General Authorisation.

5. Any duly qualified medical practitioner, or any person lawfully keeping open shop for the retailing of poisons in accordance with the provisions of the Pharmacy Act, 1868, as amended by the Poisons and Pharmacy Act, 1908, or any person employed or engaged in dispensing medicines at any public hospital or other public institution being a person duly registered under the Pharmacy Act, 1868, as amended by the Poisons and Pharmacy Act, 1908, or any registered veterinary surgeon or any person in charge of a laboratory for purposes of research or instruction attached to any University, University College, public hospital or other institution approved by the Secretary of State for the purpose, or any person appointed by a local authority with the approval of the Minister of Health as an analyst for the purposes of the Sale of Food and Drugs Acts, 1875 to 1907, is hereby authorised so far as is necessary for the practice of his profession or employment in such capacity to be in possession of and supply raw opium, but subject always to the provisions of the foregoing regulation.

6. In the event of any person authorised by these Regulations or by any authority granted by the Secretary of State to be in possession of or supply raw opium being convicted of an offence against the Act or an offence under the enactments relating to the Customs as applied by the Act the Secretary of State may by notice in the London, Edinburgh or Dublin Gazette withdraw the authorisation aforesaid in respect of such person if in the opinion of the Secretary of State such person cannot pro-

perly be allowed to be in possession of or supply raw opium.

Delivery to Messengers.

7. No person shall deliver any raw opium to any person not licensed or otherwise authorised to be in possession of raw opium who purports to be sent by or on behalf of a person so licensed or authorised unless such person produces an authority in writing, signed by the person so licensed or authorised, to receive the raw opium on his behalf and unless the person supplying the raw opium is satisfied that the authority is genuine.

Meaning of "Possession."

8. Raw opium in the order or disposition of any person shall, for the purpose of these Regulations, be deemed to be in his possession.

Application to Ireland

9. In the application of these Regulations to Ireland a reference to the Poisons (Ireland) Act, 1870, the Pharmacy (Ireland) Act, 1875, and the Pharmacy (Ireland) Act, 1875 (Amendment) Act, 1890, shall be substituted for any reference to the Pharmacy Act, 1868.

Commencement.

10. These Regulations shall come into force on the 1st day of September, 1921.

Edward Shortt,

One of His Majesty's Principal Secretaries of State.

Whitehall. 20th May, 1921.

SCHEDULE.

Raw Opium.

(a) Record of Raw Opium purchased or otherwise obtained.

Date on which supply received.	Name of person, body orifirm from whom obtained.	Address of person, body or firm from whom obtained.	Amount obtained.	Form in which obtained, i.e., raw, powdered or granulated.
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Date on which the bransaction was effected.	Name of person, body or firm to whom sold or supplied.	Address of person, body or firm to whom sold or supplied.	Authority of person, body or firm to be in possession of raw opium.	Amount sold or suppled.	Form in which sold or supplied, i.e., raw, powdered or granulated.
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