ORDER OF THE BOARD OF AGRICULTURE | AND FISHERIES.

(DATED 9TH APRIL 1906.)

SHEEP-DIPPING (WALES) ORDER OF 1906.

The Board of Agriculture and Fisheries, by virtue and in exercise of the powers vested in them under the Diseases of Animals Acts, 1894 to 1903, and of every other power enabling them in this behalf, do order, and it is hereby ordered, as follows:—

Application of Order.

1. This Order applies to the Area described in the First Schedule hereto, which Area is hereinafter referred to as "the Dipping Area."

Mode of Dipping prescribed.

2. Where under this Order it is provided that sheep are to be dipped, they shall be dipped by a thorough immersion in a sheep-dip approved by the Board for sheep-scab, or purporting to be so approved.

General Dipping within Prescribed Period.

3.—(1.) All sheep (except those exempted by later provisions of this Order) which are in the Dipping Area at any time between the 1st day of August next and the 15th day of September next, hereinafter referred to as "the prescribed dipping period," shall be caused to be dipped between these dates by the owner, or person in charge thereof.

(2.) This provision shall not apply to the

following sheep:-

(i.) Sheep moved through the Area by railway from a place outside the Area to another place outside the Area, without unnecessary delay, or being untrucked within the Area.

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 (ii.) Sheep which on account of their being intended for exhibition, or which, for any other special circumstances, the Local Authority of the District where the sheep are kept may exempt from these dipping requirements, but so that every exemption shall be signed by the Clerk of the Local Authority and shall be subject to such conditions as may be specified in the exemption. The exemption may be granted subject to conditions as to subsequent dipping or otherwise. A copy of every exemption shall be sent to the Board. The exemption shall be in the Form A set forth in the Second Schedule hereto, or to the like effect.
- (iii.) Sheep slaughtered within the Area during the prescribed period, or moved out of the Area under Article 16 or Article 18 of this Order.

Notice to Local Authority of Time and Place of intended Dipping.

- 4.—(1.) For the purposes of enabling the Local Authority to be represented at the dipping whenever they think such a course desirable, the owner or person in charge of any sheep required to be dipped under the preceding Article of this Order, shall give such written notice of his intention to dip his sheep as is hereinafter provided:—
 - (i.) The notice shall be delivered, or sent by post, to such persons as the Local Authority of the District may appoint to receive such notices in respect of sheep in their District.

(ii.) The notice shall be sent or delivered at such time as to be received by the appointed person three clear days, at least, before the intended time of dipping.

(iii.) The notice shall state the time and place of the intended dipping, and the approximate number of sheep intended to be dipped.

(2.) If from any cause the dipping of the sheep on the date specified in a notice becomes impracticable, no further notice shall be required if the sheep are dipped as soon after such date as is practicable.

(8.) A return in the Form B set forth in the Second Schedule hereto, or to the like effect, shall be sent immediately after each dipping by the owner or person in charge of the sheep dipped to the person appointed to receive such returns by the Local Authority of the District in which the sheep are dipped.

Clipping before Dipping.

5. A sheep shall not be deemed to have been dipped in accordance with the requirements of this Order, unless it has been previously clipped, but this provision shall not apply to lambs less than nine months old.

Isolation of Sheep after Dipping.

6. All sheep, after having been dipped, shall during the remainder of the prescribed dipping period be kept isolated, as far as practicable, from sheep which have not been so dipped.

Declaration after Dipping Period.

7. The occupier of a farm or holding on which sheep are kept shall personally, or by his agent authorised in that behalf, on or after the fifteenth day of September, but not later than the twenty ninth day of September, send a declaration as to the dipping of the sheep, in the Form C set forth in the Second Schedule hereto, or to the like effect, to the person appointed to receive such declarations by the Local Authority of the District in which the farm or holding is situate.

Notice of Appointment of Persons to receive Returns, &c.

8. The Local Authority shall appoint persons for their District or for separate parts of their District to receive notices, returns, and declarations under the preceding Articles, and shall give adequate notice in their District of appointments so made.

Restriction on Movement of Sheep not Dipped within Dipping Period.

9. Where any sheep shall not have been dipped as required by this Order an Inspector of the Local Authority may, without prejudice to any proceedings for the offence, serve the owner or person in charge of the sheep and the owner or person in charge of any sheep then in contact with the undipped sheep with a notice, in the Form D set forth in the Second Schedule hereto, or to the like effect, and thereupon it shall be unlawful to move the sheep referred to in the notice from the farm, holding, or other place where they are at the time the notice is served unless and until all the sheep shall have been dipped after the service of the notice in the presence of an Inspector of the Local Authority.

Cleansing of Dipping Places.

10. The place on any farm or premises which has been used for the dipping shall, without unnecessary delay, be thoroughly cleansed by the occupier, and all tufts of wool gathered and disinfected or destroyed.

Samples of Dip may be taken.

11. Every owner or person in charge of sheep being dipped under this Order shall permit and give every facility to an Inspector of the Local Authority or of the Board to take samples of dip or material which is being or has been used for the dipping of sheep.