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General Regulations under Part III of the Animals Protection and Game Act, 1921-22, respecting Opossums.

CHARLES FERGUSSON, Governor-General.

By his Deputy,

CHARLES PERRIN SKERRETT.

ORDER IN COUNCIL.

At the Government Buildings at Wellington, this 8th day of May, 1926.

Present :

THE RIGHT HONOURABLE J. G. COATES, P.C., PRESIDING IN COUNCIL.

IN pursuance and exercise of the powers and authorities conferred upon him by the Animals Protection and Game Act, 1921-22 (hereinafter referred to as "the said Act"), and of all other powers and authorities enabling him in this behalf, His Excellency the Governor-General of the Dominion of New Zealand, acting by and with the advice and consent of the Executive Council of the said Dominion, doth hereby revoke all previous regulations respecting opossums made under Part III of the said Act, and doth hereby make the following regulations for the purposes of the said Act; and doth hereby declare that the regulations hereby made shall have force and effect throughout New Zealand, subject to the said Act and to any special regulations made thereunder in force in any acclimatization district.

REGULATIONS.

1. INTERPRETATION.

(1.) In these regulations, if not inconsistent with the context,—

"Authorized officer" means any person appointed by the Under-Secretary to be an authorized officer for any specified purpose under these regulations;

"License" means a license to take or kill opossums issued under these regulations; but does not include a broker's license:

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"Licensed broker" includes any person whose business it is to act as a broker or dealer in respect of the purchase and sale of opossum-skins, and who has obtained a broker's license as hereinafter provided from the Under-Secretary:

"Minister" means the Minister of Internal Affairs:

"Official mark" means any mark mentioned in these regulations or in any former regulations respecting opossums made under Part III of the said Act or under the Animals Protection Amendment Act, 1920, including a royalty-paid stamp:

"Skins" and "opossum-skins" include tanned skins, but do not include tanned or prepared skins *bona fide* used as a rug, coat, muff, or article of personal or domestic or household use or ornament:

"Under-Secretary" means the Under-Secretary of the Department of Internal Affairs:

(2.) These regulations may be cited as the Opossum Regulations, 1926.

2. TAKING OF OPOSSUMS.

(1.) Opossums may be taken or killed only in the following manner:—

(a.) By means of a running noose fixed in such manner that the head of the animal will pass through the noose.

(b.) By means of the trap known as the American jump-trap, with or without teeth, or by the box trap, or by the ordinary rabbit-trap.

(c.) All such traps for the taking of opossums must be placed on the ground while in use.

(2.) Every person engaged in taking opossums shall visit all traps or other contrivances used for that purpose at least once daily.

(3.) Except as provided in these regulations, or in any special regulations made in respect of any district, no person shall take or kill, or assist in the taking or killing of opossums unless he is at the time the holder of a license.

(4.) Notwithstanding anything hereinbefore contained, any person in *bona fide* occupation of any land, and any one son

or daughter of such person, may take or kill opossums on that land without a license (but subject to obtaining a permit as hereinafter provided and to all other restrictions and conditions imposed by or under the said Act or these regulations) during any open season in which opossums may lawfully be taken or killed under a license in the district within the boundaries of which such land is situated.

(5.) Before any person takes or kills opossums pursuant to clause (4) of this regulation he shall first apply for and obtain a permit for such purpose from the Secretary of the acclimatization society in whose district the said land is situated. Such application shall be accompanied by the certificate of a ranger of the acclimatization society concerned to the effect that the applicant is a *bona fide* occupier of such land or the son or daughter of a *bona fide* occupier, as the case may be. It shall be mandatory on the secretary of the acclimatization society concerned to issue such permit if the application is accompanied by the necessary certificate. No fee shall be charged for such permit. Such permit shall be in the form or to the effect set out in form No. 6 in the First Schedule hereto.

(6.) The Minister may, by writing under his hand, authorize any acclimatization society, or the officers or servants of any such society, or any other person without being the holder of a license to catch or take opossums for the purpose of distributing or exchanging the same in some other country or in some other part of New Zealand, or for any scientific or other purpose approved by the Minister. Any such authority may permit the holder thereof to enter upon a sanctuary or public domain for the purpose of catching or taking opossums as specified therein, and shall be subject to such conditions as may be specified therein.

(7.) Notwithstanding anything in these regulations, it shall be lawful at any time, and in any acclimatization district for the occupier of any orchard registered under the Orchard and Garden Diseases Act, 1908, or for any *bona fide* employee of or any other person authorized by such occupier, without being the holder of a license, to kill by any means not involving unnecessary cruelty any opossums in such orchard, or, where the orchard exceeds one acre in extent, and with the consent of the owner or occupier thereof, on any land within half a mile of such orchard or elsewhere within the areas defined in the Second Schedule hereto, or for the occupier of any land within half a mile of such orchard registered as aforesaid exceeding one acre in extent, or for any *bona fide* employee of or other person authorized by such occupier, similarly to kill opossums in the area occupied by such occupier.

Provided that the provisions of Regulation 4 hereof shall apply so far as applicable to any such occupier, employee, or other person as if he were the holder of a license.

(8.) On being satisfied that injury or damage to any land has arisen or is likely to arise through the presence of opossums on such land, the Minister may in writing authorize the owner or occupier of such land, or his servants, to take or kill opossums thereon without being the holder of a license, subject to such conditions and during such period not exceeding three months from the date thereof as may be specified in such Warrant.

(9.) The provisions of Regulations 8 and 9 hereof (relating to royalties and disposal of skins) shall apply to the skins of all opossums taken or killed in New Zealand, whether pursuant to a license in that behalf or otherwise under the provisions of this regulation.

3. LICENSES.

(1.) A license to take or kill opossums may be issued to any person on payment of the prescribed fee, in the form No. 1 in the First Schedule hereto, and shall be issued by the officers appointed in the special regulations issued in respect of each district; provided that no license shall authorize the taking or killing of opossums in any sanctuary or public domain.

(2.) Every person holding a license to take or kill opossums shall, on demand by any authorized person, produce such license, and after such demand, if such license is not produced, or if the person gives a false name or place of residence or address, he shall be liable to a fine not exceeding £20.

(3.) For the purposes of the last preceding clause of this regulation "authorized person" includes all Justices, constables, rangers, officers of the State Forest Service, or officers of acclimatization societies, proprietors, or occupiers of land upon which any person may be found in pursuit of opossums, and all holders of licenses to take or kill opossums.

(4.) Any person authorized to issue licenses hereunder may refuse to issue a license to any person who within two years prior to the date of his application for a license has been convicted of any breach of any of these regulations or of any former regulations respecting opossums made under Part III of the said Act, or under the Animals Protection Amendment Act, 1920.

(5.) Where the holder of a license hereunder has been found guilty of a breach of any of these regulations the Court by which he is so found guilty may, if it thinks fit, revoke his license.

(6.) If through no fault of his own a person who has paid the prescribed fee for a license to take or kill opossums should be unable to use such license, or if he has inadvertently taken out a license when such license is not required under this regulation, the Minister may, in his absolute discretion, direct that the whole of such fee or any portion thereof shall be refunded to such person. In such event such person shall, before such refund is made, surrender such license to the officer by whom it was issued.

(7.) If any person to whom a license has been issued under this regulation proves to the satisfaction of any person authorized to issue licenses, by such evidence as such authorized person may see fit to require, that any license or copy of a license has been lost or mutilated or become illegible, and on payment of a fee of 5s., he may at any time during the currency of the license obtain from such authorized person a copy of the license certified as being a true copy, and such copy shall be available for all purposes for which the original license could have been available under this regulation.

4. ENTRY ON PUBLIC AND PRIVATE LAND.

(1.) The holder of any license is not entitled by virtue of such license to enter upon any private land without the consent of the owner or occupier thereof.

(2.) The holder of any license is not entitled by virtue of such license—

(a.) To enter upon any State forest, provisional State forest, forest reserve, forest-plantation reserve, bush reserve, timber reserve, or reserve for the growth and preservation of timber without the written consent of a Conservator of Forests or a responsible officer of the State Forest Service having control thereof; nor

(b.) To enter upon any Crown land, scenic reserve, or any public reserve, other than a public domain, without the written consent of a Commissioner of Crown Lands, or of any Board having control thereof; nor

(c.) To enter upon any reserve under the Tourist and Health Resorts Control Act, 1908, without the written consent of the General Manager of the Department of Tourist and Health Resorts or his appointee.

(3.) Notification of any consent given under clause (2) of this regulation shall be endorsed on the license by the officer by whom such consent is given.

(4.) If any person to whom application is made for the issue of a license has reason to believe that the applicant proposes to take or kill opossums upon lands of any of the classes referred to in clause (2) of this regulation, he may withhold the issue of such license until production to him of such written consent as aforesaid.

5. TRAPPER'S STATEMENT.

(1.) Any person taking or killing opossums in New Zealand shall prepare and sign in duplicate a true and correct statement in writing in the Form No. 2 in the First Schedule hereto, relating to such opossums and the skins thereof.

(2.) Such person shall apply to the secretary or a ranger of the acclimatization society in whose district the opossums were killed or taken, or to a Postmaster, or to the Government Tourist Agent at Rotorua, or to a Ranger of the Department of Tourist and Health Resorts, or to an officer of the State Forest Service, or to any other person specially authorized for that purpose (hereinafter called the certifying officer) to sign on each copy of the said statement the certificate set out at the foot of the said Form No. 2.

(3.) On making application for the certificate of the certifying officer such person shall produce to the certifying officer the skins of the opossums to which such statement relates.

(4.) No broker or other person shall accept delivery of any skins not bearing the official mark, unless accompanied by both copies of such statement and certificate.

(5.) Any person committing a breach of the foregoing provisions of this regulation shall for each such offence be liable to a penalty not exceeding £20.

(6.) No certifying officer shall sign any certificate on such statement unless the skins of the opossums to which such statement relates have been produced to him as hereinbefore provided.

(7.) On payment of royalty by a licensed broker one copy of such statement so certified shall be delivered to the officer authorized to receive royalty, and shall be forwarded by him to the Under-Secretary with his monthly return referred to in clause (13) of Regulation 8 hereof, and the other copy thereof shall be forwarded by the licensed broker to the Under-Secretary with the monthly certified copy of register entries referred to in clause (2) of Regulation 7 hereof.

(8.) On payment of royalty by any person other than a licensed broker, both copies of such statement so certified shall be delivered to the officer authorized to receive royalty, and shall be forwarded by him to the Under-Secretary with his monthly return referred to in clause (13) of Regulation 8 hereof.

6. BROKERS' LICENSES.

(1.) No person, firm, or corporation shall act as a broker within the meaning of these regulations without being the holder of an annual license, to be called a broker's license, in the Form No. 4 in the First Schedule hereto.

(2.) Application for a broker's license shall be made in writing to the Under-Secretary in the Form No. 3 in the First Schedule hereto, and shall be signed by the applicant in person or by some member of a firm, or by a manager or other responsible officer of a company, as the case may require; and in the case of a broker's license to be issued to a partnership firm or a member thereof the application shall set out the full name and address of every partner in that firm.

