

BECHUANALAND PROTECTORATE.

No. 47 of 1929.

(Promulgated 20th December, 1929.)

PROCLAMATION

By His Excellency the High Commissioner

Regulating the number of blacksmiths in Native Reserves and providing for the payment of licence duty by persons carrying on the trade of blacksmiths within the Bechuanaland Protectorate.

Whereas it is desirable to regulate the number of blacksmiths in Native Reserves and for that purpose to provide for the payment of licence duty by persons carrying on the trade of blacksmiths within the Bechuanaland Protectorate:

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

1. From and after the taking effect of this Proclamation no person shall carry on the trade of a blacksmith in the Bechuanaland Protectorate unless he shall first have obtained a licence for that purpose from the Resident Magistrate of the District in which he resides or intends to carry on his trade.

2. Such licence shall not be issued without the approval of the Resident Commissioner who may authorize the issue thereof upon such conditions as he may deem expedient and shall also be at liberty, if he shall consider it necessary and just to do so, to refuse to issue any such licence on the original application, or to refuse to issue a fresh licence on the expiration of any preceding licence and shall not be bound to assign any reason for refusing to sanction the issue of such licence.

3. An annual licence duty of one pound shall be paid in respect of every licence the issue of which shall have been authorized as provided for in the preceding section, and each such licence shall expire on the thirty-first day of December of the year it was granted.

4. It shall be lawful for any police officer or other person authorized thereto by the Resident Magistrate having jurisdiction in the district, at any time to demand from any person carrying on the trade of a blacksmith, the production of his licence, and any such person refusing or failing to produce such licence or carrying on the trade of a blacksmith without first having obtained a licence under this Proclamation, or after the expiration of the term for which it shall have been granted, or in violation of the conditions thereof, or after the same shall have been forfeited, shall be liable on conviction to a penalty not exceeding ten pounds, or in default of payment, to imprisonment with or without hard labour for any period not exceeding three months.

5. This Proclamation may be cited for all purposes as the Bechuanaland Protectorate Licence Duties (Blacksmiths) Proclamation, 1929, and shall have force and take effect from the first day of January, 1930.

GOD SAVE THE KING.

Given under my Hand and Seal at Pretoria this Seventeenth day of December, One thousand Nine hundred and Twenty-nine.

ATHLONE,

High Commissioner.

By Command of His Excellency the
High Commissioner.

B. E. H. CLIFFORD,

Imperial Secretary.