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Short title.

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2. (1) Save and except the enactments specified in the schedule hereto annexed, all enactments which, on the first day of March, 1885, are in force in the district of Kaira and not in the Páñch Maháls shall be deemed to come into force in the Páñch Maháls on that day.

(2) All enactments which on that day are in force in the Páñch Maháls and not in the district of Kaira shall be deemed to be repealed on and from that day in the Páñch Maháls.

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Local Government may direct, and, save as aforesaid, shall be carried on as if this Act had not been passed.

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#### THE SCHEDULE.

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The Government of Bombay are, however, of opinion that the Páñch Maháls ought now to be placed upon a regulation footing, and at their suggestion the present Bill, which has been framed on the model of the Bánki Laws Act, 1881, has been prepared. It assimilates the law in force in the Páñch Maháls to that in the Kaira District from the 1st March, 1885, excluding the Female Infanticide Act, 1870, the Broach and Kaira Thákurs' Relief Act, 1881, and the Bombay Land-revenue Code, 1879, section 85 and the last fifteen words of section 58, which the Government of Bombay desire should not be extended to the Páñch Maháls; it saves pending proceedings; and it declares that, from the above-mentioned date, the Páñch Maháls shall cease to be a scheduled district, repealing at the same time the reference to those Maháls which occurs in Part II. of the first Schedule to the Scheduled Districts Act, 1874, and in the same Part of the Sixth Schedule to the Laws Local Extent Act, 1874.

*The 23rd October 1884.*

(Signed) C. P. ILBERT.

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