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Factories and Shops Acts.

DETERMINATION OF THE COOPERS 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 of a cooper, has made the following determination, namely:—

(1) That the determination of the Coopers Board, dated the 11th October, 1907, shall be cancelled and annulled from and after the date upon which this present determination comes into force and is operative.

ADULT MALES.

WAGES.

(2) That except in the case of persons employed making tallow casks, who shall be paid at piece-work prices or rates only, the lowest prices or rates of payment payable to any person or persons or classes of persons employed in the process, trade, or business of a cooper shall be Fifteen pence per hour, or Three pounds for a maximum number of 48 hours per week.

PROPORTION OF IMPROVERS.

(3) That the number of improvers who may be employed in any factory or work-room or shop or place in which the process, trade, or business of a cooper is carried on shall be—One improver to every three persons, and thereafter one improver to every nine additional persons receiving the prices or rates provided in this determination for adult males or piece-work.

APPRENTICES.

WAGES.

(4) That the lowest prices or rates of payment payable to male apprentices employed in the process, trade, or business of a cooper shall be as follow:—

For the 1st year's experience	...	...	7s. 6d. per week of 48 hours
" 2nd "	...	...	10s. " "
" 3rd "	...	...	15s. " "
" 4th "	...	...	20s. " "
" 5th "	...	...	25s. " "

and thereafter either the wages or piece-work rates provided by this determination.

IMPROVERS.

WAGES.

(5) That the lowest prices or rates of payment payable to male improvers employed in the process, trade, or business of a cooper shall be as follow:—

For the 1st year's experience	...	...	7s. 6d. per week of 48 hours
" 2nd "	...	...	10s. " "
" 3rd "	...	...	15s. " "
" 4th "	...	...	22s. 6d. " "
" 5th "	...	...	30s. " "

and thereafter either the wages or piece-work rates provided by this determination.

OVERTIME.

(6) (a) That any male person (other than apprentices or improvers) over the age of sixteen years engaged in the process, trade, or business of a cooper who works for more than 48 hours per week, shall be paid for such extra time at *pro rata* rates, and in addition the sum of 4d. per hour.

(b) That any male apprentice or improver over the age of sixteen years engaged in the process, trade, or business of a cooper who works for more than 48 hours shall be paid for such extra time at the rate of 3d. per hour, in addition to the prices or rates fixed for such apprentices or improvers by this determination.

HOLIDAYS—SPECIAL RATES FOR.

(7) That the price or rate of payment payable to any person or persons, or classes of persons, for all work done on Sunday, Christmas Day, Good Friday, and Eight Hours' Day, shall be double the minimum price or rate fixed by this Determination for such person or persons or classes of persons, and that men engaged on piece-work rates shall be paid 1s. 3d. per hour extra on their piece-work rates.

MISCELLANEOUS.

(8) (a) That all bale hoops be straightened and pieced to length by employer. If pieced to length by employé, $\frac{1}{2}$ d. per hoop extra.

(b) That all truss hoops and beak-irons be provided by employer.

(c) That rough split staves be measured at the thinnest end, and bucked or machine-dressed staves at the thickest.

(d) That where grooves exceeding $\frac{1}{4}$ -inch in width and not more than $\frac{1}{2}$ -inch in width are required, the following rates be paid :—

Size of Casks.	Per Cask extra.
18 gallons or under	... 2d.
19 " to 65 gallons	... 3d.
66 " to 120 "	... 4d.

(e) For casks made from machine dressed and jointed timber, the responsibility of the employé for broken staves or other defects shall end after 24 hours of the cask being finished.

PIECE-WORK RATES

(9) That the lowest price or rate of payment to any person for wholly or partly preparing or manufacturing any article of the description referred to in the following schedule of rates shall be the price or rate fixed by such schedule in respect of such article :—

SPIRIT CASKS MADE OF OAK.

