PETTY SESSIONS CLERK

confirmed, provided that he shall be deemed to be on probation, and his appointment shall not be confirmed until he has satisfied. the Secretary as to his legal knowledge as provided by Rule 11 hereof.

Given at Belfast, this 22nd day of November, 1923. By Their Excellencies' Command.

R. Dawson Bates.

Assistants, Belfast.

MADE BY THE LORDS JUSTICES OF NORTHERN IRELAND, PURSUANT TO THE PETTY SESSIONS CLERK (IRELAND) AMENDMENT ACT, 1907, 7 Edw. 7. c. 22.

1927. No. 112.

Whereas by the Clerk of Petty Sessions (Ireland) Act the Lord Lieutenant was empowered to make Rules for the purposes of carrying into effect the provisions of that Act, and by the Petty Sessions Clerk (Ireland) Amendment Act, 1907, the said power was extended to the making of Rules respecting the qualifications, salaries, appointment, and removal of assistants of the Clerk of Petty Sessions at Belfast :

And whereas by the Government of Ireland Act, 1920, the Irsjh Free State (Consequential Provisions) Act, 1922, and the Orders made thereunder, the powers formerly vested in the Lord Lieutenant are now in their application to Northern Ireland vested in the Governor of Northern Ireland :

Now We, the Lords Justices of Northern Ireland, in pursuance of the powers conferred upon us by the above Acts and all other powers us thereunto enabling, Do hereby make the following Rules respecting the qualifications, salaries, appointment and removal of assistants of the Clerk of Petty Sessions at Belfast :

(i) The limits of age of persons hereafter to be appointed assistants of the Clerk of Petty Sessions at Belfast shall be from eighteen to thirty years at time of appointment, except where a candidate

(a) Has previously served as a Petty Sessions Clerk or

(b) Has previously served in a clerical capacity in the Police Courts at Belfast, and has been paid as such by the Ministry of Home Affairs when the age limit may be from 18 to 35 years.

(ii) The Clerk of Petty Sessions at Belfast shall examine all candidates for the post of assistant, and shall furnish a report to the Lord Mayor and Resident Magistrates of Belfast of the qualifications of the candidates for the post, and as to their knowledge of Shorthand. The Lord Mayor and Resident Magistrates aforesaid after consideration of such report, shall appoint the candidate whom they consider best qualified for the post, but the appointment shall be subject to the approval of the Minister of Home Affairs and to the approved candidate being certified medically fit by a doctor nominated by the Secretary of the Ministry of Home Affairs.

(iii) Every newly-appointed Assistant shall be appointed on probation for six months, and on the expiration of said period, if he has performed his duties to the satisfaction of the Resident Magistrates and Clerk of Petty Sessions of Belfast, his appointment shall be confirmed by the Minister of Home Affairs.

(iv) Any alteration in the number of Assistants at Belfast shall be subject to the approval of the Minister of Home-Affairs.

(v) An Assistant who has previously served as a Petty-Sessions Clerk may, subject to the approval of the Minister of Home Affairs, be permitted to count his service as Petty Sessions Clerk towards pension. Every three years' serviceas Petty Sessions Clerk shall be allowed to count for increments as one year's service as Assistant. A Petty Sessions Clerk who has perviously served as an Assistant. may be permitted, subject to the approval of the Ministerof Home Affairs, to reckon his pervious service as Assistant towards pension only. This paragraph shall apply to Clerks and Assistants already on office, provided the Assistant or Clerk is not already in receipt of a pension for previous service under the Crown, and noarrears of salary or increment shall under any circumstances be granted. In the event of a person who has previously served in a clerical capacity in the Police Courts. at Belfast being appointed as Assistant, every three years of such previous service shall count as one year's service for pension as Assistant. An Assistant to the Clerk of Petty Sessions of Belfast who is paid by the Ministry of Home Affairs, and who previously held office as Clerk of of Petty Sessions, may retain the privilege attached to latter appointment of being eligible for re-appointment to the office of Clerk of Petty Sessions up to 55 years of age. An Assistant to the Clerk of Petty Sessions at Belfast who is paid by the Ministry of Home Affairs, and who has at least 5 years' approved service, shall be eligible for appointment to the office of Clerk of Petty Sessions up to 55 years of age.

(vi) In case any charge of neglect, incompetence or misconduct is made against any Assistant of the Clerk of Petty Sessions at Belfast, it shall be lawful for the Minister of Home Affaiirs to make an Order suspending such Assistant from his office, and the Lord Mayor and Resident Magistrates of Belfast may appoint some other person to act as Assistant for the time being.

Sub-sections 1 and 2 of Section viii. of 21 & 22 Vic., c. 100, and any Acts amending same, shall apply to the Assistant's of the Clerk of Petty Sessions of Belfast.

(vii) On a vacancy occurring in the office of Chief Assistant of the Clerk of Petty Sessions at Belfast, it shall be lawful to appoint a person direct to that office under paragraphs i, ii, and iii, of this Order, or for the Lord Mayor and Resident Magistrates of Belfast to select one of the Assistants for the office, provided that in the latter case such selection shall be subject to the approval of the Minister of Home Affairs.

(viii) No Assistant shall be granted an increase of salary unless he shall have performed his duties to the satisfaction of the Resident Magistrates and the Clerk of Petty Sessions of Belfast, and the promotion of any Assistant shall be subject to the approval of the Minister of Home Affairs.

(ix) Any Orders made by the Lord Lieutanant or by the Governor of Northern Ireland as to gratuity, pension, or retirements from age or infirmity of Petty Sessions Clerks shall, so far as applicable, govern like matters in the case of Assistants of the Clerk of Petty Sessions of Belfast.

Given at Belfast this 22nd day of November, 1923, by their Excellencies' command.

R. Dawson Bates,

PHARMACY AND POISONS.

ORDER MADE BY THE GOVERNOR OF NORTHERN IRELAND IN COUNCIL APPROVING RESOLUTION PASSED BY THE PHARMACEUTICAL SOCIETY OF NORTHERN IRELAND AND THE MEDICAL FACULTY OF QUEEN'S UNIVERSITY, BELFAST, AMENDING PART II OF THE FOURTH SCHEDULE TO THE PHARMACY AND POISONS ACT (NORTHERN IRELAND), 1925.

1927. No. 123.

Whereas by Section 1 of the Poisons (Ireland) Act, 1870, it is enacted that the several Articles named or described in the Schedule A. to that Act shall be deemed poisons within the meaning of the Act and that the King and Queen's College of Physicians in Ireland may from time to time, by resolution, declare that any article in such resolution named ought to be