

it necessary to notify, of the action taken by the Committee, or of their decision that no action shall be taken (as the case may be) as the result of their investigation.

REPRESENTATION OF COMMITTEE IN ARBITRATIONS AND APPEALS.

13.—(i) Where any matter is referred by the Committee to arbitration under the provisions of the Act, the Secretary shall be qualified, if so instructed by the Committee, to represent them in such reference before the arbitrator.

(ii) In the event of any proceedings in the High Court on any such arbitration, or of any appeal against the Committee to the Railway and Canal Commission under the provisions of sub-section (10) of Section 5 of the Act, the Committee shall consult with the Board as to the representation of the Committee in the proceedings.

EXPENSES OF COMMITTEE.

14. No expenses shall be incurred by the Committee without the prior sanction of the Board, and the Secretary shall keep accounts of any expenses properly incurred by or on behalf of the Committee in such form as the Board may from time to time direct.

FORMS AND NOTICES.

15. The forms and notices used by or on behalf of the Committee in respect of their functions shall be such as may from time to time be prescribed by the Board.

RETURNS AND INFORMATION TO THE BOARD.

16. The Committee shall furnish to the Board such returns and information relating to the exercise and performance of the functions of the Committee, and to the complaints made to them with respect to the operation of the Scheme, as the Board may from time to time require.

DECLARATION OF SECRECY.

17. Every member of the Committee and every officer of the Committee shall immediately on his appointment make and send to the Board a declaration of secrecy in such form as may be prescribed by the Board, and no person shall exercise or perform any functions as a member or officer of the Committee unless and until he shall have made such a declaration and sent the same to the Board.

Dated this 30th day of October, 1930.

E. Shinwell,
Secretary for Mines.

Board of Trade,
Mines Department,
Dean Stanley Street,
London, S.W. 1.

COAL MINES ACT, 1930.

Whereas under the provisions of Section 1 of the Coal Mines Act, 1930, a scheme for regulating the production, supply and sale of coal by owners of coal mines situated in the District of Kent has been submitted to the Board of Trade by all the owners of coal mines in that District:

Now therefore the Board of Trade in pursuance of the powers conferred upon them by the said Section hereby approve the scheme as printed in the Schedule hereto, and

appoint Friday, the 31st October, 1930, as the date on which the said scheme shall come into force.

E. Shinwell,
Secretary for Mines.

Board of Trade,
Mines Department,
Dean Stanley Street,
London, S.W.1.
31st October, 1930.

SCHEDULE.

THE KENT DISTRICT (COAL MINES) SCHEME, 1930.

Submitted to the Board of Trade on behalf of all the owners of Coal Mines in the Kent District under the Provisions of the Coal Mines Act, 1930.

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Commencement and Duration of Scheme.

1. This Scheme which may be cited as the Kent District (Coal Mines) Scheme, 1930, and is hereinafter throughout referred to as "The Scheme", shall come into force on such date as may be appointed by the Board of Trade and shall remain in force until the expiration of Part 1 of the Act, subject to any amendments which may hereafter be approved by the Board of Trade, or until a substituted scheme submitted to the Board of Trade in accordance with the provisions of Clause 58 hereof shall be approved by the said Board or until the said Board may direct under Section 5 (7) of the Act that the Scheme shall cease to have effect.

Object of the Scheme.

2. The object of the Scheme shall be the regulation of the production of coal and the supply and sale of such coal by all the Owners in the District, and it shall be the duty of all such owners to comply with the provisions of the Scheme.

Definitions.

3. In the Scheme, unless the contrary intention appears,

"The Act" means the Coal Mines Act, 1930;

"The Central Scheme" means the Central (Coal Mines) Scheme, 1930, including any amendment thereof for the time being in force, and "The Central Council" means the Council for the time being constituted thereunder;

"Class" means in relation to coal, a class determined according to the nature of the coal or of the trade, industry or other cate-