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REGULATIONS FOR THE INSPECTION AND QUARANTINE OF ANIMALS IMPORTED FROM CANADA INTO THE UNITED STATES.

In pursuance of sections 7, 8, and 10 of the act of Congress entitled "An act providing for the inspection of meats for exportation, and prohibiting the importation of adulterated articles of food or drink, and authorizing the President to make proclamation in certain cases, and for other purposes," approved August 30, 1890, and of an act of Congress entitled "An act making appropriations for the Department of Agriculture for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1897," the following regulations, to take effect from and after February 1, 1897, are hereby prescribed for the inspection and quarantine of animals imported from Canada into the United States, and all orders and regulations or parts thereof inconsistent with these regulations are hereby revoked in so far as applies to inspection and quarantine of animals imported from Canada:

1. With the approval of the Secretary of the Treasury, the following-named ports along the border or boundary line between the United States and Canada have been designated as quarantine stations, and all animals imported from Canada into the United States for which inspection is required by these regulations must be entered through these ports, viz: Vanceboro and Houlton, Maine; Beechers Falls, Island Pond, Newport, Richford, and St. Albans, Vermont; Rouses Point, Ogdensburg, Charlotte, Suspension Bridge, and Buffalo, New York; Port Huron and Detroit, Michigan; Duluth and St. Vincent, Minnesota; and Port Townsend, Washington.

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2. The word "animals" when used in these regulations refers to and includes all or any of the following kinds: Horses, neat cattle, sheep, and other ruminants, and swine. The term "contagious diseases" when used in these regulations includes and applies to all or any of the following diseases: Glanders and farcy, maladie du coit, anthrax, contagious pleuro-pneumonia, Texas or splenetic fever, tuberculosis, actinomycosis, foot-and-mouth disease, rinderpest, sheep pox, footrot, sheep scab, hog cholera, swine plague, and erysipelas. Animals found affected with any one of these contagious diseases must be

returned to Canada or killed without compensation.

3. All animals imported into the United States from Canada must be accompanied by an affidavit made by the owner or importer, declaring clearly the purpose for which said animals are imported, viz, whether for breeding purposes, for milk production, for work animals, for grazing, feeding, or slaughter, or whether they form part of settlers' effects, or whether they are horses entered for temporary stay, as provided in section 7 of these regulations. Said affidavit must be presented to the collector of customs at the port of entry, who will decide whether the animals are entitled to entry under these regulations, and who will notify the inspector of the Bureau of Animal Industry in all cases where these regulations require an inspection to be made.

4. All animals imported into the United States for breeding purposes, for milk production, for grazing or feeding, horses for work, and swine for slaughter must be inspected by an inspector of the Bureau of Animal Industry at the port of entry. All animals covered by this section except horses, and swine for slaughter, must be accompanied with a certificate signed by a Canadian official veterinarian, stating that no contagious disease, except tuberculosis and actinomycosis in cattle, affecting the species of animals imported, has existed in the district in which the animals have been kept for six months preceding the date of importation, excepting animals which are part of settlers' effects, or belonging to Indian tribes, which may be entered without certification or inspection. or importer must present an affidavit that said certificate refers to the animal or animals imported. The certificate for cattle for breeding and for milch cows must also show that they have been submitted to the tuberculin test and found free from tuberculosis, giving the date of testing, with the chart of reaction, and a description of the cattle, with age and markings. All animals imported for breeding purposes, milk production, grazing or feeding, when not accompanied by the required affidavits and certificates, must be detained in quarantine for one week, at the expense of the owner or importer, During this detenunder the supervision of the inspector in charge. tion a rigid inspection will be made, and cattle for breeding or milk production will be tested with tuberculin. Animals found free from disease at the end of this period will be released. Cattle and sheep for grazing or feeding, if accompanied by the required affidavits and certificates, need not be unloaded for inspection, but all other animals covered by this section must be unloaded and carefully inspected.

5. All Canadian animals will be admitted at any port of the United States for transit in bond to any Canadian port without inspection.

6. Cattle and sheep in bond for export will be admitted without inspection at any of the ports named in section 1, in transit to and for export from Portland, Me., Boston, Mass., and New York, N. Y. Horses will be admitted in bond at any port of the United States without inspection for export from any port of the United States. All animals admitted for export will be subject to inspection at port of export.

7. Horses for temporary stay, whether for pleasure driving, teaming, exhibition, racing, or used in connection with stock raising or

mining, cattle and sheep for slaughter, and animals belonging to Indian tribes or forming part of settlers' effects will be admitted through any port without inspection or certification.

8. The railroad cars used in the transportation of animals specified by these regulations must be thoroughly cleaned and disinfected before said animals are placed therein. All litter from previous shipments must be removed, and the car whitewashed with lime and carbolic acid, one pound of commercial carbolic acid to five gallons of lime wash. Unless this regulation is complied with Canadian animals will not be allowed entry into the United States, and animals from the United States will not be admitted into Canada. Shippers should see that cars are properly cleaned and disinfected before animals are loaded.

Secretary.

