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# SOUTHERN PASTORAL LANDS

(REPORT OF THE COMMISSION APPOINTED TO INQUIRE INTO AND REPORT UPON).

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

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### COMMISSION.

#### LIVERPOOL, Governor-General.

To all to whom these presents shall come, and to Robert Thomas Sadd, Esq., Commissioner of Crown Lands and Chief Surveyor for the Otago Land District; William Blyth Buckhurst, Esq., Land Valuer, of Christchurch; Leonard Cockayne, Esq., F.R.S., F.L.S., F.N.Z.Inst., Ph.D., of Ngaio, Wéllington; Dickson Jardine, Esq., Pastoralist, of Birchwood, Southland; Robert Scott, Esq., Farmer, of Kyeburn, Otago; Archibald McInnes, Esq., Farmer, of Otiake, Otago; and Charles Todd, Esq., Merchant, of Dunedin: Greeting.

Whereas it is desired to ascertain whether the pastoral Crown lands of the Land Districts of Canterbury, Otago, and Southland are being leased and utilized in the best manner, and whether the pasturage of the said lands is deteriorating; and, if so, the cause of such deterioration, and how best to remedy the same and to improve the conditions of settlement of the said lands:

Now, therefore, I, Arthur William de Brito Savile, Earl of Liverpool, the Governor-General 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—

ROBERT THOMAS SADD,
WILLIAM BLYTH BUCKHURST,
LEONARD COCKAYNE,
DICKSON JARDINE,
ROBERT SCOTT,
ARCHIBALD McInnes, and
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