Gallons.	Price.
1 Not more than $\frac{3}{8}$ -in. timber to be used	... 1s. 10d. each.
2 " " " "	... 2s. "
3 " " " "	... 2s. 2d. "
4 " " " "	... 2s. 5d. "
5 } " " " "	... 2s. 8d. "
6 }	
7 } " " " "	... 3s. "
8 }	
9 " " " "	... 3s. 3d. "
10 " " " "	... 3s. 6d. "
11 } " " " "	... 3s. 9d. "
12 }	
13 }	
14 }	
15 } Not more than $\frac{3}{4}$ -in. timber to be used	... 4s. "
16 }	
17-20 " " " "	... 4s. 2d. "
21-24 " " " "	... 4s. 4d. "
25-30 " " " "	... 4s. 6d. "
31-35 not more than $\frac{7}{8}$ -in. timber to be used	... 4s. 9d. "
60-70 { Of 1-in. flat or circular bucked staves	... 7s. "
{ Of 1-in. rough split staves	... 7s. 6d. "
100 of 1-in. flat or circular bucked staves not more than 4 feet in length	... 11s. "
100 of $1\frac{1}{4}$ -in. " " " "	... 12s. "
100 of $1\frac{1}{2}$ -in. " " " "	... 13s. "
120 of 1-in. " " " "	... 12s. "
120 of $1\frac{1}{4}$ -in. " " " "	... 13s. "
120 of $1\frac{1}{2}$ -in. " " " "	... 14s. "
100 of 1-in. rough split staves not more than 4 feet in length	... 12s. "
100 of $1\frac{1}{4}$ -in. " " " "	... 13s. "
100 of $1\frac{1}{2}$ -in. " " " "	... 14s. "
120 of 1-in. " " " "	... 13s. "
120 of $1\frac{1}{4}$ -in. " " " "	... 14s. "
120 of $1\frac{1}{2}$ -in. " " " "	... 15s. "

SPIRIT CASKS.

The above prices to include flagging and stopping up worm holes inside, in casks 60-70 gallons and 100-120 gallons in size.

SPIRIT CASKS (100-120 GALLONS).					s.	d.
Levelling joints (inside)	...	...	...	per cask extra	0	6
Shaving out	"	...	...	" "	1	0

Above Prices to include Heading, as follows:—

- 100-120 gallons, of sawn or squared blackwood, 1½ inch thick, 6d. per head extra.
- 100-120 gallons, of cleft blackwood or oak undressed, 9d. per head extra, and 2d. for every extra piece of timber in head.
- 100-120 gallons, 6 pieces of timber, not to exceed 1½ inch thick, of oak or kauri, if more than 6, 1½d. a piece extra.
- 60-70 gallons, 5 pieces of timber, not to exceed 1¼ inch thick, sawn or squared oak, if more than 5, 1½d. a piece extra.
- 60-70 gallons, if cleft undressed oak timber be used, the price to be 4d. per head extra.
- 11-35 gallons, 4 pieces of timber, not to exceed 1 inch thick, of oak or kauri, if more than 4, 1d. per piece extra.
- 1-10 gallons, 3 pieces of timber, not to exceed 1 inch thick, of oak or kauri, if more than 3, 1d. per piece extra.

Above Prices to include Hooping, as follow:—

100-120 GALLONS.

Four hoops on each end, and no iron heavier than 12 gauge to be used.

60-70 GALLONS.

Three or four hoops on each end, and no iron heavier than 14 gauge to be used.

Deduction if Splitting is done by Employer.

					d.
From 2 gallons to 7 gallons in size	...	...	...	...	1½ per cask
" 8 " 12 "	...	...	...	...	3 "
" 13 " 20 "	...	...	...	...	4 "
" 21 " 30 "	...	...	...	...	5 "

OLD TIMBER.

- Old timber re-dressed, same price as new, in casks 1-35 gallons in size.
- 15-17-gallon casks, of old timber, not re-dressed and not over 17 gallons in size, 3s. 3d. each.
- 30-35-gallon casks, made of old timber, not re-dressed, 3s. 6d. each.
- 10-gallon kegs, made of old timber, not re-dressed, 3s. each.
- Old set's and loose staves requiring new heads and new hoops, the price to be same as new timber.

WINE CASKS MADE OF OAK.

