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*Colonial Secretary's Office,
Perth, 16th October, 1877.*

HIS Honor the Administrator has been pleased to appoint HENRY BROCKMAN, ESQUIRE, to be a Justice of the Peace for this Colony.

ROGER TUCKER^D. GOLDSWORTHY,
Colonial Secretary.

*Colonial Secretary's Office,
Perth, 15th October, 1877.*

HIS Honor the Administrator has been pleased, under section 26 of "The Municipal Institutions' Act, 1876," to appoint Robert Fairbairn, Esquire, Resident Magistrate of Newcastle, to do all such acts and things as under the said Act are required to be done in settling the Electoral Lists of the Municipality of Newcastle, and His Honor has fixed Monday, the 29th instant, as the time for making up such Electoral Lists, and has appointed the Magistrate's Court House, Newcastle, as the place for such purpose.

ROGER TUCKER^D. GOLDSWORTHY,
Colonial Secretary.

*Colonial Secretary's Office,
Perth, 16th October, 1877.*

IT is hereby notified, for general information, that His Honor the Administrator has received a Despatch from Her Majesty's Secretary of State for the Colonies, enclosing Regulations for an Examination of Candidates for the Civil Service of India, which is to be held in April, 1878.

These Regulations can be seen on application at the Colonial Secretary's Office.

ROGER TUCKER^D. GOLDSWORTHY,
Colonial Secretary.

*Colonial Secretary's Office,
Perth, 16th October, 1877.*

HIS Honor the Administrator directs the publication of the following Despatch, with its enclosures, for general information.

ROGER TUCKER^D. GOLDSWORTHY,
Colonial Secretary.

CIRCULAR.

Downing Street, 9th August, 1877.

SIR,—I have the honor to transmit to you a copy of a letter from the Board of Trade, enclosing a circular issued by them in January last upon the subject of the test of colour-blindness, to which candidates for Certificates of Competency as Master, Mate, or Engineer in the Mercantile Marine are now subjected, and suggesting that it may be advisable that such British possessions as have had or are about to have the provisions of Section 8 of the "Merchant Shipping (Colonial) Act 1869" extended to them, should adopt a test of the same description, with a view to prevent candidates for such certificates, who are disqualified in respect of colour-blindness in the United Kingdom, from obtaining Certificates of Competency in a Colony where no such test existed, which certificates would be valid in this country.

I also enclose a copy of a letter from this Department to the Board of Trade, and a copy of their reply, from which it appears that the Board of Trade are of opinion that it would be advisable for the test to be adopted in all Colonies where certificates are issued to Officers in the Mercantile Marine, whether or not the Act of 1869 has been extended to such Colonies.

I have, &c.,

CARNARVON.

The Officer Administering the
Government of Western Australia.

P.S.—I also enclose a copy of a further letter which has been received from the Board of Trade, since this Circular was printed, with regard to the application of the test.

Board of Trade to Colonial Office.

(Copy.) Board of Trade, Whitehall Gardens.
11th July, 1877.

SIR,

CERTIFICATES.

I am directed by the Board of Trade to transmit to you, for the information of the Earl of Carnarvon, the enclosed copy of a Circular issued by them in January last, upon the subject of the test for colour-blindness, to which candidates for Certifi-

ates of Competency as Master, Mate, or Engineer in the Mercantile Marine are now subjected, and to request that you will be good enough to suggest to his Lordship that it may be advisable that such British Possessions as have had, or are about to have, the provisions of Section 8 of the "Merchant Shipping (Colonial) Act of 1869" extended to them, should adopt a test of the same description, with a view to prevent candidates for such certificates, who are disqualified in respect of colour-blindness in the United Kingdom, from obtaining Certificates of Competency in a Colony where no such test existed, which certificates would be valid in this country.

I am to add that as this test has only recently been introduced in the United Kingdom, no opinion can be formed as yet as to its future utility, but that in case it should be found necessary to amend or alter it in any way, or to issue any fresh instructions, his Lordship will be duly informed upon the subject.

I have, &c.,

The Under Secretary of State, (Signed) THOMAS GRAY.
Colonial Office.

(Copy.) The Colonial Office to the Board of Trade.

Sir, Downing Street, 21st July, 1877.

With reference to your letter of the 11th instant (9178/77) respecting the test for colour-blindness to which candidates for Certificates of Competency as Master, Mate, or Engineer, are now subjected in the Mercantile Marine, I am directed by the Earl of Carnarvon to request that you will inform the Board of Trade that his Lordship will be prepared to suggest to the Governors of such British Possessions as have had, or are about to have, the provisions of Section 8 of the "Merchant Shipping (Colonial) Act of 1869" extended to them, the expediency of the adoption in those Colonies of a similar test.

Before, however, addressing the Governors on the subject, Lord Carnarvon would be glad to be informed whether the Board of Trade are of opinion that the test should be proposed in any other Colonies than those mentioned in your letter of the 16th of April.

I am, &c.,

The Assistant Secretary, (Signed) J. BRAMSTON.
Marine Department,
Board of Trade.

(Copy.) The Board of Trade to the Colonial Office.

Board of Trade, Whitehall Gardens,
27th July, 1877.

Sir, CERTIFICATES.

