place of business, or sent through the post in a letter addressed to him at either of such addresses, and a notice or other document purporting to be signed by an Inspector or any authorised officer shall be *prima facie* evidence that it was signed by such Inspector or such authorised officer, as the case may be, and duly authorised.

Commencement of the Order.

11. This Order shall come into operation on the 19th day of February, 1925.

Short Title.

12. This Order may be cited as the Foreign Seed Potatoes (Northern Ireland) Order, 1925.

In witness whereof the Official Seal of the Ministry of Agriculture for Northern Ireland is hereunto affixed this nineteenth day of February, nineteen hundred and twenty-five.

James S. Gordon,
Secretary.

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EDUCATION.
Advisory Council.

MADE BY THE MINISTER OF EDUCATION FOR NORTHERN IRELAND UNDER SUB-SECTION (2) OF SECTION 1 OF THE EDUCATION ACT (NORTHERN IRELAND), 1923.

1925. No. 19.

Whereas by Section 1 of the Education Act (Northern Ireland), 1923, (hereinafter referred to as "the Act") it is enacted that for the purpose of advising the Ministry of Education for Northern Ireland (hereinafter referred to as "the Ministry") on educational matters, there shall be established an Advisory Council, whose members shall be appointed by the Minister of Education for Northern Ireland:

And whereas it is further enacted in Sub-section (2) of the said Section of the Act that subject as therein provided the constitution and proceedings of the Council shall be regulated from time to time by Minutes to be made by the Minister and laid before both Houses of Parliament:

And whereas by virtue of an Order made by the Governor of Northern Ireland in Council under Section 109 of the Act the said Section 1 of the Act has come into operation;

Now, therefore, I, the Right Honourable the Marquess of Londonderry, Minister of Education for Northern Ireland, in exercise of the powers given to me in that behalf in the said Section of the Act and of all other powers thereunto enabling me, do by this Minute appoint an ADVISORY COUNCIL for the purpose of advising the Ministry on educational matters, constituted as set forth in the Schedule hereto annexed, and do specify as the first members of the Council the following persons, namely :

MR. G. E. ARMSTRONG, M.Sc.,
SENATOR H. B. ARMSTRONG,
MRS. HAROLD BARBOUR,
THE REV. J. BINGHAM, D.D.,
MRS. CHICHESTER, O.B.E., M.P.,
MR. JAMES COOPER, M.P.,
THE MOST REV. C. F. D'ARCY, D.D., Primate of All Ireland,
COLONEL W. D. GIBBON, M.A., D.S.O., M.C.,
MISS GOVAN,
SENATOR T. M. GREER,
MR. R. W. LIVINGSTONE, M.A., Litt.D.,
SIR R. J. LYNN, M.P.,
MR. S. M'GUFFIN, M.P.,
MR. W. T. MILLER, M.P.,
MR. J. M'NELIS,
CAPTAIN HON. H. G. H. MULHOLLAND, M.P.,
MISS SCOTT, B.A.,
MR. J. SMYTH, B.Sc.,
THE REV. W. H. SMYTH, M.A.,
MR. J. H. STIRLING,

and I appoint SIR R. J. LYNN to be Chairman, and MR. A. N. BONAPARTE WYSE, M.A., Assistant Secretary to the Ministry, to be Secretary, of the said Advisory Council.

Given under my hand this tenth day of March, 1925.

Londonderry,
Minister of Education
for Northern Ireland.

(L.S.)

SCHEDULE TO THE FOREGOING MINUTE.

1. The members and Chairman of the Council first appointed shall be as specified in the foregoing Minute.

2. The term of office of members of the Council first appointed shall expire on the 31st day of October, 1927, at which date the Council shall be reconstituted by the appointment by the Minister, for such period not exceeding three years as he may determine, of persons to take the place of the members going out of office.

3. Any member of the Council going out of office may be re-appointed.

4. The Council may nominate for temporary appointment from time to time by the Minister as additional members not more than seven persons having special knowledge of any matters which may be referred to the Council by the Minister. Such additional members may take part in the proceedings at

meetings of the Council and shall be entitled to vote thereat, but only on matters in respect of which they have been appointed temporarily as members of the Council. The Minister in appointing such additional members shall specify the nature of their appointment and their period of office.

5.—(1) The Minister shall appoint a member of the Council to be Chairman of the Council who shall hold office until the date for the reconstitution of the Council, but if he be re-appointed a member of the Council he may be re-appointed Chairman: Provided that if during his term of office the Chairman ceases to be a member of the Council or resigns the office of Chairman the Minister shall appoint a new Chairman.

