

## GOODS—continued.

## REGULATIONS—continued.

## 87. Rate on Butter and Cheese.

Except otherwise specified, butter and cheese, minimum quantity 5 tons per four-wheeled wagon, 10 tons per bogie wagon (owners to load and unload), for distances of 175 miles and beyond will be charged as follows :—

Miles.	Rate Per Ton.	Miles.	Rate Per Ton.	Miles.	Rate Per Ton.	Miles.	Rate Per Ton.
	s. d.		s. d.		s. d.		s. d.
175 to	48 2	430	55 8	525	63 7	615	71 1
340*		435	56 1	530	64 0	620	71 6
345	48 7	440	56 6	535	64 5	625	71 11
350	49 0	445	56 11	540	64 10	630	72 4
355	49 5	450	57 4	545	65 3	635	72 9
360	49 10	455	57 9	550	65 8	640	73 2
365	50 3	460	58 2	555	66 1	645	73 7
370	50 8	465	58 7	560	66 6	650	74 0
375	51 1	470	59 0	565	66 11	655	74 5
380	51 6	475	59 5	570	67 4	660	74 10
385	51 11	480	59 10	575	67 9	665	75 3
390	52 4	485	60 3	580	68 2	670	75 8
395	52 9	490	60 8	585	68 7	675	76 1
400	53 2	495	61 1	590	69 0	680	76 6
405	53 7	500	61 6	595	69 5	685	76 11
410	54 0	505	61 11	600	69 10	690	77 4
415	54 5	510	62 4	605	70 3	695	77 9
420	54 10	515	62 9	610	70 8	700	78 2
425	55 3	520	63 2				

\* Inclusive.

For each additional 5 miles or fraction thereof beyond 700 miles 5d. per ton will be added.

## 88. Food Products and Clothing for Charitable Purposes.

1. Food-products and clothing donated to charitable institutions will be conveyed at owner's risk at half rates, on the authority of the General Manager.

2. Written application for this concession must be made to the General Manager at least fourteen days before the goods are presented for carriage.

## 89. Returned Empties.

1. Returned empties are packages which have on the outward journey been carried over the railways full and are being consigned from the original consignee and the original receiving-station to the original consignor and the original sending-station.

2. Furniture-coverings such as scrim or canvas used for covering furniture, also scrim and sacking used by nurserymen in packing plants and seedlings, which have been conveyed by rail may, when being returned, be carried as returned empties under the provisions of this regulation.

3. The charges for returned empties will be as follows :—

	s. d.
For any distance of not more than 25 miles ..	0 6 per cwt.
For any distance over 25 miles and not more than 50 miles ..	0 9 „
For each 50 miles or part of 50 miles beyond the first 50 ..	0 4 1/2 „

Minimum charge as for 1 cwt.

4. Returned empties must be certified by consignors to have passed over the railway full as provided herein.

5. Carriage must be prepaid, unless there be an arrangement between the Department and the consignee to the contrary.

6. Returned empty butter, cheese, egg, eskimo-pie, fish, fresh-meat, fruit, ice-cream, nut, vegetable, and casein curd packages, other than textile coverings for fresh meat, previously carried over the railway full will be carried from the original consignee and the original receiving-station to the original consignor and the original sending-station at half the returned-empty rate up to 100 miles, and at the full rate charged for returned empties for the balance of the journey. Textile coverings for fresh meat which has been conveyed by rail will, when being returned to the original consignor and sending-station from the original consignee and the original receiving-station, be conveyed free up to 100 miles and at the full rate for returned empties for the balance of the journey.

7. Owners may be required to perform all handling of returned empties. Returned empties handled at ship's side and not carried under the provisions of Regulation 98 of Tariff, will be charged 1s. 5d. per ton for such handling. Minimum charge, 6d.

8. Consignments under this heading will be carried at owner's risk.

9. Empty tank wagons which on the outward journey have been used for the conveyance of benzine, kerosene, or similar mineral oils, and fuel oil, will, when being returned from the original consignee and the original receiving station to the original consignor and the original forwarding station, be carried free.

10. Where the empty tank wagon is not returned to the original forwarding station, but is forwarded to another station for filling, and where the mileage, when the empty tank is railed, is in excess of that for which it is entitled to free return, the excess mileage will be charged at the rate of 2s. per mile.