

manner and to the like extent as if they had been coined and issued in England.

5. (i.) If any person brings to the Branch Mint at Perth any Gold Bullion, the Deputy Master of that Branch shall assay Coin and deliver out the same to such person upon payment for every ounce Troy of gold of standard fineness, of a charge of three halfpence where the amount brought at one time does not exceed five hundred ounces, and of a penny in any other case, provided that—

(a) where the Gold Bullion so brought is such that it cannot be brought to the standard fineness of the coin to be coined thereout without refining the whole or some portion of it, the Deputy Master shall demand for assaying and refining the same such additional charge as the Governor in Council may from time to time fix, and until such charge is paid to him may refuse to receive, assay, or coin such bullion; and

b) where the Bullion brought to the Branch Mint for coinage is finer than the standard fineness of the coin to be coined thereout, there shall be delivered to the person bringing the same such additional amount of coin as is proportionate to such superior fineness;

(c) no undue preference shall be shown to any person as respects the Bullion brought to the Branch Mint, and every person shall have priority according to the time at which he brought it;

(d) The Governor of Western Australia in Council may make regulations for carrying into effect the provisions of this Article with respect to Gold Bullion, and the bringing, coining, and delivery out thereof, and in particular for regulating the time and conditions at and under which it is to be so brought, assayed, coined, and delivered out, and the minimum amount which may be so brought.

(ii.) The charges under this Article for coining, assaying, and refining shall be collected by the Deputy Master in accordance with the said regulations either as a payment in advance or as a deduction from the coin delivered out, or otherwise, and shall be accounted for and paid over in such manner as the Governor in Council directs to the Colonial Treasurer of Western Australia to be by him paid into the Consolidated Revenue Fund of the Colony.

6. Subject to the provisions of this Proclamation, the Branch Mint at Perth shall, for the purposes of the coinage of Gold Coins, be deemed to be part of Our Mint, and accordingly—

(a) the Deputy Master shall comply with all directions he may receive from the Master of Our Mint, whether as regards the returns to be made, or the delivery of coin for public use, or the transmission of specimen coins to England or otherwise; and

(b) the said specimen coins shall be subject to the trial of the pyx under section twelve of "The Coinage Act, 1870," so, however, that they shall be examined separately from the coins coined in England; and

(c) the Deputy Master and other officers and persons for the purpose of carrying on the business of the Branch Mint may be ap-

pointed, promoted, suspended, and removed, and their duties assigned and salaries awarded, under section fifteen of "The Coinage Act, 1870."

7. The Governor of Western Australia in Council shall cause the store of gold bullion and coin at the Branch Mint at Perth to be inspected half-yearly, and cause the persons inspecting the same to report thereon to the Deputy Master of the Branch Mint, stating the exact amount of bullion and coin inspected by them; and such report shall be transmitted by the Deputy Master to the Master of Our Mint in London.

8. The Master of Our Mint shall, in the execution of this Proclamation, act in accordance with any regulations made or directions given by the Lords Commissioners of Our Treasury.

9. In this Proclamation,—

The expression "Mint" means Our Royal Mint in England;

The expression "Governor" includes the officer for the time being administering the Government of the Colony;

The expression "Deputy Master of the Branch Mint" includes any person who lawfully exercises at such Branch Mint the authority of Deputy Master of Our Mint.

10. This Proclamation shall come into force in Our Colony of Western Australia, on the expiration of six months from the date thereof, unless it is sooner promulgated in the Colony, and in that case, on such promulgation.

Given at Our Court at Balmoral the thirteenth day of October, in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and ninety-seven, and in the sixty-first year of Our Reign.

GOD SAVE THE QUEEN.

At the Court at Balmoral, the 13th day of  
October 1897.

PRESENT,

The QUEEN's Most Excellent Majesty in Council.

WHEREAS the Secretary for Scotland has, under the provisions of the Burial Grounds (Scotland) Act, 1855, made a Representation stating that he has received a copy of an Interlocutor by the Sheriff of Roxburgh, Berwick, and Selkirk, finding that the burial-ground of the Parish of Hutton, in the County of Berwick, situated close to the Parish Church, is overcrowded with bodies, and is in respect thereof offensive or contrary to decency:

And, whereas in the said Representation it is recommended that the said burial-ground should be closed, except—

- (1) To the widows and widowers of those already buried there; and to married persons who were over fifty years of age on the 16th day of July 1897, being the date of the opening of the new burial-ground now provided for said Parish, and whose near relations are buried in said old burial-ground, but this exception not to apply in the event of such unmarried persons themselves becoming heads of families.