

Agriculture :

- (a) The Associateship in Agriculture of the Royal College of Science, Ireland ;
- (b) the National Diploma in Agriculture ;
- (c) the Degree of Bachelor of Agriculture or Bachelor of Science in Agriculture of any Irish, English or Scottish University.

Overseer :

- (a) A certificate of satisfactory progress during a session at Greenmount Agricultural College, or at a Winter Agricultural Class ;
- (b) the passing, to the satisfaction of the Ministry, of a special examination in agriculture conducted by the Ministry.

II. In order to determine whether a teacher has sufficient knowledge of the subject or subjects which he seeks to teach the Ministry may require him to undergo a special examination. The examination may be written or oral, or both written and oral, and may include a practical test. The applicant will have to bear his own travelling and personal expenses in connexion with attendance at any such examination.

III. Specially qualified persons will always be exceptionally recognized; but such recognition will be granted only when the applicant for recognition has satisfied the Ministry that he is specially qualified. Application for such recognition should be accompanied by a complete detailed statement of the applicant's course of study and work ; and should be supported, as far as possible, by certificates from professors or employers.

IV. Registration of a teacher's qualifications may be suspended (or further provisional recognition refused) upon evidence of insufficient knowledge of a subject for teaching purposes, or of inefficiency as a teacher from any cause whatever.

V. The provisional recognition in any subject accorded a teacher by the Ministry will be confirmed when he has performed his duties to the satisfaction of the Ministry for at least two years.

Agricultural Subjects, Teachers in.

MADE BY THE GOVERNOR OF NORTHERN IRELAND WITH THE
ADVICE OF THE PRIVY COUNCIL, UNDER THE EDUCATION
ACT (NORTHERN IRELAND), 1923.

1925. No. 95.

Whereas it is provided by Section 79 of the Education Act (Northern Ireland), 1923, (in this Order referred to as "the Act"), that the Governor of Northern Ireland may by Order in Council apply as respects teachers in agricultural subjects any of the provisions of the Act respecting :—

- (a) the training and certification of teachers ;
- (b) the terms of employment of teachers ;
- (c) the remuneration of teachers ;
- (d) the superannuation of teachers ; and
- (e) the making of regulations for the purpose of giving effect to the provisions of the Act as applied hereinbefore mentioned ;

and that upon the coming into effect of any such Order in Council the said provisions shall apply accordingly, subject to such modifications as may be made by the Order in Council for the purpose of making the said provisions so applicable :

Now I, James Albert Edward, Duke of Abercorn, Governor of Northern Ireland, by and with the advice of the Privy Council of Northern Ireland, do hereby Order as follows :—

1. The provisions of Sections 70 and 71 of the Act are hereby applied as respects teachers in Agricultural subjects, with the following modifications :—

- (a) The Ministry of Finance for Northern Ireland shall frame the Superannuation Scheme to which the said Sections relate in consultation with the Ministry of Agriculture for Northern Ireland, and may, if the Ministry of Education for Northern Ireland consents, frame the scheme so as to form part of a scheme framed under the said sections for application to a class of teachers other than teachers in agricultural subjects ;
- (b) Sub-section (3) of the said section 70 shall not apply.

2. The provisions of the Act which are set out in the Schedule to this Order (in this Order and in the said Schedule referred to as "the Scheduled provisions") are hereby applied as respects teachers in agricultural subjects with the modifications appearing in the scheduled provisions.

3. In the scheduled provisions—

The expression "teachers" means teachers (by whatever title designated) in agricultural subjects.

The expression "committee of agriculture" means a committee appointed under section 14 of the Agriculture and Technical Instruction (Ireland) Act, 1899, by the council of any county for the purposes of agriculture and other rural industries, and includes—

- (a) a joint committee appointed under that section by any two or more public bodies for those purposes ; and
- (b) to the extent to which any powers exerciseable under the scheduled provisions remain vested in the county council or public body appointing or represented on any such committee, that county council or public body.

The expression "agricultural institution" means the North-west Agricultural School, Strabane, the Ulster Dairy School, Cookstown, and any similar agricultural institution which may be established and managed by the Ministry of Agriculture for Northern Ireland.

Given at the Council Chamber, Stormont Castle, Belfast,
this 29th day of May, 1925.

JAMES CRAIG,
H. M. POLLOCK,
R. DAWSON BATES,
J. M. ANDREWS.

SCHEDULE

PROVISIONS OF THE ACT REFERRED TO IN ARTICLE 2 OF THIS ORDER.

Training and Certification of Teachers.

65. It shall be the duty of the Ministry of Agriculture to make Regulations as to the training and certification of teachers for Schools or Schemes to or in respect of which grants may be made by that Ministry out of moneys provided by Parliament, and teachers for agricultural institutions.

Appointment of Teachers.

