

## POSTAL NOTES.

Negotiable within the boundaries of the Colony where they are payable to bearer, or, if crossed, to the lawful endorsee, at nearly all the principal Post Offices, if presented within the usual office hours.

## RATES OF COMMISSION.

1/- note	...	...	...	Fee	½ d.
1/6 "	...	...	...	"	¾ d.
2/6 "	...	...	...	"	1 d.
5/- "	...	...	...	"	2 d.
7/6 "	...	...	...	"	3 d.
10/- "	...	...	...	"	3 d.

## THE POST OFFICE SAVINGS BANK.

Deposits in the Post Office Savings Bank may be made to the amount of one shilling and upwards, provided that the amount deposited does not exceed £150 during each year, and £600 in all. Interest is allowed at the rate of 3½ per cent. per annum, but no interest is allowed on any amount less than £1, or on any excess over £300, or for any less period than one month.

## TELEGRAPH RATES.

## Western Australia:

No Charge for Signature and Address.

Ton words	{	Between Perth, Fremantle	s. d.
		and North Fremantle	... 0 6
		Country Offices	... 1 0

Extra words ... each 0 1  
 Press Rates—Ten words, 6d.; thence ¼ d. per word to 1s. 6d., or 100 words, 1s. 6d.; each additional 50 words or under, 6d.

Messages forwarded on Sundays, Christmas Day, and Good Friday, are accepted at double the ordinary rates.

South Australia—Port Darwin line excepted:  
 Ten words, 2s.; each extra word, 2d.  
 Press—First ten words, 2s.; each additional word up to 16, 2d.; 16 to 100 words, 3s.; every additional 50 words or under, 1s. 6d.  
 Victoria and New South Wales—Ten words, 3s.; each extra word, 3d.  
 Press—First ten words, 3s.; each additional word up to 16, 3d.; 16 to 100 words, 4s. 6d.; every additional 50 words or under, 2s. 3d.  
 Queensland and Tasmania—Ten words, 4s.; each extra word, 4d.  
 Press—Half the ordinary rates.  
 New Zealand.—Ten words, 5s. 6d.; extra words, 7d. each.  
 Press—Half the ordinary rates.

	Via Bombay	Via St. Vincent	Via Hong Kong	s. d.
Seychelles	8/3	19/7	20/1	4 9
Mauritius	9/9	21/1	21/7	1 9
Europe*	...	...	Each word	4 9
Press	...	...	"	1 9
India, Aden, Suez*	...	...	"	4 9
Burmah, Singapore, Sumatra	...	...	"	4 3
Ceylon	...	...	"	4 10
Java	...	...	"	3 9
Canton	...	...	"	6 2
Hong Kong	...	...	"	5 9
Pekin	...	...	"	9 1
Japan	...	...	"	9 9

\* Address and Signature are charged for as part of message.

Telegraph Hours—Week days, 8 a.m. to 7 p.m.  
 " " Sundays and Holidays, 8 to 9 a.m., and 6 to 7 p.m.

## GOVERNMENT ASSAYS.

Department of Lands and Surveys,  
 Perth, 5th May, 1893.

IT is hereby notified, for general information, that the Assay of any West Australian Mineral, Rock, or Ore, for any Commercial Metal such as Gold, Silver, Lead, Copper, Tin, Iron, Zinc, Mercury, or Antimony, will be prepared by the Government Assayer for a fee of Five Shillings for each Metal sought.

## DIRECTIONS FOR SENDING SAMPLES.

1. Send from 3oz. to 4oz. of each sample.
2. Do not crush the samples unless you wish to send an average from a large quantity.
3. Wrap each sample separately in strong paper, enclosing a piece of white paper with the number of the sample and your own name.
4. Address the parcel to "The Government Assayer, Perth."
5. Send a letter at the same time to the same address, stating for what metals you desire the samples to be assayed, and enclosing the fees.
6. Always retain duplicate samples of whatever you send, marked with the same numbers, and dated.

N.B.—The rate of postage is one penny for every 2 ounces and under.

W. E. MARMION, Commissioner of Crown Lands.

## Government Land Regulations.



The present Land Regulations, which were passed by the Legislative Council in 1886, came into force on the 2nd of March, 1887.

For the purposes of the Regulations, the colony is divided into six Divisions:—

## The South-West Division.

"	Gascoyne	"
"	North-West	"
"	Kimberley	"
"	Eucla	"
"	Eastern	"

## 1.—THE SOUTH-WEST DIVISION.

This Division contains 67,000 square miles, and comprises, as regards climate, the most temperate part of Western Australia. It was the portion of the colony first settled, and is that in which about four-fifths out of the whole population now reside.

The South-Western corner is heavily timbered, and is well watered and capable of supporting a large population. It is generally an undulating country, and, with the exception of the Darling Range and a few others, has no extensive mountain ranges.

Numerous rivers enter the coast within this Division, but they are all very short, and merely drain the country within 100 miles of the coast.

The work and expense of clearing the land has proved very laborious and very great, but, when once the ground is properly prepared, a good crop can be depended upon.

In its natural state it takes about 10 acres to keep a sheep, but with clearing and improving it will keep a sheep to two acres, and in choice places a sheep to one acre.

The climate is very good, and the rainfall varies from 19 inches in the Northern and 15 inches in the Eastern, to 43 and 32 inches respectively in the South-Western and Southern portions of the Division.

The average temperature in the North is about 66 deg., to the Eastward 63 deg., on the West Coast 63 deg., and on the South Coast 58 deg.

The average temperature, however, for the Division, taken as a whole, is 63 deg., while the average rainfall amounts to 26.50 inches.

The rent required by the Crown per 1000 acres for pastoral purposes is £1 per annum.