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PREMIER'S OFFICE.

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13rd Aug 1914

(PLEASE DO NOT WRITE ON THIS SHEET.)



....Memorandum....

FROM
The States Press & Telegram
Agency,

7 BARRACK STREET SOUTH,
PERTH.

Telegraphic Address: "STATES PRESS," PERTH.

To
The Hon. Mr. Justice
R. G. Higgins
Mr. Scott
Phy 298-227-396
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We supply the following townships with news.

Albany	Gus	Katanning	Meekatharra	Pingelly
Bunbury	Collie	Kookynie	Menzies	Roebourne
Boone	Dowerin	Kununoppin	Mullewa	Ravensthorpe
Busselton	Dangin	Kellerberrin	Merriden	Sandstone
Perley	Donnybrook	Kojonup	Mt. Barker	Trayning
La	Denmark	Leonora	Northam	Wooramel
Rock	Geraldton	Lawlers	Narrogin	Wyalatchan
Boone	Greenbushes	Meckering	Norseman	Wagin
Perley	Gnowangerup	Mt. Magnet	Nullagine	Wickepin
Brook	Goonalling	Moora	Nannine	Wiluna
	Jarrahdwood	Marvel Loch	Northampton	Wellington

Miles
C. G. G.

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Melbourne

Prime Minister

Sectn 95.

Very many thanks for your wire of war news received from High Commissioner
These reports are and will be much appreciated here by reason of their
probable accuracy, and absence of unwarranted conjecture. Shall be glad
to hear further news as it comes to hand from time to time.

Scaddan.



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*Commissioner's Office,
Perth.*

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10th August, 1914.

Officers and Wages Employees - Leave for Naval and
Military purposes during present emergency.

THE HONORABLE MR. COLLIER.

I shall be glad to know on what terms the Government desire that leave shall be granted for Naval and Military purposes during the present emergency.

Those affected are divided roughly into:--

1. Men called out for local defence service.
2. Men voluntarily enlisting in Australian Forces for Oversea service.
3. Imperial reservists called upon to re-join the Colours.

Many enquiries are being received, and the question calls for early settlement.

E. P. Munnice
DEPUTY COMMISSIONER OF RAILWAYS.

Railway Officers' Association of Western Australia.

General President:
THOS. KENAFICK.

General Secretary:
CYRIL BRYAN.

Telephone:
2975 CENTRAL.

HEAD OFFICE:
11 TRADES HALL,
PERTH.



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BRANCHES—

ADMINISTRATIVE
PERTH

FREMANTLE
BUNBURY

KALGOORLIE

NORTHAM

GERALDTON

NARROGIN

NIGHT STATION MASTERS
(METROPOLITAN)

Dear Sir,

With reference to our telephone conversation of this morning, the Officer I allude to is a Night Officer on \$140. He is a Reservist and has been called to the Colors. His wife and family have been left behind at Hines Hill, with only sufficient stores for about a week, when the Officer's salary up till today becomes due. That is all they have in the world.

In the circumstances I trust you will bring before Cabinet the whole question of Reservists in the Service. I note that the Premier has announced that it is certain that any persons enlisting in the "20,000" will have their positions in the Service kept open for them. This should also apply I think to the Reservists. I might also mention that Reservists called up will probably receive the huge wage of 1s 3d a day!

Yours faithfully,

Cyril Bryan
GENERAL SECRETARY.

The Minister for Railways,

P e r t h .

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Melbourne
Prime Minister

Sec. 95.

State Government concurs in your views regarding uniformity of treatment to Commonwealth and State Public Servants going with expeditionary forces. Would like to know your decision early regarding payment of differences between military pay and wages or salaries in Public Service.

Scaddan.

13:8:14.

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STATEMENT FOR PRESS.

The question ^{is} to-day ^{as to} whether there ^{was} ~~is~~ any
any truth in the rumour that Cabinet had decided upon
a reduction in the salaries of Civil Servants to meet
the emergencies arising out of the war conditions
prevailing. The Premier said that there was absolute-
ly no truth in the statement, concerning which a number
of enquiries had already been received at the Premier's
Office and Public Service Commissioner's Office. Person-
ally, he did not consider that the penalising of any one
section of the community was the best means of meeting a
large problem of this kind, and favoured the idea of
having a general war tax if the necessity arose, which should
be fairly and equitably distributed over the whole community
according to the means and obligations of its several members.
As a matter of fact, the only action that had been considered
in this direction was a tax of this nature, but its imposition
would be largely dependent upon whether the necessity arose
for it, and upon what action was recommended by the Confer-
ence of Premiers now sitting in the Eastern States.

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Proclamation by His Excellency Major General Sir Harry Barron
Knight Commander of the most distinguished order of Saint
Michael and St. George, Commander of the Royal Victorian order,
Governor in and over the State of Western Australia and its
dependencies in the Commonwealth of Australia, Vice Admiral of
the State of Western Australia, whereas by the prize courts Act
1894 it is enacted that when any commission warrant or instructions
from His Majesty the King or the Admiralty for the purpose of
commissioning or regulating the procedure of a prize court at any
place in a British possession have been issued then subject to
instructions from His Majesty the Vice Admiral of such possession
may when satisfied by information from a Secretary of State or
otherwise that war has broken out between His Majesty and any
foreign State proclaim that war has so broken out and that
thereupon the said commission warrant and instructions shall
take effect as if the ^{same} ~~same~~ had been issued after the breaking out
of such war and such foreign State were named therein and whereas
on the tenth day of July in the sixty-third year of Her reign
Her Late Majesty Queen Victoria was pleased to issue a commission
to certain commissioners therein named authorising and enjoining
the said commissioners to will and require such courts (including
among other courts of law being Colonial Courts of Admiralty
within the meaning of the Colonial Courts of Admiralty Act 1890)
as the said Commissioners shall select upon proclamation being
made in that part of Her Majesty's dominions, possessions, or
colonies within which such court has jurisdiction in Admiralty
by the Vice Admiral thereof that war has broken out between Her
Majesty and some foreign State or States and not otherwise to
take cognizance of and judicially to proceed upon all and all
manner of captures, recaptures, seizures, prizes, reprisals of
all ships, vessels and goods then already seized and taken and
which thereafter shall be seized and taken and all other matters
of prize falling within the jurisdiction of prize courts and
to hear and determine the same and according to the course of
Admiralty

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and the law of nations, and the statutes rules and regulations in that behalf for the time being in force to adjudge and condemn all such ships vessels and goods as shall belong to the State or states named in the proclamation aforesaid or to the subjects of such states or states or to any other persons inhabiting within any of the countries territories or dominions of such state or states or be otherwise condemnable as prize and whereas by warrant dated the - - - day - - - one thousand eight hundred and - - - the said commissioners did in her late Majesty Queen Victoria's name will and require the Supreme Court of the Colony of Western Australia and the Chief Justice for the time being of the said Court and all others the Judges or Judges for the time being of the said Court or other the persons or persons ^{executing} ~~executing~~ the duties of the office of judge of the said Court for the time being upon proclamation being made by the Vice-Admiral for the time being of Western Australia that war has broken out between Her Majesty and any Foreign State and not otherwise to take cognisance of and judicially to proceed upon all and all manner of captures recaptures seizures prizes and reprisals of all ships vessels and goods which shall ^{the} ~~on~~ outbreak of any such war have been already seized and taken and which shall thereafter be seized and taken and which are or shall be brought within the limit of the said Court and all other matters of prize falling within the jurisdiction of the said Court and to hear and determine the same according to the course of Admiralty and the law of nations and the statutes rules and regulations in that behalf for the time being in force to adjudge and condemn all such ships vessels and goods as shall belong to the foreign state or to any others inhabiting within any of the countries territories or dominions of the same or which are otherwise condemnable as prize and which shall be brought before the said Supreme Court of Western Australia for same jurisdiction and condemnation and whereas by the Colonial Courts of Admiralty Act 1890 it is enacted that nothing in that Act shall affect

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any power of appointing a Vice-Admiral in and for any place therein and that whenever there is not a formerly appointed Vice-Admiral in a British possession or any place therein the Governor of the possession shall be ex-officio Vice-Admiral thereof and whereas there is not a formally appointed Vice-Admiral in the State of Western Australia, NOW THEREFORE a Major General Sir Harry Barron the Vice-Admiral aforesaid being satisfied thereof by information received by me do hereby proclaim that war has broken out between His Majesty the King and the German Emperor .

GIVEN UNDER MY HAND AND SEAL AT GOVERNMENT HOUSE,
PERTH THIS DAY OF THE YEAR OF OUR LORD ONE THOUSAND NINE HUNDRED
AND FOURTEEN AND IN THE FIFTH YEAR OF HIS MAJESTY'S REIGN.

(Proclamation ends)

GLYPTICA.

COMMONWEALTH OF AUSTRALIA.

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R.T. No. 10

phoned Sydney 1/8/14
POSTMASTER GENERAL'S DEPARTMENT, WESTERN AUSTRALIA

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Remarks.

Melbourne 79 12/8 8.55pm

Premier Perth

Following received from High Commissioner

Begins Official source Admiralty believe

Goeben Breslau taken refuge Dardanelles

where will be dismantled then

Considers safety trade secured territorial

asked serve abroad Great Response

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Inulhansen north sea safe reopening
food trade Denmark england ends

Joseph Cook

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Remarks.

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King pardons deserters ^{has} provided
 Surrender active service September four
 extension men abroad stop from
 Reliable sources Liege principal forts
 still holding some some smaller
 forts captured no serious engagements

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Eastern Agricultural District Council
of Australian Labor Federation
Northam
Aug 8. 1914

To the Honorable
The Premier,

At a meeting held by
the above council I was requested to
inform you that a discussion eventuated
and the following resolution was carried.
That the Premier be communicated with
to the effect that whether Federal or State
the method to the erroneous and contradictory
cables that are circulated in regard the war,
and that the Premier take steps to have
a method instituted to have a more
accurate and reliable system for the
circulation of such news.

In this town of Northam it is scandalous
as to the posting of all sort of cables
especially in front of hotels it being
essential some action should be taken
and accurate information should be posted
at the post office and I hope that

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you will stop in doing something
to modify such actions

Insisting upon will give this matter
early attention and that the public
will be protected with only correct
information

I remain yours etc
B Kentke
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We have no power over to control
telegraphic news that is a Federal matter
Again the news forwarded from
Europe could not be other than accepted
for what it is worth. How can I
say it is authentic or not

Good heavens I have enough
to look after without taking on
this sort of task.

Rep

JJ
10-8-74.

(B. Nenke, Esq, Northam - 12:8:1914 - 2.)

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If the Government receives any really
authoritative news respecting the war which should
be made public, steps will be taken to give it the
speediest and widest circulation.

Yours faithfully,

L. E. S.

Secretary to the Premier.

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W.

12th August, 1914.

Dear Sir--

I have the honor, by direction of the Hon. Premier, to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 8th inst., having regard to the supply of news in relation to the war, and in reply I am directed to point out that the State Government has no power to control telegraphic news, which is really a Federal matter. It is regretted that misleading reports often gain currency at a time such as this when the anxiety in relation to the fate of the Empire and its soldiers is so keen, but this condition is felt as severely in Perth as in the country districts. News forwarded through the cables can only be accepted for what it is worth, and it is quite impossible for the Government to say whether it is authentic or not.

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B. Nenke, Esq.,

Australian Labor Federation,


Northam.

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HON. COLONIAL SECRETARY.

I am advised by the District Commandant that instructions have been received from Headquarters that the Government steamers will be granted exemption for the use of wireless, subject to the condition that the operating room is locked when in port and that the Captain shall be responsible.

12:8:14.
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Premier.



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COMMONWEALTH MILITARY FORCES.

5th MILITARY DISTRICT.

DISTRICT HEAD QUARTERS,
PERTH.

August, 1914

The Secretary to the Premier,
Perth,
W.A.

sir,

I am directed by the District Commandant to inform you that instructions have been received from Headquarters, that the Government Steamers will be granted exemption for the use of wireless, subject to the condition that the operating room is locked when in port and that the Captain shall be responsible.

I have the honor to be,

sir,

Your obedient servant,

High, Hunk,

Major,

D. A. A. & Q. M. G. 5th Military District.

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August, 1914

The Secretary to the Premier,
Perth,
W.A.

sir,

I am directed by the District Commandant to inform you that instructions have been received from Headquarters, that the Government Steamer will be granted exemption for the use of wireless, subject to the condition that the operating room is locked when in port and that the Captain shall be responsible.

I have the honor to be,

sir,

Your obedient servant,

f
Major,

D.A.A. & Q.M.G. 5th Military District.

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12th August, 1914.

Dear Sir--

I am in receipt of your letter of the 10th inst., inviting me to address a public meeting at Northam about a week before the Federal Elections, for which I thank you. I regret, however, that under the present conditions I am unable to fix any date for the meeting, as suggested, as you will doubtless appreciate that, owing to the occurrence of war between Great Britain and Germany, my continuous presence in town is absolutely essential on account of the multitude of most important considerations arising therefrom.

