDAY, 31st May, 1916.

The Commission met at the Supreme Court, Wellington, at 10 a.m.

The following witnesses were called by Mr. Myers and examined on oath: Robert West Holmes, Herbert Buxton, Richard William McVilly.

# THURSDAY, 1ST JUNE, 1916.

The Commission met at the Supreme Court, Wellington, at 10 a.m.

The following witnesses were called by Mr. Myers and examined on oath: Richard William

McVilly (further examined), Ernest Haviland Hiley.

The following witness was called by Mr. Weston and examined on oath: John Massy Deck. The following witness was recalled by Mr. Skerrett and examined on oath: Alfred Kingsley Drew.

### FRIDAY, 2nd June, 1916.

The Commission met at the Supreme Court, Wellington, at 10 a.m.

Mr. Skerrett made a statement to the Commission.

Mr. Myers addressed the Commission.

Mr. Weston addressed the Commission.

Mr. Skerrett addressed the Commission.

The Commission rose at 3.45 p.m.