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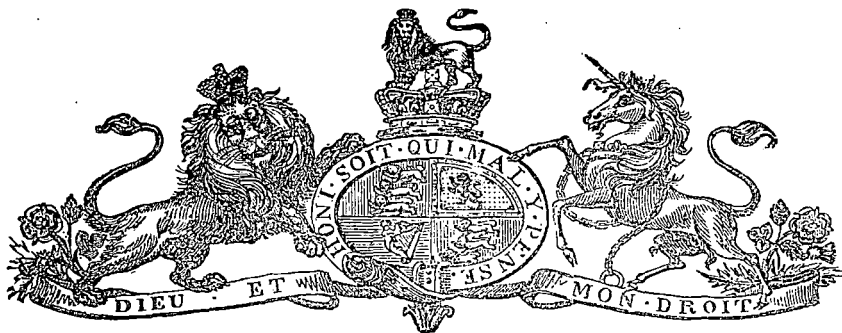
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PARLIAMENT OF TASMANIA.

ADMINISTRATOR OF THE GOVERNMENT:

PROCLAMATION AND COMMISSION.

Presented to both Houses of Parliament by His Excellency's Command.



A PROCLAMATION.

*By His Excellency the Honorable SIR WILLIAM LAMBERT DOBSON,
Knight, Chief Justice for the time being of the Colony of Tasmania,
Administrator of the Government thereof.*

WHEREAS Her Majesty Queen VICTORIA issued Her Commission under Her Sign Manual and Signet, dated the twenty-third day of August, one thousand eight hundred and eighty, in the forty-fourth year of Her Reign, in the words following; that is to say,—

“VICTORIA R.

VICTORIA by the Grace of God of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland Queen, Defender of the Faith, Empress of India, to Our Chief Justice for the time being of Our Colony of Tasmania, or to the Senior Judge for the time being of Our said Colony, Greeting :

WHEREAS by certain Letters Patent under the Great Seal of Our United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland, bearing date at Westminster the seventeenth day of June, one thousand eight hundred and eighty, in the forty-third year of Our Reign, We did constitute, order, and declare that there should be a Governor and Commander-in-Chief in and over Our Colony of Tasmania, and did authorise, empower, and command Our said Governor and Commander-in-Chief to do and execute all things belonging to his said Office as therein is more particularly set forth : And whereas by Our said Letters Patent We did declare that in the event of the Death, Incapacity, or Removal of Our said Governor and Commander-in-Chief, or of his Departure from the Colony, Our Lieutenant-Governor, or if there should be no such Officer in Our said Colony, then such person or persons as We might appoint under Our Sign Manual and Signet should during Our pleasure administer the Government of the same : Now know you that by this Our Commission, under Our Sign Manual and Signet, We do appoint you Our said Chief Justice for the time being, until Our further pleasure shall be signified, to administer the Government of Our said Colony of Tasmania in the case of the Death, Incapacity, or Removal, or of the Departure from the Colony of Our said Governor and Commander-in-Chief, as well as Our Lieutenant-Governor (if any), with all and singular the Powers and Authorities granted by Our said Letters Patent, and in case of the Death, Incapacity, or Departure from Our said Colony of Our said Chief Justice for the time being then We do appoint you the Senior Judge for the time being of Our said Colony then residing therein, and not being under incapacity to administer the Government thereof, with all the Powers and Authorities as aforesaid, and We do hereby authorise and require you Our said Chief Justice or the said Senior Judge for the time being, as the case may be, to exercise and perform the said Powers and Authorities according to such Orders and Instructions as Our said Governor and Commander-in-Chief or Our said Lieutenant-Governor may have received from Us, and to such further Orders and Instructions as you may receive from Us under Our Sign Manual and Signet or through one of Our Principal Secretaries of State :

Provided always that you, the Senior Judge, shall act in the administration of the Government only when and so often as you, Our said Chief Justice, shall not be present within the Colony and capable of administering the Government :

And We do hereby command all and singular Our Officers, Ministers, and loving subjects in our said Colony, and all others whom it may concern, to take due notice hereof, and to give their ready obedience accordingly.

Given at Our Court at Osborne House, Isle of Wight, this twenty-third day of August, 1880, in the forty-fourth year of Our Reign.

By Her Majesty's Command,

KIMBERLEY."

AND WHEREAS His Excellency SIR GEORGE CUMINE STRAHAN, Knight Commander of the Most Distinguished Order of Saint Michael and Saint George, Governor and Commander-in-Chief in and over the Colony of Tasmania and its Dependencies, has departed from the said Colony; NOW THEREFORE I, SIR WILLIAM LAMBERT DOBSON, Knight, the Chief Justice for the time being of the said Colony, do hereby proclaim that I have this day assumed the Government thereof in obedience to Her Majesty's aforesaid Commission, and taken the Oaths prescribed by Law at the Executive Council Chamber, Hobart, in the presence of the Members of the Executive Council of Tasmania, before the Honorable WILLIAM ROBERT GIBLIN, the Puisne Judge of the Supreme Court of Tasmania, and that all and singular the Powers and Authorities given and granted unto the said SIR GEORGE CUMINE STRAHAN, Knight Commander as aforesaid, and exercised by him as Governor and Commander-in-Chief as aforesaid, are vested in me the said SIR WILLIAM LAMBERT DOBSON, Knight, as such Administrator as aforesaid.

Given under my hand at Hobart, in Tasmania aforesaid, this eighteenth day of November, one thousand eight hundred and eighty-six.

W. L. DOBSON.

By His Excellency's Command,

J. W. AGNEW, *Chief Secretary*.

GOD SAVE THE QUEEN!

COMMISSION.

THE Queen's Commission, appointing the Chief Justice or Senior Judge for the time being of Tasmania to administer the Government in the absence of the Governor.

[See preceding Proclamation.]