

## PRISONS.

ORDER MADE BY THE LORDS JUSTICES OF NORTHERN IRELAND UNDER THE CRIMINAL JUSTICE ADMINISTRATION ACT, 1914 (4 & 5 GEO. 5, C. 58), SECTIONS 17 AND 43, REVOKING AN ORDER DATED, 13TH MARCH, 1920, BY THE LORDS JUSTICES OF IRELAND.

1923. No. 70.

Whereas by Section 17 of the Criminal Justice Administration Act, 1914, as modified by Section 43 of the said Act, it is amongst other things provided that the Lord Lieutenant may from time to time by any general or special rule under the Prisons (Ireland) Acts, 1826 to 1907, appropriate either wholly or partially, particular prisons within his jurisdiction to particular classes of prisoners, and that a prisoner sentenced to imprisonment or committed to prison on remand or pending trial or otherwise may be lawfully confined in any prison to which the Prisons (Ireland) Acts, 1826 to 1907, apply, and it is thereby further provided that prisoners shall be committed to such prisons as the Lord Lieutenant may from time to time direct, and may on the like direction be removed therefrom during the term of their imprisonment to any other prison :

And Whereas directions as to the prisons to which prisoners shall be committed have been given in an Order of the Lords Justices and General Governors of Ireland, dated the 13th day of March, 1920 :

And Whereas by the Government of Ireland Act, 1920, the Orders made thereunder and the Irish Free State (Consequential Provisions) Act, 1922, the powers of the Lord Lieutenant are now exercisable in Northern Ireland by the Governor of Northern Ireland :

Now We, the Lords Justices of Northern Ireland, in pursuance of the powers conferred upon us by the said Acts, and of every other power enabling us on this behalf, do hereby revoke the said Order of 13th March, 1920.

This Order shall not affect the validity of any act done under the said Order of 13th March, 1920, prior to the date of this Order.

Given at Belfast this 19th day of November, 1923.

By their Excellencies Command.

*R. Dawson Bates.*

## PUBLIC RECORD OFFICE.

### Public use of the Records.

RULES AND REGULATIONS MADE BY THE MINISTER OF FINANCE FOR NORTHERN IRELAND, IN EXERCISE OF THE POWER CONFERRED BY THE NINTH SECTION OF THE PUBLIC RECORDS ACT (NORTHERN IRELAND), 1923.\*

1923. No. 71.

(1) The Public Search Room shall be open to persons desiring to consult indexes, catalogues and calendars and to inspect records, on

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\* 13 & 14 Geo. 5 (N.I.), c. 20.

every day, except Sundays, Bank and other Public Holidays and Easter Eve.

The hours of admission and attendance shall be from 10 a.m. to 4-30 p.m., except on Saturdays, when they shall be from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m.

(2) Every person making use of the Search Room for the purpose of consulting indexes or inspecting records shall write his or her name and full address daily in the attendance book kept for that purpose, or shall supply his or her name and address in such other manner as the Deputy Keeper may decide.

(3) The records in the custody of the Minister of Finance shall be open to public inspection subject to the conditions mentioned below and to the payment of the fees set out in the Schedule annexed hereto.

(4) In cases where the inspection of such records is desired for historical, genealogical or antiquarian research, application should be made in writing to the Deputy Keeper, who may, if he see fit, dispense with the payment of such fees.

(5) Indexes, catalogues and calendars shall be produced for consultation free of charge.

(6) No umbrellas, sticks, bags or parcels shall be taken to the tables in the Search Room.

(7) A separate ticket shall be clearly written and signed by every person desiring to inspect records for each book, roll, file, bundle or document required, and such ticket shall be given by him or her to the officer in charge of the Search Room before any Record is produced.

(8) No person shall have more than three records out at a time, save by special permission of the officer in charge.

(9) Records not mentioned in the indexes, catalogues or calendars intended for public use shall not be produced without an order from the Deputy Keeper.

(10) On completion of search, records shall forthwith be returned to the officer in charge or to one of his assistants in exchange for the relative tickets, and every person to whom a record has been produced shall be held responsible therefor, so long as his or her ticket remains with an Officer of the Public Record Office.

(11) No person shall make any mark on, fold or lean upon any record or index he is inspecting or consulting, but shall make use of any supports for books, rolls or documents which are provided for that purpose.

(12) Any person inspecting a record may make a copy or copies of the whole or any part thereof.

(13) Application for permission to photograph the whole or part of a document must be made in writing to the Deputy Keeper who will grant or withhold permission at his discretion.

(14) The use of ink and of fountain pens is forbidden.

(15) Tracings of records shall not be made by any person without specific permission from the officer in charge.

(16) Indexes, catalogues and calendars should be replaced on the shelves when finished with.

(17) The officer in charge of the Public Search Room shall have authority to exclude any person from the office for any of the following reasons :—

- (i) Wilful breach of the foregoing rules and regulations ;
- (ii) Persistent disregard of the officer's authority ;
- (iii) Damage of any sort to any record, index, or article belonging to the Record Office ;
- (iv) Unseemly conduct or language, habits or attire, offensive or likely to be reasonably offensive to other persons frequenting the Search Room ;

Provided always that such exclusion and the reason therefor be reported forthwith to the Deputy Keeper or other superior officer.

*Table of Fees, payable in every case by stamps.*

	£	s.	d.
For the inspection of any book, roll, file, bundle or document, <i>per diem</i> .. .. .	0	1	6
For the inspection of a number of books, etc., not exceeding ten, in any one suit, action or matter, <i>per diem</i> ..	0	4	0
For attendance at the Supreme Court of Judicature of Northern Ireland or elsewhere to produce records for the purpose of evidence, <i>per diem</i> .. .. .	3	3	0

*Certified Copies.*

(s. 6 (1) & (2)).

Certified copies of records in the custody of the Minister of Finance will be made at the request of any applicant at the following rates :—

	£	s.	d.
If the record be subsequent in date to the year 1760, for a copy not exceeding three folios of 72 words ..	0	2	6
For longer copies, per folio .. .. .	0	0	9
If the record be prior in date to 1761, for a copy not exceeding three folios of 72 words .. .. .	0	5	0
For longer copies, per folio .. .. .	0	1	6
Copies of maps, plans, drawings, etc., by the hour ..	0	4	0
Certifying the authenticity of photographic reproduction, per sheet .. .. .	0	2	6

Certain copies will be subject to a stamp duty of one shilling (under the statute 54-55 Victoria, cap. 39) in addition to the above fees.

These rules and regulations shall take effect from the first of October, 1923.

(Signed)

*H. M. Pollock,*

11th September, 1923.