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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 anywise concern.—GREETING:

A proclamation calling for reports by the men comprised in the extension of Class I, authorized by the regulations of 20th April, 1918, under The Military Service Act, 1917.

Deputy Minister of Justice
Canada.

WHEREAS by our Proclamation bearing date the 12th day of October, 1917, we did call out class I under our said Military Service Act, 1917, comprising the men by our Act and Proclamation defined or described as to the said class belonging, on active service in our Canadian Expeditionary Force for the Defence of Canada either in or beyond Canada, as we might in the command or direction of our military forces thereafter order or direct.

And we do hereby declare that all the men by this our proclamation required to report as aforesaid shall, from the date of this our proclamation, be deemed to be soldiers enlisted in the military forces of Canada and subject to military law in the duration of the present war and of demobilization thereafter unless sooner discharged; provided that every such man shall until the first day of June next be deemed to be on leave of absence without pay, and that thereafter every such man who shall have duly reported on or before the last mentioned day, as by this our proclamation required, shall be deemed to be on leave of absence without pay until the day upon which he shall be required to report for duty in the Canadian Expeditionary Force and be placed on active service. And we do hereby moreover notify and inform our loving subjects who are hereby required to report, that if, on or before the first day of June, 1918, they report, as by this our proclamation commanded and enjoined, they will not be required to report for duty, or be placed upon active service as aforesaid until a day not earlier than the 1st day of July, 1918, which will, by our registrar or deputy registrar for the registry district in which they are hereby required to report, be notified to them in writing by registered post at their respective addresses as given in their reports, or at such substituted addresses as they may have respectively signified to our said registrar or deputy registrar; and we do hereby inform, forewarn and admonish the men hereby required to report that if any of them shall, without just and sufficient cause, fail to report for duty, at the time and place required by notice in writing so posted or as otherwise by law required he shall, be subject to the procedure, pains and penalties by law prescribed as against deserters.

AND WHEREAS by the regulations approved by our Governor General of Canada in Council on the 20th day of April last, in the execution of the powers conferred by our War Measures Act, 1914, it is among other things in effect provided that Class I under our said Military Service Act, 1917, shall, in addition to the men included therein as in our said Act mentioned, include all men, who are by this our proclamation required to report as hereinafter described, and that all men included in the said Class I by virtue of the regulations aforesaid, shall report to the registrar or deputy registrar under our said Military Service Act, 1917, as required by proclamation, and shall be subject to military law as in such proclamation set out, and shall, in the event of their failing to report, be liable to the penalties specified in our said last mentioned Act and the regulations thereunder.

AND WHEREAS our Governor General of Canada in Council has determined to exercise the power so conferred to require the men of the age and description hereinafter specified, as authorized by the said regulations of 20th April last to report, and to subject them to military law at the time and in the manner by this our proclamation prescribed.

Now, therefore, know ye that we do hereby strictly command, require and enjoin that every man who is a British subject resident in Canada, not within any class of persons described in the exceptions mentioned in the schedule to our said Military Service Act, 1917, who has attained the age of nineteen years, but was born on or since the 14th day of October, 1897, and is unmarried or a widower without children, shall, on or before the first day of June, 1918, report in writing by registered post to the registrar or deputy registrar under our said Military Service Act, 1917, for the registry district within which he resides, his name in full, the date of his birth, and place of residence, giving his usual post office address, wherein our loving subjects affected by our command and injunction aforesaid are especially charged not to fail, since not only do their loyalty and allegiance require and impose the obligation of careful and implicit obedience to these our strict commands and injunctions, but moreover, lest any of our loving subjects should be ignorant of the consequences which will ensue if they fail to report within the time limited as aforesaid, we do hereby forewarn, and admonish them that any one by this our proclamation required to report who shall without reasonable excuse fail to report as aforesaid shall thereby commit an offence for which he shall be liable, on summary conviction, to imprisonment for any term not exceeding five years with hard labour, and he shall, nevertheless, if we so require, be compelled to serve immediately in our said Expeditionary Force.

