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Colonial Secretary's Office,

Perth, 9th January, 1890.

HIS Excellency the Administrator has been pleased to direct that on and after this date the following Pearling Banks on the North-West Coast, which have been closed since the 15th November, 1885, shall be, and are hereby thrown open for Pearling purposes until further notice:—

1. Those off the coast between Depuch Island and Point Poissonier (those between Cape Thounin and Depuch Island were opened 14th July, 1886).
2. Those lying between a North and South line running through Courtenay Head to the Mainland, including Hampton Harbor, and a North and South line running through the North-East of Dolphin Island to the Mainland.
3. Those lying between the mouths of the Fortescue and Cane Rivers, extending six miles from shore.

By Command,

OCT. BURT,

Acting Colonial Secretary.