

Rules and Regulations respecting the Catching and Curing of Herring by the Scotch Method, Published by Order of the Governor in Council, Oct. 17th, 1916.

Upon the recommendation of the Herring Fisheries Board, and under the provisions of the Act Chapter 23, 1916, His Excellency the Governor in Council has been pleased to approve the following Rules and Regulations respecting the catching and curing of Herring by the Scotch Method.

JOHN R. BENNETT,
Colonial Secretary,
Dept. of the Colonial Secretary,
October 17th, 1916.

(1) No person shall engage in the business of curing and packing Herring under the "Scotch Cure Method" at any place in the Island of Newfoundland, without having previously taken out an annual License, which shall be numbered and issued before engaging therein. And the owner or manager of every plant shall cause to be branded upon the head of every barrel or half-barrel, the number of corresponding to the number of the License of said curer or packer, for this purpose he shall obtain through the "Herring Fisheries Board" a suitable branding iron, the cost of the same to be fixed by the said Board and defrayed by the Licensee. No branding iron other than those obtained from the Herring Fisheries Board shall be used.

(2) The Secretary of the "Herring Fisheries Board" shall, upon written application, upon Form to be furnished by the Licensee, issue such License. Written application for Licenses shall be posted to the "Secretary of the Herring Fisheries Board," St. John's, and shall be in the following manner:

This form to be filled in and returned to the Secretary of the "Herring Fisheries Board."

Application for Herring License.

I, residing at in the District of do hereby apply for a License, to be granted me for curing and packing Herring, under the "Scotch Cure Method of Pack" at my plant, situate at in the District of during the season subject to the Rules, Regulations and Instructions respecting the "Scotch Cure Method of Pack," and certify that I have previously packed and cured Herring under the "Scotch Cure Method of Pack."

(3) The said License shall be in the following form:—

Herring License

No.

By virtue of power vested in me under the Rules and Regulations provided, respecting the "Scotch Cure Method of Pack," made in pursuance of an Act to amend Act 61 Vic., Cap. 3, respecting the Department of Marine and Fisheries (passed March 11th), 1914, with additional amendments May 4th, 1916:

I, of residing at in the District of do hereby License in conformity therewith.

Granted under my hand at this day of A.D., 1916

No fees shall be charged for said License.

(4) All Herring cured and packed under such License shall be inspected and branded by an authorized Inspector, and the Certificate of Inspection produced by shipper to Customs Officer, when applying for Export Entries, and Inspection Fee of ten cents per barrel and five cents per half-barrel shall be paid to said officer and by him remitted to the Herring Fisheries Board at St. John's.

(5) All barrels and half-barrels to be used for the cure pack and exportation of Herring under License, shall be constructed in conformity with the standard requirements adopted under law, and hereto annexed and forming part of these Rules and Regulations. Failing which the Government brand for the Herring contained therein, and cured under Scotch Cure Method of Pack, may be refused by the Inspector.

(6) Licensed packers and curers of Herring, under these Rules and Regulations, shall make application for inspection and branding, to the Inspector in their section, by filling out

Request Note and Declaration Forms to be furnished by the Secretary of the "Herring Fisheries Board" when issuing Licenses or upon application. Not less than twenty-five barrels will be inspected outside centres where Inspector is stationed, but small quantities may be brought to centres for inspection.

Request Note and Declaration shall be in the following form:—

Request Note.

To the Herring Fisheries Inspector,

at

Having completely cured and bung-packed barrels and half-barrels of Scotch Pack White Herring, we request that you will attend at our fish curing plant to affix the Official Brands on the same. We hereby bind and oblige ourselves to observe and fulfil the following conditions, under the penalty of having the brand removed and of forfeiting our packing License.

Conditions.

(A) After any barrels or half-barrels containing cured White Herring shall have received the Official brand, the Herring shall not be repacked nor in any way interfered with, except in the presence of the Fishery Officer for the District where they may at the time happen to be, and to whom previous written notice shall have been given of what is proposed to be done; but this condition shall not be held as in any way prohibiting such opening of the said barrels and inspection of the Herring, as may be necessary for the satisfaction of intending purchasers.

