AND LOCAL GOVERNMENT (ADMINISTRATIVE PROVISIONS) ACT (NORTHERN IRELAND), 1946.

1948. No. 178

The Ministry of Health and Local Government for Northern Ireland, in exercise of the powers conferred on it by the Public Health and Local Government (Administrative Provisions) Act (Northern Ireland), 1946, (hereinafter called " the Act "), hereby makes the following Regulations :—

1.—(1) These Regulations may be cited as the Public Health and Local Government (Administrative Provisions) (Appointed Day) Regulations (Northern Ireland), 1948.

(2) The Interpretation Act, 1921 applies for the purpose of the interpretation of these Regulations in like manner as it applies for the interpretation of an Act of the Parliament of Northern Ireland.

2. The provisions of the Act specified in the Schedule hereto shall come into operation on the fifth day of July, 1948.

3. The operation of the provisions of sub-section (7) of section ten of the Act shall have the effect of terminating :

(*a*) the position of medical officer of health of the district held by every medical officer of a dispensary district by virtue of section eleven of the Public Health (Ireland) Act, 1878 ; and

(*b*) the position of medical superintendent officer of health under the said section eleven.

Sealed with the Official Seal of the Ministry of Health and Local Government for Northern Ireland this second day of July, one thousand nine hundred and forty-eight, in the presence of

(L.S.) *Thos. Elwood,*
Assistant Secretary.

SCHEDULE

Provisions of the Act to be brought into operation.
Sub-section (7) of Section 10.
Section 20.

Qualifications and Duties of Medical Officers

REGULATIONS, DATED 22ND JANUARY, 1948, MADE BY THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND LOCAL GOVERNMENT UNDER SECTIONS TEN AND TWENTY-EIGHT OF THE PUBLIC HEALTH AND LOCAL GOVERNMENT (ADMINISTRATIVE PROVISIONS) ACT (NORTHERN IRELAND), 1946.

1948. No. 26

The Ministry of Health and Local Government for Northern Ireland (in these Regulations referred to as " the Ministry "), in exercise of

the powers conferred on it by sections ten and twenty-eight of the Public Health and Local Government (Administrative Provisions) Act (Northern Ireland), 1946 (in these Regulations referred to as " the Act") and of all other powers in that behalf enabling the Ministry, hereby makes the following regulations, that is to say :—

1.—(1) These Regulations may be cited as the Health Authorities (Qualifications and Duties of Medical Officers) Regulations (Northern Ireland), 1948.

(2) The Interpretation Act, 1921, shall apply for the purpose of the interpretation of these Regulations in like manner as it applies to the interpretation of an Act of the Parliament of Northern Ireland.

2. A person shall not be qualified to be appointed Medical Officer of Health, Deputy Medical Officer of Health, or Assistant Medical Officer of a county or county borough, or Medical Officer of Health of a borough or urban or rural district or any combination thereof within a county and Assistant Medical Officer of a county, unless —

(1) (*a*) he is a registered medical practitioner and is also registered in the medical register as the holder of a diploma in sanitary science, public health or state medicine ; and

(*b*) he has had —

(i) for the office of Medical Officer of Health of a county or county borough, not less than five years' experience in general public health duties in a whole time capacity ;

(ii) for the office of Deputy Medical Officer of Health of a county or county borough or for the joint office of Medical Officer of Health in a borough or urban or rural district or any combination thereof within a county and Assistant Medical Officer of a county, not less than two years' experience in general public health duties in a whole-time capacity :—

as a medical officer of health, deputy medical officer of health or assistant medical officer of health under a local authority :

provided that any period of experience, in the case of an appointment to the office referred to in paragraph (1) (*b*) (i) of this regulation, not exceeding two years, and in the case of an appointment to either of the offices referred to in paragraph (1) (*b*) (ii) of this regulation, not exceeding one year, that he has had in comparable duties in time of war emergency in one of the medical branches of the armed forces of the Crown may be counted in computing the aforesaid periods ; and provided that, in order to fulfil the requirement of two years' experience in general public health duties for any of the posts set out at paragraph (1) (*b*) (ii) of this Regulation, a school medical officer or a maternity and child welfare medical officer employed whole-time in that capacity