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TUESDAY, 23 MARCH, 1926.

At the Court at Buckingham Palace, the 19th day of March, 1926.

PRESENT,

The KING's Most Excellent Majesty in Council.

WHEREAS by Section ten of the Government of Ireland Act, 1920, it was provided that certain powers should as from the appointed day become powers of the Council of Ireland and not of the Governments and Parliaments of Southern Ireland and Northern Ireland:

And whereas by the Irish Free State (Consequential Provisions) Act, 1922, it was provided that the appointed day for the transfer in relation to Northern Ireland of such powers as aforesaid should be such day as might thereafter be fixed by Order in Council, not being earlier than such date as was therein mentioned:

And whereas by an agreement confirmed by the Ireland (Confirmation of Agreement) Act, 1925, it was agreed that in relation to Northern Ireland such powers as aforesaid should be transferred to the Parliament and Government of Northern Ireland, and by the said Act it was provided that the date for such transfer shall be the first day of April, nineteen hundred and twenty-six, and that that date shall, in relation to the transfer of those powers, be the appointed day for the purposes of the Government of Ireland Act, 1920:

And whereas by virtue of the powers conferred by Section sixty-nine of the Government of Ireland Act, 1920, various Orders in Council (including those hereinafter mentioned) have

been made for adapting enactments, so far as they relate to Northern Ireland, regulating the powers so to be transferred as aforesaid:

And whereas it is necessary on the account of the urgency of the matters dealt with by this Order that this Order should come into operation forthwith:

Now, therefore, His Majesty is pleased, by and with the advice of His Privy Council, to order, and it is hereby ordered, as follows:—

1.—(1) This Order may be cited as the Government of Ireland (Transfer of Powers of the Council of Ireland) Order, 1926, and shall come into operation provisionally as from the date hereof in accordance with the provisions of Section two of the Rules Publication Act, 1893.

(2) The Interpretation Act, 1889, applies to the interpretation of this Order in like manner as it applies to the interpretation of an Act of Parliament.

2. As from the first day of April, nineteen hundred and twenty-six, the following Orders shall be revoked; that is to say:—

- (a) The Provisional Government (Council of Ireland) Order, 1922;
- (b) The Diseases of Animals (Northern Ireland) Order, 1924;
- (c) The Fisheries (Northern Ireland) Order, 1925.

3. The Government of Ireland (Transfer and Apportionment of Property) Order, 1922, shall apply to any property or assets held by or in trust for any department or authority of the Government of the United Kingdom held solely or partly for the purposes of the adminis-