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The Insect Pests Amendment Act, 1898.

PROCLAMATION

WESTERN AUSTRALIA, } By His Excellency Sir Gerald Strickland, Count della Catena, Knight
 GOVERNOR. } Commander of the Most Distinguished Order of St. Michael and St. George, Governor in and over the State of Western Australia and its Dependencies, etc., etc., etc.

[L.S.]

WHEREAS by "The Insect Pests Amendment Act, 1898," it is provided that the Governor may from time to time by Proclamation—

- (a.) prohibit, either absolutely or except in accordance with regulations under the said Act, the introduction into Western Australia, either generally or from any specified Colony, country, port, or place, of any plant, fruit, or anything which in his opinion is likely to introduce disease, and appoint any specified ports to be the only ports of entry for the same; and
- (b.) prohibit, either absolutely or except in accordance with the regulations under the said Act, the bringing into any specified portion of Western Australia, from any other portion of Western Australia, of any specified plant, fruit, fungus, parasite, insect, or other thing which, in his opinion, is diseased or likely to spread disease.

And whereas in the opinion of His Excellency the Governor the introduction into Western Australia of potatoes and of second-hand bags used for the carriage of potatoes from any of the other States of the Commonwealth is likely to introduce and spread in Western Australia the disease known as the Irish Potato Blight, and therefore it is deemed by His Excellency the Governor necessary and expedient to prohibit, except as hereinafter provided, the introduction into Western Australia of Potatoes from the States of Queensland and Tasmania, and to restrict and regulate by regulations made as aforesaid the introduction of potatoes from the States of New South Wales, Victoria, and South Australia; and to prohibit the introduction into Western Australia of second-hand bags used for the carriage of potatoes, unless disinfected; and to prohibit the introduction of potatoes and second-hand potato bags into that portion of Western Australia described in the schedule hereto, from any other portion of Western Australia: And whereas to enable the regulations made under the said Act for the inspection of imported potatoes to be carried into effect it is necessary to appoint certain ports to be the only ports of entry for potatoes: Now therefore I, the said Governor, with the advice and consent of the Executive Council, do hereby, except as hereinafter provided,—

- (a.) Prohibit absolutely the introduction into Western Australia of any potatoes the product of, or directly or indirectly from, the States of Queensland or Tasmania.
- (b.) Prohibit the introduction into Western Australia of any potatoes the product of, or directly or indirectly from, the States of New South Wales, Victoria, or South Australia, except in accordance with regulations made by Order in Council under "The Insect Pests Amendment Act, 1898,"
- (c.) Appoint the following ports, namely, the ports of Eucla, Esperance, Hopetoun, Fremantle, Perth, and Geraldton, and all ports North of

Geraldton to be the only ports of entry for potatoes and potato bags, and prohibit the introduction of potatoes and potato bags into Western Australia at any other port or place.

- (d.) Prohibit absolutely the bringing into that portion of Western Australia specified in the Schedule hereto, from any other portion of Western Australia, of any potatoes or second-hand potato bags.

Provided that the Minister for Agriculture may in his discretion permit the importation of any consignment of potatoes from the State of Tasmania, subject to the said Regulations.

Provided also, that seed potatoes the property of the Department of Agriculture may be brought into the area described in the Schedule hereto, with the consent in writing of the Minister for Agriculture.

And I, the said Governor, with the advice and consent of the Executive Council as aforesaid, do hereby prohibit the introduction into Western Australia from the States of New South Wales, Victoria, South Australia, Queensland, and Tasmania of second-hand bags that have been used for the carriage of potatoes, either empty or containing goods: Provided that empty bags may be introduced at the port of Fremantle if disinfected according to regulations made under the said Act.

This Proclamation shall have operation and effect on and from the date of its publication in the *Government Gazette* of the State of Western Australia.

The Schedule.

All that portion of Western Australia bounded by a line commencing at the sea-coast at and extending along the North boundary of Rockingham, and thence extending in a straight line to the South-West point of Mundijong townsite, and thence in a straight line Eastward to the most Southerly point of Beverley townsite, and thence Eastward to the 119th degree of East longitude, and thence South along the said meridian to the sea-coast, and thence following the sea-coast Westward and Northward to the starting point.

Given under my hand and the Public Seal of the said State, at Perth, this 19th day of April, 1912.

By His Excellency's Command,
 THOMAS H. BATH,
 Minister for Agriculture and Industries.
 GOD SAVE THE KING !!!

WESTERN AUSTRALIA.

The Insect Pests Amendment Act, 1898.

ORDER IN COUNCIL.

At the Executive Council Chamber, at Perth, this 19th day of April, 1912.

Present:

His Excellency the Governor.
 The Honourables—The Minister for Lands.
 The Attorney General.

WHEREAS by "The Insect Pests Amendment Act, 1898," the Governor by Order in Council may, from time to time, make such regulations as he deems necessary for any purpose for which regulations are contemplated

by the said Act, or which he deems necessary for giving full effect to the said Act: Now, therefore, His Excellency the Governor, by and with the advice and consent of the Executive Council, doth hereby revoke the regulations made under the said Act, and published in the *Government Gazette* on the 17th day of November, 1911, and doth hereby make the regulations set forth in the Schedule hereto, and doth hereby declare that the said regulations shall come into force on the publication of this Order in the *Government Gazette*.

SCHEDULE.

Regulations.

1. All potatoes imported pursuant to the exception contained in the Proclamation made under "The Insect Pests Amendment Act, 1898," and published in the *Government Gazette* on the 19th day of April, 1912, must be in new and sound bags branded with the name and address of the grower, and the letter "P" not less than six inches long, and must be accompanied by a Government Certificate signed by an officer of the Department of Agriculture of the State from which the potatoes are imported, certifying that such potatoes are sound and were grown on a farm which has been free from Irish Blight for 12 months then last past.

2. All imported potatoes shall be subject to inspection at the port of entry by an Inspector under the said Act.

3. The potatoes on arrival at the port of entry shall, at the expense of the importer, be delivered direct into a shed, set apart by the Department of Agriculture, for inspection and such other treatment as may be decided upon from time to time by the Inspector or other officer of the Department.

4. The importer or his agent shall, at the importer's expense, provide the necessary labour to open the bags, and to re-bag the potatoes, if passed on inspection, and in every way facilitate the inspection.

5. If the Inspector declares any imported potatoes to be diseased, or infected with disease, the importer shall, at the request of the Inspector and at his own expense, disinfect, destroy, or otherwise dispose of such potatoes as the Inspector may direct.

6. Any consignment of potatoes being or having been in contact with any diseased or prohibited consignment of potatoes may be destroyed, disinfected, or otherwise dealt with at the expense of the importer as the Inspector may direct.

7. A fee of One shilling for every bag of imported potatoes shall be charged to defray the cost of inspection and of carrying these Regulations into effect.

8. Imported second-hand potato bags shall be disinfected at the port of entry as follows, namely:—

By dipping the said bags and keeping them continually submerged for not less than fifteen minutes in a solution of not less than one pound of bluestone to every ten gallons of water.

9. All bags or packages that have contained imported potatoes may be disinfected or destroyed or otherwise disposed of by the Inspector.

10. If any importer or his agent fails or neglects to observe these Regulations, or to carry out the requirements of any Inspector as aforesaid, the Inspector may destroy the potatoes or perform the work at the expense in all things of the importer.

BERNARD PARKER,
Clerk of the Council.