by the public or by any section of the public (that the sale of so much of the said Leather as may be released for sale and manufacture for purposes other than Naval and Military purposes should be permitted upon certain conditions:

And whereas the Board of Trade have made arrangements with the Army Council for the exercise by the Council on behalf of the Board of Trade of the powers of the Board of Trade under the said Regulations with respect to Sole Leather:

And whereas by the Sole Leather (Conditions Sale) Order, 1917, the Army Council of Sale) authorised upon certain conditions the sale and delivery of and payment for certain Sole . Leather :

Now, therefore, in pursuance of the powers conferred upon them by the Defence of the Realm Regulations, and of every other power enabling them in that behalf, the Army Council hereby authorise and permit as from the date hereof until further notice the sale and delivery of and payment for such Sole Leather of the description indicated in the Schedule "A" hereto annexed as may be or may have been released for sale and manufacture for other than Naval or Military purposes, subject to the following conditions, that is to say :

1. The provisions of the Sole Leather (Conditions of Sale) Order, 1917, shall be deemed to apply to the sale and delivery of and payment for any Leather of the description indicated in the Schedule hereto annexed in substitution for the Schedule annexed to the said Order.

2. This Order may be cited as the Sole Leather (Conditions of Sale) Order, 1918. By Order of the Army Council.

R. H. Brade.

SCHEDULE.

Struck, Rolled and Pinned Leather, the manufacture of which was completed after June 30th, 1917, and of the following descriptions :-

Manufactured from Native Market Hides.

Vegetable tanned bends (or the equivalent in Butts, Backs or Sides)

(1) under 6 lbs. in weight,

(2) over 10 lbs. in weight except 1st selection.

Mineral tanned bends not having a substance exceeding 9 iron.

Manufactured from Imported Wet Salted Hides. Vegetable tanned bends (or the equivalent

in Butts, Backs or Sides)

(1) under 12 lbs. in weight,

(2) over 12 lbs. in weight except 1st and 2nd Selection, Clear and Branded and 1st other Branded.

Mineral tanned bends not having a sub-stance exceeding 9 iron.

Manufactured from Dry and Dry Salted Hides. Vegetable tanned bends (or the equivalent in Butts, Backs or Sides)

All weights except 1st and 2nd Selection of 10/12 lbs. weight.

Mineral tanned bends all substances.

.Manufactured from any Hide.

Buffalo bends, backs or sides, all weights. Bellies having a substance under 7 iron at the fold.

Shoulders having a substance under 6 iron at the cut.

Ranges, Fore-ends, and all Roundings and Offal.

War Office, 13th November, 1918.

ARMY COUNCIL ORDER.

DEFENCE OF THE REALM REGU-LATIONS.

SALE OF STRAW FOR THATCHING IN GREAT BRITAIN.

In pursuance of the powers conferred on them by the Defence of the Realm Regulations and of all other powers thereunto enabling them, notwithstanding anything contained in the Army Council Order of the 30th July, 1918, prohibiting the lifting of hay and straw in England and Wales, or the Army Council Order of the 21st August, 1918, prohibiting the lifting of hay and straw in Scotland, the Army Council do hereby order :-

That where a farmer is desirous of purchasing straw (other than oat straw) from a producer for the purpose of thatching ricks of corn or hay, he may do so, subject to the following conditions:

1. The purchaser must deliver to the seller a Certificate stating-

(a) The quantity of straw required, which must not exceed three tons in any one :nstance

(b) That the straw is required for thatching ricks of hay or corn and for no other purpose.

2. The Certificate must be signed by the purchaser and must give his address together with the name and address of the seller.

3. When the whole of the straw for which the Certificate is given has been removed, the seller must forward the Certificate to the D.P.O.S. of the county concerned, whose address is given in the said Army Council Orders of the 30th Inly, 1918, and the 21st August, 1918.

4. The price paid for such straw shall not exceed the maximum stack price laid down by any Army Council Order that may for the time being be in force, together with any actual cost incurred for tying, or carting a distance further than the nearest railway station.

By Order of the Army Council.

R. H. Brade.

Air Ministry. 15th November, 1918.

ROYAL AIR FORCE.

The undermentioned temporary appointment is made at the Air Ministry :-

Staff Officer, 3rd Class. Capt. E. J. Cuckney, D.S.O. 27th Oct. 1918.

The undermentioned temporary appointment is made:-

Staff Officer, 3rd Class.

(Graded for purposes of pay at Air Ministry rates.)

Capt. R. E. Ollerenshaw. 23rd Oct. 1918.

The undermentioned temporary appointments are made :-

Staff Officers, 1st Class.

1.11 (Air.) · ! Maj. V. Gaskell-Blackburn, D.S.C., and to be actg. Lt.-Col. whilst so empld. 19th Oct. 1918.

Lt.-Col. H. Campbell, D.S.O. 31st Oct. 1918.