(3.) A broker's license shall be issued by the Under-Secretary, and shall expire on the 30th day of April following the date thereof and there shall be payable on the issue thereof a fee of 21s.

(4.) It shall be sufficient compliance with this regulation on the part of a partnership firm or company if one or two or more persons carrying on business in partnership or if the manager or other person nominated in writing by the general manager of a company (as the case may be) is the holder of a broker's license under this regulation, and in such case it shall be in the discretion of the Under-Secretary whether a broker's license shall be issued to such firm or company or to a partner in the firm or a nominee of the company, as the case may be.

(5.) A separate broker's license must be taken out in respect of every branch of any business.

(6.) The Under-Secretary, if he thinks that any applicant is not a fit and proper person, firm, or company to be the holder of a broker's license, may, in his discretion, refuse to issue a license in respect of such application, whether to the person, firm, or company, or to any partner of the firm or nominee of the company in respect of such application, and shall not be required to state the grounds for such refusal.

(7.) The Under-Secretary may, on the like grounds and in the like discretion, by notice in the *Gazette* suspend or revoke any broker's license already issued.

7. DUTIES OF LICENSED BROKERS.

(1.) Every licensed broker shall keep a register in the form No. 5 in the First Schedule hereto, and shall on receipt of any opossum-skins enter therein the correct name, address, and occupation of each person, firm or, company from whom such skins are obtained for sale, indicating whether such skins are imported skins or the locality where the opossums were taken (as the case may be), and on the sale of any skins shall enter therein the name, address, and occupation of each person, firm, or company to whom such skins are sold. Such register shall be produced for inspection on demand by any constable, officer of an acclimatization society, ranger, or authorized officer.

(2.) Every licensed broker shall, immediately the sale of any opossum-skins takes place, forward to the secretary of the acclimatization society in whose district the opossums were taken a catalogue of such sale, giving the names of the sellers and buyers; and, immediately after the last day of each month, shall forward to the Under-Secretary a certified copy of the entries made during the month in the register referred to in clause (1) of this regulation, noting thereon the number of opossum-skins then in his possession.

(3.) No skins shall be delivered by a licensed broker unless they have been stamped to show that the royalty has been paid:

Provided that skins in possession of a broker which have not been stamped, and upon which royalty has not been paid, may be delivered to the buyer or returned to the seller where authority to do so has been granted by the Under-Secretary; and such authority may be granted on such conditions as the Under-Secretary thinks fit to impose.

(4.) For the purpose of complying with these regulations the licensed broker shall notify the officer appointed to stamp skins and collect royalty from brokers at least three days before any auction sale of skins takes place; and in case of a private sale such notification must be given immediately the sale is effected.

Notwithstanding anything contained herein, the royalty may be paid after any auction sale takes place on the condition that the broker gives an undertaking to the stamping officer that royalty will be paid within twenty-four hours after the sale takes place.

8. ROYALTIES.

(1.) In respect of the skin of every opossum taken or killed in New Zealand and in respect of every opossum-skin (as hereinbefore defined) imported into New Zealand, there shall be payable the sum of 1s. by way of royalty.

(2.) The said royalty shall be paid to the nearest officer authorized to receive the same, and there shall be produced to him upon payment every skin in respect of which royalty is tendered and, if the case so requires, the statement referring to such skin mentioned in clause (4) of this regulation, and such officer shall thereupon mark every such skin with the appropriate official mark.

(3.) No authorized officer having the custody or possession of the skin of any opossum taken or killed in New Zealand and not bearing the official mark shall part with the custody or possession thereof until the said royalty has been duly paid and the skin marked accordingly.

(4.) In no case shall any authorized officer affix the official mark to any skin until there has been produced to and checked by him a duly certified statement in the Form No. 2 in the First Schedule to these regulations as prescribed by regulation 5 hereof relating to such skin, unless he is satisfied by such evidence as he may require that such skin is of an opossum not taken or killed in New Zealand.

(5.) In the case of opossums taken or killed in New Zealand the said royalty shall be paid by the person taking or killing the same, and shall be paid—

(a.) Within one month from the date on which the same was taken if the same was taken in any of the places referred to in clause (7) of Regulation 2 hereof or taken pursuant to clause (6) or clause (8) of Regulation 2 hereof; or

(b.) Within one month from the closing date of the open season in that part of New Zealand in which the open season closes latest, provided the same was lawfully taken in the same year during an open season in any part of New Zealand.

(6.) In the case of opossum-skins imported into New Zealand the said royalty shall be paid by the person importing the same, and shall be payable on the importation thereof.

(7.) The Under-Secretary may extend the periods referred to in clauses (5) and (6) of this regulation, subject to such conditions as he thinks fit to impose.

(8.) Except as otherwise provided in these regulations, every person being the owner or in possession of an opossum-skin not bearing the official mark shall pay to an authorized officer the said royalty in respect thereof within one month from the date of these regulations or within one month from the date of the skin coming into his possession, whichever is the later.

(9.) It shall be a sufficient compliance with this regulation on the part of any person taking or killing opossums in New Zealand if he delivers the skins thereof to a licensed broker and authorizes such broker to pay the royalty on his behalf.

(10.) The liability of every person being a licensed broker and being in possession of a skin not bearing an official mark to pay royalty thereon as aforesaid shall exist irrespective of any right of the broker to recover the royalty from any other person under clause (9) of this regulation or otherwise, and irrespective of the liability of any other person to pay such royalty.

(11.) Notwithstanding the foregoing provisions of this regulation, if on the importation of any skins into New Zealand and production thereof to an officer authorized to receive royalty it is shown to the satisfaction of such officer that such skins are not intended to be disposed of for gain or to be made up or manufactured as coats, rugs, muffs, or other articles of personal or domestic or household use or ornament, then no royalty shall be payable in respect of such skins, but the same shall be marked with an appropriate official mark to denote that they are imported skins on which no royalty has been paid.

(12.) No person shall thereafter dispose of for gain any such skin as is referred to in the last preceding clause hereof otherwise than to or through a licensed broker and on the disposal of any such skin for gain or if the same is at any time made up or manufactured as aforesaid the royalty hereinbefore provided shall immediately become due and payable.

(13.) Every officer appointed to receive royalty shall at the end of every month (whether any royalties have been paid to him during the month or not) forward to the Under-Secretary a return in the Form No. 7 in the First Schedule hereto.

9. DISPOSAL OF SKINS.

(1.) Any person may dispose of opossum-skins by gift, sale, or otherwise howsoever if such skins bear the official mark denoting that royalty has been paid thereon.

(2.) Skins which do not bear such official mark may be disposed of to or by a licensed broker only.

(3.) No person shall export or attempt to export opossum-skins (as hereinbefore defined) without the consent in writing of the Under-Secretary.

(4.) No person shall export or attempt to export opossum-skins unless they have been stamped with the appropriate official mark.

(5.) No person shall tan or otherwise preserve any skin or manufacture the same into coats, rugs, muffs, or other articles or prepare to tan or otherwise preserve the same, unless such skin bears the appropriate official mark.

10. LIBERATING OPOSSUMS.

(1.) No person shall liberate or harbour opossums in any area defined in the Second Schedule hereto or in any registered orchard or on any land within half a mile of such orchard.

(2.) No person shall liberate an opossum in any part of New Zealand without the previous express written consent of the Minister, and subject to such conditions as the Minister may in his discretion impose upon giving such consent.

11. OFFENCES AND PENALTIES.

(1.) No person shall at any time have possession of any opossum-skin which does not bear an official mark thereon; provided, however, that it shall not be a breach of this regulation to have possession of any such skin—

(a.) Within one month from the date on which the same was taken, if the same is lawfully taken in any of the places mentioned in clause (6) of Regulation 2 hereof, or taken pursuant to clause (6) or clause (8) of Regulation 2 hereof.

(b.) At any time within one month from the closing date of the open season in that part of New Zealand in which the open season closes latest; provided such skin has been lawfully taken in the same year during an open season in any part of New Zealand; or

(c.) At any time within one month from the date of importation if the same is imported;

and provided also that the Under-Secretary may extend such periods subject to such conditions as he thinks fit to impose.

(2.) It shall be an offence for any person to perforate or otherwise stamp or mark an opossum-skin in such a way as to suggest that an official mark has been affixed or for any person other than an authorized officer to have in his possession or on his premises any stamping machine, device, tool, or other instrument for the purpose of counterfeiting an official mark, and every such offence shall be punishable by a fine of £20 in addition to forfeiture of the stamping machine, device, tool, or other instrument, and the skin or skins stamped or attempted or intended to be stamped therewith, or of the skin or skins concerned, as the case may be. Such stamping machine, device, tool, or other instrument and the skin or skins marked or attempted or intended to be marked therewith, or such skin or skins concerned, as the case may be, may at any time be seized by a ranger and, if so seized, shall either upon the conviction of such person or if such person cannot be traced, be forfeited to and become the property of the Crown.

(3.) Every person carrying on the business of tanner or skin-preserver receiving opossum-skins not bearing an official mark shall forthwith, after his receiving the same, forward the name and address of the person from whom the skins were received to the Under-Secretary.

(4.) Except as provided in the said Act or in these regulations, no person shall sell opossum-skins, or have opossums or opossum-skins in his possession:

Provided that the Minister may authorize the keeping of live opossums in possession subject to such conditions as he thinks fit.

(5.) All opossum-skins in the possession of any person shall, on demand by any constable, officer of an acclimatization society, ranger, or authorized officer, be produced for inspection; and any person illegally in possession of skins is liable on conviction to a fine of £10, and to a further fine of £5 for each skin found in his possession; and such skins may at any time be seized by a ranger, and, if so seized, shall, either upon the conviction of such person or if such person cannot be traced, be forfeited to and become the property of the Crown.

(6.) Any ranger may seize any opossums or opossum-skins in respect of which he has reason to believe an offence against these regulations has been committed.

(7.) Any person who commits a breach of any of the above regulations, if no other penalty is provided therein, is liable on conviction to a fine not exceeding £20 in each case, and any opossums, opossum-skins, traps, or other contrivances used for the taking of opossums then in his possession and in respect of which any breach of these regulations has been committed and which have been lawfully seized by a ranger under the said Act or this regulation shall be forfeited to and become the property of the Crown.

12. DISPOSAL OF REVENUE.

(1.) There shall be paid to the registered acclimatization societies in whose districts opossums were taken or killed such proportion of the fees, fines, and royalties as may be decided by the Governor-General in Council.

(2.) Any opossums, opossum-skins, traps, or other contrivances used for the taking of opossums or any stamping machine, device, tool, or other instrument for the purpose of counterfeiting the official mark forfeited to the Crown under the provisions of these regulations shall be sold or otherwise disposed of in such manner and under such conditions as the Minister may direct.

(3.) All moneys derived from the disposal of anything sold pursuant to this regulation shall be paid into the Public Account, and there shall be paid to the registered acclimatization societies in whose districts anything sold was seized such proportion of the said moneys as may be decided by the Governor-General in Council.

FIRST SCHEDULE.

[Form No. 1.]

