

ment of the Board of Trade pursuant to Section 15 of the Finance Act, 1916.

The expression "dealer's voucher" means a voucher issued by the Petrol Control Department of the Board of Trade for the purpose of enabling a licensed dealer to obtain a supply of motor spirit for the purpose of re-sale.

(6) This Order may be cited as the "Motor Spirit Delivery Order, 1918."

W. F. Marwood,
A Secretary to the Board of Trade.

Board of Trade,
7, Whitehall Gardens, S.W.

THE PAPER RESTRICTION ORDER, 1918, DATED THE 27TH DAY OF FEBRUARY, 1918, MADE BY THE BOARD OF TRADE UNDER REGULATIONS 2F AND 2J OF THE DEFENCE OF THE REALM REGULATIONS.

The Board of Trade, deeming it expedient to make a further exercise of the powers conferred upon them by Regulations 2F and 2J of the Defence of the Realm Regulations as respects paper, hereby order as follows:—

1. All importers and manufacturers of and dealers in wrapping and packing paper, strawboard, millboard, wood pulp board, cardboard, pasteboard boxes and cartons made of paper, or of any of the materials aforesaid, shall, if required, supply during the year ending 28th February, 1919, to those persons to whom they supplied any such goods during the year ending 28th February, 1918, two-thirds of the weight of such goods as they supplied to them during the previous 12 months.

2. All importers and manufacturers of and dealers in any description of paper other than those mentioned in paragraph 1 and in paper making materials shall, if required, supply during the year ending 28th February, 1919, to those persons to whom they supplied during the year ending 28th February, 1918, any description of paper, other than as aforesaid, or any product or products of paper making material, whether such material was imported into or produced in the United Kingdom, one-half of the weight of paper, or of the product or products of such materials as they supplied to them during the previous 12 months.

3. Where during the year ending 28th February, 1918, a person was by reason of a priority certificate or certificates supplied with a greater amount of the goods mentioned in paragraphs 1 and 2 of this Order than he would otherwise have been entitled to obtain under the regulations issued by the Royal Commission on Paper and then in force, such greater amount shall be excluded in calculating the amount which he is entitled to demand under the provisions of paragraphs 1 and 2 of this Order.

4. Where a person requires to be supplied with any of the goods referred to in paragraphs 1 and 2 of this Order he shall give reasonable notice of his requirements to the importer, manufacturers or dealer from whom he is entitled to claim supplies. Such notice shall refer to his requirements during each four monthly period ending 30th June and 30th October, 1918, and 28th February, 1919. In default of such notice he shall not be entitled to receive such supplies. Any question as to the sufficiency or reasonableness of such notice

shall be determined by the Royal Commission on Paper. Such notice shall not, unless by consent, be withdrawn.

5. If any question arises between a person who is bound to give and a person who is entitled to receive supplies under paragraphs 1 and 2 of this Order as to the price at which the goods are to be supplied, such questions shall in default of agreement be determined by the Royal Commission on Paper, whose decision shall be final.

6. If by reason of fulfilling orders in respect of which priority certificates have been issued under the Paper Restriction Order No. 5, 1917, any person is unable to supply all other persons who are entitled to require supplies from him with their requirements in full, he shall divide the balance of his stock or output remaining, after the fulfilment of orders in respect of which priority certificates have been granted, pro rata among such other persons, unless the Royal Commission on Paper otherwise direct.

7. If in the opinion of the Royal Commission on Paper the fulfilment of any requirement made under paragraphs 1 or 2 of this Order is impossible or unreasonable, having regard to any restrictions in force or to circumstances arising out of the present war, or to any other sufficient reason, they may in writing excuse the fulfilment of any such requirement or any part thereof.

8. All persons shall obey the instructions of the Royal Commission on Paper relating to the manufacture, purchase, sale (including the fixing of maximum prices), distribution, supply, transport or storage of paper, and all articles mentioned in paragraphs 1 and 2 hereof.

9. Infringements of this Order are summary offences under the Defence of the Realm Regulations.

10. This Order may be cited as the Paper Restriction Order, 1918.

W. F. Marwood,
A Secretary to the Board
of Trade.

27th February, 1918.

Ministry of Munitions of War,
28th February, 1918.

RE-SCUTCHED TOW ORDER, 1918.

The Minister of Munitions, in exercise of the powers conferred upon him by the Defence of the Realm Regulations and of other powers thereunto enabling him, hereby gives notice and orders as follows:—

1. He hereby takes possession as and from the date hereof, of all re-scutched Tow off the flax of the 1917 crop and previous years, grown in Ireland, and not at the date hereof in possession of a Flax Spinner for the purpose of his business.

2. The re-scutched tow of which possession is hereby taken, under paragraph 1, will be divided under the direction of the Director-General of Aircraft Production into three Grades according to its quality, handling and cleaning, and the Minister will pay the following prices therefor:—

First Grade.—£100 per ton, delivered at nearest railway station to appointed destination.