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FACTORIES AND SHOPS ACTS.

DETERMINATION OF THE WOOLLEN TRADE BOARD.

DATED 15TH JULY, 1902.

Factories and Shops Acts.

DETERMINATION OF THE WOOLLEN TRADE BOARD.

IN accordance with the provisions of the Factories and Shops Acts, the Special Board appointed to determine the lowest prices or rates which may be paid to any person or persons or classes of persons employed in the process, trade, or business carried on in a woollen mill, has made the following Determination, namely:—

. 1. That the Determination of the Woollen Trade Board, dated the 8th April, 1902, shall be cancelled and annulled from and after the date upon which this present Determination comes into force, and is operative.

HOURS.

2. That the maximum number of hours for which the lowest wages, price, or rate fixed by this Determination shall be payable shall be for all persons, except engineers, engine-drivers, and stokers, employed in the process, trade, or business carried on in a woollen mill, 48 per week.

WAGES RATE.

3. That the lowest wages, prices, or rates to be paid to the following persons or classes of persons employed in the process, trade, or business carried on in a woollen mill shall be:—

Wool scourers		•••			30s. per	r week.
Dye-house laboure	rs				30s.	,,
Wool dryers					30s.	,,
Willey-house labor	urers	•••			36s.	,,
Fettlers				•••	36s.	17
Yarnmen				•••	36s.	"
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" 3rd	,	• •••		32s	3.	" "
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" 3rd	,			32s	3.	"
" 3rd And thereafter	" .:: eman :—	•••		32s 34s	3.	"

And thereafter ... Male warpers: - 30s. per week.

Female warpers :---

For the	1st year	's experi	ence in t	hat depart	tment		per week.
,,,	2nd	,,		•••	•••	17s. 6d.	,,
,,	3rd	٠,		•••	•••	20s.	,,
,,	4th	"		• • •		22s. 6d.	. ,,
And the	reafter	•••	•••		•••	25s.	,,

Power loom weavers :- 22s. 6d. per week, with a deduction of 25 per cent. for learners for the first twelve months.

36s.

Tuners, working under a foreman :---

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For the 1st year's experience in that department 32s. 6d. per week. 35s. And thereafter ... ... ... ... ... ... 40s. ,,

Pattern weavers:—

For the 1st year's experience in that department 30s. per week 32s. 6d. ,,

40s. ,,
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Foremen, milling and scouring: -40s. per week.

Foremen in charge of any of the following departments, viz., carders, spinners, dyers, tuners, finishers, worsted carders, worsted spinners:—

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For the 1st year's experience in the department in which the person is employed ... 50s. per week.

" 2nd year's experience ... ... 55s.* "
And thereafter ... ... ... 60s. "
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Comb minders employed in the worsted department:—9s. per week, with an increase of 1s. per week each six months, until they receive 15s. per week.

Drawers employed in the worsted department and carding department:—9s. per week, with an increase of 1s. per week each six months, until they receive 11s. per week, then after a further period of six months to receive 12s. 6d. per week.

Knotters, menders :-

For the	lst six n	nonths				5s.	per week.
,,	2nd	,,			•••	6s.	· ;,
,,	3rd	,,	• • •			7s.	**
"	4th	,,		• • • •		8s.	,,
,,	5th ,	,,			• • • •	10s.	,,
,,	6th	,,	•••	• • • •		12s.	,,
1,	4th year		•••			15s.	,,
And the			•••		•••	17s. 6d.	••

Persons from the ages of thirteen and upwards, other than apprentices or improvers, employed in the carding room on carding machines:—9s. per week, with an increase of 1s. per week every six months, until they receive 15s. per week. Such employment to count from the 1st day of June, 1902.

Boys or girls from the ages of thirteen to 21 years, other than apprentices or improvers, employed in the woollen spinning department, in the woollen twisting department, as loom boys or girls, as winders and worsted spinners, as piecers or twisters in the spinning department, and in the finishing departments:—5s. per week, and to receive an increase of 1s. per week every six months, until they receive 12s. per week, and after a further period of twelve months 15s. per week, and then an increase of 2s. 6d. per week per annum until the person employed is 21 years of age, and thereafter the lowest rate of wages payable in the department in which such person is employed. Such employment to count from the 1st day of June, 1902.

PIECE-WORK RATES.

4. That the lowest piece-work prices or rates to be paid to the following persons or classes of persons employed in the process, trade, or business carried on in a woollen mill shall be:—

Spinners-43d. per wartern of 6 pounds, 20 skeins standard.

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Dandy Loom Worsted Weavers—50 picks per inch, 10d. per string.

51 to 54 ,, 10\frac{3}{4}d. ,,
55 and 56 ,, 11\frac{1}{2}d. ,,
57 and 58 ,, 1s. ,,
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The Board determines, under the provisions of sub-sections (18) and (19) of section 15 of the Factories and Shops Act 1900, that any employer may fix and pay piece-work rates for power loom weavers, provided that such employer shall base such piece-work prices or rates on the earnings of an average worker working under like conditions, and such piece-work prices or rates shall be fixed so that an average worker can earn not less than 22s. 6d. per week of 48 hours—being the wages rate fixed by the Board as the wages to be paid to persons engaged or employed as power loom weavers.

APPRENTICES OR IMPROVERS.

- 5. (a) That the number of apprentices or improvers who may be employed in the process, trade, or business carried on in a woollen mill shall be:—One apprentice or improver to one adult; two apprentices or improvers to three adults; three apprentices or improvers to four adults; and thereafter one additional apprentice or improver to every two adults, or fraction thereof, receiving not less than the lowest rate of wage of 30s. per week.
- (b) That the lowest wages, prices, or rates to be paid to apprentices or improvers employed in the process, trade, or business carried on in a woollen mill shall be:—12s. 6d. per week for the 1st year, with an increase of 2s. 6d. per week per annum until the apprentice or improver is 21 years of age, and thereafter the lowest rate of wages payable in the department in which such apprentice or improver is employed.

Boys and Girls-Definition of work to be performed by.

6. That boys or girls, other than apprentices or improvers, may be employed in the process, trade, or business carried on in a woollen mill in the different departments as piecers, winders, tiers-in, drawers-in, and finishing-room boys.

OVERTIME.

- 7. That any male employé over the age of sixteen years who may be employed in the process, trade, or business carried on in a woollen mill, who works for any time in excess of the maximum number of hours fixed by this Determination (48 hours) shall be paid for such extra time at the rate of time and a quarter.
 - 8. That this Determination shall come into force from and after the fourth day of August, 1902.

J. SADLEIR,

Chairman.

15th July, 1902.

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