Yours faithfully,



Premier.

B. Nenke, Esq.,

Secretary, Australian Labor Federation,
Northam.

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Eastern Agricultural District Council
of Australian Labor Federation

Northam
Aug 10 1914

To the Premier
Mr J Scaddan,

Dear Sir,

At a meeting held by my council it was resolved that you be invited to address a public meeting at Northam such meeting to held within a week before the Federal Elections.

It was urged that I impress upon you the necessity of your addressing that meeting and that you forward a date immediately so that we can necessary arrangements

Trusting you will not reply again that you will give consideration to the matter and this time make good with this council

Hoping to hear from you at an early date
I remain yours
B Mentke Secy

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Write to the Council A.T.F. Cabinet
informing them that as present
under existing circumstances I
am unable to fix any date
they should appreciate my difficulties.

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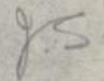
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12th August, 1914.

Gentlemen--

I am in receipt of your kind letter of the 9th inst., advising me that in the event of any distress in Perth which may make it necessary for the Government to provide relief, your Cafe and services will be at our disposal under certain conditions, for the institution of a soup kitchen, for which I have to thank you, and which has been noted for future reference.

Yours faithfully,



Premier.

Messrs. J. Bordas & Co.,
Savoy Cafe,
651 Hay Street,
PERTH.

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Savoy Cafe
657 Hay St.

Perth

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The Hon. the Premier
Mr. Scadden

Dear Sir

In the event of any distress in Perth, which may make it necessary for the Gov. to provide relief, we have much pleasure in placing our Cafe & our services at your disposal for the institution of a Soup Kitchen, or any other form of virtualising the public, which you may think advisable.

All that we require in exchange would be our bare expenses & a half-time wage in common with our employees.

We are yours faithfully

J. Bondas & Co
Per. Elta Hooton

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W.

12th August, 1914.

Dear Sir--

I am in receipt of your letter of the 10th inst., advising me that your Council had carried a resolution urging me to take the necessary steps to prevent any undue rise in the prices of food stuffs during the present European crisis, for which I thank you. In reply I have to point out that at the time your Council passed this resolution, a Bill to control trade in war time, and another amending the Act relating to the appointment of Royal Commissioners, had already been passed by both Houses of Parliament, but of course your Council was unaware that this action had been taken when passing the resolution. Since that time the Acts have been duly proclaimed, and the Commission is now hard at work in relation to the subject mentioned by you.

Yours faithfully,

J.S.
Premier.

The Town Clerk,
Boulder.

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Town Clerk's Office,

IT IS REQUESTED THAT LETTERS BE
ADDRESSED TO THE TOWN CLERK
AND THAT EACH LETTER DEAL
WITH ONE SUBJECT ONLY.

Boulder, August 10, 1914.

Sir,

At the last meeting of the Council,
held on the 6th inst., the following resolu-
tion was carried :-

"That the Town Clerk be instructed to
write the Premier urging him to take
the necessary steps to prevent any
undue rise in the prices of foodstuffs
during the present European crisis."

I have the honor to be,

Sir,

Your obedient servant,

TOWN CLERK.

The Hon. The Premier,
Parliament House,
PERTH.

*Ack & rec'd out
that this resolution was
not sent until 4 days
after.*

*J.S.
11-8-14*

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POSTMASTER GENERAL'S DEPARTMENT, WESTERN AUSTRALIA.

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Remarks.

Melbourne 166 27/ 11 37p

Premier Perth

Conference between Commonwealth and state representatives met today all state premiers present excepting yourself also Mr Hughes and Mr Fisher Unanimously agreed that states provide free transport on state railways of men and material for the purposes of expeditionary forces stop unanimously agreed that states fully cooperate in arranging for assistance of police officers in securing horses stop opinion of states was that they could not give police horses generally but would assist commonwealth to secure others stop Commonwealth has arranged with High Commissioner to cable authentic news and state premiers will be immediately advised on receipt stop considered highly desirable to secure uniformity in treatment of commonwealth

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(1) Agreed

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Remarks.

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and state public servants going with expeditionary force agreed that assurance be given to public servants that their public service appointments will remain open upon return to Australia and that they would get increments accruing during absence stop an insurance scheme and deferred pay under consideration stop details later tomorrow finance and other things

Agreed

Joseph Cook

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Perth August 6th 1914

To the Hon^{ble} The Premier.

Sir — At the adjourned meeting of the Committee of the King Edward Memorial Hospital for Women, to consider the reply to the letter addressed to you on July 9th, I am instructed to say we were glad to hear from you the intention of the Government to at once meet the immediate requirements of expectant mothers, by arranging temporary accommodation at the Subiaco Industrial school premises. We are the more gratified to receive your assurance that something is to be done quickly, in view of the distress that must arise in the near future as a result of the Declaration of war. I am requested to emphasize the fact, that while we greatly welcome this action of the Government we feel that the immense importance of an adequate training school for midwives must not be lost sight of, and urge upon the Cabinet that this need cannot ultimately be met by the temporary expedient proposed, glad as we are of it under present circumstances.

yours faithfully

Gertrude Rolland.

Vice President

ackd
11-8-14
J.S.

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HON. COLONIAL SECRETARY.

I am in receipt of a telegram from the Rt. Hon. the Prime Minister, with regard to the Conference between Commonwealth Ministers and State Premiers, at present sitting in Melbourne, in which he states, inter alia:-

"Unanimously agreed that States fully co-operate in arranging for assistance of Police Officers in securing horses. stop. Opinion of States was that they could not give Police Horses generally but would assist Commonwealth to secure others. stop."

Referred to you for your information, and any action necessary.

12:8:1914.
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Premier.

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HON. MINISTER FOR RAILWAYS.

I am in receipt of a telegram from the Rt. Hon. the Prime Minister, with regard to the Conference between Commonwealth Ministers and State Premiers, at present sitting in Melbourne, in which he states, inter alia:-

"Unanimously agreed that States provide free transport on State Railways of men and material for purposes of Expeditionary Force".

Will you please give this matter urgent consideration, and let me have your recommendation as early as possible.

12:8:1914.
F.

PREMIER.

CONFIDENTIAL

WELLESLEY HOUSE

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PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSIONER.

The Hon. Premier is in receipt of a telegram from the Prime Minister, with regard to the Conference between the Commonwealth Ministers and State Premiers, at present sitting in Melbourne, in which he states, interalia:-

"Considered highly desirable secure uniformity in treatment of Commonwealth and State Public Servants going with Expeditionary Force agreed that assurance be given Public Servants that their public service appointments will remain open upon return to Australia and that they would get increments accruing during absence. An insurance scheme and deferred pay under consideration.stop."

For your information and any remarks you care to make.

12/8/14.
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Secretary to the Premier.

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11th August, 1914.

Dear Madam--

I have the honor, by direction of the Hon. Premier, to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 6th inst., conveying your Council's sympathy with the Government's action in relation to food supplies in this State, for which I am desired to thank you.

It is also noted with gratification that the members of the National Council very kindly offer to give assistance in regard to the present crisis, which offer has been noted for future reference in the event of their assistance being required.

Yours faithfully,

Secretary to the Premier.

Mrs. E. D. Cowan,
31 Malcolm Street,
Perth.

The West Australian National Council of Women

PATRONESS:
LADY BARRON.

PRESIDENT:
MRS. JAMES COWAN,
31 Malcolm Street, Perth.

VICE-PRESIDENTS:
MRS. MACDONALD
LADY JAMES
MISS HOOTEN

HON. TREASURER:
MRS. ABBOTT,
Mount Street.

HON. HOME SECRETARY:
MRS. M. E. JULL, M.B.C.M.,
c/o Public Service Commissioner,
St. George's Terrace, Perth.

HON. INTERSTATE SECRETARY:
MRS. KING,
Bernard Street, Claremont.

HON. INTERNATIONAL SECRETARY:
MISS MARMION,
8 Colin Street, West Perth.

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE:
MRS. DUNCAN
MRS. L. CHASE
MRS. GOVER
MRS. JOYNER
MRS. HUBBARD
MRS. BURNETT

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6th August 1914

To the Hon^{ble} the Premier.

Sir - On behalf of the above Council we send this expression of sympathy with the Government's proposed, and most necessary action, over food supplies, and hope that if the need should arise you will avail yourself of the services of the members of the National Council, as they will most gladly assist in any way that may be considered helpful in this present crisis when men & women must work unitedly for the common good.

yrs obediently

President -  Edith J. Cowan.
Secretary  Roberta H. Lull.

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THE MILITARY COMMANDANT, PERTH.

With reference to the Proclamation that all German residents should report themselves to the Police, it has been suggested to me by the Hon. Premier that notice should be taken as to whether Mr. Essen, Storekeeper, Wickepin, registers in accordance with this Proclamation. If not, enquiry should be made with a view to compelling him to do so.

L. E. S.

12:8:14.
W.

Secretary to the Premier.

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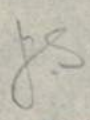
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12th August, 1914.

Dear Sir--

I am in receipt of your letter of the 9th inst., conveying to me the congratulations of the A.L.F. Eastern Goldfields District Council in respect of the Government's action in introducing a Bill to Control the Necessaries of Life during War Time, for which I thank you.

Yours faithfully,



Premier.

A. E. Green, Esc.,
Secretary, A.L.F. Eastern Goldfields District Council,
Trades Hall, KALGOORLIE.

A.L.F.

**Eastern Goldfields District
Council.**

H. MILLINGTON SECRETARY.

Telephone No. 332.

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TRADES HALL,

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(WESTERN AUSTRALIA)

Hon John Scaddan M. L. A.

P e r t h ,

At the meeting of the Industrial Committee of the Eastern Goldfields District Council of the A. L. F. held on Thursday evening last.

The recent rise in the price of food products was brought forward, and it was resolved to send a lettergram to you to take all possible action to meet the position. ~~On~~ Fridays morning paper however showed that on that day you had already taken action in the direction indicated. Under the circumstances I am desired to convey the heartiest congratulations of the Labour bodies in this District for your prompt efforts to deal with the predatory interests, which are unfortunately present in Australia, as well as America, and whose only patriotism is manifested in an allegiance to their own selfish interests, at the expense of their own countrymen and countrywomen.

We trust that your drastic bill will be effectively administered, as all recognise that you are up against enemies within our gates who are a greater menace to Australia than the enemies with whom Britain are at war.

With best wishes,

Yours in Unity,

H. E. Green
Secretary,

*ackd.
J.S.
10-8-14*

W.

14th August, 1914.

Dear Sir--

With further regard to your telegram of the 7th inst., indicating that, according to reports, men from the German Empire are employed as Lighthouse-keepers in Queensland, and pointing out that this practice is undesirable, I have to advise you that I have made enquiries and find that we have no German Lighthouse-keepers in this State. We have one Swede at Gantheume Point, near Broome, and one Norwegian at Bunbury. Both of these men, however, are naturalised British subjects, are married, and have lived in this State for many years.

Yours faithfully,


Premier.

The Right Honourable
Prime Minister of the Commonwealth,
Melbourne.

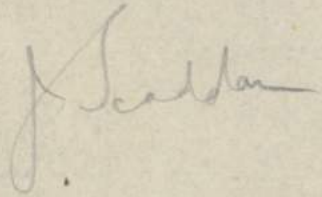
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MELBOURNE
PRIME MINISTER COMMONWEALTH

(Section 95)

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shrikecrow



Translation.

Your wire seventh instant No German Lighthouse keepers employed
in this State.

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Prime Minister, Melbourne.

Your
wire
seventh,
no
German
Lightkeepers
employed
in
this
State.

Geminade
Laschung (lighthouse keeper)
Eclidon
Miss
Shrikapow

The Hon. Minister.

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We have no German
lightkeepers. We have one Swede at
Gonthaume Point near Broome, and
one Norwegian at Bunbury. Both
men are Naturalized British Subjects
married, and have lived in this State
many years.

S. S. 14.

J. W. W. W.
A. W. W. W.

The Hon. W. Premier

For your information

Noted
J.S.
10.8.14

J.M.P.
— 65 10/8/14

TRANSLATION OF TELEGRAM RECEIVED FROM THE
PRIME MINISTER, 7th August, 1914.

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Rouette	Secret
Repangamur	According to the reports
Geminem	men from the
Eclidon	German Empire
Pulivate	are
Lasehung	employed as
(? Lasehung)	public servants
Terrivome	as
Corduroy	lighthouse keepers
Perfumery	in Queensland
Senartine	Undesirable that
Edicentes	should be continued
Offertor	in
Namenloser	position favourable
Traducent	to
Inertnls	give signal
(?inertness)	to
Rancette	enemy's ships
Schoolboy	of their
Snattock	own
Infatuated	nationality
Sluggard	or
Cubrasis	withhold
(?subrasis)	information
Reggitivo	received from
Perfovát	H. M. Ships
	or
	supply
	them with
	inaccurate information
	Suggest
	that they
	should be removed
	to other
	positions.

URGENT.

HON. COLONIAL SECRETARY.

For your information and urgent action.

8/8/14.
F.

