

*Resolved*, that the Public Trustee be requested to procure from Thomas and Co., auctioneers, a return showing copies of all account sales of effects sold by them from time to time on behalf of the Public Trustee.

*Resolved*, That a return be prepared by the Public Trustee, showing—(1) The names of all persons whom he has employed in connection with the valuation of real and personal estate, showing the date when each valuation was made; (2) the return to be prepared classifying each provincial district and each valuator.

Mr. R. C. Hamerton, Public Trustee, gave further evidence.

*Resolved*, That a return be prepared showing who is responsible, in the opinion of the Public Trustee, for probable losses on the various properties secured to the department by mortgage, upon which a failure of payment of interest has arisen, or upon which the department or its clients are likely to suffer loss; such return to show a brief description of property, amount lent by the Public Trust Office, present position of property in respect to income from same, probable value on immediate realisation, probable loss in such event, name of valuer, address and occupation of valuer, and fee paid him for valuation.

The Commission adjourned at 5 o'clock, resumed at 8, and adjourned at 11 o'clock.

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THURSDAY, 7TH MAY, 1891.

The Commission met at 10 a.m.

*Present*: The Hon. W. J. M. Larnach, C.M.G. (Chairman), T. Kennedy Macdonald, Esq., M.H.R., and A. Loughrey, Esq.

Mr. M. Cleary gave evidence, and Mrs. W. L. Morrison and Mr. J. E. FitzGerald gave further evidence.

The Commission adjourned at 5 o'clock, resumed at 8, and adjourned at 11 o'clock.

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FRIDAY, 8TH MAY, 1891.

The Commission met at 10 a.m.

*Present*: The Hon. W. J. M. Larnach, C.M.G. (Chairman), A. Loughrey, Esq., and T. Kennedy Macdonald, Esq., M.H.R.

Mr. J. E. FitzGerald, Mr. R. C. Hamerton (Public Trustee), Mr. Williams (Collector, Public Trust Office), and the Rev. C. D. de Castro gave further evidence.

The Commission adjourned at 5 o'clock, resumed at 8, and adjourned at 11 o'clock.

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SATURDAY, 9TH MAY, 1891.

The Commission met at 10 a.m.

*Present*: The Hon. W. J. M. Larnach, C.M.G. (Chairman), A. Loughrey, Esq., and T. Kennedy Macdonald, Esq., M.H.R.

*Resolved*, That a return be furnished of all interest earned on or by estates having had credit-balances from time to time that has been credited to Expenses Account, or otherwise appropriated by the Public Trustee, showing date of appropriation and name of estate to which interest belonged.

Messrs. Hamerton, Moginie, Ronaldson, Beyer, and Williams, gave further evidence.

The Commission adjourned at 1 o'clock.

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MONDAY, 11TH MAY, 1891.

The Commission met at 10 a.m.

*Present*: The Hon. W. J. M. Larnach, C.M.G. (Chairman), A. Loughrey, Esq., and T. Kennedy Macdonald, Esq., M.H.R.

Messrs. Hamerton, Moginie, and Webb gave further evidence.

The Commission adjourned at 5 o'clock, resumed at 8, and adjourned at 11 o'clock.

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TUESDAY, 12TH MAY, 1891.

The Commission met at 10 a.m.

*Present*: The Hon. W. J. M. Larnach, C.M.G. (Chairman), T. Kennedy Macdonald, Esq., M.H.R., and A. Loughrey, Esq.

The Commissioners agreed that Mr. Macdonald should wait upon Mr. Hankins, the agent for the Public Trust Office in Palmerston North, and make inquiry respecting the properties held by the department in the Town of Palmerston North and district, and any matters generally affecting the working of the department in connection with that agency.

Mr. Moginie gave further evidence.

The Commission adjourned at 5 o'clock, resumed at 8, and adjourned at 11 o'clock.

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WEDNESDAY, 13TH MAY, 1891.

The Commission met at 10 a.m.

*Present*: The Hon. W. J. M. Larnach, C.M.G. (Chairman), and A. Loughrey, Esq.

Messrs. Hamerton and Moginie gave further evidence.

The Commission adjourned at 5 o'clock, resumed at 8, and adjourned at 11 o'clock.

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THURSDAY, 14TH MAY, 1891.

The Commission met at 10 a.m.

*Present*: The Hon. W. J. M. Larnach, C.M.G. (Chairman), A. Loughrey, Esq., and T. Kennedy Macdonald, Esq., M.H.R.