Gallons.	Price.
60-65 of double staves split, not to exceed 44 inches in length ...	7s. 9d. each.
(A deduction of 6d. to be made if splitting is done by employer.)	
60-65 of single imported rough split staves ...	7s. 6d. each.
60-65 of flat or circular bucked staves ...	7s. "
60-65 of 1-inch plank oak staves cut to length ...	7s. 9d. "
100 of 1-inch flat or circular bucked staves, and not more than 4 feet in length	10s. "
100 of 1¼-in. " " " " " "	11s. "
100 of 1½-in. " " " " " "	12s. "
100 of 1-inch rough split staves, and not more than 4 feet in length	11s. "
100 of 1¼-in. " " " " " "	12s. "
100 of 1½-in. " " " " " "	13s. "
120 of 1-inch flat or circular bucked staves, and not more than 4 feet in length	11s. "
120 of 1¼-in. " " " " " "	12s. "
120 of 1½-in. " " " " " "	13s. "
120 of 1-inch rough split staves, and not more than 4 feet in length	12s. "
120 of 1¼-in. " " " " " "	13s. "
120 of 1½-in. " " " " " "	14s. "

WINE CASKS.

Gallons.	Price.
60-65 of mountain ash, myrtle, beech, or wattle staves ...	7s. 9d. each.
(Five pieces of timber in heads, three middle pieces of pine, and two hardwood cants.)	

WINE CASKS MADE OF BLACKWOOD

Gallons.	Price.
60-65 of staves with sap taken off ...	7s. 6d. each.
(Five pieces of timber in head, three middle pieces of pine, and two hardwood cants.)	
60-65 of staves with sap left on ...	7s. each
(Five pieces of timber in head, three middle pieces of pine, and two hardwood cants.)	

BREWERS' CLEANSERS (110-115 GALLONS).

Above prices to include Heading of Kauri or Oak, as follows:—

- Finished heads not to exceed 1½ inch in thickness.
- Heads to have not more than 6 pieces of timber.
- All pieces over 6 to be 2d. a piece extra.
- Sawn blackwood heads 1½ inch thick 1s. per cask extra
- Cleft blackwood or oak undressed heads 1s. 6d. „
- Kauri heads to have hardwood cants.

Above prices to include Hooping (110-115 gallons), as follows:—

- 3 or 4 hoops on each end, not to exceed 12 gauge, 2½ × 12 chimb hoop.
- Other hoops not to exceed 2 inches width × 14 gauge.
- Where 10 gauge is used in chimb hoop, width 2½ inches, the price to be ... 1½d. per hoop extra
- Where 12 gauge is used in chimb hoop, width 3 inches, the price to be ... 1½d. „
- Where 10 gauge is used in chimb hoop, width 3 inches, the price to be ... 3d. „

Above prices to include Heading (75-78 gallons and 55-60 gallons), as follows:—

- Finished heads not to exceed 1¼ inch in thickness.
- Heads to have not more than five pieces of timber.
- All pieces over five to be 1½d. a piece extra.
- Cleft heads of oak or undressed blackwood to be 6d. a head extra.
- Heads of sawn blackwood (1¼ inch thick) to be 3d. a head extra.

Above prices to include Hooping (75-78 gallons and 55-60 gallons), as follows:—

No iron to be heavier than 12 gauge, chimb hoop, 2½ inches in width, 14 gauge × 2 inches in width for other hoops, with three or four hoops on each end.

Cleaning out.

Shaving out inside cleansers (55-115 gallons), the price to be 1s. each extra.

OLD TIMBER.

- Casks, 18, 27, and 36 gallons in size, made from old brewers' casks, 4s. each, including levelling joints inside, and 3d. extra for shaving out inside.
- Casks, 9, 10, and 13½ gallons in size, made from old brewers' casks, 3s. 6d. each, including levelling joints inside, and 3d. extra for shaving out inside.
- Casks below 9 gallons in size, same price as new ones.
- Casks, 18 and 27 gallons in size, made from old whisky quarters, 3s. 6d. each, including levelling joints inside, and 3d. extra for shaving out inside.
- Casks, 18, 27, and 36 gallons in size, old treacle casks or odd sets, and loose staves, requiring new heads and new hoops, same price as new inch-square oak.
- Casks, 9-36 gallons in size, old treacle casks or odd sets, and loose staves, requiring new heads and new hoops, same price as new inch-square oak.

VINEGAR AND CORDIALS (CASKS).