L. Wharton
Secretary to the Premier.

*The Acting Chief Harbour Master,
Please take necessary action*

*J. N. P.
65 8/8/14*

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MELBOURNE
PRIME MINISTER

Secn.95. F. 12/8/14.

Re Army Reservists. Please advise action to be taken in respect to (a) providing personal and mess requisites (b) Pay in camp and rate per day (c) Travelling and other expenses (d) shipping arrangements date of departure etc (e) provision for wife and children without means of support. stop. Military authorities here asking for instructions.

Scaddan

Premier.

GENERAL.

~~Crown Law~~ Treasury Department No.

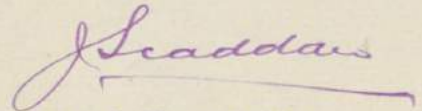
Executive Council No. 5331

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Minute Paper for the Executive Council.

I recommend the Cabinet to advise His Excellency the Governor in Council to appoint George William Simpson, George Rae, and George Lowe Sutton to act with such others as may, from time to time, be appointed

a Royal Commission under the Control of Trade in War Time Act, and to sign the annexed Commission.



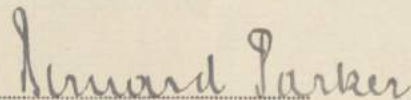
Colonial Treasurer.
Attorney General.

The Cabinet advises as recommended.

Premier.

THE HONOURABLE

Approved by His Excellency in Council, and entered on the Minutes of the Executive Council accordingly.



Clerk of the Council.

GENERAL.

Treasury
~~Crown Law~~ Department No.

Executive Council No. 5330

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Minute Paper for the Executive Council.

I recommend the Cabinet to advise His Excellency the Governor in Council to bring into operation the Control of Trade in War Time Act from the *Eight* day of August instant, and to sign the annexed proclamation accordingly.

J. Scaddan

Colonial Treasurer.
Attorney General.

The Cabinet advises as recommended.

Premier.

THE HONOURABLE

Approved by His Excellency in Council, and entered on the Minutes of the Executive Council accordingly.

Bernard Parker

Clerk of the Council.

8-8-14.

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Gerladton

Hickey, Secretary Australian Labor

Federation.

Sec. 95.

Commission to control trade in time of war now sitting. Until their recommendation fixing prices is submitted impossible to put penal clauses in operation.

Scadden. 12:8:14.

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COMMONWEALTH OF AUSTRALIA.

POSTMASTER GENERAL'S DEPARTMENT, WESTERN AUSTRALIA.

TELEGRAM.

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GERALDTON 27 1/8 555k

Remarks.

SCADDAN PREMIER PERTH

MY COUCIL REQUESTS YOU PUT OPERATION

PENAL CLAUSES ON ACCOUNT UNWARRANTED RISE FOOD

STUFFS GERALDTON COUNCIL PLEASD TO ASSIST

HICKEY SECTY A L F

635 PM S

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COPY OF TELEGRAM TO THE DEPUTY POSTMASTER GENERAL
from BRIGHT, ACTING SECRETARY

In view of the necessity for guarding telephone exchanges and General Post Office buildings at present juncture please arrange for following action to be taken:-

- (a) Persons to be allowed to enter building or use passage now used by mail carts -- specially strict censorship should be exercised over visitors to telegraph or mail branch or to any part of building through which telegraph cables or wires are laid:
- (b) Similar action should be taken at all telephone exchanges in the metropolis, particularly larger exchanges, at which exchanges/^{action} similar to that suggested in case of G.P.O. should be taken to prevent anyone other than officers on duty entering without proper authority;
- (c) Persons to authorise in these bases should be Manager or Postmaster, who should take all steps necessary to ensure that everyone desiring entrance is seen by himself or responsible officer;
- (d) Special action should be taken at the central exchanges, at which places all entrances to the building or departmental land adjacent should be secured so that every entrant must be seen by a responsible officer.

Following further action should be taken with regard to protection of tunnels:-

- (e) All covers of manholes leading into tunnels should be secured by chains from below, chains being locked so that manhole cover cannot be lifted without knowledge of some responsible officer.

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- (f) Tunnels should be fitted with gates near to exchange so that access to or from tunnels is not possible. Key to these gates should be kept in possession of responsible officer;
- (g) Tunnels should be patrolled throughout their entire length daily to see that they are in proper order and that precautions (e) and (f) are in satisfactory order.
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WESTERN AUSTRALIAN
GOVERNMENT

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Broome

Wood, Resident Magistrate.

Sec.95.

Have procured Fisheries cipher for use in the event of your
wiring Hon. Premier.

Shapcott, Secretary to Premier.

11:8:14.

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Melbourne.
Prime Minister

Sec.95.

Take it you will discuss at Conference action to be taken by Commonwealth and States concerning wives and families of men employed in Government Service and reservists who may go on service. Think common action should be taken.

Scaddan.

12:8:14.

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UNDER TREASURER.

Will you please note that a Royal Commission to administer the "Control of Trade in War Times Act" has been appointed, the Chairman being Mr. G. W. Simpson, and the Secretary Mr. R. Peplow.

The Commission is now sitting at Parliament House, and in order to enable them to conduct their operations properly it will be necessary to let them have Cash Advance to meet petty expenses.

Will you kindly arrange?

12:8:14.
F.

Secretary to the Premier.

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Melbourne
Prime Minister.

12/8/14.F.Secn.95.

Many thanks for wire. Will be very glad to hear promptly authentic war news stop. Evident from your communication that matters of great importance to all States and Commonwealth being discussed. stop. Regret earlier notice was not given me so that this State might be represented. stop. Matters mentioned by youf receiving attention.

Scaddan
Premier.

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MEMORANDUM FOR WAR FILE.

Major Nicholson advised me by telephone that the eleven (11) Germans arrested at Manjimup would be immediately released if it could be shewn that they were bona-fide clients of the Agricultural Bank; if not, they would be brought to Perth and on satisfactory proof of their respectability and peaceful intentions they would be returned to their homes.

I advised Hon. T.H.Bath, Minister for Lands, and Mr. Paterson the Manager of the Agricultural Bank by telephone.

12/8/14.

(sgd) L. E. Shapcott,
Secretary to the Premier.

POSTMASTER GENERAL'S DEPARTMENT, WESTERN AUSTRALIA.

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Remarks.

Public Offices Melbourne 27 1/11 Sec 95 3 47

Premier

Perth

Material used manufacture Warlike purposes proclamation

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coal stop item oil coal tar

refers to coal tar oil

Joseph Cook

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J.S.

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No.

FROM THE SECRETARY TO THE PREMIER

To

SENT TO:- UNDER TREASURER.
SECRETARY FOR RAILWAYS.
UNDER SECRETARY C.S.D.

I am desired by the Hon. Premier to inform you that he is today in receipt of the following cable from the Agent General:-

London: 10th August, 1914.

"By direction War Office all future cables must be addressed 'Minnawarra' only".

Will you please note, and act accordingly?

11:8:14.
F.

Secretary to the Premier.

ORIGINAL
TURKEY MILL
KENT

PREMIER'S OFFICE,

PERTH.

11th August, 1914.

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CONFIRMATION OF CABLE RECEIVED FROM AGENT GENERAL DATED 10:8:14

LISY	By
VAJAWY	direction
VAZOMI	War Office
LAWO	all
MESE	future
FIZAZY	cables
DIMU	must be
PAMIHA	addressed
MINNAWARRA	Minnawarra
NIFOHY	only.

(Second portion of this cable refers to Learmonth Duffy.)

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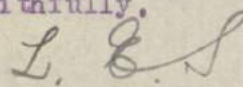
Personal.

10th August, 1914.

Dear Mr. Toppin --

I am desired by the Hon. Premier to acknowledge the receipt of your communication of the 6th inst., and to thank you for the suggestions contained therein, which will receive consideration.

Yours faithfully,



Secretary to the Premier.

C. S. Toppin, Esq.,
Auditor General,
Perth.

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Auditor General's Office,

Perth, W.A. 6th August, 1914.

Dear Mr. Scaddan,

It has occurred to me that if the Federal Government were authorized to issue notes (which would be legal tender throughout the Commonwealth), to an amount to be fixed on the probable requirements of the Federal Government & the States during a period of possible financial stringency, with the object of making loans to the States @ 4%, it would enable them to proceed with all necessary developmental work, & give the utmost possible employment - for example, our Agricultural Banks would continue

The Hon. J. Scaddan, MHA
Premier, etc

to lend money. This would tend to relieve the position, as the States would be provided with a circulating medium for all their internal trade.

Such a special issue of notes might be redeemable, or payable, at a fixed date, viz, called in.

The value of the notes, would, I assume, only be affected by the stability of the Commonwealth, & the credit should be perfectly good to any extent required. It is unlikely there would be any depreciation.

There may, of course, be objections unknown to me, but the suggestion may be of some utility, & I make it accordingly.

Truly yours,

C. C. Copple

W.

11th August, 1914.

Dear Sir--

I have to acknowledge the receipt of your telegram of the 9th instant, reading:--

"Arrangements made State Departmental telegraphic messages not subject to censorship."

For which I thank you.

Yours faithfully,

Premier.

The Right Honourable

Prime Minister of the Commonwealth,

Melbourne.

COMMONWEALTH OF AUSTRALIA.

No. 1190

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Act of Premier of Western Australia
Perth
10-8-14

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Joseph Cook
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THE DEPUTY POSTMASTER GENERAL.

With reference to the telephonic message received from your Electrical Engineer's branch, notifying that the telephone instrument at the Cape Naturaliste Lighthouse was in a very bad state of repair, and that a new one should be supplied immediately in view of the present crisis, the Hon. Premier will be glad if you will arrange to have a new machine installed forthwith.

L. E. S.

11:8:1914.
W.

Secretary to the Premier.

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How Mr Premier,

I have collected data
from the Departments which will be
of service if we are required to
do anything further. From it I
have compiled the attached returns
which may interest you. So far
no additional hands have been
taken on altho 51 men from
the Departments have joined the
colours. The Departments have
been informed that temporary
hands will not be taken on

M. C. Bull

10/8/14

For Cabinet information

11-8-14

Noted
11-8-14

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Government Officers under the Public Service Act subject to early mobilisation.

Department	Number already called out up to 7/8/10	Further number still liable to be called out.	Total
Crown Law	8	1	9
Public Works	7	3	10
Water Supply	5	25	30
Education	2	6	8
Mines	5	8	13
Agriculture	3	4	7
Agricultural Bank	-	2	2
Lands	5	21	26
Taxation	3	6	9
Audit	2	8	10
Colonial Secretary	6	13	19
Treasury	5	10	15
Total	51	107	158

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THE MILITARY COMMANDANT.

The Hon. Mr. Bath has received advice that eleven Germans, settlers on the land, have been arrested at Manjimup. These Germans are clients of the Agricultural Bank, and, in view of the instructions yesterday transmitted to you from the Secretary of State for the Colonies, which indicated that care should be taken not to arrest persons whose known character precludes suspicions, it is thought that you might deem it wise to allow these people to remain on their land, subject only to surveillance, and an intimation to them that they must report periodically to the nearest Police officer.

I should be glad if you would give this early consideration, as the Government is most anxious not to inflict any hardship upon those who may be bona fide settlers, and whose detention may have a detrimental effect upon the operations of the Agricultural Bank. Would you kindly advise me.

J. E. S.

11:8:14.
W.

Secretary to the Premier.

CONFERENCE OF MERCHANTS AND SHOPKEEPERS

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The Mayor of Perth (Mr. J. H. Prowse) when asked to-day what object he had in view in calling the meeting of shopkeepers for Friday afternoon next at 4 p.m., said the notice practically stated the object, but to be more explicit, he felt that if some common understanding could be arrived at between such employers with regard to their employees, and concerted action agreed to, it should tend to distribute the burden and sacrifices of the present crisis. He did not propose at this juncture to intimate how he thought this might be done, as he considered he should consult the meeting before making suggestions for the amelioration of hardships which are bound to arise.

Suggestion award
be abated on acc of
men being put off
Wants Premier's
ideas.

