

of this notice. Such objections or petitions are to be addressed and forwarded to the Minister of Internal Affairs, Wellington.

#### SCHEDULE.

##### AREA PROPOSED TO BE INCLUDED IN THE BOROUGH OF INVERCARGILL.

ALL that area in the Southland Land District, being part of Section No. 27, Block I, Invercargill Hundred, bounded towards the north by the present boundary of the Borough of Invercargill from New River Estuary to and across the Invercargill-Kingston Railway line; thence towards the east and south by the present boundary of the Borough of Invercargill; and thence towards the west by high-water mark of New River Estuary to the place of commencement.

H. D. BELL,  
Minister of Internal Affairs.

##### Regulations governing the Introduction of Potatoes into the United States of America.—Notice No. 1739.

Department of Agriculture, Industries, and Commerce,  
Wellington, 4th May, 1914.

THE following regulations, dated 30th December, 1913, and issued by the Secretary of Agriculture, Washington, U.S.A., governing the introduction of potatoes into the United States are published for general information.

W. F. MASSEY,  
Minister of Agriculture and of Industries  
and Commerce.

#### REGULATIONS.

##### REGULATION 1.—DEFINITION.

FOR the purpose of these regulations, the term "potato" shall be understood as meaning the common or Irish potato (*Solanum tuberosum*) and its horticultural varieties.

##### REGULATION 2.—GENERAL CONDITIONS GOVERNING POTATO IMPORTATIONS.

Potatoes will be admitted from any country or well-defined district thereof not specifically mentioned in Notice of Quarantine No. 11, issued 22nd December, 1913,\* when it is determined, by adequate field inspection conducted by recognized experts of the country concerned, that such country or district thereof is free from injurious potato diseases and injurious insect pests; and such country must further agree to examine and certify all potatoes offered for export in compliance with these regulations:

Provided that the entry of potatoes will not be permitted from any country unless such country either has an effective quarantine prohibiting the entry into such country or district thereof of potatoes from any country or district under quarantine by the United States, or forbids by law the exportation to the United States of all potatoes not grown within the country or district or locality thereof from which the potatoes are exported:

Provided further that potatoes grown in a district which is believed by a duly authorized official to be free from injurious potato diseases, and which have at the time of the issuance of these regulations been taken from the ground and stored, may be certified after inspection as hereinafter provided in Regulation 5.

Quarantine of the countries specifically mentioned in Notice of Quarantine No. 11, issued 22nd December, 1913, may be lifted by the Secretary of Agriculture, as to the country or district thereof, upon satisfactory evidence that such country or district thereof is free from injurious potato diseases and injurious insect pests, and thereafter potatoes will be admitted under and in accordance with these regulations.

Entry of potatoes will not be allowed unless the invoice is accompanied by an original certificate, and unless each container bears a copy certificate in accordance with Regulation 5.

Potatoes will be admitted into the United States only through the port designated in the permit.

The entry of potatoes will not be permitted except where the shipments pass directly from the country of origin to the port of entry in the United States; provided that when transshipment is necessary at a port of a country under quarantine, such transshipment shall be made by lighters from boat to boat in the harbour without landing the potatoes, and the consular invoice of place of origin must follow the shipment from original port of departure to the port of entry in the United States.

No shipment of potatoes will be permitted entry until it has been examined by an Inspector of the Department of

Agriculture, and found or believed to be free from wart disease and the powdery scab, and other dangerous plant-diseases and dangerous insect pests.

Shipments of potatoes inspected as provided herein found to be infested with wart diseases or with powdery scab or other injurious plant-diseases, or with injurious insect pests, will be refused entry.

All charges for storage, cartage, and labour incident to inspection, other than the services of Inspectors, shall be paid by the importer.

##### REGULATION 3.—APPLICATIONS FOR PERMITS FOR IMPORTATION OF POTATOES.

Persons contemplating the importation of potatoes shall first make application to the Federal Horticultural Board, Department of Agriculture, Washington, D.C., for a permit, stating in the application the name and address of the exporter, the country and locality where grown, the port of departure (or port of consular invoice), the proposed port of entry, and the name and address of the importer in the United States to whom the permit should be sent.

Applications for permits must be made in advance of the shipment of the potatoes.

Applications may be made by telegraph, in which case the information required above must be given.

Permits are not required for potatoes entering the United States for immediate transportation in bond to foreign countries.

##### Form of Application for Permit to Import Potatoes.

\_\_\_\_\_, 191\_\_\_\_.  
To the Federal Horticultural Board, Washington, D.C.  
SIRS,—A permit is requested for the importation of potatoes as described below, during the period \_\_\_\_\_, 191\_\_\_\_, to 30th June, 191\_\_\_\_.

| Quantity. | Probable Date of Shipment. |
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Name and address of Exporter :

Country where grown :

Locality where grown :

Port of departure :

Port of entry :

Name and address of person (either applicant or his agent or broker) to whom permit should be mailed :

[Name of Applicant.]  
[Address.]

##### REGULATION 4.—PERMITS FOR ENTRY OF POTATOES.

On approval by the Secretary of Agriculture of the application for the importation of potatoes a permit will be issued in triplicate. One copy of the permit will be furnished to the applicant, to be retained by him for presentation, on the arrival of the imported potatoes, to the Customs officer at the port of entry named in the permit; one copy will be mailed to the Collector at the port of entry; and the third filed with the application. The beginning of the period for which a permit will be valid will be expressed in the permit. All permits will expire on the 30th day of June next after they become valid.

Permits for the entry of potatoes may be refused, and existing permits may be cancelled, on proof that the certificate of inspection does not correctly give the locality where the potatoes were grown, character of the shipment as to freedom from disease or insect infestation, or that the containers have been previously used for the shipment of potatoes.

Permits for the entry of potatoes will be addressed to the Collector of Customs at the port of entry in the following form:—

United States Department of Agriculture.—Federal  
Horticultural Board, Washington, D.C.

Permit to Import Potatoes.

Valid : \_\_\_\_\_, 191\_\_\_\_, to 30th June, 191\_\_\_\_, 191\_\_\_\_.

To the Collector of Customs,

You are hereby authorized, so far as the jurisdiction of the Department of Agriculture is concerned, to permit the entry, under the Plant Quarantine Act, approved 20th August, 1912, of the potatoes described herein, upon receipt of notice in writing from an Inspector of the Department of Agriculture that such potatoes have been inspected by him or under his direction, and found or believed to be free from plant-diseases and insect pests; provided the invoice of each shipment is accompanied by an original certificate issued by a duly authorized official of the country from which the ship-

\* The countries mentioned in this notice are the United Kingdom, Continental Europe, Canada, Newfoundland, St. Pierre, and Miquelon.