

BECHUANALAND PROTECTORATE.

No. 42 OF 1947.

(Promulgated 25th July, 1947.)

PROCLAMATION

BY HIS EXCELLENCY THE HIGH COMMISSIONER
Entitled the Bechuanaland Protectorate Marriage
(Amendment) Proclamation, 1947.

Whereas it is expedient to amend the Bechuanaland Protectorate Marriage Proclamation, 1917, hereinafter referred to as "the principal law";

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

1. Section *thirteen* of the principal law is hereby amended by deleting sub-sections (2) and (3) and substituting therefor the following sub-sections:—

Amend-
ment
of section
13 of
Proclama-
tion No. 1
of 1917.

"(2) Any person shall be entitled on payment of a sum of two shillings and sixpence to receive a copy of such register certified as correct by the marriage officer in whose custody it is.

(3) The Resident Commissioner may, by notice in the *Gazette*, appoint an officer to be styled the Registrar of Marriages, who shall be the custodian of all registers and records of marriages in the Territory.

(4) A duplicate original of the register of every marriage, together with the sum of two shillings and sixpence, shall be transmitted by the marriage officer to the Registrar within one month after the solemnization of the marriage, and all such duplicates shall be filed by him and carefully preserved in his office.

(5) The Registrar shall furnish the public, on application and on payment of the sum of two shillings and sixpence, with a certified copy of such register, and shall cause a search to be made in his records for that purpose.

(6) Every such certified copy furnished by the Registrar or by a marriage officer shall in all courts of law and public offices within the Territory be *prima facie* evidence of the particulars set forth therein."

Short title. 2. This Proclamation may be cited as the
Bechuanaland Protectorate Marriage (Amend-
ment) Proclamation, 1947.

GOD SAVE THE KING.

Given under my Hand and Seal at Pretoria this
Sixteenth day of July, One thousand Nine hundred
and Forty-seven.

E. BARING,
High Commissioner.

By Command of His Excellency
the High Commissioner.

H. E. PRIESTMAN,
Administrative Secretary.