period from 15th July to 9th September in the current year been dipped twice on separate dates with an interval of not less than ten and not more than fourteen days between the two dates, and are accompanied by a declaration signed by the owner of the sheep, or his agent authorised in writing for this purpose, stating that the sheep have been so dipped, and the dates of dipping, and that since the second dipping the sheep have been kept separate as far as practicable while in the Area

from other sheep not so dipped.

(2) An Inspector of the Local Authority acting under the direction of the Local Authority, may grant an exemption, subject to such conditions (if any) as may be specified therein, exempting sheep in the Area from one or both of the dippings in any particular case in which the Inspector is satisfied that it is impracticable or inexpedient to dip the sheep. In any such case the reasons for granting the exemption shall be stated therein, and the Local Authority shall forthwith cause a copy of the exemption to be forwarded to the Ministry. If the Minister considers that the exemption is for any reason undesirable, and directs the revocation thereof, the same shall thereupon cease to operate, but not so as to affect the previous operation of the exemption.

Special Provision as to Fat Sheep for Immediate Slaughter.

3. Where an Inspector of a Local Authority is satisfied that any sheep in his District in the Area are intended for immediate slaughter, and that it is impracticable or inexpedient that the same should in accordance with this Order be dipped before exposure for sale or exhibition, he may, subject to any directions by the Local Authority, by licence authorise the movement of the sheep to any market, fairground, saleyard or place of exhibition in the Area, subject to such conditions (if any) as are inserted in the licence, and thereupon the sheep may, in accordance with such licence and conditions be exposed for sale in the market, fairground, saleyard or place of exhibition free from any restrictions imposed by any Order of the Minister relating to Sheep Scab or Sheep Dipping; provided that an Inspector of a Local Authority shall not issue any such licence for movement to premises in the District of another Local Authority unless the consent of such Local Authority either generally or in the particular instance, has been previously obtained.

Offences.

4. If a sheep is permitted to enter or is exposed for sale in any market, fairground, saleyard or place of exhibition, in contravention of this Order, the occupier of the premises, and the owner and person in charge of the sheep, shall, each according to and in respect of his own acts and defaults, be deemed guilty of an offence against the Diseases of Animals Act, 1894.

In witness whereof the Official Seal of the Minister of Agriculture and Fisheries is hereunto affixed this second day of June, nineteen hundred and twenty-five.

(L.S.) J. Jackson, Authorised by the Minister.

SCHEDULE.

An Area comprising: --

The administrative counties of Kent and East Sussex.

And also comprising:-

The county boroughs of Brighton, Canterbury, Eastbourne and Hastings.

Copies of the above Order can be obtained on application to the Secretary, Ministry of Agriculture and Fisheries, 4, Whitehall Place, S.W. 1.

ORDER OF THE MINISTER OF AGRICULTURE AND FISHERIES.

(DATED 4TH JUNE, 1925.)

SELKIRKSHIRE (CONTROL OF DOGS) ORDER OF 1925.

The Minister of Agriculture and Fisheries, by virtue and in exercise of the powers vested in him under the Diseases of Animals Acts, 1894 to 1925, and of every other power enabling him in this behalf, hereby orders as follows:—

Power to make Regulations.

- 1.—(1) The Local Authorities of the Districts specified in the Schedule to this Order may, in accordance with the provisions of this Order, make Regulations, with a view to the prevention of worrying of cattle (including sheep) for requiring that dogs or any class of dogs shall, during all or any of the hours between sunset and sunrise, be kept by the owners thereof under control in manner prescribed by the Regulations.
- (2) The Regulations may apply to the whole or any part of the Districts, and may exempt any class of dogs either generally or under prescribed conditions.

Confirmation of Regulations.

- 2.—(1) Regulations made under this Order shall not take effect unless and until they have been submitted to and confirmed by the Minister of Agriculture and Fisheries.
- (2) A copy of any Regulations made by a Local Authority under this Order, signed and certified by the Clerk of that Local Authority to be a true copy and to have been duly confirmed shall be evidence, until the contrary is proved, in all legal proceedings, of the due making, confirmation and existence of the Regulations, without further or other proof.

Seizure of Dogs where Regulations are Contravened.

3. Any dog in respect of which an offence is being committed against a Regulation made under this Order may be seized and treated as a stray dog under the powers conferred by Section three of the Dogs Act, 1906.