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No. 11

An Act to consolidate and amend the Law relating to the Celebration of Marriage.

Assented to 1st November, 1894.

) E it enacted by the Queen's Most Excellent Majesty, by and with • the advice and consent of the Legislative Council and Legislative Assembly of Western Australia, in this present Parliament

Division of Act

1. This Act is divided into parts, as follows :----

Part I.—PRELIMINARY, SS. 2-4;

Part II.-PERSONS AUTHORISED TO CELEBRATE MARRIAGES, AND TIME THEREOF, SS. 5 AND 6;

Part III.—CELEBRATION OF MARRIAGE, SS. 7-20; Part IV.—Offences, SS. 21-26; Part V.—MISCELLANEOUS, SS. 27-38

PART I

PRELIMINARY

Short title and commencement

Repeal of Acts. Firs Schedule

Existing marriages

Saving of things duly done; pro-ceedings and offences under repealed Acts

2. This Act may be cited for all purposes as 'The Marriage Act, 1894,' and shall come into operation and take effect on and from the first day of January, one thousand eight hundred and ninety-five.

3. (1) The Acts specified in the First Schedule to this Act are hereby repealed.

(2) Such repeal shall in nowise affect the validity of any marriage celebrated before the coming into operation of this Act, but every such marriage shall from the time of the celebration of the same remain and continue as legal and as valid as though this Act had never been passed.

(3) Whenever, before the coming into operation of this Act, any offence against the Acts hereby repealed has been wholly or partly committed, or any penalty thereunder has been incurred, or any act or thing has been done under the authority thereof, or where in respect of any matter or thing done prior to the coming into operation of this Act any right, liability, or privilege accrues or has accrued, or any action, prosecution, or other proceeding has been commenced, every such offence shall be dealt with and punished and every such penalty shall be recovered, and every such act or thing shall remain valid and have effect, and every such right, liability, or privilege shall continue and be in force, and every such action, prosecution, or other proceeding shall be prosecuted, continued, or defended in the same manner as if this Act had never been passed.

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4. In this Act, unless the context otherwise indicates, the following Interpretation terms shall have the meanings set against them respectively :-

' Church ' shall include a cathedral, chapel, or other building or place in which religious services are regularly held.

- 'District ' shall mean a district established for the registration of births, deaths, and marriages under the law for the time being regulating such registration.
- 'District Registrar' shall mean the officer appointed to register births, deaths, and marriages within a district, but shall not include any assistant district registrar.
- 'Minister' shall mean any minister of religion authorised to celebrate marriages under this Act.
- 'Registrar General' shall mean the Registrar General of births, deaths, and marriages appointed under the law for the time being regulating the registration of births, deaths, and marriages within Western Australia.

PART II

PERSONS AUTHORISED TO CELEBRATE MARRIAGES, AND TIME THEREOF

5. Subject to the provisions of this Act, the following persons, and Persons who may celebrate none other, may celebrate marriages :--

- (1) A minister of religion, ordinarily officiating as such, whose name, designation, religious denomination, and usual place of residence have been and continue to be duly registered according to law in the office of the Registrar General as authorised to celebrate marriages, or
- (2) The district registrar of the district wherein the marriage is celebrated.

6. No marriage shall be celebrated before eight o'clock in the Time of celemorning or after six o'clock in the evening : Provided that no district registrar shall be compellable to celebrate a marriage after four o'clock in the afternoon, or at all on any Sunday or Bank Holiday.

PART III

CELEBRATION OF MARRIAGE

General Provisions as to Marriage

7. No marriage shall be celebrated unless and until a declaration Declaration by upon oath or solemn affirmation has been made by the parties to such intended marriage, in the respective forms set forth in the Second Schedule to this Act, before the minister or district registrar celebrating such marriage, who are hereby authorised to administer such oaths and to take and receive such declarations and solemn affirmations; and every such declaration or solemn affirmation shall be endorsed upon the back of the register form of such marriage required by the law regulating the registration of marriages to be transmitted to the Registrar General.

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Notice posted on door of church, &c., or (Fifth Schedule)

Notice to District Registrar Sixth Schedule 8. No marriage shall be celebrated unless two or more witnesses, of the full age of twenty-one years and upwards, are present.

