Whereas the Minister of Munitions is desirous of modifying in manner hereinafter provided the maximum prices and extras chargeable for High Speed Tool Steel and scrap therefrom fixed by the General Permit issued by him dated the 1st November, 1916, as subsequently modified Now the Minister of Munitions hereby gives notice that on and after the 1st February, 1918, until further notice the said General Permit as subsequently modified shall take effect as if :--

(a) : Under the heading "Maximum Basis Prices for High Speed Tool Steel" the words-

Per lb.

"Finished Bars, 14 per cent.

Tungsten, or its equivalent, de-livered Buyers' Works 3s. 8d. "Finished Bars, 18 per cent.

Tungsten, or its equivalent, de-livered Buyers' Works 4s. 5d."

were inserted therein in substitution for the. words

Per lb. "Finished Bars, 14 per cent.

Tungsten, delivered Buyers' 2s. 10d. Works

"Finished Bars, 18 per cent.

Tungsten, delivered Buyers'

Works 3s. 10d."

(b) Under the heading "High Speed Tool Steel Extras" there were inserted therein the words---

"Packing 4s. per cwt."

(o) Under the heading "Scrap from High Speed Tool Steel " the words-

	Per lb. net.
"Millings and Turnings, de- livered Steel Makers' Works	8d.
"Bar ends, delivered Steel Makers' Works	9d.''

were inserted therein in substitution for the words---

	Per lb.
	net.
"Millings and Turnings, de- bivered Steel Makers' Works	5d.
"Bar ends, delivered Steel Makers' Works	6d."

Ministry of Munitions of War,

15th February, 1918.

IRON AND STEEL.

NOTICE ALTERING MAXIMUM PRICE OF STANDARD QUALITY BAR IRON.

With reference to the General Permit of 1st November, 1916, issued by the Minister of Munitions, as subsequently modified, fixing maximum prices for (amongst other things) Bar Iron, the Minister of Munitions hereby gives notice as follows:-

As from the date hereof until further notice the said General Permit shall take effect as if

under the heading " Maximum Basis Prices for Bar Iron," the following words, viz. :-

"Standard quality, ordinary sizes and merchants' lengths, £13 17s. 6d. per ton net, f.o.t. Makers' Works,"

were substituted for the words-

"Standard quality, ordinary sizes and merchants' lengths, £13 15s. per ton net, f.o.t. Makers' Works."

Ministry of Munitions of War, 15th February, 1918. ORDER.

COPPER SULPHATE.

The Minister of Munitions, in exercise of the powers conferred upon him by the Defence of the Realm Regulations, and of all other powers enabling him, hereby orders as follows :-

1. For the purposes of this Order the maximum prices for Sulphate of Copper shall be as follows:

(a) In the case of sales for delivery free on rail, cart, barge or ship at makers' works or nearest siding or railway station or nearest available wharf, the prices specified in the First Schedule hereto according to the date on which, under the terms of the contract of sale, delivery is to be made.

(b) In the case of sales for delivery to consumers' premises or nearest station, siding or wharf direct from makers' works the maximum prices under paragraph (a) above plus all costs of transport from makers' works to place of delivery excepting that where transport is partly by rail or water no charge is to be made for cost of cartage or haulage by road from makers' works to railway station, siding or wharf. Any cartage or haulage to consumers' premises to be charged at local rates.

(c) In the case of sales for delivery ex vendors' store or shop or ex warehouse, railway goods yard or public wharf, the prices specified in the Second Schedule hereto according to the quantity of Sulphate of Copper included in the sale and the date on which, under the terms of the contract of sale, delivery is to be made.

(d) In the case of sales for delivery to consumers' premises from vendors' store or shop or from warehouse, railway goods yard or public wharf, the maximum prices authorised under paragraph (c) above, plus all costs of transport from vendors' store or shop or from warehouse, railway goods yard or public wharf to consumers' premises any cartage or haulage by road to be charged at local rates.

2. The maximum prices fixed by this Order are not prompt cash prices for Sulphate of Copper in makers' or vendors' bags. Where credit is given to the purchaser a reasonable extra charge may be made, provided that the discount allowed for net prompt cash is quoted on the invoice and is such as to bring the net prompt cash price within the maximum authorised. If purchasers' bags or other packages are used a reasonable allowance shall be made.

3. The maximum prices fixed by paragraphs (a) and (b) of clause 1 of this Order shall not apply to any sale by a maker for delivery as