4. For the purpose of these regulations the expression "education authority" includes the Council of an urban county district which is making separate provision by virtue of the provisions of Part IV. of the Act for technical instruction in that district in accordance with a financial scheme approved by the Ministry.

5. The grants payable under Regulation (3) shall be paid by the Ministry in such portions and at such times as the Ministry may think proper.

6. These Regulations shall only apply to grants payable in respect of the financial year ending 31st March, 1933.

7. In the case of doubt or dispute as to the meaning and effect of any of these Regulations, the decision of the Ministry thereon shall be final.

8. These Regulations may be cited as the Parliamentary Grant (Education Authorities) Regulations, 1932-33.

Given under the Seal of the Ministry of Education for Northern Ireland, this third day of December, 1931.

(L.S.) *A. N. Bonaparte Wyse,*
Secretary.

The Ministry of Finance for Northern Ireland hereby approves of the foregoing Regulations, in witness whereof the Official Seal of the Ministry has been affixed hereto, this fifth day of December, 1931, in the presence of

(L.S.) *G. C. Duggan,*
Assistant Secretary.

Public Elementary Schools : Building and Improvement Grants.

REGULATIONS, DATED 11TH MARCH, 1931, MADE BY THE MINISTRY OF EDUCATION UNDER SECTION 10 OF THE EDUCATION ACT (NORTHERN IRELAND), 1930, WITH THE CONSENT OF THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE, AND LAID BEFORE PARLIAMENT IN PURSUANCE OF SECTION 99 (2) OF THE EDUCATION ACT (NORTHERN IRELAND), 1923.

1931. No. 22.

1. Article 5 of the Building and Improvement Grants (Voluntary Schools) Regulations, 1930 (Statutory Rules and Orders of Northern Ireland, 1930, No. 118) (hereinafter called the "Principal

Regulations") is hereby repealed, and the following Article substituted therefor :—

"5.—(*a*) No grant will be sanctioned unless the Ministry is satisfied that local contributions will be provided sufficient in conjunction with the Ministry's Grant to complete the works in accordance with the plans approved by the Ministry.

(*b*) The first instalment of the Ministry's grant for building purposes will not be paid until at least one-tenth of the total cost of the works has been expended from the local contribution. Thereafter the Ministry, subject to the provisions of Article 18 of these Regulations, will repay to the applicant one-half of the further amounts expended on production of the vouchers for these payments up to a limit of eight-tenths of the total approved expenditure on the works. The remaining one-tenth will be issued by the Ministry on completion of the works."

2. Article 18 of the Principal Regulations is hereby amended by the addition thereto of the following proviso :—

"Provided, however, that the Ministry's contribution under these Regulations shall not become payable until the contract for the erection of the school or the alteration, enlargement or reconstruction of the existing school has been executed."

3. In case of doubt or dispute as to the meaning and effect of any of these Regulations the decision of the Ministry thereon shall be final.

4. These Regulations may be cited as the "Building and Improvement Grants (Voluntary Schools) Regulations, 1930, Amending Regulations, No. 1, 1931," and shall be construed with and as forming part of the Principal Regulations.

Given under the Seal of the Ministry of Education for Northern Ireland this eleventh day of March, 1931.

(L.S.) *A. N. Bonaparte Wyse,*
Secretary.

The Ministry of Finance hereby approves of the foregoing Regulations, in witness whereof the Seal of the Ministry has been fixed thereto, this thirteenth day of March, 1931, in the presence of

(L.S.) *G. C. Duggan,*
Assistant Secretary.