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By Command,

J. H. STEWART LOCKHART, Colonial Secretary.

Colonial Secretary's Office, Hongkong, 20th March, 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 silver coins specified in this Proclamation, being silver 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 silver coins shall be as follows:-
 - (1.) Crown.—Every crown shall have for the obverse impression, Our effigy with the inscription, "Edwards vii dei gra: brit: omn: rex: fid: def: ind: imp:" and for the reverse the image of Saint George armed, sitting on horseback, attacking the dragon with a sword, and a broken spear upon the ground, and the date of the year, and on the edge of the piece in raised letters, "decus et tutamen anno regni," the year of the reign being in Roman numeral letters.
 - (2.) Half-Crown.—Every half-crown shall have for the obverse impression the aforesaid effigy, with the inscription, "EDWARDUS VII DEI GRA: BRITT: OMN: REX" and for the reverse the Ensigns Armorial of the United Kingdom contained in a shield surmounted by the Royal Crown and surrounded by the Garter bearing the motto, "Honi soit qui mal y pense," with the inscription, "FID: DEF: IND: 'IMP:" together with the words "Half Crown," and the date of the year, with a graining upon the edge.
 - (3.) Florin.—Every florin shall have the same obverse impression as the half-crown with the inscription, "EDWARDUS VII D.G. BRITT: OMN: REX F.D. IND: IMP:" and for the reverse the figure of Britannia standing upon the prow of a vessel, her right hand grasping a trident, and her left resting on a shield, with the words "ONE FLORIN TWO SHILLINGS" and the date of the year, with a graining upon the edge.
 - (4.) Shilling.—Every shilling shall have the same obverse impression and inscription as the half-crown, and for the reverse, Our Royal Crest with the date of the year placed across the Crest, with the inscription, "FID: DEF: IND: IMP:" together with the words "ONE SHILLING," with a graining upon the edge.
 - (5.) Sixpence.—Every sixpence shall have the same obverse impression and inscription as the crown, and for the reverse the words "SIX PENCE" placed in the centre of the piece, having an olive branch on one side and an oak branch on the other, surmounted by the Royal Crown, and the date of the year between and below the branches, with a graining upon the edge.
 - (6.) Silver Fourpence, Threepence, Twopence, and Penny.— Every silver fourpence, threepence, twopence, and penny shall have for the obverse impression Our aforesaid effigy, with the inscription, "EDWARDUS VII D.G. BRITT: OMN: REX F.D. IND: IMP:" and for the reverse the respective figures "4", "3", "2", "1" (according to the denomination or value of the piece) in the centre, with the date of the year placed across the figure, and encircled with an oak wreath surmounted by the Royal Crown, with a plain edge.
 - Given at Our Court at St. James's, this Thirteenth day of January, in the year of our Lord One thousand nine hundred and two, and in the first year of Our Reign.

GOD SAVE THE KING.