

19. (1) Owners' marks, which may be affixed to bales in the appointed grading-stores by owners will be registered on application to the Chief Hemp Grader, but no such mark shall be used until the owner has been advised by the Chief Hemp Grader that the mark has been registered. In no case shall the miller's brand be removed or in any way interfered with. In every instance the owner shall notify the grader immediately before affixing any such marks. The Chief Hemp Grader may decline to register any owner's mark if he considers it to resemble a mark already registered so closely as to cause risk of confusion, or to be for any other reason undesirable for use as an owner's mark.

(2) No fee will be charged for the registration of owners' marks.

20. No person shall remove from an appointed grading-store, except for the purpose of immediately shipping them for export beyond New Zealand, any phormium products in respect of which a grader's certificate has been issued, unless such certificate is first surrendered to a grader.

21. No phormium products in respect of which the certificate has been or ought to have been surrendered in accordance with the last preceding clause shall be exported until they have been resubmitted for grading and a new certificate has been issued in respect thereof.

22. (1) If after any phormium products have been graded and a certificate issued, such products are damaged by fire or water, or through any other cause, the owner shall, if the certificate issued in respect of such products is still in his possession, forthwith surrender the certificate to the grader; and whether the certificate is or is not surrendered, such products shall not be shipped from New Zealand without being regraded and a new certificate issued as hereinafter provided.

(2) Such products may be reconditioned and submitted again for grading: Provided that in such case the owner shall, when giving the grader the written particulars prescribed by these regulations, state on the form of advice that the products have been so reconditioned: Provided also that the grader shall, when issuing a new certificate for such products endorse on the certificate a statement that they have been reconditioned.

23. Any person who knowingly and wilfully represents or implies for any purpose whatsoever that the grader's certificate issued in respect of any lot of phormium products is the certificate issued in respect of any other lot commits a breach of these regulations.

24. The decision of any grader as to the quality, condition, or grade of any phormium products shall be conclusive, and no action or other proceeding shall lie against the Crown, or against any grader, or against any other officer of the Crown in respect of any erroneous decision of a grader as to such quality, condition, or grade.

25. Except to dry, redress, or rebale the products or to use the same for manufacturing or other trade purposes, no person other than a grader in the execution of his duties shall remove or cause to be removed, wholly or partially, any miller's or owner's tag, brand, or mark, or any grade-mark, from any phormium products.

OFFENCES AND PENALTIES.

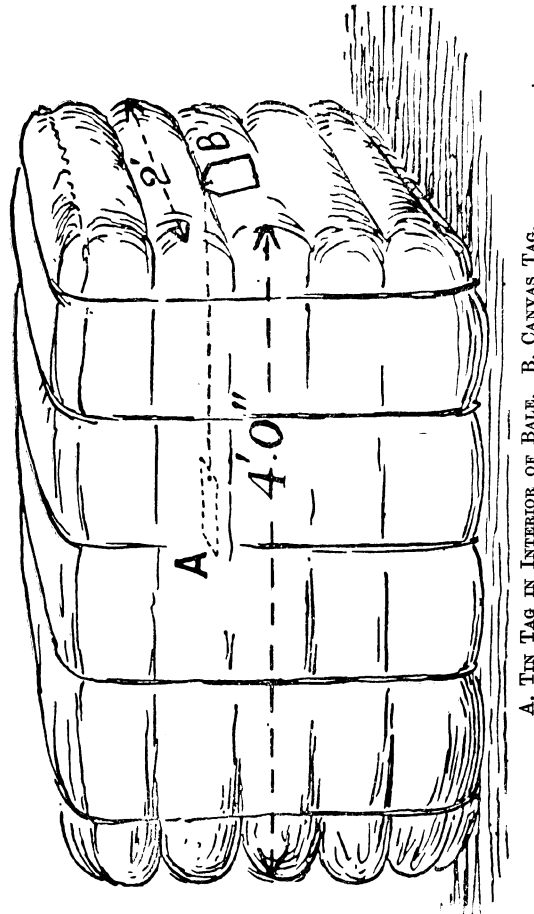
26. No person shall export, or attempt to export, or be concerned in exporting, any phormium products unless they bear distinctly impressed on the canvas tag provided for in clause 3 hereof the miller's brand, the number of the bale, and the grade-mark, and unless a grader's certificate in respect of such phormium products has been issued and is still in force. A grader's certificate which has been surrendered, or which ought to have been surrendered in accordance with any of the provisions of these regulations, shall for all purposes be deemed to be cancelled and to be no longer in force.

27. No person shall alter or obliterate, wholly or partially, or cause to be altered or obliterated, any miller's or owner's tag, brand, or mark on any phormium products, nor shall any person counterfeit any such tag, brand, or mark, or improperly impress or otherwise mark on any such products or on any covering thereof or anything attached thereto, any mark purporting to be the brand or mark of a miller or owner, either with the proper marking instrument of the miller or owner or with a counterfeit imitation thereof; or empty, or partially empty, or otherwise interfere with, any bale of phormium products branded by a miller in order to put therein or substitute any other phormium products; or use for the purpose of branding any such products any old tag bearing any miller's brand or any grade-mark, or anything resembling the same.

28. Any person who—(a) fails to observe or perform any duty directly or by implication placed upon him by these regulations, or (b) does anything contrary to the provisions thereof, commits a breach of these regulations.

29. Any person committing a breach of any of these regulations is liable to a penalty not exceeding twenty-five pounds.

FIRST SCHEDULE.
DIAGRAM No. 1.—BALE OF HEMP.



A. TIN TAG IN INTERIOR OF BALE. B. CANVAS TAG.

DIAGRAM No. 2.—TIN TAG.

