

2nd Lt. J. F. Hewitt relinquishes his commn. on account of ill-health contracted on active service. 17th Apr. 1918.

The undermentioned resign their commns. :—

17th Apr. 1918.

Lt. W. MacLanachan, to resume his medical studies.

2nd Lt. (Qr.-Mr. and Hon. Maj., ret. pay) A. Beattie.

2nd Lt. J. H. Higginbottom.

MOTOR CAR ACT, 1903.

COUNTY OF THE PARTS OF KESTEVEN.

Notice is hereby given, that the Local Government Board, by an Order dated the 10th day of April, 1918, have made a Regulation under Section 9 of the Motor Car Act, 1903, which will come into operation on the 22nd day of April, 1918, limiting to ten miles per hour the speed at which a motor car may be driven within the limits comprising so much of the road from London to Sleaford through the village of Leasingham as extends from a point 100 yards south of the road called Cross Lane or New Lane to a point 320 yards north-west of the smithy at the northern end of the village.

Local Government Board,
Whitehall, S.W. 1.

(D. I. P. 518.)

ORDER OF THE BOARD OF AGRICULTURE AND FISHERIES.

(DATED 10TH APRIL 1918.)

THE WART DISEASE OF POTATOES ORDER OF 1918.

The Board of Agriculture and Fisheries, by virtue and in exercise of the powers vested in them under the Destructive Insects and Pests Acts, 1877 and 1907, do order, and it is hereby ordered, as follows:—

Commencement.

1. This Order shall come into operation on the first day of June, nineteen hundred and eighteen.

Definition of Infected Area.

2.—(1) For the purposes of this Order the expression "Infected Area" means an area which is for the time being certified by the Board of Agriculture and Fisheries (in this Order referred to as "the Board") to be an area infected with Wart Disease for the purposes of this Order.

(2) The area described in the First Schedule to this Order, and also any area which at the commencement of this Order is an Infected Area for the purposes of the Wart Disease of Potatoes (Infected Areas) Order of 1914 shall, unless and until the Board otherwise certify, be an Infected Area for the purposes of this Order.

Restriction on planting potatoes in an Infected Area.

3.—(1) No person shall plant, or cause or permit to be planted, in any land in his occupation or under his charge which is situated in an Infected Area, any potatoes which are not of an approved immune variety, and no person shall permit any potatoes to remain in land in his occupation or under his charge if the potatoes have been planted in contravention of this Article, and the removal of the potatoes is required by notice served on him by an Inspector; Provided that a person shall not be liable to conviction for planting potatoes or causing or permitting potatoes to be planted in contravention of this Article if he proves to the satisfaction of the Court that the potatoes were sold to him as potatoes of an approved immune variety by a person authorised by the Board under this Order to sell for planting potatoes of an approved immune variety, and that he did not know that the potatoes were not of an approved immune variety.

(2) The restrictions imposed by this article shall not apply to any planting which is licensed by an Inspector of the Board for the purpose of enabling a first early variety of potatoes to be grown.

(3) An approved immune variety is a variety approved for the time being by the Board as being immune from Wart Disease.

Restriction on Sale of Approved Immune Varieties.

4. (1) No person shall sell or offer for sale for planting, except to a dealer in seed potatoes, any potatoes of an approved immune variety unless he is authorised to do so by a licence granted by the Board or in contravention of the conditions (if any) imposed by the licence, and no person shall sell as potatoes of an approved immune variety potatoes which are not of an approved immune variety.

(2) Any person who sells or offers for sale for planting (otherwise than to a dealer in seed potatoes) potatoes of an approved immune variety shall if so required by the person to whom the potatoes are sold or offered for sale produce the authority of the Board or a copy thereof for his inspection and permit him to copy the authority or copy.

Restriction on use of Potatoes grown in an Infected Area.

5. No person shall knowingly sell or purchase or use for planting in land which is not in an Infected Area any potatoes which have to his knowledge been grown in an Infected Area.

Application of preceding provisions to land not in an Infected Area.

6.—(1) An Inspector may by notice served on an occupier or other person in charge of land not in an Infected Area on which the Inspector is satisfied that Wart Disease exists, or to which in his opinion the disease is likely to spread, apply the preceding provisions of this Order to such land and such provisions shall while such notice remains in force, apply to such land as if it were an Infected Area.

(2) The preceding provisions of this Order shall, without service of notice under this Article, apply until they are withdrawn by an Inspector, to any lands which at the commencement of this Order are "infected premises"