

At the Court at *Buckingham Palace*,

The 6th day of August, 1914.

PRESENT,

The KING'S Most Excellent Majesty in Council.

HIS MAJESTY in Council was this day pleased to appoint the Right Honourable Auberon Thomas, Lord Lucas and Dingwall, President of the Board of Agriculture and Fisheries.

ALMERIC FITZROY.

By THE KING.

A PROCLAMATION

FOR EXTENDING THE POSTPONEMENT OF PAYMENTS ALLOWED TO BE MADE BY THE PROCLAMATION OF THE 2ND AUGUST, 1914, TO CERTAIN OTHER PAYMENTS.

GEORGE R.I.

WHEREAS under the Postponement of Payments Act, 1914, His Majesty has power by Proclamation to authorize the postponement of the payment of any bill of exchange or of any negotiable instrument or of any other payment in pursuance of any contract to such extent for such time and subject to such conditions or other provisions as may be specified in the Proclamation:

And whereas it is expedient that provision should be made for the purpose of such postponement of payment in addition to the provision already made by Our Proclamation, dated the second day of August, nineteen hundred and fourteen, relating to the postponement of payment of certain bills of exchange.

NOW, THEREFORE, We have thought fit, by and with the advice of Our Privy Council, to issue this Our Royal Proclamation, and We do hereby proclaim, direct, and ordain as follows:—

Save as hereinafter provided, all payments which have become due and payable before the date of this Proclamation, or which will become due and payable on any day before the beginning of the Fourth day of September, nineteen hundred and fourteen, in respect of any bill of exchange (being a cheque or bill on demand) which was drawn before the beginning of the Fourth day of August, nineteen hundred and fourteen, or in respect of any negotiable instrument (not being a bill of exchange) dated before that time, or in respect of any contract made before that time, shall be deemed to be due and payable on a day one calendar month after the day on which the payment originally became due and payable, or on the Fourth day of September, nineteen hundred and fourteen, whichever is the later date, instead of on the day on which the payment originally became due; but payments so postponed shall, if not otherwise carrying interest, and if specific demand is made for payment and payment is refused, carry interest until payment as from the Fourth day of August, nineteen hundred and fourteen, if they become due and payable before that day, and as from the date on which they become due and payable if they become due and payable on or after that day, at the Bank of England rate current on the Seventh day of August, nineteen hundred and fourteen; but nothing in this Proclamation shall prevent payments being made before the expiration of the month for which they are so postponed.

This Proclamation shall not apply to:—

- (1) any payment in respect of wages or salary;
- (2) any payment in respect of a liability which when incurred did not exceed five pounds in amount;
- (3) any payment in respect of rates or taxes;
- (4) any payment in respect of maritime freight;
- (5) any payment in respect of any debt from any person resident outside the British Islands, or from any firm, company or institution whose principal place of business is outside the British Islands, not being a debt incurred in the British Islands by a person, firm, company or institution having a business establishment or branch business establishment in the British Islands.