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THE MIDDLE ISLAND REPRESENTATION COMMISSION

(INTERIM REPORT OF).

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INTERIM REPORT.

To His Excellency the Right Honourable Uchter John Mark, Earl of Ranfurly, Knight Grand Cross of the Most Distinguished Order of Saint Michael and St. George, Governor and Commander-in-Chief over His Majesty's Colony of New Zealand and its Dependencies, and Vice-Admiral of the same.

MAY IT PLEASE YOUR EXCELLENCY,—

We, the members of the Middle Island Representation Commission appointed by Your Excellency on the 29th day of May, 1902, have the honour now to forward to Your Excellency the names and descriptions of boundaries of the electoral districts provisionally fixed by us under the authority of our commission, and which we propose publishing forthwith in the *New Zealand Gazette* in compliance with section 4 of "The Representation Act, 1887."

We have arranged to meet again on the 8th August next for the purpose of considering any objections that may be lodged under the above-named section, and after considering and disposing of such objections we shall have the honour of again reporting to Your Excellency the final result.

Given under our hands and seals, this twenty-fifth day of June, one thousand nine hundred and two.

THOS. S. WESTON, Chairman.
THOS. HUMPHRIES.
D. BARRON.
G. J. ROBERTS.
A. Y. A. WALES.

ELECTORAL DISTRICTS, MIDDLE ISLAND.

CITY OF NELSON.

City of Nelson District comprises the area covered by the existing City of Nelson Electoral District, together with D'Urville Island and Stephen's Island, and the Bulwer Peninsula extending from Hallam Cove to Harding Point. The City of Nelson, the Borough of Richmond, and Town District of Havelock are in this district.

MOTUEKA.

Motueka District comprises the area covered by the existing Motueka Electoral District; together with that portion of Hampden Riding of Inangahua County situated to the north-east of a line commencing at the Buller River where that river is crossed by the western boundary of the Inangahua County, and proceeding thence easterly along the left bank of the said Buller River to a point about 30 chains westward of Doughboy Creek, thence along the leading spur to Mount Mantell, and thence along the summit of the Mantell Range and the summit of Cann Range to the Spenser Mountains near Faerie Queen. The Borough of Motueka is in this district.

BULLER.

Buller District comprises the Borough of Westport; the Boatman's, Murray, Crusington, and Reefton Ridings of Inangahua County; and the south-western portion of Hampden Riding of Inangahua County, which is bounded towards the north by the Buller River from the Buller County boundary to a point about 30 chains westward of Doughboy Creek, and thence by the summit of the leading spur to Mount Mantell, and thence by the summits of the Mantell and Cann Ranges and Spenser Mountains near Faerie Queen; together with the Lyell, Wareatea North, Wareatea South, and Charleston Ridings of Buller County.

GREY.

Grey District comprises the area covered by the existing Grey Electoral District, less Charleston Riding of Buller County, which has been added to Buller District, hereinbefore described; together with Marsden Riding of Grey County, and a small portion of Maori Creek Riding of Grey County situated between Maori Creek Road and Marsden Riding. The Boroughs of Greymouth and Brunner are in this district.