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FRIDAY, 25th JUNE, 1948.

His Excellency the Governor of Northern Ireland has been pleased by Warrants under his hand dated the 7th day of June, 1948, to appoint Alfred James Belford, Esquire, Barrister-at-Law, to be Umpire for the purposes of the National Insurance Act (Northern Ireland), 1946, and the National Insurance (Industrial Injuries) Act (Northern Ireland), 1946.

Ministry of Labour and National Insurance for Northern Ireland, Stormont, Relfast.

STATUTORY RULES AND ORDERS OF NORTHERN IRELAND, 1948, No. 156.

HEALTH SERVICES HOSPITALS—EXEMPTION

Order, dated 15th June, 1948, made by the Ministry of Health and Local Government under section twenty-three of the Health Services Act (Nor-thern Ireland), 1948.

WHEREAS it is provided in sub-section (8) of section twenty-three of the Health Services Act (Northern Ireland), 1948, (in this Order referred to as "the Act") that if the governing body of any voluntary hospital desires that hospital to be expensed from the provisions of the Act and within voluntary hospital desires that hospital to be exempted from the provisions of the Act and within twenty-eight days after the passing of the Act, through its duly authorised officer, makes application, in writing, to the Ministry of Health and Local Government for Northern Ireland (in this Order referred to as "the Ministry") for such exemption, the Ministry may, if it thinks fit, make an Order exempting such hospital from all the provisions of the Act, and thereupon the provisions of section twenty-three of the Act shall have effect subject to such Order, and that hospital shall be deemed not to be a hospital for the purpose of any of the provisions of the Act: for the purpose of any of the provisions of the Act:

'AND WHEREAS the governing body of the hospitals known as the Ulster Volunteer Force Hospitals has made application, in writing, dated the 25th February, 1948 (that is, within 28 days after the passing of the Act) to the Ministry in the form set out in the Schedule to this Order for the exemp-

tion of the Craigavon and Galwally Ulster Volunteer Hospitals, Belfast, from the provisions of the Act:
AND WHEREAS the Ministry thinks fit, having regard to the terms of that application, to make an Order under the provisions of sub-section (8) of section twenty these of the Act: section twenty-three of the Act:

NOW, THEREFORE, the Ministry, in exercise of the powers conferred on it by sub-section (8) of section twenty-three of the Act, hereby orders that the Ulster Volunteer Force Hospitals (including the Craigavon and Galwally Hospitals) be exempted from all the provisions of the Act.



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

William Grant, Minister of Health and Local Government for Northern Ireland.

Schedule

U.V.F. Hospitals, Galwally, Belfast.

25th February, 1948.

The Secretary, Ministry of Health and Local Government, Stormont, Belfast.

Dear Sir,

HEALTH SERVICES ACT (N.I.), 1948

I am instructed by the Board of Management of these hospitals to inform you that the Board, being the governing body of the Craigavon and Galwally Ulster Volunteer Force Hospitals, Belfast, desires to secure the exemption of those hospitals from the terms of the Health Services Act (N.I.), 1948, and hereby makes application for their exemption in accordance with Section 23 (8) of the Act.

Yours faithfully,

W. J. THOMPSON, Secretary.