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Note.—Reference to the Standing Committee was notified in the *Edinburgh Gazette* dated 24th April 1959.

Board of Trade, Horse Guards Avenue,
London S.W.1.

THE MINES AND QUARRIES ACT, 1954
THE COAL AND OTHER MINES (VENTILATION)
(VARIATION) REGULATIONS, 1960

THE Minister of Power in accordance with the provisions of Section 142 of, and Part I of the Second Schedule to, the Mines and Quarries Act, 1954, hereby gives notice that he proposes to make General Regulations under Sections 141 and 143 of the Act, entitled the Coal and Other Mines (Ventilation) (Variation) Regulations, 1960.

These Regulations will apply to mines of coal, stratified ironstone, shale and fireclay, and will vary the Coal and Other Mines (Ventilation) Regulations, 1956.

Regulation 7(5) of the Coal and Other Mines (Ventilation) Regulations, 1956, provides that determinations of firedamp content required to be made in mines of coal, stratified ironstone, shale or fireclay, once in every week or thirty days must be made at the appropriate stage of the mining operations on the last working day of the week, other than a Saturday, on which the operations comprise that stage.

These regulations implement a recommendation of the Report on the explosion at Walton Colliery (1) by varying the 1956 Regulations so that such determinations may be made at any time during the shift commencing on a Friday and ending on a Saturday if the appropriate stage of the operations occurs at that time.

Copies of the draft Regulations may be purchased (price 3d. net) from Her Majesty's Stationery Office at the following addresses: York House, Kingsway, London W.C.2; 13a Castle Street, Edinburgh 2; 39 King Street, Manchester 2; 2 Edmund Street, Birmingham 3; 109 St. Mary Street, Cardiff; Tower Lane, Bristol 1; 80 Chichester Street, Belfast; or through any bookseller.

Any objection with respect to the draft Regulations must be made in writing to the Minister of Power, Thames House South, Millbank, London S.W.1 before the 18th June 1960 and must state:

- (a) the specific grounds of objection, and
- (b) the omissions, additions or modifications asked for.

ALFRED M. RAKE,
An Under Secretary to the Ministry of
Power.

Ministry of Power, Thames House South,
Millbank, London S.W.1.
27th May 1960.

- (1) Report on the explosion at Walton Colliery, Yorkshire on 22nd April 1959. (Cmd. 843).

SALMON FISHERIES (SCOTLAND) ACTS, 1828 to 1868
THE DISTRICT OF SHETLAND (ANNUAL CLOSE
TIME) ORDER, 1960

THE Secretary of State, in exercise of the powers conferred on him by section 9 of the Salmon Fisheries (Scotland) Act, 1868 (a), and of all other powers enabling him in that behalf, on the petition of the Shetland Salmon Fishery District Board, hereby orders as follows:

1. (1) This Order may be cited as the District of Shetland (Annual Close Time) Order, 1960, and shall come into operation on the 9th day of September, 1960.
- (2) The Interpretation Act, 1889(b), shall apply for the interpretation of this Order as it applies for the interpretation of an Act of Parliament.
2. The annual close time for the District of Shetland shall extend from the 10th day of September in each year until the 24th day of February in the year next ensuing, both days inclusive.
3. Notwithstanding anything in the last preceding paragraph, it shall be lawful to fish for, and to take, salmon with the rod and line in the said District during the following period in any annual close time, that is to say from the commencement of the close time until the 31st day of October inclusive.

4. The Byelaw relating to the annual close time for the District of the River Sandwater, etc., (Shetland Islands) made by the Fishery Board for Scotland on 8th February 1883 and confirmed by the Secretary of State on 5th May 1883, is hereby revoked.

Given under the seal of the Secretary of State for Scotland this seventeenth day of May 1960.

(L.S.) M. CAMPBELL, Secretary
Department of Agriculture and Fisheries for Scotland,
St. Andrew's House, Edinburgh 1.

SEA FISHERIES (SCOTLAND) ACTS

Capture of Norway Lobsters within exclusive fishery limits of part of the east coast of Lewis

NOTICE is hereby given that Bye-law No. 59 has been made and confirmed by the Secretary of State for Scotland prohibiting the use of a seine net or any other net which is dragged along the bottom of the sea for the capture of Norway lobsters (nephrops) within the exclusive fishery limits of the east coast of Lewis between a line drawn due east (true) from the Butt of Lewis and a line drawn north-east (true) from Tiumpnan Head.

Copies of this Bye-law, which took effect from 18th May 1960, may be obtained from H.M. Stationery Office, 13a Castle Street, Edinburgh.

Department of Agriculture and Fisheries for Scotland,
St. Andrew's House, Edinburgh 1.
25th May 1960.

MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE,
FISHERIES AND FOOD

Great Westminster House,
Horseferry Road, London S.W.1.

STATEMENT showing the QUANTITIES SOLD and AVERAGE PRICES of BRITISH CORN per cwt. of 112 Imperial lb. computed from returns received by the MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE, FISHERIES AND FOOD in the week ended 21st May 1960 pursuant to the Corn Returns Act, 1882, the Corn Sales Act, 1921, and the Agriculture (Miscellaneous Provisions) Act, 1943.

British Corn	Quantities Sold	Average Prices per cwt.	
		s.	d.
WHEAT	cwt. 423,228	23	5
BARLEY	111,245	22	9
OATS	35,395	24	3

NOTE. The prices represent the average for all sales at 174 prescribed towns in England and Wales and include transactions between growers and merchants, and transactions between merchants, during the week ended 14th May 1960.

(Miss) W. SCHOCK.

Amendment: Sales during week ended 30th April 1960.

Delete: Barley 156,862 cwts at 22s. 5d.

Insert: Barley 156,862 cwts at 22s. 7d.

ARGYLL COUNTY COUNCIL
GIGHA RURAL WATER SUPPLY

NOTICE is hereby given in terms of paragraph 3 of Part 1 of the First Schedule to the Water (Scotland) Act 1946 that the County Council of the County of Argyll are about to apply to the Secretary of State for an Order under subsection 2 of Section 21 of the Water (Scotland) Act 1946, as amended by the Water (Scotland) Act, 1949.

The Order would enable the County Council to take water from the loch known as Mill Loch, Gigha in the Parish of Gigha and Cara and County of Argyll and to construct works in connection therewith.

A copy of the draft Order known as The Argyll County Council (Mill Loch, Gigha) Water Order, 1960, a plan relative thereto and a Written Statement may be inspected in the office of the subscriber and also at Gigha Post Office at all reasonable hours.