9. If either party to any intended marriage, not being a widow or widower, is under the age of twenty-one years, such marriage shall not be celebrated unless there is produced to the minister or district registrar about to celebrate such marriage the consent, according to one of the forms contained in the Third Schedule to this Act, of the father of such party, if he is within Western Australia, or if he is not within Western Australia, of a guardian appointed by such father; or if there is no such guardian within Western Australia, of the mother of such party, if she is in Western Australia; or if there is no such guardian within Western Australia, or if such parent or guardian is incapable of duly consenting by reason of distance, habitual intoxication, mental incapacity, or other substantial cause, of some Justice of the Peace. Provided that such Justice of the Peace shall make inquiry as to the facts and circumstances of the case before giving such consent.

10. Whenever any marriage is celebrated upon the production of any such consent as aforesaid, a statement of the fact of such consent, in the form contained in the Fourth Schedule to this Act, shall be endorsed on each register form of such marriage required to be made by the law regulating the registration of marriages, and shall be signed by the minister or district registrar celebrating such marriage.

11. Immediately after the celebration of every marriage, the minister or district registrar celebrating the same shall register or cause to be registered, in triplicate, the several particulars relating to such marriage, as required by the law regulating the registration of marriages.

Additional Provisions-Marriages by Ministers

12. Except by special license hereinafter mentioned, no minister shall celebrate any marriage unless and until-

- The banns of such marriage have, within the three months next preceding the date of such marriage, been duly published on three consecutive Sundays in a church within the district wherein one of the parties to such marriage resides, and within which such marriage shall be celebrated; or
- (2) A notice in writing of the intention to celebrate such marriage, in the form contained in the Fifth Schedule to this Act, has within the three months next preceding the date of such marriage been affixed for three consecutive Sundays to the outer door of a church within the district wherein one of the parties to such marriage resides, and within which such marriage shall be celebrated; or
- (3) The parties to such marriage have, within three months next preceding such marriage, given notice, in the form contained in the Sixth Schedule to this Act, to the district registrar of the district wherein such parties have

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respectively resided for not less than seven days next preceding the giving of such notice, and the respective certificates of the giving of such notice hereinafter mentioned are produced to such minister before such marriage. Provided always, that if such parties have resided in the same district for not less than seven days as aforesaid, or if one of such parties is not, or has not resided in Western Australia for seven days immediately preceding the giving of such notice, then notice as aforesaid by one of such parties shall be deemed to be notice on behalf of each of such parties, and the production of the certificate of such notice shall be sufficient.

Additional Provisions—Marriages by District Registrars

13. No district registrar shall celebrate any marriage unless and District hil(1) The partice to such marriage have made in the presence until-

- (1) The parties to such marriage have made, in the presence of such district registrar, a declaration in the form contained in the Seventh Schedule to this Act; and
- (2) Such parties have, within the three months next preceding such marriage, given notice, in the form contained in the Sixth Schedule to this Act, to the district registrar of the district wherein such parties have respectively dwelt, for not less than seven days next preceding the giving of such notice. Provided always, that if both of such parties have resided in the same district for not less than seven days as aforesaid, or if one of such parties is not, or has not resided in Western Australia for seven days immediately preceding the giving of such notice, then notice as aforesaid by one of such parties shall be deemed to be notice on behalf of each of such parties; and
- (3) The certificates or certificate according to the circumstances certificate produced of the case hereinafter required of the giving of such notice are or is produced to such district registrar before such marriage.

14. No marriage shall be celebrated by any district registrar other Marriage not to be celebrated except by District registrar or one of the district registrars to whom the by District registrar to whom notice is than the district registrar or one of the district registrars to whom the notice specified in the last preceding section has been given as aforesaid.

15. No marriage shall be celebrated by a district registrar except Form of in his office and except in the form of words set forth in the Eighth Schedule to this Act, which form of words shall be repeated and signed Registrar by the parties to such marriage respectively.

thereof in a conspicuous place in his office, and on the outer door of the building wherein such office is situate, and shall also art in the building wherein such office is situate. 16. The district registrar receiving the notice in the form contained District copy of such notice into a book provided for that purpose, to be called

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Marriage Notice

'The Marriage Notice Book,' and such book shall be opened at all reasonable times, without fee, to all persons desirous of inspecting the same; and for every entry so made the district registrar may charge the fee of one shilling.

