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CANADA.

PROCLAMATION

GEORGE the FIFTH, by the Grace of God of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland and of the British Dominions beyond the Seas, KING, Defender of the Faith, Emperor of India.

To all to whom these presents shall come or whom the same may in any wise concern,—GREETING:

A Proclamation of conditional amnesty respecting men belonging to Class I under the Military Service Act, 1917, who have disobeyed our Proclamation of 13th October, 1917, or their orders to report for duty, or are deserters or absent without leave from the Canadian Expeditionary Force.

E. L. NEWCOMBE, } WHEREAS consider-
Deputy Minister of Justice, } able numbers of men
Canada, } belonging to Class I under our Military Service Act, 1917, called out on active service in our Canadian Expeditionary Force for the defence of Canada under Our Proclamation of 13th October, 1917, although they have thus become by law soldiers enlisted in the Military Service of Canada,

Have failed to report for duty as lawfully required of them under the said Military Service Act and the regulations thereunder, including the Order in Council duly passed on April 20 last,

Or have deserted,

Or absented themselves without leave from our Canadian Expeditionary Force,

And it is represented that the very serious and unfortunate situation in which these men find themselves is due in many cases to the fact that, notwithstanding the information and warning contained in Our Proclamation aforesaid, they have misunderstood their duty or obligation, or have been misled by the advice of ill-disposed, disloyal or seditious persons.

AND WHEREAS we desire, if possible, to avoid the infliction of the heavy penalties which the law imposes for the offences of which these soldiers have thus been guilty, and to afford them an opportunity within a limited time to report and make their services available in Our Canadian Expeditionary Force as is by law their bounden duty, and as is necessary for the defence of Our Dominion of Canada.

NOW KNOW YE that we in the exercise of Our powers, and of Our good will and pleasure in that behalf, do hereby proclaim and declare and cause to be published and made known THAT THE PENALTIES OF THE LAW WILL NOT BE IMPOSED OR EXACTED as against the men who belong to Class I under Our Military Service Act, 1917, and who have disobeyed Our Proclamation aforesaid; or who have received notice from any of Our registrars or deputy registrars to report for duty on a day now past and have failed so to report; or who, having reported and obtained leave of absence, have failed to report at the expiry of their leave, or have become deserters from Our Expeditionary Force, PROVIDED THEY REPORT FOR DUTY ON OR BEFORE THE TWENTY FOURTH DAY OF AUGUST 1918.

AND WE DO HEREBY STRICTLY WARN AND SOLEMNLY IMPRESS UPON ALL SUCH MEN, and as well those who employ, harbour, conceal or assist them in their disobedience, that, if they persist in their failure to report, absence or desertion until the expiry of the last mentioned day, they will be pursued and punished with all the rigour and severity of the law, SUBJECT TO THE JUDGMENT OF OUR COURTS MARTIAL WHICH WILL BE CONVENED TO TRY SUCH CASES or other competent tribunals: and also that those who employ, harbour, conceal or assist such men will be held strictly accountable as offenders and subject to the pains, penalties and forfeitures in that behalf by law provided for their said offence.

Provided however that nothing contained in this Our Proclamation is intended to release the men aforesaid from their obligation to report for duty as soon as possible or to grant them immunity from arrest or detention in the meantime for the purpose of compelling them to perform their military duty; Our intention being merely to forego or remit the penalties heretofore incurred for failure to report, absence without leave or desertion incurred by those men of the description aforesaid who shall be in the proper discharge of their military duties on or before the said twenty-fourth day of August, 1918.

Of all of which Our loving subjects and all others whom these presents may concern are hereby required to take notice and govern themselves accordingly.

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, We have caused these Our Letters to be made Patent, and the Great Seal of Canada to be hereunto affixed. Witnesses: Our Right Trusty and Right Entirely Beloved Cousin and Counsellor, Victor Christian William, Duke of Devonshire, Marquess of Hartington, Earl of Devonshire, Earl of Burlington, Baron Cavendish of Hardwick, Baron Cavendish of Keighley, Knight of Our Most Noble Order of the Garter; One of Our Most Honourable Privy Council; Knight Grand Cross of Our Most Distinguished Order of Saint Michael and Saint George; Knight Grand Cross of Our Royal Victorian Order; Governor General and Commander-in-Chief of Our Dominion of Canada.

