

grounds of employment by Colliery Recruiting Courts to persons employed in or about coal mines.

(3) Certificates granted or renewed on grounds of employment by Port Labour Committees, or the London Shipowners and Transport Workers Military Service Committee to men who at the date of this Proclamation are pursuant to their last authorised medical examination in a medical grade or category other than Grade 1 or Category A.

(4) Certificates granted or renewed to persons who at the date of this Proclamation are duly qualified medical practitioners.

(5) Certificates expressed to be granted or renewed solely on the ground specified in paragraph (c) or on the ground specified in paragraph (d) of Sub-section (1) of Section two of the Military Service Act, 1916, that is to say, on the grounds of ill-health or infirmity or of a conscientious objection to the undertaking of combatant service.

#### SECOND SCHEDULE.

A. Application may be made to an Appeal Tribunal for the grant or renewal of a certificate of exemption solely on the ground specified in paragraph (a) of Sub-section (1) of Section two of the Military Service Act, 1916, in respect of a man who has established to the satisfaction of the County Agricultural Executive Committee in England or Wales, or the Board of Agriculture for Scotland in Scotland, that he is a highly skilled agricultural worker, whole time employed on a farm in farm work, and that he is irreplaceable and essential to the cultivation of the farm, provided that the application is lodged in accordance with the Regulations for Tribunals not later than the 15th day of May 1918.

B. Application may be made to a Tribunal for the grant or renewal of a certificate of exemption—

(i) Solely on the ground specified in paragraph (b) of Sub-section (1) of Section two of the Military Service Act, 1916, in respect of a man who establishes to the satisfaction of the Tribunal that he is the last surviving son of a widow, of whom at least one son has died as a result of wounds received in, or sickness contracted by, service with Our Armed Forces during the present War; or

(ii) Solely on the ground specified in paragraph (d) of Sub-section (1) of Section two of the Military Service Act, 1916, in respect of a man whose certificate was expressed to be granted or renewed on such ground in addition to a ground specified in paragraphs (a) or (b) of that Sub-section;

provided that such application is lodged, in accordance with the Regulations for Tribunals, not later than the Eighth day of May 1918.

GIVEN at Our Court at Buckingham Palace, this Twentieth day of April, in the year of our Lord One thousand nine hundred and eighteen, and in the Eighth year of Our Reign.

GOD SAVE THE KING.

#### EXPLANATORY NOTES.

NOTE 1.—This Proclamation operates to withdraw only certificates of exemption granted by Tribunals and by Government Departments under Section 2 of the Military Service Act, 1916. It does not affect protection certificates issued under the Schedule of Protected Occupations M.M. 130 (Revised), namely, Forms 3476A, 3476B and 3476 W.M.V., to men employed on Admiralty, War Office or Munitions work, or protection certificates issued to men employed by Railway Companies.

Note 2.—Certificates of exemption to which this Proclamation applies cease to be in force on the 24th April 1918. The holder of such a certificate must forthwith transmit the certificate, together with a notification that it has ceased to be in force, to the Local Office of the Ministry of National Service for the area in which the holder of the certificate is registered under the National Registration Acts, 1915 and 1918. If any man fails without reasonable cause or excuse to do so he is guilty of an offence under the Military Service (No. 2) Act, 1918.

At the Court at Buckingham Palace, the 20th day of April 1918.

PRESENT,

The KING's Most Excellent Majesty in Council.

WHEREAS by an Order in Council, dated the twenty-eighth day of November nineteen hundred and fourteen, His Majesty was pleased to make regulations (called the "Defence of the Realm Regulations") under the Defence of the Realm Consolidation Act, 1914, for securing the public safety and the defence of the realm:

And whereas the said Act has been amended by the Defence of the Realm (Amendment) Act, 1915, the Defence of the Realm (Amendment) (No. 2) Act, 1915, and the Munitions of War Act, 1915, and other enactments:

And whereas the said regulations have been amended by various subsequent Orders in Council:

And whereas it is expedient further to amend the said regulations in manner hereinafter appearing:

Now, therefore, His Majesty is pleased, by and with the advice of His Privy Council, to order, and it is hereby ordered, that the following amendment be made in the said regulations:—

Regulation 14B shall be amended as follows:—

- (1) In the fourth paragraph after the words "deportation of aliens" there shall be inserted the words "or any committee specially appointed by the Secretary of State for the purposes of this regulation."
- (2) After the fourth paragraph (ending with the words "high judicial office") the following paragraph shall be inserted:—

In any area in respect of which the operation of Section one of the Defence of the Realm (Amendment) Act, 1915, is for the time being suspended, this regulation shall apply in relation to any