(B) If the Herring in any such barrels or half-barrels shall be repacked or interfered with without previous notice to, or in the absence of, the Fishery Officer; or if on inspection the Fishery Officer shall consider that the Herring have been prejudicially interfered with, and that it is on that account necessary to remove the Brand therefrom, he shall be entitled to do so, and to retain the fees paid for affixing the Brand.

Dated at the day of 1916

(Sgd.), Fish-curer.

Declaration.

I, declare that the Herring and every part thereof, contained in the barrels and half-barrels, now produced to the officer of the fishery, pursuant to the preceding Request Note have, to the best of my knowledge and belief, been gutted and packed within twenty-four hours after they were caught, and that the Herring other than the Matjie Herring, have been for nine clear days in salt, and that the Matjie Herring have been for six clear days in salt, exclusive of the day of catch and the day on which the barrels and half-barrels were completely packed up for branding—and that none of the said Herring have been before this time produced to any officer of the fishery, either in the same or in different barrels or half-barrels, in order to obtain the Official brand prescribed.

Declared at the day of 1916

Partner of Fishery Officer.

(7) All Inspectors appointed for each section shall, upon receipt of the Licensee's Request Note and Declaration forms filled out, proceed with their duties of inspection of both fish and packages, and shall with the use of brands provided under these Rules and Regulations, brand each barrel and half-barrel accordingly as defined under these Regulations, furnishing each Licensed packer under said Regulations with an Inspection Certificate for every quantity so inspected, which shall be as follows:—

Inspection Certificate

License No.

I hereby certify that I have inspected and branded—

..... brls Extra Large Full Herring.

..... " Large Full.

..... " Medium Full.

..... " Matjie Full.

..... " Matjie.

..... Total

The foregoing quantity being owned, cured and packed for export or otherwise by residing at District of Date of Packing 1916

The Inspection Fees to be paid to the Customs official upon request for Export Entry by shipper, and remitted to the Herring Fisheries Board.

Dated at Nfld., this day of 1916

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the barrels or packages so packed to be opened and examined by an authorized Inspector.

(9) The Herring Fisheries Board may refuse at any time to issue a License to any person (who has violated one or more of these Rules) without assigning any reason, and they may cancel any License without assigning any reason, upon one week's notice in writing.

(10) Inspectors shall have the right to visit all plants putting up Scotch Pack, at all reasonable hours, and shall not be obstructed in any way from carrying out their duties; and any curer or packer in any way hindering or obstructing such Officer in the discharge of his duty, will be liable to prosecution and to cancellation of License.

(11) No Herring shall be packed under the Scotch Cure Method prior to September 15th, and after January 15th in any year.

(12) All herring nets shall be taken up on Saturday at noon, and not again set until Monday at 1 a.m., between the dates of January 15th, and September 15th; this only applies to fishermen using nets for Scotch Pack Method.

(13) All Herring exported under the Scotch Method must be specified as such by the Customs officer issuing Export Entries.

(14) The Licensee of every plant shall, at the end of each seasons operations and not later than ten days after closing, send a return to the Herring Fisheries Board, showing quantity caught, cured and packed (in barrels and half-barrels) on proper forms to be supplied for the purpose by the Herring Fisheries Board.

98 per Cent of Men for Strike

WINNIPEG, Oct. 16.—By declaring practically unanimously in favor of a strike, the conductors, trainmen, baggage-men, switchmen and yardmen of the Canadian Pacific Railway gave their leaders, assembled in Winnipeg no other option than to carry out their wishes and force their demands for better conditions. The only open door which might lead to averting the threatened strike is the conference between the men's leaders and Grant Hall, Vice-President of the C.P.R. which is expected to take place to-morrow.

All the ballots have not been counted as yet, but the result to date is such as to permit officials to declare that 98 per cent of the men are in favor of a strike. The vote among the Eastern conductors, trainmen and yardmen is talking place at London, Ont.

It will be a day or two yet before all the ballots are counted, but the question as to which way the vote will go was placed beyond all doubt by the counting, which took place to-day.

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