

PROCLAMATION.

BY

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No. 14, 1897.—DATED 30th SEPTEMBER, 1897.

Preamble.

WHEREAS it is expedient that the law prevailing in the Cape Colony with regard to stamp and licence duties should so far as applicable, and with certain modifications, be declared to be in force within the territory of the Bechuanaland Protectorate.¹

Now, therefore, under and by virtue of the powers in me vested, I do hereby proclaim, declare and make known as follows:—

Stamp Acts of the Cape Colony to be in force in the Protectorate.

1. The Acts of the Cape Colony, referring to the imposition and collection of stamp and licence duty, which are contained in the Schedule hereto, and any other law now in force within the said Colony whereunder such duty is imposed or collected, in so far as the said laws are at present in force within the said Colony, and are applicable to the territory of the Bechuanaland Protectorate, and in so far as the same are not inconsistent

¹ Printed as amended by Proclamation No. 23, 1914.

with or repugnant to any laws now in force in the said Protectorate, shall be in force throughout the said territory; provided that whenever a stamp or licence duty has been imposed in the said Protectorate in respect of any particular act, matter, or thing by any Proclamation or law now in force therein, the said duty shall continue to be imposed as heretofore, and the duty, if any, imposed by the law of the Cape Colony in that behalf shall not be imposed or collected.

2. Notwithstanding anything to the contrary contained in this Proclamation or in any other law, the following provisions as to licences shall be in force:

Licence payable by Banking Companies.

- (a) Every bank carrying on business in the said territory and having a capital stock divided into shares, of which bank the chief seat or principal place where its business is managed shall not be within the said territory, but of which any of the dealings shall, by the deed or other instrument regulating such bank, be described as to be carried on in any part of South Africa, shall annually take out a licence, for which there shall be payable for every £100 of the paid-up capital of such bank, the sum of one half-penny and no more.

By agent of foreign firm.

- (b) From and after the taking effect of such Proclamation, the amount of annual licence payable in the said territory by the Agent of a Foreign Firm as defined in the third section of the Stamp Act, No. 38, 1887, of the Cape Colony, shall be the sum of ten pounds sterling.

By insurance companies.

Commencement of Proclamation.

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

SCHEDULE.

Act 3 of 1864.
Act 13 of 1870.
Act 15 of 1877.

Act 20 of 1884.
Act 13 of 1886.
Act 38 of 1887.