LICENSE TO TAKE OR KILL OPOSSUMS.

[Name in full], of [Residence and calling], having this day paid the sum of _____, is hereby authorized to take or kill opossums within the _____ Acclimatization District from the _____ day of _____, 192____, to the _____ day of _____, 192____ (both days inclusive), subject to the provisions of Part III of the Animals Protection and Game Act, 1921-22, and the regulations made thereunder.

Dated at _____ this _____ day of _____, 192____.

[Signature.]

NOTE.—The attention of trappers is drawn to Regulation 5 (Trapper's Statement).

[Form No. 2.]

THE STATEMENT TO ACCOMPANY SKINS.

No. of License.*	Name, Address, and Occupation of Licensee.	Number of Skins.	Locality and Area where Opossums were taken.	Name of Acclimatization District.	Date on which they were taken.	Name and Address of Person to whom Skins sold or of Licensed Broker to whom Skins being consigned.

* If no license, authority under which opossums were taken to be stated.

[Signature of Trapper.]

I hereby certify to the best of my knowledge and belief, that the above statement is correct.

[Signature of Ranger, or Secretary of Acclimatization Society, or Postmaster, or Government Tourist Agent at Rotorua, or Ranger of the Tourist Department, or Officer of the State Forest Service.]

Date:

New Zealand.

[Form No. 3.]

APPLICATION FOR BROKER'S LICENSE UNDER PART III OF THE ANIMALS PROTECTION AND GAME ACT, 1921-22.

In pursuance of the provisions of the above-mentioned Act, and the regulations made thereunder, I, [Name in full and address], hereby make application on my own behalf [or on behalf of the firm of _____, of which I am a member; or on behalf of (Name of registered company), whose written authority authorizing me to apply for and hold a license under the said Act is hereto annexed, marked "A"] for a broker's license in the name of [State person, firm, or company in whose name it is desired that the license be issued.]

My place of business is [State full particulars as to place or places of business].

[In the case of a firm, add:] The full names and addresses of all the partners in the above-named firm are [State names and addresses].

Dated at _____ this _____ day of _____, 192____.

[Signature of Applicant.]

[Form No. 4.]

BROKER'S LICENSE TO SELL OPOSSUM-SKINS.

[Name in full], of [Residence and calling], having this day paid the sum of £1 ls., is hereby authorized to deal in opossum-skins from the day of , 192 , to the day of , 192 (both days inclusive), subject to the provisions of Part III of the Animals Protection and Game Act, 1921-22, and the regulations made thereunder.

Dated at this day of , 192 .
[Signature.]

[Form No. 5.]

BROKER'S REGISTER.

For the month of

No. of Entry.	Full Name, Address, and Occupation of Person on whose behalf Opossum-skins are received for Sale.	Locality where Opossums were taken, and Name of Acclimatization District.	Date received.	Number of Opossum-skins received.	Amount of Royalty paid.	Initials of Authorized Officer certifying Amount of Royalty paid.	Full Name, Address, and Occupation of Person to whom Opossum-skins are sold.	Date of Sale.	Number of Opossum-skins sold.
				N.Z. Im-ported.	£s.d.				

Certified correct.
[Signature of Broker.]

PERMIT TO TAKE OPOSSUMS. [Form No. 6.]

[Name in full], of [Residence and calling], being the occupier [or son or daughter of the occupier] of the following land, namely:—

within the Acclimatization District is hereby authorized to take or kill opossums on the aforesaid land without a license from the day of , 192 , to the day of , 192 (both days inclusive), subject to the provisions of Part III of the Animals Protection and Game Act, 1921-22, and the regulations made thereunder.

Dated at this day of , 192 .
[Signature.]
Secretary of the Acclimatization Society.

[Form No. 7.]

STATEMENT OF OPOSSUM-SKINS STAMPED DURING THE MONTH OF , 192 , BY THE AUTHORIZED STAMPING OFFICER AT

Date Skins stamped.	Number of Skins stamped	On which Royalty has been paid.	On which no Royalty is payable— (i.e., Imported Skins.)	Name and Full Address of Person on whose behalf Skins are stamped.	Place where Skins were taken.		Remarks.	Amount of Royalty received.
					Locality.	Acclimatization Society.		

SECOND SCHEDULE.

AREAS WHEREIN OPOSSUMS MAY BE TAKEN OR KILLED WITHOUT LICENSE.

Waitemata Area.—Comprising ridings of Kumeu, Pukeatua, Takapuna, Birkenhead, Waitakere, Wajpareira, Waikumete, and Titirangi, and also Rangitoto Island.

Rodney Area.—Comprising ridings of Omaha, Matakana, Kourawhera, Albert, and Tauhoa, and also Kawau Island.

Hawke's Bay Area.—Commencing at a point at the mouth of the Maraetotara Stream; thence following the coast-line in a north-westerly direction to a point opposite to where the Napier-Hastings Road turns off in a westerly direction at Awatoto; thence along the same road the Meeanee Bridge; thence along the right bank of the Tutaeuri River to the Waiohiki Bridge; thence along the Omaha Road to Fernhill; thence following the public road along the eastern boundary of Te Awa-o-te-Atua Block to its junction with Iron Gate Road; thence along the said road to its junction with the Pakipaki-Stortford Lodge Road; thence along the Hastings-Maraekakaho Road in a south-easterly direction to the Te Aute Road; thence along the said road in an easterly direction to its junction with the Mount Erin Road; thence along the said road to Gilpin Road, following along that road to the south-east corner of Havelock Town District; thence westerly along the boundary of the said town district to the Te Mata Road; thence along the said road to its junction with the Tukituki River; thence across the said river to its eastern bank; thence along the said bank to its junction with the south-eastern boundary of the Clive Suburban Area; thence along the said boundary to its junction with the Maraetotara Stream; thence along the said stream to its mouth.

Kapiti Area.—All that land included in Block III of Kapiti Survey District, and also Kapiti Island.

Wairarapa Area.—All that area in the Wellington Land District bounded by a line commencing at the intersection of western Lake Road and Bocketts Creek, and proceeding thence north-easterly along the said Western Lake Road to Boat Creek, near Pigeon Bush; thence up that creek, crossing the railway reserve, to a point twenty chains distant from the said railway reserve; thence generally north-easterly by a line parallel to and twenty chains distant from the railway reserve to the Ruamahanga River; thence following the Ruamahanga River southward to its junction with the Kahautara Road; thence in a direct line to the point of commencement.

Nelson Area.—All that area in the Nelson Land District commencing at the mouth of the Otuwhero River in Tasman Bay, and thence bounded by the said bay, the estuary of the Waimea River, Tasman Bay, and Nelson Haven to the south-west corner of Section 4, Block V, Wakapuaka Survey District; thence by the Nelson-Blenheim Road to the road forming the north-west boundary of Section 24 in Block VI of the said survey district; by that road, by Section 77, by Sections 33 and 4 in Block VI before mentioned, by Sections 15 and 18 in Block X, Wakapuaka Survey District, and by Sections 48, 64, 45, 46, 50, 24, 25, and 28, all in Block IX of the said survey district, and the production of the last-named boundary to the Maitai River; by that river to the western boundary of Section 31 in Block I, Maungatapu Survey District; thence bounded by Sections 31, 2, 18, 28, 26, part 4, and 22, all in Block I last mentioned; by Section 14 (waterworks reserve) to the road near Trig. J, by the said river, over Trigs. Gb and G, and by the Aniseed Valley Road to the Roading River; thence by the said river, by the Wairoa River to Section 8 in Block XIII of the Waimea Survey District; thence by Sections 8, 67, 63, and 64 in Block XIII of the last-mentioned survey district, and by Section 9 in Block I, Rintoul Survey District; by Sections 3, 1, 6, and 18 in Block IV, Gordon Survey District, and by Sections 3 and 4 in Block VIII of the said survey district; thence by a road, a line across a road, by the south-east boundary of Section 63, a line across a road, by the south-east boundaries of Sections 5 and 60, and by the southern boundaries of Sections 60 and 3, all in Block VII, Gordon Survey District; thence by part of the eastern boundary and by the southern boundary of Section 27 in Block VI of the said survey district, by a road to and by the south-east boundary of Section 43 in Block X, Gordon Survey District, to Gordon's Creek; thence by the said creek and by the Motueka River to and by the north boundary of Section 2 in Block V, Gordon Survey District; thence by Small Grazing-run 6, by a road, by Sections 11 and 10 in Block IX of the said survey district; by Section 22 in Block XII, Tadmor Survey District, by Brewerton Creek, by Sections 17 and 73 in the said Block XII, to the Motupiko River; thence by a line across that river to the north-east corner of Section 2 in the last-mentioned Block XII; by that section and by Sections 12 and 11 in the said Block XII; by Section 13 in Block VII, Tadmor Survey District, by a road, and by a line across the Nelson-Glenhope Railway and across a road to the Tadmor River; thence by the said river to the

Motueka River, by that river to the Graham River, and up that river and its tributaries to Trig. Station F (Crusader); thence by the boundary between the counties of Waimea and Takaka to Section 17 in Block I of the Motueka Survey District; thence down the Riwaka River to the east boundary of Section 27 in Block IX, Kaiteriteri Survey District; thence by the said Section 27, and by Sections 45 and 42 in Block VII, Kaiteriteri Survey District, to Kairuru Road; thence by the said road, by Sections 80 and 87 in Block VIII, Kaiteriteri Survey District, and by a line across a road to the Holyoake's Valley Stream; thence by that stream and the Otuhoro River to the point of commencement.

Christchurch Area.—Waimairi and Heathcote Counties and Port Victoria Riding in the Mount Herbert County.

Rangiora Area.—All that portion of land contained in Blocks I, II, V, and VI of the Rangiora Survey District.

Otago Area.—All that area in the Otago Land District commencing at the south-eastern corner of Benger Survey District, thence westerly along the southern boundary of aforesaid district; thence northerly along the western boundaries generally of Benger, Teviot, Cairnhill, Fraserside, Bannockburn, and Cromwell Survey Districts to the Vincent County boundary; thence northerly along that boundary to the Clutha River; thence south-easterly down the aforesaid river to the northern boundary of Tarras Survey District; thence easterly along that boundary; thence southerly along the eastern boundaries of Tarras, Wakefield, and Leaning Rock Survey Districts; thence easterly and southerly along the northern and eastern boundaries of Cairnhill Survey District; thence southerly along the eastern boundaries of Teviot and Benger Survey Districts, to the point of commencement.

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

Open Season for the Taking or Killing of Opossums in the Auckland Acclimatization District.

CHARLES FERGUSSON, Governor-General.

By his Deputy,
CHARLES PERRIN SKERRETT.
ORDER IN COUNCIL.

At the Government Buildings at Wellington, this 8th day of May, 1926.

Present:
THE RIGHT HONOURABLE J. G. COATES, P.C., PRESIDING IN COUNCIL.