I am directed by the Board of Trade to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 21st instant, enquiring if there are any other Colonies besides those to which Section 8 of the "Merchant Shipping (Colonial) Act 1869" has been extended, to which it might be advisable to suggest the introduction of the test for colour-blindness in the examinations for Masters' and Mates' Certificates of Competency.

In reply, I am to state for the information of the Earl of Carnarvon, that the Board of Trade suggested the introduction of the test for colour-blindness in those Colonies only, [Victoria, Canada, New Zealand, New South Wales, Malta, South Australia, Tasmania, Newfoundland,] to which the provisions of Section 8 of the "Merchant Shipping (Colonial) Act 1869" had been extended, as the provisions of that section require that the examinations should be in all respects equivalent to those in the United Kingdom. The Board did not feel called upon to suggest its adoption in Colonies to which the section of the Act before referred to was not extended, but there is no doubt that it would be advisable for the test to be adopted in all Colonies where certificates are issued to Officers in the Mercantile Marine, whether or not the Act of 1869 has been extended to such Colonies.

I have, &c.,

The Under Secretary of State, (Signed) THOMAS GRAY.
Colonial Office.

Board of Trade, Marine Department,
January, 1877.

INSTRUCTIONS TO EXAMINERS.

Cases occur of persons who suffer from what is termed colour-blindness, i.e., from an inability to distinguish certain colours.

The Board of Trade have, therefore, decided that all candidates for examination for Masters' or Mates' Certificates shall pass a test examination as to their ability to distinguish the following colours, which enter largely into the combinations of signals by day or night used at sea; namely, black, white, red, green, yellow, and blue.

The Examiners will be furnished with cards and glasses of these several colours, and before proceeding to the regular examination of the candidate they must satisfy themselves that he is able to distinguish correctly each of the colours referred to.

In the event of his failing to do so in even one of these colours the Examiner must decline to proceed to the regular examination, and must forward to this Board a special report of the case.

The Board have been led to this decision because of the serious consequences which might arise from an officer of any vessel being unable to distinguish the colours of the lights and flags which are carried by vessels.

EDWARD STANHOPE,
Secretary.

THOMAS GRAY,
Assistant Secretary,

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Colonial Secretary's Office,

Perth, 16th October, 1877.

HIS Honor the Administrator directs the publication of the following letter from the Colonial Secretary of Fiji, containing copy of an Ordinance closing the ports at Vuna Point and Galoa Bay in that Colony.

ROGER TUCKER^D. GOLDSWORTHY,
Colonial Secretary.

An Ordinance (enacted by the Governor of the Colony of Fiji with the advice and consent of the Legislative Council thereof.)

To close the Ports of Entry at Vuna Point in the island of Taviumi and Galoa Bay in the island of Kadavu.

(L.S.) ARTHUR GORDON. 17th August, 1877.

Preamble.

WHEREAS by a Notice published in the *Royal Gazette* No. 10 dated October 9th 1875 it was directed that the Port of Vuna Point Taviumi should be a Port of Entry and by a Notice published in the *Royal Gazette* No. 12 dated October 30th 1875 it was directed that the Port of Galoa Bay Kadavu should be a Port of Entry and whereas it is expedient that such Ports at Vuna Point and Galoa Bay should cease to be Ports of Entry. Be it therefore enacted by His Excellency the Governor with the advice and consent of the Legislative Council:

Vuna Point and Galoa Bay closed as Ports of Entry.

1. That on and after the thirtieth day of September in the present year the Ports of Vuna Point in the island of Taviumi and Galoa Bay in the island of Kadavu shall cease to be Ports of Entry. Provided always that it shall be lawful for the Governor by Proclamation in the *Royal Gazette* to re-open such Ports as Ports of Entry at any future time.

Passed in Council this Sixteenth day of August in the year of our Lord One thousand eight hundred and seventy-seven.

Colonial Secretary's Office,

Perth, 16th October, 1877.

HIS Honor the Administrator directs the publication of the following Notices to Mariners for general information.

ROGER TUCKER^D. GOLDSWORTHY,
Colonial Secretary.

NOTICE TO MARINERS.

TORRES STRAITS.

FLINDERS PASSAGE, PRINCE OF WALES' GROUP.

THE Master of the "Nereid" cutter reports having touched on a rock in Flinder's Passage, in the following approximate position:—

Hammond Rock on with the N.E. point of Hammond Island.
The S.E. point of Thursday Island on with Heath Point.

ROCKY PATCH, ELLIS CHANNEL.

Captain Hovell reports the existence of a rocky patch in Ellis Channel. On examination the centre has been found to be in the following position:—

Channel Rock on with the S.E. point of Thursday Island.
Quoin Point, Goode Island, on with Vivian Point.

The least water found was 13 feet at low-water springs with 18 feet all round.

G. P. HEATH, Commander R.N.
Portmaster.

Department of Ports and Harbours,
Brisbane, 10th September, 1877.

NOTICE TO MARINERS.

NORMANBY ROCK, PERCY ISLANDS.

THE rock upon which the s.s. "Normanby" recently struck, has been ascertained by Lieutenant Connor, R.N., the Assistant Admiralty Surveyor, to lie south 1 mile and 4 cables from the southern extremity of the Pine Islets.

The rock is not more than 50 feet in extent, and has five feet of water over it at low-water springs, with 13 fathoms all round.