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The following is copy of an urgent telegram received from the Comptroller-General on 10th August, 1914 :-

"Following proclamation issued today Begins
whereas by the Customs Act 1901/19/10 it is enacted that the Governor General may by proclamation prohibit the exportation generally or to any specified place of any goods being arms explosives military stores or naval stores or being goods which in his opinion are capable of being used as or in the manufacture of arms explosives military stores or naval stores or for any purpose of war & whereas it is expedient & necessary that I should exercise such powers in the manner hereinafter appearing now therefore I Sir Ronald Crawford Munro Ferguson the Governor General aforesaid acting with the advice of the federal Executive Council do hereby from & after the date hereof prohibit the exportation to all foreign ports in Europe & on the Mediterranean & black sea with the exception of those of France Russia (except the Baltic ports) Spain & Portugal of the following goods being arms explosives military stores or naval stores or being goods which in my opinion are capable of being used as or in the manufacture of arms explosives military stores or naval stores or for any purpose of war that is to say aluminium aluminium alloys armour plate armour military castings & similar protective material asbestos cables telegraph & telephone Camp Equipment articles of cannon & other ordnance & parts thereof Carbolic acid carriages & mountings for Cannon & other ordnance & for machine guns & parts thereof Coal steam large Compasses & parts thereof including Fittings such as binnacle compass & nitrocellulose engine & boiler packings explosives of all kind fuel manufactured Implements & apparatus designed exclusively for the manufacture of munitions of war for the manufacture or repair of arms or of war material for use on land & sea & indiarubber sheet vulcanised manganese mercury mica mineral Jellies mines & parts thereof Molybdenum nitrates/

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nitrate of ammonia nitrates of potassium nitrates of sodium
nitric acid nitrotoluol picric acid and its components range
finders & parts thereof rope steel wire & hawsers saltpetre
sounding machines & gear steam vessels lighters & barges of
all descriptions Sulphur sulphuric acid Swords bayonets &
other arms not being Firearms & parts thereof tin tins plates
torpedo tubes torpedoes & parts thereof tungsten vanadium
four wheeled waggons capable of carrying one ton and over two
wheeled carts capable of carrying 15 cwt & over harness &
saddlery of all kinds barbed wire horse & pony shoes materials
for telegraphs wireless telegraphs & telephones field glasses
& telescopes railway materials both fixed & rolling stock mens
marching & shooting boots heliographs portable forges Farriers
Carpenters wheelers & Saddlers tools (transport service
Glycerine alcohol as covering rectified spirits uniform clothing
& military equipment accoutrements walnut wood of Scantling
which could be made into rifle butts & foreends by his Excel-
lency's Command E D Millen Minister of State for Defence
God save the King inform premier

(Sgd) WHITTON."

MAINTENANCE
GOVERNMENT

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11/8/14

ADELAIDE

CRAWFORD VAUGHAN, M.P.
Parliament House

(Section 95)

Replying your wire Our Attorney General has wired yours fully
Act does not fix prices but empowers Royal Commission appointed
to do so Commission now sitting consisting two Government officials
and one private person.

SCADDAN

Phoned to
Mr. Heath
7/1/52

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POSTMASTER GENERAL'S DEPARTMENT, WESTERN AUSTRALIA.

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Remarks.

Adelaide rail 28 2/ 5 33pm

premier Sydney Scaddan Perth WA.

Would you kindly wire main principles of bill fixing prices do not
want details govt. introducing legislation here tomorrow

Crawford Vaughan Parlt. House

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the maximum prices to be lawfully charged either generally throughout the State or in defined parts of the State for such products, goods, chattels, and things as I the said Governor, with the advice and consent of the Executive Council, may by proclamation declare to be necessities of life for the purposes of the said Act; and I declare that you the said Commissioners shall be a Royal Commission within the meaning of "The Royal Commissioners' Powers Act, 1902," as amended by "The Royal Commissioners' Powers Act Amendment Act, 1914;" and I appoint you the said George William Simpson to be the Chairman of the said Commission; and I desire you, the said Commissioners, with as little

delay as possible to report to me upon the matters entrusted to you by this Commission.

Given under my hand and the Public Seal of the said State, at Perth, this tenth day of August, 1914.

By His Excellency's Command,
J. SCADDAN,
 Colonial Treasurer.

GOD SAVE THE KING !!!

By Command of His Excellency the Governor,
BERNARD PARKER,
 Clerk of Executive Council.



Government Gazette

EXTRAORDINARY

OF

WESTERN AUSTRALIA.

[Published by Authority at 1:30 p.m.]

[REGISTERED AT THE GENERAL POST OFFICE, PERTH, FOR TRANSMISSION BY POST AS A NEWSPAPER.]

No. 39.]

PERTH: MONDAY, AUGUST 10.

[1914.]

HIS Excellency the Governor has been pleased to issue the following Proclamation:—

The Control of Trade in War Time Act.

PROCLAMATION

WESTERN AUSTRALIA, } By His Excellency Major General Sir
TO WIT. } Harry Barron, Knight Commander of
the Most Distinguished Order of St.
HARRY BARRON, } Michael and St. George, Commander
Governor. } of the Royal Victorian Order, Governor
in and over the State of Western
[L.S.] } Australia and its Dependencies, in
the Commonwealth of Australia.

WHEREAS by the Control of Trade in War Time Act it is provided that the Act shall have operation only during such period as the Governor may from time to time by proclamation declare when a state of war exists between the United Kingdom and some other power: Now therefore I, the said Governor, with the advice and consent of the Executive Council, do hereby declare that the said Act shall have operation from the eighth day of August instant for the period of three months, unless this proclamation shall in the meantime be revoked.

Given under my hand and the Public Seal of the said State, at Perth, this eighth day of August, 1914.

By His Excellency's Command,

THOS. WALKER,

Attorney General.

GOD SAVE THE KING !!!

HIS Excellency the Governor has also been pleased to issue the following Royal Commission:—

The Control of Trade in War Time Act.

ROYAL COMMISSION.

WESTERN AUSTRALIA, } His Excellency Major General Sir
TO WIT. } Harry Barron, Knight Commander of the
Most Distinguished Order of St. Michael
HARRY BARRON, } and St. George, Commander of the Royal
Governor. } Victorian Order, Governor in and over
the State of Western Australia and its
[L.S.] } Dependencies, in the Commonwealth of
Australia,

To GEORGE WILLIAM SIMPSON,

GEORGE RAE,

GEORGE LOWE SUTTON.

Greeting:

WHEREAS it is desirable that a Royal Commission should be appointed for the purposes of the Control of Trade in War Time Act: Now therefore I, the said Governor, with the advice and consent of the Executive Council, do hereby appoint you the said George William Simpson, George Rae, George Lowe Sutton, Commissioners, to act with such others as may from time to time be appointed Commissioners, to advise on the products, goods, chattels, and things that should be declared necessities of life within the meaning of the said Act; and also to advise upon the prices to be fixed as

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11th August, 1914.

Dear Sir--

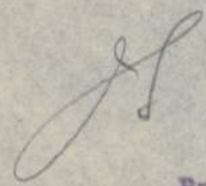
Herewith I beg to forward a copy of each of the following Bills which were passed by the Parliament of this State and have received the Assent of His Excellency the Governor:-

"Royal Commissioners' Powers Act Amendment Act, 1914."

"The Control of Trade in War Time Act."

I also enclose a copy of the Gazette Extraordinary containing the consequential Proclamations.

Yours faithfully,



Premier.

To the Right Honorable the Prime Minister

and to the Premiers of all States.

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THE HON. COLONIAL SECRETARY.

The attached wire from the Prime Minister, reading:--

"Proclamation issued todays special gazette
"under Customs Act prohibiting from and after
"today the exportation to all foreign ports
"in Europe and on the Mediterranean and Black
"Sea with the exception of those of Russia
"France (except the Baltic ports) Spain and
"Portugal, of the following goods being arms
"explosives, military stores or naval stores,
"which in opinion of Minister of Defence are
"capable of being used as or in the manufacture
"of arms explosives military stores or naval
"stores or for any purpose of war. stop. Full
"details of articles can be obtained from
"Collector of Customs."

is forwarded for your information and necessary action.

11:8:14.

W.

Premier.

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Premier Brisbane
" Sydney.

Sec.95.

Following my telegram of seventh instant Royal Commissioners Powers Act nineteen hundred and two amended as follows. Penalty under section three original Act altered to not exceeding five hundred pounds. stop. Further sections provide witnesses to appear and report themselves from day to day unless excused or released by Chairman of Commission. stop. For non attendance warrant for apprehension may be issued. stop. Police or any other person empowered may execute warrant breaking and entering any place building or vessel for such purpose. Such apprehension not relieving from liability for non compliance with summons. stop. Commission may retain for any period considered desirable and make copies of any documents etc produced. stop. For attempting any damage to witnesses penalty five hundred pounds or imprisonment one year. stop. For dismissing employee who appeared as witness or prejudicing him penalty five hundred pounds or imprisonment one year. stop. Onus of proof that dismissal or prejudice was for other reasons to rest with employer, ends. stop. Special Gazette issued today proclaiming Act. stop. Commissioners appointed two Government Officials and one private person. Mailing copies of Acts today.

Scaddan.

11:8:14.

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Hobart
Premier.

Sec. 95.

Replying your wire todays date act referred to entitled begins,
 Control of Trade in Wartime Act, ends, defines necessaries of life
 as products goods chattels and things which Governor may declare by
 proclamation and personal requirements to be requirements of any
 person not exceeding three months for domestic use himself family
 dependents servants and domestic animals. Stop. Bill operates for
 period declared by Governor while war exists. Stop. Governor on
 advice of Royal Commission which Act empowers him appoint may by
 Order in Council fix maximum price of necessaries of life in excess
 of personal requirements shall refuse to sell on payment of price
 so fixed. stop. Penalty one thousand pounds or twelve months
 imprisonment. stop. On conviction preceding section Colonial
 Treasurer may sieze and dispose of any necessaries of life so held
 and for this purpose to enter upon any premises in which they may be
 concealed and to use such force as may be necessary subject only to
 payment of maximum prices so fixed. Stop. No person shall buy up
 or store necessaries of life with attempt to raise prices or to
 prevent free circulation, or without the consent of the Colonial
 Treasurer export the necessaries of life beyond Commonwealth. Stop.
 Penalty one thousand pounds or twelve months imprisonment. Stop.
 Clause ~~xxxxxxxxxxxx~~ nine gives power enter premises to search for
 necessaries of life. Clause ten provides for punishment of anyone
 aiding abetting counselling or procuring any commission of any offence
 against this Act. Stop. In every prosecution the averment of the
 prosecutor contained in the information shall be deemed to be proved

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in absence of proof to contrary. stop. Prosecution only to be commenced with authority of Attorney General. ends. stop. Royal Commissioners Powers Act nineteen hundred and two amended as follows. Penalty under section three original Act altered to not exceeding five hundred pounds. stop. Further sections provide witnesses to appear and report themselves from day to day unless excused or released by Chairman of Commission. stop. For non attendance warrant for apprehension may be issued. stop. Police or any other person ^{in *empower*} ~~power~~ may execute warrant breaking and entering any place building or vessel for such purpose. Such apprehension not relieving from liability for non compliance with ^{*summons*} ~~such~~. stop. Commission may retain for any period considered desirable and make copies of any documents etc produced. stop. For attempting any damage to witnesses penalty five hundred pounds or imprisonment one year. stop. For dismissing employee who appeared as witness or prejudicing him penalty five hundred pounds or imprisonment one year. stop. Onus of proof that dismissal or prejudice was for other reasons to rest with employer. ends. stop. Special Gazette issued today proclaiming Act. stop. Commissioners appointed two Government officials and one private person. Mailing copies of Acts tomorrow.

Scaddan.

10:8:14.

COMMONWEALTH OF AUSTRALIA.

B.T. No. 45

POSTMASTER GENERAL'S DEPARTMENT, WESTERN AUSTRALIA.

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Hobart Tas 43 3/3 sec 35

Premier

Perth Wa

Understand you have passed legislation dealing with control prices and supplies foodstuffs during present crisis stop shall be glad if you will supply by telegraph epitome of act and steps taken and also forward copy act earliest possible moment

Premier

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In reply your telegram seventh August (stop) Following appear

Commonwealth Gazette number fifty dated third August (Stop)

Proclamation existence of danger of war (Stop) Proclamation

calling out such part citizen forces as required precautionary

measures laid down defence schemes (stop) Gazette notice notification

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**From****To**

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of general suspension of telegraphic and radio telegraphic

services (stop) Order establishing control examination

service mercantile traffic from third August (stop)

Commonwealth gazette fifty one of fifth August (stop)

Proclamation days of grace to enemy merchant ships (stop)

Gazette fifty two of sixth August (stop)

Proclamation revoking proclamation dated fifth relative granting

days of grace (stop)

Proclamation detaining enemy merchantships up till midnight friday

fourteenth August which were in any Port at date of outbreak

hostilities in which order applies or cleared from their last

Port before declaration of war and after outbreak hostilities

enter a port to which order applies with no knowledge of the war

(stop) Proclamation calling out for active service such

part citizen forces as may be notified by their Commanding Officer

or District Commandant that their services are required (stop)

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From *Government*

To _____

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Proclamation prohibition export of warlike stores from Commonwealth
or transferred from one state to any other state or carried coastwise

(stop) Gazette fifty three seventh August (stop)

Proclamation notifying that british subjects contributing to a loan

raised on behalf of German Emperor or contracting with German ~~Government~~ *Government*

will be guilty of high treason (Stop)

Proclamation setting forth law with regard to trading with enemy (stop)

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COPY OF TELEGRAM RECEIVED FROM PRIME MINISTER, MELBOURNE.

DATED 10:8:1914.

Reference my telegram eighth August re arrest and detention all German officers and reservists as prisoners of war following further instruction received from Secretary State Colonies begins, His Majesty's Government desire that care should be taken not to arrest persons whose known character precludes suspicions or who are personally vouched for to satisfaction of Government provided they are prevented from leaving territory under your Government. Stop. Any such persons already detained may if your Government think fit, be released. Stop. Of course every consideration compatible with safety will be shown to all prisoners.

