THURSDAY, 16TH OCTOBER, 1890.

The Commissioners met pursuant to adjournment at 9.30 a.m.

Present: All the Commissioners.

The following witnesses were sworn, and gave evidence before the Commission: viz., Messrs. Joseph Kilgour, William Smith, and Joseph Taylor. Their evidence was taken down.

The Commissioners adjourned at 5 p.m. to 9.30 the next day.

FRIDAY, 17TH OCTOBER, 1890.

The Commissioners met pursuant to adjournment.

Present: All the Commissioners.

The minutes of the two previous meetings were read and confirmed.

Messrs. James Bishop, mine-manager, Brunnerton, and Hugh Calders were sworn, and gave evidence before the Commission. The evidence of these witnesses was taken down.

The Commissioners adjourned at 5 p.m. to the next day.

SATURDAY, 18TH OCTOBER, 1890.

The Commissioners met pursuant to adjournment.

Present: All the Commissioners.

The minutes of the previous meeting were read and confirmed.

The forenoon was employed in examining accounts, plans, and documents, and in consultation with the District Engineer.

The Commissioners adjourned at 1 p.m. to the following Monday.

Monday, 20th October, 1890.

The Commissioners proceeded to Brunnerton by the 9.30 train by appointment, but, finding that no suitable room had been prepared, returned at once with the only witness called, and resumed at 11 a.m. in the Harbour Board Office.

The minutes of the previous meeting were read and confirmed.

Mr. Samuel Andrew, having been sworn, gave evidence before the Commission. His evidence was taken down.

The Commissioners adjourned at 4.30 p.m. to the next day.

TUESDAY, 21st October, 1890.

The Commissioners met at 9.30 a.m.

Present: All the Commissioners.

The minutes of the previous meeting were read and confirmed.

Messrs. A. B. Lindop, Richard Armstrong, and G. A. Ancell, having been sworn, gave evidence before the Commission. Their evidence was taken down.

The Commissioners adjourned at 5 p.m. to the next day.

Wednesday, 22nd October, 1890.

The Commissioners met at 9.30 a.m.

Present: All the Commissioners.

The minutes of the previous meeting were read and confirmed.

Mr. W. S. Smith gave further evidence before the Commissioners, and Messrs. William Clementson and Thomas Robertson, having been sworn, also gave evidence. The evidence of all these witnesses was taken down.

The Commissioners adjourned at 5 p.m.

THURSDAY, 23RD OCTOBER, 1890.

The Commissioners met at 9.30 a.m.

Present: All the Commissioners.

The Commissioners spent the day examining plans, documents, and accounts, and adjourned at 5 p.m. to the next day.

FRIDAY, 24TH OCTOBER, 1890.

The Commissioners met at 9.30 a.m.

Present: All the Commissioners.

The minutes of the two previous meetings were read and confirmed.

Messrs. John Connor, Harbourmaster, John Gills, Richard Newton, and William Stone, District Railway Manager, having been sworn, gave evidence before the Commission. The evidence of all these witnesses was taken down.

The Commissioners adjourned at 5 p.m. to the next day.

SATURDAY, 25TH OCTOBER, 1890.

The Commissioners met at 9.30 a.m.

Present: All the Commissioners.

Mr. Richard Nancarrow, having been sworn, gave evidence before the Commission, and Mr. Martin Kennedy, re-examined, gave further evidence.

The Commissioners adjourned at 1 p.m. to Monday, the 27th.