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PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSIONERS

(TWENTY-FIFTH REPORT OF THE).

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

To His Excellency the Right Honourable George Vere Arundell, Viscount Galway, Member of His Majesty's Most Honourable Privy Council, Knight Grand Cross of the Most Distinguished Order of Saint Michael and Saint George, Companion of the Distinguished Service Order, Officer of the Most Excellent Order of the British Empire, Gevernor-General and Commander-in-Chief in and over His Majesty's Dominion of New Zealand and its Dependencies.

MAY IT PLEASE YOUR EXCELLENCY,—

As Commissioners under the Public Service Act, 1912, appointed in terms of section 41 of the Finance Act, 1936, we have the honour to submit the following report as required by section 15 of the Public Service Act.

REPORT.

In last year's report it was mentioned that although the previous Public Service Commissioner had resigned as from 30th June, 1935, no appointment to the position had been made. Mr. A. D. Thomson who had been appointed Deputy Commissioner during the temporary absence of Mr. Verschaffelt was appointed Acting Commissioner as from 30th June, 1935, in accordance with the provisions of section 23 of the Finance Act, 1919. Mr. T. Mark, Secretary, Public Service Commissioner's Office, was appointed Acting Assistant Commissioner as from 12th April, 1935. Mr. A. D. Thomson continued to act as Commissioner until 31st July, 1936, when, acting on medical advice, he tendered his resignation. For some time prior to Mr. Thomson's resignation he had been absent on sick-leave, and Mr. T. Mark was appointed as deputy as from 8th June, 1936, until, on the 1st August, 1936, he was appointed Acting Commissioner. Mr. Thomson's willingness to fill the breach at considerable inconvenience to himself, and his wide knowledge of the Service due to his previous association with it, were of great assistance to the Government.

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