TRADE BOARDS ACTS, 1909 AND 1918.

VARYING AND FIXING OF MINIMUM RATES OF WAGES IN THE CHAIN MAKING TRADE.

The Chain Trade Board (Great Britain) have issued a Notice dated 26th October 1928, setting out all the minimum rates of wages in operation under the Trade Boards Acts for workers engaged in the making of Hand Hammered Chain from iron up to and including $\frac{1}{32}$ inch, including the minimum rates which have now been

varied or fixed to take effect under an Order of the Minister of Labour as from 5th November 1928.

Information with regard to the minimum rates of wages operative in the trade under the Trade Boards Acts may be obtained on application to the Secretary, Chain Trade Board (Great Britain), 1 Whitehall Gardens, London, S.W. 1.

F. Popplewell, Secretary.

October 1928.

STATEMENT showing the QUANTITIES SOLD and AVERAGE PRICE of BRITISH CORN per Hundredweight of 112 Imperial Pounds,* as received from the INSPECTORS of CORN RETURNS in the week ended 20th October 1928, pursuant to the Corn Returns Act, 1882, and the Corn Sales Act, 1921.

		British	Corn.			Quantities Sold.	Average Price per Cwt.		
	•					Cwt.	s. d.		
WHEAT	•••		•••		•••	344,046	9 8		
BARLEY	•••	•••	•••	•••	•••	673,814	10 9		
OATS	•••			•••	•••	86,539	8 8		

COMPARATIVE STATEMENT for the Corresponding Week in each of the Years from 1924 to 1927.

W. I 1. 1	Ç	uantities Sold	Average Price per Cwt.			
Week ended.	Wheat.	Barley.	Oats.	Wheat.	Barley.	Oats.
18th October 1924 17th October 1925 23rd October 1926 22nd October 1927	Cwt. 371,114 331,973 349,114 273,953	Cwt. 672,796 541,310 606,816 554,673	Cwt. 173,907 88,762 95,522 95,793	s. d. 12 8 10 3 11 5 10 7	s. d. 17 2 12 4 11 9 14 1	s. d. 10 4 9 2 8 0 9 4

COMPARATIVE STATEMENT for each of the four previous Weeks.

Barley.	Oats.	Wheat.	Barley.	Oats.
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Cwt. 277,402 438,279 509,878	Cwt. 91,159 100,862 98,190	s. d. 9 2 9 1 9 2	s. d. 11 4 11 1 10 10	s. d. 9 1 8 10 8 10
	,	509,878 98,190	509,878 98,190 9 2	509,878 98,190 9 2 10 10

* Section 8 of the Corn Returns Act, 1882, as amended by Section (2) of the Corn Sales Act, 1921, provides that, in the weekly summary of quantities and prices, each sort of British corn shall be computed with reference to the hundredweight of one hundred and twelve imperial standard pounds.

Note.—The above prices are based on returns received from Inspectors during the week named. They represent on the whole the average prices ruling in the preceding week.

Ministry of Agriculture and Fisheries, Whitehall Place, London, S.W.1. 20th October 1928. E. B SHINE,
Assistant Secretary.