17. After the expiration of seven days from the giving of such notice the district registrar receiving the same shall, upon the request of or on behalf of either party to the marriage mentioned in such notice, and upon payment of the fee of one shilling, issue under his hand a certificate in the form contained in the Ninth Schedule to this Act, unless—

- (1) It is shown to the satisfaction of such district registrar that some lawful impediment exists why such certificate should not issue, or
- (2) The issue of such certificate is forbidden in the manner hereinafter mentioned by any person whose consent to such marriage is required by law.

Issue of District Registrar's certificate may be forbidden 18. Any person whose consent to a marriage is required by law may forbid the issue by a district registrar of such certificate, by writing or causing to be written, at any time before such issue, the word 'forbidden' opposite to the entry of the notice of such marriage in the Marriage Notice Book, and by subscribing or causing to be subscribed thereto his place of abode and character as parent or guardian.

19. Every district registrar shall, on the first day of every month, transmit to the office of the Registrar General all notices of marriages, received by such district registrar and all certificates thereof received by him during the month preceding, and such notices and certificates shall be thereafter kept in such office in such order and manner as the Registrar General thinks fit, so that such notices and certificates may be most readily seen and examined.

Marriage by Special License

20. When by reason of the parties to an intended marriage, or one of them, residing at a distance of fifty miles—

- (a) From a church belonging to the religious denomination according to the rites of which the parties desire to be married; or
- (b) From the office of a district registrar; or

when, by reason of special circumstances, it is shown to the satisfaction of the Governor or any Resident Magistrate that there exists a good reason for the speedy celebration of a marriage, and that the circumstances of the case will not admit of a compliance with the provisions of this Act as to the publication of banns or the posting or giving of notice of such marriage, then in such case the Governor or any Resident Magistrate may grant his license for the celebration of such marriage without compliance with such provisions, in the form in Tenth Schedule to this Act, and thereupon such marriage may be celebrated. Such license shall be produced and delivered to the person

Governor or Resident Magistrate may grant Special License in certain cases

Tenth Schedule

After seven days certificate of notice to be given Ninth Schedule

Notices to be sent to Registrar General

about to celebrate the marriage, and after the celebration thereof shall be transmitted, with the register form of marriage, in the case of a Minister to the district registrar, and in the case of a district registrar to the Registrar General.

PART IV

OFFENCES

21. (1) Except a minister of religion whose name, designation, Certain offences religious denomination, and usual place of residence have not been, and do not continue to be duly registered as a minister authorised to Registrars and others to be celebrate marriages by reason of accident or inadvertence, any person misdemeanours other than a minister or a district registrar who celebrates or professes or attempts to celebrate a marriage, and

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(2) Any minister or district registrar who celebrates or attempts to celebrate a marriage---

- (a) Unless previous to such marriage a declaration upon oath or solemn affirmation, as prescribed by this Act, has been made; and
- (b) Unless two witnesses at least are present; and
- (c) If either party to such marriage not being a widower or widow is under the age of twenty-one years, unless the consent required by this Act is produced to such minister or district registrar, and such minister or district registrar is not aware, or has no reasonable ground to believe that such party is under such age or that such consent is fictitious or not given by the appropriate person; and
- (d) Unless such marriage is celebrated after eight o'clock in the morning or before six o'clock in the evening.

(3) And any minister who, except by special license as hereinbefore mentioned, celebrates or attempts to celebrate a marriage before publication of banns or posting of notice or giving of notice to the district registrar, and production to such minister of the certificates or certificate, as the case may be, that such notice has been duly given, as hereinbefore provided;

(4) And any district registrar who celebrates or attempts to celebrate a marriage:

- (a) Before the declaration in the form contained in the Seventh Schedule to this Act is made in his presence by the parties to such marriage; or
- (b) Before the notice of such marriage prescribed by this Act has been given to him; or
- (c) Before the certificate or certificates, as the case may be, that such notice has been duly given is or are produced to him; or
- (d) In a form of words other than that prescribed by the Eighth Schedule to this Act; or

(e) In any place other than the office of the district registrar wherein notice of such marriage has been posted as required by this Act;

(5) And any district registrar who issues the certificate in the form contained in the Ninth Schedule to this Act—

- (a) Before the expiration of seven days from the giving of the notice therein mentioned; or
- (b) After proof that some lawful impediment exists why such certificate should not issue; or
- (c) After such issue has been forbidden in the manner prescribed by this Act by a person whose consent is required by this Act to the marriage in respect of which such certificate is issued,

shall be guilty of a misdemeanour and punishable by a fine not exceeding Five hundred pounds, or by imprisonment with or without hard labour for any term not exceeding five years, or by both such fine and imprisonment as the Court convicting such offender may award.

