

Only Nine Orders in Council Remain in Force After Midnight To-night

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OTTAWA, Dec. 30.—To-morrow night at midnight all orders in Council passed and inferred by virtue of the War Measures Act become ineffective, some hundreds of orders being numbered in those which are no longer law after midnight on December 31. Commenting on this, a member of the Cabinet stated to-day that, contrary to the interpretations of the rescinding order in Council which had been published, the order in Council relating to censorship is among those rescinded from January 1, and only nine orders, relating to trade and financial matters and dealing with the enemy, remain in effect until the end of the forthcoming session of Parliament.

The only orders in Council passed under the War Measures Act which will remain are :

Government control of pulp and paper, sugar, coal and wool ; orders governing silver coinage and gold export ; trading with the enemy and internment of aliens, and the order relating to the War Purchasing Commission.

Censorship being abolished with the New Year, the Censor's office will be closed as soon as the business in connection with that undertaking can be carried out.