Pine Peak kept open on either side of the Pine Islets leads clear of the danger to the eastward or westward, as the case may be, while the islet off the south end of the north-east Percy Island, kept open of the Spurs, leads clear of it to the southward.

G. P. HEATH, Commander R.N.
Portmaster.

Department of Ports and Harbours,
Brisbane, September 8th, 1877.

NOTICE TO MARINERS.

CORAL SEA AND WESTERN PACIFIC.

FROM information obtained from Mr. Eury, master of the whaling barque "Adventurer," who has been cruising in the Western Pacific for many years, and also from the circumstances attending the recent loss of the barque "Banda," it would appear that the eastern edge of the Bampton Reef extends

considerably further to the eastward than it is shown on the chart, probably nearly to Long. 159° E., and also that in the neighborhood of that reef the current, though slack in the summer, runs W.N.W. during the winter at a rate of from 1 to 1½ knots.

Captain Eury also reports a 5-fathom rocky patch in Lat. 20° 20' S. and Long. 159° E.

That New Shoal, the position of which is stated as doubtful, but is placed on the charts in 20° 55' S., 160° 28' E., does not exist.

That a shoal (probably part of Kelso Bank), with 11 fathoms, exists in Lat. 24° 6' S., Long. 159° 45' E.

That Tamar Reef, supposed to be in Lat. 21° 21' S., and Long. 161° 36' E., and which Captain Denham, in H.M.S. "Herald," could not find, does not exist.

That N.N.E. from Walpole Island—the land just dipping from the masthead—there is a coral shoal 1 mile in diameter, with 7 fathoms of water over it.

That Omaseuse or Hunter Island does not exist in the doubtful position assigned to it on the chart. As this island is reported to be volcanic, and well-peopled and cultivated, it is probably the same as Niufu or Good Hope Island, which corresponds with this description, and has in error been placed on the chart in East instead of West Longitude.

Also, that on the equator, in Long. 146° E., there are two small islands not marked down on the charts. Captain Eury reports them as being each half-a-mile in extent, and connected by a reef. They are uninhabited and covered with low trees.

Mr. Powell, of the ketch "Star of the East," reports that the position of Greenwich Island, as shown on the chart, is 1° too far to the westward.

It is, he says, composed of a number of islands enclosed in a coral reef of a somewhat triangular form, with its base to the northward. The group is about 14 miles in extent from north to south, and 8 or 9 miles from east to west. The islands are on the west side, and at the southern elbow of the reef. Only two are inhabited, both at the south-westernmost portion of the group. On one of these is a mound, about 80 feet high, formed of dead coral. At the eastern extremity of the reef is a sandbank. The native name of the group is Kapinga Malang.

INNER ROUTE TO TORRES STRAITS.

REEF, CLAREMONT ISLANDS.

Mr. F. Blanchard, master of the Claremont Island Light-ship, reports the existence of a reef lying between No. VI. and VII. Claremont Islands. He states that it is nearly a mile wide, trending to the North-East, and is dry at low-water springs. Off its western extreme is a detached coral patch, on which there is a depth of four feet at low water. It lies in the following position, viz. :—

Beacon, No. VII. Island	...	...	N.N.W.
" Heath Rocks	...	...	S.W. ½ S.
" No. VI.	...	...	S. by E.

They are also some mushroom coral patches between this rock and the shoal water to the southward.

These dangers are out of the fairway of the channel, but vessels working through, should be careful not to stand inside a line drawn between the western edge of No. VI. and VII. reefs.

Mr. Hunter, of the cutter "Pearl Hunter," reports the existence of a reef about ¼ of a mile in length, north and south, with its north point in the following position, viz. :—

False Orford Ness	...	...	N. ¼ W.
North Boydong Cays	...	...	E. ½ N.

He found 8 fathoms of water close to its outer side, and 6, 5, and 4½ fathoms extending from it towards the shore. Though out of the track of steamers and vessels running, it is a danger to vessels beating through that portion of the passage.

G. P. HEATH, Commander R.N.,
Portmaster.

Department of Ports and Harbors,
Brisbane, 30th August, 1877.

Colonial Secretary's Office,
Perth, 9th October, 1877.

HIS Honor the Administrator, under the authority of the Ordinance 30th Vict., No. 13, for the prevention and cure of Scab in Sheep, has been pleased to establish and fix the following as the boundaries or limits of "Scab Districts" in the Colony, and to appoint the undermentioned gentlemen as Inspectors of Sheep for the several districts :—

No. 1. SOUTH-WEST DISTRICT.—Within the jurisdiction of the respective Resident and Police Magistrates of Sussex, Wellington, Murray, Fremantle, Perth, and Swan.

Inspector of Sheep—Mr. JOS. LOGUE, JUN.

No. 2. SOUTH-EAST DISTRICT.—Within the jurisdiction of the Resident Magistrates of Plantagenet and Williams.

Inspector of Sheep—Mr. R. G. WARBURTON.

No. 3. CENTRAL DISTRICT.—Within the jurisdiction of the Resident Magistrates of York, Northam, and Toodyay.

Inspector of Sheep—Mr. M. CRAIG.