66. Every teacher appointed by a committee of agriculture in connection with a school or scheme to or in respect of which grants are made out of moneys provided by Parliament, or appointed by the Ministry of Agriculture to teach at an agricultural institution, shall have such qualifications as may be approved by that Ministry.

Terms of Employment by Committees of Agriculture.

67. The terms upon which a teacher is employed by a committee of agriculture shall be set forth in the agreement entered into between the teacher and the committee, and such agreement shall be in such form as may be approved by the Ministry of Agriculture.

Procedure on Dismissal of Teacher.

68. If at any time within six weeks after a teacher employed by a committee of agriculture in connection with a school or scheme to or in respect of which grants are made out of moneys provided by Parliament has been notified of dismissal from the employment of the committee, a petition is presented to the Ministry of Agriculture by the teacher praying for an inquiry into the reasons for his dismissal, that Ministry shall cause to be made such inquiry as it thinks fit, and if, as the result of such inquiry (at which the teacher may be represented) the Ministry of Agriculture is of opinion that the dismissal is not reasonably justifiable, that Ministry shall communicate such opinion to the committee of agriculture and to the teacher, with a view to reconsideration of the decision, and, in the event of the committee of agriculture not departing from their decision the Ministry of Agriculture may withhold or reduce any grant payable to or in respect of the school or scheme out of moneys provided by Parliament, but the teacher affected may be paid a salary for a period not exceeding twelve months :

Provided that nothing in this section shall affect the power of a committee of agriculture summarily to suspend any teacher from the performance of duty.

Salary Scales for Teachers.

69. It shall be the duty of the Ministry of Agriculture, after consultation with the Ministry of Finance, to frame, and from time to time as occasion requires to alter, minimum scales of salaries for the various classes of teachers employed by committees of agriculture in connection with schools or schemes to or in respect of which grants are made out of moneys provided by Parliament, and teachers employed at agricultural institutions ; and the Ministry may by regulations require, as a condition for the payment of such grants, that the teachers shall be remunerated at rates not lower than those specified in such minimum scales. The decision of the Ministry, if any question arises as to the eligibility of a teacher to be placed upon a scale, or as to the amount payable in accordance with a scale, shall be final.

Regulations of Ministry of Agriculture.

99. (1) The Ministry of Agriculture may make all such regulations as are required to be made by it under the scheduled provisions, or as may appear to that Ministry to be necessary, or proper for giving full effect to the scheduled provisions, or for adapting the provisions of any enactment (including any local Act) or Order of the Lord Lieutenant in Council in such manner as may appear to the Ministry of Agriculture to be necessary in Order to bring such last-mentioned provisions into conformity with the scheduled provisions ; and any such regulations shall except as hereafter in this section provided, have effect as if enacted in the Act, but may be varied or revoked by a subsequent regulation.

(3) Regulations made by the Ministry of Agriculture shall be laid before both Houses of Parliament as soon as may be after they are made, and, if an address is presented to the Governor of Northern Ireland by either of those Houses within ten days on which that House has sat next after any such regulations are laid before it, praying that the regulations may be annulled, the said Governor may thereupon by Order in Council annul the same, and the regulations so annulled, shall forthwith become void, but without prejudice to the validity of anything which in the meantime may have been done thereunder.

Definitions.

108. In the scheduled provisions the expressions "Ministry of Finance" and "Ministry of Agriculture" mean respectively the Ministry of Finance for Northern Ireland and the Ministry of Agriculture for Northern Ireland.

Education Authorities—Borrowing Regulations.

MADE UNDER SECTION 74 OF THE EDUCATION ACT (NORTHERN IRELAND), 1923, BY THE MINISTRY OF EDUCATION FOR NORTHERN IRELAND AFTER CONSULTATION WITH THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS FOR NORTHERN IRELAND.

1925. No. 33.

The Ministry of Education for Northern Ireland in pursuance of the provisions of section 74 of the Education Act (Northern Ireland), 1923, and in virtue of all powers thereunto enabling it, and after consultation with the Ministry of Home Affairs for Northern Ireland hereby makes the Regulations following:—

1. These Regulations may be cited as the Education Authorities (Northern Ireland) Borrowing Regulations, 1925.
2. In these Regulations, unless the context otherwise requires,
 - (1) "The Ministry" means the Ministry of Education for Northern Ireland.
 - (2) "The Ministry of Home Affairs" means the Ministry of Home Affairs for Northern Ireland.
 - (3) "The Act" means the Education Act (Northern Ireland), 1923.
3. An education authority which proposes to exercise its borrowing powers under Section 74 of the Act shall publish fourteen days at least before applying to the Ministry for its consent under the Section, notice of intention to apply for such consent. Such publication shall be made at least once in one or more of the newspapers circulating in the area within which the works which are to be the subject of the borrowing will be situate.

The notice shall also specify the works proposed and the estimated expenditure.