Copy sent to Colonial Secretary and Military Commandant.

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Premier

Perth.

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Joseph Cook

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THE HON. COLONIAL SECRETARY.

I am in receipt of the attached wire from the
Prime Minister, reading:--

"Proclamation issued today calling upon all
"persons who are subjects of the German Empire
"and who are residents in the Commonwealth to
"forthwith report themselves to the officer of
"Police nearest to the place in which such
"persons reside and to supply to such officer
"particulars as to their names, places of
"residence, and occupations or business, and all
"such other matters as such Police officer thinks
"fit to require, and further calling upon all
"such persons immediately before changing their
"place of residence to notify to the nearest
"officer of Police their intention so to change
"their place of residence, and forthwith upon
"arrival at their fresh place of residence to
"notify such arrival to the officer of Police
"nearest to such fresh place of residence. Shall
"be glad if you will kindly issue necessary in-
"structions to your Police authorities."

10:8:14.
W.

Premier.

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THE HON. COLONIAL SECRETARY.

The attached wire from the Prime Minister,
Melbourne, reading:--

"Proclamation issued today under Naval
"Defence Act that from and after today
"quote all the vessels of the Commonwealth
"Naval Forces and all the officers and
"seamen of those vessels shall be trans-
"ferred to the Kings Naval Forces and that
"such transfer shall continue in force
"until the issue of a proclamation declaring
"that the aforementioned war no longer exists,
"end of quote."

is forwarded for your information and the issue of necessary
instructions.



10:8:14.
W.

Premier.

Western



Australia.

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No.

CIRCULAR.

FROM THE HONOURABLE THE PREMIER

To


ALL MINISTERS,
UNDER TREASURER,
COMMISSIONER OF TAXATION,
AUDITOR GENERAL

As it is probable that various Government Officials will require to communicate with the District Headquarters of the Commonwealth Military Forces from now onwards, it is suggested that confusion will be saved by the appointment of one officer through whom such communications may be made.

In accordance with this wish I have to advise you that Mr. L. E. Shapcott, Secretary to the Premier, has been appointed to act in the direction indicated.

Will Departments not exempt from this arrangement please note and act accordingly.

8:8:1914,
W.


Premier.

Premier's Office,

Perth. 10th Aug. 1914.

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TRANSLATION OF CODED TELEGRAM RECEIVED FROM THE RT.HON.PRIME
MINISTER AND DATED 8th August, 1914.

Scaddan. Premier. Perth

ROUGHISH	Secretary of State for the Colonies
ANSPECT	asks that
ANY	any
AUSTRIAN	Austrian
OLEFIANT	officers
OR	or
RESINGLAND	Army reservists
IN	in
CLEGGER	Commonwealth
KAMICHI	should be kept
BERMIDOR	under
SURVEILLANCE	surveillance
INKPLANT	please instruct
PENDICE	Head of the Police
CREATIVE	to co-operate with
MISONEISM	Military authorities
RETAX.	in this respect.

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*Sec
m. comd. (sgd) Joseph Cook*

Scaddan

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Premier Perth



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Joseph Cook

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Premier's Office,
Perth, 10th ^{Aug} ~~May~~ 1914.

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TRANSLATION OF CODED TELEGRAM RECEIVED FROM THE RT. HON. THE PRIME MINISTER
dated 8th August, 1914.

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ROUGHISH Secretary of State for the Colonies
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GEMIPOMOS German Officers (et)
OR or
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POMBINHA Prisoners of War
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PENETRAL Police Department
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FOR THE for the
PENETRAL Police Department
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*Just see
m. b. m. d.
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(sgd) Joseph Cook.

Phone to 9569. - 40
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Joseph Cook 72021 1410

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Instructions have been received from the Secretary of State for the Colonies to arrest and detain all German Officers or Army Reservists as prisoners of war and instructions have been sent State Commandants to arrange for with Police Department accordingly please issue necessary instructions for the Police to co-operate with military authorities.

Go RORR

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MILITARY COMMANDANT. PERTH.

Representations have been made to me by the Under Secretary for Works as to the urgent necessity for mounting a guard over the Explosives Magazine belonging to that Department, and situated at Rocky Bay. At the present time I understand the Magazine contains 3,700 lbs. of Explosives, and the average rate of consumption is 1,500 lbs. per week. It is used in connection with the Fremantle Harbour Works.

Will you please advise me of what action you propose to take in the matter.

10:8:14.
F.



Premier.

GOVERNMENT

DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE

~~Mr~~ Madani, called

105'

Stationer a

Policeman or

military man

at Terrace

of Cable Street

105'

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THE COMMANDANT, 5TH MILITARY DISTRICT.

The attached wire from Mr. McMaster, Captain
of the late Second South African Contingent, and reading:--

"Merredin will supply fifty mounted men
for service abroad."

is forwarded for your information. I have acknowledged
the receipt of the message to Mr. McMaster.

10:8:14.
W.

LES.
Secretary to the Premier.

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THE COMMANDANT, 5TH MILITARY DISTRICT.

I have to advise you that the following wire has been received by the Hon. Premier from the Prime Minister of the Commonwealth:--

"Outbreak of war discharges Consular Representatives of unfriendly powers from further performances of their functions and terminates their official recognition by British Government. Stop. In these circumstances not necessary that exequators should be surrendered. Stop. In event of late Consular Representatives or any other persons being instructed by an unfriendly power to send to Europe reservists and others liable to service to take part in hostilities they should be prevented from doing so and the Defence Department should be at once informed."

which is forwarded for your information and any necessary action.

J. E. S.

10:8:14.
W.

Secretary to the Premier.

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 Department should be at once informed.
 Joseph Cook

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THE UNDER SECRETARY, C. S. O.

The attached wire intimating that the Navy Board does not advise your steamer turning back but suggests communicating by wireless with Port Darwin when approaching that port, from the Minister for Defence, is forwarded for your information and any necessary action.

L. E. S.

8:8:14.
W.

Secretary to the Premier.

C O P Y.

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THE UNDER SECRETARY, C. S. O.

The attached wire from the Minister for
Defence, reading:--

"Reference your wire to Prime Minister re
wireless on Government steamer, etop.
Exemption will be granted subject to con-
dition that operating room locked when in
port and captain responsible"

is forwarded for your information.

L. E. S.

8:8:14.
W.

Secretary to the Premier.

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Premier Perth

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Premier Perth

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Joseph Cook

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Reservists

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ROUETTE	Secretar
AMORPHYTE	<i>It</i> is
REPROVIGNA	requested that
THE	the
IMPERIAL	Imperial
RESIGNLAND	Army Reservists
SARCOCARP	shall <i>be</i>
CACABENT	called up
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REPORT	report
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THE	the
ANCONY	arrangements made
ALREADY	already

Joseph Cook

7/8/14.

W.S.

For necessary action

W.S.

8. 8. 14

W.S. sent to J.C. for preparation.

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TRANSLATION OF TELEGRAM RECEIVED FROM THE
PRIME MINISTER, 7th August, 1914.

Rouette	Secret
Repangamur	According to the reports
Geminem	men from the
Eclidon	German Empire
Pulivate	are
Lasehung	employed as
(? Lasehung)	public servants
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Perfumery	in Queensland
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Edicentes	should be continued
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Namenloser	position favourable
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Inertnls	give signal
(?inertness)	to
Rancette	enemy's ships
Schoolboy	of their
Snattock	own
Infatuated	nationality
Sluggard	or
Cubrasis	withhold
(?subrasis)	information
Reggitivo	received from
Perfovát	H. M. Ships
	or
	supply
	them with
	inaccurate information
	Suggest
	that they
	should be removed
	to other
	positions.

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It is rumored that you
have received news that the
British Fleet have gained a victory
in the North Sea. Is this true?
I have heard nothing.

Harry Dawson.
Friend

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THE COMMANDANT,
5th MILITARY DISTRICT.

With reference to your letter of the 5th instant (No. 143/3/17), on the subject of communications to be exchanged between Government Officials and the District Headquarters of the Military Department, I beg to inform you that I have appointed my Secretary, Mr. L. E. Sharpcott, to act in the direction indicated.

7th August, 1914.
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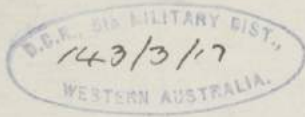
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PRRMIHR.

*Notify departments:- Police & Railway
are exempt.*

JS

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COMMONWEALTH MILITARY FORCES.

5th MILITARY DISTRICT.

DISTRICT HEAD QUARTERS,
PERTH.

August 5th 1914.

The Honble. the Premier,
PERTH.

Sir,

It being probable that various Government Officials will require to communicate with the District Headquarters, it is suggested that confusion will be saved by you appointing one Officer, through whom such communications may be made, with the exception of the Railway Department which has an organisation connected with this Force.

I have the honour to be,

Sir,

Your obedient servant,

Hugh Hunt,
Major.

D.A.A.G., 5th Military District.

*Secretary to Premier I think
would be the best.*

J.S.

7-8-14

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A BILL

FOR

AN ACT to regulate the Sale of the Necessaries of life during War.

BE it enacted by the King's Most Excellent Majesty, by and with the advice and consent of the Legislative Council and Legislative Assembly of Western Australia, in this present Parliament assembled, and by the authority of the same, as follows:—

- 5 1. This Act may be cited as *The Control of Trade in War Time Act*. Short title.
- 2. In this Act the following terms have the meanings stated:— Interpretation.
 - "Necessaries of life"—such products, goods, chattels, and things as the Governor may by proclamation declare to be necessaries of life for the purposes of this Act.
 - 10 "Personal Requirements."—The requirements of any person for not exceeding three months for the domestic use of himself, his family, dependents, and servants, and of his domestic animals.
- 15 3. This Act shall have operation only during such period as the Operation of Act. Governor may from time to time by proclamation declare, when a state of war exists between the United Kingdom and some other Power.

4.

Power to fix prices
of necessaries.

4. The Governor, on the advice of a Royal Commission (which the Governor is hereby authorised to appoint) may, by Order in Council fix the maximum prices that may be lawfully charged for the necessaries of life.

Obligation to sell.

5. No person having in his possession or power any necessaries of life in excess of his personal requirements shall refuse to sell and deliver the same to any other person on demand, and on payment or tender of a price so fixed. 5

Penalty; £1,000; or imprisonment for not exceeding twelve months. 10

Power to seize.

6. On the conviction of any person under the last preceding section, it shall be lawful for the Colonial Treasurer and all persons acting with his authority to seize, take possession of, carry away, and dispose of any necessaries of life in the possession or power of the offender, and for such purpose to enter upon any premises in which such necessaries of life may be or be supposed to be, and to use such force as may be necessary, subject only to the payment of maximum prices so fixed as aforesaid. 15

Corners and
restrictions
prohibited.

7. No person shall buy up or store the necessaries of life with intent to raise the prices thereof or to prevent free circulation thereof; or, without the consent in writing of the Colonial Treasurer, export the necessaries of life to any place beyond the limits of the Commonwealth. 20

Penalty: £1,000; or imprisonment for 12 months.

Power to enter
premises.

8. Any Police Officer acting with the authority of the Commissioner, or an Inspector, or Sub-Inspector of the Police Force, and any other person acting with the authority of the Colonial Treasurer may enter and search any premises upon which such Police Officer or person believes that any necessaries of life are kept contrary to the provisions of this Act. 25 30

Aiders and abettors.

9. Whoever aids, abets, counsels, or procures, or by act or omission is in any way directly or indirectly concerned in the commission of any offence against this Act shall be deemed to have committed such offence and shall be punishable accordingly.

Proof.

10. In every prosecution under this Act an averment of the prosecutor contained in the information or complaint shall be deemed to be proved in the absence of proof to the contrary. 35

Fiat of Attorney
General.

11. No prosecution under this Act shall be commenced without the authority in writing of the Attorney General first obtained.

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A BILL

FOR

AN ACT to amend the Royal Commissioners' Powers Act, 1902.

BE it enacted by the King's Most Excellent Majesty, by and with the advice and consent of the Legislative Council and Legislative Assembly of Western Australia, in this present Parliament assembled, and by the authority of the same, as follows:—

- 5 **1.** This Act may be cited as the *Royal Commissioners' Powers Act Amendment Act*, 1914, and shall be read as one with the Royal Commissioners' Powers Act, 1902, hereafter referred to as the principal Act. Short title.
- 10 **2.** Section three of the principal Act is amended by omitting the word "one" before the words "hundred pounds," and inserting in place thereof "five." Amendment of section 3.
See Com. No. 4 of 1912, s. 4.
- 15 **3.** Every witness who has been summoned to attend a Royal Commission shall appear and report himself from day to day unless excused by the Chairman of the Commission or until he is released from further attendance by the Chairman of the Commission. Duty of witness to continue in attendance.
Ibid., s. 7.
- 20 **4.** (1.) If any person served with a summons to attend a Royal Commission as a witness fails to attend the Commission in answer to the summons, the Chairman may, on proof by statutory declaration of the service of the summons, issue a warrant for his apprehension. Arrest of witness failing to appear.
Ibid., s. 7.