22. Any minister of religion whose name, designation, religious denomination, and usual place of residence have not been and do not continue to be duly registered as a minister authorised to celebrate marriages by reason of accident or inadvertence, and who celebrates a marriage, shall be guilty of an offence against this Act, and summarily punishable, upon conviction before two or more Justices of the Peace, by a penalty not exceeding Twenty pounds.

23. Any minister or district registrar or other person failing in any way in the performance of their respective duties to comply with the provisions of this Act shall be guilty of an offence against this Act, and be summarily punishable, upon conviction before two or more Justices of the Peace, by a penalty not exceeding Fifty pounds and not less than Ten pounds.

24. Any person who wilfully makes any false statement upon oath or by solemn affirmation under this Act shall be deemed guilty of perjury, and liable to prosecution and punishable accordingly.

25. Any person who—

- Knowingly and wilfully marries a person under the age of twenty-one years, not being a widow or widower, without previously obtaining the consent required by this Act; or
- (2) Induces or attempts to induce a minister or district registrar or other person to celebrate such marriage knowing the same to be contrary to law; or
- (3) Aids or abets in the celebration of such marriage knowing the same to be contrary to law,

shall be guilty of a misdemeanour and punishable by a fine not exceeding Five hundred pounds or by imprisonment with or without hard labour for any term not exceeding five years, or by both such fine and imprisonment as the Court convicting such offender may award.

Minister of Religion not registered by reason of inadvertence and celebrating marriage summarily punishable

Minister, District Registrar, or other person failing in performance of duty summarily punishable

False statement upon oath or by affirmation under this Act to be deemed perjury Layman abetting an irregular matriage guilty of a misdemeauour

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26. Any person who-

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 (1) Forges or assists in forging or procures to be forged, or rorging parent with knowledge of such forgery utters or assists in or guardian's consent to whether any person who are assisted in the second s uttering or causes to be uttered :
 - (a) Any consent or writing purporting to be the consent required by this Act to the marriage of any person under the age of twenty-one years; or
 - (b) Any notice or certificate of notice or certificate of marriage required by this Act, or any writing purporting to be such notice or certificate; or
 - (c) Any special license authorised by this Act, or any writing purporting to be such special license; or
 - (d) Any copy of any entry made in any register relating to any marriage, or any writing purporting to be such copy; or
- (2) Signs or transmits to any district registrar or the Registrar General any certificate, special license, or register form required by law, or writing purporting to be such, containing to his knowledge any false statement therein,

shall be guilty of felony and punishable by imprisonment, with or without hard labour, for any term not exceeding five years.

PART V

MISCELLANEOUS

27. Every marriage celebrated by a minister or district registrar after the declaration upon oath or solemn affirmation by the parties to such marriage in the form contained in the First Schedule to this Act to be valid shall be a legal and valid marriage to all intents and purposes, and no other marriage, except as hereinafter provided, shall be valid for any purpose.

28. No marriage shall be deemed to have been unduly celebrated Marriage not to be vitiated by reason only of any mere defect or error in such declaration if the error in by reason only of any mere defect or error in such declaration if the identity of the parties to such marriage shall not be in question.

29. No marriage in fact shall be avoided by reason only of the same having been celebrated by a person not being a minister or district registrar respectively, if either of the parties to such marriage at the time thereof *bona fide* believes that such person was a minister or district registrar respectively.

30. No marriage shall be avoided by reason of the omission of the minister celebrating the same to cause his name, designation, religious denomination, or usual place of residence to be registered according to law, or by reason of the same ceasing to be so registered, or by reason of the improper or defective appointment of the district registrar celebrating such marriage.

31. A copy of the marriage registry to be kept in the office of Copy of Registry the Registrar General and under his hand of any marriage shall be to be eviden deemed to be evidence in all proceedings, civil or criminal, of the fact

Every marriage celebrated after eclaration made

declaration

Marriage not to be avoided by reason of celebration by a person other than a minister or District Registrar

Marriage not to be avoided by reason of non-registration of minister or improper ap-pointment of Dis-trict Registrar

minor's marriage or certificate of marriage to be felony

that such marriage has been duly celebrated, until the contrary is shown.

