

1. This Order shall apply to all Gas Works throughout the United Kingdom, excepting only Gas Works which possess coal gas plants only and have no plant installed for scrubbing or washing their gas either with oil or with tar.

2. As on and from the 1st July 1918, the manufacture and production of gas in all gas works to which this Order applies shall be carried out in accordance with the general regulations set out in the schedule hereto, save and except only if and so far as such general regulations may in the case of any particular Gas Works be varied or superseded by any special directions or regulations given or made from time to time with regard to such Gas Works by or under the authority of the Minister of Munitions.

3. This Order may be cited as the "Gas Works (Ministry of Munitions) Order, 1918," and the regulations set out in the schedule hereto as the "Gas Works (Ministry of Munitions) General Regulations, 1918."

NOTE.—All applications with reference to this Order or under or with reference to the General Regulations set out in the schedule hereto should be addressed to the Ministry of Munitions, Department of Explosives Supply, Storey's Gate, S.W. 1, and marked "E. G. S."

THE SCHEDULE.

General Regulations.

1. Gas Works which have coal gas plants only shall work such plants so as to produce gas of a calorific power of as nearly as possible 500 B.Th.U. gross, but not in any event less than the calorific value, before scrubbing as mentioned in regulation 3 below.

2. Gas Works which have both coal gas and water gas plants shall work such plants so as to produce a gas of the calorific value specified in regulation 1 above. Gas of the required calorific value may be produced either by working the coal gas plant alone so as to produce a gas which (before scrubbing in the case of works having scrubbing facilities) is of the required calorific value, or by working the coal gas plant so as to produce gas of a higher calorific value, and subsequently mixing with the same such a quantity of uncarburetted water gas as, apart from any reduction in the calorific value of the coal gas produced by scrubbing, would produce a mixed gas of the required calorific value.

3. All Gas Works which have facilities for scrubbing their coal gas shall scrub the whole of the coal gas produced at such works to the fullest possible extent for the extraction of ammonia, toluol and benzol. Scrubbing for toluol and benzol shall be effected with oil, at works where there is a benzol recovery plant, and, at other works, with tar.

4. If, at any time it is impossible for any Gas Works to supply the full demands of its consumers for gas, whilst complying with the above regulations, notwithstanding that it is working its coal gas plant to its full capacity, then

(a) If such gas works has a water gas plant the balance of its consumers' requirements shall be made by an admixture or further admixture of uncarburetted water gas, but so that the calorific value of the mixed gas, as actually delivered to its consumers, shall be maintained as high as possible, with a minimum, under all circumstances, of 450

B.Th.U. gross. Should this be impossible without carburetted the water gas, the water gas shall be carburetted with gas oil so as to bring the mixed gas up to the minimum calorific value specified above, and such gas works shall take forthwith all possible steps for obtaining the gas oil required for the purpose.

(b) If such gas works has no water gas plant, it must notify the Minister of Munitions forthwith of its inability to supply its consumers' full demands, reporting in detail all the circumstances which render it impossible for it to do so, and must comply with any instructions or directions which may be given by or under the authority of the Ministry of Munitions after consultation with the Board of Trade as to the steps to be taken by it in the circumstances.

5. Excepting only as provided in regulation 4 (a) above no gas works shall in any circumstances use any gas oil for carburetted its water gas (whether before or after admixture with its coal gas) without the previous authority in writing of the Minister of Munitions or his duly authorised representative.

NOTICE OF INTENDED DISTRIBUTION OF NAVAL SALVAGE MONEY.

*Department of the
Accountant-General of the Navy,
Admiralty, S.W. 1,*

26th June 1918.

Notice is hereby given to the Officers, Seamen, and Marines, and to all persons interested therein, that the distribution of the award for the salvage of Norwegian barque "Henrik Ibsen" by His Majesty's Ships "Goissa," "Cicero," "W. S. Bailey," "Lark II," "Roskeen," "Zonia," and Naval Ratings from Tug "Runner" between 21st and 23rd November 1916, will commence on Saturday the 29th instant, in the Prize Branch of the Department of the Accountant-General of the Navy, Admiralty, S.W.

All applications from persons entitled to share, who are not now serving, should be addressed "On Prize Business:—to the Accountant-General of the Navy, Admiralty, London, S.W. 1." Such applications (except in the case of Commissioned Officers) should be accompanied by certificates of service.

War Office,

28th June 1918.

His Majesty the KING has been graciously pleased to approve of the award of the Victoria Cross to the undermentioned Officers, Non-Commissioned Officers and Men:—

Lt. (T./Capt.) Julian Royds Gribble, R. War. R.

For most conspicuous bravery and devotion to duty. Capt. Gribble was in command of the right company of the battalion when the enemy attacked, and his orders were to "hold on to the last." His company was event-