(2) The Chairman shall preside at every meeting of the Council at which he is present.

6. Such person as the Minister appoints shall be the Secretary of the Council and shall hold office during the pleasure of the Minister.

7.—(1) At a meeting of the Council seven members shall be a quorum.

(2) The Council may appoint such and so many sub-committees as they think fit, and may, with the consent of the Minister, appoint as additional members of any such sub-committee persons not being members of the Council.

(3) The Council shall be summoned by the Minister and shall meet twice each year and at such other times as the Minister may consider necessary and notice of meetings shall be given to the members of the Council in such manner as the Minister appoints.

(4) Subject to the provisions of this Minute the Council may regulate their own procedure in such manner as they think fit.

(5) No act or proceeding of the Council shall be questioned on account of any vacancy in their body.

8. If a member of the Committee be absent from three consecutive meetings of the Council except for some reason approved by the Minister his office shall become vacant.

9. On a casual vacancy occurring in the Council by reason of the death, resignation or absence of a member, the Minister shall appoint another person in his place, and the person so appointed shall hold office until the date for the reconstitution of the Council.

10. Minutes of the proceedings of the Council shall be kept in a book provided for the purpose, and the Secretary of the Council shall furnish regularly to the Ministry copies of such Minutes when these have been duly confirmed. He shall also furnish to the Ministry not less than one week prior to the date of any meeting of the Council the complete agenda thereof.

11. The Minister, or any officer of the Ministry deputed by him for the purpose, may attend any meeting of the Council and may, with the consent of the Chairman, take part in the deliberations but may not vote.

12.—(1) The Council shall consider and report to the Minister upon such educational matters as may from time to time be referred to them by the Minister.

(2) The Council or any five members thereof may at any time propose to the Minister that any question affecting education shall form the subject of a reference to the Council, and the Minister shall receive and consider any such proposal and may, if he considers it desirable, summon special meetings for the consideration of any such proposal.

13. All reports, representations and statements of findings on matters referred by the Minister to the Council for consideration shall be submitted to the Minister, and the Minister reserves to himself the right to decide whether any, and if so, what reports, representations or other findings of the Council shall be published, and when and in what manner such publication shall be made.

14. No expenditure shall be incurred by the Council without the previous approval of the Ministry, and such expenditure as may be so approved shall be defrayed in such manner as may be directed by the Ministry of Finance.

15. If a question arises as to the interpretation of this Minute the decision of the Minister thereon shall be final.

16. The Minister may at any time revoke, alter or amend this Minute in manner provided in the Act.

17. This Minute may be cited as the Ministry of Education (Northern Ireland) Advisory Council Minute, 1925, and shall take effect on and from the first day of April, 1925.

Education Authorities—Acquisition of Land.

MADE BY THE MINISTRY OF EDUCATION FOR NORTHERN IRELAND UNDER THE PROVISIONS OF SECTION 99 (1) OF THE EDUCATION ACT (NORTHERN IRELAND), 1923, FOR GIVING EFFECT TO SECTION 81 (3) OF THE ACT.

1925. No. 32.

Whereas by Sub-section (3) of Section 81 of the Education Act (Northern Ireland), 1923, (hereinafter referred to as "the Act") it is enacted that an Education Authority may be authorised to purchase land compulsorily for the purpose of any of its powers and duties under the Act by means of an Order submitted to and confirmed by the Ministry of Education for Northern Ireland (hereinafter referred to as "the Ministry") in accordance with the provisions contained in the Fifth Schedule to the Act: Provided that no such Order shall be made for the compulsory purchase of the land or premises of any school existing at the appointed day.

And whereas Article 1 of the Fifth Schedule to the Act enacts that the Order submitted by a local Education Authority to and confirmed by the Ministry shall authorise the local Education Authority to put in force, as respects the lands specified in the Order, the provisions of the Lands Clauses Acts with respect to the purchase and taking of lands otherwise than by agreement.

And whereas by Article 3 of the said Schedule it is enacted that the Order shall be in the prescribed form and shall contain such provisions as the Ministry may prescribe for bringing the Order into effect, and shall incorporate, subject to the necessary adaptations, the Lands Clauses Acts as defined in the said Schedule.

And whereas by Article 4 of the said Schedule it is enacted that on submission of the Order to the Ministry notice of the Order shall be published by the Education Authority in the prescribed manner and such notice shall be given both in the locality in which the land is proposed to be acquired and to the owners, lessees and occupiers of that land as may be prescribed.