than any insured person who had been accepted by or assigned to him in accordance with the provisions of sub-paragraphs (*c*) and (*e*) above) and have since been accepted by or assigned to other practitioners, had not been so accepted or assigned.

4.—For the period of the present emergency, where any question arises under regulation 29 of the principal regulations, that question may, notwithstanding anything contained in the said regulation, be referred to the Chairman of the Medical Service Committee, and, if the Chairman is of opinion that an investigation by that Committee is unnecessary, the Ministry may dispense with such investigation.

Given under the Official Seal of the Ministry of Labour for Northern Ireland this 14th day of June, in the year one thousand nine hundred and forty.

(L.S.) *W. Allen,*
Assistant Secretary to the Ministry of Labour for Northern Ireland.

Medical Benefit Council.

REGULATIONS, DATED 16TH DAY OF MARCH, 1940, MADE BY THE MINISTRY OF LABOUR FOR NORTHERN IRELAND UNDER THE NATIONAL HEALTH INSURANCE ACTS (NORTHERN IRELAND), 1936 TO 1939.

1940. No. 28.

The Ministry of Labour for Northern Ireland in exercise of the powers conferred on it by the National Health Insurance Acts (Northern Ireland), 1936 to 1939, and of all other powers enabling it in that behalf, hereby makes the following Regulations :—

1.—These Regulations may be cited as the National Health Insurance (Medical Benefit Council) (Amendment) Regulations (Northern Ireland), 1940, and shall be read as one with the National Health Insurance (Medical Benefit Council) Regulations (Northern Ireland), 1936, hereinafter referred to as the Principal Regulations.

2.—Sub-paragraph (*a*) of the proviso to Regulation 23 of the Principal Regulations shall not apply for the period of the present emergency.

3.—In these Regulations, " period of the present emergency " has the meaning assigned to it by Section 17 of the National Health Insurance and Contributory Pensions (Emergency Provisions) Act, 1939.