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AUCKLAND TRANSPORT COMMISSION, 1928

(REPORT OF THE).

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

REPORT OF COMMISSIONERS.

To His Excellency Sir CHARLES FERGUSSON, Baronet, Knight Grand Cross of the Most Distinguished Order of St. Michael and St. George, Knight Commander of the Most Honourable Order of the Bath, Companion of the Distinguished Service Order, Member of the Royal Victorian Order, Governor-General and Commander-in-Chief in and over His Majesty's Dominion of New Zealand and Dependencies.

MAY IT PLEASE YOUR EXCELLENCY,—

Whereas by Warrant dated the 4th day of April, 1928, we, the undersigned, were directed to inquire into and report upon the following questions in relation to the transport of passengers in the Auckland Metropolitan District, in accordance with the provisions of the Commissions of Inquiry Act, 1908, viz.:—

- “1. The present transport service of the said district;
- “2. The present and future transport requirements of the said district;
- “3. The means by which such requirements may be best provided for;
- “And in particular the following matters:—

- “(a) The adequacy, efficiency, and suitability of the existing transport system maintained by the Auckland City Council, and other existing transport services, as regards administration, equipment, working, and financial provisions;

- “(b) The working and effect in the said district of the provisions of the Motor-omnibus Traffic Act, 1926, and the regulations made thereunder;

- “(c) The working and effect in the said district of other statutes and regulations affecting vehicular transport;

- “(d) The suitability for the said district of motor-omnibus transport, either in conjunction with or as an adjunct to tramway transport;

- “(e) The most suitable form of transport for localities within and localities beyond the tram termini; and whether such services for such localities should be feeder services or through services or a combination of both; and whether and to what extent such services should be conducted by local bodies or any other public management or by private enterprise; and whether and to what extent such services should be under control of local bodies or any other public control;

- “(f) The desirability of establishing a Transport Board for the said district or any part thereof; and, if so, with what constitution, with what powers of control, with what powers of undertaking transport services, and with what means of obtaining funds for its purposes; and whether such Board, if established, should take over all or any existing transport services, and, if so, upon what terms and conditions;