B. — DISBURSEMENTS.

I.— IN A CONTESTED ELECTION.

	In a Constituency in a Parliamentary County	In a Constituency in a Parliamentary Borough
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4. For the remuneration of persons employed for the purpose of despatching and receiving the ballot papers of persons entitled to vote by post—		
(*a*) if the number of persons entitled to vote by post does not exceed 50	0 15 0	
(*b*) for each additional 50 or fraction thereof an additional	0 15 0	

REGULATIONS, DATED 28TH SEPTEMBER, 1946, MADE BY THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS WITH THE CONCURRENCE OF THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE UNDER SECTION FORTY OF THE ELECTIONS AND FRANCHISE ACT (NORTHERN IRELAND), 1946, PRESCRIBING THE FEES AND SCALE OF MAXIMUM CHARGES OF RETURNING OFFICERS AT ELECTIONS OF MEMBERS OF THE HOUSE OF COMMONS OF NORTHERN IRELAND.

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The Ministry of Home Affairs for Northern Ireland (hereinafter referred to as " the Ministry "), in exercise of the powers conferred upon it by Section Forty of the Elections and Franchise Act (Northern Ireland), 1946, (hereinafter referred to as " the Act of 1946 "), and of all other powers in that behalf thereunto enabling the Ministry, hereby makes the following Regulations, that is to say :—

1. The Returning Officer at the election of a member to serve in the House of Commons of Northern Ireland for a constituency (other than the Queen's University Constituency) constituted by the House of Commons (Method of Voting and Redistribution of Seats) Act (Northern Ireland), 1929, shall, in respect of the conduct of such election, be entitled, in accordance with the provisions of Sub-section 1 of Section Thirty-nine of the Act of 1946, to receive for his own services the fees specified in that behalf in Section A of the Schedule hereto, and, in accordance with the provisions of Sub-section 1 of Section Forty of the Act of 1946, to his reasonable charges for any expenses properly incurred by him not exceeding the sums specified in that behalf in Section B of the said Schedule, provided that the charges for disbursements shall in no case exceed the sums actually and necessarily paid or payable.

2. The scale of fees and charges prescribed by these Regulations shall apply to all elections to the Parliament of Northern Ireland (other than elections of members for the Queen's University Constituency) conducted after the date of these Regulations until varied, altered, or revoked by any further or other Regulations made by the Ministry pursuant to the powers aforesaid.

3. The Returning Officer shall, for the purpose of payment to him of such fees and expenses, render to the Ministry accounts thereof in the manner and form and at such times as the Ministry may, with the concurrence of the Ministry of Finance, from time to time direct.

4. The Interpretation Act, 1889, as applied to Northern Ireland by the Interpretation Act, 1921, shall apply to the interpretation of these Regulations as it applies to the interpretation of an Act of Parliament.

5. These Regulations may be cited as the Electoral (Parliamentary Returning Officers' Charges) Regulations (Northern Ireland), 1946.

Sealed with the Official Seal of the Ministry of Home Affairs for Northern Ireland this 28th day of September, One Thousand Nine Hundred and Forty-Six, in the presence of

(L.S.) *J. B. O'Neill,*
Assistant Secretary.

Approved by the Ministry of Finance for Northern Ireland this 16th day of January, One Thousand Nine Hundred and Forty-Seven.

Thom McCrea,
Assistant Secretary.

SCHEDULE

A. — FOR SERVICES OF RETURNING OFFICERS

I. — IN A CONTESTED ELECTION

Fee (to include the cost of such legal assistance, if any, as the Returning Officer may determine to employ) for conducting the election and generally performing all the duties which a Returning Officer is required to perform under any enactments relating to Parliamentary Elections —

(i)	For every constituency in a Parliamentary County	£27	10	0.
(ii)	For every constituency in a Parliamentary Borough	£22	10	0.

II. — IN AN UNCONTESTED ELECTION

One-half of the sums allowed for a contested election.