At Our Government House, in Our City of OTTAWA, this FIRST day of AUGUST, in the year of Our Lord one thousand nine hundred and eighteen, and in the ninth year of Our Reign.

By Command,

Thomas Mulholland

Under-Secretary of State

Orchard and Garden

Death of D. Johnson

M. Dan Johnson, Dominion Fruit Commissioner, passed away a few days ago. In his death the fruit men of Canada lose a good friend and a sane leader. Mr. Johnson was called upon to take the superintendency of the fruit division before his predecessor, the late Alexander McNeil, had had time to properly organize the new division. The war added additional difficulties and to all of the problems which came before him Mr. Johnson applied himself with an undiminished energy. He was not in office long, but he was there long enough to prove his ability as an administrator. His good work has been ended altogether too soon.

Fruit Crop Report No. 3

THE only changes in the Canadian apple situation since the beginning of July are a slight improvement in prospects in British Columbia and the development of apple scab in Nova Scotia. Neither of these changes is very serious, nor do they greatly upset earlier calculations.

Practically no contracts have been made but it is certain that there will be a fairly strong movement of Nova Scotian apples westward to meet the demand in Ontario, Quebec and the prairie markets. In this connection it is interesting to note the last year, with a total crop of 730,000 barrels in the Annapolis valley, Ontario received 350 cars, Quebec 600 cars and markets west of the Great Lakes 350 cars. This year in Nova Scotian crop is approximately 400,000 barrels, and the westward movement will be proportionate. It must be borne in mind, however, that there is an estimated shortage of 5,000 cars in the western States, and that British Columbia will have a slightly smaller crop than in 1917. The shortage in the west is due to the fact that western markets from their own sources and increase the demand for eastern grown apples. A summary of the available crop as compared with last year's crop is as follows:

Nova Scotia.—Decrease of 15 per cent. Best varieties Gravenstein, Fallwater, Blenheim and Stark. Scab now developing. Spraying fairly general.

Ontario.—Increase of 25 per cent. Winters generally light and early varieties medium. Greening, Snow, McIntosh and Ben Davis are best of later sorts. Baldwin and Spy light everywhere. Scab prevalent and spraying not general.

British Columbia.—Decrease of 15 per cent. Best varieties Duchess, Wealthy and McIntosh. Jonathan and other varieties light. Spraying light.

Peaches will be a 50 per cent crop in the Niagara district, a fallow in other parts of Ontario and a British Columbia 60 per cent of normal. Plums in the Niagara district are exceptionally heavy in the later varieties but early varieties are light. Other parts of Ontario have a very light crop. In British Columbia the crop is good. Pears in Ontario vary from 25 to 50 per cent of normal and in British Columbia there is a good crop. Grapes are not expected to exceed 75 per cent of normal. The Bureau of Markets of the United States reports the apple crop in the country to be only 15 per cent greater than in 1917.

Houses for chicks and growing stock should be raised a foot above ground. This will prevent dampness, and at the same time, if the front of the foundation is open, will not afford a hiding place for rats.

Grade

A Resume of

A STUDY of the industry in the same should interest to the people find on record at Horse Breeders' the eighth session of Manitoba produced before Rutherford, the constituency. This is the requiring the understanding for publication.

The enrolment of the service has been improved of horse, through a ration for sales. The service station, the purpose, the elements must be character, so as to encourage the use of the service station and poor comfort and likely to transmit prevent the use of those of recognition. With this end in Horse Breeders' formulated and year.

Provisions and Op

As a basis of opinion, the provisions that the owner shall obtain from the Agricultural annual enrolment, and a porter or breeder of stallions for sale in each stallion. The enrolment are required to be accompanied by a bona fide of registration of enrolment can only for stallions and registered in the records. This process of enrolment, the used breeding.

The Act also requires to be examined by a veterinary inspector and every stallion after until nine years of age must be examined and every stallion and its descendants in accordance with the particulars are embodied in the report made by the inspector submitted to the Board of consideration and approval consists of three parts: the reports are considered, and in turn the Department their a men, or otherwise, the power to reject their approval for the case of stallions considered worthy as to breed or unsoundness. The board for enrolment is endowed by them together with their report to the form of enrolment to be issued by the inspector.

With regard to the most certificates issued forms are provided respectively as scheduled. Schedule A is made of lions of recognized which have been examined worthy as to be information, and founded on the soundness of a horse as set forth in the Act is embodied in the certificate issued.

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