with the details of English and Scottish Schools. Where you cannot obtain direct answers, these papers will serve to explain more fully the points to which the Commissioners' inquiry is directed, and to guide without unduly limiting your investigation. You must use your own discretion as to the particular places you visit, and schools you inspect, selecting such as may enable you to report with confidence on the general state of education, and the means used to harmonize its working, and secure its efficiency.

The Commissioners consider that your inquiry may be completed in six months, and your Report in two months more. You are requested to address your Report jointly to the two Commissions.

By order of the Commissioners.

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