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No. 60/28.

Ag. Registrar General

SUBJECT.

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THE MARRIAGE ORDINANCE 1902.

Non-compliance with the provisions of.

28th Jan. 1928

Previous Paper.

MINUTES.

Memo: from Ag. Registrar General of 28th Jan. 1928.

PA 9/2/28

1.

Order p. 307

Spoke Reg. Gen. According to sec. 5 of Ord. F of 1902

the warning is not necessarily ^{issued} ~~to be~~ or ~~made~~.

A letter to the Very Rev. or drafted in all

that is required. Jvd 3. 2. 28.

2.

letter to the Very Rev. J.S. Vaughan of 3/2/28.

Reg. Gen. Please see.

Jvd
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Subsequent Paper.

4. 2. 28

Hon. Col. Sec.

Thank you - seen.

M. Traill Hackett

As. Registrar

6. 2. 28

3. Letter from Dean of Stanley, of 6th February, 1928.

Reg. Gen.

Please see

M. Traill Hackett

Hon. Col. Sec.

8. 2. 28.

Thank you, seen.

M. Traill Hackett

As. Registrar

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MEMO.

Departmental Number.

From..... ~~Stokson~~ Acting Registrar
General

Date..... January.. 28th.. 1928

To Honble Colonial Secretary

THE MARRIAGE ORDINANCE, 1902

Non-compliance with the provisions of.

Page - Wilson marriage.

Reference
Numbers.

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Hon. Col. Sec,

I beg to report that on the 17th January last a Certificate of Marriage relative to the above mentioned marriage was received from the Very Revd. Dean Vaughan.

2. The prescribed Declaration was not made by one of the parties to the intended marriage (Section 12)

3. On making enquiries I was informed by the Dean that he had forgotten to ascertain whether the required Declaration had been made before he celebrated the marriage. Mr. N. A. Page stated that he did not know he was required to make a Declaration as he was not told to do so by the Dean.

I might mention that some twelve months ago Dean Vaughan published in the Church paper a note of the procedure required to be followed by persons intending marriage.

4. It would appear that both Dean Vaughan and Mr. N. A. Page have contravened the provisions of the Marriage Ordinance and I beg to request your instructions in the matter, please.

M. Stokson
Ag. Registrar General.

28.1.28.

60/28.

3rd February, 28.

Sir,

I am directed to inform you that it has been brought to the notice of the Governor that you have recently celebrated a marriage, namely Page - Wilson, without ensuring that the declaration required in accordance with the provisions of Sections 10 and 12 of the Marriage Ordinance No. 8 of 1902, had been duly made and signed by one of the parties to the marriage.

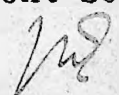
2. I am to suggest to you the consequences which might in certain circumstances follow such an omission on your part and I am to ask that in future you will be careful to ensure that the provisions of the Ordinance are in all respects strictly observed.

3. I am to point out that in accordance with the provisions of Section 5 of the Ordinance a marriage so celebrated is not necessarily invalid or illegal and to say that there is no apparent reason to regard the marriage in question as otherwise than valid or legal and that it will be in fact so regarded.

I am,

Sir,

Your obedient servant,



Colonial Secretary.

THE VERY REVEREND

DEAN F. S. VAUGHAN,

STANLEY.



THE DEANERY,
PORT STANLEY,
FALKLAND ISLANDS.

6th. February 1928

Sir,

I beg to acknowledge your letter of the 3rd. inst.- No. 60/28 - relative to the marriage of Page-Wilson and in reply desire to express my sincere regret at the omission on my part.

Perhaps I may be permitted to say that after some 14 years' experience in England where the only requirement for marriage after banns in the Church of England is to give notice to the Vicar it is perhaps easy to explain the oversight, especially as in this case, Mr. Page called at the Deanery to give notice of his banns during the rush of the few days immediately preceding Christmas Day. I have, however, been most careful to inform all previous couples that they must first fill up a "Notice of Marriage Form" at the office of the Registrar and I may have done so in this case, and I published in the October, 1926 issue of "The Falkland Islands Magazine" a notice to this effect and have repeated it in the January 1928 issue.

I will in future be careful to ensure that the provisions of the Marriage Ordinance are strictly observed.

I am, Sir,

Your obedient servant,

Dean of Stanley.

The Honourable

The Colonial Secretary,
Stanley.