

to keep our Peace in our Colony of New Zealand and its Dependencies, and to keep and cause to be kept all Ordinances and Statutes for the preservation of the Peace, and for the quiet rule and Government of our people made in all and singular their Articles in our said Colony and its Dependencies, according to the form and effect of the same, and to punish all persons offending against the said Ordinances and Statutes, or any of them, in the said Colony and its Dependencies; and to cause to come before you, or any one or more of you, all those within our said Colony and its Dependencies, who to any one or more of our people concerning their bodies, or the firing of their houses, shall have used threats, to find sufficient security for the Peace, or their good behaviour towards us and our people; and if they shall refuse to find such security then them in our prisons, until they shall find such security to cause to be safely kept. We have also assigned you, or either of you, with any one or more of such Justices as are hereby, or shall hereafter be duly commissioned by us in that behalf, to enquire the truth more fully by all lawful means by which the truth of the matter shall be better known, of all and all manner of Felonies, Poisonings, Trespasses, or Extortions whatsoever, and of all and singular other Crimes and Offences of which the Justices of our Peace may or ought lawfully to enquire, by whomsoever and after what manner soever in the said Colony and its Dependencies, done or perpetrated, or which shall happen to be done or attempted. And, also of all those who in the aforesaid Colony or its Dependencies, in companies against our Peace, in disturbance of our people with armed force, have gone or rode, or hereafter shall presume to go or ride, and also of all those who have there lain in wait, or hereafter shall presume to lie in wait, to maim, or cut, or kill our people. And, also of all Victuallers, and all and singular other persons, who in the abuse of weights or measures, or in selling victuals, against the form of the Ordinances and Statutes, or any of them therefore made for the common benefit of our said Colony and its Dependencies, and our people thereof, have offended, or attempted, or hereafter shall presume in the said Colony or its Dependencies to offend or attempt. And, also all Sheriffs, Constables, Keepers of Gaols, and other officers, who in the execution of their offices about the premises, or any of them, have unduly behaved themselves, or hereafter shall presume to behave themselves unduly, or have been or shall happen hereafter to be careless, remiss, or negligent in our aforesaid Colony or its Dependencies. And of all and singular articles and circumstances, and all other things whatsoever that concern the premises or any of them, by whomsoever and, and after what manner soever, in our aforesaid Colony, done or perpetrated, or which hereafter shall happen to be done or attempted in what manner soever. And to inspect all Indictments whatsoever so before you, or any of you, with such

Justice or Justices as aforesaid, taken or to be taken, or before others late our Justices of the Peace in the aforesaid Colony or its Dependencies, made or taken, and not yet determined; and to make and continue Processes thereupon against all and singular the persons so indicted, or who before you hereafter shall happen to be so indicted, until they can be taken, surrender themselves, or be outlawed. Provided always, that if a case of difficulty upon the determination of any of the premises before you, or any one or more of you shall happen to arise, then let judgment in no wise be given thereon before you, or any of you, unless in the presence of one of our Justices of the Supreme Court of the said Colony.

And, therefore, We Command you, and each of you, and every of you, that to keep the Peace or Ordinances and Statutes, and all and singular other the Premises, you diligently apply yourselves, and that at certain days and places duly appointed, or to be appointed for these purposes into the premises, ye make enquiries, and all and singular the premises hear, and determine, and perform, and fulfil them in the aforesaid form, doing therein what to Justice appertains, according to the Law and Custom of England, saving to us the americiaments and other things to Us therefrom belonging. And We Command Our Sheriffs of the said Colony, at certain days and places duly appointed, or to be appointed as aforesaid, to be aiding by all lawful means in the performance and due execution of the premises.

In Testimony Whereof, We have caused these our Letters to be made Patent, and the Great Seal of Our said Colony to be hereunto affixed.

Witness, Our Trusty and Well-beloved George Grey, Esquire, Our Lieutenant-Governor and Commander-in-Chief of Our said Colony of New Zealand and its Dependencies, at Government House, Auckland, in our said Colony, this thirtieth day of September, in the tenth year of Our Reign, and in the year of Our Lord One thousand eight hundred and forty-six.

GEORGE GREY.

By Command of His Excellency,

ANDREW SINCLAIR,  
Colonial Secretary.

LIST OF MAGISTRATES.

Honble. Andrew Sinclair, Colonial Secretary, Auckland,  
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