

PENALTIES FOR WASTE

New Order in Council is Far-Reaching in its Application.

Waste of food from any avoidable cause is now an offence against the laws of Canada and subject to heavy penalties. An Order in Council has been passed at the instance of the Canada Food Board embodying regulations far-reaching in their effect. It applies to waste resulting from carelessness, manner of storage, hoarding, exposure to weather, or any other avoidable cause. Municipalities are obligated to enforce the regulations within their respective municipal limits.

The Canada Food Board is given power under the Order if it has reason to believe that food in any warehouse, store, private house, building, premises, ship, railway car, or other conveyance, is likely to become unfit for human consumption, to require its immediate sale, or such other disposal as will prevent further deterioration or loss of the food. If the owner, or person controlling such food, upon receipt of such notice does not at once comply with the terms of the Canada Food Board's notice, the Board may seize the food and sell it or take such other action as it may deem necessary to prevent further loss or deterioration. After deducting all expenses and costs in connection with such seizure and sale or other action for the preservation and disposal of the food, the Board will pay the proceeds to the owner.

The Canada Food Board is given power to prescribe the amount of any kind or kinds of food that may be purchased, or held, whether for sale, exportation or private consumption, and may seize and forfeit any food or food products thereafter purchased or held in excess of the amount prescribed. Penalties for violation of any of the provisions of these regulations or of any order made thereunder, are a fine not exceeding \$1,000 and not less than \$100, or imprisonment for not more than three months, or both fine and imprisonment. Provision is made that where proceedings under these regulations are instituted at the instance of any municipal officer, the fine shall be paid to the Treasurer of such municipality. Where the proceedings are instituted at the instance of any provincial officer, the fine shall be paid into the Provincial Treasury.

Acting under the extended powers given to it by this order, the Canada Food Board has issued an order requiring that no person operating any cold storage plant shall receive eggs for storage or shall store eggs therein without a certificate in writing from

the owner of such eggs that they have been candled and all bad and unsound eggs removed.

It is also provided that no person dealing wholesale in eggs shall receive or demand payment for bad eggs in excess of a margin of allowance of 1 per cent on the total of each transaction. The order became effective on and after last Saturday.

OLEOMARGARINE RELEASED.

Food Board Secures Consent of the Authorities at Washington.

The Canada Food Board has been successful in securing the consent of the United States Food Administration to allow the export to Canada of 1,000,000 lbs. of oleomargarine per month. The Washington authorities will issue export licenses to United States shippers to ship only to consignees approved by the Canada Food Board and in such quantities up to the aggregate of 1,000,000 lbs. per month as are approved by the Food Board.

While the allotment to Canada was much smaller than the total amount represented by applications from Canadian importers, the apportionment has been carefully considered with particular attention to the quantities needed in the various parts of the Dominion.

SAYS HOTELS ARE "THOMSONIZING."

The Vancouver Province published an interview recently with Mr. F. L. Hutchinson, who has supervision over 14 or 15 C.P. R. hotels. According to the Province, "Officials and chefs in the big system are all 'Thomsonizing.' Mr. Hutchinson is quoted to the effect that the consumption of pork has been reduced by 60 per cent as compared with a year ago and that very large aggregate savings of beef and white flour have been effected.