No. 4. IRWIN DISTRICT.—Bounded on the South by the North boundaries of the South-west and Central Districts. On the West by the sea coast; and on the North by a line running from the mouth of the Greenough to the North-west boundary of the Back Flats; then East along the North boundary of the Back Flats, to a spot due South of Wizard Peak; thence along the Western and Southern boundaries of Pastoral Lease 9317; thence due South 7 miles; thence in a straight line to Bundeary; and thence due East.

Inspector of Sheep.—Mr. C. D. V. FOSS.

No. 5. CHAMPION BAY DISTRICT.—Bounded on the South by the Northern boundary of the Irwin District. On the West by the Sea Coast. On the North by the Murchison River, including all land within the watershed of that river; and on the East by the boundary of the Colony.

Inspector of Sheep—Mr. G. F. ELIOT.

ROGER TUCKER^D. GOLDSWORTHY,
Colonial Secretary.

Colonial Secretary's Office,

Perth, 28th September, 1877.

IT is hereby notified, for general information, that under the provisions of "The Municipal Institutions' Act, 1876," His Honor the Officer Administering the Government has been pleased to direct that the first election of a Chairman and Councillors for the Newcastle Municipality, proclaimed under such Act, shall be held at the Newcastle Court House, on Monday, the 19th November, 1877, and His Honor has nominated and appointed R. Fairbairn, Esquire, Resident Magistrate, the Presiding and Returning Officer at such election. The poll to be opened at one o'clock, p.m., and closed at five o'clock, p.m.

ROGER TUCKER^D. GOLDSWORTHY,
Colonial Secretary.

Colonial Secretary's Office,

Perth, 16th September, 1877.

IT is hereby notified, for general information, that the undermentioned immigrants ex "Daylight," are available for service :—

- 4 Married couples.
- 1 Single man.
- 1 Single woman.

All applications for the engagement of these Immigrants must be made to the Immigration Agent at Perth, who will give every information and facility to the applicant.

Persons residing at a distance from Perth are requested to authorise, in writing, agents at that place to make such arrangements as may be necessary to engage and forward to them the Immigrants they may require.

The Government will not in any way undertake the selection or transmission of Immigrants to Rural Districts.

ROGER TUCKER^D. GOLDSWORTHY,
Colonial Secretary.

Colonial Secretary's Office,

Perth, 9th October, 1877.

UNDER the provisions of "The Elementary Education Act, 1871," His Honor The Administrator in Council has been pleased to appoint the following gentlemen to be Returning Officers for the various Educational Districts, the undermentioned places to be the polling places for such districts, and the following dates of election in each District:—

EDUCATIONAL DISTRICT	RETURNING OFFICER.	POLLING PLACE.	DATE OF ELECTION, 1877.
ALBANY ...	G. E. C. Hare, Esq....	Magistrate's Court House, Albany ...	Friday, 2nd November.
BEVERLEY ...	W. Cowan, Esq. ...	Police Station, Beverley ...	Saturday, 3rd November.
FREMANTLE ...	J. G. Slade, Esq. ...	Odd Fellows' Hall, Fremantle ...	Monday, 5th November.
GERALDTON ...	Geo. Eliot, Esq. ...	Magistrate's Court House, Geraldton ...	Monday, 5th November.
GREENOUGH ...	Geo. Eliot, Esq. ...	Magistrate's Court House, Greenough ...	Tuesday, 6th November.
IRWIN ...	Geo. Eliot, Esq. ...	Magistrate's Court House, Dongarra ...	Friday, 9th November.
KOJONUP ...	J. C. Rosseloty, Esq.	Police Station, Kojonup ...	Friday, 2nd November.
MURRAY ...	J. G. Murray, Esq. ...	Magistrate's Court House, Pinjarrah ...	Monday, 5th November.
NORTHAM ...	Robt. Fairbairn, Esq.	Magistrate's Court House, Northam ...	Tuesday, 6th November.
PERTH ...	E. W. Landor, Esq....	Town Hall, Perth ...	Tuesday, 6th November.
SWAN ...	E. W. Landor, Esq....	Magistrate's Court House, Guildford ...	Thursday, 8th November.
TOODYAY ...	Robt. Fairbairn, Esq.	Magistrate's Court House, Newcastle ...	Friday, 2nd November.
VASSE... ..	J. S. Harris, Esq. ...	Magistrate's Court House, Vasse ...	Friday, 2nd November.
WELLINGTON ...	W. P. Clifton, Esq. ...	Magistrate's Court House, Bunbury ...	Saturday, 3rd November.
YORK ...	W. Cowan, Esq. ...	Magistrate's Court House, York ...	Tuesday, 6th November.
NORTH DISTRICT	R. J. Sholl, Esq. ...	Magistrate's Court House, Roebourne ...	Friday, 2nd November.

By Command,

ROGER TUCKER^D. GOLDSWORTHY,

Colonial Secretary.

Colonial Secretary's Office,
Perth, 4th October, 1877.

TENDERS (in duplicate, endorsed "Tenders for (as the case may be) Mail,") will be received at this Office until noon of Wednesday, the 14th of November, 1877, for the conveyance of the undermentioned Mails for one, two, or three years, viz. :—

1. From Fremantle to Rockingham, and *vice versa*, once a week, on horseback.
2. From York to Newcastle, *via* Northam and Neuleyine, and *vice versa*, twice a week, in a spring vehicle or on horseback.
3. From York to Beverley, Brookton, Moorumbine, Boyadine, and Annandale, returning *via* Beverley to York, once a week, on horseback.
4. From Vasse to Quindalup, and *vice versa*, twice a week, on horseback.
5. From Perth to Albany, and *vice versa*, once in every four weeks. Each trip to be performed in 72 hours, subject to a penalty of £1 for each hour in excess of that time, to be deducted from the Contractor's monthly pay. The Mails must be conveyed in a four wheeled spring vehicle.
6. From Kojonup to Etipup, twice in every four weeks, and *vice versa*, on horseback.

