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# GOVERNMENT GAZETTE.

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## PROCLAMATION.

*By His Excellency John Bruce, Esquire, a Brevet Lieutenant Colonel in Her Majesty's Army, Senior Military Officer in Command of Her Majesty's Land Forces, and Governor and Commander in Chief, in and over the Territory of Western Australia and its Dependencies and Vice Admiral of the same.*

**W**HEREAS His Excellency Arthur Edward Kennedy, Esquire has this day vacated the administration of the Government of the said Colony of Western Australia, for the express purpose of immediately departing and being absent therefrom, and the said Government has in pursuance of Her Most Gracious Majesty's Letters Patent, and the Royal Instructions therein referred to, devolved upon me, the Senior Military Officer in Command of Her Most Gracious Majesty's Land Forces, and the Executive Councillor of the said Colony, whose name is first placed in the said Royal Instructions: And whereas I have this day taken the

several Oaths prescribed in that behalf by the said Royal Instructions, before Her said Majesty's Executive Council of the said Colony. NOW THEREFORE I the said Governor do hereby proclaim and make known that I have accordingly taken upon myself the administration of the Government of the said Colony of Western Australia.

*Given under my hand and Seal at Perth, this Twentieth day of February, 1862.*

J. BRUCE,  
Governor.

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By His Excellency's Command,  
FRED. P. BARLEE,  
Colonial Secretary.