Of all which Our loving subjects and all others whom these presents may concern, are hereby required to take notice, rendering strict obedience to and compliance with all these our commands, directions and requirements, and governing 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. Witness 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 Hardwicke, 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 FOURTH day of MAY, in the year of Our Lord one thousand nine hundred and eighteen, and in the eighth year of Our Reign.

By command,

Under-Secretary of State.

Note: The men required to report by this proclamation should address their reports as follows:—

ONTARIO—To the Deputy Registrar under the Military Service Act, 1917, London, if they reside in the County of Essex, Kent, Lambton, Elgin, Middlesex, Oxford, Waterloo, Wellington, Perth, Huron, or Bruce.

To the Registrar under the Military Service Act, 1917, Toronto, if they reside in the County of Lincoln, Welland, Haldimand, Norfolk, Brant, Westwotth, Halton, Peel, York, Ontario, Grey, Dufferin, Simcoe, or in the Districts of Muskoka, Parry Sound, Algoma, and Nipissing north of the Mattawa and French Rivers including the Townships of Ferris and Bonfield.

To the Deputy Registrar under the Military Service Act, 1917, Kingston, if they reside in the County of Durham, Northumberland, Victoria, Peterborough, Hastings, Prince Edward, Lennox, Addington, Frontenac, Haliburton, Carleton, Dundas, Glengarry, Renfrew, Russell, Stormont, Grenville, Lanark, Leeds, Prescott, or the District of Nipissing south of Mattawa River exclusive of the Townships of Ferris and Bonfield.

To the Registrar under the Military Service Act, 1917, Winnipeg, if they reside in the Districts of Kenora, Rainy River, or Thunder Bay.

QUEBEC—To the Registrar under the Military Service Act, 1917, Montreal, if they reside in the County of Jacques Cartier, Hochelaga, Laval, Vaudreuil, Soulanges, Napierville, Beauharnois, Chateauguay, Huntingdon, Laprairie, Argenteuil, Terrebonne, Two Mountains, Montcalm, L'Assomption, Joliette, Berthier, Maskinongé, St. Maurice, Three Rivers, St. Johns, Iberville, Missisquoi, Bromé, Shefford, Rouville, Chambly, Vercheres, St. Hyacinthe, Bagot, Drummond, Richelieu, Yamaska, Nicolet, Arthabaska, Sherbrooke, and Stanstead.

To the Deputy Registrar under the Military Service Act, 1917, Quebec, if they reside in the County of Wolfe, Richmond, Compton, Beauce, Bellechasse, Bonaventure, Dorchester, Gaspé, Kamouraska, Lévis, L'Islet, Champlain, Charlevoix, Rivestimi, Montmorency, Quebec, Portneuf, Saguenay, Lotbinière, Montmagny, Estaire, Mégantic, Rimouski, and Témiscouata.

To the Deputy Registrar under the Military Service Act, 1917, Hall, if they reside in the County of Wright, Labelle, and Pontiac.

NOVA SCOTIA—To the Registrar under the Military Service Act, 1917, Halifax, if they reside in the Province of Nova Scotia.

NEW BRUNSWICK—To the Registrar under the Military Service Act, 1917, St. John, if they reside in the Province of New Brunswick.

PRINCE EDWARD ISLAND—To the Registrar under the Military Service Act, 1917, Charlottetown, if they reside in the Province of Prince Edward Island.

BRITISH COLUMBIA—To the Registrar under the Military Service Act, 1917, Vancouver, if they reside in the Province of British Columbia.

SASKATCHEWAN—To the Registrar under the Military Service Act, 1917, Regina, if they reside in the Province of Saskatchewan.

ALBERTA—To the Registrar under the Military Service Act, 1917, Calgary, if they reside in the Province of Alberta.

MANITOBA—To the Registrar under the Military Service Act, 1917, Winnipeg, if they reside in the Province of Manitoba.

YUKON—To the Registrar under the Military Service Act, 1917, Dawson, if they reside in the Yukon Territory.