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PART V.

PROCEEDINGS OF THE LEGISLATIVE DEPARTMENT, BOMBAY.

(To be translated into Gujarati, and the translation to be published in the "Bombay Government Gazette." The date of publication to be reported.)

The following Bill, together with the Statement of Objects and Reasons accompanying it, is published in accordance with Rule 15 of the Rules for the conduct of Business at Meetings of the Council of His Excellency the Governor of Bombay for making Laws and Regulations:—

Bill No. 2 of 1890.

*A Bill to amend the Matádárs Act
(B. VI of 1887).*

WHEREAS it is expedient to amend the Matádárs Act, 1887; it is hereby enacted as follows:—

1. In the proviso to Section 6 of the said Act for all after the words "in such village appertains" there shall be substituted the following:—

"to one or more than one of such families to the exclusion of the remainder of such families and shall vest in

such order as he may thereby determine, and every such declaration shall be conclusive evidence of the rights thereby affirmed."

2. For Section 14 of the said Act the following shall be substituted:—

"In every village in which the Governor in Council makes a declaration under Section 6 the right to the office of patel shall vest to the exclusion of all other matádárs in the representative of each of the families whose rights are thereby declared in such order as may therein be determined."

STATEMENT OF OBJECTS AND REASONS.

Section 6 of the Matádárs Act, 1887, gives power to the Governor in Council to declare the exclusive right of one family only to the office of patel. The amendment

proposed in the present Bill is intended to remove all doubt as to the exercise by the Governor in Council of the same powers whenever an exclusive right shall have been shown to vest in more than one of the families recognised on the Collector's records. A case has come before the Collector of Kaira in which such exclusive right is found to vest in more than one out of several families, and it is anticipated that similar cases may be found hereafter.

1st April 1890.

(Signed) J. G. MOORE,

By order of His Excellency the Right Honourable the Governor in Council,

J. J. HEATON,

Secretary to the Council of the Governor of Bombay
for making Laws and Regulations.

Bombay, 1st April 1890.