

Justices of the Peace of the County of Selkirk in the room of Mr. George Badger, who has been appointed Sheriff Clerk of the County of Perth.

TRADE BOARDS ACTS, 1909 AND 1918.

CHAIN TRADE BOARD (GREAT BRITAIN).

PROPOSAL TO CANCEL MINIMUM RATES OF WAGES FOR MAKING CERTAIN SIZES OF DOLLIED OR TOMMIED CHAIN AND OF HAND-HAMMERED CHAIN FROM IRON SUPPLIED BY THE EMPLOYER, AND TO FIX FOR PERIODS DEPENDENT UPON THE "COST OF LIVING" FIGURE MINIMUM RATES OF WAGES FOR MAKING CERTAIN SIZES OF DOLLIED OR TOMMIED CHAIN AND OF HAND-HAMMERED CHAIN, WHETHER OR NOT THE IRON IS SUPPLIED BY THE EMPLOYER.

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, and 1st August, 1922, respectively, the Trade Board established under that Act in Great Britain for the Hand-Hammered and Dollied or Tommied Chain-Making Trade HEREBY GIVE NOTICE, as required by Section 3 (5) of the Trade Boards Act, 1918, that they PROPOSE TO CANCEL the General Minimum Time-Rates and General Minimum Piece-Rates for making certain sizes of Dollied or Tommied Chain and of Hand-Hammered Chain set out in the Notice C. (11) issued by the Trade Board, and dated 4th April, 1921 (which apply to workers employed in the making of certain sizes of Dollied or Tommied Chain and of Hand-Hammered Chain from iron supplied by the employer), and to FIX for periods dependent upon the "Cost of Living" Figure General Minimum Time-Rates and General Minimum Piece-Rates for making certain sizes of Dollied or Tommied Chain and of Hand-Hammered Chain, whether or not the iron is supplied by the employer.

The Proposal to FIX Minimum Rates of Wages provides that the rates to operate for the period during which the Cost of Living Index Figure (all items) as published in the "Ministry of Labour Gazette" is less than 90 but more than 72, shall be approximately 5 per cent. to 6 per cent. below the rates at present operating, except in the case of the General Minimum Piece-Rates for making Dollied or Tommied Short Link Chain and Short Linked Hand-Hammered Chain made from iron of the following sizes, namely, $\frac{3}{8}$ in. and $\frac{1}{2}$ in. in which cases the rates to operate during the above-mentioned period would be reduced by approximately 16 per cent. and 10 per cent. respectively below the rates at present operating. The Proposal also provides that such lower rates shall be subject to an addition or reduction of 5 per cent. for each completed rise or fall of 9 points in the Cost of Living Index Figure above or below 81.

Further information as to the Minimum Rates of Wages Proposed to be cancelled and fixed may be obtained on application to the Secretary of the Chain Trade Board (Great Britain) at the address set out below.

The Trade Board will consider any OBJECTIONS to the above proposals to

cancel and fix which may be lodged with them within two months from 16th October, 1923. Such Objections should be in writing and signed by the person making the same (adding his or her full name and address), and should be sent to the Secretary, The Chain Trade Board (Great Britain), 1, Whitehall Gardens, London, S.W. 1. It is desirable that the Objections should state precisely, and so far as possible with reasons, what is objected to.

Signed by Order of the Trade Board,

F. Popplewell,

Secretary.

Dated this sixteenth day of October, 1923.

Office of Trade Boards,
1, Whitehall Gardens,
London, S.W. 1.

COAL MINES ACT, 1911.

EXPLOSIVES IN COAL MINES.

The Secretary for Mines gives notice that on the 5th October, 1923, he made an Order under Section 61 of the Coal Mines Act, 1911, extending until the 31st December, 1925, the period during which the non-detonating explosives named and defined in the Second Schedule to the Explosives in Coal Mines Order of the 1st September, 1913, are included in the term "permitted explosives"

Mines Department,
Dean Stanley Street,
Millbank,
Westminster,
London, S.W. 1.

15th October, 1923.

Admiralty, 5th October, 1923.

His Majesty the KING has given unrestricted permission to Lieut-Colonel Godfrey L. Beaumont, O.B.E., Royal Marines, to wear the Silver Medal for Military Valour conferred on him by His Majesty the King of Italy in recognition of his services during the War.

Admiralty, 8th October, 1923.

R.M.

Capt. Rupert A. G. Stewart is placed on the Retd. List at own request and apptd. to the Reserve of Officers, R.M., in the rank last held by him on the Active List. 15th Oct. 1923.

Capt. Vivian D. Thomas (supy.) is absd. in the estab. vice Stewart. 15th Oct. 1923.

Admiralty 9th October, 1923.

R.N.R.

Lieuts. (Retd.) to be Lieuts.-Comdrs. (Retd.):—

Trevor W. Bridges.

William V. Ogley.

Cuthbert L. Brown.