(2) The warrant shall authorise the apprehension of the witness and his being brought before the Commission, and his detention in custody for that purpose until he is released by order of the Chairman.

(3.) The warrant may be executed by any member of the police 5
force, or by any person to whom it is addressed, and the person
executing it shall have power to break and enter any place,
building, or vessel for the purpose of executing it.

(4.) The apprehension of any witness under this section shall
not relieve him from any liability incurred by him by reason of his 10
non-compliance with the summons.

Power of Commis-
sion in relation to
documents
produced.
Ibid. s. 7.

5. A Royal Commission may inspect any documents, books, or
writings produced before it, and may retain them for such reasonable
period as it thinks fit, and may make copies of such matter as is
relevant to the inquiry or take extracts from them. 15

Injury to witness.
Ibid. s. 7.

6. Any person who uses, causes, inflicts, or procures any
violence, punishment, damage, loss, or disadvantage to any person
for or on account of his having appeared as a witness before any
Royal Commission, or for or on account of any evidence given by
him before any Royal Commission, shall be guilty of an offence. 20

Penalty: Five hundred pounds, or imprisonment for one year.

Dismissal by
employers of
witness.
Ibid. s. 7.

7. (1.) Any employer who dismisses any employee from his
employment, or prejudices any employee in his employment, for or
on account of the employee having appeared as a witness before a
Royal Commission, or for or on account of the employee having 25
given evidence before a Royal Commission, shall be guilty of an
offence.

Penalty: Five hundred pounds, or imprisonment for one year.

(2.) In any proceeding for an offence against this section it 30
shall lie upon the employer to prove that any employee shown to
have been dismissed or prejudiced in his employment was so
dismissed or prejudiced for some reason other than the reasons
mentioned in sub-section (1) of this section.

Reservist

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G. R. Hathway

40 Mrs Ralph

Cr. Lock & Charles St.

n Park.

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Hon. M. F. Troy

Sec.95.

Premier at Karrakatta for the day. House adjourned till Tuesday.
No intention proroguing although adjournment may be made from time
to time.

Scaddan.

7:8:14.

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The premier Perth.

will parliament continue session
now that war declared wire
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Brisbane

Denham

Premier

Secn.95.F.7/8/14.

Replying your telegram Sixth price of flour has risen One pound per ton since beginning month.

Scadden

Premier.

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URGENT TELEGRAM.

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W.A.

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Brisbane 119 19/2 3 48pm

10th Aug 5/9
7th
£1. a ton

Premier Perth.

Will you be good enough to advise me price of flour your city august first and price today know no reason for recent advance other than speculation by traders on one hand and scare on part of consumers on other suggest interchange of opinion between wheat states south Aust. victoria new south wales as to fair price and prospects until harvest it may be necessary as protection to community that commonwealth shall promulgate order with respect to all food stuffs that are necessary to sustenance of life and of which ample

COMMONWEALTH OF AUSTRALIA.

POSTMASTER GENERAL'S DEPARTMENT, WESTERN AUSTRALIA.

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supplies are produced and held in commonwealth I shall be glad to know if you are taking any steps in regard to food stuffs

Denham Premier

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J. Morley

Bush

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by 26 - 2020

Lieut V. L. C. Manning

Reserve of Officers

XII Royal Lancers

Victoria Av.

Claremont.

G. Walker

297 Hay St.

Park

James Westminster Parker

J. Chandler

161 Sterling St

Park.

27 3rd Manchester Regt.

Postmaster General's Department, Western Australia

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Telegram to Sydney Station.....
 Addressed to Holman
7/8/14 Premier

Sincerely regret cannot possibly attend but consider position warrants joint consideration and action. stop. Our position due isolation is more difficult and immediate action therefore necessary. stop. Have found it necessary as more in nature of protection to pass Bill empowering Government appoint Royal Commission regulating maximum prices of foodstuffs. stop. Financial matters will therefore require consideration. stop. Suggest that you on behalf State Premiers immediately urge Prime Minister declare bank note legal tender. stop. Advance same to States by way of loan to assist to carry on public works to relieve unemployment. stop. Many our industries likely be seriously affected shortly particularly ~~mining~~ mining which employs sixteen thousand men also timber industry. stop. Fair proportion men employed in export trade which will now cease and there will be general decline in trade. stop. Our resources limited. stop. Appreciate the seriousness of position. stop. Extremely regret inability be present would like you forward me early decision on any point decided if Conference held. stop.

Following Bill to regulate sale of necessaries life and entitled .begins. N ~~REVENUE~~ The control of trade in war time. ends. passed last night. stop. It defines necessaries of life as products goods chattels and things which Governor may declare by proclamation and personal requirements to be requirements of any person not exceeding three months for domestic use himself family dependants servants and domestic animals. stop. Bill operates for period declared by Governor while war exists. stop. Governor on advice of Royal Commission which act empowers him appoint may by Order in Council fix maximum price of necessaries of life. stop. No person having the necessaries of life in excess of personal requirements shall refuse to sell on payment of price so fixed. stop. Penalty one thousand pounds or twelve months imprisonment. stop. On conviction pressing section Colonial Treasurer may seize and

Also read to Premier Queensland

PREFIX.....

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dispose of any necessaries of life so held and for this purpose to enter upon any premises in which they may be concealed and to use such force as may be necessary subject only to payment of maximum prices so fixed.stop. No person shall buy up or store necessaries of life with attempt to raise prices or to prevent free circulation, or without the consent of the Colonial Treasurer export the necessaries of life beyond Commonwealth.stop. Penalty One thousand pounds or twelve months imprisonment.stop. Clause nine gives power enter premises to search for necessaries life. Clause ten provides for punishment of anyone aiding abetting counselling or procuring any commission of any offence against this Act.stop. In every prosecution the averment of the prosecutor contained in the information shall be deemed to be proved in absence of proof to contrary.stop. Prosecution only to be commenced with authority of Attorney General.

Saddan

Premier.

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Melbourne
Prime Minister

Sec.95.

Am advised that instructions have been given to dismantle wireless installation on Government steamer Western Australian. Suggest for your consideration advisability of leaving this remain in abeyance subject to any conditions or restrictions you like to impose as this is Government steamer and is at present operating in waters off North Western coast. Possibly she may be of assistance in communicating news to land. Reply urgent.

Scaddan.

7:8:14.

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DENMARK

SENATOR PEARCE

Secn.95. F. 7/8/14.

Fisher has just wired me begins. Am against appealing Commonwealth
Government to stop elections Cooks opponent only withdrawn stop. ends.

SCADDAN

PREMIER. #

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Melbourne
Governor General.

Sec. 95.

May I ask you to furnish me by wire all proclamations and general instructions issued by you as also defence instructions affecting civil matters in this State. Mail facilities mean delay and undesirable that my only means information should be through newspapers.

Barron, Governor.

7:8:14.

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Premiers Office.
Perth.

It is requested that the following
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this Letter.

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Governor General
Melbourne

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Yours
Governor

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Narandera Rail NSW 18 1/2 sec 95 11 45 a.m.

Scadden

Premier

Perth W.A.

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Remarks.

Melbourne 26 1/10 Lodged 108p for Mr Oga
Scaddan Premier Perth

proclamation lengthy document full details
can be obtained from Collector
of Customs or state Commandant
hope this will meet your
purposes

Joseph Cook

1221 a

Mr. you
arrived Mr. Oga
at 11.15. Mr. Oga
from then it
comes. 212



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I think it desirable in replying
to Prime Minister's notice of
Conference of Premiers to ask him
to ~~be~~ keep in touch with you by
line of matters to be considered and
any resolutions come to.

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COMMONWEALTH OF AUSTRALIA.

Electrician's Branch,

GENERAL POST OFFICE,

PERTH, W.A., 6th August, 1914, 19

The Secretary

To the Premier,

Sir,

I have the honor to request that you will be good enough to have this Branch supplied, as early as possible, with charts showing the location of all submarine cables in this State and indicating all routes of such cables as accurately as possible; this applies more particularly to the cables connecting Breaksea Island and the Quarantine Station, Albany, also the Cottesloe Beach-Rottneest cable. The charts are required in duplicate.

Yours faithfully,



J. R. Munnica
Electrical Engineer.

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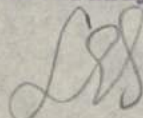
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8th August, 1914.

Dear Sir--

I am desired by the Hon. the Premier to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 4th instant and to state that your remarks have been duly noted. I am to point out, however, that the censorship of news is a Federal matter.

Yours faithfully,



Secretary to the Premier.

Mr. R. Butler,

Government Printing Office,

Perth.

Govt Printing Office,
Perth 4. 8. 14

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The Hon John Scadden,
Premier,
Perth.

Dear Sir,

I would urge you to make every endeavour to have the bogus cablegrams that are published in the press, absolutely prohibited as there are quite enough sensations without the scare reports which are being sent broadcast throughout the state and absolutely stopping all business and causing timid persons who have money in the banks withdrawing same thereby furthering the objects of those people who take advantage of crisis such as the present.

Would it not be possible to have all war news exhibited or appearing in the press, ~~subject~~ ~~to revision~~ passed by the proper authorities so that any news appearing, would be authentic, which, I think, would go a long way towards calming the people and so getting them back to normal.

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another thing that might be 62
considered is, whether it would
be possible for the Government to
to prohibit the cornering of foodstuffs
by speculators.

Of course I realise that these
are very big questions and require
a good deal of very serious con-
sideration, but if you could see your
way to do something on the lines
I have suggested, you will be
conferring a blessing on every
right-thinking person in the
state.

As you have publicly stated,
"This is not the time for heroics"
but every endeavour should be
made to calm the hysterical
feelings of the people which
sentiments, I, with a very large
number of people, fully endorse
and it is most gratifying to know that
we have such a man as yourself
at the head of affairs in this state.
"It is ⁱⁿ times of adversity that a man
is proved."

I trust that you will pardon the
liberty I am taking in writing to
you on the above matters, but
their urgency is my excuse.
Thanking you in anticipation of
something being done,
I remain
your obedient servant

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Remarks.

The Ex Sydney 38 2/10 sec 95 5 54

Premier

Perth

South australia suggests state premiers meet melbourne wednes-
day next twelfth inst discuss prime minister steps advisable
respecting matters arising from present crisis proposal has
my endorsement and date suitable glad of early expression your
views.

Holman

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Kalgoorlie

Cutbush, Mayor.

Sec. 95.

Have referred matter of protection of magazines on Goldfields to
Military Commandant for necessary action.

Scaddan.

7:8:14.

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Broome 24 1/5 11.55a Sec 95

Premier Perth

Expect necessary make you a
Confidential communication within few days
please arrange with Fisheries Department
to use their cipher code Wood Magistrate

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Kalgoorlie 18 lld 10 a

The Premier

Perth

Goldfields local bodies desire government
protect public by measures restraining
undue rise price foodstuffs

Secretary

10 16B

James Gardiner

Auctioneer

Land and Estate Agent

Harper's Buildings,

Howard Street,

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CABLE } "KENIDRAG"
ADDRESS } (USE BROOMHALL'S)

TELEPHONE NO. 967.

Perth, Aug 5 1914

Dear Mr Premier

In the present worried position you have my sincerest sympathy and if I can be of any use or assistance I am yours to command in any way. I might suggest that to prevent victualling you get from all wholesale stores. Flour Millers and pastoralists all their present supplies of necessities - and pass a short act through the House enabling you if any attempt is made to take advantage of present position by charging exorbitant prices that you have the power of confiscation paying what is a reasonable price for goods so confiscated.

Yours truly
James Gardiner

Swamy & Keet NO 48 4/8/14 55

Subject to confirmation by Head Office

Trays Cocoa all lines advanced \times 1st 1/16

Trays Herringy Prices 1st 5/4 1/2

Shipped Herringy " 1st 7/- 1/2

Herringy in Tom Price 1st 1/3
 $\frac{1}{2}$ 6/4
 $\frac{1}{2}$ 4/3 1/2

Dalmoro ABC 1st 11/- 1/2

Peas L. S. 5th 6/6 1/2
 Lin 6/7 1/2
 open 6/9

Kowsene Orders accepted only subject to price ruling at time of receipt of order by office

We do not undertake to purchase any out of stock lines

Trays Cocoa Mustard Cuba Salt
 ABC Potted Meats No price can be
 given for these lines

Flour Local Price advanced \times 20/- ton

Meats advance all lines \times 3rd 1/2

All ~~the~~ lines controlled by other Houses
 prices are not be quoted

4/8/14

West Australian

6-8-1914

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NEW SOUTH WALES.

PARLIAMENTARY PROCEEDINGS.

Sydney, Aug. 5.

