

BECHUANALAND PROTECTORATE.

No. 9 of 1926.

[Promulgated 28th May, 1926.]

PROCLAMATION

By His Excellency the High Commissioner

Entitled the Bechuanaland Protectorate Judgment Debtors
(Offences) Proclamation, 1926.

Whereas it is expedient to make further and better provision in the Bechuanaland Protectorate for the punishment of offences relating to execution against the property of judgment debtors:—

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

1. Notwithstanding anything contained in any other law in force in the Bechuanaland Protectorate, any person who

- (1) obstructs a messenger or deputy-messenger in the execution of his duty;
- (2) being aware that goods are under arrest, interdict, or attachment by the court, makes away with or disposes of those goods in any manner not authorized by law or knowingly permits those goods, if in his possession or under his control, to be made away with or disposed of in any such manner;
- (3) being a judgment debtor and being required by a messenger or deputy-messenger to point out property to satisfy any warrant issued in execution of judgment against such person, either—
 - (a) falsely declares to that messenger or deputy-messenger that he possesses no property or not sufficient property to satisfy the warrant; or
 - (b) although owning such property neglects or refuses to point out the same; or
- (4) being a judgment debtor refuses or neglects to comply with any requirement of a messenger or deputy-messenger in regard to the delivery of documents in his possession or under his control relating to the title of the immovable property under execution;

shall be liable upon conviction to a fine not exceeding fifty pounds or, in default of payment, to imprisonment for a period not exceeding three months or to such imprisonment without the option of a fine.

2. This Proclamation may be cited for all purposes as the Bechuanaland Protectorate Judgment Debtors (Offences) Proclamation 1926 and shall have force and take effect from the date of its publication in the *Gazette*.

GOD SAVE THE KING.

Given under my Hand and Seal at Capetown this Twenty-first day of May One thousand Nine hundred and Twenty-six.

ATHLONE
High Commissioner.

By Command of His Excellency the
High Commissioner.

B. E. H. CLIFFORD,
Imperial Secretary.