shall be disregarded in determining the sums received or which ought to have been received by the Authority for the purposes of this Regulation.

3.—(1) The fire service grant payable to the Authority in respect of any financial year by virtue of section five of the Act shall be paid as soon as the Ministry receives from the Authority an abstract, certified by a local government auditor, of the accounts for that financial year kept by the Authority in pursuance of section eight of the Act.

(2) The Ministry shall, in paying a fire service grant, take into account any payments on account made under sub-section (2) of section five of the Act.

Sealed with the Official Seal of the Ministry of Home Affairs for Northern Ireland this 7th day of December, nineteen hundred and fifty in the presence of

(L.S.) *H. C. Montgomery*,
Assistant Secretary.

Qualifications of Fire Officers

REGULATIONS, DATED 29TH SEPTEMBER, 1950, MADE BY THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS UNDER SUB-SECTION (2) OF SECTION SIX OF THE FIRE SERVICES ACT (NORTHERN IRELAND) (REPRINT), 1947, AS AMENDED BY THE FIRE SERVICES (AMENDMENT) ACT (NORTHERN IRELAND), 1950.

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The Ministry of Home Affairs for Northern Ireland, by virtue and in exercise of the powers conferred upon it by sub-section (2) of section six of the Fire Services Act (Northern Ireland) (Reprint), 1947, as amended by the Fire Services (Amendment) Act (Northern Ireland), 1950, hereby makes the following Regulations :—

1.—(1) These Regulations may be cited as the Fire Services (Qualifications of Fire Officers) Regulations (Northern Ireland), 1950.

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

(3) In these Regulations " the Authority " means the Northern Ireland Fire Authority, and " the Ministry " means the Ministry of Home Affairs for Northern Ireland.

2. The qualifications of fire officers shall be as set forth in the Schedule to these Regulations.