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Factories and Shops Acts.

DETERMINATION OF THE AGRICULTURAL IMPLEMENTS BOARD.

Note.—This Determination on the 11th March, 1924, applied to the following parts of Victoria, namely:—The Metropolitan District as defined in the Factories and Shops Acts; the cities of Ballarat, Bondigo, Geelong, Sandringham, and Warrnambool; the town of Geelong West; the boroughs of Eaglehawk, Newtown and Chilwell, and Sebastopol; and such portion of the shire of Braybrook as is not included in the Metropolitan District.

IN accordance with the provisions of the Factories and Shops Acts, the Wages 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 maker of—

(a) agricultural machinery or implements:

(a) agricultural machinery or implements;
(b) parts of agricultural machinery or implements; or
(c) bag-filling machinery, bone-crushers, buttor-making machinery, chaff-cutters, corn-crushing machinery, cream separators, hay presses, horse works, iron feeding troughs, lawn mowers, machinery for treating flax or hemp, maize shellers, windmills,"

has made the following Determination, namely :---

On 21st December, 1910, this Board was given power to fix rates for persons "employed in assembling or putting together any parts of machinery or implements of classes or kinds (whether the same have been made inside or outside the State) same or similar to those for which the said Board has power to fix prices or rates."

(1) That on the 11th March, 1924, the last previous Determination of this Board shall be revoked and replaced by this Deter-

Apprentices and Improvers.	Juvenile Workers.	Other Employees.
Per Week 48 Hou	L] (48 HOUTH	Wages per Week of 48 Hours.
WAGES. Apprentices. 15 2nd year's experience	18 years of age 42 6	Assemblers
3rd year's experience	20 years of age 62 6	Carpenters
2nd year's experience		Fitters ongaged in fitting scarifiers, harrows, drag harrows, disc ploughs, mould-board ploughs, disc cultivators, tooth cultivators, or rollers 100 0 Other fitters 104 6 Grinders 97 0 Labourers 89 6 Machinists (iron) not otherwise provided for 97 0 Machinists (wood) not otherwise provided for 100 0 Men working wood-shaping machine or Boult's carver 104 6 Men working boring machine 92 6 Men working mortising machines, or cross-cut
Apprentices. One apprentice to every two or fraction of two workers receiving at wages on piece-work prices not less than 89s. 6 per week of 48 hours.	r	SaW 92 6
Improvers. One improver to the first six or fraction of six adults receiving not less the 97s. per week of £8 hours, and ther after one improver to every additional such adults.	n ' '	Sheet-iron workers

DEFINITIONS-

Juvenile Workers-

Persons under 21 years of age (other than apprentices or improvers) employed—

- (a) Finning, pointing, heating, and cutting off.

 (b) Screwing and tapping bolts in any department.

 (c) Holding up.

 (d) Striking for apprentices to blacksmithing.

 (e) Working ungeared drilling machines, drilling holes up to and inclusive of in the diameter.

Assembler-

Any adult person employed in putting together any of the classes or kinds of machinery or implements affected by the Determination, and which have been previously fitted or so standardized as to require no fitting; but shall not include any adult person employed in cutting or shaping the material of which such machinery or implements are

- (3) OVERTIME.—Any employee who works in excess of 48 hours in any week shall be paid for such work at the rate of time and a half.
- (4) Special Rates.—Time and three-quarters shall be paid for all work done on Sundays, New Year's Day, Eight Hours Day (21st April), Good Friday, and Christmas Day; but if any other day be by Act of Parliament or Proclamation substituted for any of the above-named holidays, the special rate shall be payable only for the day so substituted.
- (5) PIECE-WORK.—The Board determines under the provisions of Section 144 of the Factories and Shops Act 1915 that any employer may fix and pay piece-work prices to any person employed at any work for which the Board has fixed a minimum wage, provided that any such employer shall base such piece-work prices on the earnings of an average worker working under like conditions and such piece-work prices shall be fixed so that an average worker can carn not loss than the wages rates that are fixed by the Board for such work.

H. J. RICHARDSON, J.P., Chairman.

R. T. LITTLEJOHNS,

Secretary.

Dated the 25th February, 1924.