Size.		Price if Kauri Timber be used.	Price if either Colonial Blackwood, Wattle, Myrtle, or Beech Timber with sap off (if needed) be used.
Gallons.		each.	each.
		s. d.	s. d.
1	...	1 8	2 2
2	...	1 10	2 4
3	...	1 10	2 6
4	...	2 0	2 9
5	...	2 2	3 0
6	...	2 4	3 3
7	...	2 4	3 6
8	...	2 6	3 9
9	...	2 9	4 0
10	...	3 0	4 2
11	...	3 2	4 4
12	...	3 4	4 6
13	...	3 6	4 6*
14	...	4 6	—
15	...	—	—
16	...	—	—
17-20	...	—	—
21-24	...	—	—
25-30	...	—	—
31-35	...	—	—
50-60	...	—	—

* Length of staves to be not less than 2 ft. 10 in.; if shorter length be used the price to be 4s. 9d. a cask.

60-gallon vinegar casks, with sap on, 6s. each; 60-gallon vinegar casks, with sap off, 6s. 6d. each. Not more than five pieces of timber in heading allowed for above, three pieces of pine, and two hardwood cants.

60-gallon vinegar casks made from either blackwood, myrtle, beech, or mountain ash, and having more than five pieces of timber in heading shall be 1½d. per extra head-piece.

Heads of rough split hardwood shall be $4\frac{1}{2}$ d. per head extra, and of sawn hardwood the price to be 3d. per head extra.

Heads of casks 11-35 gallons in size shall have not more than four pieces of sawn or squared timber—pine middles with hardwood cants; if more than four pieces be used, the price to be 1d. per extra head-piece.

Heads of casks 17-35 gallons in size of cleft undressed hardwood timber, shall be 2d. per head extra; if more than four pieces be used, 1d. per piece extra.

BEEF CASKS.

Size calculated by the lbs. Casks will contain.	Blackwood and Wattle.	Oak.	Old bent Staves, not redressed.	Old Timber, redressed.	Kauri.
	s. d.	s. d.	s. d.	s. d.	s. d.
336	5 0	4 9	3 3	3 9	3 4
300	4 9	4 6	3 3	3 9	3 3
200	4 3	4 1	2 9	3 3	3 0
156	4 0	3 10	2 9	3 3	2 9
112	3 6	3 5	2 6	2 9	2 5
100	3 4	3 4	2 6	2 9	2 4
90	3 3	3 3	2 5	...	2 3
80	3 0	3 0	2 5	...	2 2
70	2 10	2 10	2 4	...	2 1
60	2 8	2 8	2 4	...	2 1
50	2 6	2 6	2 3	...	2 0
40	2 3	2 3	...	...	1 10
30	2 0	1 10	...	...	1 8
20	1 10	1 8	...	...	1 6

Above Prices to include Heading of Blackwood, Wattle, and Old Oak, as follows:—

From 50 lbs. up to 112 lbs. heads to have three pieces, and from 156 lbs. upwards four pieces. All of these, viz., from 50 upwards, to have pine middles in heads. Heads having more than specified number of pieces, 1d. per piece extra. Heads all hardwood, from 50 lbs. up to 90 lbs., $\frac{1}{2}$ d. per head extra; from 100 lbs. to 112 lbs., 1d. per head extra; and from 156 lbs. upwards, 2d. per head extra.

Kauri Casks.

Heads with hardwood cants, 1d. per head extra.

Deduction if Splitting is done by Employer.

	d.
From 20 lbs. to 60 lbs. ...	1½ per cask.
From 70 lbs. to 100 lbs. ...	3 "
From 112 lbs. to 156 lbs. ...	4 "
From 200 lbs. to 336 lbs. ...	5 "

Extra for Flaggng.

From 156 lbs. to 336 lbs., 3d. per end.

SKIN CASKS.

Size calculated by the lbs. Casks will contain. (14 lbs. equal to One Gallon.)	Kauri.
784 } Not more than 1 inch timber to be used	s. d. 4 6 each
672 } " " " "	4 6 "
560 } " " " "	4 0 "
448 } Not more than $\frac{3}{4}$ inch timber to be used	3 4 "
336 } " " " "	3 2 "
224 } " " " "	2 9 "
140 } " " " "	2 4 "
112 } " " " "	2 2 "
56 } Not more than $\frac{1}{2}$ inch timber to be used	1 10 "
42 } " " " "	1 8 "
30 } " " " "	1 7 "
20-28 } " " " "	1 6 "

Heads.

From 20 lbs. up to 140 lbs. heads not to exceed three pieces, and from 224 lbs. to 784 lbs. not to exceed four pieces.

Bilge.

In the 784, 672, and 560 lbs. casks the bilge not to exceed 4 inches.

