

PROCLAMATION.

BY

HIS EXCELLENCY SIR ALFRED MILNER, &c., &c.

No. 11, 1898.—DATED 17th JUNE, 1898.

Preamble.

WHEREAS it is expedient to make provision enabling the Resident Commissioner for the Bechuanaland Protectorate to hold Court and perform other Judicial Acts elsewhere than within the limits of the said Protectorate and also to remove doubts as to the legality of Judicial Acts heretofore done by the said Resident Commissioner outside the limits aforesaid:

Now, therefore, under and by virtue of the powers, authorities, and jurisdiction conferred upon and committed to me by Her Majesty, I do hereby proclaim, declare, and make known as follows:—

Resident Commissioner may perform Judicial Acts outside the Protectorate.

1. Notwithstanding anything to the contrary in section three of the High Commissioner's Proclamation of the 10th June, 1891, or any other law contained, it shall be lawful for the Resident Commissioner of the Bechuanaland Protectorate with the consent of the High Commissioner to appoint a place or places outside the limits of the said Protectorate for holding the Court of Resident Commissioner or for performing any other Judicial Act relating to the said Protectorate, and all Judicial Acts done by the said Resident Commissioner at any such place or places so appointed shall have the same force and effect as if such acts had been done within the limits of the said Protectorate, provided, however, that the said Resident Commissioner shall not exercise the powers conferred upon him by this section if any party to the action, suit or proceedings shall show good cause why such power should not in the particular case be exercised.

Acts already done declared valid.

2. No Judicial Act heretofore done by the said Resident Commissioner shall be invalid by reason merely that such act was done elsewhere than within the limits of the said Protectorate, but every such Act shall be of the same force and effect as if it had been done within the limits aforesaid.

Meaning of Judicial Act.

3. In this Proclamation "Judicial Act" shall include every Act of whatsoever kind or description done or to be done by the said Resident Commissioner in his Judicial capacity.

Commencement of Proclamation.

4. This Proclamation shall take effect from the date of its publication in the *Government Gazette*.