

such large dimensions, so that the fullest measure of efficiency might be obtained; also, in as far as the policy of the Department is concerned, it has endeavoured on all occasions, when appealed to, to cheerfully render advice and assistance upon the many problems which have had to be faced day after day, so as to allow of their being disposed of in an equitable and businesslike manner, having a proper regard to all the interests involved.

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I have, &c.,

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