

TRADE BOARDS ACTS, 1909 AND 1918.

JUTE TRADE BOARD (GREAT BRITAIN).

PROPOSAL TO FIX GENERAL MINIMUM PIECE-RATES AND TO VARY OVERTIME RATES FOR CERTAIN CLASSES OF FEMALE WEAVERS IN THE AREAS OF DUNDEE, CARNOUSTIE AND TAYPORT (AS DEFINED IN PART IV. OF THE SCHEDULE TO THIS NOTICE).

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 in Great Britain under the Trade Boards Act, 1918, for the Jute Trade, as specified in the Trade Boards (Jute) Order, 1919, HEREBY GIVE NOTICE, as required by Section 3 (5) of the Trade Boards Act, 1918, that THEY PROPOSE TO FIX General Minimum Piece-Rates for Female Workers employed on Hessian Weaving as defined in Section II. of Part I. of the Schedule set out below, AND TO VARY the Overtime Rates at present fixed and set out in the Trade Board's Notice J (19) dated 8th March 1922, in their application to such workers, the proposed Minimum Rates being as shown in the Schedule set out below.

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

SCHEDULE.

PART I.

PROPOSED GENERAL MINIMUM PIECE-RATES FOR FEMALE WORKERS EMPLOYED ON HESSIAN WEAVING (AS HEREINAFTER DEFINED) IN THE AREAS OF DUNDEE, CARNOUSTIE AND TAYPORT (AS DEFINED IN PART IV. OF THIS SCHEDULE).

SECTION I.—

The proposed General Minimum Piece-Rates to apply to Female Workers employed on Hessian Weaving as specified in Section II. of this Part of this Schedule shall be as follows :—

- (a) THE STANDARD GENERAL MINIMUM PIECE-RATE SHALL BE A SINGLE LOOM RATE FOR WEAVING THE STANDARD LENGTH OF THE STANDARD FABRIC OF THE STANDARD WIDTH AND SHALL BE 40 $\frac{3}{4}$ d.
- (b) THE DOUBLE LOOM RATE SHALL BE TWENTY PER CENT. (20 PER CENT.) LESS THAN THE SINGLE LOOM RATE.

Provided that a worker shall not be required to work at a single loom at the double loom rate for a continuous period of more than 8 $\frac{3}{4}$ hours, or for a total of more than 8 $\frac{3}{4}$ hours in any one week.

2. FOR THE PURPOSE OF THE PROPOSED GENERAL MINIMUM PIECE-RATES SET OUT IN THIS NOTICE :—

- (a) The STANDARD Fabric shall be 10 $\frac{1}{2}$ oz. 40 in. 11 porter 13 shots per inch when chested finished : Dundee Hessian.
- (b) The STANDARD Length shall be 100 yards (36 inch measure) of yarn laid.
- (c) The STANDARD Width shall be 40 inch of finished cloth.

3. THE STANDARD GENERAL MINIMUM PIECE RATES SET OUT IN PARAGRAPH 1 OF THIS SECTION SHALL BE INCREASED OR DIMINISHED :—

- (a) For variation of *build* in accordance with the percentages given on Table A in Part II. of this Schedule.

Provided that in cases where variation on the Standard Rate has to be made in respect of both Porter and Shots, the variations for Porter and Shots shall not be made separately but as follows, that is to say, the sum or difference, as the case may be, of the appropriate percentage figures set out in the Table for Porter and Shots respectively shall first be calculated, and the Standard Rate shall then be varied by the application thereto of the percentage figure so arrived at.

- (b) For variation of *width* in accordance with the percentages given on Table B in Part II. of this Schedule.

4. There shall be no difference for quality.

5. In all calculations in this scheme the SHOTS are counted BY THE INCH.

6. Fractions shall be dealt with as follows :—

Fractions of One Shot—

- Under $\frac{1}{4}$ shall NOT count.
 $\frac{1}{4}$ and under $\frac{3}{4}$ shall count as a $\frac{1}{2}$.
 $\frac{3}{4}$ and over shall count as 1.

Fractions of One Inch—

- Under a $\frac{1}{2}$ inch shall NOT count.
 $\frac{1}{2}$ inch and over shall count as 1 inch.