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FRIDAY, DECEMBER 20, 1918.

BY THE KING.

A PROCLAMATION FOR A BANK HOLIDAY.

GEORGE R.I.

W E, considering that it is desirable that Wednesday, the first day of January next, should be kept as a close holiday in all Banks throughout the United Kingdom, do hereby, by and with the advice of Our Privy Council, and in pursuance of Section four of the Bank Holidays Act, 1871, appoint the said Wednesday, the first day of January next, to be observed as a Bank Holiday in England and Wales, and in Ireland, for the purposes of the said Act, and We do, by this Our Royal Proclamation, command the said day to be so observed, and all Our loving subjects to order themselves accordingly:

And whereas it is customary for the usual Bank Holidays to be kept as holidays by Our loving subjects generally and not only for the purposes of the said Act, but it is not Our intention that the said first day of January should be kept as a general holiday in England and Wales, and in Ireland :

Now, therefore, We do hereby enjoin that the said first day of January shall not be kept as or deemed by virtue of this Our Royal Proclamation to be a holiday in England and Wales, and in Ireland, for any purposes whatsoever other than the purposes of the said Act.

Given at Our Court at Buckingham Palace, this eighteenth day of December, in the year of Our Lord one thousand. nine hundred and eighteen, and in the ninth year of Our Reign.

GOD SAVE THE KING.

BY THE KING.

A PROCLAMATION

Revoking a Proclamation, dated the 5th Day of May 1915, Prohibiting the Importation of Belgian Bank Notes into the United Kingdom.

GEORGE R.I.

WHEREAS by a Proclamation, dated the fifth day of May 1915, made in pursuance of Section 43 of the Customs Consolidation Act, 1876, We thought fit, by and with the advice of Our Privy Council, to prohibit the importation of Belgian Bank Notes into the United Kingdom :

And whereas it appears to Us that the said. Proclamation should be revoked :

Now, therefore, We, by and with the advice of Our Privy Council, hereby proclaim, direct, and ordain that the said Proclamation of the fifth day of May 1915 shall be, and the same is hereby, revoked.

Given at Our Court at Buckingham Palace, this eighteenth day of December, in the year of Our Lord one thousand