Marriage with deceased wife's sister to be valid

Nothing in this Act to legalise certain marriages

Marriages of Jews and Quakers

Such marriages to be valid

Such marriages to be registered like other marriages

Penalty

Mark may be made in lieu of signature to documents

Incorporation of Shortening Ordinance 32. No marriage between any man and the sister of his deceased wife shall within Western Australia be voidable or in anywise impeachable upon the ground only of such affinity between the parties thereto, any law, usage, or custom to the contrary notwithstanding.

33. Nothing in this Act contained shall legalise any marriage declared or made invalid by any Court of competent jurisdiction, nor any marriage either party to which at the time of the celebration thereof has another wife or husband living, nor any marriage other than a marriage between a widower and the sister of his deceased wife which would be void by reason of relationship, kindred, or alliance, nor any marriage which would be void by reason of fraud or incapacity to contract marriage.

34. Nothing in this Act previously contained shall extend or be construed to extend to any marriage between parties, both of whom are Quakers, or both of whom are Jews, if such marriage is celebrated according to the usages of the Quakers or Jews, as the case may be.

35. Every such marriage celebrated according to the usages of the Quakers or Jews, as the case may be, shall be as legal and valid as any other marriage duly celebrated under this Act.

36. (1) The particulars of every such marriage required to be registered by the law regulating the registration of marriages shall, within seven days from the celebration of the marriage, be given in writing by the person celebrating the same to the district registrar, who shall register such marriage in triplicate, and observe the same procedure and law in respect of such registration as is enacted in respect of the registration of any other marriage.

(2) Any person celebrating such marriage and failing to give such particulars to the district registrar shall be subject to the like penalties and punishable in the same manner as a minister failing in the performance of his duties to comply with the provisions of the law regulating the registration of marriages.

37. Whenever under the provisions of this Act any person being illiterate or unable to write is required to sign any declaration, certificate, consent, statement, notice or other document, such person may express his assent thereto by making his mark in the presence of an attesting witness.

38. Sections A, E, F, G, and H of 'The Shortening Ordinance, 1853,' shall be incorporated with and taken to form part of this Act to all intents and purposes, and in as full and ample a manner as if the said sections had been introduced and fully set forth in this Act.

> ALEX. C. ONSLOW, GOVERNOR'S DEPUTY.

SCHEDULES

FIRST SCHEDULE

Section 3

No. and Year of A	et	Title				
19 Vic. No. 11.	•	An Ordinance to amend and consolidate the Laws affecting the solemnisation of matrimony in the Colony of Western Australia.				
41 Vic. No. 21.	•	An Act to legalise the marriage of a man with the sister of his deceased wife.				
43 Vic. No. 28.	•	The Marriage Law Amendment Act, 1879.				

SECOND SCHEDULE

Declaration before Minister or District Registrar

(To be endorsed on Marriage Certificate to be transmitted to Registrar General)

I, A.B., of (usual place of residence and designation or employment) make Section 7 oath and say (or if objecting to take an oath, 'do solemnly and sincerely declare and affirm ') that I believe there is no impediment or lawful objection, by reason of any kindred, relationship, or alliance, or any former marriage, or the want of consent of parents or guardians, or any other lawful cause, to my being married to C.D., of (usual place of residence and occupation, if any), daughter of E.F., of (usual place of residence and occupation).

Signature of A.B.

Sworn (or solemnly declared and affirmed) by the said A.B. this day of

said A.B. this

Dated this

Before me

(Signature of Minister or District Registrar)

An , the said C.D., make oath and say (or 'do solemnly and sincerely declare and affirm ') that I believe that there is no impediment or lawful objection, by any such reason or other lawful cause as aforesaid, to my being married to the said A.B.

Signature of C.D.

Sworn (or solemnly declared and affirmed) by the)

said C.D. this day of 18.

Before me

day of

(Signature of Minister or District Registrar.

THIRD SCHEDULE

Form of Consent of Father, Mother, or Guardian to Marriage of Minors

I (name of father, mother or guardian) of (residence and occupation) as (father, Section 9 mother or guardian) do hereby give my consent to the marriage of my (son, daughter or ward, with name in full, residence and occupation) aged (state age) to (name in full of intended bride or bridegroom) of (residence and occupation, if any).

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(Signature of Father, Mother, or Guardian.)

