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*Colonial Secretary's Office,
Perth, 9th August, 1897.*

IT is hereby notified, for general information, that the following gentlemen have resigned their seats as Western Australian Representatives in the Australasian Federal Convention:—

The Honourable FREDERICK HENRY PIESSE, M.L.A.

The Honourable JOHN HOWARD TAYLOR, M.L.C.

ROBERT FREDERICK SHOLL.

OCT. BURT,
Under Secretary.

VICTORIA, by the Grace of God of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland Queen, Defender of the Faith, &c., &c.

To the Returning Officer under the "Australasian Federation Enabling Act, 1896" (60 Vict., No. 32).

GREETING:

WE command you that you proceed, according to law, to the Election of Three Members to represent Western Australia in the Convention

established under the "Australasian Federation Enabling Act, 1896;" And we do hereby appoint Monday, the 23rd day of August, in the year of our Lord One thousand eight hundred and ninety-seven, to be the day, and do also appoint the Legislative Assembly Chamber, Perth, to be the place of nomination of Candidates at the said Election, and the place where such Election shall be held: And we do further command you that, in the event of the said Election being contested, the poll shall be taken between the hours of Ten o'clock in the forenoon and Noon only, on Thursday, the 26th day of August, at the place aforesaid: And that you do endorse hereon the names of the persons elected, and do return forthwith this our Writ so endorsed to the Governor of our Colony of Western Australia, at Perth.

Witness His Excellency Lieut.-Colonel Sir GERARD SMITH, Knight Commander of the Most Distinguished Order of Saint Michael and Saint George, the Governor and Commander-in-Chief of our said Colony, and also the Public Seal of our said Colony, at Perth, the 7th day of August, 1897, and in the sixty-first year of our Reign.

GERARD SMITH,
Governor.