

Approved and ordered this 13<sup>th</sup> day of November, A.D. 1923  
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Lieutenant-Governor.

At the Executive Council Chamber, Victoria,

PRESENT:

The Honourable

- Mr. Oliver .
- Mr. Manson
- Mr. MacLean
- Mr. Hart
- Mr. Barrow
- Mr. Pattullo
- Mr. Sloan
- Mr. Sutherland

in the Chair.

To His Honour

The Lieutenant-Governor in Council:

The undersigned has the honour to report

THAT on the 1st day of October last, before W.A.W. Hames, Esquire, Stipendiary Magistrate at Courtenay, B.C., Robert Y. McNaughton was convicted of an infraction of the Forest Act, and for his said offence a fine was imposed upon him of \$25.00 and costs.

THAT an application has been made for a remission of the said fine on the ground that the said offence was the result of ignorance on the part of the said McNaughton as to the provisions of the Forest Act, and was not done designedly.

THAT the Assistant Chief Forester reports as follows: "It would appear that the exercise of clemency in this case might be justified."

THAT the convicting Magistrate reports as follows: "I am of the opinion that McNaughton did not willingly or perhaps I should say knowingly, violate the provisions of the Act. I have known him for some time and ordinarily I believe he is law abiding."

THAT great hardship will result to the said McNaughton if said fine be not remitted.

AND TO RECOMMEND THAT under the provisions of the Revenue Act, the said fine so imposed on the said Robert Y. McNaughton for his said offence be remitted.

AND THAT a certified copy of this Minute, if approved, be forwarded to the convicting Magistrate.

DATED this 13<sup>th</sup> day of November, A.D. 1923.

*[Signature]*

Attorney General.

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Presiding Member of the Executive Council.

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