

to each of the Combining Authorities, and any necessary adjustment in the accounts between the joint committee and these authorities shall thereafter be made and intimation of the same shall be transmitted by the joint committee to these authorities. A copy of the audited accounts shall also be transmitted to Us by the joint committee.

POWER TO AMEND ORDER.

Article 5.—This Order may be amended by Us after consultation with the joint committee from time to time as We may deem necessary.

GRANTS IN AID.

Article 6.—Nothing in this Order shall affect Our powers in connection with the administration and distribution of any grant in aid of the cost of the diagnosis, treatment and prevention of Venereal Diseases.

APPEAL TO LOCAL GOVERNMENT BOARD.

Article 7.—Any dispute or difference arising among the Combining Authorities as to the interpretation or implement of the terms of this Order may be submitted to Us for Our determination by the joint committee or by any of the Combining

Authorities, and Our decision in regard thereto shall be final and binding on all parties.

DATE OF ORDER COMING INTO OPERATION.

Article 8.—This Order shall come into operation on the date hereof.

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Given under the Seal of Office of the Local Government Board for Scotland, this twenty-second day of June, in the year One Thousand Nine Hundred and Seventeen.

(Signed) GEORGE M'CRAE,
Vice-President.

(Signed) JOHN T. MAXWELL,
Secretary.

Downing Street,
21st June 1917.

The KING has been pleased to approve of the retention of the title of "Honourable" by Willis Little, Esq., who has served continuously for more than ten years as a Member of the Legislative Council of the State of Victoria.

TRADE BOARDS ACT, 1909.

SHIRT-MAKING TRADE BOARD

(GREAT BRITAIN).

PROPOSAL TO VARY certain Minimum Rates of Wages for Female Workers in the Shirt-Making Trade in Great Britain.

In accordance with Regulations made under Section 18 of the above Act by the Board of Trade, and dated 27th April 1910, the Trade Board established under the above Act and the Trade Boards Provisional Orders Confirmation Act, 1913, for the Shirt-making Trade in Great

Britain, as defined in the Regulations made by the Board of Trade and dated the 26th December 1913,

HEREBY GIVE NOTICE as required by Section 4 of the above Act that they PROPOSE TO VARY the Minimum Rates of Wages for female workers fixed by them and set out in Schedule I. of their Notice of the 12th February 1917, as follows, that is to say:—

Female Workers.

- I. (a) For female workers other than homeworkers, from 4d. an hour to 4½d. an hour.
- (b) For female homeworkers, from 4d. an hour to 4½d. an hour.

II.

LEARNERS.

	LEARNERS COMMENCING AT								
	14 and under 15 years of age.		15 and under 16 years of age.		16 and under 21 years of age.		21 years of age and over.		
	Column I.		Column II.		Column III.		Column IV.		
	per week.		per week.		per week.		per week.		
	s. d.	s. d.	s. d.	s. d.	s. d.	s. d.	s. d.		
During first six months of employment ...	From 3/0 to	3/6	From 3/8 to	4/0	From 5/2 to	6/0	1st 3 months	From 6/9 to	7/6
„ second „ „	„ 5/2 „	6/0	„ 5/11 „	6/9	„ 7/9 „	8/9	2nd 3 months	„ 9/6 „	10/9
„ third „ „	„ 6/10 „	7/9	„ 8/3 „	9/3	„ 10/9 „	12/0	3rd 3 months	„ 12/6 „	14/0
„ fourth „ „	„ 8/3 „	9/3	„ 10/1 „	11/3	„ 14/3 „	16/0	4th 3 months	„ 14/3 „	16/0
„ fifth „ „	„ 9/6 „	10/9	„ 12/6 „	14/0	—	—	—	—	—
„ sixth „ „	„ 10/9 „	12/0	„ 14/3 „	16/0	—	—	—	—	—
„ seventh „ „	„ 13/1 „	14/9	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
„ eighth „ „	„ 14/3 „	16/0	—	—	—	—	—	—	—

For learners under 14 years of age from 3s. to 3s. 6d. per week.

The above Proposals are on the basis that the learners' rates are weekly rates based on a week of 50 hours, the rates being subject to a proportionate deduction or increase according as the