to a person, who, if any such payment had been a debt which at the beginning of that day accrued due to the first mentioned person, would be entitled to claim the payment otherwise than by virtue of an assignment.

James Stuart,
One of His Majesty's Principal Secretaries of State.

St. Andrew's House,
Edinburgh 1.
26th November, 1951.

We approve,

Herbert Butcher,
H. R. Mackeson,
Two of the Lords Commissioners of His Majesty's Treasury.

27th November, 1951.

EXPLANATORY NOTE

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

The Hill Farming Act, 1946, provides that Schemes may be made providing for subsidy payments to be made in respect of cattle grazed and maintained on hill land in the year 1947 and each of the next four succeeding years. The Livestock Rearing Act, 1951, extends the above mentioned period by five years. This Scheme, made by the Secretary of State for Scotland with the approval of the Treasury, relates to Scotland and makes provision for subsidy payments to be made throughout the whole of the additional five-year period in respect of cattle grazed and maintained on hill land in Scotland. It defines hill land and the descriptions of cattle to which it applies. It also specifies the conditions under which the cattle must be grazed and maintained and contains provisions against overstocking and against the assignment of subsidy payments and provides for the making of annual applications for subsidy payments, the computation of the number of cattle qualifying for subsidy payment, and other matters. The Hill Farming Act, 1946, requires the amount to be paid by way of subsidy payment in respect of an animal to be prescribed by the Secretary of State in a separate Order; this Order is the Hill Cattle Subsidy Payment (Scotland) Order, 1951.

The Hill Cattle (Northern Ireland) Extension Scheme, 1951

1951 No. 1266

Made - - - -	11*th July*, 1951
Laid before Parliament	13*th July*, 1951
Coming into Operation	14*th July*, 1951

In pursuance of Sections 13 and 17 of the Hill Farming Act, 1946(a), as amended by Section 6 of the Livestock Rearing Act, 1951(b), and of all other powers enabling him in that behalf, the Minister of Agriculture and

(a) 9 & 10 Geo. 6. c. 73. (b) 14 & 15 Geo. 6. c. 18.

Fisheries, with the approval of the Treasury, hereby makes the following scheme:—

1. This Scheme may be cited as the Hill Cattle (Northern Ireland) Extension Scheme, 1951, and shall come into operation on the 14th day of July, 1951.

2. This scheme shall be read as one with the Hill Cattle (Northern Ireland) Scheme, 1947(**a**), as varied by the Hill Cattle (Northern Ireland) Amendment Scheme, 1948(**b**), and by the Hill Cattle (Northern Ireland) Amendment Scheme, 1949(**c**), (hereinafter referred to as "the Scheme"), and the Scheme and this Scheme may be cited together as the Hill Cattle (Northern Ireland) Schemes, 1947-51.

3. The Scheme is hereby varied as follows:—

(1) Without prejudice to the meanings assigned by the Scheme to the expressions "hill farming land" and "hill farming purposes", any reference therein to "the Act" shall be construed as meaning the Hill Farming Act, 1946, as amended by the Livestock Rearing Act, 1951, or any other enactment.

(2) Paragraph 14 of the Scheme shall not apply in respect of 1952, or any of the next four succeeding years, but the following paragraph shall be substituted therefor:—

"If in 1952 or any of the next four succeeding years, in the opinion of the Ministry, it is necessary for the efficient use of hill land for the purposes of this Scheme that improvements to such land, or to other land used therewith for hill farming purposes, should be carried out, it may require an applicant for subsidy payments in respect of cattle grazed on that land to carry out, if he has the right to do so, any such improvements the total cost of which to the applicant will not exceed sixty per cent. of the total subsidy payments estimated to be payable to him in respect of that year according to the information in his application, and, if the applicant fails to do so, the Ministry may reduce the amount of any subsidy payments otherwise falling to be made to the applicant in respect of that year by such sum as the Ministry, having regard to all the circumstances of the case, shall determine. If it is not practicable to make such reductions in subsidy payments in respect of the year in which the Ministry requires the improvements to be made, the reductions or any part thereof, may be made in any subsidy payments falling to be paid in respect of any subsequent year".

4. Notwithstanding the references—

(1) in paragraph 2 of the Hill Cattle (Northern Ireland) Amendment Scheme, 1949(**c**), to 1949 and each of the next two succeeding years; and

(2) in paragraph 4 of the Scheme, to 1947 and each of the four next succeeding years,

the provisions of the Scheme shall apply in respect of the year 1952 and each of the four next succeeding years as they apply in respect of the year 1951.

(a) S.R. & O. 1947 (No. 1119) I, p. 33. (b) S.I. 1948 (No. 806) I, p. 113.
(c) S.I 1949 (No. 664) I, p. 160.

In witness whereof the Official Seal of the Minister of Agriculture and Fisheries is hereunto affixed this 9th day of July, nineteen hundred and fifty-one.

T. Williams,
Minister of Agriculture and Fisheries.

We approve, this 11th day of July, nineteen hundred and fifty-one.

W. A. Wilkins,
Charles Royle,
Two of the Lords Commissioners of His Majesty's Treasury.

EXPLANATORY NOTE

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

The Hill Farming Act, 1946, provided that subsidy payments might be made in respect of hill cattle, in accordance with Schemes made by the Minister of Agriculture and Fisheries, and the Hill Cattle (Northern Ireland) Scheme, 1947, accordingly made provision for subsidy payments in respect of cattle grazed on hill land. Under the Hill Farming Act, 1946, subsidy payments in respect of hill cattle would have ceased after the payment to be made in respect of the year 1951. Section 6 of the Livestock Rearing Act, 1951, however, extended the periods for which payment of subsidy in respect of hill cattle could be made to the year 1952 and the four next succeeding years. This Scheme extends the provisions of the Hill Cattle (Northern Ireland) Scheme, 1947, so that they apply to these additional payments, and also makes some minor and consequential amendments.

The Hill Cattle Subsidy Payment (England and Wales) Order, 1951

1951 No. 1149

Made - - - -	*27th June*, 1951
Laid before Parliament	*28th June*, 1951
Coming into Operation	*29th June*, 1951

In pursuance of Section 14 (3) of the Hill Farming Act, 1946(a), as amended by the Livestock Rearing Act, 1951(b), the Minister of Agriculture and Fisheries, with the approval of the Treasury, hereby makes the following Order:—

1. This Order may be cited as the Hill Cattle Subsidy Payment (England and Wales) Order, 1951, and shall come into operation on the 29th day of June, nineteen hundred and fifty-one.

2. The Interpretation Act, 1889(c), applies to the interpretation of this Order as it applies to the interpretation of an Act of Parliament.

(a) 9 & 10 Geo. 6. c. 73. (b) 14 & 15 Geo. 6. c. 18. (c) 52 & 53 Vict. c. 63.