

to be a Commission to inquire into and report upon the condition of the dairy industry in New Zealand and upon all such matters incidental or relevant thereto as you may think proper, with a view to the enactment by the General Assembly of New Zealand of such further legislation in relation to the said industry as will best promote the interests of the persons engaged therein and the general economic welfare of New Zealand; and, in particular, but without limiting the generality of the foregoing authority, to inquire into and report upon the following matters, namely:—

(1) The existing relationship between the production of dairy-produce in New Zealand and the demand for such produce in New Zealand or in existing overseas markets:

(2) The practicability of extending existing markets and of establishing new markets:

(3) The desirability or otherwise of varying the proportions existing between the different classes of manufactured dairy-produce produced for local or for overseas markets:

(4) The economic practicability of the utilization of raw dairy-products for purposes other than the manufacture of butter or cheese:

(5) The desirability or otherwise of reducing the total output of dairy-produce by the utilization for other purposes of lands that are now being used or are intended to be used for dairy-farming:

(6) The methods generally followed in the industry in the production of raw products or of manufactured products, and any practicable improvements of those methods or any of them that could be adopted with advantage:

(7) The sufficiency or otherwise of the monetary returns for the use of capital or labour received by persons directly or indirectly engaged in the industry:

(8) The manner in which charges on the proceeds of the industry can best be reduced, having regard to the interests of dairy-farmers and of workers engaged in the industry in the production of raw products, of persons engaged in the manufacture of dairy-produce, and of persons having capital invested by way of mortgage or otherwise in the industry or in any enterprise associated with the industry:

(9) The desirability or otherwise of affording further assistance for the maintenance and reasonable development of the industry, and the means by which any such assistance can best be afforded:

(10) The methods that should be adopted for the purpose of securing proper co-operation between persons engaged in New Zealand in the production, manufacture, sale, or distribution of dairy-produce and of persons similarly engaged elsewhere:

(11) Methods that may reasonably be adopted for promoting an increased consumption in New Zealand or elsewhere of raw or of manufactured dairy-produce:

(12) The adequacy of the provisions of the Dairy Industry Act, 1908, and the Dairy-produce Export Control Act, 1923, having regard to the special conditions now affecting the industry.

And with the like advice and consent I do further appoint you,

FRANCIS VERNON FRAZER,

to be Chairman of the said Commission:

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 places as you may deem advisable and at such times as you may 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 information in the premises; and you are also empowered to call for and examine all such books 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 submit a report to me under your hands and seals not later than the sixteenth day of June, one thousand nine hundred and thirty-four, of your opinion as to the aforesaid matters: