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NEW ZEALAND.

KAURI-GUM RESERVES IN THE AUCKLAND LAND DISTRICT

(REPORT OF THE COMMISSION APPOINTED TO INSPECT AND CLASSIFY THE).

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

COMMISSION.

Commission to Inspect and Classify Kauri-gum Reserves.

LIVERPOOL, Governor.

To all to whom these presents shall come, and to Reginald Palmer Greville, Esq., F.R.G.S., of Hamilton, Inspector of Surveys; Samuel Stafford, Esq., of Waipu, gum-digger; William Stewart, Esq., of Kawakawa, Chairman of the Bay of Islands County Council; Robert Hebden, Esq., of Waihopo, Secretary of the Gum-diggers' Union; John Matheson McKay, Esq., of Waipu, farmer: Greeting.

WHEREAS it is expedient that the kauri-gum reserves in the Auckland Land District should be inspected and classified:

Now, therefore, I, Arthur William de Brito Savile, Earl of Liverpool, Governor 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, do hereby constitute and appoint you, the said

REGINALD PALMER GREVILLE,
SAMUEL STAFFORD,
WILLIAM STEWART,
ROBERT HEBDEN, and
JOHN MATHESON MCKAY

to be a Commission to inspect and classify the kauri-gum reserves in the Land District of Auckland, and in particular to ascertain—

- (a.) Which reserves contain or yield sufficient gum to justify their retention as kauri-gum reserves.
- (b.) Which reserves are sufficiently exhausted of gum to justify the removal of the reservation and the opening of the land for settlement purposes.

And, with the like advice and consent, I do hereby appoint you the said REGINALD PALMER GREVILLE 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 times and places as you 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 such person or persons as you think capable of affording information in these premises; and you are also empowered to call for and examine all such books, maps, or records as you deem likely to afford you the fullest information on the subject-