SCHEDULE.

 The wages payable for employment of male and female workers shall be not less than wages at the following minimum rates:—

Male W	orkers:	s.	d.	
21 years o	f age and over	30	6	1
20 and und	ler 21 years	28	0	Per week
19	20 ,,	26	0	
18 ,,	19 ,,	24	6	of 48 hours in winter
17 ,,	18 ,,	20	0 '	and 50
16,	17 ,,	16	0	hours in
15 ,,	16 ,,	13	0	Summer.
14 ,,	15 ,,	10	0	Summer.
Under 14	years of age	9	0	

		Rates
	-	per hour.
Female Workers:	•	d.
18 years of age and over		6
17 and under 18 years		5
. 16 ,, 17 ,,	•••	4
15 ,, 16 ,,		$3\frac{1}{2}$
14 ,, 15 ,,		3 .
Under 14 years of age		$2\frac{1}{8}$

- 2. Where a whole-time male worker is employed by the week or any longer period and the hours of work agreed between the worker and the employer in any week (excluding hours of overtime employment) are less than 48 in winter or 50 in summer as the case may be, the rate of wages applicable to that worker shall be such as to secure to that worker the wages which would have been payable if the agreed hours had been 48 in winter or 50 in summer as the case may be.
- 3. For the purpose of the above rates employment in summer shall be deemed to be employment during the period commencing on the first Monday in March and ending on the last Saturday in October, and employment in winter shall be deemed to be employment during the rest of the year.
- 4. For the purpose of the above rates, the hours of work shall not include meal-times but shall include any time during which, by reason of weather conditions, an employer has prevented from working a worker who was present at the place of employment and ready to work.
- 5. The differential rates of wages for overtime employment in the case of male workers shall be not less than the following minimum rates:—

				On V	Week-	On Sun-
				d	ays.	days.
		•		\mathbf{Per}	hour.	Per hour.
					d.	\mathbf{d} .
21 year	s of age	e and	l over		9	11
20 and	under	21 y	ears		$8\frac{1}{2}$	10
19	,,	20	,,		8	9 1
18	,,	19	,,		$7\frac{1}{2}$	9
17	,,	18	1,		6	$7\frac{1}{2}$
16	,,	17	,,		5	6
15	,,	16	,,		4	5
14	,,	15	,,		3	4
\mathbf{Under}		rs of	age		$2\frac{1}{2}$	3 1

- 6. These rates shall remain in force until further notice.
- 7. For the purpose of the application of the above differential rates of wages for overtime employment the Bedfordshire and Hunting-donshire Agricultural Wages Committee have by Order dated the 6th January, 1925, defined the following employment as the employment

which is to be treated as overtime employment:—

- (a) All employment in excess of $5\frac{1}{2}$ hours on a Saturday or on such other day (not being Sunday) in every week as may be agreed between the employer and the worker.
 - (b) All employment on a Sunday.
- (c) All employment in excess of 50 hours in any week (excluding all hours which are to be treated as hours of overtime employment) in summer.
- (d) All employment in excess of 48 hours in any week (excluding all hours which are to be treated as hours of overtime employment) in winter.

By Order of the Agricultural Wages Board.

R. E. Stanley, Secretary.

7, Whitehall Place, London, S.W. 1. 21st February, 1927.

Notes.—1. The Bedford and Huntingdon Agricultural Wages Committee have by Order dated the 6th January, 1925, defined a cottage, milk and, in the case of male workers, board and lodging, as the only benefits or advantages which may be reckoned as payment of wages in lieu of payment in cash and the values at which they are to be reckoned for the purpose. Copies of the Order may be obtained from the Secretary of the Bedford and Huntingdon Agricultural Wages Committee, 3, Rothsay Road, Bedford.

2. Applications for Permits of Exemption (which may be obtained in cases where a worker is affected by physical injury or mental deficiency or any infirmity due to age or to any other cause) should be addressed to the Secretary of the Committee at the address given above. Complaints as to non-payment of the prescribed rates of wages should be addressed to the Secretary, Ministry of Agriculture and Fisheries, 7, Whitehall Place, London, S.W. 1.

Copies of the above Order may be obtained from the Secretary, Bedford and Huntingdon Agricultural Wages Committee, 3, Rothsay Road, Bedford.

AGRICULTURAL WAGES (REGULATION) ACT, 1924.

Whereas the Agricultural Wages Committee for the area comprising the administrative county of Berks, which for the purposes of the Agricultural Wages (Regulation) Act, 1924, shall be deemed to include the county borough of Reading, have, in pursuance of the above Act duly varied the minimum and overtime rates of wages fixed by them and made effective by an Order of the Agricultural Wages Board dated 8th December, 1925, for workers employed in agriculture in that area. Now the Agricultural Wages Board, in pursuance of the said Act, and for the purpose of carrying out the decision of the said Committee, hereby cancel as from the 27th February, 1927, the said Order of the 8th