TRADE BOARDS ACTS, 1909 AND 1918.

MACHINE-MADE LACE AND NET-FINISHING TRADE.

PROPOSAL TO VARY MINIMUM RATES OF WAGES.

In accordance with the Regulations made under Section 18 of the Trade Boards Act, 1909, by the Minister of Labour, and dated 31st October, 1918, the Lace-finishing Trade Board, established under that Act for certain branches of the Machine-made Lace and Netfinishing Trade, as defined in the Regulations made by the Board of Trade, and dated 16th March, 1914, hereby give notice, as required by Section 3 (5) of the Trade Boards Act, 1918 (the Minister of Labour having given his consent to such Notice being given), that they Propose to Vary the General Minimum Piece-rates and General Minimum Time-rates at present effective and set out in the Schedule to their Notice L. (6), dated 3rd February, 1921, the proposed variation being as shown in the Schedule set out below

SCHEDULE.

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Proposed Variaton of General Minimum Piece-Rates for the following Processes in Machinemade Lace and Net-finishing other than the Finishing of the Product of Plain Net Machines.

A.-LACE OTHER THAN WARP LACE.

1. Drawing.—General Minimum Piece-rates at present effective.

(a) For one thread drawing, $6\frac{3}{4}d$. per gross yards, plus $8\frac{1}{3}$ per cent., *i.e.*, 1d. in the shilling.

Providing that in cases where there are not more than 12 types of the draw-thread to the inch (tyes on both sides of the draw-thread being counted) the General Minimum Piecerate payable shall be 5¹/₄d. per gross yards, plus 81 per cent., i.e., 1d. in the shilling.

(b) For two thread drawing, 81d. per gross yards, plus 8 per cent., i.e., 1d. in the shilling.

(c) For drawing three threads, 10¹/₄d. per gross yards, plus 83 per cent., i.e., 1d. in the shilling.

(d) For drawing four or more threads, 3d. per thread per gross yards, plus 83 per cent., ., 1d. in the shilling. Provided that in 1.e.

Provided that in Maltese, Honiton, Clunies and similar classes of lace where there are laced out purl effects in the body of the pattern and where such lacers are of finer count than 80/2, the General Minimum Piece-rate shall be for all such fine threads, 3³4d. per thread per gross yards, plus 8¹/₃ per cent., i.e., 1d. in the shilling.

2 Roving.—General Minimum Piece-rates at present Effective.

(a) For one Rover, or for two Rovers which come out together, 14d. per gross yards, plus 83 per cent., i.e., 1d. in the shilling

(b) For each Rover subsequent to the first. or to the first two which come out together, $\frac{5}{2}$ d. per thread per gross yards, plus $8\frac{1}{3}$ per cent., *i.e.*, 1d. in the shilling. When drawing is done, all Rovers lying

with the Draw-threads if removed, whether

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according to instructions or not, to be paid for at the above General Minimum Piece-rates. The expression "Rover" includes '' drop-thread.''

3. Ripping and Roving.-General Minimu:n Piece-rates at present Effective.

(a) For Ripping and one Rover, 1§d. per gross yards, plus 81 per cent., i.e., 1d. in the shilling.

(b) For Ripping and two Rovers, $2\frac{1}{5}d$. per gross yards, plus $8\frac{1}{3}$ per cent., *i.e.*, 1d. in the shilling.

4. Clipping other than Frame Clipping. General Minimum Piece-rates at present effective.

(a) For Lace up to and including 8 inches wide, 2[§]d. per 1,000 clips, plus 8[§] per cent., *i.e.*, 1d. in the shilling.

(b) For Lace over 8 inches and under 12inches wide, 3d. per 1,000 clips, plus 83 per

cent., *i.e.*, id. in the shilling. (c) For Lace over 12 inches and under 18 inches wide, 33d. per 1,000 clips, plus 83 per cent., i.e., Id. in the shilling.

(d) For Lace of 18 inches wide and over, 4d per 1,000 clips, plus 83 per cent., i.e., 1d. in the shilling.

Two outs shall count as one clip.

5. Scolloping, or Cutting and Scolloping, or Ripping and Scolloping.—General Minimum Piece-rates at present Effective.

I. Scolloping other than Scolloping which involves more than four cuts to the Scollop :

(a) For ripping and scolloping in cases where there are no parting or purl threads, and where the scollop is single, 1¹/₂d. per dozen yards, plus $8\frac{1}{5}$ per cent., *i.e.*, 1d. in the shilling.

(b) For cutting and Scolloping Cross-band Laces, 2d. per dozen yards, plus 81 per cent., i.e., id. in the shilling.

(c) For Cutting and Scolloping Laces stiff dressed, 21d. per dozen yards, plus 81 per cent., *i.e.*, 1d. in the shilling. (d) For Scolloping Lace of 40 inches and

over to the double rack, 2d. per dozen yards, plus 81 per cent., i.e., 1d. in the shilling.

(e) For Scolloping Lace of 24 inches to 40 inches to the double rack, 21d. per dozer. yards, plus 83 per cent., i.e., Id. in the shil-Ĭing.

(f) For Scolloping Lace finer than 24 inches to the double rack, $3\frac{1}{4}d$. per dozen yards, plus 83 per cent., i.e., Id. in the shilling.

II. Scolloping involving more than four cuts to the Scollop :

(a) For Lace of 40 inches and over to the double rack, 2ğd. per dozen yards, plus 8¹/₂
per cent., *i.e.*, 1d. in the shilling.
(b) For Lace of 24 inches to 40 inches to

the double rack, 33d. per dozen yards, plus 83 per cent., i.e., 1d. in the shilling.

(c) For Lace finer than 24 inches to the double rack, 4¹/₃d. per dozen yards, plus 8¹/₃ per cent., *i.e.*, 1d. in the shilling.

In the application of the above General Minimum Piece-rates for Scolloping :-

(1) The General Minimum Piece-rates shall not apply to any scollop more than 1 inch deep from purl edge to the dip of the scollop;