

His Majesty's Three Chiltern Hundreds of Stoke, Desborough, and Burnham, in the County of Buckingham.

*Whitehall, June 21, 1918.*

The KING has been pleased, by Letters Patent under the Great Seal of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland, to confer the dignity of a Viscount of the said United Kingdom upon the Right Honourable David Alfred, Baron Rhondda, by the name, style and title of Viscount Rhondda of Llanwern, in the County of Monmouth, to hold to him and the heirs male of his body lawfully begotten and to be begotten; with remainder in default of such issue to his only daughter Margaret Haig, wife of Sir Humphrey Mackworth, Baronet, by the name, style and title of Viscountess Rhondda of Llanwern aforesaid, and the heirs male of her body lawfully begotten or to be begotten.

*Whitehall, June 24, 1918.*

The KING has been pleased, by Letters Patent under the Great Seal of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland, bearing date the 24th instant, to present the Right Reverend James Edward Cowell Welldon, D.D., Dean of Manchester, to the Deanery of the Cathedral Church of Durham, void by the promotion of Doctor Herbert Hensley Henson to the See of Hereford.

*Factory Department, Home Office,  
June 20, 1918.*

The Chief Inspector of Factories has appointed Dr. H. Wachter to be Certifying Surgeon under the Factory and Workshop Acts for the Canterbury District of the county of Kent.

*Factory Department, Home Office,  
June 24, 1918.*

The Chief Inspector of Factories has appointed Dr. W. B. Stones to be Certifying Surgeon under the Factory and Workshop Acts for the Galgate District of the county of Lancaster.

*Factory Department, Home Office,  
June 24, 1918.*

The Chief Inspector of Factories has appointed Dr. P. V. Dodd to be Certifying Surgeon under the Factory and Workshop Acts for the Bishop's Waltham District of the county of Hants.

*Downing Street,  
11th June, 1918.*

The KING has been pleased to appoint Sir Leslie Probyn, K.C.M.G., to be Captain-General and Governor-in-Chief of the Island of Jamaica and its Dependencies.

#### TRADE BOARDS ACT, 1909.

In accordance with Regulations made under Section 18 of the above Act by the Board of Trade, and dated 27th April, 1910, the Trade Board established under the above Act for certain branches of the Machine-made Lace and Net Finishing trade, as defined in Regulations made by the Board of Trade, and dated 16th March, 1914, have given notice as required by Section 4 of the above Act that they have varied and fixed certain General Minimum Piece Rates.

The Trade Board have given similar notice that they have varied the minimum time rate fixed by them for workers other than learners from 3½d. per hour to 4d. per hour, and have varied the minimum time rates fixed by them for learners, as defined by the Trade Board.

The Notice setting out the rates as fixed and varied is dated 17th June, 1918, from which date such variations take effect as provided by the Trade Boards Act, and the contents of the Notice are in accordance with the Notice of Proposal issued by the Trade Board, and dated 23rd February, 1918.

On application to the Trade Board further information will be given as to the minimum rates, if in the opinion of the Trade Board the applicant is likely to be affected.

*G. T. Reid,  
Secretary.*

Office of Trade Boards,  
5, Chancery Lane,  
London, W.C. 2.

*Board of Trade,  
7, Whitehall Gardens.*

THE COAL (PIT'S MOUTH) PRICES ORDER, DATED THE 21ST DAY OF JUNE, 1918, MADE BY THE BOARD OF TRADE UNDER THE PRICE OF COAL (LIMITATION) ACT, 1915, AND UNDER REGULATIONS 2F, 2J AND 2JJ OF THE DEFENCE OF THE REALM REGULATIONS.

Whereas the Board of Trade are satisfied that special circumstances affect all the coal mines in the United Kingdom,

And whereas the Board of Trade deem it expedient to make further exercise of the powers conferred upon them by the Defence of the Realm Regulations for the purpose of maintaining and regulating the supply of coal,

Now, therefore, in exercise of the powers conferred upon them by Section 1, Sub-section 2, of the Price of Coal (Limitation) Act, 1915, and by Regulations 2F, 2J and 2JJ of the Defence of the Realm Regulations, the Board of Trade hereby order as follows:—

1. For the standard amount of 4s. fixed by Section 1, Sub-section 2, of the Price of Coal (Limitation) Act, 1915, there shall be substituted in the case of mines in the South Wales and Monmouthshire and Forest of Dean districts a standard amount of eleven shillings and sixpence, and in the case of mines situated elsewhere a standard amount of nine shillings.

2. The price at which coal may be sold or offered for sale at the pit's mouth for use in the United Kingdom shall be the price at which coal of the same description was sold in similar quantities and under similar conditions affecting the sale at the pit's mouth at the same coal mine on the corresponding date (or as near thereto as having regard to the course of business may be practicable) in the twelve months