

APPENDICES.

APPENDIX I.

ESTABLISHMENT OF NATIONAL EFFICIENCY BOARD.

LIVERPOOL, Governor.

WHEREAS by section three of the War Regulations Amendment Act, 1916, it is provided, *inter alia*, that the Governor in Council may by regulations make such provisions as, having regard to the exigencies of the present war or the conditions created thereby, he thinks advisable for the maintenance of industries essential for the public welfare :

And whereas by the Regulation of Trade and Commerce Act, 1914, and its amendments, special powers are conferred on the Governor for the purpose of regulating trade and commerce in time of war :

And whereas it is desirable that inquiry should be made with a view to enable the Governor to exercise the powers so conferred upon him as aforesaid :

And whereas it is also desirable, having regard to the exigencies of the present war and the conditions created thereby, that inquiry should be made—

- (1.) With a view to enable the Government to make provision for the organization and development of industries, for the enforcement of public and private economy, and generally for increasing national efficiency; and
- (2.) To determine what further legislation (if any) it is necessary or expedient to pass with reference to the matters aforesaid or any of them :

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 establish a Board to be known as the National Efficiency Board, and do hereby appoint—

WILLIAM FERGUSON, Esquire, of Wellington;
 THOMAS MOSS, Esquire, of Eketahuna;
 JAMES HENRY GUNSON, Esquire, of Auckland;
 JAMES ARTHUR FROSTICK, Esquire, of Christchurch; and
 WILLIAM DUFFUS HUNT, Esquire, of Dunedin,

to hold office during my pleasure as the members of that Board, and do hereby appoint the said WILLIAM FERGUSON as the Chairman of the said Board; and do hereby appoint and constitute the members of the said Board to be jointly and severally a Commission for the following purposes, namely :—

- (1.) To inquire as to what industries or occupations in New Zealand may be properly regarded as wholly or in part essential or as not essential for the public welfare.
- (2.) To inquire as to what restrictions, modifications, or extensions should be adopted in or in connection with any such industry or occupation so as to secure greater economy and efficiency therein.
- (3.) To inquire as to the classes and quantity of labour necessary for the maintenance and regulation of any industry or occupation, whether essential for the public welfare or not.
- (4.) To inquire as to the classes and quantity of labour available for the maintenance and regulation of any such industry or occupation, and as to how, in respect of essential industries and occupations, such labour may best be obtained, due regard being had to the interests of other established industries and occupations.
- (5.) To inquire as to the advisability of employing women in suitable industries or occupations; as to the extent to which it is practicable or desirable to employ women in lieu of men; and as to what extent women are available for employment in such industries or occupations.
- (6.) (a.) With reference to the men employed in essential industries or occupations, or in any essential industry or occupation, to ascertain from time to time what proportion of such men is liable for military service, and what proportion is not so liable; with reference to the men who are liable for military service, to ascertain from time to time, so far as possible, the number of men who are medically unfit for military service, the number of men who have been exempted on appeal to a Military Service Board, and the number still liable for service, distinguishing in the last case between men in the First Division and men in the Second Division of the Reserve.