IN pursuance and exercise of the powers and authorities conferred upon him by the Animals Protection and Game Act, 1921-22, and of all other powers and authorities enabling him in this behalf, His Excellency the Governor-General of the Dominion of New Zealand, acting by and with the advice and consent of the Executive Council of the said Dominion, doth hereby order and declare that opossums may be taken or killed within the Auckland Acclimatization District described in the Schedule hereto, except in any sanctuary or public domain, from the thirty-first day of May, one thousand nine hundred and twenty-six, to the thirtieth day of June, one thousand nine hundred and twenty-six, both days inclusive, subject to the general regulations made by Order in Council dated the eighth day of May one thousand nine hundred and twenty-six.

And I do further notify that licenses to take or kill opossums within the said district shall be issued to any person on payment of the sum of two pounds ten shillings each; and the Chief Postmaster at Auckland is hereby appointed to sign and issue such licenses to take or kill opossums.

SCHEDULE.

AUCKLAND ACCLIMATIZATION DISTRICT.

ALL that area in the North Auckland, Auckland, Taranaki and Wellington Land Districts bounded by a line commencing at the mouth of the Mokau River, and proceeding thence along high-water mark, Tasman Sea, in a northerly direction generally (crossing the mouths of all harbours and rivers by the way) to the Kaipara Harbour entrance to a point midway between Kaipara Heads; thence up the centre of the channels, Kaipara Harbour, leading to the mouth of Oruawhero River; thence by the southern boundaries of the Hobson and Whangarei Acclimatization Districts, as described in *New Zealand Gazette* No. 17, of the 12th day of March, 1925, to the Mangawhai Harbour; thence by the middle of that harbour to the sea; thence along high-water mark of the sea, Hauraki Gulf and Firth of Thames (crossing the mouths of all harbours and rivers by the way), to the mouth of the Waikawau River in Block VI, Hastings Survey District;

thence up the middle of that river to its source, and along a right line from said source to Northhead, Tairua Harbour; thence southerly along high-water mark, Bay of Plenty (crossing the mouths of all harbours and rivers by the way), to the mouth of the Waihi River, in Block III, Waihi North Survey District; thence south-westerly along a right line to Mount Te Aroha Trig. Station; thence north-easterly along a right line (in the direction of Ngakuriawhare Trig. Station, Block I, Katikati North) to the western boundary of the Tauranga Confiscation Block; thence south-easterly by right lines from hill to hill along the summit of the range forming the western boundary of the aforesaid Tauranga Confiscation Block and passing over Ngatamahinerau, Mimio-tohanga, and Waianuanu to Te Weraiti Trig. Station; thence south-easterly along a right line to Puwhenua Trig. Station (in Block VII, Tapapa East Survey District); thence south-westerly along a right line to Rangitoto Mountain; thence south-easterly along a right line to the source of the Ongaruru River; thence southerly along a mountain range passing through Weraroa, Tuhingamata, Motere, and Hauhangaroa Trig. Stations to Maungaku Trig. Station; thence southerly along the western boundary of the Waione Block to the Wanganui River; thence down the middle of that river to its confluence with the Ohura River; thence up the middle of the Ohura River to the 39th parallel of south latitude; thence westerly along the said parallel of latitude to the western boundary of Block IV, Pouatu Survey District; thence due north along that boundary and the western boundary of Block XVI, Waro Survey District, to the confiscation line; thence north-easterly along that line to the Tangarakau Stream; thence up the middle of that stream and up the middle of the Waitaanga Stream to the Kotare Road, at the southern boundary of Section 2, Block VII, Waro Survey District; thence westerly along the Kotare Road to the south-west corner of Section 1, Block VII; thence along the south-west boundary of the said section and along the southern, western, and northern boundaries of Section 3, Block VI, Waro Survey District, to the western boundary of Section 4, Block VI, Waro Survey District; thence along the western boundaries generally of Sections 4 and 5, and along the south-western and northern boundaries of Section 6 (all in Block VI, Waro Survey District) to the Mohakatino Road; thence northerly along that road to a stream which crosses the Mohakatino-Parinihi 1D East Block and flows into the Mohakatino Stream near the westernmost corner of Section 1, Block III, Waro Survey District; thence down that stream to the said confluence and up the said Mohakatino Stream and along the northern boundary of Section 3, Block III, Waro Survey District, to Tawhitiraupaka Trig. Station; thence along the south-western and western boundaries of Mokau-Mohakatino 1H Block to the Mokau River; thence down the middle of that river to the sea, the place of commencement: including in the hereinbefore-described area Great Barrier Island and all islands excepting Rangitoto within the Hauraki Gulf.

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

Open Season for the Taking or Killing of Opossums in the Buller Acclimatization District.

CHARLES FERGUSSON, Governor-General.

By his Deputy,
CHARLES PERRIN SKERRETT.
ORDER IN COUNCIL.

At the Government Buildings at Wellington, this 8th day of May, 1926.

Present:
THE RIGHT HONOURABLE J. G. COATES, P.C., PRESIDING IN COUNCIL.

IN pursuance and exercise of the powers and authorities conferred upon him by the Animals Protection and Game Act, 1921-22, and of all other powers and authorities enabling him in this behalf, His Excellency the Governor-General of the Dominion of New Zealand, acting by and with the advice and consent of the Executive Council of the said Dominion, doth hereby order and declare that opossums may be taken or killed within that portion of the Buller Acclimatization District described in the Schedule hereto, except in any sanctuary or public domain, from the first day of June, one thousand nine hundred and twenty-six, to the thirty-first day of August, one thousand nine hundred and twenty-six, both days inclusive, subject to the general regulations made by Order in Council dated the eighth day of May, one thousand nine hundred and twenty-six.

And I do further notify that licenses to take or kill opossums within the said district shall be issued to any person on pay-

ment of the sum of two pounds ten shillings each; and the Chief Postmaster at Westport is appointed to sign and issue such licenses to take or kill opossums.

SCHEDULE.

PORTION OF BULLER ACCLIMATIZATION DISTRICT WHEREIN OPOSSUMS MAY BE TAKEN OR KILLED.

THAT portion of the Buller Acclimatization District lying south of a line drawn from the mouth of the Waimangaroa River on the west to Bald Hill in the Lyell Range on the east.

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

Open Season for the Taking or Killing of Opossums in the Grey District Acclimatization District.

CHARLES FERGUSSON, Governor-General.

By his Deputy,

CHARLES PERRIN SKERRETT.

ORDER IN COUNCIL.

At the Government Buildings at Wellington, this 8th day of May, 1926.

Present:

THE RIGHT HONOURABLE J. G. COATES, P.C., PRESIDING IN COUNCIL.

IN pursuance and exercise of the powers and authorities conferred upon him by the Animals Protection and Game Act, 1921-22, and of all other powers and authorities enabling him in this behalf, His Excellency the Governor-General of the Dominion of New Zealand, acting by and with the advice and consent of the Executive Council of the said Dominion, doth hereby order and declare that opossums may be taken or killed within the Grey District Acclimatization District described in the Schedule hereto, except in any sanctuary or public domain, from the first day of June, one thousand nine hundred and twenty-six, to the thirty-first day of August, one thousand nine hundred and twenty-six, both days inclusive, subject to the general regulations made by Order in Council dated the eighth day of May, one thousand nine hundred and twenty-six.

And I do further notify that licenses to take or kill opossums within the said district shall be issued to any person on payment of the sum of two pounds ten shillings each; and the Chief Postmaster at Greymouth, and the Postmasters at Ahaura, Blackball, Brunnerton, Moana, Nelson Creek, Ngahere, Otira, Roa, Runanga, Stillwater, Totara Flat, and Waitutu, are hereby appointed to sign and issue such licenses to take or kill opossums.

SCHEDULE.

GREY DISTRICT ACCLIMATIZATION DISTRICT.

ALL that area in the Westland Land District bounded on the north by the Buller Acclimatization District, as described in *New Zealand Gazette* No. 17, of the 12th day of March, 1925, and the Nelson Acclimatization District, as described in *New Zealand Gazette* No. 17, of the 12th day of March, 1925, from the mouth of the Punakaiki River to the summit of the Southern Alps; thence southerly along the summit of the range to the Hurunui Saddle, the source of the Taramakau River; thence down the said Taramakau River to the sea-coast; and thence northerly along the sea-coast to the mouth of the Punakaiki Stream, the place of commencement.

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

Open Season for the Taking or Killing of Opossums in the Hawera Acclimatization District.

CHARLES FERGUSSON, Governor-General.

By his Deputy,

CHARLES PERRIN SKERRETT.

ORDER IN COUNCIL.

At the Government Buildings at Wellington, this 8th day of May, 1926.

Present:

THE RIGHT HONOURABLE J. G. COATES, P.C., PRESIDING IN COUNCIL.

IN pursuance and exercise of the powers and authorities conferred upon him by the Animals Protection and Game Act, 1921-22, and of all other powers and authorities enabling him in this behalf, His Excellency the Governor-General of the Dominion of New Zealand, acting by and with the advice

and consent of the Executive Council of the said Dominion, doth hereby order and declare that opossums may be taken or killed within the Hawera Acclimatization District described in the Schedule hereto, except in any sanctuary or public domain, from the first day of June, one thousand nine hundred and twenty-six, to the thirty-first day of August, one thousand nine hundred and twenty-six, both days inclusive, subject to the general regulations made by Order in Council dated the eighth day of May, one thousand nine hundred and twenty-six.

And I do further notify that licenses to take or kill opossums within the said district shall be issued to any person on payment of the sum of two pounds ten shillings each; and the Postmasters at Eltham, Hawera, Normanby, and Patea are hereby appointed to sign and issue such licenses to take or kill opossums.

SCHEDULE.

HAWERA ACCLIMATIZATION DISTRICT.

ALL that area in the Taranaki and Wellington Land Districts bounded on the north-east and north by the Taranaki and Stratford Acclimatization Districts, as described in *New Zealand Gazette* No. 17, of the 12th day of March, 1925, from the mouth of the Taungatara Stream to the north-eastern corner of Block XI, Taurakawa Survey District; thence by a right line to the range forming the county boundary, and along that range passing through Waitu and Mangarau trig. to the Pokeka Road; thence by the Pokeka-Pipiriki Road to the Watershed Road forming the western boundary of Section 5, Block IV, Momahaki Survey District; thence southerly along Watershed Road to the southern boundary of Mangapapa No. 1c Block; thence westerly along the said southern boundary to the western boundary of Lot 1, Mangapapa 1b Block; thence generally southerly along the western boundaries of Lots 1 and 3, Mangapapa 1b Block, to the Manganui-o-tahu Stream; thence down that stream to the western boundary of the Manganui-o-tahu Block; thence by the western and southern boundaries of the Manganui-o-tahu Block to Pakira Trig. Station; thence westerly to Orangi-hongi Trig. Station; thence southerly along the western boundaries of Lots 14 and 17 on plan 918, deposited in the office of the District Land Registrar at Wellington, and the eastern boundary of Lot 4, plan 659 deposited as aforesaid to south-eastern corner of Lot 4 aforesaid; thence down the Mangaone Stream to the eastern boundary of Section 16, Block V, Nukumaruru Survey District; thence along the said eastern boundary to Wharekaranga Trig. Station; thence westerly along the southern boundary of the said Section 16 to the Mangaone Stream; thence down the Mangaone Stream to the Waitotara River; thence down the Waitotara River to the sea-coast; and thence north-westerly along the sea-coast to the mouth of the Taungatara Stream, the place of commencement.

