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Colonial Secretary's Office,

Perth, 21st September, 1886.

HIS Excellency the Governor has been pleased to direct the publication, for general information, of the following telegram received from His Royal Highness the Prince of Wales, and of His Excellency's reply thereto.

By Command,

M. S. SMITH,

Acting Colonial Secretary.

To Governor, Perth.

London, 19th, 12:50 p.m.

Referring to suggestion already communicated as to permanency of present Exhibition, I now propose that Memorial of Queen's Jubilee should take form of permanent Imperial Institute of Colonies and India, comprising display of Colonial and Indian resources. Contributions in aid of Institute to be solicited from Governments and public, here and in all parts of Empire, to be vested in Board of Trustees appointed by the Sovereign under permanent presidency Her Apparent Throne. Glad to be favoured with your views by cable, and to hear whether your Government prepared recommend annual grant for certain number years, or, if preferred, sum down.

PRINCE OF WALES.

To The Prince of Wales, London.

Replying to Your Royal Highness' telegram, beg to state that Legislature of this Colony has voted five thousand pounds for celebration of Her Majesty's Jubilee, on condition I appoint a Commission to consider best method of expending the money. I will at once appoint the Commission and lay Your Royal Highness' telegram before it, and am communicating with other Governments of Australia with view to harmonious action. If other colonies come forward, in proportion to their means, as Western Australia has done, any project decided on can be nobly carried out. Will telegraph immediately decision has been arrived at.

GOVERNOR.