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Dissolution of Legislative Assembly.

## PROCLAMATION

Western Australia, To Wit.

Fred. G. D. Bedford, Governor.

[L.S.]

By His Excellency Admiral Sir Frederick George Denham Bedford, Knight Grand Cross of the Most Honourable Order of the Bath, Governor in and over the State of Western Australia and its Dependencies, etc., etc.

WHEREAS by "The Constitution Act, 1889," it is provided that the Governor may prorogue the Legislative Council and Legislative Assembly, and dissolve the Legislative Assembly, by Proclamation or otherwise, whenever he shall think fit: And whereas the Legislative Council and Legislative Assembly stand prorogued to the thirtieth day of September now next prorogued to the unitrieth day of september now next ensuing: And whereas it is expedient to dissolve the Legislative Assembly: Now therefore I, the said Governor, in exercise of the power conferred by "The Constitution Act, 1889," do by this my Proclamation dissolve the Legislative Assembly.

Given under my hand and the Public Seal of the said State, at Perth, this 21st day of August, One thousand nine hundred and eight.

By His Excellency's Command,

J. D. CONNOLLY, Colonial Secretary.

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## COMMISSION

WESTERN AUSTRALIA, ) FRED. G. D. BEDFORD, Governor.

By His Excellency Admirat Sir Frederick George Denham Bedford, Knight Grand Cross of the Most Honourable Order of the Bath, Governor in and over the State of Western Australia and its Dependencies, etc., etc., etc.

[L.S.] To the Honourable Richard William Pennefather, K.C., M.L.C., the Honourable Robert Laurie, M.L.C., Henry Daglish, Esquire, William Beat-tic Gordon, Esquire, and William Dartnell Johnson, Esquire, Greeting:

KNOW ye that I, Sir Frederick George Denham Bedford, Governor as aforesaid, do by these presents appoint you to be Commissioners to inquire into and to report to me upon-

(1.) The available supplies of meat on the stations and farms of the State of Western Australia.

- (2.) The facilities for transport to market in the Metropolitan and Goldfields areas, and the other more closely peopled centres of the State.
- (3.) The facilities now available for slaughter, cold storage, tinning, and other treatment, and for the sale of meat at the principal centres.
- (4.) The means employed in connection with the distribution of meat by the retail trades-
- (5.) The methods employed in the other States of the Commonwealth, with the view to the adaptability of those methods to the conditions existing in this State where found satisfactory.
- (6.) The alleged refusal of wholesale sellers to supply certain retail sellers alleged to have sold under fixed prices.
- (7.) And generally into any methods which, being adopted, may reasonably be expected to lead to a reduction of the price of meat to the consumer.

And I appoint you, the Honourable Richard William Pennefather, K.C., M.L.C., to be Chairman of the said Commissioners: And I direct that at any meeting of the said Commissioners three Commissioners shall be sufficient to constitute a quorum, and may proceed with the inquiry entrusted to you under this Commission, not-withstanding the absence of the other Commissioners: And I further direct that in the absence of the Chairman from any meeting of the said Commissioners, the Commissioners present may appoint one of their number to act as Chairman during such absence: And I declare this Commission to be a Royal Commission within the meaning of "The Royal Commissioners' Powers Act, 1902."

And I do hereby desire and request that you do, as soon as the same can conveniently be done, report to me in writing your proceedings and the result of your inquiries, and also your recommendations by virtue of this Commission.

Given at Perth this twenty-first day of August, One thousand nine hundred and eight.

By His Excellency's Command,

J. D. CONNOLLY, Colonial Secretary.

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