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

Open Season for the Taking or Killing of Opossums in the Nelson Acclimatization District.

CHARLES FERGUSSON, Governor-General.

By his Deputy,

CHARLES PERRIN SKERRETT.

ORDER IN COUNCIL.

At the Government Buildings at Wellington, this 8th day of May, 1926.

Present:

THE RIGHT HONOURABLE J. G. COATES, P.C., PRESIDING IN COUNCIL.

IN pursuance and exercise of the powers and authorities conferred upon him by the Animals Protection and Game Act, 1921-22, and of all other powers and authorities enabling him in this behalf, His Excellency the Governor-General of the Dominion of New Zealand, acting by and with the advice and consent of the Executive Council of the said Dominion, doth hereby order and declare that opossums may be taken or killed within the Nelson Acclimatization District described in the Schedule hereto, except in any sanctuary or public domain, from the first day of June, one thousand nine hundred and twenty-six, to the thirty-first day of July, one thousand nine hundred and twenty-six, both days inclusive, subject to the general regulations made by Order in Council dated the eighth day of May, one thousand nine hundred and twenty-six.

And I do further notify that licenses to take or kill opossums within the said district shall be issued to any person on payment of the sum of two pounds ten shillings each; and the Chief Postmaster at Nelson, and the Postmasters at Motueka, Kohatu, Wakefield, Murchison, and Reefton, are hereby appointed to sign and issue such licenses to take or kill opossums.

SCHEDULE.

NELSON ACCLIMATIZATION DISTRICT.

ALL that area in the Nelson Land District bounded towards the north-west and north-east generally by Tasman Sea, Golden Bay, and Tasman Bay, from Kohaihai Bluff, in Block XIII, Whakapoi Survey District, to a point on shore of Croisilles Harbour due west of the westernmost point of Elaine Bay; thence towards the north by a right line running due east to said westernmost point of that bay and by southern shore of that bay to its south head; thence towards the south-east generally by a right line to Trig. Station Y (boundary trig.) and by a line along the summit of the range over Mount McLaren, Editor Peak, Mount Duppa, and Saddle Hill to the source of the Heringa Stream; thence by a line down the middle of that stream to its confluence with the Pelorus River; thence by a line up the middle of the Pelorus River to its source near Red Hills; thence by a right line to the summit; thence by a line along the summit of the range over Red Hills, Mount Rintoul, and Bush Cone to the summit of Wards Pass; thence by a right line to Trig. Station Top 2 (Mangatawai); thence by a line along the summit of St. Arnaud Range and the summit of the Spencer Mountains; thence towards the south-west by a line along the summit of the southern watershed of the Maruia River to Mount Haast; thence by a line due north to the right bank of the Inangahua River and along that bank to and up the left bank of the Buller River to the mouth of the Eight-mile or Boundary Creek; thence by a line up a leading spur on the western side of said Boundary Creek to Bald Hill and by a line along the summit of Lyell Range, and along the summit of a range over Mount Luna to Mount Arthur; thence towards the south-west by a line along the summit of the Western Ranges over Mount Peel and Mount Snowdon to Mount Cobb; thence towards the south-east by a line along the summit of range over Mount Domett and down a leading spur to the Tasman Sea at Kohaihai Bluff, the place of commencement.

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

Open Season for the Taking or Killing of Opossums in the North Canterbury Acclimatization District.

CHARLES FERGUSSON, Governor-General.

By his Deputy,
CHARLES PERRIN SKERRETT.

ORDER IN COUNCIL.

At the Government Buildings at Wellington, this 8th day of May, 1926.

Present:
THE RIGHT HONOURABLE J. G. COATES, P.C., PRESIDING IN COUNCIL.

IN pursuance and exercise of the powers and authorities conferred upon him by the Animals Protection and Game Act, 1921-22, and of all other powers and authorities enabling him in this behalf, His Excellency the Governor-General of the Dominion of New Zealand, acting by and with the advice and consent of the Executive Council of the said Dominion, doth hereby order and declare that opossums may be taken or killed within the North Canterbury Acclimatization District described in the Schedule hereto, except in any sanctuary or public domain, from the fifteenth day of June, one thousand nine hundred and twenty-six, to the fifteenth day of August, one thousand nine hundred and twenty-six, both days inclusive, subject to the general regulations made by Order in Council dated the eighth day of May, one thousand nine hundred and twenty-six.

And I do further notify that licenses to take or kill opossums within the said district shall be issued to any person on payment of the sum of two pounds ten shillings each; and the Chief Postmaster at Christchurch is hereby appointed to sign and issue such licenses to take or kill opossums.

SCHEDULE.

NORTH CANTERBURY ACCLIMATIZATION DISTRICT.

ALL that area in the Nelson, Marlborough, and Canterbury Land Districts bounded by a line commencing at Whitcombe Pass, and proceeding north-easterly along the summit of the Southern Alps and the Spencer Mountains to Mount Humboldt; thence along a right line to Barefell Pass, a right line to Palmer Saddle, and thence down the Conway river to its mouth; thence southerly along the sea-coast to Rakaiia River and up that river to its source at Whitcombe Pass, the point of commencement.

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

Open Season for the Taking or Killing of Opossums in the Otago Acclimatization District.

CHARLES FERGUSSON, Governor-General.

By His Deputy,
CHARLES PERRIN SKERRETT.

ORDER IN COUNCIL.

At the Government Buildings at Wellington, this 8th day of May, 1926.

Present:
THE RIGHT HONOURABLE J. G. COATES, P.C., PRESIDING IN COUNCIL.

IN pursuance and exercise of the powers and authorities conferred upon him by the Animals Protection and Game Act, 1921-22, and of all other powers and authorities enabling him in this behalf, His Excellency the Governor-General of the Dominion of New Zealand, acting by and with the advice and consent of the Executive Council of the said Dominion, doth hereby order and declare that opossums may be taken or killed within the Otago Acclimatization District described in the Schedule hereto, except in any sanctuary or public domain, from the first day of June, one thousand nine hundred and twenty-six, to the fifteenth day of July, one thousand nine hundred and twenty-six, both days inclusive, subject to the general regulations made by Order in Council dated the eighth day of May, one thousand nine hundred and twenty-six.

And I do further notify that licenses to take or kill opossums within the said district shall be issued to any person on payment of the sum of two pounds ten shillings each; and the Chief Postmaster at Dunedin, and the Postmasters at Clinton, Owaka, Tahakopa, Romahapa, Tapanui, and Wyndham, are hereby appointed to sign and issue such licenses to take or kill opossums.

SCHEDULE.

OTAGO ACCLIMATIZATION DISTRICT.

ALL that area in the Otago and Southland Land Districts bounded on the north by the Westland Acclimatization District as described in *New Zealand Gazette* No. 17, of the 12th day of March, 1925; on the north-east by the Waitaki Acclimatization District as described in *New Zealand Gazette* No. 17, of the 12th day of March, 1925; and on the east by the sea to the mouth of the Mataura River; thence up the Mataura River to the north-western boundary of Section 4, Block III, Nokomai Survey District; thence north-easterly along that boundary and the north-western boundary of Section 3, Block III aforesaid, to a public road; across that road, and northerly along same to the northern boundary of Section 2, Block III, Nokomai Survey District; thence north-easterly along the summit of the Hector Mountains passing through Lorn Peak, James Peak, and Ben Nevis to Ben Cruachan; thence easterly through Mount Edward to Mount Rosa; thence by a right line to the confluence of the Nevis and Kawarau Rivers; thence down the Kawarau River to its junction with the Roaring Meg Stream; thence up the Roaring Meg Stream to its source on Mount Pisa; thence by a right line to the summit of Mount Pisa; thence by a right line northerly to the south-eastern corner of Block I, Lower Wanaka Survey District; thence northerly along the eastern boundary of the said Block I to the north-eastern corner of the said Block I; thence due west along the northern boundary of Block I aforesaid to the Cardrona River; thence down the Cardrona and up the Clutha River to Lake Wanaka; thence up the centre of Lake Wanaka to the mouth of the Wilkin River; thence up the centre of the Wilkin River to the foot of a spur leading to Mount Kuri; thence by a right line to Mount Kuri, from Mount Kuri to the summit of the Southern Alps, and by the Southern Alps to Governor's Pass, the place of commencement.

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

Open Season for the Taking or Killing of Opossums in the Rotorua Acclimatization District.

CHARLES FERGUSSON, Governor-General.

By his Deputy,
CHARLES PERRIN SKERRETT.

ORDER IN COUNCIL.

At the Government Buildings at Wellington, this 8th day of May, 1926.

Present:
THE RIGHT HONOURABLE J. G. COATES, P.C., PRESIDING IN COUNCIL.

IN pursuance and exercise of the powers and authorities conferred upon him by the Animals Protection and Game Act, 1921-22, and of all other powers and authorities

enabling him in this behalf, His Excellency the Governor-General of the Dominion of New Zealand, acting by and with the advice and consent of the Executive Council of the said Dominion, both hereby order and declare that opossums may be taken or killed within that part of the Rotorua Acclimatization District described in the First Schedule hereto (except in the area described in the Second Schedule hereto or in any sanctuary or public domain) from the first day of July, one thousand nine hundred and twenty-six, to the thirty-first day of July, one thousand nine hundred and twenty-six, both days inclusive, subject to the general regulations made by Order in Council dated the eighth day of May, one thousand nine hundred and twenty-six.

And I further notify that licenses to take or kill opossums within that part of the said district shall be issued to any person on payment of the sum of two pounds ten shillings each; and the General Manager of the Tourist and Health Resorts Department, Wellington, or any person authorized by the said General Manager in that behalf, is hereby appointed to sign and issue such licenses to take or kill opossums.

And I do further notify that if the number of applicants for such licenses for any particular area exceed the number of blocks available, then the persons to whom such licenses are to be issued shall be decided by ballot.

FIRST SCHEDULE.

PART OF ROTORUA ACCLIMATIZATION DISTRICT.

ALL that area of land in the County of Wairoa which is situated within the boundaries of the Rotorua Acclimatization District.

SECOND SCHEDULE.

AREA WHEREIN OPOSSUMS MAY NOT BE TAKEN.

ALL that area in the Gisborne Land District commencing at Mautakitiki Point, near the old accommodation-house known as Goodall's, thence by the shore of Lake Waikaremoana to the mouth of the Okereru Creek; thence by that creek to its source; thence by a right line to Ngamoko Trig. Station; and thence by a right line from Ngamoko to the point of commencement at Mautakitiki Point.

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

Open Season for the Taking or Killing of Opossums in the South Canterbury Acclimatization District.

CHARLES FERGUSSON, Governor-General.

By his Deputy,
CHARLES PERRIN SKERRETT.

ORDER IN COUNCIL.

At the Government Buildings at Wellington, this 8th day of May, 1926.

Present:

THE RIGHT HONOURABLE J. G. COATES, P.C., PRESIDING IN COUNCIL.

