(*b*) the omissions, additions, or modifications asked for.

R. S. HORNE,
Minister of Labour.

Whitehall, 7th March 1919.

APPENDIX.

TRADE.

The Boot and Shoe Repairing Trade, that is to say, the repairing wherever carried on of boots, shoes, slippers, and all kinds of leather footwear, including the making of bespoke handsewn, rivetted or pegged leather footwear; but excluding the manufacture of leather footwear on a large scale, the repairing of saddlery and leather goods other than leather footwear, and the retailing of leather footwear.

CORN PRODUCTION ACT, 1917.

THE DISTRICT AGRICULTURAL WAGES COMMITTEE FOR THE BORDER COUNTIES.

(Being District No. 7.)

NOTICE OF ORDER DEFINING AND VALUING "BENEFITS OR ADVANTAGES" WHICH MAY BE RECKONED AS PAYMENT OF WAGES TO AGRICULTURAL WORKMEN WITHIN THE COUNTIES OF ROXBURGH, BERWICK AND SELKIRK.

Whereas, on the 13th day of January 1919, the District Agricultural Wages Committee for the Border Counties—being District No. 7—comprising the Counties of Roxburgh, Berwick and Selkirk, duly certified by the Board of Agriculture for Scotland under the Second Schedule of the Corn Production Act, 1917, made a proposal to "define benefits or advantages" (not being benefits or advantages prohibited by law) which may be reckoned as payment of wages to workmen employed in agriculture within the Counties of Roxburgh, Berwick and Selkirk, in lieu of payment in cash for the purposes of any minimum rate of wages fixed under the Corn Production Act, 1917; and

Whereas notice of the said proposal was duly given on the 15th day of January 1919; and

Whereas a month has elapsed since the date of the said notice; now, therefore, the District Agricultural Wages Committee for the Border Counties (being District No. 7), having considered objections to the said Proposal, which have been lodged with them during the said period of one month, do hereby define the "Benefits or Advantages" (not being benefits or advantages prohibited by law) which may be reckoned as payment of wages in lieu of payment in cash to workmen employed in Agriculture (as defined in Section 17 (I.) of said Act) within the Counties of Roxburgh, Berwick and Selkirk, and the value to be placed upon same for the purpose of being so reckoned to be the following:—

1. House and Garden.—A house, or house and garden, provided by an employer free of rent and rates in part payment of wages, shall be valued at the value last placed upon it in the Valuation Roll, or, if it has not been valued in the Valuation Roll, at such value as the District Committee think fit. Provided that no value shall be reckoned for any house which has been condemned by a legally competent authority as unfit for habitation.

2. Potatoes (Dressed)—£6 per ton.

3. Potatoes (in the Drill)—Every 800 yards to be regarded as equal to a weight of 1 ton of dressed potatoes.

4. Milk—2s. 3d. per gallon.

5. Flour—2s. 3½d. per stone.

6. Barley Meal—3s. 3d. per stone.

7. Oatmeal—4s. 4d. per stone.

8. Coal—Cost price at the Coal Depot or Railway Station nearest to the farm.

9. Cartages—£1 per annum.

10. Keep of a Cow—7s. per week.

11. Keep of a Hill Shepherd's Cow—4s. per week.

12. Followers of Cows—1s. 5d. per week.

13. Keep of a Pack—The value of same will be fixed by the Committee on application in each case by the parties concerned.

14. Peats—(Less any necessary out-of-pocket payments by the workman for assistance in cutting and winning the peats), £5 4s. per annum.

15. Board and Lodging—Men of 18 years of age and over, 18s. per week. Men under 18 years of age, 14s. per week. Women over 17 years of age, 12s. per week. Women under 17 years of age, 10s. per week.

Section 17 (1) (*c*) of the Corn Production Act 1917 provides that the expression "Workman" includes boys, women and girls. The area affected by the Order consists of the Counties of Roxburgh, Berwick and Selkirk.

The provisions of the Order will take effect as from 24th February 1919, and will remain in force until cancelled or varied, either wholly or in part, by the Committee.

Dated this 28th day of February 1919.

Signed by order of the District Agricultural Wages Committee for the Border Counties.

Chairman, JOHN CHISHOLM.
Secretary, DAVID M. STURROCK.

Applications for Permits of Exemption from the operation of the Minimum Wage provisions of the Corn Production Act under the proviso to Section 5 (3) should be addressed to the Secretary, Border Counties District Wages Committee, 12 Market Place, Jedburgh, from whom Forms of Application for a Permit can be obtained.

Complaints under Section 6 regarding the inadequacy of payment for piece-work, and complaints under Section 7 regarding infringement of the Orders fixing minimum rates, should be sent to the same address.

J. C.
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