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## INTERCOLONIAL CONVENTION.

### COMMISSIONS OF THE SEVERAL REPRESENTATIVES.

By His Excellency The Right Honorable LORD AUGUSTUS WILLIAM FREDERICK SPENCER LOFTUS, Knight Grand Cross of the Most Honorable Order of the Bath, a Member of Her Majesty's Most Honorable Privy Council, Governor and Commander-in-Chief of the Colony of New South Wales and its Dependencies.

To The Honorable ALEXANDER STUART, Esquire, Colonial Secretary of the Colony of New South Wales,—

#### GREETING :

WHEREAS it has been determined to hold a Conference of Representatives of the Colonies of New South Wales, Victoria, New Zealand, South Australia, Queensland, Tasmania, Western Australia, and Fiji, which Conference is appointed to assemble in Sydney, in the said Colony of New South Wales, on the twenty-eighth day of the present month of November, to consider the questions of Federation of the Australian Colonies, the Annexation or Protectorate of Islands in the Pacific, and other subjects of intercolonial interest, with a view to mutual agreement on such questions to the common advantage of the said Colonies: Now, therefore I, LORD AUGUSTUS WILLIAM FREDERICK SPENCER LOFTUS, the Governor aforesaid, do, with the advice of the Executive Council of the said Colony, hereby appoint you, the said ALEXANDER STUART, Colonial Secretary thereof, in conjunction with the Honorable GEORGE RICHARD DIBBS, the Colonial Treasurer of the said Colony, and the Honorable WILLIAM BEDE DALLEY, Q.C., the Attorney-General thereof, to represent and act in behalf of the Government of New South Wales in and at the said Conference; and you are hereby authorized, in conjunction with the said GEORGE RICHARD DIBBS, Esquire, and the said WILLIAM BEDE DALLEY, to confer and deliberate with the other Representatives thereat assembling, and in the exercise of your joint judgment and discretion to execute in behalf of this Colony any agreement in the matters above cited which the Colonies of New South Wales, Victoria, New Zealand, South Australia, Queensland, Tasmania, Western Australia, and Fiji, may by their representatives be prepared to execute; and you are further authorized, in conjunction with the said GEORGE RICHARD DIBBS, Esquire, and the said WILLIAM BEDE DALLEY, to enter upon the discussion of, and to join in agreement upon any other matter relating to the aforesaid Colonies which may be submitted for the consideration of the aforesaid Conference.

Given under my Hand and the Seal of the Colony, at Government House, Sydney, this twenty-seventh day of November, in the year of Our Lord one thousand eight hundred and eighty-three, and in the forty-seventh year of Her Majesty's Reign.

By His Excellency's Command,

ALEX. STUART.

AUGUSTUS LOFTUS.

Entered on record by me, in Register of Patents, No. 12, pages 33-4, this twenty-eighth day of November, one thousand eight hundred and eighty-three.

For the Colonial Secretary and Registrar of Records,

CRITCHETT WALKER,

Principal Under Secretary.

WM. F. DRUMMOND JERVOIS,

GOVERNOR.

To the Honorable HARRY ALBERT ATKINSON, a Member of the Executive Council of the Colony of New Zealand, and holding the office of Premier of the said Colony, and the Honorable FREDERICK WHITAKER, a Member of the Legislative Council of the said Colony,—

#### GREETING :—

WHEREAS a Conference is shortly to be held at Sydney, in the Colony of New South Wales, of representatives from the several Colonies of Australasia, for the purpose of conferring on various matters of importance affecting the said Colonies in common: And whereas it is expedient that the Colony of New Zealand should be represented thereat: Now therefore, I, WILLIAM FRANCIS DRUMMOND JERVOIS, the Governor