GOVERNMENT NOTIFICATION.—No. 93.

The following Proclamation by His Majesty the King determining new designs for gold and bronze coins, is published for general information.

By Command,

J. H. STEWART LOCKHART, Colonial Secretary.

Colonial Secretary's Office, Hongkong, 20th February, 1902.

By the KING. A PROCLAMATION.

EDWARD R. I.

WHEREAS under section eleven of the Coinage Act, 1870. We have power, with the advice of Our Privy Council, from time to time by proclamation to determine the design for any coin:

And whereas it appears to Us desirable to determine new designs for the gold and bronze coins mentioned in the First Schedule to the Coinage Act, 1870:

We, therefore, in pursuance of the said enactment and of all other powers enabling Us in that behalf, do hereby, by and with the advice of Our Privy Council, proclaim, direct, and ordain as follows:—

1. The designs for the said gold and bronze coins shall be as follows:

GOLD COINS.

- (1.) Five-pound Piece.—Every five-pound piece shall have for the obverse impression Our effigy with the inscription, "EDWARDUS VII DEI GRA: BRITT: OMN: REX FID: DEF: IND: IMP:" and for the reverse the image of Saint George armed, sitting on horse-back, attacking the dragon with a sword and a broken spear upon the ground, and the date of the year, with a graining upon the edge.
- (2.) Two-pound Piece.—Every two-pound piece shall have the same obverse and reverse impression and inscription in all respects as the five-pound piece, with a graining upon the edge.
- (3.) Sovereign.—Every sovereign shall have for the obverse impression the aforesaid effigy with the inscription "EDWARDUS VII D. G. BRITT: OMN: REX . D. IND: IMP: "and for the reverse the same impression in all respects as the five-pound piece, with a graining upon the edge.
- (4.) Half-Sovereign.—Every half-sovereign shall have the same obverse and reverse impression and inscription in all respects as the sovereign, with a graining upon the edge.

Bronze Coins.

- (1.) Penny.—Every penny shall have for the obverse impression Our effigy with the inscription, "EDWARDUS VII DEI GRA: BRITT: OMN: REX FID: DEF: IND: IMP:" and for the reverse impression the figure of Britannia seated on a rock surrounded by the sea, her right hand holding a shield which rests against the rock, while in her left hand she grasps a trident, and the inscription "one penny," with the date of the year and a plain edge.
- (2.) Half-Penny.—Every half-penny shall have the same obverse impression and inscription as the penny, and for the reverse the figure of Britannia seated as described for the penny, and the inscription "HALF-PENNY," with the date of the year and a plain edge.
- (3.) Farthing.—Every farthing shall have the same obverse impression and inscription as the penny, and for the reverse the figure of Britannia seated as described for the penny, and the inscription "FARTHING," with the date of the year and a plain edge.
- 2. This Proclamation shall come into force on the First day of January, Nineteen hundred and two.

Given at Our Court at St. James's, this Tenth day of December, in the year of our Lord One thousand nine hundred and one, and in the first year of Our Reign.

GOD SAVE THE KING.

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