BRICKS AND STONE.

Control of Bricks, Stone, Cement, Tar and Bitumen.

ORDER, DATED 30TH APRIL, 1941, MADE BY THE MINISTRY OF COMMERCE UNDER REGULATION 55 OF THE DEFENCE (GENERAL) REGULATIONS, 1939.

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WHEREAS by paragraph 1 of Regulation 55 of the Defence (General) Regulations, 1939, it is provided that a competent authority may, for the purposes of maintaining supplies essential to the life of the community, provide for regulating the production, treatment, keeping, storage, movement, transport, distribution, disposal, acquisition, use or consumption of articles of any description, and, in particular, for controlling the prices at which such articles may be sold :

AND WHEREAS for the purposes of the said Regulation, in its application to Northern Ireland, the Secretary of State is a competent authority :

AND WHEREAS the Secretary of State has delegated to the Ministry of Commerce for Northern Ireland (hereinafter called " the Ministry ") his powers under the said Regulation for the purpose of the control of bricks, stone, cement, tar and bitumen ;

NOW, THEREFORE, the Ministry makes the following order :—

1.—Every person who produces bricks, stone, cement, tar or bitumen, in Northern Ireland, or who brings bricks, stone, cement, tar or bitumen into Northern Ireland, shall if required so to do hold the same at the disposal of the Ministry and shall not sell or otherwise dispose of any bricks, stone, cement, tar or bitumen except in accordance with such prices and terms (if any) as may from time to time be determined by the Ministry.

2.—Every person who produces bricks, stone, cement, tar or bitumen in Northern Ireland, or who brings bricks, stone, cement, tar or bitumen into Northern Ireland shall furnish to the Ministry such estimates, returns or information in regard to his production, disposal and stocks as may be requested by the Ministry and shall upon request produce to any person authorised by the Ministry in that behalf such books, accounts or other documents relating to his undertaking as may be mentioned in the request.

3.—Every person who produces bricks, stone, cement, tar or bitumen in Northern Ireland or who brings bricks, stone, cement, tar or bitumen into Northern Ireland shall carry out any directions given by the Ministry in regard to his production, treatment, keeping, storage, movement, transport, distribution, and disposal of bricks, stone, cement, tar or bitumen.