The arrival and departure of the Mails will be subject to instructions from the Postmaster General, and liable to alteration at any time during the year.

Two approved sureties will be required to join the Contractor in a guarantee for the due fulfilment of the duties contracted to be performed.

Special Forms of Tender, with conditions attached, may be had on application to the various Resident Magistrates, and at the

General Post Office, Perth; and no Tender will be entertained unless rendered on the prescribed form.

The Government will reserve to themselves the right to terminate the Contract at any time by giving three months' notice.

Where Mails are conveyed in wheeled vehicles, a free passage must be provided for an Officer of the Post Office or Telegraph Department, when required by the Postmaster General.

The Government do not bind themselves to accept the lowest or any Tender.

Further information may be had on application to the Postmaster General.

ROGER TUCKER^D. GOLDSWORTHY,
Colonial Secretary.Department of Public Works,
Perth, 10th October, 1877.

TENDERS (endorsed "Tender for Light-keeper's Quarters,") will be received at this Office until noon of Friday, the 16th November, from persons willing to erect Light-keeper's Quarters at Point Moore, Champion Bay.

Revised Plan and amended Specification may be seen and full particulars obtained on application at the Office of the Resident Engineer of the G. and N. Railway, Champion Bay, and at the Department of Public Works, Perth.

The Government do not bind themselves to accept the lowest or any tender, and will require the guarantee of two responsible persons for the due performance of the Contract.

Forms of Tender may be had on application to the various Resident Magistrates, and at the Public Works' Office, Perth.

No tender will be entertained unless on the prescribed form.

JAS. H. THOMAS,
Director of Public Works.

Department of Public Works,
Perth, 9th October, 1877.

TENDERS (endorsed "Tender for Horses and Harness,") will be received at this Office until noon of Friday, the 2nd November, from persons willing to supply for the Public Works Department:—

2 Staunch Horses,
1 set Trace Harness.
1 set Shaft Harness.

The Government do not bind themselves to accept the lowest or any tender.

Forms of Tender may be had on application to the various Resident Magistrates, and at the Public Works Office, Perth.

No tender will be entertained unless on the prescribed form.

JAS. H. THOMAS,
Director of Public Works.

Department of Public Works,
Perth, 24th September, 1877.

TENDERS (endorsed "Tender for additions to New Public Offices, Perth,") will be received at this Office until noon of Friday, the 23rd November, from persons willing to undertake the erection of certain additions to the New Public Offices, Perth.

Tenders to state the shortest time in which the work will be performed.

The Government do not bind themselves to accept the lowest or any tender, and will require the guarantee of two responsible persons for the due performance of the Contract.

Forms of Tender may be had on application to the various Resident Magistrates, and at the Public Works' Office, Perth, where Plans, Specifications, Conditions, and full particulars are obtained.

No tender will be entertained unless on the prescribed form.

JAS. H. THOMAS,
Director of Public Works.

Department of Public Works,
Perth, 25th September, 1877.

I HEREBY certify that the first eighteen miles of the Geraldton and Northampton Railway may safely be used for Goods and Mineral traffic.

JAS. H. THOMAS,
Director of Public Works.

BY virtue of Her Majesty's Writ, under the hand of The Administrator and the Public Seal, to me directed, dated the ninth day of October, 1877, I do hereby give Public Notice that an Election of five Members of a District Board of Education for the District of Swan, will be held in the Court-house, Guildford, at 12 o'clock noon, of the eighth day of November next ensuing, pursuant to the Act of the Legislative Council, intituled "*An Act to provide for Public Elementary Education, and to encourage voluntary efforts in support of Schools;*" at which day and place all persons entitled to vote at the said election are requested to give their attendance.

Dated the 10th day of October, 1877.

E. W. LANDOR,
Resident Magistrate and Returning Officer for the Educational District of Swan.

BY virtue of Her Majesty's Writ, under the hand of The Administrator and the Public Seal, to me directed, dated the ninth day of October, 1877, I do hereby give Public Notice that an Election of five Members of a District Board of Education for the District of Perth, will be held in the Town Hall, in the City of Perth, at 12 o'clock, noon, of the sixth day of November next ensuing, pursuant to the Act of the Legislative Council, intituled "*An Act to provide for Public Elementary Education, and to encourage voluntary efforts in support of Schools;*" at which day and place all persons entitled to vote at the said election are requested to give their attendance.

Dated the 10th day of October, 1877.

E. W. LANDOR,
Resident Magistrate and Returning Officer for the Educational District of Perth.

BY virtue of Her Majesty's Writ, under the hand of The Administrator and the Public Seal, to me directed, dated the ninth day of October, 1877, I do hereby give Public Notice that an Election of five Members of a District Board of Education for the District of Toodyay, will be held in the Magistrate's Court-house, at 12 o'clock, noon, of the second day of November next ensuing, pursuant to the Act of the Legislative Council, intituled "*An Act to provide for Public Elementary Education, and to encourage voluntary efforts in support of Schools;*" at which day and place all persons entitled to vote at the said election are requested to give their attendance.