IN pursuance and exercise of the powers and authorities conferred upon him by the Animals Protection and Game Act, 1921-22, and of all other powers and authorities enabling him in this behalf, His Excellency the Governor-General of the Dominion of New Zealand, acting by and with the advice and consent of the Executive Council of the said Dominion, doth hereby order and declare that opossums may be taken or killed within the South Canterbury Acclimatization District described in the Schedule hereto, except in any sanctuary or public domain, from the first day of July, one thousand nine hundred and twenty-six, to the thirty-first day of July, one thousand nine hundred and twenty-six, both days inclusive, subject to the general regulations made by Order in Council dated the eighth day of May, one thousand nine hundred and twenty-six.

And I do further notify that licenses to take or kill opossums within the said district shall be issued to any person on payment of the sum of two pounds ten shillings each; and the Chief Postmaster at Timaru and the Postmasters at Geraldine and Temuka are hereby appointed to sign and issue such licenses to take or kill opossums.

SCHEDULE.

SOUTH CANTERBURY ACCLIMATIZATION DISTRICT.

ALL that area in the Canterbury Land District bounded on the north-west by the Westland Acclimatization District, as described in *New Zealand Gazette* No. 17, of the 12th day of March, 1925; on the north-east by the Ashburton Acclimatization District as described in the *New Zealand Gazette*

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No 17, of the 12th day of March, 1925; and on the east by the sea; on the south by a line up the Pareora River to its source; by a right line to the summit of Mount Nimrod; thence by a right line to Trig. Station F; thence northerly along the summit of the range to Trig. K; thence by a line due west to the Hakataramea River; thence up the Hakataramea River and Dalgety Creek to Hakataramea Pass; thence by a right line passing through Trig. Station N1 to Stony Stream; thence down Stony Stream to the Waitaki River; and on the west by a line up the middle of the Waitaki and Pukaki Rivers to Pukaki Lake; thence up the middle of Pukaki Lake to the Tasman River; thence up the middle of the Tasman River to the Tasman Glacier; thence along the western boundary of the said Tasman Glacier to a point in line with a line from Mount Cook and passing through Ball Hut; thence by that line to Mount Cook and the summit of the Southern Alps, the place of commencement.

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

Open Season for the Taking or Killing of Opossums in the Southland Acclimatization District.

CHARLES FERGUSSON, Governor-General.

By his Deputy,

CHARLES PERRIN SKERRETT.

ORDER IN COUNCIL.

At the Government Buildings at Wellington, this 8th day of May, 1926.

Present:

THE RIGHT HONOURABLE J. G. COATES, P.C., PRESIDING IN COUNCIL.

IN pursuance and exercise of the powers and authorities conferred upon him by the Animals Protection and Game Act, 1921-22, and of all other powers and authorities enabling him in this behalf, His Excellency the Governor-General of the Dominion of New Zealand, acting by and with the advice and consent of the Executive Council of the said Dominion, doth hereby order and declare that opossums may be taken or killed within the Southland Acclimatization District, described in the Schedule hereto, except in any sanctuary or public domain, from the first day of June, one thousand nine hundred and twenty-six, to the fifteenth day of July, one thousand nine hundred and twenty-six, both days inclusive, subject to the general regulations made by Order in Council dated the eighth day of May, one thousand nine hundred and twenty-six.

And I do further notify that licenses to take or kill opossums within the said district shall be issued to any person on payment of the sum of two pounds ten shillings each; and the Chief Postmaster at Invercargill, and the Postmasters at Awarua Plains, Balfour, Dipton, Gore, Lumsden, Matura, Nightcaps, Oravia, Otautau, Riversdale, Riverton, Wairoa, Winton, and Woodlands, are hereby appointed to sign and issue such licenses to take or kill opossums.

SCHEDULE.

SOUTHLAND ACCLIMATIZATION DISTRICT.

ALL that area in the Southland Land District bounded on the north by the Lake Acclimatization District, as described in *New Zealand Gazette* No. 17, of the 12th day of March, 1925; on the east by the Otago Acclimatization District, as described in *New Zealand Gazette* No. 17, of the 12th day of March, 1925; and on the south and west by the sea from the mouth of the Matura River to Cloudy Pass in Bligh Sound, and including Stewart and adjacent islands.

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

Open Season for the Taking or Killing of Opossums in the Stratford Acclimatization District.

CHARLES FERGUSSON, Governor-General.

By his Deputy,

CHARLES PERRIN SKERRETT.

ORDER IN COUNCIL.

At the Government Buildings at Wellington, this 8th day of May, 1926.

Present:

THE RIGHT HONOURABLE J. G. COATES, P.C., PRESIDING IN COUNCIL.

IN pursuance and exercise of the powers and authorities conferred upon him by the Animals Protection and Game Act, 1921-22, and of all other powers and authorities

enabling him in this behalf, His Excellency the Governor-General of the Dominion of New Zealand, acting by and with the advice and consent of the Executive Council of the said Dominion, doth hereby order and declare that opossums may be taken or killed within the Stratford Acclimatization District described in the Schedule hereto, except in any sanctuary or public domain, from the sixteenth day of June, one thousand nine hundred and twenty-six, to the fifteenth day of August, one thousand nine hundred and twenty-six, both days inclusive, subject to the general regulations made by Order in Council dated the eighth day of May, one thousand nine hundred and twenty-six.

And I do further notify that licenses to take or kill opossums within the said district shall be issued to any person on payment of the sum of two pounds ten shillings each; and the Postmasters at Stratford and Midhirst are hereby appointed to sign and issue such licenses to take or kill opossums.

SCHEDULE.

STRATFORD ACCLIMATIZATION DISTRICT.

ALL that area in the Taranaki Land District bounded on the north generally by the Taranaki Acclimatization District from the summit of Mount Egmont to a point on the Tangarakau Stream due east of Mount Damper; thence southerly down the Tangarakau Stream to the confiscation line; thence south-westerly along the confiscation line to the western boundary of Block XVI, Waro Survey District; thence southerly along that said western boundary and its production to the 39th parallel south latitude; thence easterly along that parallel to the Ohura Stream; thence down the Ohura Stream to the Wanganui River; thence down the Wanganui River to the mouth of the Tangarakau River; thence by a right line from the mouth of the Tangarakau River to Whakaihukaka (Mount Humphries) Trig. Station; thence in a south-east direction along the north-eastern boundary of Section 1 (Forest Reserve), Block III, Turakawa Survey District, to the Whakaihukaka Road; thence south-easterly along the said Whakaihukaka Road to Te Mapou trig.; thence southerly along the range and passing through Kotikiekie, Manaianahi, and Taungatahi to Rautauwhiri; thence by a right line to the south-eastern corner of Block VII, Taurakawa Survey District; thence westerly along the southern boundaries of Blocks VII, VI and V, Taurakawa Survey District, to the south-western corner of Section 2, Block V, aforesaid; thence northerly along the western boundaries of Sections 2 and 1, Block V aforesaid, to the north-western corner of the last-mentioned section; thence across the Moeawatea Road and westerly along the southern boundaries of Section 5, Block VIII, Omona Survey District, across the Karewa Road, and along the southern boundaries of Sections 12 and 11, Block VII, Omona Survey District, to the south-western corner of the said Section 11; thence by the western boundaries of Sections 11 and 14, Block VII aforesaid, the southern boundaries of Section 8, Block II, Omona Survey District, to the northernmost corner of Section 1 of Subdivision 1 of Matemateonga Block; thence by the eastern boundaries of Subdivisions 6 and 7 and the southern boundary of Subdivision 7, Matemateonga Block, to the Patea River; thence by the Patea River to a point in line with the northern boundary of Section 11, Block VIII, Ngaire Survey District; thence to and by that section and by Block XII to Trig. Station B, Rahui, by Subdivision 15, Pukengahu Block, to the north-eastern corner of that subdivision; thence along the northern boundary of the said Subdivision 15 to the easternmost corner of Subdivision 16, along the eastern boundary of the said Subdivision 16 to the Pukengahu Road, by that road to a point due west of Trig. Station B, Rahui; thence by a line running due west to its intersection with the south-western boundary of Subdivision 11, Pukengahu Block, and by that subdivision to the northern boundary of Block XI, Ngaire Survey District; by that block to the northernmost corner of Section 35, and by that section to Oru Road; by that road to and by Ngaire Road to its junction with Karepo Road; by Karepo Road and by the northern boundary of Block X, Ngaire Survey District, to the middle of the Waingongoro River; thence by a line along the middle of that river to the middle of Finnerty Road; thence by a line along the middle of Finnerty Road to Hastings Road; thence by a line along the middle of Hastings Road to a point opposite the northern boundary of Section No. 32, Block VIII, Kaupokonui Survey District; thence by a right line to the north-eastern corner of that section; thence by Sections Nos. 32 and 31, Block VIII aforesaid, to Duthie Road; across that road, and by Section No. 29, Block VIII aforesaid, and the production of the northern boundary of that section to the middle of Palmer Road; thence by a line along the middle of that road to the north-eastern corner of Block XI, Kaupokonui Survey District; thence by Blocks XI and X to the south-eastern corner of Section 1, Block VI, Kaupokonui Survey District; thence towards the west generally by the last-mentioned section to Opunake Road; and by the southern side of that road to a point in

line with the eastern boundary of Section 16, Block VI, aforesaid; thence across the Opunake Road, and by Sections Nos. 16, 13, and 11, Block VI aforesaid, to the north-eastern corner of the last-mentioned section; and thence by a right line to the summit of Mount Egmont, the place of commencement.

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

Open Season for the Taking or Killing of Opossums in the Taranaki Acclimatization District.

CHARLES FERGUSSON, Governor-General.

By his Deputy,
CHARLES PERRIN SKERRETT.

ORDER IN COUNCIL.

At the Government Buildings at Wellington, this 8th day of May, 1926.

Present:

THE RIGHT HONOURABLE J. G. COATES, P.C., PRESIDING IN COUNCIL.

IN pursuance and exercise of the powers and authorities conferred upon him by the Animals Protection and Game Act, 1921-22, and of all other powers and authorities enabling him in this behalf, His Excellency the Governor-General of the Dominion of New Zealand, acting by and with the advice and consent of the Executive Council of the said Dominion, doth hereby order and declare that opossums may be taken or killed within the Taranaki Acclimatization District described in the Schedule hereto, except in any sanctuary or public domain, from the thirty-first day of May, one thousand nine hundred and twenty-six, to the thirty-first day of August, one thousand nine hundred and twenty-six, both days inclusive, subject to the regulations made by Order in Council dated the eighth day of May, one thousand nine hundred and twenty-six.

And I do further notify that licenses to take or kill opossums within the said district shall be issued to any person on payment of the sum of two pounds ten shillings each; and the Postmasters at Inglewood, Waitara, Okato, Pungarehu, Rahotu, Tariki, Urunui, Uruti, and Opunake are hereby appointed to sign and issue such licenses to take or kill opossums.

SCHEDULE.

TARANAKI ACCLIMATIZATION DISTRICT.

