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NEW ZEALAND.

RAILWAYS COMMISSION

(REPORT OF THE).

COMMISSION

TO INQUIRE INTO AND REPORT AS TO MATTERS AFFECTING THE NEW ZEALAND
GOVERNMENT RAILWAYS.

JELlicoe, Governor-General.

To all to whom these presents shall come, and to SIR SAM FAY, Kt., Justice of the Peace; and SIR VINCENT RAVEN, Knight Commander of the Order of the British Empire, Member of the Institution of Civil Engineers, Member of the Institution of Mechanical Engineers, Member of the Institution of Electrical Engineers: Greeting.

WHEREAS it is desirable that inquiry should be made into the matters hereinafter mentioned:

Now, therefore, I, John Rushworth, Viscount Jellicoe, Governor-General of the Dominion of New Zealand, in exercise of the powers conferred on me 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

SIR SAM FAY and
SIR VINCENT RAVEN,

to be a Commission to inquire into and report as to the financial arrangements, management, equipment, and general working, including the administration, control, and economy, of the railway service in New Zealand, and more particularly—

- (1.) The organization and running of the passenger and goods traffic, the services rendered, the scales of fares and freights operating, the finance and financial returns.
- (2.) Matters appertaining to the organization and conduct of the mechanical section of the system in relation to the respective types of locomotives and rolling-stock adopted, cost, economy of life and use, equipment, renewal, and maintenance charges.
- (3.) Matters relating to the construction, renewal, and maintenance of permanent way, including station equipment and the systems of signalling and interlocking adopted.
- (4.) Improvements and new works that may be deemed to be essential to cope more economically with present and prospective traffic, including new station buildings, yards, deviations, &c., and the order in which such works should be carried out.