Dated the 13th day of October, 1877.

R. FAIRBAIRN,
Resident Magistrate and Returning Officer for the Educational District of Toodyay.

BY virtue of Her Majesty's Writ, under the hand of The Administrator and the Public Seal, to me directed, dated the ninth day of October, 1877, I do hereby give Public Notice that an Election of five Members of a District Board of Education for the District of Northam will be held in the Magistrate's Court-house, at 12 o'clock, noon, of the sixth day of November next ensuing, pursuant to the Act of the Legislative Council, intituled "*An Act to provide for Public Elementary Education, and to encourage voluntary efforts in support of Schools;*" at which day and place all persons entitled to vote at the said election are requested to give their attendance.

Dated the 13th day of October, 1877.

R. FAIRBAIRN,
Resident Magistrate and Returning Officer for the Educational District of Northam.

Paris Exhibition.

ALL articles intended for the Paris Exhibition of 1878, must be delivered at the Commissariat Store, Perth, or the "A" Store, Customs House, Fremantle, not later than the 12th November next, after which date nothing can be received unless specially arranged for.

OCT. BURT,
Honorary Secretary, Central Committee.
13th September, 1877.

DEPARTMENT OF LAND TITLES.

Transfer of Land Act, 1874.

TAKE NOTICE that Edward Albert Stone of Perth Esquire as being entitled to an estate in fee simple in possession in the land hereinafter mentioned has made application to bring under the operation of the above Act all that parcel of land situate in the City of Perth being

"PERTH BUILDING LOT D 8"

as the same is described in the maps and books of the Survey Office and of record therein.

AND FURTHER TAKE NOTICE that all persons claiming to have any right title estate or interest in the above land ARE HEREBY REQUIRED to lodge with the Registrar of Titles on or before the 15th day of November next a caveat forbidding the same from being brought under the Act.

J. C. H. JAMES,
Commissioner of Titles.

11th October, 1877.

Colonial Secretary's Office,
Perth, 16th October, 1877.

HIS Honor The Administrator directs the publication of the following Abstract of the Revenue and Expenditure of the Colony of Western Australia, for the Quarter ended 30th September, 1877, for general information.

ROGER TUCKER. GOLDSWORTHY,

Colonial Secretary.

Abstract of the Revenue of the Colony of Western Australia, for the Quarter ended September 30th, 1877.

HEADS OF REVENUE.	AMOUNT.		
	£	s.	d.
Customs	18682	9	11
Harbor Dues	698	13	11
Land Sales	1799	13	0
Land Revenue	983	5	0
Rents (exclusive of Land)	16	0	0
Transfer Duties	36	5	6
Licenses	109	5	0
Postages	2189	15	4
Commission on Money Orders	17	14	0
Telegrams	613	6	6
Fines, Forfeitures, and Fees of Court	552	15	2
Fees of Office	322	2	6
Rottnest Native Penal Farm	72	10	1
Sale of Government Property	21	7	10
Interest	409	14	6
Reimbursements	759	15	6
Refunds	724	15	7
Miscellaneous Services	155	17	6
Special Revenue North District	224	16	0
Special Receipts *	3552	5	5
Contributions under Scab Ordinance	4	10	0
Penalties under do.	1	2	6
	31948	0	9
Commissariat Chest on Account } of Police and Magistracy }	3875	0	0
TOTAL	35823	0	9

Audit Office, Perth, October 9th, 1877.

E. L. COURTHOPE, Auditor-General.

* Under this head is included royalty on Guano, £3544 16s. 8d.

Abstract of the Expenditure of the Colony of Western Australia, for the Quarter ended September 30th, 1877.

HEADS OF SERVICE.	AMOUNT.		
	£	s.	d.
Civil List Schedule G., 33rd Vict., } No 13	1053	6	6
His Excellency The Governor	65	6	6
The Legislature	163	9	0
Colonial Secretary's Department	331	0	10
Treasury	126	4	2
Audit Department	205	0	0
Registry do.	267	10	0
Survey do.	1864	5	9
Office of Works	363	5	0
Customs Department	939	4	4
Postal and Telegraph Department	4269	4	1
Harbor and Light do.	891	19	8
Administration of Justice	2165	17	8
Medical Department	1508	2	4
Police do.	6170	0	0
Gaols do.	1354	15	4
Rottnest Penal Establishment	621	9	7
Government Printing Department	354	9	6
Inspectors of Sheep	250	0	0
Education	1849	1	10
Poor House and Charitable Allowances	2340	14	3
Immigration	291	5	3
Pensions	414	15	2
Ecclesiastical Services	814	10	0
Works and Buildings	2107	16	11
Roads and Bridges	3018	15	0
Miscellaneous Services	7289	15	6
Aborigines	151	16	0
Crown Agents	3000	0	0
Refunds	358	18	10
TOTAL	44601	19	0

Audit Office, Perth, October 9th, 1877.

E. L. COURTHOPE, Auditor-General.

LAND SALES.

Crown Lands' Office, Perth, 16th October, 1877.