Levelling Joints.

784, 672, and 560 lbs. casks, 3d. per cask extra.

Cleaning Out.

784, 672, and 560 lbs. casks, 6d. per cask extra.

BUTTER CASKS AND TUBS.

KAURI PINE.

Size calculated by the lbs. Casks will contain.	With Head or Cover.	Shaved Out (Inside).
	<i>s. d.</i>	<i>s. d.</i>
60 lbs. and under ...	2 0 each	2 2 each
61 lbs. up to 80 lbs. ...	2 1½ "	2 3½ "
81 lbs. up to 112 lbs. ...	2 3 "	2 5 "
113 lbs. up to 140 lbs....	2 6 "	2 10 "
141 lbs. up to 168 lbs....	2 9 "	3 1 "
169 lbs. up to 224 lbs....	3 0 "	3 6 "
225 lbs. up to 336 lbs....	3 4 "	3 10 "

Above Prices to include Heading, as follows:—

60 lbs. and under to have two pieces in heads; if more, 1d. per piece extra.
Heads, with hardwood cants, 1d. per cask.

BLACKWOOD AND WATTLE.

Size calculated by the lbs. Casks will contain.	With Head or Cover.	Shaved Out (Inside).
	<i>s. d.</i>	<i>s. d.</i>
60 lbs. and under ...	2 6 each	2 9 each
61 lbs. up to 80 lbs. ...	2 9 "	3 0 "
81 lbs. up to 112 lbs. ...	3 3 "	3 6 "

Above Prices to include Heading, as follows:—

60 lbs. and under to have two pieces in heads; if more, 1d. per piece extra.
The above casks and tubs to have pine middles in heads.
Heading all hardwood, 1d. each extra.

DAIRY WORK.

BARREL CHURNS.

5 gals. 8s. each	} With hole and mountings, 2s. extra.
10 " 11s. "	
15 " 12s. "	
20 " 13s. "	
25 " 14s. "	
30 " 15s. "	

UPRIGHT CHURNS AND CURBS.

14 to 18 inch stave ...	... 8s. each; without curb and dasher, 2s. less
19 to 24 " " " " " "	... 9s. " " " " " "

KEELERS.

	<i>s. d.</i>	} Length of stave not to exceed 15 inches.
16 inches diam.	3 3 each	
18 " " "	3 3 "	
20 " " "	3 6 "	
22 " " "	3 9 "	
24 " " "	4 0 "	
26 " " "	4 3 "	
28 " " "	4 6 "	

BLACKWOOD EGG CASKS.

Egg casks, 3 feet long, 32 inches diameter at end, and not exceeding 3 feet in pitch, with five pieces in heads—three pine middles, and two hardwood cants, and having three hoops on each end, 2¼-in. chimb hoop, 1½-in. quarter hoop, and 1¾-in. bilge hoop, and not exceeding 14 gauge—6s. 6d. each.

TREACLE CASKS.

	<i>Each.</i>	<i>s. d.</i>
4 gals. ...	...	2 6
8 " ...	...	3 3 to have four hoops
10 " ...	...	3 9 heads three pieces
16 " ...	...	4 6 " " and kauri middle
24 " ...	...	5 0 " " " "
54 " ...	...	8 0 heads four pieces and two kauri middles

For every additional piece in heads 1d. extra.

Old casks same price as new ones.

Flagging to be included.

Extra when Heading is made of Hardwood.

			<i>d.</i>
16-24 gals.	...	...	4 per cask extra
25-54 "	...	...	6 " "

OIL CASKS.

			<i>s. d.</i>
27 gallons	...	...	5 6 each
36 "	...	...	6 3 "
54 "	...	...	8 0 "
100 "	...	...	13 0 "
120 "	...	...	14 0 "

Above Prices to include Heading, as follows:—

From 27 gals. up to 54 gals., four pieces; if more, 1d. each extra piece.
 From 100 gals. up to 120 gals., five pieces; if more, 2d. each extra piece.
 All of the above casks to have kauri middles in heads.
 Heading all hardwood, 27 gals. and 36 gals., 1d. per cask extra; 54 gals., 6d. per cask extra.
 Flagging to be included.

OAK HARNESS CASKS (ROUND) WITHOUT MOUNTINGS.

