when the work is carried on in establishments mainly engaged in the making of such articles from the before-mentioned fabrics, viz.:—

- (a) Handkerchiefs (including Mufflers or Flags when made in association or in conjunction with handkerchiefs);
- (b) Bed-Linen, Towels, Dusters, Table-napery, Bedspreads, Tea-cloths, Table-centres, Sideboard-covers, Cushion-covers or similar household articles;

including all or any of the following operations:-

- (i) Hooking, cutting or tearing the material;
- (ii) Vice-folding;
- (iii) Machine hemming, hem-stitching, spoking, over-locking, tambouring, buttonholing, and other plain or fancy machine stitching;
- (iv) All processes of embroidery or decorative needlework done by machine, whether before or after the making of the articles of the description specified above;
- (v) The following processes, if done by machine:—Thread-drawing, thread-clipping, top-sewing, scalloping, nickelling and paring;
- (vi) All processes of laundering, smoothing, folding, ornamenting, boxing, finishing, warehousing, packing, and other similar operations incidental to or appertaining to the making of the articles of the description specified above.
- 2. The making-up in linen warehouses or in establishments mainly engaged in linen lapping, of linen or mixed linen and cotton or other textile fabrics in the piece, or of linen or mixed linen and cotton or other textile articles cut from the piece, including:—

Measuring, cutting, lapping, ornamenting, boxing, warehousing, packing and similar operations.

## PART V.

Section I.—The above Minimum Rates must be paid clear of all deductions other than deductions under the National Insurance Act, 1911, as amended by any subsequent enactments or deductions authorised by any Act to be made from wages in respect of contributions to any superannuation or other provident fund.

Section II.—The above Minimum Rates of Wages are without prejudice to workers who are earning higher rates of wages.

Signed by Order of the Trade Board and in pursuance of an Order of the Minister of Labour confirming the Minimum Rates as varied by the Trade Board and set out above and specifying the 8th day of March 1922 as the date from which they should become effective.

This seventh day of March 1922.

F. POPPLEWELL, Secretary.

Office of Trade Boards, 7-11 Old Bailey, London, E.C. 4.

TRADE BOARDS ACTS, 1909 AND 1918.

FLAX AND HEMP TRADE BOARD (GREAT BRITAIN).

Proposal to vary Minimum Rates of Wages for Certain Classes of Male and Female Workers.

In accordance with Regulations made under Section 18 of the Trade Boards Act, 1909, by the Minister of Labour, and dated 31st October 1918, the Trade Board established under the Trade Boards Act, 1918, for the Flax and Hemp Trade in Great Britain as specified in the Trade Boards (Flax and Hemp) Order, 1919, hereby give notice that they propose to vary the General Minimum Time-Rates, Piece-Work Basis Time-Rate, General Minimum Piece-Rates, and Overtime Rates at present fixed and set out in their Notice F.H. (6), dated 21st October 1921, in their application to certain classes of Male and Female Workers, the proposed variations being as shown in the Schedule set out below.

The Minister of Labour has given his consent to the issue of this Notice.