

other thing used in connection with the keeping of bees and the harvesting of their products.

2. The introduction into New Zealand of bees or honey is absolutely prohibited except as hereinafter provided by these regulations.

3. The ports of Auckland, Wellington, Lyttelton, Dunedin, and Bluff are hereby appointed to be the only ports of entry for bees and honey:

Provided that in the case of direct consignments of bees or honey for any other port than those above mentioned, the whole consignment or any portion thereof, as may be required by the Inspector, shall be actually landed by the person in charge thereof, at the owner's expense, for examination at a port of entry; and on a permit being issued by such Inspector, after examination, authorizing their release, such bees or honey shall be allowed to be landed on production of such permit to the Customs officer at the port of destination. The form of permit shall be that set out in the First Schedule hereto.

ADMISSION OF BEES.

4. (1.) Bees may be introduced into New Zealand from Italy, the United States of America, and the Commonwealth of Australia, provided that every consignment of bees must be accompanied by a certificate as set out in Form No. 1 of the Second Schedule hereto, signed by the shipper, setting forth the number and kind of packages, the shipping marks, the name of the beekeeper from whom such bees were obtained, the locality and the State or province in which is situated the apiary from which such bees were obtained, and certifying that such bees are free from disease, and that the diseases *Bacillus larvæ* and *Bacillus pluton* (which are known as Foul Brood) are not known to exist in or within five miles of such apiary, and that the appliances serving as containers of such bees are clean and free from disease.

(2.) On every such certificate there shall be inscribed a certificate as set out in Form No. 2 of the Second Schedule hereto, signed by a responsible officer of the Department of Agriculture in the country or State in which such bees were bred, certifying that the disease *Nosema apis* (known as Isle of Wight disease) is not known to exist in such country or State, and that the diseases *Bacillus larvæ* and *Bacillus pluton* (which are known as Foul Brood) are not known to exist in or within five miles of the apiary from which such bees are certified to have been obtained.

5. (1.) Bees introduced into New Zealand from the above-mentioned countries by post must be sent through the parcel post.

(2.) Prior to delivery to the addressee, parcels of bees will be held for examination by an Inspector as hereinafter prescribed at one of the following chief post-offices—viz., Auckland, Wellington, Christchurch, Dunedin, or Invercargill, whichever is the distributing centre for parcel mails for the place to which the bees are addressed.

(3.) The certificate herein required to accompany such bees may be sent direct to the Chief Postmaster at the centre above mentioned, from which the parcel of bees will be distributed to its final destination.

ADMISSION OF HONEY.

6. Honey may be introduced into the Dominion from the United States of America and the Commonwealth of Australia, provided that every consignment of honey must be accompanied by a certificate as set out in Form No. 1 of the Third Schedule hereto, signed by the shipper, setting forth the number and kind of packages, the shipping marks, the State where such honey was produced, and certifying that such honey is free from disease. On every such certificate there shall be inscribed a certificate as set out in Form No. 2 of the Third Schedule hereto, signed by a responsible officer of the Department of Agriculture in the State in which such honey was produced, certifying that he has no reason to doubt the correctness of the above-mentioned shipper's certificate, and that the disease *Nosema apis* (known as Isle of Wight disease) is not known to exist in the State in which such honey is certified to have been produced.

ADMISSION OF APPLIANCES.

7. No appliances which have been used in connection with bees shall be introduced into New Zealand:

Provided that in connection with bees which may be lawfully imported into New Zealand there may be introduced such used appliances as are necessary (but no more) to serve as containers for such bees.

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8. On the arrival of bees or honey at a port of entry there shall be handed to the Inspector at such port the certificates prescribed by these regulations to accompany such bees or honey.

9. The Inspector, if satisfied that the certificates are in order, and apply to the bees or honey proposed to be introduced, that such bees or honey are in fact free from disease,

and that the law has been otherwise complied with, shall issue a permit as set out in the First Schedule hereto to land such bees or honey:

Provided, however, that the possession of such certificates shall not relieve any person seeking to introduce such bees or honey from any other liabilities he may be subject to under the provisions of the said Act or these regulations.

10. No bees, honey, or used appliances shall be landed without such permit from an Inspector, and any bees, honey, or used appliances landed or attempted to be landed without such permit may be seized by any Inspector, Officer of Customs, or member of the Police Force, and shall be destroyed or otherwise dealt with as the Inspector directs.

11. If any bees or honey are introduced, or attempted to be introduced, into New Zealand without being accompanied by the certificates prescribed by these regulations, or if such bees or honey, though accompanied by such certificates, are found on arrival to be diseased, the Inspector may seize such bees or honey, together with any package containing the same, or with which the same may have come in contact, and may disinfect, destroy, or otherwise dispose of them as he deems fit, at the expense of the owner or person in charge thereof.

12. No fees shall be charged for inspection, but all labour connected with the opening and repacking of packages of bees or honey for that purpose shall be provided at the expense of the owner or person in charge thereof.

13. If any bees, honey, or appliances the introduction of which into New Zealand is absolutely prohibited by these regulations are introduced or attempted to be introduced into New Zealand, such bees, honey, or appliances, together with any packages containing the same, or with which the same may have come in contact, shall either be reshipped at once to a port or place beyond New Zealand by the person introducing or attempting to introduce them, or be destroyed by the Inspector at the port of entry:

Provided, however, that no such bees, honey, or appliances shall be reshipped without the consent of the Inspector first had and obtained; and provided further that in the event of destruction, the expense incurred shall be paid by the owner or person in charge of such bees, honey, or appliances on demand.

14. Every person who—

(1.) Knowingly introduces, attempts to introduce, or is concerned in introducing or attempting to introduce any bees, honey, or used appliances in contravention of these regulations, or who knowingly keeps, sells, exposes or offers for sale, or in any way causes the distribution of any bees, honey, or used appliances introduced in contravention of these regulations:

(2.) Removes, or attempts to remove, or is concerned in removing any bees, honey, or used appliances, or the package or wrapping containing the same, from any wharf or landing-place within New Zealand without first having obtained a permit from an Inspector:

(3.) Commits any other breach of these regulations: is liable on conviction to a penalty not exceeding £5.

FIRST SCHEDULE.

PERMIT TO LAND BEES OR HONEY.

To the Landing Waiter, His Majesty's Customs.

PLEASE allow to be landed and delivered to the undermentioned packages of bees [or honey], &c.:—

Number: Mark: Description: Port: Date: , Inspector.

SECOND SCHEDULE.

[Form No. 1.]

SHIPPER'S CERTIFICATE TO ACCOMPANY BEES TO NEW ZEALAND.

I, [Full name and address of shipper], hereby certify that the consignment of [Here state number and kind of packages] of bees marked [Here state shipping marks], consigned to [Name and address of consignee], per [Name of vessel], are bees which have been bred by [Name of beekeeper] at [State locality] in the State [or Province] of _____, that such bees are free from disease, that the diseases *Bacillus larvæ* and *Bacillus pluton* (which are known as Foul Brood) are not known to exist in or within five miles of the apiary from which such bees have been obtained, and that the appliances in which such bees are contained are clean and free from disease.

Date: [Signature.]

[Form No. 2.]

OFFICIAL CERTIFICATE TO ACCOMPANY BEES TO NEW ZEALAND.

I HEREBY certify that I have this day examined the above-mentioned consignment of bees, and have no reason to doubt