

Foreign Office,

June 9, 1917.

The Secretary of State for Foreign Affairs has received from His Majesty's Ambassador at Rome the following translation of the new list of absolute and conditional contraband issued by the Italian Government in April 1917. The additions to and modifications of the list subsequent to the decree of the 27th February 1916, and up to the 31st March 1917, are indicated by italics:—

*Absolute Contraband.*

1. Arms of all kinds, including arms for sporting purposes, and their component parts.
2. Implements and apparatus designed exclusively for the manufacture of munitions of war or for the manufacture or repair of arms or of war material, for use on land or sea.
3. Lathes and other machines or mechanical utensils which may be used in the manufacture of munitions of war.
4. Emery, corundum, natural and artificial (alundum) in all forms, *and all other abrasive materials, natural and artificial, and products manufactured with these materials* (3).
5. Projectiles, charges and cartridges of all kinds, and their component parts.
6. *Wax of any kind* (2).
7. Powders and explosives specially prepared for use in war.
8. Materials employed in the manufacture of explosives, including:—Nitric acid and nitrates of all kinds, Sulphuric acid, Smoking Sulphuric acid (Oleum), Acetic Acid and acetates, Barium chlorate and perchlorate, Calcium carbide, Calcium nitrate and Calcium acetate, Potassium Salts and Caustic Potash, Salts of ammonium and ammoniac (solution), Caustic Soda, Sodium Chlorate and perchlorate, Mercury Benzol, Toluol, Xylol, Solvent Naphtha, Phenol (Carbolic acid), Cresol, Naphthelene and its mixtures and derivatives; Aniline and its derivatives, Glycerine Acetones, and raw and finished materials usable for their preparation, Acetic Ether, *Alcohols, including Ethyl Alcohol, Methyl Alcohol, their preparations and derivatives* (3); *Formic Ether, Sulphuric Ether* (1), Sulphur, *Barium Sulphur (Barytine)* (3), Urea, Cyanimide, Celluloid.
9. Manganese bioxide, Hydrochloric acid, Bromine, Phosphorus and its compounds, Carbon bisulphide, Arsenic and its compounds, Chlorine, Phosgene (oxychloride of carbon), Sulphur Anhydride, Prussiate of Soda, Cyanide of Sodium, Iodine and its compounds, *Oxalic acid and oxalates, Formic acids and formates phenates Metallic Sulphates and hyposulphates, Chaux sodée, Chloride of Calcium, Salts of Strontium, lithium and their compounds* (3).
10. Pepper and Cayenne pepper.
11. Gun-carriages, munition boxes, limbers, ammunition wagons, field forges and their component parts, and articles of camp equipment and their component parts.
12. Barbed wire and implements for fixing and cutting it.
13. Telemeters and their component parts, and searchlights and their component parts.
14. Clothing and equipment of a military character.
15. Animals, saddle, draught or pack, suitable, or which may become suitable, for use in war.
16. All kinds of harness of a military character.
17. Hides of cattle, buffaloes and horses, hides

of calves, pigs, sheep, goats and deer, leather dressed or undressed, suitable for saddlery, harness, military boots or military clothing, leather belting, hydraulic leather, pump leather.

18. Tanning substances of all kinds, including Quebracho wood, and extracts for use in tanning.

19. Wool, raw, combed or carded, wool waste, wool tops and noils, animal hair of all kinds, and tops, noils and yarns of animal hair.

20. Cotton, raw, linters, cotton waste, cotton yarns, cotton piece goods and other cotton products capable of being used in the manufacture of explosives.

21. Flax, hemp, ramie, capok, and all other vegetable fibres and yarns made therefrom.

22. Warships, including boats and their component parts of such a nature that they could only be used on a vessel of war.

23. Submarine sound signalling apparatus.

24. Armour plates.

25. Aircraft of all kinds, including aeroplanes, airships, balloons and their component parts, together with accessories and articles suitable for use in connection with aircraft.

26. Motor vehicles of all kinds and their component parts and accessories.

27. Tyres for motor vehicles and for cycles, and articles and materials specially adapted for use in the manufacture and repair of tyres. *Goldbeater skin* (2).

28. Mineral oils, including benzine and motor spirit.

29. Resinous products, camphor, turpentine (or land spirit), tar and essence of wood tar, *bitumen, asphalt, pitch and tar of all kinds* (2).

30. Rubber (including raw, waste and reclaimed rubber, solutions and jellies containing rubber, balata, and gutta-percha, and the following varieties of rubber, viz.:—Borneo, Guayule, Jelutong, Palembang, Pontianac, and all other substances containing caoutchouc) and goods made wholly or partly of rubber.

31. Rattans. *Bamboo canes* (2).

32. Lubricants and especially castor oil.

33. The following metals:—Tungsten, molybdenum, vanadium, *titanium, uranium* (3); sodium, nickel, *zinc* (3) selenium, cobalt, pig-iron hematite, manganese, electrolytic iron, steel containing tungsten or molybdenum, *or titanium, or uranium* (3).

34. Asbestos.

35. Aluminium, alumina and salts of aluminium, *aluminium alloys* (3).

36. Antimony, together with sulphides and oxides of antimony.

37. Copper, unwrought and part wrought, copper wire, alloys and compounds of copper.

38. Lead in all forms.

39. Tin, chloride of tin and tin ore.

40. Alloys of iron including ferro-tungsten, ferro-molybdenum, ferro-manganese, ferro-vanadium, ferro-chrome, *ferro-titanium, and ferro-uranium* (3).

41. The following minerals:—*Ores of tungsten, molybdenum, vanadium, titanium, uranium*; ores of manganese, nickel, chrome and hematite, iron ore, iron pyrites, copper pyrites, and other copper ores, zinc ore, lead ore, arsenical ore, bauxite, criolite, *ores of strontium and lithium* (3).

42. Maps and plans of any place within the territory of any belligerent, or within the area of military operations, on a scale of 1/250,000 or any larger scale, and reproductions on any scale by photography, or otherwise, of such maps