reduction which does not fall within sub-paragraph (a) or (b) of this paragraph shall be treated as temporary for a period of four weeks and no longer :

Provided that if the absence, interruption or reduction has been immediately preceded by an absence, interruption or reduction falling within sub-paragraph (a) or (b) of this paragraph, or by absence at a school, the said period of twelve weeks or four weeks shall not begin to run until after the termination of that immediately preceding absence, interruption or reduction as the case may be.

(2) Notwithstanding the provisions of sub-paragraph (*c*) of paragraph (1) of this regulation, any absence from a parent falling within that sub-paragraph shall cease to be treated as temporary if provision has been made for the child, other than by a person within the meaning of paragraph (2) of regulation 12, for a period of four weeks during which no such person other than that parent has been providing in his own home for the child or contributing at the rate of eight shillings a week or more to the cost of providing for the child elsewhere.

FLAX

REGULATIONS DATED 29TH JULY, 1953, MADE BY THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE UNDER SECTION EIGHTEEN OF THE FLAX (TEMPORARY PROVISIONS) ACT (NORTHERN IRELAND), 1953.

1953. No. 106

In exercise of the powers conferred upon it by section eighteen of the Flax (Temporary Provisions) Act (Northern Ireland), 1953, and of all other powers it enabling, the Ministry of Agriculture, with the approval, so far as it is required by the said Act, of the Ministry of Finance, and after consultation, so far as it is required as aforesaid, with representatives of persons whose interests appear to the Ministry to be likely to be affected, hereby makes the following Regulations :—

Short title and commencement.

1.—(1) These Regulations may be cited as the Flax (Temporary Provisions) Regulations (Northern Ireland), 1953.

(2) These Regulations shall come into force on 1st August, 1953.

Interpretation.

2.—(1) In these Regulations, unless the context otherwise requires, the expression —

" the Act " means the Flax (Temporary Provisions) Act (Northern Ireland) 1953 ; and

" the Ministry " means the Ministry of Agriculture.

(2) The Interpretation Act, 1889, shall apply to the interpretation of these Regulations in like manner as it applies to the interpretation of an Act of the Parliament of Northern Ireland.

Records and returns.

3. Persons to whom licences are issued by the Ministry under section two or section three of the Act and persons with whom arrangements are entered into by the Ministry under or for the purposes of section five of the Act shall —

(*a*) keep such a record of each of their purchases and sales of flax straw grown in the year 1953, and of flax or re-scutched tow produced therefrom as will show —

(i) the date thereof ;

(ii) the name and address of the other party to the transaction ;

(iii) the grade (if any) of any flax or re-scutched tow purchased or sold ;

(iv) the weight of any flax straw, flax or re-scutched tow purchased or sold, particulars of hand scutched flax and turbine scutched flax being recorded separately ; and

(v) the price ; and

(*b*) furnish to the Ministry —

(i) within one week from the date of any purchase of any such flax straw, flax or re-scutched tow, the aforesaid particulars of that purchase ; and

(ii) from time to time on the request of the Ministry, the aforesaid particulars of any sale of any such flax straw, flax or re-scutched tow.

Grading of flax.

4. Any dispute between the holder of a licence issued by the Ministry under section two of the Act and any flax grower as to the grading of any flax, being a dispute arising out of the purchase of that flax, shall be determined in the manner provided by the First Schedule to these Regulations.

Definition of "Grower" for purposes of certain payments under the Act.

5. For the purposes of making payments under section eleven or section twelve of the Act in connection with any flax or flax straw, the grower of the flax straw (whether retted or unretted) from which the flax sold is produced, or, as the case may be, the grower of the unretted flax straw sold, shall be deemed to be—

(*a*) the person who sells such flax or flax straw to the person authorised by the Ministry under the Act to buy it ; or, at the option of the Ministry,

(*b*) the person on whose behalf such flax or flax straw is so sold.

Payment in certain cases to a person other than the grower.

6. Where a person appearing to be entitled to receive a payment under section eleven or section twelve of the Act dies before payment thereof has been made to him, the said payment may, on production of probate, letters of administration or other satisfactory evidence of entitlement, be paid by the Ministry to his personal representatives for the benefit of his estate.