THE undermentioned Allotments of Land will be offered for Sale, at Public Auction, on the dates and at the places specified in the Schedule below, at one o'clock, p.m.

SCHEDULE.

Date of Sale.	Place of Sale.	Description of Lot.	Number of Lot.	Quantity.			Upset Price.
				a.	r.	p.	
1877.							
1st Nov.	Geraldton ...	Geraldton ... Sub.	36 ...	3	0	0	£3 per acre.
Do.	Do. ...	Do. ... Town	381 ..	1	0	0	£15.
Do.	Northam ...	Northam ... Do.	82 ...	...	...	...	£7 10s.
7th Nov.	Bunbury ...	Bridgetown ... Do.	90 ...	...	...	...	£3.
Do.	Do. ...	Bunbury ... Do.	131 ...	...	...	...	£7 10s.

MALCOLM FRASER, Commissioner of Crown Lands.

Colonial Secretary's Office, Perth, 16th October, 1877.

HIS Honor The Administrator directs the publication of the following General Abstract of the Average Amount of the Liabilities and Assets of the National Bank of Australasia, for the Colony of Western Australia, for the Quarter ended 24th September, 1877.

ROGER TUCKER. GOLDSWORTHY, Colonial Secretary.

GENERAL ABSTRACT, shewing the Average Amount of the LIABILITIES and ASSETS of the NATIONAL BANK OF AUSTRALASIA, for the Colony of Western Australia, taken from the several Weekly Statements during the Quarter, from the 25th June, to the 24th September, 1877.

LIABILITIES.		AMOUNT.		TOTAL.		ASSETS.		AMOUNT.		TOTAL.	
		£	s. d.	£	s. d.			£	s. d.	£	s. d.
Notes in Circulation	{ Not bearing Interest...	"	"	7944	4 7	Coined Gold and Silver and other } Coined Metals ... .. }	.....	37080	0	10
	{ Bearing Interest... ..	"	"				.....			
Bills in Circulation	{ Not bearing Interest...	"	"	471	13 2	Gold and Silver in Bullion or Bars ... ..	.....	1305	8	3
	{ Bearing Interest... ..	"	"				.....			
Balances due to other Banks		"	"			Government Securities ... ..	.....	766	14	4
Deposits.....	{ Not bearing Interest...	48809	16 1	92536	4 8	Landed Property, Premises, &c. ... ..	.....	22	16	3
	{ Bearing Interest... ..	43726	8 7				.....			
Total Amount of Liabilities				100952	2 5	Total amount of Assets		103746	7 6		

Amount of the Capital Stock paid up at the close of the Quarter ended 30th June, 1877 £750,000

Rate of the last Dividend declared to the Shareholders, 12½ % cent. % annum.

Amount of the last Dividend declared £46,875

Amount of the Reserved Profits after declaring such Dividend £257,602 0s. 1d.

Perth, 11th October, 1877.

JOSEPH SMYTH, Manager.

I, JOSEPH SMYTH, make oath, that to the best of my knowledge and belief, the foregoing Abstract is a true and faithful Account of the Average Amount of Assets and Liabilities of the above Bank for the Colony of Western Australia during the period specified; and that the same was made up from the Weekly Statements thereof kept in pursuance of the provisions of the Ordinance of the 30th Victoria, No. 9.

Sworn before me at Perth,
this 11th day of October, 1877.

} H. W. VENN, Justice of the Peace.

JOSEPH SMYTH.

Crown Lands' Office,
Perth, 12th October, 1877.

RETURN of Applications to Purchase Crown Land approved during September, 1877:—

No.	Applicants.	Acres.	PURCHASE MONEY.		
			£	s.	d.
958	AVON. Thomas Wilding ...	60	30	0	0
964	William Edwards	50	25	0	0
COCKBURN SOUND.					
222	John Healy ...	40	20	0	0
223	Do. ...	40	20	0	0
224	James Bell ...	45	22	10	0
SWAN.					
782	Marks Banks ...	109	54	10	0
WELLINGTON.					
365	John Foley* ...	23	13	10	0
367	Jas. Busher, jun. ...	50	25	0	0
WILLIAMS.					
116	Sarah Bliss ...	40	20	0	0

* Clause 28.

JOHN FORREST,
pro Commissioner of Crown Lands.

Comptroller's Office,
Fremantle, 13th October, 1877.

CERTIFICATES of Freedom have been issued to the undermentioned Convicts, whose sentences have expired:—

Reg. No. 9246 John Mather
" 9659 Cornelius Barrett
" 10077 John White

HIS Honor The Administrator has been pleased to revoke the Ticket-of-Leave of the undermentioned Convict:—

Reg. No. 10147 John Collins

W. R. FAUNTLEROY,
Comptroller.

I HEREBY give notice that I have applied to the Swan District Roads Board for permission to erect swing gates on the Minor Road leading from West Guildford to the Upper Swan, and known on the maps of the Road Board as N & O, Ridley & Walcott's.

HUGH HAMERSLEY.
Guildford, Sept. 28, 1877.

I HEREBY give notice that I have applied to the Sussex Roads Board for permission to close the road known as Padbury's Road.

W. R. BUNBURY.
August 11th, 1877.

Crown Lands' Office,
Perth, 11th October, 1877.

