

prior to such date for the sale or purchase of lead, enter into any transaction or negotiation in relation to the sale or purchase of lead situated outside the United Kingdom except under and in accordance with the terms of a licence issued under the authority of the Minister of Munitions.

(2) No person shall as from the date hereof until further notice purchase or take delivery of any lead situated in the United Kingdom except under and in accordance with the terms of a licence issued under the authority of the Minister of Munitions, or sell, supply or deliver any such lead to any person other than the holder of such a licence and in accordance with the terms thereof; provided that no such licence shall be required in the case of any sale, purchase or delivery of such lead.

(a) For the purpose of a contract or order for the time being in existence certified to be within Classes "A" or "B" of Circular L.33 as to Control of Output issued by the Minister of Munitions on the 31st day of March, 1916, where the price paid upon such sale or purchase does not in the case of virgin pig lead exceed £29 per ton net and in the case of remelted lead, or old or scrap lead, exceed £26 per ton net.

(b) For the purpose of necessary repairs or renewals involving the use of not exceeding 1 cwt. of such lead.

(3) No person shall as from the date hereof until further notice use any lead for the purpose of any manufacture or work except:—

(a) For the purpose of a contract or order for the time being in existence certified to be within Classes "A" or "B" of Circular L.33 as to Control of Output issued by the Minister of Munitions on the 31st day of March, 1916.

(b) For the purpose of necessary repairs or renewals involving the use of not exceeding 1 cwt. of lead.

(c) For the purpose of type casting from lead already in the form of type or purchased for that purpose at the date hereof.

(d) Under and in accordance with the terms of a Licence issued under the authority of the Minister of Munitions.

(4) All persons shall within ten days from the first day of February, 1917, and within seven days from the first day of each succeeding month send in to the Director of Materials (A.M.2.(E)), Hotel Victoria, Northumberland Avenue, London, S.W., Monthly Returns of:—

(a) All lead held by them in stock or otherwise under their control on the last day of the preceding month.

(b) All lead purchased or sold by them for future delivery and not yet delivered on such last day together with the names of the sellers to or purchasers from them.

(c) All lead delivered to them during the preceding month.

(d) All contracts or orders existing on the last day of or entered into during the preceding month requiring for their execution the use of lead for any purpose specifying the amounts of lead required weekly for the purposes of such contracts or orders and distinguishing between the amounts required for Classes "A" and "B" respectively of Circular L.33, and the amounts required for other purposes.

Notwithstanding the above no return is re-

quired from any person whose total stock of lead in hand and on order for future delivery to him has not at any time during the preceding month exceeded 1 cwt.

(5) For the purpose of this Order the expression lead shall mean pig lead, whether virgin or remelted, sheet lead, lead pipe, and old and scrap lead or any of them.

(6) All applications for licences to purchase or use lead shall be made to:—

The Director of Materials (A.M.2.(E)),
Hotel Victoria,
Northumberland Avenue,
London, S.W.,

and marked "Lead Licence."

NOTE.—Licences to purchase and take delivery of lead situated in the United Kingdom will usually be granted by the Minister of Munitions under the above Order for necessary repairs and renewals in the ordinary course of trade, and will also be granted for any other purposes which may be approved by the Minister of Munitions, including manufacture for the purposes of Export Trade.

Every applicant for a licence must state the amount of metal required by him per month and the use to which it will be put.

Any person acting in contravention of or failing to comply with the above Order will be guilty of an offence under the Defence of the Realm Regulations and be liable to penalties of fine and imprisonment.

Ministry of Munitions of War,
2nd February, 1917.

ORDER.

LOCOMOTIVE ENGINES.

The Minister of Munitions, in exercise of the powers conferred upon him by the Defence of the Realm (Consolidation) Act, 1914, the Defence of the Realm (Amendment) No. 2 Act, 1915, the Defence of the Realm (Consolidation) Regulations, 1914, the Munitions of War Acts, 1915 and 1916, and all other powers thereunto enabling him, hereby orders that all persons (other than Railway Companies) owning or having in their possession or under their control any Steam or Petrol Locomotive Engine or Engines in Great Britain shall within ten days from the date hereof send in to the Deputy Director-General of Railway Material Licences, Ministry of Munitions, Whitehall Place, London, S.W., Returns containing the following particulars with regard to such engine or engines:—

(a) Type of Locomotive.

(b) Steam or Petrol driven.

(c) Name or number of Locomotive.

(d) Owner's name and address.

(e) Maker of Locomotive.

(f) Date on which Locomotive was built.

(g) Gauge of Railway.

(h) Maximum height ft. ins.

and width ft. ins. of Locomotive.

(i) Work (if any) on which Locomotive employed.

(j) Weight and general description.

and to make such further Returns concerning any such engine or engines as may hereafter be required by the Deputy Director-General of Railway Material Licences.