

Francis W. Aitken. 4th Mar. 1918

John G. Ross. 4th Apr. 1918.

To be tempy. Sub-Lieut.—

William Weller. 6th Apr. 1918.

R.N.V.R.

To be tempy. Lieuts.—

Frederick N. Clothier. 23rd June 1917

Guy Shorrock. 21st Nov. 1917.

Zacheus Marsh. 17th Dec. 1917.

Thomas Needham. 20th Dec. 1917.

To be tempy. Sub-Lieuts.—

Francis H. French. 29th Mar. 1918.

Charles L. Allison. 14th Aug. 1918.

Frederick C. Brown. 18th July 1918.

War Office,

13th August, 1918.

SUPPLEMENTARY WARRANT PROVIDING FOR THE AWARD OF "THE MILITARY MEDAL" TO WARRANT OFFICERS.

GEORGE R.I.

Whereas We did by Royal Warrant under Our Sign Manual dated 25th March, 1916, institute and create a silver medal entitled "The Military Medal" to be awarded to non-commissioned officers and men for bravery in the Field:

And Whereas We are desirous that Warrant Officers shall be eligible for the award of the said medal:

It is Our Will and Pleasure and We do hereby Ordain that "The Military Medal" may be awarded to Warrant Officers, Class I and Class II., for acts of bravery in the Field under the same conditions as are prescribed for other ranks.

Given at Our Court at *Saint James's* this First day of *August*, 1918, in the Ninth Year of Our Reign.

By His Majesty's Command.

Milner.

War Office,

13th August, 1918.

DEFENCE OF THE REALM REGULATIONS.

PROHIBITION OF THE LIFTING OF RYE GRASS AND SEED MIXTURE HAY IN IRELAND.

1. In pursuance of the powers conferred on them by the Defence of the Realm Regulations the Army Council do hereby give notice that all first and second year rye grass and seed mixtures (except as hereinafter mentioned) now standing in bulk in Ireland or as and when harvested is taken possession of absolutely by the Army Council, and shall from the date of this Order or as and when harvested be held at the disposal of the duly authorised Officers of the War Department.

2. The sale of hay and straw in Ireland other than such first and second year rye grass and seed mixtures as mentioned in paragraph 1 hereof will be unrestricted and uncontrolled

subject only to such maximum prices as may from time to time be in force by any Order of the Army Council. No restriction is placed on the use for stock-feeding purposes of first and second year rye grass and seed mixtures by any Producer who has not grown in the aggregate more than two acres during the year 1918 or, for such stock-feeding purposes by any person who at the date of this Order does not hold more than 4 tons of such first and second year rye grass and seed mixtures.

3. All Producers who have grown during the year 1918 in the aggregate more than two statute acres of first and second year rye grass and seed mixtures, and all persons who may, at the date of this Order, be in possession of 4 tons or more of first and second year rye grass and seed mixtures, must within fourteen days of this Order render a return to the Administrative Area Officer, Royal Hospital, Dublin, showing the following particulars:—

(a) The estimated quantity of first and second year rye grass and seed mixtures produced by them or in their possession.

(b) The estimated quantity of hay (other than first and second year rye grass and seed mixtures) and oat straw produced by them or in their possession.

(c) The number of animals and their classification for which forage is required.

(d) The estimated quantity of forage other than first and second year rye grass and seed mixtures required for feeding of stock actually in their possession for the period ending 30th September, 1919.

(e) The place at which such hay and straw is situate.

4. As soon as possible after the return mentioned in paragraph 3 has been received by the Administrative Area Officer the Forage will be inspected and a Producer Consumer's Licence issued for such quantity as it may be determined is required by the Producer or Holder for the feeding of Stock in his possession. The balance of the first and second year rye grass and seed mixtures as is found suitable will be taken for War Department requirements. Pending such inspection, Producers or Holders are authorised to use a reasonable amount of first and second year rye-grass and seed mixtures for stock in their possession, provided that they have not other suitable forage for feeding purposes.

5. Producer Consumer's Licences issued under paragraph 4 will be liable to revision on or after the 1st March, 1919, and if on any such revision it is determined that any first and second year rye grass and seed mixtures suitable for Army purposes in respect of which a Licence has been issued is in excess of the Holder's proper requirements, such excess must be taken over by the War Department and such Licence may be cancelled in respect thereof.

6. Should a Producer or Holder consider that the quantity licensed for his own requirements is insufficient for his needs, or in the case of hay and straw taken for Army requirements, that the price is inadequate, provided that such price is less than the maximum allowed by any Order that may at the time of taking be in force, he shall have the right to appeal to the Chairman of the Irish Forage Advisory Committee, whose address is c/o the Department of Agriculture and Technical Instruction for Ireland, Dublin, whose decision or the decision