

THE GOVERNMENT OF THE PHILIPPINE ISLANDS,
EXECUTIVE BUREAU.

MANILA, *July 10, 1913.*

EXECUTIVE ORDER }
No. 52. }

Charles H. Sleeper, Director of Lands; William T. Nolting, Collector of Internal Revenue; John S. Leech, Director of Printing; and Clifford H. French, Assistant Auditor, are hereby appointed a committee for the purpose of investigating the conduct of the business of the various bureaus and offices in the Insular Government and making report and recommendations on the following points:

1. Any work which was performed by any bureau which was, in their judgment, unnecessary.
2. Duplication of work.
3. Administrative economies, including the more rapid Filipinization of the service where advisable.

The committee will take as a basis the report of the Organization Committee appointed by Executive Order No. 14, series of 1905, will see how far the recommendations of that committee are now being carried out, and will study further the report of that committee and amend the same if, in their judgment, experience has proved the recommendations of said report faulty in any particular.

All directors and officers of bureaus are directed to assist the committee in any way, give them such information and data as they may require, and such clerical help as may be needed in the conduct of their business.

Whenever the committee is engaged in examining the bureau of which any member is chief, such member shall disassociate himself from the committee during the period of the examination of his own bureau.

The reduction of customs revenues, past and prospective, and the proposed abolition of all export duties render necessary a reduction of the current expenses of the Government.

It is believed that all bureaus will benefit if they may have an opportunity of taking advantage of improved methods of other bureaus and thus standardizing what is best in the service.

W. CAMERON FORBES,
Governor-General.