

The Honourable John Gilbert Kotze, Puisne Judge, Cape Provincial Division, Supreme Court of South Africa.

The Honourable Ezekiel M'Leod, Chief Justice of the Supreme Court of New Brunswick.

Daniel Thomas Tudor, Esq., Chief Justice of the Supreme Court of the Bahama Islands.

Reginald Arthur Gamble, Esq., Indian Civil Service, Comptroller and Auditor-General, an Additional Member of the Indian Legislative Council.

Archibald Birkmyre, Esq., an Additional Member of the Legislative Council of the Governor of Bengal.

Sundar Lal, C.I.E., Rai Bahadur, Doctor of Laws of the University of Allahabad, an Additional Member of the Legislative Council of the Lieutenant-Governor of the United Provinces of Agra and Oudh.

Jagadish Chandra Bose, C.S.I., C.I.E., Doctor of Science of the University of London, formerly of the Indian Educational Service.

Norcot Hastings Yeeles Warren, Esq., Secretary and Treasurer of the Bank of Bengal, Calcutta.

Naoroji Pestanji Vakil, C.I.E., Khan Bahadur. Duncan Carmichael, Esq., of Calcutta.

Whitehall, April 16, 1917.

The KING has been pleased to give and grant unto Mr. Attilio Nani and Mr. Henri Zarb, Local Director and Sub-Director, respectively, of the Post Office, Alexandria, His Majesty's Royal licence and authority to wear the Insignia of the Fourth Class of the Order of the Nile, which Decoration has been conferred upon them by His Highness the Sultan of Egypt in recognition of valuable services rendered by them.

*Factory Department, Home Office,
April 11, 1917.*

The Chief Inspector of Factories gives notice that, in consequence of the death of Dr. W. Murdoch, an appointment as Certifying Surgeon under the Factory and Workshop Acts at Annan, in the county of Dumfries, is vacant.

*Factory Department, Home Office,
April 13, 1917.*

The Chief Inspector of Factories has appointed Dr. R. M. Boyd to be Certifying Surgeon, under the Factory and Workshop Acts, for the Braemar District of the county of Aberdeen.

*Downing Street,
14th April 1917.*

The KING has been pleased to appoint Sir Francis Alexander Newdigate Newdegate, K.C.M.G., to be Governor of the State of Tasmania and its Dependencies, in the Commonwealth of Australia.

War Office,

14th April 1917.

ARMY COUNCIL ORDER.

IMPORTED SOFT WOOD.

In pursuance of the powers conferred upon them by the Defence of the Realm Regulations, the Army Council hereby require all persons in the United Kingdom engaged in the purchase or sale of imported soft wood to comply with the following regulations: Provided that nothing herein contained shall apply to imported soft wood which, at the date hereof, shall have been despatched by any timber merchant to any consumer, or for which payment shall have been made by such consumer.

1. Save as herein provided no timber merchant shall (1) sell in any month for consumption an amount of imported soft wood exceeding one per cent. of the amount of timber which he had in stock in the United Kingdom on the 1st day of April 1917; (2) sell for consumption imported soft wood, unless (a) he is satisfied that it is required for a purpose of national importance, as defined in Form A. set out in the Schedule annexed; (b) if the quantity sold to a single firm or individual amounts to one standard or more, he receives from the purchaser a certificate in Form A. set out in the Schedule.

2. Any person wishing to purchase imported soft wood for consumption whose needs cannot be met under Regulation 1 hereof may apply to the Director of Timber Supplies for a special permit. Such applications should be sent in duplicate in Form B. set out in the Schedule hereto annexed.

If a permit is granted, a timber merchant is authorised to sell the amount stated therein in excess of the one per cent. authorised by Regulation 1 hereof.

3. If such imported soft wood is required for the execution of a Government contract or order, the applicant should attach to his application a certificate in Form C. set out in the Schedule hereto annexed, signed by a responsible officer of the Department concerned.

4. A permit upon which a timber merchant has supplied such imported soft wood in accordance with the provisions of Regulations 2 or 3 hereof, shall be kept by him unless he can supply only a portion of the quantity required. In this event he shall enter on such permit the amount of imported soft wood supplied by him thereunder with the date, verified by his signature, and he shall return the permit for future presentation to another merchant who is thereby authorised to sell such amount as is necessary to make up the quantity of timber supplied to the total quantity indicated on such permit.

By Order of the Army Council,

R. H. BRADE.

SCHEDULE.

FORM A.

TIMBER CONTROL.

Certificate to be signed by purchaser in respect of purchases of imported soft wood amounting to one standard or more.

I hereby certify that the quantity of imported soft wood specified hereunder is required in connection with a Government contract or for work