(2) HILL CATTLE SCHEMES

The Hill Cattle (Northern Ireland) Amendment Scheme, 1948

1948 No. 806

Made - - - -	*15th April*, 1948
Laid before Parliament	*20th April*, 1948
Coming into Operation	*23rd April*, 1948

The Minister of Agriculture and Fisheries in exercise of the powers conferred on him by sub-section (I) of Section 13 of the Hill Farming Act, 1946(**a**), and of every other power enabling him in that behalf and with the approval of the Treasury, hereby makes the following Scheme:—

1. This Scheme may be cited as the Hill Cattle (Northern Ireland) Amendment Scheme, 1948, and applies to Northern Ireland.

2. This Scheme shall come into operation on the 23rd day of April, 1948.

3. The Hill Cattle (Northern Ireland) Scheme, 1947(**b**), is hereby varied as follows:—

(i) By the addition to paragraph 4 thereof of the following proviso:—
Provided also that, where it is proved to the satisfaction of the Minister that a person other than the owner or occupier of any hill land was at the first day of the qualifying period entitled under any agreement whether written or verbal to the exclusive right of grazing on the said hill land for a period of not less than twelve months, the Minister may in his discretion make the payment to such person.

(ii) By the deletion in paragraph 5 (*a*) thereof of the words "on hill land".

In witness whereof the Official Seal of the Minister of Agriculture and Fisheries is hereunto affixed this 15th day of April, 1948.

(L.S.) *T. Williams.*

We approve:—

R. J. Taylor,
Joseph Henderson,
Two of the Lords Commissioners of His Majesty's Treasury.

EXPLANATORY NOTE

(This Note is not part of the Scheme, but is intended to indicate its general purport.)

These amendments to the Hill Cattle (Northern Ireland) Scheme, 1947, (*a*) clarify the position in regard to a person who has rights of grazing on hill land for a period of not less than twelve months, but who may not fall within the strict definition of occupier in paragraph 2 of the original Scheme and (*b*) enables cows and heifers otherwise qualifying for the higher rate of subsidy to be removed from hill land for short periods, for such purposes as the suckling or pail feeding of calves in districts where such removal is the recognised practice of hill farming.

(**a**) 9 & 10 Geo. 6. c. 73. (**b**) S.R. & O. 1947 (No. 1119) I. p. 33.