Session II. 1923. NEW ZEALAND

WAR PENSIONS COMMISSION

(REPORT OF),

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

COMMISSION.

Jellicoe, Governor-General.

To all to whom these presents shall come, and to James Rankin Bartholomew, Esquire, of Dunedin, Stipendiary Magistrate; William Harold Sefton Moorhouse, Esquire, of Wellington; and Alexander Macintosh, Esquire, of Wellington: Greeting.

Whereas it is expedient that inquiry should be made into the working of the existing legislation with respect to war pensions, and the necessity or expediency of amending that legislation:

Now, therefore, I, John Rushworth, Viscount Jellicoe, the Governor-General 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 this behalf, and acting by and with the advice and consent of the Executive Council of the said Dominion, do hereby appoint you, the said

James Rankin Bartholomew, William Harold Sefton Moorhouse, and Alexander Macintosh.

to be a Commission to inquire into the working of the existing legislation with respect to war pensions and the scales of pension thereunder, and to report what amendments, if any, in the said legislation, and what adjustments or alterations, if any, of the said scales of pension, are in the opinion of the Commission deemed advisable.

And with the like advice and consent I do further appoint you, the said James Rankin Bartholomew,

to be the Chairman of the said Commission.

And you are hereby authorized to conduct any inquiries under these presents, at such times and places as you deem expedient, with power to adjourn from time to time and place to place as you think fit, and to call before you and examine on oath or otherwise such persons as you think capable of affording you information as to the matters aforesaid, and to call for and examine all such books, papers, plans, writings, documents, or records as you deem likely to afford you information on any such matters.

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