			<i>s. d.</i>	
336 lbs.	...	...	10 0 each	} 1s. extra if made of colonial timber.
224 "	...	...	8 0 "	
112 "	4 6 "		6d. " " "

The above to be made with cover fitted in hoop.
 Hooping to be common iron.
 Mountings and all other extra work to be done by the day.

TALLOW CASKS.

	7 cwt.	8 cwt.	9 cwt.	10 cwt.
	each.	each.	each.	each.
	<i>s. d.</i>	<i>s. d.</i>	<i>s. d.</i>	<i>s. d.</i>
Casks, not exceeding 3 ft. 6 in. long, 27 inches diameter at end, and 32 inches in pitch, of cleft colonial hardwood staves 1 inch thick	5 0			
Casks, not exceeding 43½ inches long, 28 inches diameter at end, and 33 inches in pitch, of cleft colonial hardwood staves 1 inch thick	...	5 6		
Casks, not exceeding 43½ inches long, 30 inches diameter at end, and 35½ inches in pitch, of cleft colonial hardwood staves 1 inch thick	...	...	6 3	
Casks, not exceeding 4 feet long, 30 inches diameter at end, and 36 inches diameter in pitch, of cleft colonial hardwood staves 1 inch thick	...	...	...	7 0
The foregoing—				
If kauri timber be used throughout	4 3	4 9	5 0	5 3
If oregon or white pine be used throughout	4 6	5 0	5 3	5 6
Casks, not exceeding 3 ft. 8 in. long, 32 inches diameter at end, and 37½ inches diameter in pitch, of cleft colonial hardwood staves 1 inch thick	...	...	...	7 6
The foregoing—				
If kauri timber be used throughout	...	...	...	5 9
If oregon or white pine be used throughout	...	...	...	6 0

N. B.—The above to be outside measurements.

Above Prices to include Heading, as follows:—

Heads to have not more than five pieces (1 inch thick), three pine middles, and two hardwood cants.
 If in softwood casks hardwood cants be used, 1d. each head extra.
 If colonial cleft hardwood be used, 3d. each end extra.
 If more than five pieces be used, 1d. per piece extra.

Hooping.

Casks to have three hoops on each end, not to exceed 2 inches, 1½ inches, and 1¼ inches wide respectively, iron not to exceed 15 gauge.

TALLOW CASKS—MACHINE MADE.

	7 cwt.	8 cwt.	9 cwt.	10 cwt. Long.	10 cwt. Short.
	each.	each.	each.	each.	each.
	s. d.	s. d.	s. d.	s. d.	s. d.
Casks, dimensions, &c., as above, of cleft colonial hardwood or softwood staves, cut to lengths, dressed and jointed by machinery, heads made to size and cut in, hoops cut to lengths	2 6	2 7	3 1½	3 6	3 9

ARSENIC CASKS.

Casks, 29 inches long, 16½ inches diameter at end, 20 inches in pitch, made from kauri timber ½ inch thick, 2s. 6d. each; or if made from white pine, 2s. 9d. each. Heads not more than four pieces of kauri or white pine, and three hoops on each end (all pieces over four in number in heads 1d. a piece extra).

BUCKETS.

Ship, 11 inches long, of oak or colonial timber 2s. 3d. each.
 Stable, 12 inches long, of blackwood timber 2s. 6d. „

WASH TUBS.

18-in. diameter	... 3s. 3d. each	} Of oak or colonial timber, length of stave not to exceed 15 inches.
20-in. „	... 3s. 6d. „	
22-in. „	... 3s. 9d. „	
24-in. „	... 4s. „	
26-in. „	... 4s. 3d. „	
28-in. „	... 4s. 6d. „	

SANITARY TUBS.

Round 2s. each.
 Oval 2s. 8d. each.
 Mountings for same, 2d. extra.
 If sap be taken off and tub shaved out, 6d. extra for both round and oval.

OVAL WORK.

Except where otherwise expressly provided, the piece-work prices or rates fixed throughout this Determination are for round work; if oval work be made, the piece-work price or rate shall be double that fixed for round work for casks up to and including 10 gallons in size, and for all casks from 11 gallons to 120 gallons in size inclusive, the piece-work price or rate shall be that fixed for round work with half as much again added.

(10) That this Determination shall come into force on and after the 1st day of May, 1908.

Dated at Melbourne this 20th day of March, 1908.

THOS. W. GAGGIN,
 Chairman.