in the United States of America or Canada is hereby prohibited unless each consignment is accompanied by a certificate of a duly authorised Official of the Phytopathological Service of the country in which the lettuce were grown, in Form A or Form B.

(4) The landing in Northern Ireland between the first day of April and the fifteenth day of October in any year of any lettuce grown elsewhere than in any European country, the United States of America or Canada is hereby prohibited unless each consignment is accompanied by a certificate of origin visé by a competent authority in the country of origin stating the country and place where the lettuce were grown.

(5) The certificates prescribed in this Article shall be delivered to the proper Officer of Customs and Excise at the same time as and together with the entry relating to the consignment.

Sealed with the Official Seal of the Ministry of Agriculture for Northern Ireland this sixteenth day of February nineteen hundred and fifty three in the presence of

(L.S.) *J. I. Magowan,*
Assistant Secretary.

THE IMPORTATION OF PLANTS FROM BELGIUM, FRANCE AND THE NETHERLANDS (EXEMPTION) (NORTHERN IRELAND) ORDER, 1953.

1953. No. 42

Order dated the 27th day of March, 1953, made by the Ministry of Agriculture under the Destructive Insects and Pests Acts (Northern Ireland), 1877 to 1934.

This Order permitting the importation of certain plants during the period April to October, 1953, is of temporary effect and is not printed at length in this Volume.

The Importation of Plants (Exemption)

1953. No. 41

Order dated the 27th day of March, 1953, made by the Ministry of Agriculture in exercise of the powers vested in it under the Destructive Insects and Pests Acts (Northern Ireland), 1877 to 1934 and of every other power enabling it in that behalf, orders, and it is hereby ordered as follows :—

Citation and Commencement

1. This Order may be cited as the Importation of Plants (Exemption) (Northern Ireland) Order, 1953, and shall come into operation on the first day of April, 1953.

Revocation of General Licences

2. The General Licence (I.P. (Northern Ireland) Gen. 2/1949) dated the 30th day of December, 1949, and the General Licence (I.P.

(Northern Ireland) Gen. 2/1952) dated the 21st day of October, 1952, respectively, made by the Ministry under the Importation of Plants (Northern Ireland) Orders of 1947 and 1949 are hereby revoked.

Interpretation

3. In this Order, unless the context otherwise requires, the following expressions have the meanings respectively assigned to them, that is to say :—

" Ministry " means the Ministry of Agriculture for Northern Ireland.

" Plant " includes tree and shrub.

Modification of Requirements on Importation

4. Notwithstanding Articles 4, 7 and 8 of the Importation of Plants (Northern Ireland) Order of 1947 the Ministry hereby authorises the landing in Northern Ireland, during the periods and subject to the conditions hereinafter specified, of the hereinafter mentioned plants, buds, grafts and cuttings of plants and raw vegetables grown in any European country, the United States of America or Canada, namely :—

(1) Throughout any year

(*a*) Plants

* Acacia
Acalypha
Aglaonoma
Allamanda
Alocasia
Anthurium
Aphelandra
Aquatic plants (ornamental)
* Araceae
* Aralia
* Araucaria
Ardisia
* Aristolochia
* Asparagus
Aspidistra
Aucuba crotonifolia
Azalea indica
Azalea lagantissima
Azalea mollis
Bay Trees
* Begonia
Beloperone
Bertolonia
Boronia
Bougainvillea
Bromeliads
Cacti and succulent plants
* Calceolaria
Caladium
Camellia japonica
Campanula
Carnations (excepting outdoor grown carnations)
* Cineraria
Cissus
Citrus
Clerodendron
Clivia
Coccoloba
Columnea
Crassula
Croton
Cryptanthus
Curmeria
* Cyclamen
Dichorisandra
Dieffenbachia
Dracaena
* Erica
Eugenia

* excepting hardy species.

Euonymus europaeus
* Euphorbia
Eurya
Ferns (excepting hardy ferns)
Ficus (excepting Ficus Carica)
Fittonia
Fourcroya (=Furcraea)
Franciscea (=Brunfelsia)
* Fuchsia
Gardenia
Gerbera
Gloxinia
Haemanthus
Hedychium
* Hibiscus
Hoya
Hydrangea
Impatiens
Ixora
* Jasminum
Kalanchoe
Kennedya
* Lamprococcus
Leea
Leptospermum
Maranta
Medinilla
Metrosideros
Monstera deliciosa
(=Philodendron pertusum)
Musa
Nepenthes
Nephthytis
Nerium
* Ophiopogon
Orchids
Palms
Pandanaceae
Pavonia
Pelargonium
Peperomia
Philodendron
* Phormium
Phyllotaenium
* Plumbago
Poinsettia
Pothos
Primula
Rhopala (=Roupala)
Saintpaulia
Sansevieria
Schismatoglottis
Sonerila
Spathiphyllum
Stephanotis
Strelitzia
Syngonium
Thunbergia
Vanilla
Veronica diosmaefolia
Water lilies
Xanthosoma

(*b*) *Buds and Grafts*

Buds of Roses
Grafts of Apples, Pears and Rhododendrons

(2) *Between* 16*th October in any year and* 31*st March in the following year* (*both dates inclusive*)

Plants and Cuttings

Plants with bare or balled roots
Cuttings or grafts of plants.

(3) *Between* 1*st April and* 15*th October in any year* (*both dates inclusive*)

Raw Vegetables

Root vegetables (other than potatoes) free from foliage

Asparagus
Aubergines
Green Beans
Green Peas
Onions and Shallots
Pimentos
Tomatoes
Witloof Chicory

* excepting hardy species.

Conditions of Importation

5.—(1) Every consignment of plants, or of buds, grafts or cuttings of plants landed in pursuance of this Order shall be accompanied by two copies of the certificate prescribed in Article 7 of the Importation of Plants (Northern Ireland) Order of 1947, as amended by Article 2 of the Importation of Plants (Northern Ireland) Order, 1952, and two copies of a certificate in the form B set out in the Third Schedule to the Importation of Plants (Northern Ireland) Order of 1947. The originals of such certificates shall be forwarded by post by the exporter to The Secretary, Ministry of Agriculture, Stormont, Belfast, before the plants are despatched.

(2) Every consignment of raw vegetables landed in pursuance of this Order shall be accompanied by a certificate in the Form B set out in the Third Schedule to the Importation of Plants (Northern Ireland) Order of 1947.

Amendment of Certificate

6. For the purposes of Article 5 of this Order the certificate in the Form B set out in the Third Schedule to the Importation of Plants (Northern Ireland) Order of 1947 shall be amended by substituting for the words " In accordance with the authorisation contained in the General Licence No..... of the Ministry of Agriculture for Northern Ireland " the words " In pursuance of the Importation of Plants (Exemption) (Northern Ireland) Order, 1953, made by the Ministry of Agriculture " and by deleting the words " and that the conditions prescribed in the above General Licence have been complied with ".

Operation and Revocation

7. This Order :—

(*a*) shall not operate to relieve any person from any obligation imposed by the Importation of Plants (Northern Ireland) Orders, 1947 to 1953 or by the Importation of Forest Trees (Prohibition) (Northern Ireland) Order, 1952 or any other Order of the Ministry for the time being in force other than the obligations excused or modified by this Order ;

(*b*) may be revoked by the Ministry at any time either generally or in relation to any particular produce, place or district.

Sealed with the Official Seal of the Ministry of Agriculture for Northern Ireland this twenty-seventh day of March, in the presence of

(L.S.) *J. I. Magowan,*
Assistant Secretary.