As soon as Parliament met to-day, the Premier made a statement on the situation. He said that he had received a communication that war had broken out between Great Britain and Germany. This information necessarily had cast new duties on the Government of the State, and probably new duties on the Parliament of the State. Unquestionably these matters would demand the closest attention of the Government, and members generally, in the course of the next few days. It would be apparent to all that difficulties of finance in connection with the industry and the ordinary life of the community would assuredly arise, and to these the first consideration of Parliament would have to be devoted. The Government had decided to ask Parliament to meet each day at 4.30 p.m., and adjourn immediately, unless in the interval some important matter had transpired. (Cheers.) He felt that it was impossible to ask members to proceed with the contentious programme that they intended to put through at this juncture. That programme would have to be suspended for the time being. Mr. Holman also announced that his colleagues had already considered certain matters in connection with the situation, and these would be further debated to-morrow when they proposed to have the presence and the advantage of the counsels of the Leader of the Opposition. He also hoped to-morrow to be able to indicate to the House certain powers which the Government proposed to take in the direction of ensuring a greater measure of elasticity in the working of the industrial awards. He announced that the Federal Government had accepted the State's unreserved offer of assistance, and declared, amidst general applause, that there was no occasion for hysteria or panic. The Premier further intimated that one of the subjects to be dealt with would be that dealing with attempts to make profits out of food supplies.

Mobilisation is beginning to-night and will be continued to-morrow in accordance with the decision to mobilise the 8th Infantry Brigade as a mobile reserve for the defence of the Sydney fortress and portion of the 16th Infantry Brigade for the defence of Newcastle. The 8th Infantry Brigade is commanded by Colonel Campbell and comprises the 25th, 29th, and 33rd Infantry drawn from the city, Woolloomooloo, Miller's Point, and western suburbs. The point of the present mobilisation as far as Sydney is concerned, is at Randwick, and the public are asked by the military authorities not to hamper the troops by thronging round the site.

It has been persistently rumoured this afternoon that the Nord Deutscher Lloyd Company's mail steamer Seydlitz, which hurriedly left Sydney Harbour on Monday has been overtaken by the Australian destroyer Parramatta and is now being conveyed back to Sydney. Inquiries, however, in official quarters, show that so far there is no foundation for the report.

It was announced this evening by the State Premier (Mr. Holman) that the Government will probably suspend the operation of parts of industrial awards on account of the situation caused by the war. Mr. Holman explains that the purpose is to enable an employer who has work for say only half of the number of employees normally engaged, to be able to employ half for three days of the week and the other half for another three days, so as to give everybody an opportunity of earning something and so tide over a period of stress. There is no intention at present of setting aside the rates of wages which are prescribed by the awards.

Mr. Gordon Wesche, superintendent of Australia for the P. and O. Company, states that his company will limit its possibilities to an endeavour to keep up the mail service. He has not yet received any advice from the company's directors on the matter, but only conditions beyond the control of the company will interfere with the service.

An offer has been made by the Federal Musicians Union of Australia for a supply of from 500 to 1,000 musicians from each State for active service if required within Australia. Mr. O'Brien, secretary of the union, states that a number of members have had training in the Imperial and Continental armies, and that those who are offering their services are anxious to take a share in Australian defence. All told a musicians' force up to 3,000 could be reckoned upon.

The automobile corps has been inundated with applications for service from every class of motor car owner, while many young men are seeking to permanently join the force. Captain C. E. Waters, commanding officer, stated to-day that the corps at its full strength and ready at any moment to work under orders in its allotted sphere would consist of 20 officers and an almost unlimited number of automobiles. The Motor Yacht Club of New South Wales has placed its entire fleet of over 100 boats at the disposal of the Australian Navy. It is believed that these boats could do useful patrol work along the coast.

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TRANSLATION OF TELEGRAM SENT TO RIGHT HON.

SIR JOHN FORREST, 6th August, 1914.

You will appreciate that many of our industries such as mining and timber are carried on by assistance outside capital, our progressive works carried on by loan funds. These unfortunately at low ebb. Position will become serious owing to our probably having to stop public works which together with industries referred to probably having to close will cause gradual unemployment. Agricultural Bank advances to settlers must be curtailed and eventually stop unless something is done. Unemployed must be fed. State funds will not permit it. Would respectfully suggest you urge Prime Minister avoid such conditions by making bank note legal tender and issuing to States in form of loan. Still think you should ~~xxx~~ be in Perth or Melbourne.

SCADDAN

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M D 4 Melbourne 59 3/7 sec 95 4 4p
Scadden Premier Perth

Your wire of fifth instant Knibbs says regarding all big necessities there is on the average eight months supplies stop In Nothing less than four months supplies stop In main staples flour wheat ten months supplies butter twentyone months sugar twelve months and so on stop No necessity therefore for panic action or legislation

Joseph Cook.

fh 2 35p

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Melbourne
Prime Minister

Secn.95.

Will you please wire me copy of Commonwealth Proclamation notifying that war had broken out between Great Britain and Germany, urgent.

Scaddan.

6:8:14.

Western Australian
GOVERNMENT



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GOVERNMENT HOUSE,
PERTH.

FROM HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR
TO
THE HONOURABLE THE PREMIER.

With reference to the telegram of
yesterdays date received by the Governor from His
Excellency the Governor-General intimating that War
had broken out between Great Britain and Germany, the
Governor thinks that it should be issued by Proclama-
tion in a Government Gazette.

Copy of
telegram.

Harry Ransom
Governor.

6/8/1914.



Copy of telegram received by His Excellency
the Governor from His Excellency the Governor-
General dated 5th. August, 1914.

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"His Excellency the Governor, Perth. Tipsified
"Germany. Glyphic."

MEANING:-

"War has broken out between Great Britain and
"Germany. Governor-General."

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HON. PREMIER.-

I have just received the following message through the Railway Operating Room, from Senator Pearce:--

"Have received wire from Hughes asking my views.

Replied: 'Proposing Government revoke dissolution Proclamation, and summon Parliament at once. Opposed to withdrawal of candidates. Government should make proposals to us. Will wire if received reply.'"

6/8/14. 2.25 p.m.
PH

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TRANSLATION OF TELEGRAM RECEIVED FROM THE PRIME MINISTER

6th August, 1914.

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Gilthead	Commonwealth of Australia
	has whole
Perfovet	position
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Silvergray	Full stop.
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Public Offices Melbourne 36/37 3/1 code 12 10

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Melbourne 8 1/ sec. 95 2 3pm

Scaddan Premier Perth.

Visual plain english

Joseph Cook

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Mr Orr telephoned 2.17 pm
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offence against this Act shall be deemed to have committed such offence, and shall be punishable accordingly. Clause eleven: In every prosecution under this Act an averment of the prosecutor contained in the information or complaint shall be deemed to be proved in the absence of proof to the contrary.

Clause twelve: No prosecution under this Act shall be commenced without the authority in writing of the Attorney General first obtained. Stop. Ends.

If within our powers consider it desirable following additional clause be inserted in Bill as clause eight:

Begins. No person shall export gold from Western Australia to any place beyond the limits of the Commonwealth without the authority in writing of the Colonial Treasurer, penalty one thousand pounds, or imprisonment for twelve months. Ends. Which would necessitate adding to title of Bill the following.

Begins: And to enable the exportation beyond the limits of the Commonwealth of gold to be prohibited. Ends.

Stop. Government fully recognise your powers under certain conditions to supersede such an act. Please reply urgently.

SCADDAN, PREMIER.

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which the Governr is hereby authorised to appoint may by order in Council fix the maximum prices that may be lawfully charged for the necessaries of life. Clause five. No person having in his possession, or power, any necessaries of life in excess of his personal requirements shall refuse to sell and deliver the same to any other person on demand, and on payment or tender of a price so fixed. Penalty one thousand pounds, or imprisonment for not exceeding twelve months. Clause six: On the conviction of any person under the last preceding section, it shall be lawful for the Colonial Treasurer and all persons acting with his authority to seize, take possession of, carry away, and dispose of any necessaries of life in the possession of^r power of the offender, and for such purpose to enter upon any premises in which such necessaries of life may be or be supposed to be and to use such force as may be necessary subject only to the payment of maximum prices so fixed as aforesaid. Clause seven: No person shall buy up or store the necessaries of life with an attempt to raise the prices thereof, or to prevent free circulation thereof, or without the consent in writing of the Colonial Treasurer export the necessaries of life to any place beyond the limits of the Commonwealth. Penalty one thousand pounds or imprisonment for twelve months. Clause nine. Any Police Officer acting with the authority of the Commissioner or Inspector, or Sub-Inspector of the Police Force and, any other person acting with the authority of the Colonial Treasurer, may enter and ~~XXXX~~ search any premises upon which such Police Officer or person believes that any necessaries of life are kept, contrary to the provisions of this Act. Clause ten: ^{an} Whoever aids, abets, ⁱⁿ counsels or procures, or by act or omission is ~~any~~ any way directly or indirectly concerned in the commission of any

5/8/14.

Melbourne

Prime Minister Commonwealth

Sectn 95.

Received your wire intimating war had been declared. Stop. Owing to our isolated position and dependence upon outside sources for large quantities of food supplies also consideration that principal industries carried on by assistance outside capital necessity for mining ^{requirements} timbers etcetera fact that one mine already closed down, and that difficulty may be experienced in near future in feeding large bodies unemployed men and their dependents as food supplies already increasing in price think it necessary to regulate same. Stop. To this end we are considering introduction following Bill. Begins: An Act to regulate the sale of the necessaries of life during war. Be it enacted. Clause one This Act may be cited as the contrl of trade in war time act. Clause two. In this Act the following terms have the meanings stated . Necessaries of life - such products goods chattels and things as the Governor may by proclamation declare to be necessaries of life for the purposes of this Act. Stop. Personal requirements: The requirements of any person for not exceeding three months for the domestic use of himself his family dependents and servants, and of his domestic animals. Clause three. This Act shall have operation only during such period as the Governor may from time to time by proclamation declare, when a state of war exists between the United Kingdom and some other Power. Clause four: The Governor on the advice of a Royal Commission

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COMMONWEALTH OF AUSTRALIA.

No.

Postmaster General's Department, Western Australia.

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Telegraph Charges. For 16 words or less including address and signature—Interstate, 1s.; within the State, 9d.; Suburban, 6d.—each additional word 1d.	Stamps A receipt	to be affixed here, and for the charges	ed here, and on this teleg	they must ram can be	not over lap. obtained. Price	ONE PENNY.	DATE STAMP.
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Addressed to Senator Pearce.
Mount Barker.
Lettergram.

Local meetings poorly attended war crisis has at least temporarily killed party politics stop Scaddans action admitting Wilson to cabinet also Cook conferring Fisher warmly applauded stop Redmonds utterance sinking Home Rule also commended stop Suggest I ~~make a virtue of necessity~~ and cancel engagements for time being sure to be popular especially in view Forrests refusal curtail his campaign stop Would like your advice stop Kindly wire reply promptly.

Time Sent From
 By

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Sender's name or signature, and address (if to be telegraphed and paid for) are to be shown here. If not, the name and address should be written on back of this form.

Perth.

6th August, 1914.

This Morning's paper states that opposition to Prime Minister has been withdrawn in the circumstances which have arisen. Am sorry this was not conveyed to us yesterday, which would have made any action as I suggested much more appreciated than by acting now. Burchell has wired Fisher asking whether statement is correct, suggesting urgent reply to me. I will wire you terms of Fisher's telegram on receipt of same. Burchell states meetings poorly attended here. War crisis has at least temporarily killed Party Politics. He feels disposed to cancel engagements for a time, thinking same would be popular especially in view Treasurer's refusal to curtail his campaign. He would like your advice. Personally I advised him so long as his opponent continues his campaign he too must continue. If news from the East correct think the suggestion I made yesterday could now be acted upon with good effect but should await confirmation.

SCADDAN.

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THE DEPUTY POSTMASTER GENERAL .

In accordance with an application made to me yesterday by your Electrical Engineer (Mr. Fitz^{au}marria), I now forward, by direction of the Hon. Premier, charts of Rottnest island to Wann^{no}abo^ol Sound, No. 1058, containing track of telephone cable from Fremantle to Rottnest, as lithographed by Admiralty, also chart of King George's Sound and Princess Royal Harbour, No. 2619, on which is pencilled the route of the Breaksea cable.

Would you please advise me if anything further is required.

6:8:14.
W.

Secretary to the Premier.

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Western



Australia.

In replying please quote:--

FROM THE CHIEF HARBOUR MASTER

To

MR. SHAPCOTT

SECRETARY TO THE PREMIER.

In accordance with our verbal arrangement, I forward you herewith by ~~Mr Owen~~ *Mr Owen* Charts Rottnest Island to Warnboro Scund, No .1058, containing track telephone cable Fremantle to Rottnest as lithographed by Admiralty, also Chart King George's Sound and Princess Royal Harbour, No .2619, on which I have pencilled the route of Breaksea cable.

Kindly forward me copy of telegram mentioned this morning .

F. Winzar
ACTING CHIEF HARBOUR MASTER.

5/8/14 .S.

*Plan received
H. A. Selby
6.8.1914*

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6/8/14.

Melbourne.

Prime Minister

Sectn 95.

Please reply urgently re proposed Bill. Food stuffs increasing in price here. Flour has already jumped considerably. I think only clause needs your serious consideration is clause eight.

Scaddan.

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THE HON. COLONIAL SECRETARY.

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5/8/14 (11 a.m.)

Premier.

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J. Scaddan

PREMIER.

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Remarks.

Melbourne 18 1/2 Sec 95 8 4 7 6U

J Scaddan

Premier WA Perth

No necessity issue gazette we have
for
already done this Australia

Joseph Cook

JS

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Remarks.

Kalgoorlie 14 08 sec 05 9 50

Premier

Perth

Goldfields Motor Club Cyclists offer
services any duties to Commonwealth
Davidson President

J 55 JT

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Melbourne
Prime Minister

Sec.95

Please reply early today respecting draft bill wired you yesterday.
Desire to consider in Parliament tonight.

Sodlan.

6;8;14

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Melbourne
Prime Minister

Sec.95

Regarding your coded wire should visual fifth word from end read in plain English or as coded word.

Scaddan.

5:8:14

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Remarks

Melbourne 100
Premier Perth 16. 11 45/4

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Please have following message decoded and handed to state collector of Customs when he applies for it personally begins Rougepot advise bowbent brocchiavi paganly surferis thirty to one hundred and fifty divagation the old track stop ecrotage favoress slowmatch with coal argolic bunkering palpoil stop

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 Joseph Cook 103644

Received O. J. Ott
9.25 A.M. 6.8.14

As usual to the
Serrano River

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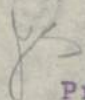
W.

5th August, 1914.

Dear Sir--

I am in receipt of your letter of the 4th inst., informing me that you are in receipt of advice from the Consul General for France in the Commonwealth that a general mobilisation of the Forces to start from 2nd inst. has been decreed, for which I thank you. The information has been duly noted.

Yours faithfully,


Premier.

Hon. D. G. Gawler, M.L.C.,
Consular Agent for France,
Fremantle.

Agence Consulaire de France
à Fremantle.

Australie Occidentale
(WESTERN AUSTRALIA).

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Perth, August 4th 1914.

The Hon. J. Scaddan, M. L. A.

Premier of W. A.

Sir,

By direction of the Consul-General for France in the Commonwealth I have the honour to inform you that a general mobilisation of the French Forces to start from 2nd inst. has been decreed.

I have the honour to be,

Your obedient servant.

For Douglas G. Gawler,
Fremantle

*Advt.
a memo re this. Ex. to Gov.
4-8-14*

The Eastern Extension Australasia & China Telegraph Company, Limited.

PERTH STATION,

5th August 1914.

No.

The Hon. The Premier,
Perth.

Sir,

I have the honour to forward you a copy of a Service telegram, marked "Urgent", received by me from my Head Office, London.

The message reads:-

"Following from Admiralty - Advise all British shipping
" with which you may be in touch to abandon regular tracks
" complete voyages without bunkering if possible, reduce
" brilliancy of lights on arrival in United Kingdom call
" early for orders pass to all British ships."

I have the honour to be,

Sir,

your obedient servant,

W. D. Daving

Superintendent.

*advised by phone
letter "aw" 2/5
8 1914*

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5/8/14.

Melbourne

Prime Minister Commonwealth

Sectn 95.

Received your wire intimating war had been declared. Stop. Owing to our isolated position and dependence upon outside sources for large quantities of food supplies also consideration that principal industries carried on by assistance outside capital necessity for mining ^{requirements} ~~timber~~ etcetera fact that one mine already closed down, and that difficulty may be experienced in near future in feeding large bodies unemployed men and their dependents as food supplies already increasing in price think it necessary to regulate same. Stop. To this end we are considering introduction following Bill. Begins: An Act to regulate the sale of the necessaries of life during war. Be it enacted. Clause one This Act may be cited as the contrl of trade in war time act. Clause two. In this Act the following terms have the meanings stated . Necessaries of life - such products goods chattels and things as the Governor may by proclamation declare to be necessaries of life for the purposes of this Act. Stop. Personal requirements: The requirements of any person for not exceeding three months for the domestic use of himself his family dependents and servants, and of his domestic animals. Clause three. This Act shall have operation only during such period as the Governor may from time to time by proclamation declare, when a state of war exists between the United Kingdom and some other Power. Clause four: The Governor on the advice of a Royal Commission

which the Governor is hereby authorised to appoint may by order in Council fix the maximum prices that may be lawfully charged for the necessaries of life. Clause five. No person having in his possession, or power, any necessaries of life in excess of his personal requirements shall refuse to sell and deliver the same to any other person on demand, and on payment or tender of a price so fixed. Penalty one thousand pounds, or imprisonment for not exceeding twelve months. Clause six: On the conviction of any person under the last preceding section, it shall be lawful for the Colonial Treasurer and all persons acting with his authority to seize, take possession of, carry away, and dispose of any necessaries of life in the possession ~~of~~ power of the offender, and for such purpose to enter upon any premises in which such necessaries of life may be or be supposed to be and to use such force as may be necessary subject only to the payment of maximum prices so fixed as aforesaid. ^{an} Clause seven: No person shall buy up or store the necessaries of life with an attempt to raise the prices thereof, or to prevent free circulation thereof, or without the consent in writing of the Colonial Treasurer export the necessaries of life to any place beyond the limits of the Commonwealth. Penalty one thousand pounds or imprisonment for twelve months. Clause nine. Any Police Officer acting with the authority of the Commissioner or Inspector, or Sub-Inspector of the Police Force and, any other person acting with the authority of the Colonial Treasurer, may enter and ~~XXXX~~ search any premises upon which such Police Officer or person believes that any necessaries of life are kept, contrary to the provisions of this Act. ^{an} Clause ten: Whoever aids, abets, counsels or procures, or by act or omission is ⁱⁿ ~~any~~ any way directly or indirectly concerned in the commission of any

offence against this Act shall be deemed to have committed such offence, and shall be punishable accordingly. Clause eleven: In every prosecution under this Act an averment of the prosecutor contained in the information or complaint shall be deemed to be proved in the absence of proof to the contrary.

Clause twelve: No prosecution under this Act shall be commenced without the authority in writing of the Attorney General first obtained. Stop. Ends.

If within our powers consider it desirable following additional clause be inserted in Bill as clause eight:

Begins. No person shall export gold from Western Australia to any place beyond the limits of the Commonwealth without the authority in writing of the Colonial Treasurer, penalty one thousand pounds, or imprisonment for twelve months. Ends. Which would necessitate adding to title of Bill the following.

Begins: And to enable the exportation beyond the limits of the Commonwealth of gold to be prohibited. Ends.

Stop. Government fully recognise your powers under certain conditions to supersede such an act. Please reply urgently.

SCADDAN, PREMIER.

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5/8/14.

Melbourne
Prime Minister

Sectn 95.

Do you consider necessary we should issue special gazette announcing state of war exists between Great Britain and Germany, or will Commonwealth do all that is necessary so far this State concerned.

Scaddan, Premier.

ADDRESSES OF MEMBERS OF THE PREMIER'S STAFF.

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		Phone.
L. E. Shapcott,	71 Kimberley St., Leederville.	2157
A.H.Fairey,	158 York Street, Subiaco, (C/r York & Ellen Streets, towards City.)	Ring G.L.A. Sutton.No. 1452 Central. He will convey message.
H. Higham.	Cross Street, Osborne, Via Claremont.	Rly. S.M. knows exact locality of residence. Not on Phone.
S.P.Hall	Austral Hall, 371 Hay Street, Perth.	Phone 2159.
Miss G. Westbury	John Street, North Fremantle,	Phone Cottrell 744 F'tle.Will convey message.

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5/8/14 (11 a.m.)

Premier.

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Melbourne 20 1/4 Sec 95 12 45p

Remarks.

Hon The Premier Perth

Official information has been received that
war has broken out with
Germany

Jos Cook Prime Minister

11 8a RP

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COMMONWEALTH OF AUSTRALIA.

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POSTMASTER GENERAL'S DEPARTMENT, WESTERN AUSTRALIA.

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TELEGRAM.

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W. A.

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Remarks.

Public Offices Melb. 22 1/6 3pm

Premier Perth.

Much appreciate your kind offer of assistance and if necessary
shall not hesitate to avail ourselves of it

Joseph Cook

xn

3 40pm

[Handwritten flourish]

SECRET



COMMONWEALTH MILITARY FORCES.

5th MILITARY DISTRICT.

DISTRICT HEAD QUARTERS,
PERTH.

SECRET

Aug 3rd 1914

To
The Secretary
The Honourable, The Premier,
Western Australia.

Sir

I have the honour to inform you that intimation has been received that the Commonwealth Government have by proclamation, ordered the establishment of Cable censorship from *12* ~~a.m.~~ ^{p.m.} on *August 3rd 1914* (date).

2. The Deputy Postmaster General and the Manager of the Eastern Extension Cable Coy. have been informed ~~of~~ the arrangements previously made with them are being carried out from the hour above noted.

3. The following gentlemen have been appointed Censor and Assistant Censors :-

	Censor
Assistant	"	<i>Will be forwarded</i>
"	"	<i>on 4th inst.</i>
"	"

I have the honour to be

Sir

Your obedient servant

L. S. J. Don

Colonel.
Commandant 5th Military District.

*Noted
J.S.
4-8-14*



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Confidential

FROM THE PRIVATE SECRETARY,

TO

The Secretary to the Premier.

I am desired by His Excellency the Governor to inform you that the following telegram was received last evening from the Governor General.-

Governor Perth. Unfamous not fully insolate kindly repeat Glyphic.

Meaning.- With reference to your telegram of 3rd August not fully intelligible kindly repeat Governor General.

The following telegram was sent in reply

Governor General, Melbourne. Former telegram sent on infatuated cabinmate grette Glisten

Meaning.- Former telegram sent on inaccurate information submarine cable properly guarded Governor of W.A.

I am also desired to say that before the reply was sent to the Governor General the following message was received from the Commandant. A Guard has been posted at Cotteslee since 3 A.M. Monday 3rd August.

John J. ... Major

4th August 1914

Private Secretary

TRANSLATION OF TELEGRAM TO RIGHT HON.
PRIME MINISTER, despatched 3/8/14.

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Englishry	In the event of
Tipstock	Declaration of War
	my
Buttoning	Cabinet
	will
Apiaster	at once
	be at your
Saligots	service
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	all other
Congeniado	considerations.
Slump	Would suggest
	you
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	confidentially
	under
Chessing	Government Telegraph Code
Pronectis	prospects
	or
Abripare	proposed action.
	SCADDAN.

3/8/14

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MELBOURNE
PRIME MINISTER COMMONWEALTH

(Section 95)

ENGLISHRY TIPSTOCK MY BUTTONING WILL APIASTER BE AT YOUR SALIGOTS
SAMLETS ALL OTHER CONGENIADO TO CREAMFACED STOP SLUMP YOU CLERKSHIP
CONFIDENTIALLY UNDER CHESSING PRONECTIS OR ABRIPARE.

SCADDAN

WESTERN AUSTRALIAN
GOVERNMENT

Prime Minister

5

In event declaration of war my Cabinet
will at once be at your service setting aside
all other considerations to cooperate.

Would suggest you communicate
confidentially under Government Code
prospects or contemplated actions.

TRANSLATION OF TELEGRAM DESPATCHED TO HIS
EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR-GENERAL 3/8/14.

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Eastern Extension
Cable Company
informs me that
cable
house
Cottesside Beach
not
guarded.
Will you
see
action
is taken.
BARRON.

Buxine

Inductor

Buxeous

Horseponds

Grained

Rubycolour

Abrazino

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3/8/14

MELBOURNE
GOVERNOR GENERAL.

(Section 95)

Eastern Extension BUXINE INDUCTOR BUXEUS HORSEPONDS COTTESLOE
BEACH NOT GROINED WILL YOU RUBYCOLOUR ABRAZINO IS TAKEN

BARRON

WEST AUSTRALIAN
GOVERNMENT

PREMIER'S OFFICE,
PERTH, 1st August, 1914.

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TRANSLATION OF CABLEGRAM dated 31st July
RECEIVED FROM THE AGENT GENERAL this day.

Vavuby	Stock Exchange
Foriha	closed
Muoyhuhy	indefinitely.
Vaceki	Bank rate
Guzuha	increased
Peva	this
Vabijs	afternoon
Pibi	to
Recocuby	8 per cent.
Myfa	In view of
Lowe	critical
Vapuva	outlook
Faru	advise
Fuwu	curtail
Lesa	as much as
Nogy	possible
Pyzo	your
Vakefuhy	expenditure.
Nese	not
Mywo	likely
Tezo	to be
Mopo	in
Varuci	position
Jyji	remit
Pyze	you
Mene	from
Mipihy	here.
Kyru	Will
Faru	advise
Pyze	you
Mypy	later
Leky	any
Meru	further
Vajajazyhy	developments.

Melbourne
Prime Minister

Sec.95.

Cable received from Agent General. Outlook ominous. Do you propose under circumstances to reconsider Panama Exhibition representation. Would like your views.

Scaddan.

1:8:14.

