

MUST UNLOAD PROMPTLY.

Food Controller takes action to prevent unnecessary delay.

An Order in Council has been passed upon the recommendation of the Food Controller to prevent unnecessary delay in the unloading or re-shipment of food or food products in freight cars. It provides that no freight car containing such products shall be allowed to remain under load at its destination for more than four days after notice of its arrival has been given by the railway company to the consignee. When any such car is detained for a longer period the railway company is required to notify the Food Controller.

Similarly the Food Controller must be notified if any freight car containing food is held at any railway point for a furtherance order for more than one day after the arrival of the car.

If a car remains under load at its destination for more than four days or has been held more than one day for a furtherance order, the Food Controller is authorized to give written notice requiring the unloading or issuance of a furtherance order within two days. At the expiration of this period the food, if not unloaded or re-shipped, will be sold by the Food Controller.

The Food Controller is also authorized to forbid the acceptance by the railway companies, without his written permission, of food from any shipper whose goods have been seized and sold. For failure to comply with the provisions of the Order a penalty is provided of a fine of up to \$500 or imprisonment for a term not exceeding six months, or both fine and imprisonment.

CAMPAIGN SAVES A LIFE.

Such is Belief of a Farmer Living Near Halifax.

There is one man in Halifax to-day who believes that he owes his life to the campaign for increased production of hogs. Professor M. Cumming, Deputy Minister of Agriculture for Nova Scotia, writes in to the effect that he was approached by a man on the street who told him that he lived on a farm outside of Halifax and that it had been his intention to go into the city as usual on the morning of the disaster. He had bought some pigs the day before, however, and he had to stay at home to attend to them.

UNFAIR TO THE SOLDIER.

Why a Food Slogan is not used on Postal Matter in Canada.

A number of correspondents have suggested the use of a food slogan as a cancellation mark on Canadian letters and postcards. Some of them have sent a copy of the United States cancellation slogan, "Food will win the war, don't waste it."

The Office of the Food Controller took up this question with the Canadian Post Office Department as long ago as September 24th, and was informed that advice had been received from Great Britain that letters addressed to Canadian prisoners of war in Germany were being detained by the German authorities and not delivered, if such letters bore any patriotic cancellation advertising. More recently, when the United States food slogan appeared on postal matter, a letter was sent to the Deputy Postmaster General inquiring whether the difficulty had been overcome. His reply is in part as follows:—

"No change has been made in this regard, and the United States will find that such letters, if addressed to their prisoners in Germany, will not be delivered, and this Department has notified the American Government to this effect. There is no change and the German authorities refuse absolutely to deliver any such letters. It was, therefore, decided by the Government not to allow them to go through the mails."

MAY IMPORT FAT MESS PORK.

The United States embargo against the exportation of pork and pork products to Canada has been modified to the extent that licenses will now be granted for the shipment of fat mess pork in limited quantities for lumber camp use in the Dominion. Such licenses will be issued by the War Trade Board only upon the approval of the Food Controller for Canada.

HIGH SCHOOL BOYS ON FARMS.

Dr. A. H. Abbott, Secretary of the Organization of Resources Committee of Ontario, in a recent letter, says:—

"The results of our experience for the past two years in Ontario show that High School boys are a success on the farm, and we felt sure that many more can be secured this year than were secured last, if the work be undertaken at once in the proper way."