

Prohibiting the Importation into New Zealand of Spirits of less than a certain Strength.

LIVERPOOL, Governor-General.

ORDER IN COUNCIL.

At the Government House at Wellington, this sixteenth day of April, 1918.

Present :

HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR-GENERAL IN COUNCIL.

IN pursuance and exercise of the powers conferred on him by section forty-six of the Customs Act, 1913, and section two of the Regulation of Trade and Commerce Amendment Act, 1915, His Excellency the Governor-General of the Dominion of New Zealand, acting by and with the advice and consent of the Executive Council of that Dominion, doth hereby prohibit the importation into New Zealand of any brandy, whisky, or rum of a less strength than twenty-five degrees underproof; and doth hereby declare that this Order in Council shall come into force on the eighteenth day of April, one thousand nine hundred and eighteen.

J. F. ANDREWS,
Clerk of the Executive Council.

Regulations under the Scaffolding Inspection Act, 1908.

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WHEREAS by section five of the Scaffolding Inspection Act, 1908, it was provided that the Governor might from time to time, by Order in Council gazetted, make regulations relating to scaffolding and gear used in connection therewith: And whereas regulations were made under that Act on the third day of March, one thousand nine hundred and eight, and on the eighteenth day of May, one thousand nine hundred and eight, and such regulations were published in the *New Zealand Gazette* of the twelfth day of March, one thousand nine hundred and eight, and the twenty-eighth day of May, one thousand nine hundred and eight, respectively: And whereas it is expedient to revoke the said recited regulations and make other provision in lieu thereof under the powers conferred by section five of the Scaffolding Inspection Act, 1908 (hereinafter called "the said Act"):

Now, therefore, His Excellency the Governor-General of the Dominion of New Zealand, in pursuance and exercise of the power and authority conferred by the said Act, and acting by and with the advice and consent of the Executive Council of the said Dominion, doth hereby revoke the recited regulations of the third day of March, one thousand nine hundred and eight, and the eighteenth day of May, one thousand nine hundred and eight, respectively, and in lieu thereof doth hereby, for the purposes of the said Act, make the following regulations; and doth hereby declare that the said regulations shall come into force on the first day of May, one thousand nine hundred and eighteen.

REGULATIONS.

- In these regulations,—
 - "Gear" includes ladder, plank, rope, fastening, hoist, block, pulley, hanger, sling, brace, and other movable contrivance of a like kind:
 - "Scaffolding" means any structure or framework used or intended to be used for the support of workmen in erecting, demolishing, altering, repairing, cleaning, painting, or carrying on any other kind of work in connection with any building, structure, ship, or boat, and includes any swinging stage used or intended to be used for any of the purposes aforesaid:
 - "The said Act" means the Scaffolding Inspection Act, 1908, and its amendments.
- The notice to the Inspector of intention to erect scaffolding (under section 4) shall be in the Form Sc. 1 in the Schedule to these Regulations.

The directions of the Inspector to the owner or person in charge of or employed on scaffolding or gear under section 6, (1) and (2), shall be in the Forms Sc. 2 and 3 in the Schedule hereto, with such modification as may be necessary to meet the circumstances of each case.
- All scaffolding, and all gear used in connection therewith, in any district for which an Inspector has been ap-

pointed under the said Act shall be of the description indicated in these regulations under the respective headings, and shall be set up, built, maintained, and used in accordance with such regulations: Provided that it shall be lawful for any Inspector to authorize the use of any other description of scaffolding or gear in any case where he has personally inspected the same, and certified in writing that in his opinion such scaffolding or gear may safely be used for the purpose intended.

4. Any scaffolding or gear that is, in the opinion of the Inspector, unsuitable for use may be condemned by the Inspector for being used as or in connection with any scaffolding or gear, and may be branded by him with a distinctive mark. Such condemnation may be for all purposes or for any specific purpose only as may be stated by the Inspector and where condemned for all purposes the Inspector may order that such scaffolding or gear shall not be again used as part of or in connection with any other scaffolding or gear. The Inspector shall also notify such persons as he may think fit of the condemnation of such scaffolding or gear. No person shall deface the Inspector's mark branded upon any scaffolding or gear.

Swinging Stage.

5. Every swinging stage used or intended to be used in connection with any scaffolding as above defined shall be so constructed or built as to bear three times the maximum weight ordinarily required.

Blocks shall be of iron or wood not less than 4 in. in diameter of sheaf, consisting of double and single block. All rope shall be manila, not less than 2½ in. circumference.

Platform shall not be less than 18 in. in width. Each swinging stage 18 ft. in length shall have two hangers, to be wrought iron or mild steel of not less than 1 in. diameter, or 4 in. manila rope, or 1½ in. steel wire rope, fitted to the satisfaction of the Inspector. The distance between the hangers shall be not more than 12 ft. Where the stage exceeds 18 ft. in length, and the distance between the hangers exceeds 12 ft., the planking shall be stiffened with an approved truss underneath, and other parts shall be of stronger construction, as may be directed by the Inspector.

Guard-rail shall be of 3 in. manila rope, 1 in. pipe, or 3 in. by 2 in. timber securely fastened not less than 2 ft. 6 in. from floor; also fender-board not less than 4 in. by 1 in. on outside and both ends.

Tripod Gantries.

6. Gantry not exceeding 100 ft. high for a steam or other crane to lift a weight of 5 tons and not exceeding 10 tons shall be constructed as follows: Tripod gantry towers to be not less than 6 ft. by 6 ft., and to be constructed with 7 in. by 7 in. corner-posts extending the full height of the gantry, properly fish-plated and bolted at junctions; corner-posts to be firmly tied together by 9 in. by 3 in. horizontal ties at 10 ft. centres, and each side of the tower to be properly braced with 7 in. by 3 in. diagonal braces, firmly bolted to the corner-posts; each tower to have a centre-post 8 in. by 8 in., these posts to extend the full height, and to be firmly fish-plated at junctions, and to be stiffened at intervals with 5 in. by 3 in. stays to the corner-posts of each tower. The towers to be constructed by means of horizontal braces, 9 in. by 3 in., spaced not less than 20 ft. apart. Each side of the gantry to be braced with diagonal braces of 9 in. by 3 in. firmly bolted to the timbers of the towers and at intersections; the towers to rest on 9 in. by 9 in. sleeper-plates, and to be tied together at top by 9 in. by 9 in. kerb; all bolts for gantries to be not less than ¾ in. diameter. The back stays of the crane to be tied to the 8 in. by 8 in. centre-post by means of two 4 in. by 1 in. wrought-iron straps extending over the back stay of the crane and down each side of the centre-post. The length of the strap to be 9 ft. and to be firmly bolted to the centre-post and to the timbers of the crane by 1 in. bolts. The ends of the straps to be also turned and mortised into centre-post 1½ in. Each centre under the back stays of the crane shall have a platform at the bottom formed of 9 in. by 3 in. timber firmly bolted to the centre-post and to the sides of the tower, and each tower shall be loaded with a weight equal to three times the weight the crane has to lift.

The construction of a tripod gantry not exceeding 100 ft. high for a crane to lift from 10 tons to 15 tons shall be similar in all respects to the foregoing, with the exception that the corner-posts of the towers shall be 8 in. by 8 in.

Where circumstances necessitate a gantry exceeding 100 ft. in height, it shall be constructed to the approval of the Inspector.

Other styles of gantries may be erected as approved by the Inspector.

Hand-cranes, Derricks, &c.

7. All hand-cranes, derricks, or any such similar gear used in connection with any scaffolding shall, after erection