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## Purchase of Butter by the Government.

HEREAS it is necessary that His Majesty's Government of the United Kingdom should acquire the whole of the butter manufactured in New Zealand during the period hereinafter specified, saving only such supplies as may be required for local consumption: And whereas arrangements have been made whereby the Government of New Zealand will acquire on behalf of His Majesty's said Government the supplies of butter so required :

Now, therefore, it is hereby publicly notified as follows for the information of buttermanufacturers and of all other persons concerned :-

1. The New Zealand Government (hereinafter referred to as "the Government") is prepared to purchase for and on behalf of His Majesty's Government of the United Kingdom the whole of the exportable surplus of butter delivered into grading-store in New Zealand during the period commencing on the 1st day of August, 1920, and ending on the 31st day of March, 1921, at the prices and on the terms and conditions hereinafter set forth.

2. The following prices will be paid for butter delivered free on board steamer at a customary grading port for carriage to the United Kingdom :--

- Creamery Butter : Graded 88 points and over, 280s. per hundredweight. In the case of butter graded below 88 points a reduction at the rate of 1s. 6d. per hundredweight shall be made for each grade point or fraction of a point by which the butter falls below 88 points.
- Whey Butter and Dairy Butter : First grade, 261s. 4d. per hundredweight ; second

grade, 256s. 8d. per hundredweight. Milled Butter : First grade, 247s. 4d. per hundredweight ; second grade, 242s. 8d. per hundredweight.

3. The butter shall before shipment be examined and graded in a Government grading-store in accordance with the usual course of trade, and may be rejected as not being of good merchantable quality and condition, or as not being in conformity with the terms and conditions of the contract in other respects.

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