

*Factory Department, Home Office,
April 14, 1915.*

The Chief Inspector of Factories gives notice that, in consequence of the resignation of Dr. R. H. Botham, an appointment as Certifying Surgeon under the Factory and Workshop Acts at Staindrop, in the county of Durham, is vacant.

PROCEEDINGS BEFORE BRITISH PRIZE COURTS OVERSEA.

In continuation of the notification on page 3579 of the London Gazette of April 13th, 1915, information has been received that proceedings have been instituted in the Prize Court in Malta in respect of part cargo ex the following vessel. Appearance should be entered by all persons claiming an interest in the cargo as soon as possible.

Prize Court.	Name of Ship.
Commercial Court of Malta.	Eleftherios K. Venizelos.

Colonial Office,
19th April, 1915.

TRADE BOARDS ACT, 1909.

PROPOSAL TO FIX MINIMUM RATES FOR THE HOLLOW-WARE TRADE (GREAT BRITAIN).

SECTION 1.—In accordance with Regulations made under Section 18 of the above Act, by the Board of Trade, and dated 27th April, 1910, the Trade Board established under the above Act and the Trade Boards Provisional Orders Confirmation Act, 1913, for the Hollow-ware Trade as defined by the Regulations made by the Board of Trade and dated 6th July, 1914, hereby give notice that they propose to fix the following minimum or lowest time-rates of wages, clear of all deductions, for Female Workers, that is to say:—

(a) *For Female Learners:*

The minimum or lowest time-rates of wages for Female Learners shall be as follows:—

	per week.
When employed under 15 years of age	6s. 0d.
When employed at 15 and under 16 years of age	7s. 6d.
When employed at 16 and under 17 years of age	9s. 0d.
When employed at 17 and under 18 years of age	11s. 0d.

Provided that a female worker entering the trade over the age of 16 may serve a period of one year as a Learner at the following minimum rates, that is to say:—

	per week.
First six months	8s. 0d.
Second six months	9s. 0d.

Thereafter the minimum rate shall be that applicable to the worker's age.

(b) *For Female Workers other than Learners:*

The minimum or lowest time-rate of wages for Female Workers other than Learners shall be:

13s. 6d. per week.

For the purpose of this section the term Learner shall mean a person who is employed under conditions which, in the circumstances of the case, afford a reasonable prospect of advancement to the minimum rate for Workers other than Learners.

SECTION 2.—The weekly rates set out in this Notice are based on a week of 54 hours, and are subject to a proportionate deduction or increase according as the number of hours spent by the worker in the factory or workshop in any week is less or more than 54.

SECTION 3.—The above rates shall apply to all female workers employed in those branches of the Hollow-ware trade which are engaged in the making of Hollow-ware from sheet iron or sheet steel, including the processes of galvanising, tinning, enamelling, painting, japanning, lacquering, and varnishing.

SECTION 4.—The above minimum rates are without prejudice to workers who are earning higher rates of wages.

The Trade Board will consider Objections to the above proposals which may be lodged with them within three months from 21st April, 1915. Such Objections should be in writing and signed by the person making the same (who should add his or her full name and address), and should be sent to the Secretary of the Hollow-ware Trade Board, Old Serjeants' Inn Chambers, 5, Chancery Lane, London, W.C. It is desirable that the Objections should state precisely, and so far as possible with reasons, what is objected to.

Dated this nineteenth day of April, 1915.

Signed by order of the Trade Board,

ERNEST AVES,
Chairman.

Office of Trade Boards,
5, Chancery Lane, London, W.C.

TRADE BOARDS ACT, 1909.

PROPOSAL TO FIX MINIMUM RATES FOR THE TIN BOX AND CANISTER TRADE (GREAT BRITAIN).

SECTION 1.—In accordance with Regulations made under Section 18 of the above Act by the Board of Trade and dated 27th April, 1910, the Trade Board established under the above Act and the Trade Boards Provisional Orders Confirmation Act, 1913, for the Tin Box and Canister Trade in Great Britain as defined in the Regulations made by the Board of Trade and dated 12th June, 1914, hereby give notice, as required by Section 4 (2) of the above Act, that they propose to fix the following minimum or lowest time-rates of wages,