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ORDER

Australia to wit,
R. M. FERGUSON,
Governor-General.

By His Excellency the Governor-
General of the Commonwealth
of Australia.

WHEREAS by section 4 of the *Evidence Act 1905* it is enacted that all Courts shall take judicial notice of the official signature of any person who holds or has held certain offices in that section mentioned, or any office to which the Governor-General, by Order published in the *Gazette*, declares that section to apply, and the official seal of every such person if the signature or seal purports to be attached or appended to any judicial or official document:

And whereas it is desirable that that section should apply to the offices of Chief Electoral Officer for the Commonwealth, Commonwealth Electoral Officer for any State, and Divisional Returning Officer for any electoral division of the Commonwealth, under the *Commonwealth Electoral Act 1918*:

Now therefore I, Sir Ronald Craufurd Munro Ferguson, the Governor-General aforesaid, acting with the advice of the Federal Executive Council, do by this Order declare that section 4 of the *Evidence Act 1905* shall apply to the offices of Chief Electoral Officer for the Commonwealth, Commonwealth Electoral Officer for any State, and Divisional Returning Officer for any electoral division of the Commonwealth, under the *Commonwealth Electoral Act 1918*.

Given under my Hand and the Seal of the Commonwealth (L.S.) this twenty-eighth day of May, One thousand nine hundred and nineteen.

By His Excellency's Command,
LITTLETON E. GROOM, Acting Attorney-General.

ORDER No. 3.

WAR PRECAUTIONS (WOOL) REGULATIONS 1916.

Wool to be made available for Appraisalment.

I, WILLIAM ALEXANDER WATT, Acting Prime Minister of the Commonwealth of Australia, in pursuance of the War Precautions (Wool) Regulations 1916 (Statutory Rules 1916, No. 322, as amended by Statutory Rules 1917, Nos. 41, 52, 71, 146, 231, and 303; and Statutory Rules 1918, Nos. 18, 25, 46, and 137), and on the recommendation of the Central Wool Committee, do hereby order as follows:—

1. This Order shall be cited as Wool Order No. 3.
2. All persons, firms, or companies who or which at midnight on the third day of June, 1919, shall have in their possession or under their control within any of the appraising centres approved by the Central Wool Committee unappraised wool of the value of £50 or over shall, on or before

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the fourteenth day of June, 1919, submit the same for appraisalment in accordance with the above-mentioned Regulations.

3. This Order does not apply to—

- (a) Wool selected for manufacturing purposes.
- (b) Wool in the course of being scoured.
- (c) Wool in the course of being converted into tops for local consumption, or for exportation with the consent of the Central Wool Committee, or held *bonâ fide* for the purpose of being so converted and disposed of with such consent as aforesaid.

4. For the purposes of this Order the term "Appraising Centres approved by the Central Wool Committee" shall be deemed to mean, and be applicable to, the following areas:—

In Sydney, Melbourne, Adelaide, Brisbane, and Fremantle the area within a radius of 10 miles from the principal post-office.

In Hobart, Launceston, Albany, Albury, Ballarat, Geelong, and Geraldton (Western Australia), the area within a radius of 5 miles from the principal post-office.

Dated the twenty-eighth day of May, 1919.

W. A. WATT, Acting Prime Minister.

ORDER No. 4.

WAR PRECAUTIONS (SHEEPSKINS) REGULATIONS 1916.

Sheepskins to be made available for Appraisalment.

I, WILLIAM ALEXANDER WATT, Acting Prime Minister of the Commonwealth of Australia, in pursuance of the War Precautions (Sheepskins) Regulations 1916 (Statutory Rules 1916, No. 321, as amended by Statutory Rules 1917, Nos. 42, 53, 72, 78, 145, and 232; and Statutory Rules 1918, Nos. 58 and 138), and on the recommendation of the Central Wool Committee, do hereby order as follows:—

1. This Order shall be cited as Sheepskins Order No. 4.
2. All persons, firms, or companies who or which at midnight on the third day of June, 1919, shall have in their possession or under their control within any of the appraising centres approved by the Central Wool Committee unappraised sheepskins of the value of £50 or over, shall, on or before the

