

1915.
NEW ZEALAND.

TRENTHAM CAMP COMMISSION

(REPORT OF), TOGETHER WITH MINUTES OF EVIDENCE.

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

COMMISSION

TO INQUIRE INTO AND REPORT ON THE ADMINISTRATION OF THE CAMP OF THE
NEW ZEALAND EXPEDITIONARY FORCES AT TRENTHAM.

LIVERPOOL, Governor.

To all to whom these presents shall come, and to the Honourable John Henry Hosking, a Judge of the Supreme Court of New Zealand; William Ferguson, Esquire, of Wellington, Civil Engineer; and Arthur Anderson Martin, Esquire, of Palmerston North, Medical Practitioner: Greeting.

WHEREAS it is expedient that inquiry should be made into the administration of the camp of the New Zealand Expeditionary Forces at Trentham during the present war so far as such administration relates in any manner to the health, comfort, feeding, clothing, treatment, and accommodation of the troops:

Now, therefore, I, Arthur William de Brito Savile, Earl of Liverpool, the 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, and acting by and with the advice and consent of the Executive Council of the said Dominion, do hereby constitute and appoint you, the said

JOHN HENRY HOSKING,
WILLIAM FERGUSON, and
ARTHUR ANDERSON MARTIN,

to be a Commission to inquire into the administration of the camp of the New Zealand Expeditionary Forces at Trentham during the present war so far as such administration relates in any manner to the health, comfort, feeding, clothing, treatment, and accommodation of the troops, and in particular to inquire into the following matters:—

- (1.) The extent, nature, and causes of sickness among the troops at the camp.
- (2.) The extent and causes of mortality among the troops.
- (3.) Whether due care and efficient measures have been at all times taken to prevent or minimize such sickness or mortality.
- (4.) Whether an efficient system for the treatment of the sick has at all times existed in connection with the camp.