ALL that area in the Taranaki Land District commencing at the mouth of the Mokau River and proceeding thence up the middle of that river to a point in line with the eastern boundary of Mokau-Mohakatino No. 1a Block; thence proceeding generally southerly along the said eastern boundary through Trig. Station Tawhitiraupeka to and down the Mohakatino Stream to its confluence with a stream intersecting the Mohakatino-Parininihi No. 1d East, the said confluence being near the westernmost corner of Section 1, Block III, Waro Survey District; thence up the latter stream to the Mohakatino Road; thence southerly along the western side of the Mohakatino Road to the southern boundary Mohakatino-Parininihi No. 1d East; thence westerly along the said southern boundary to the westernmost corner of Section 6, Block VI, Waro Survey District; thence generally southerly along the western boundary of Sections 6, 5, 4, and 3, and the southern boundaries of the said Section 3 and Section 1, Block VII, Waro Survey District, to the Kotare Road; thence along that road to the Waitanga Stream and down that stream to the northern block line of Block XVI, Waro Survey District; thence westerly along the northern blockline of Blocks XVI and XV to Mount Damper Road, and along that road to the easternmost corner of Section 8, Block XIV, Waro Survey District; thence along the northern boundaries of Sections 8 and 5, Block XIV aforesaid, and Sections 10 and 9, Block XIII, along the western boundaries of Sections 9 and 2, Block XIII, Waro Survey District, and Section 4, Block I, Pouatu Survey District, to its south-western corner; thence across a road and railway reserve to the northernmost corner of Section 8, Block I, Pouatu Survey District; thence along the north-eastern and eastern boundaries of that section to its southernmost corner; thence along a right line to the boundary between Sections 7 and 4, Block V, Pouatu Survey District; thence along the eastern and southern boundaries generally of Sections 7, 6, and 5, Block V, and Sections 4 and 3, Block VIII, Upper Waitara Survey District, to the Rerekino Road, and along the eastern side of that road and of the Waitara Valley Road to the western boundary of Section 2, Block XVI; thence along the western boundaries of Sections 2 and 1, Block XVI, and of Section 9, Block XV, Upper Waitara Survey District, to the Tirangi Road; thence along the northern side of that road to a point in line with the western boundary of Section 11, Block XV aforesaid; thence to

and along the said western boundary and the southern boundary of the said section 11, to the confiscation-line; thence south-westerly along that line to Te Wera Road; along that road to the north-eastern corner of Section 43, Block VI, Ngatimaru Survey District, and along the northern and western boundaries of said Section 43 to Mohakau Road; thence along that road to Section 17, Block X, Ngatimaru Survey District, and along the north-eastern boundaries of Section 17, and of Sections 15, 14, and 10, Block V, Ngatimaru Survey District, to the Waitara River; thence to and along the middle of that river to a point opposite the easternmost corner of Section 18, Block V aforesaid; thence to and along the north-eastern boundaries of the said Section 18 and the northern and western boundaries of Sections 13 and 9, Block VIII, Huiroa Survey District, to the Waitara River; thence down the Waitara River to its confluence with the Makino Stream; thence up the Makino Stream to a point in line with the southern boundary of Section 18, Block VII, Huiroa Survey District; thence westerly, to and along the southern boundaries of Sections 18 and 11, Block VII aforesaid, to the Mako Stream; thence up the Mako Stream to its intersection with the eastern boundary of Section 56, Block VI, Huiroa Survey District; thence southerly along the eastern boundaries of Sections 56 and 57, Block VI aforesaid, to the south-eastern corner of Section 57 aforesaid; thence westerly along the southern boundaries of Sections 57, 42, and 35, to Mangateatea Road; across that road and along the southern boundaries of Sections 28 and 25, Block VI, Huiroa Survey District, the southern boundaries of Section 2 and the Native Reserve to the Manganui Stream; thence down the Manganui Stream to its confluence with the Waipuku Stream; thence up the Waipuku Stream to its intersection with Derby Road; thence north-westerly along the western boundary of Section 213, Block XVI, Egmont Survey District, to Surrey Road; thence south-westerly along Surrey Road to the Egmont National Park boundary; thence by a right line to the summit of Mount Egmont; thence from the summit of Mount Egmont to the source of the Taungatara Stream and down the Taungatara Stream to its mouth; thence generally northerly along the sea-coast to the mouth of the Mokau River, the place of commencement.

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

Open Season for the Taking or Killing of Opossums in the Waimate Acclimatization District.

CHARLES FERGUSSON, Governor-General.

By his Deputy,
CHARLES PERRIN SKERRETT.

ORDER IN COUNCIL.

At the Government Buildings at Wellington, this 8th day of May, 1926.

Present:

THE RIGHT HONOURABLE J. G. COATES, P.C., PRESIDING IN COUNCIL.

IN pursuance and exercise of the powers and authorities conferred upon him by the Animals Protection and Game Act, 1921-22, and of all other powers and authorities enabling him in this behalf, His Excellency the Governor-General of the Dominion of New Zealand, acting by and with the advice and consent of the Executive Council of the said Dominion, doth hereby order and declare that opossums may be taken or killed within the Waimate Acclimatization District described in the Schedule hereto, except in any sanctuary or public domain, from the first day of July, one thousand nine hundred and twenty-six, to the thirty-first day of July, one thousand nine hundred and twenty-six, both days inclusive, subject to the general regulations made by Order in Council dated the eighth day of May, one thousand nine hundred and twenty-six.

And I do further notify that licenses to take or kill opossums within the said district shall be issued to any person on payment of the sum of two pounds ten shillings each; and the Postmaster at Waimate is hereby appointed to sign and issue such licenses to take or kill opossums.

SCHEDULE.

WAIMATE ACCLIMATIZATION DISTRICT.

ALL that area in the Canterbury Land District bounded on the north by the South Canterbury Acclimatization District, as described in *New Zealand Gazette* No. 17, of the 12th day of March, 1925, on the east by the sea, and on the south and south-west by a line up the centre of the Waitaki River to its junction with Stony Stream, the point of commencement.

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

Open Season for the Taking or Killing of Opossums in the Wanganui Acclimatization District.

CHARLES FERGUSSON, Governor-General.

By his Deputy,
CHARLES PERRIN SKERRETT.

ORDER IN COUNCIL.

At the Government Buildings at Wellington, this 8th day of May, 1926.

Present:

THE RIGHT HONOURABLE J. G. COATES, P.C., PRESIDING IN COUNCIL.

IN pursuance and exercise of the powers and authorities conferred upon him by the Animals Protection and Game Act, 1921-22, and of all other powers and authorities enabling him in this behalf, His Excellency the Governor-General of the Dominion of New Zealand, acting by and with the advice and consent of the Executive Council of the said Dominion, doth hereby order and declare that opossums may be taken or killed within the Wanganui Acclimatization District described in the Schedule hereto, except in any sanctuary or public domain, from the first day of July, one thousand nine hundred and twenty-six, to the thirty-first day of August, one thousand nine hundred and twenty-six, both days inclusive, subject to the general regulations made by Order in Council dated the 8th day of May, one thousand nine hundred and twenty-six.

And I do further notify that licenses to take or kill opossums within the said district shall be issued to any person on payment of the sum of two pounds ten shillings each; and the Chief Postmaster at Wanganui and the Postmasters at Fordell and Mangamahu are hereby appointed to sign and issue such licenses to take or kill opossums.

SCHEDULE.

WANGANUI ACCLIMATIZATION DISTRICT.

ALL that area in the Wellington and Taranaki Land Districts bounded on the west by the Hawera and Stratford Acclimatization Districts, as described in *New Zealand Gazette* No. 17, of the 12th day of March, 1925, and on the north generally by the Waimarino Acclimatization District, as described in *New Zealand Gazette* No. 17, of the 12th day of March, 1925, from the mouth of the Waitotara River to Auhitotara Trig. Station; thence southerly along a right line to Trig. Station 16 and a right line to Trig. Station 32; thence westerly along a right line to the junction of the Panemango and the Tomakomako Streams; thence up the middle of the Panemango Stream to and along the southern boundaries generally of Ruanui No. 2B 3, 2B 4, 2B 5, 2B 6, 2B 7 Blocks and the south-western boundary of Section 1, Block X, Maungakaretu Survey District, to the middle of the Turakina River; thence along a right line to the Maungakaretu Trig. Station on the summit of the eastern watershed of the Wangaeu River; thence in a south-westerly direction generally along the summit of that watershed to and along a right line which runs in a north-westerly direction through Trig. Station on Okaiepe (Block XIV, Mangawhero Survey District) to a point in the middle of the Wangaeu River due west about eighteen chains from the western boundary of Block XIV, Mangawhero Survey District; thence down the middle of the said river to the sea; thence in a north-westerly direction along the sea-coast to the point of commencement.

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

Open Season for the Taking or Killing of Opossums in the Wellington Acclimatization District.

CHARLES FERGUSSON, Governor-General.

By his Deputy,
CHARLES PERRIN SKERRETT.

ORDER IN COUNCIL.

At the Government Buildings at Wellington, this 8th day of May, 1926.

Present:

THE RIGHT HONOURABLE J. G. COATES, P.C., PRESIDING IN COUNCIL.

IN pursuance and exercise of the powers and authorities conferred upon him by the Animals Protection and Game Act, 1921-22, and of all other powers and authorities enabling him in this behalf, His Excellency the Governor-General of the Dominion of New Zealand, acting by and with the advice and consent of the Executive Council of the said

Dominion, doth hereby order and declare that opossums may be taken or killed within the Wellington Acclimatization District described in the Schedule hereto, except in any sanctuary or public domain, from the twentieth day of July, one thousand nine hundred and twenty-six, to the thirty-first day of August, one thousand nine hundred and twenty-six, both days inclusive, subject to the general regulations made by Order in Council dated the 8th day of May, one thousand nine hundred and twenty-six.

And I do further notify that licenses to take or kill opossums within the said district shall be issued to any person on payment of the sum of two pounds ten shillings each; and the Chief Postmaster at Wellington, and the Postmasters at Featherston, Paraparaumu, Lower Hutt, Petone, Palmerston North, Upper Hutt, Levin, Taihape, Bull's, Marton, Masterton, Eketahuna, Carterton, Greytown, and Waikanae, are hereby appointed to sign and issue such licenses to take or kill opossums.

SCHEDULE.

WELLINGTON ACCLIMATIZATION DISTRICT.

ALL that area in the Wellington Land District bounded on the north-west by the Wanganui and Waimarino Acclimatization Districts, as described in *New Zealand Gazette* No. 17, of the 12th day of March, 1925; on the north by the Rotorua Acclimatization District, as described in *New Zealand Gazette* No. 17, of the 12th day of March, 1925; on the east by the Hawke's Bay Acclimatization District, as described in *New Zealand Gazette* No. 17, of the 12th day of March, 1925; on the south, south-east, and north-east by the Feilding Acclimatization District, as described in *New Zealand Gazette* No. 17, of the 12th day of March, 1925; and again on the north-east by the Hawke's Bay Acclimatization District, as described in *New Zealand Gazette* No. 17, of the 12th day of March, 1925; from the mouth of the Wangaeahu River to the mouth of the Waimata River; thence southerly, westerly, and northerly along the sea-coast to the mouth of the Wangaeahu River, the place of commencement.