Form of Consent of Justice of the Peace to Marriage of Minor

I (name in full and residence), being a Justice of the Peace for the Colony of Western Australia, acting herein under Section 11 of 'The Marriage Act, 1894,' for the reasons hereon endorsed, do give my consent to the marriage of (name at full length, residence and occupation, if any), aged (state age) to (name of intended bride or bridegroom in full, residence and occupation, if any) and I do certify that previous to giving such consent I have made due inquiry into the facts and circumstances of the case, and am satisfied that no valid objection to such marriage exists.

day of

Dated this

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(Signature of Justice of the Peace.)

FOURTH SCHEDULE

Form of Endorsement of Consent to Marriage of Minor upon a Certificate of Marriage

I certify that the consent of (name in full, residence and occupation) the (father, mother or guardian) of (name in full, residence and occupation, if any) a minor, or of (name in full of) a Justice of the Peace was given to the marriage between the parties named in this certificate.

(Signature of Minister or District Registrar.)

FIFTH SCHEDULE

Notice of Marriage

Section 12

I hereby give notice that a marriage is intended to be celebrated within three calendar months from the entry hereof between me and the other party herein named and described, that is to say:—

Name	Condition	Age over or under 21	Dwelling place	District wherein party resides
Intended Husband				
Intended Wife			,	
Witness my hand this		da (Sign	y of ed)	18 .

SIXTH SCHEDULE

Notice of Marriage

in the Colony

To the District Registrar of the Registry District of of Western Australia.

Sections 12, 13, and 16 I hereby give you notice that a marriage is intended to be celebrated within three calendar months from the entry hereof between me and the other party herein named and described, that is to say :---

Section 10

The Marriage Act, 1894 State length of residence. If over 7 days insert more Rank or Age over Residence Condition or under 21 Name Profession or Occupation than one week Intended Husband Intended Wife 18 Witness my hand this day of (Signature of party giving notice.)

SEVENTH SCHEDULE

Form of Declaration to authorise Marriage before a District Registrar

We, A.B., of (usual place of residence and occupation) and C.D. of (usual place Section 13 of residence and occupation) do hereby declare that we are desirous of being married, but that we object to be married by a Minister of Religion (or, but that there is no Minister of Religion accessible for the purpose of celebrating our marriage).

Signed by the parties this | Signature of intended husband

day of 1S . ∫ Signature of intended wife

Before me

District Registrar.

EIGHTH SCHEDULE

Form of Marriage before a District Registrar

I, A.B., of (usual place of residence and occupation) do hereby declare in the Section 15 presence of C.D., Registrar of Marriages for the district of that I take E.F. of (usual place and occupation) to be my lawful wife; and I, the said E.F., do declare that I take the said A.B. to be my lawful husband.

Signatures)

of parties,

NINTH SCHEDULE

District Registrar's Certificate

, District Registrar for the Registry District of

in the Colony of Western Australia, do hereby certify that on the 18 notice was duly entered in the Marriage Notice Book of the said District of the marriage intended between the parties therein named and described, that is to say :--

Name	Condition	Rank or Profession or Occupation	Age over or under 21	Residence	State length of residence. If over 7 days insert more than one week
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day of Section 17

Date of notice received,	entere	d, ۱	The issue of this	: Certific	cate has 1	iot be	en for-
and posted up	18	-	bidden by any j	person a	uthorised	to for	bid the
Date of Certificate given		i	issue thereof.				
_	18		Dated this	day of		18	•
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		j			District Registrar.		

NOTE .-- This Certificate will be void unless the marriage is celebrated within three months from the receipt of the above notice.

TENTH SCHEDULE

License for Marriage

Section 20

Whereas you, A.B., and you, C.D., are minded to enter into a contract of marriage under the provisions of 'The Marriage Act, 1894,' and are desirous that the same may be speedily celebrated : And whereas you have respectively signed the declaration required by the said Act to be signed previous to marriage, and have satisfied me that you, the said A.B. and C.D., have had your usual place of strict of (or districts of respectively), and that there exists good reason for the speedy abode within the district of and celebration of your marriage, and that there exists good reason for the speedy celebration of your marriage, and that the circumstances of the case will not admit of a compliance with the provisions of the said Act as to the publication of banns or the posting or giving of notice of the marriage. I do, therefore, hereby grant unto you full license, according to the authority given to me by the said Act to proceed to the celebration of your marriage, provided that the same be cele-brated within one month from the date hereof.

Given under my hand this

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(Signature.)

NOTE.—This License must be transmitted by a Minister celebrating a Marriage by virtue thereof to the District Registrar, with the register form of Marriage.

day of