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# PHILADELPHIA CENTENNIAL INTERNATIONAL EXHIBITION OF 1876.

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

REPORT OF ROYAL COMMISSION APPOINTED TO SECURE THE REPRESENTATION  
OF NEW ZEALAND.

## COMMISSION.

VICTORIA, by the Grace of God, of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland, Queen,  
Defender of the Faith, and so forth.

To our Trusty and Well-beloved

The Honorable WALTER BALDOCK DURANT MANTELL;  
The Honorable WILLIAM GISBORNE;  
WILLIAM HORT LEVIN, Esquire; and  
DANIEL MCINTYRE, Esquire.

WHEREAS an International Exhibition of the Works of Art and of the Products of Agriculture and Industry of all Nations is to be held in the City of Philadelphia, in the United States of America, in the year one thousand eight hundred and seventy-six. And whereas it has been represented to Us that it is desirable that Commissioners should be appointed to devise and carry out the details necessary for the transmission to Philadelphia of any articles, the produce or manufacture of Our Colony of New Zealand, intended for exposition at the said International Exhibition, for the due display thereat, and for the subsequent sale or careful return to their owners: Now know ye, that We, reposing especial trust and confidence in your knowledge, integrity, and ability, do by these presents authorize and appoint you to be such Commissioners accordingly, of whom any three shall form a quorum, with full power to act in these premises:

In testimony whereof, We have caused these Our Letters to be made Patent, and the Great Seal of Our said Colony of New Zealand to be hereunto affixed.

(L.S.) Witness Our right trusty and entirely beloved Cousin and Councillor, George Augustus Constantine, Marquis of Normanby, Earl of Mulgrave, Viscount Normanby, and Baron Mulgrave of Mulgrave, all in the County of York in the Peerage of the United Kingdom; and Baron Mulgrave of New Ross, in the County of Wexford, in the Peerage of Ireland; a Member of our Most Honorable Privy Council, Knight Commander of the Most Distinguished Order of Saint Michael and Saint George, Governor and Commander-in-Chief in and over Our Colony of New Zealand and its Dependencies, and Vice-Admiral of the same; and issued under the Seal of the said Colony, at Wellington, this fifteenth day of July, in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and seventy-five, and in the thirty-ninth year of Our reign.

NORMANBY.

VICTORIA by the Grace of God, of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland, Queen,  
Defender of the Faith, and so Forth:

To our Trusty and Well-beloved

JAMES HECTOR, Companion of the Most Distinguished Order of Saint Michael and Saint George, Doctor of Medicine, a Fellow of the Royal Society of London, Manager of the New Zealand Institute, Director of the Geological Survey of New Zealand.

WHEREAS by Letters Patent bearing date the fifteenth day of July, one thousand eight hundred and seventy-five, and passed under the Seal of Our Colony of New Zealand, Reciting that an International