

War Office,  
16th September 1918.

His Majesty the KING has been graciously pleased to award the Royal Red Cross, 2nd Class, to Miss Letitia Reeves, Australian Auxiliary Hospital, Welwyn, for valuable nursing services in connection with the War.

War Office,  
10th September 1918.

#### ARMY COUNCIL ORDER.

##### THE QUEBRACHO (DEALINGS) ORDER, 1918.

In pursuance of the powers conferred upon them by the Defence of the Realm Regulations, the Army Council do hereby order as follows:—

1. No person shall, without a permit issued by or on behalf of the Director of Raw Materials, purchase or sell any solid Quebracho Extract.
2. This Order may be cited as the Quebracho (Dealings) Order, 1918.

By Order of the Army Council,

R. H. BRADE.

#### CORN PRODUCTION ACT, 1917.

##### THE DISTRICT AGRICULTURAL WAGES COMMITTEE FOR THE COUNTIES OF ABERDEEN, KINCARDINE AND BANFF.

##### NOTICE OF AN ORDER FIXING MINIMUM RATES OF WAGES FOR AGRICULTURAL WORKMEN IN THE AREA COMPRISING THE COUNTIES OF ABERDEEN, KINCARDINE AND BANFF.

The District Agricultural Wages Committee for these Counties, duly certified by the Board of Agriculture for Scotland under the Second Schedule to the Corn Production Act, 1917, hereby in terms of Section 5 (4) of said Act and relative Regulations by the Board of Agriculture for Scotland give notice to the persons affected that they have fixed a minimum wage of 33s. per week for all male workmen of 18 and upwards engaged in agriculture within the area. The said Minimum Rate is inclusive of all benefits or advantages which may be reckoned as payment of wages in lieu of payment in cash within the meaning of Section 12 (1) (b) of the Corn Production Act, 1917.

(Signed) L. MACKINNON,  
Chairman,

( „ ) D. MACGREGOR MITCHELL,  
Secretary.

13th September 1918.

NOTE.—If the Central Agricultural Wages Committee do not disallow the above minimum rate within three months from 27th August 1918, the provisions of this Order will take effect as from that date, and will remain in force until cancelled or varied, either wholly or in part, by the Committee.

Statutory Rules and Orders, 1918, No.

#### DESTRUCTIVE INSECT AND PEST, SCOTLAND.

##### THE WART DISEASE OF POTATOES (SCOTLAND) ORDER OF 1918.

DATED 16TH SEPTEMBER 1918.

The Board of Agriculture for Scotland, by virtue and in exercise of the powers vested in them under the Destructive Insects and Pests Acts, 1877 and 1907, and of every other power enabling them in that behalf, do order, and it is hereby ordered, as follows:—

##### *Commencement.*

1. This Order shall come into operation on the first day of October, nineteen hundred and eighteen.

##### *Definition of Infected Area.*

2.—(1) For the purposes of this Order the expression “Infected Area” means an area which is for the time being certified by the Board of Agriculture for Scotland (in this Order referred to as “the Board”) to be an area infected with Wart Disease for the purposes of this Order.

(2) The areas described in the First Schedule to this Order shall, unless and until the Board otherwise certify, be Infected Areas for the purposes of this Order, but the provisions of this Order shall not apply to holdings exceeding half an acre in extent situated in an Infected Area, except such holdings or parts of them as have already been declared to be “infected premises” under the Wart Disease of Potatoes Order of 1912 or the Wart Disease of Potatoes (Scotland) Order of 1913, or which may, subsequent to the date of this Order, be found to be infected with Wart Disease or to which, in the opinion of an Inspector, Wart Disease is likely to spread, and in respect of which a notice applying the provisions of this Order may be served by an Inspector.

##### *Restriction on planting Potatoes in an Infected Area.*

3.—(1) Except under the authority of the Board no person shall plant, or cause or permit to be planted, in any land in his occupation or under his charge which is situated in an Infected Area, and to which the provisions of this Order apply, any potatoes which are not of an approved immune variety, and no person shall permit any potatoes to remain in such land in his occupation or under his charge if the potatoes have been planted in contravention of this Article, and the removal of the potatoes is required by notice served on him by an Inspector; Provided that a person shall not be liable to conviction for planting potatoes or causing or permitting potatoes to be planted in contravention of this Article if he proves to the satisfaction of the Court that the potatoes were sold to him as potatoes of an approved immune variety by a person authorised by the Board under this Order to sell for planting potatoes of an approved immune variety, and that he did not know that the potatoes were not of an approved immune variety.