

in regard to local purchases to an extent and value permitted by the Department requiring the stores, or as directed by the Board, and in every case the District Committee must be satisfied that the expenditure proposed is approved by the Department concerned.

On receipt of tenders or quotations the District Supplies and Tenders Committee shall make a recommendation to the district representative of the Permanent Head of the Department for whom purchases are to be made, and such district representative shall then complete the purchase accordingly and in conformity with the regulations or instructions of his Department.

It shall also be the function of District Supplies and Tenders Committees to represent to the Advisory Committee any case coming within the knowledge of the committee where stores are not being procured to the best advantage, or the Board's policy or directions are not being given effect to.

GENERAL.

16. (a.) Any Department having surplus stocks available must immediately furnish full particulars of the same to the Board.

(b.) The Board may require any Department holding surplus stocks to transfer the same for the use of other Departments, at such price, in the event of the two Departments not agreeing, as the Board may determine.

(c.) Any Department becoming aware that stores are available for purchase at prices below market rates must immediately notify the Board.

(d.) It shall be the duty of all Departments to report any unsatisfactory contractor to the Board.

(e.) The Board is hereby empowered to issue to Departments, and to require compliance therewith, any directions it may deem necessary in furtherance of its function and authority to control and direct the purchase, custody, use, distribution, and disposal of Government stores.

(f.) The Board may, in its discretion, grant exemption either wholly or in part from compliance with the procedure herein required or hereafter directed by the Board.

(g.) The Board may disqualify from tendering or quoting, for any period it may consider desirable or necessary, any person, firm, or company found to have been guilty of any default in carrying out a previous contract, or who may be for any other reason considered ineligible.

PURCHASE OF STORES IN CASE OF EXTREME EMERGENCY.

17. Notwithstanding the provisions of these regulations, in cases of extreme urgency the Permanent Head of any Department may authorize the purchase of stores to a value sufficient to cope with the particular emergency, but every such case shall be reported by the Permanent Head to the relative Supplies and Tenders Committee :

Provided that if any condition shall arise whereby the officer in charge of any works is unable to communicate with the Permanent Head of his Department or the relative District Supplies and Tenders Committee, he may purchase sufficient stores to cover the emergency, reporting immediately all particulars to the Permanent Head ; but it must be distinctly understood that this course is only to be adopted in cases where approval cannot be obtained within sufficient time to meet the emergency, and that such purchase is limited to the immediate necessary requirements.

F. D. THOMSON,
Clerk of the Executive Council.

*Goods produced or manufactured in the United Kingdom
exported from New Zealand to Australia.*

Customs Department,
Wellington, 5th May, 1922.

IT is hereby notified, for public information, that goods manufactured or produced in the United Kingdom which would be entitled to admission under the British Preferential Tariff in force in Australia if imported direct from the United Kingdom will, as on and from 1st May, 1922, if exported from New Zealand to Australia, be admitted into the Commonwealth under the British Preferential Tariff in force in that country if a certificate signed by a New Zealand Customs officer is submitted that he is satisfied from evidence which has been produced to him that the goods in question are the produce or manufacture of the United Kingdom.

Any person in New Zealand desiring to export any such goods to Australia should apply to the Collector of Customs at the port of shipment for such a certificate, and should produce to the Collector (a) the original invoice from the supplier of the goods in the United Kingdom, and (b) the invoice to be forwarded to the consignee in the Commonwealth duly certified as required by the Australian Customs Regulations.

W. B. MONTGOMERY,
Comptroller of Customs.

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