

WEDNESDAY, 10TH JULY, 1912.

The Commission met at 9.45 a.m. at the old Parliamentary Buildings.

All the Commissioners were present with the exception of Mr. G. W. Leadley.

The following witnesses were examined on oath: J. F. Turnbull, C. E. Fenton, E. D. Barber, J. Wall, F. W. Manton, F. Meadowcroft, Sing Kee, R. S. Abraham, C. C. Odlin, A. A. Gellatly, J. Kierby, J. Fairway, and John Varcoe.

W. E. Gwillim, Dairy-produce Grader, tested two samples of butter (1) as to weight, (2) as to moisture-content. Several parcels of New Zealand and English candles were also tested as to weight.

The following witness was examined on oath: D. K. Pritchard.

THURSDAY, 11TH JULY, 1912.

The Commission met at 10 a.m. at the old Parliamentary Buildings.

All the Commissioners were present with the exception of Messrs. G. W. Leadley and W. A. Veitch, M.P.

The following witnesses were examined on oath: J. Dawson, W. J. Comrie, G. Allport, D. K. Pritchard, W. T. Mills, E. Hampton, J. P. Frengley, M.D., M. J. Casey, F. Pilkington, and E. Bull.

The Commission adjourned at 4 p.m. until Monday, the 12th August, 1912, so as to allow of the evidence being printed and indexed. The Chairman (Mr. Tregear) and the Secretary were empowered by the Commission to take charge of the Commission's work during the recess.

MONDAY, 12TH AUGUST, 1912.

The Commission met at 10 a.m. at the Parliamentary Buildings. Messrs. Hall, Robertson, and Veitch were present.

The Commission went into Committee on the report.

TUESDAY, 13TH AUGUST, 1912.

The whole of the Commissioners met at 10 a.m., with the exception of Mr. Tregear, who was unwell.

Mr. G. W. Leadley was appointed Acting-Chairman.

The Secretary reported that during the recess the whole of the evidence and exhibits had been printed, indexed, and distributed to Commissioners.

Committees were set up to consider the drafting of the report.

On account of ill health Mr. Tregear was excused from attendance at the Commission's room, Parliamentary Buildings, and it was decided that the Committee acting with him should meet at his private residence.

From the 13th to the 24th August the Commission was engaged in Committee, considering its report.

Intimation was received from the Hon. the Minister of Labour that the time for reporting was being extended to the 30th August.

The final printing and passing of the report was left in the hands of the Chairman and Secretary.

FRIDAY, 30TH AUGUST, 1912.

The Commission met at 10 a.m., Messrs. Tregear (Chairman), Veitch, and Robertson being present.

The Commissioners absent signified in writing their approval of the report.

The report was finally adopted, and it was resolved to present it to the Hon. the Minister at 10 a.m. This was accordingly done, and His Excellency's commissions returned.