

Inspection of Cattle.

22. If necessary to have places for loading or unloading Canadian cattle, provision must be made elsewhere than Sarnia or Lyn.

Approved by the minister of agriculture.

JOHN LOWE,

Secretary of Department of Agriculture.

CIRCULAR OF INSTRUCTIONS TO RAILWAY CONDUCTORS.

DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE, OTTAWA, CANADA, _____, 188 .

SIR,—I have an instruction, from the minister of agriculture, to inform you that you are appointed to act as an agent of this department in the capacity of a guardian of cattle trains passing over the Railway, carrying United States cattle from west to east, in transit and in bond, under the provisions of the "Health of Animals" order in council.

Your duties will be as follow:—

1. Not to permit any train or car, carrying United States cattle in transit, to remain shunted in close proximity to any Canadian cattle.

2. Generally, to keep cars or trains containing United States cattle as far as possible apart from cars or trains containing Canadian cattle or Canadian goods.

3. To prevent cars containing United States cattle from forming a part of trains carrying Canadian cattle or Canadian goods.

4. Empty returning cars which have carried United States cattle, not to form any part of a train carrying Canadian cattle or goods.

5. You are to prohibit, in as far as possible, any persons not having business with the trains containing United States cattle, coming near to, or in contact with them, contagious diseases being conveyed by such contact.

6. Sufficient straw, sawdust or other material, to absorb the droppings from animals in transit, to be placed in all cars, containing United States cattle, and to be carried over the frontier.

7. Any animal happening to die from any cause whatever, in transit, to be carried across the frontier.

8. Cars having carried United States animals across the frontier to be cleansed and disinfected before returning into Canada, in accordance with printed directions which will be furnished to you by the department.

It will, especially, be your duty to report to this department any breach or neglect of any of the foregoing instructions; or generally any point you may notice not consistent with the terms or spirit of the order above referred to.

I have the honour to be, sir,

Your obedient servant,

Secretary of Department of Agriculture.

ST. THOMAS, Ont., 8th December, 1886.

To the DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE, Ottawa.

SIR,—I beg leave to report that the Grand Trunk Railway Company are hauling back empty live stock cars before the said cars have been cleaned or disinfected, contrary to the restrictions in force under the order in council, cited as the "Health of Animals Act, part 3," transit of animals in bond.

The case that came under my notice was that on the 8th day of December, at 9.30 a.m., special train no. 197, conductor, T. Miller, arrived at St. Thomas and in transit west to Windsor from Fort Erie, and that said train was made up of empty box, freight and flat cars, and some loaded coal cars, and empty live stock cars, of which live stock cars were not cleaned out at all, or any attempt made to clean them, from appearances. I, therefore, inclose herein the initials and numbers of said live