

And you are hereby strictly charged and directed that you shall not at any time publish or otherwise disclose save to His Excellency the Governor-General, in pursuance of these presents, or by His Excellency's direction, the contents of any report so made or to be made by you, or any evidence or information obtained by you in the exercise of the powers hereby conferred upon you except such evidence or information as is received in the course of a sitting open to the public :

And it is hereby declared that the powers hereby conferred shall be exercisable notwithstanding the absence at any time of any one or any two of the members hereby appointed so long as the Chairman, or a member deputed by the Chairman to act in his stead, and one other member be present and concur in the exercise of such powers :

And We do further ordain that you have liberty to report your proceedings and findings under this Our Commission from time to time if you shall judge it expedient so to do :

And, using all due diligence, you are required to report to His Excellency the Governor-General in writing under your hands and seals not later than the thirtieth day of April, one thousand nine hundred and forty-eight, your findings and opinions on the matters aforesaid, together with such recommendations as you think fit to make in respect thereof :

And, lastly, it is hereby declared that these presents are issued under the authority of the Letters Patent of His late Majesty dated the eleventh day of May, one thousand nine hundred and seventeen, and under the authority of and subject to the provisions of the Commissions of Inquiry Act, 1908, and with the advice and consent of the Executive Council of the Dominion of New Zealand.

In witness whereof We have caused this Our Commission to be issued and the Seal of Our Dominion of New Zealand to be hereunto affixed at Wellington, this tenth day of December, in the year of Our Lord one thousand nine hundred and forty-seven, and in the eleventh year of Our Reign.

[L.S.] Witness Our Trusty and Well-beloved Sir Bernard Cyril Freyberg, upon whom has been conferred the Decoration of the Victoria Cross, Knight Grand Cross of Our Most Distinguished Order of Saint Michael and Saint George, Knight Commander of Our Most Honourable Order of the Bath, Knight Commander of Our Most Excellent Order of the British Empire, Companion of Our Distinguished Service Order, Doctor of Laws, Lieutenant-General in Our Army, Governor-General and Commander-in-Chief in and over Our Dominion of New Zealand and its Dependencies, acting by and with the advice and consent of the Executive Council of the said Dominion.

B. C. FREYBERG, Governor-General.

By His Excellency's Command—

H. G. R. MASON,

For the Minister of Internal Affairs.

Approved in Council—

W. O. HARVEY, Clerk of the Executive Council.

Public Trust Office Act, 1908, and its Amendments.—Election to administer Estates

NOTICE is hereby given that the Public Trustee has filed in the Supreme Court an election to administer in respect of the several estates of the persons deceased whose names, residences, and occupations (so far as known) are hereunder set forth :—

No.	Name.	Occupation.	Residence.	Date of Death.	Date Election filed.	Testate or Intestate.	Stamp Office concerned.
1	Anderson, Ann Elizabeth ..	Widow ..	Mataura ..	28/8/47	28/11/47	Testate	Invercargill.
2	Bishop, William John ..	Shop-assistant (soldier)	Napier ..	23/5/47	28/11/47	"	Napier.
3	Bourke, Thomas ..	Horse-trainer ..	Greymouth ..	25/10/47	28/11/47	"	Hokitika.
4	Condon, Martha Jane ..	Widow ..	Timaru ..	5/11/47	28/11/47	"	Christchurch.
5	Gillies, James Thorburn ..	Soldier and machinist	Balmain, Australia	25/9/40	28/11/47	Intestate	Dunedin.
6	Gillies, Murdoch ..	Fitter and turner ..	Homebush, New South Wales, Australia	5/6/45	28/11/47	"	"
7	Gilmour, John Alexander ..	Labourer ..	Dunedin ..	29/7/47	28/11/47	"	Invercargill.
8	Ireland, Thomas William ..	" ..	Stratford ..	12/9/47	28/11/47	Testate	New Plymouth.
9	Lancaster, James William ..	Labourer and barman	Waipu ..	9/4/47	28/11/47	Intestate	Auckland.
10	Laurensen, Francis Farquharson	Retired Civil servant ..	Christchurch ..	16/10/47	28/11/47	Testate	Christchurch.
11	Maidwell, Mary Ann ..	Spinster ..	Palmerston North ..	18/10/47	28/11/47	"	Wellington.
12	Martin, Lucy Keziah ..	" ..	Christchurch ..	25/10/47	28/11/47	"	Christchurch.
13	Moffitt, William ..	Labourer ..	Waikato ..	20/10/47	28/11/47	"	Invercargill.
14	McGoun, Malcolm ..	Storekeeper ..	Dunedin ..	25/10/47	28/11/47	"	Dunedin.
15	McQueen, Margaret ..	Widow ..	Auckland ..	21/8/47	28/11/47	"	Auckland.
16	Nicholls, Flora ..	" ..	Black's Point, Reef-ton	20/10/47	28/11/47	"	Hokitika.
17	Robinson, Alfred James ..	Retired gardener ..	Poro Poro, near Whakatane	12/7/47	28/11/47	Intestate	Auckland.
18	Sexton, John Patrick ..	Retired miner ..	Greymouth ..	15/8/47	28/11/47	"	Wellington.
19	Thomason, Mary ..	Widow ..	New Plymouth ..	11/8/47	28/11/47	Testate	New Plymouth.
20	Wenlock, Amelia ..	Married woman ..	Timaru ..	29/4/47	28/11/47	Intestate	Christchurch.
21	Worley, George Robert ..	Retired butcher ..	Christchurch ..	29/6/47	28/11/47	Testate	"