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

Open Season for the Taking or Killing of Opossums in the Westland Acclimatization District.

CHARLES FERGUSSON, Governor-General.

By his Deputy,
CHARLES PERRIN SKERRETT.

ORDER IN COUNCIL.

At the Government Buildings at Wellington, this 8th day of May, 1926.

Present:

THE RIGHT HONOURABLE J. G. COATES, P.C., PRESIDING IN COUNCIL.

IN pursuance and exercise of the powers and authorities conferred upon him by the Animals Protection and Game Act, 1921-22, and of all other powers and authorities enabling him in this behalf, His Excellency the Governor-General of the Dominion of New Zealand, acting by and with the advice and consent of the Executive Council of the said Dominion, doth hereby order and declare that opossums may be taken or killed within the Westland Acclimatization District described in the Schedule hereto, except in any sanctuary or public domain, from the thirty-first day of May, one thousand nine hundred and twenty-six, to the thirty-first day of July, one thousand nine hundred and twenty-six, both days inclusive, subject to the regulations made by Order in Council dated the eighth day of May, one thousand nine hundred and twenty-six.

And I do further notify that licenses to take or kill opossums within the said district shall be issued to any person on payment of the sum of two pounds ten shillings each; and the Chief Postmaster at Hokitika, and the Postmasters at Kumara, Ross, and Okarito, are hereby appointed to sign and issue such licenses to take or kill opossums.

SCHEDULE.

WESTLAND ACCLIMATIZATION DISTRICT.

ALL that area in the Westland Land District bounded on the north by the Grey Acclimatization District, as described in *New Zealand Gazette* No. 17, of the 12th day of March, 1925, from the mouth of the Taramakau River to the Hurunui Saddle in the Southern Alps; thence towards the

south-west by a line along the summit of the said Southern Alps to Mount Aspiring; thence by a right line to the mouth of the Awarua River in Big Bay; thence north-easterly along the sea-coast to the mouth of the Taramakau River, the point of commencement.

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

Open Season for Imported Game and Native Game, License Fee, &c., Marlborough Acclimatization District.

IN exercise of the powers vested in me by the Animals Protection and Game Act, 1921-22, I, Richard Francis Bollard, Minister of Internal Affairs of the Dominion of New Zealand, do hereby declare the period from the 15th day of May to the 31st day of July, 1926 (both days inclusive), to be an open season in the Marlborough Acclimatization District, as described in the First Schedule hereto, except in the areas referred to in condition No. 3 and in the Second Schedule hereto, for the taking or killing of the following imported game and native game—viz., Californian quail, grey duck, and black swan—subject to the following conditions.

CONDITIONS.

1. LICENSES to take or kill such imported game and native game within the said district will be issued to any person on payment of the sum of twenty shillings (20s.) each; and the Chief Postmaster at Blenheim, and the Postmasters at Havelock, Canvastown, Mahakipawa, Renwicktown, Timatanga, Kekeurangi, Picton, Nydia Bay, Seddon, Spring Creek, Ward, and Wairau Valley, are hereby authorized to sign and issue the said licenses.

2. The number of such imported game and native game that may be taken or killed by any one person in any one day shall not exceed twenty-five Californian quail and twelve head in all of grey duck and black swan.

3. Nothing in any license to take or kill imported game and native game shall authorize the holder thereof to take or kill imported game and native game on lands actually and exclusively used by any registered acclimatization society for acclimatization purposes, or on any sanctuary or public domain, or any land mentioned in the Second Schedule hereto.

4. No person shall kill or destroy any such imported game or native game, or shoot at or attempt to shoot at any such imported game or native game, with any automatic or auto-loading gun, unless it is converted into a gun capable of carrying two cartridges only, or with any rifle or pea-rifle, swivel-gun, punt-gun, or pump-gun, or shall use any gun other than a shoulder-gun; and no gun shall be used for the purpose aforesaid the bore of which is larger than the size known as No. 12 at the muzzle, nor shall any gun be used which exceeds 10 lb. in weight.

5. Shooting may begin not earlier than half an hour before sunrise and must cease not later than half an hour after sunset.

6. Any person committing a breach of any of these conditions is liable, on conviction, to a fine of £20.

FIRST SCHEDULE.

All that area in the Marlborough, Nelson, and Canterbury Land Districts bounded by a line commencing at Mount Humboldt and proceeding thence along the summits of the Spenser and Arnaud Ranges to Trig. Station Top 2 (Mangatawai); thence along a right line to Wards Pass; along the summit of the range through Bush Cone, Mount Rintoul, and Red Hills to the source of the Pelorus River; down that river and up the Heringa Stream to its source (Saddle Hill); along the summit of the range over Mount Duppa, Editor Peak, and Mount McLaren to Trig. Station Y (Boundary Trig.); along a right line to the cape forming the southern point of Elaine Bay; along the southern shore of that bay to the most westerly point at its head, and along a right line due west to Croisilles Harbour; thence northerly, easterly, and southerly generally along the sea-coast to the mouth of the Conway River, up that river to its source at Palmer Saddle; thence by a right line to Barefell Pass; thence by a right line to Mount Humboldt, the point of commencement,

SECOND SCHEDULE.

Area, in addition to those referred to in condition No. 3, excepted from the open season wherein imported game and native game shall not be taken or killed:—

Big Lagoon at Vernon.

As witness my hand this 8th day of May, 1926.

RICH. F. BOLLARD,
Minister of Internal Affairs.

Open Season for Imported Game and Native Game, License Fees, &c., Whangarei Acclimatization District.

IN exercise of the powers vested in me by the Animals Protection and Game Act, 1921-22, I, Richard Francis Bollard, Minister of Internal Affairs of the Dominion of New Zealand, do hereby declare the period from the 1st day of May to the 30th day of June, 1926 (both days inclusive), to be an open season in the Whangarei Acclimatization District, as described in the First Schedule hereto, except in the areas referred to in condition No. 3 and in the Second Schedule hereto, for the taking or killing of the following imported and native game—viz., cock pheasants, Californian and Australian quail, grey duck, black teal, and black swan; and the period from the 1st May to the 31st May, 1926 (both days inclusive), to be an open season in the said district for the taking or killing of the following native game—viz., pukeko; and the period from the 1st day of January to the 31st day of March, 1927 (both days inclusive), to be an open season in the said district for the taking or killing of the following native game—viz., godwits and knots; subject to the following conditions.

CONDITIONS.

1. LICENSES to take or kill such imported game and native game, including godwits and knots, within the said district will be issued to any person on payment of the sum of twenty shillings (20s.) each, and licenses to take or kill the following native game—viz., godwits and knots—will be issued to any person on payment of ten shillings (10s.) each; and the secretary of the Whangarei Acclimatization Society, or any person authorized by such secretary in that behalf, is hereby authorized to sign and issue the said licenses.
2. The number of such imported game and native game that may be taken or killed by any one person in any one day shall not exceed twelve cock pheasants and twelve head in all of grey duck, black teal, and black swan.
3. Nothing in any license to take or kill imported game and native game, including godwits and knots, or the following native game only—viz., godwits and knots—shall authorize the holder thereof to take or kill imported game and native game, including godwits and knots, or godwits and knots only, on lands actually and exclusively used by any registered acclimatization society for acclimatization purposes, or on any sanctuary or public domain, or any land mentioned in the Second Schedule hereto.
4. No person shall kill or destroy any such imported game or native game, or shoot at or attempt to shoot at any such imported game or native game, with any automatic or auto-loading gun, unless it is converted into a gun capable of carrying two cartridges only, or with any rifle or pea-rifle, swivel-gun, punt-gun, or pump-gun, or shall use any gun other than a shoulder-gun; and no gun shall be used for the purpose aforesaid the bore of which is larger than the size known as No. 12 at the muzzle, nor shall any gun be used which exceeds 10 lb. in weight.
5. Shooting may begin not earlier than half an hour before sunrise and must cease not later than half an hour after sunset.
6. Any person committing a breach of any of these conditions is liable, on conviction, to a fine of £20.

FIRST SCHEDULE.

All that area in the North Auckland Land District commencing at a point on the sea-coast opposite the mouth of the Mangawai Harbour; thence proceeding generally southerly up that harbour and along the stream, the eastern boundary of Section 15, Block III, Mangawai Survey District, and Section 31, Block I, Pakiri Survey District; thence southerly along the eastern boundaries of Sections 16 and 78, Block I aforesaid, to the southernmost corner of the last-mentioned section; thence westerly along the southern boundaries of Section 78 and again southerly along the eastern boundary of Section 50; thence westerly along the southern boundaries of Sections 50, 51, and 56, Block I aforesaid, the southern boundaries of Sections 57, 60, 61, 64, and 65 to the Hakaru River; thence down the Hakaru River to its intersection with the Great North Road; thence generally northerly along the western side of the Great North Road and the Main Road, Mangaturoto-Waipu, to the eastern boundary of the Wairau Parish; thence along the eastern boundaries of the Wairau and Mameretu Parishes, the south-eastern boundaries of Sections 154, 155, 156, 157, 159, 68, and 67, Block XVI, Tangihua Survey District; Sections 66, 65, 61, and 59, Block XV, Tangihua Survey District, Sections 63, 51, and 44, Block III, Matakoho Survey District, and the production of the last-named boundary to the Mangonui River; thence down the middle of that river, and up the middle of the Tauraroa River to the eastern boundary of Allotment 1A, Waltons Grant; along that boundary to the north-eastern corner of Allotment 1A, and along a right line to Trig. Station Horokaka; along the western boundaries of Sections 14, 15A, 16, 7, and 7A to a public road; north-easterly generally along that public road to the Waiotama River; down the middle of that river and the middle of the Tangihua River, and up the middle of the Wairoa River; along the south-western boundaries of Sections 8, 9, 10, and 11, Block XV, Mangakahia Survey District; north-westerly along a public road; along the southern boundary of a public reserve, along the southern boundaries of Sections 9 and 8A, Block X, Mangakahia Survey District, Sections 2, 22, 23, and 26, Block IX, Mangakahia Survey District, to a right line between Trig. Stations 43 (Tutamoe) and 18 (Te Tarai o Rahiri); thence north-easterly along that line to said Trig. Station 18; thence north-easterly along a right line to the north-western corner of Section 1, Block IV, Hukerenui Survey District, and along the north-western boundaries of said Section 1, and of Sections 16, 15, 1, 2, and 14, Block I, Opuawhanga, to the sea-coast at Opuawhanga; thence generally southerly along the sea-coast to the Mangawai Harbour, the place of commencement.

SECOND SCHEDULE.

Areas, in addition to those referred to in condition No. 3, excepted from the open season wherein imported game and native game, or native game only, shall not be taken or killed:—

All that area in Block No. 3743B; Maunu No. 1B.
Dobie's and Mair Parks.

As witness my hand this 8th day of May, 1926.

RICHD. F. BOLLARD,
Minister of Internal Affairs.

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