Bates, Bart., D.L., M.P.

The Right Honourable J. F. Gordon, M.P. Senator the Right Honourable J. H. Robb,

Captain the Right Honourable Sir Basil S. Brooke, Bart., C.B.E., M.C., D.L., M.P.

The Right Honourable J Milne Barbour,

D.L., M.P.
The Right Honourable J. C. MacDermott, K.Č., M.P.

His Majesty's Letters Patent constituting the Office of Governor of Northern Ireland and His Majesty's Instructions to the Governor were read to the Members of the Executive Committee by the Clerk of the

> R. GRANSDEN, Clerk of the Council.

MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS FOR NORTHERN IRELAND. EXPLOSIVES ACT, 1875.

Whereas Sergeant John Benson (No. 1280), of the Royal Ulster Constabulary, was, on the 21st day of June, 1927, appointed to be an Inspector for Northern Ireland under the Explosives Act, 1875:

And whereas the said Sergeant John Benson is no longer available for the duties

of Inspector:

Now, I, the Right Honourable Sir Richard Dawson Bates, Baronet, D.L., M.P., being the Minister of Home Affairs for Northern Ireland, in virtue of the power conferred on me by Section 53 of the said Act, and of every other power enabling me in this behalf, do hereby order that the said Sergeant John Benson shall from this date cease to exercise the powers and perform the duties of an Inspector under the said, Act.

R. DAWSON BATES. Minister of Home Affairs for Northern Ireland.

Stormont, Belfast. 4th December, 1940.

EXPLOSIVES ACT, 1875.

In virtue of the power conferred on me by Section 53 of the Explosives Act, 1875, and of every other power enabling me in this behalf, I, the Right Honourable Sir Richard Dawson Bates, Baronet, D.L., M.P., being the Minister of Home Affairs for Northern Ireland hereby appoint Sergeant David Alexander Walker (No. 4683), of the Royal Ulster Constabulary, as an Inspector for Northern Ireland under the said Act, and do hereby direct him to exercise only such powers and to perform such duties under the said Act as I shall from time to time assign to him.

> R. DAWSON BATES, Minister of Home Affairs for Northern Ireland.

Stormont. Belfast. 4th December, 1940.

The Right Honourable Sir R. Dawson | STATUTORY RULES AND ORDERS OF NORTHERN IRELAND, 1940, No. 156.

EMERGENCY POWERS (DEFENCE).

BELFAST COUNTY BOROUGH COUNCIL: TRANSFER OF CIVIL DEFENCE FUNCTIONS.

Order, dated 6th December, 1940, made by the Ministry of Public Security under Regulation 29A of the Defence (General) Regulations, 1939.

Whereas it appears to the Ministry of Public Security for Northern Ireland (here-inafter referred to as "the Ministry" that it is necessary in the interests of the public safety that the following direction should be given, and expedient that this Order should be made:

Now, therefore, in pursuance of the powers conferred upon it by Regulation 29A of the Defence (General) Regulations, 1939, and of all other powers enabling it in that behalf, the Ministry hereby directs and orders as follows:

1. The civil defence functions of the Council of the County Borough of Belfast (hereinafter referred to as "the Council") are hereby transferred to the following persons :-

Percival Brown, Esquire, Councillor, of Iona,

506 Antrim Road, Belfast.

James Collins, Esquire, Councillor, of 28 St. James' Park, Belfast.

Malcolm McKibbin, Esquire, Councillor. of Braid,

> Balmoral, Belfast.

The said Percival Brown, James Collins, and Malcolm McKibbin shall, in the exercise and performance of the said functions be styled and known as," the Belfast Civil Defence Authority."

- 2. Subject to the provisions of this Order and so long as it remains in force, the Belfast Civil Defence Authority shall exercise and perform the powers and duties of the Council in relation to the civil defence functions hereby transferred to it.
- The Belfast Civil Defence Authority shall comply with such standing Orders for the regulation of its proceedings as may from time to time be approved by the Ministry.
- 4. All officers and servants of the Council shall, in relation to civil defence functions, act in accordance with the orders and directions of the Belfast Civil Defence Authority.
- (1) All expenditure incurred by the Belfast Civil Defence Authority shall, in so far as it has been incurred with the approval of the Ministry, be discharged by the Belfast City Treasurer out of the funds of the Council on the directions of the said Authority.