"Avoca," on 12th and 13th November 1916, and the award for the salvage of three lifeboats from s.s. "Antwerpen," by H.M. trawlers "Ben Bhrackie" and "Fusilier," on 13th September 1916, will commence on Saturday the 29th instant, in the Prize Branch of the Department of the Accountant-General of the Navy, Admiralty, S.W.

All applications from persons entitled to share, who are not now serving, should be addressed "On Prize Business:—to the Accountant-General of the Navy, Admiralty, London, S.W. 1." Such applications (except in the case of Commissioned Officers) should be accompanied by certificates of service.

War Office, 27th December 1917.

## THE FLAX (RESTRICTION OF CONSUMPTION) ORDER, 1917.

In pursuance of the powers conferred upon them by the Defence of the Realm Regulations, the Army Council hereby order as follows:—

- 1. No Flax, Flax Line or Flax Tow shall, without a permit issued by or on behalf of the Flax Control Board, be spread or carded or otherwise put into process of manufacture after the 12th day of January 1918.
- 2. No Yarn composed wholly or partly of Flax or Flax Tow shall, without a permit issued by or on behalf of the Flax Control Board, be

wound or warped after the twelfth day of January 1918.

- 3. No Yarn composed wholly or partly of Flax or Flax Tow shall, without a permit issued by or on behalf of the Flax Control Board, be boiled, bleached, or put into any other process of treatment after the fifth day of January 1918.
- 4. All persons engaged in the purchase, sale or manufacture of any article or material wholly or partly composed of Flax or Flax Tow are hereby required to furnish such particulars as to their business as may be required by or on behalf of the Flax Control Board, verified in such manner as may be directed by them or on their behalf.
- 5. Particulars may be obtained and permits issued hereunder by the Flax Control Board and by the Scottish and Irish Sub-Committees of the Flax Control Board on its behalf.
- 6. It shall be the duty of all persons engaged in the production of any article or material wholly or partly composed of Flax or Flax Tow to comply strictly with any direction or requirement that may be given or made hereunder by or on behalf of the Flax Control Board for the purposes hereof, and failure to comply with the provisions hereof or any directions or requirements given or made hereunder shall be an offence against the said Regulations.
- 7. This Order may be cited as the Flax (Restriction of Consumption) Order, 1917.

By Order of the Army Council.

R. H. BRADE.

## ORDER OF THE BOARD OF AGRICULTURE AND FISHERIES.

(DATED 24TH DECEMBER 1917.)

The Board of Agriculture and Fisheries, by virtue and in exercise of the powers vested in them under the Diseases of Animals Acts, 1894 to 1914, and of every other power enabling them in this behalf, do order, and it is hereby ordered, as follows:—

The Orders of the Board described in the

Schedule hereto shall be read and have effect as if the first day of April 1918 were substituted in the first-mentioned Order for the first day of January 1918.

In witness whereof the Board of Agriculture and Fisheries have hereunto set their Official Seal this twenty-fourth day of December nineteen hundred and seventeen.

A. W. ANSTRUTHER, Assistant Secretary.

## Orders of the Board referred to in this Order.

No.	Date.	•	Subject.
9900	1917. 7 November 16 November	•	Landing of Irish cattle at Ardrossan and their conveyance there- from to the Landing Place for Irish Animals, Merklands, Glasgow.  Substituting the Landing Place for Irish Animals, Greenock, for Merklands, Glasgow, in Order No. 9900.

Copies of the above Order can be obtained on application to the Secretary, Board of Agriculture and Fisheries, 4 Whitehall Place, London, S.W. 1.