RETURN of Applications for Leases and Licenses of Crown Land approved during September, 1877:—

No.	Applicants.	Class.	Aeres.	Rent.
	AVON.			
A 2894	George B. Smith ...	1	2000	£ s. d. 1 0 0
" 2895	Do. ...	"	2000	1 0 0
" 8378	James Draper* ...	"	2000	2 0 0
1094	Thomas Scrivener ...	S.O.L.	100	3 15 0
1156	Thomas Waters ...	"	100	2 10 0
1169	John Seabrook ...	"	100	5 0 0
	KOJONUP.			
1124	George Radley... ..	S.O.L.	100	3 15 0
	MELBOURNE.			
1135	Ewen Mackintosh ...	S.O.L.	100	2 10 0
1145	Charles Clinch... ..	"	100	2 10 0
	MURRAY.			
A 2916	Levi Green	1	1000	1 0 0
" 2917	Do.	"	2000	1 0 0
" 169	James Munday* ...	"	2000	2 0 0
	NELSON.			
A 2836	Charles Young... ..	1	3000	3 0 0
" 2812	William R. Bunbury... ..	"	3000	1 10 0
" 2813	Stephen Longbottom... ..	"	3500	1 15 0
1155	James Scott	S.O.L.	100	5 0 0
	NORTH.			
N 742	William C. Glass ...	C	40000	10 0 0
" 744	Thomas Drage... ..	"	5000	1 5 0
" 766	Andrew J. Oglivie ...	A	10000	1 17 6
" 767	Do.	"	15000	2 16 3
" 801	Harry W. Venn	C	10000	2 10 0
" 802	Do.	"	10000	2 10 0
" 803	Do.	"	8144	2 1 0
" 823	Alfred Howlett	"	4000	1 0 0
" 824	Simpson & McIntosh ...	"	7680	3 17 0
	SWAN.			
A 2856	Rosendo Salvado ...	1	1350	1 0 0
" 2857	Do.	"	1000	1 0 0
1168	Walter T. Williams ...	S.O.L.	100	2 10 0
	SUSSEX.			
A 2854	James Thomas... ..	1	3000	1 10 0
1096	Alfred P. Bussell ...	S.O.L.	100	2 10 0
	VICTORIA.			
A 2754	Michael Heelan	1	2000	1 10 0
" 2759	Michael Morrissey ...	2	2000	1 0 0
" 2760	Do.	"	2600	1 0 0
" 2791	Do.	"	5000	2 10 0
" 2792	Do.	"	5000	2 10 0
" 2793	Do.	"	10000	5 0 0
" 2802	Joseph B. Ridley ...	1	5000	3 15 0
" 2873	James Butterly	2	2500	1 5 0
" 2874	Do.	"	2000	1 0 0
" 2875	Do.	"	2000	1 0 0
" 2876	Do.	"	3500	1 15 0
" 2905	Nathaniel W. Cooke ...	"	10000	2 10 0
" 2906	Do.	"	12700	3 3 6
" 2898	Henry J. Cooke	"	1000	1 0 0
" 2232	John Morrissey* ...	"	3000	1 10 0
" 2233	Do.*	"	3000	1 10 0
	WELLINGTON.			
A 2814	Thomas Crampton ...	1	1000	1 0 0
1095	Arthur Shivers	S.O.L.	100	3 15 0
1133	Albert & Alfred Payne ...	"	100	2 10 0
	WILLIAMS.			
1073	Chas. & Wm. Brown ...	S.O.L.	100	3 15 0

* Renewals.

JOHN FORREST,
pro Commissioner of Crown Lands.

MAIL NOTICE.

General Post Office,
Perth, 15th October, 1877.

MAILS for transmission by Contractor OVERLAND for the Australian Colonies, New Zealand, Tasmania, and America, and by COASTING MAIL STEAMER for Europe, India, Cape of Good Hope, &c., will close as under:—

For the Australian Colonies, New Zealand, Tasmania, and America, on Saturday, October 27th, at 11 a.m.

For Europe, India, Cape of Good Hope, &c.:—
At Geraldton, Champion Bay, on Saturday, October 27th, at 11 a.m.

At the GENERAL POST OFFICE, PERTH, on Tuesday, October 30th, at 11 a.m.

At Fremantle, on Tuesday, October 30th, at 12h. 30m. p.m.

At Bunbury, on Tuesday, October 30th, at 9 p.m.

At Busselton, on Tuesday, October 30th, at 9 p.m.

At the General Post Office, Perth:—

Money Orders for transmission by the above conveyances will be issued on the Australian Colonies, New Zealand, and Tasmania, up to 11 a.m., on Friday, 26th October, and on the United Kingdom, up to 11 a.m., on Monday, October 29th.

Letters for Registration must be posted one hour before the closing of the Mails.

Late Letters, on payment of a fee of 6d., may be posted one hour after the closing of the Mails.

Newspapers must be posted one hour before the closing of the Mails, otherwise they will not be forwarded until the next Mail.

MA I L S for Albany, Bannister, Williams River, Arthur River, Kojonup, and the Albany Road, will be made up and despatched from this Office by the Contractor, on Saturday, 27th October, at noon.

R. A. SHOLL,
pro Postmaster-General.

For Sale at the Government Printing Office.

ACTS OF COUNCIL, Blue Books, Votes and Proceedings of the Legislative Council, &c.