

firstly, whether the sum appropriated in aid of the Ministry's Vote in the preceding financial year diverges from one-eighth of the income of the Fund other than advances by the Ministry of Finance and after deducting the interest paid on such advances, and the amount of such divergence, if any; and secondly, whether the aforesaid one-eighth exceeds the expenditure out of moneys provided by Parliament incurred by the Ministry or by any other Government Department during the same period in carrying into effect the Unemployment Insurance Acts (Northern Ireland) 1920 to 1923, and the amount of such excess, if any.

8. The Ministry of Finance shall thereupon certify to the Ministry whether adjustment is necessary, and if adjustment is necessary the Ministry shall accordingly either make such transfer from the Fund to be appropriated in aid of the Ministry's Vote or so diminish one or more of the sums to be appropriated in aid under Regulation 3, as may be required.

9. The Ministry of Finance may require such Accounting Departments as appear to them to have defrayed, during any financial year, expenses in connection with the administration of the Unemployment Insurance Acts (Northern Ireland), 1920 to 1923, to transmit to them statements of such expenses defrayed from the Votes administered by the respective Departments.

10. The Unemployment Insurance (Appropriations in Aid) Regulations, 1921 (S.R. & O., 1921 No. 1854), dated 3rd December, 1921, are hereby revoked as regards their application to Northern Ireland.

11. These Regulations shall be deemed to have had effect as from the 6th day of April, 1922.

Sealed with the Official Seal of the Ministry of Finance, this 19th day of October, 1923, in the presence of

G. C. Duggan,
Assistant Secretary.

(O.S.)

Computation of Periods.

MADE BY THE MINISTRY OF LABOUR FOR NORTHERN IRELAND UNDER
THE UNEMPLOYMENT INSURANCE ACT (NORTHERN IRELAND),
1920 TO 1923.

1923. No. 31.

For the purpose of providing that in computing a continuous period of unemployment within the meaning of section six of the Unemployment Insurance Act (Northern Ireland), 1923 (hereinafter referred to as "the Act"), a period of consecutive days shall be treated as exclusive of Sundays, and for the purpose of allowing in certain cases an earlier date to be substituted for that prescribed by Section seven of the Act as the date of the commencement of a period of unemploy-

ment, the Ministry of Labour for Northern Ireland by virtue of the powers conferred on it by the said sections and of all other powers enabling it in that behalf hereby makes the following Regulations :—

1. For the purposes of section six of the Act a period of consecutive days shall be exclusive of Sundays.

2. If in any case an insured contributor claiming benefit in respect of a period of unemployment proves that he was on a date earlier than that upon which he made application for benefit in the prescribed manner in all respects qualified to make the claim, and that there was good cause for his failure to make the claim on that date, such earlier date shall for the purpose of determining the commencement of that period of unemployment be substituted for the date on which the insured contributor made application for benefit in the prescribed manner.

3. These Regulations may be cited as the Unemployment Insurance (Computation of Periods) Regulations (Northern Ireland), 1923, and article 1 thereof shall be deemed to have effect as from the twelfth day of April, nineteen hundred and twenty-three.

Given under the Official Seal of the Ministry of Labour for Northern Ireland this 31st day of May, 1923.

(Signed),

J. A. Dale,

(L.S.)

Secretary of the Ministry of
Labour for Northern Ireland.

Continuous Period of Unemployment (Transitional).

MADE BY THE MINISTRY OF LABOUR FOR NORTHERN IRELAND UNDER
THE UNEMPLOYMENT INSURANCE ACT (NORTHERN IRELAND), 1923.

1923. No. 34.

For the purpose of providing for the transition from the provisions of the Unemployment Insurance Acts (Northern Ireland), 1920 to 1922, relating to continuous periods of unemployment to the provisions of section six of the Unemployment Insurance Act (Northern Ireland), 1923 (hereinafter referred to as the Act of 1923), the Ministry of Labour for Northern Ireland by virtue of the powers conferred on it by the said section and of all other powers enabling it in that behalf, hereby makes the following regulations :—

1. Where a continuous period of unemployment of not less than one week occurs before the commencement of section six of the Act of 1923 and is followed by a continuous period of unemployment beginning on a date between the commencement of that section and the third day of May, 1923, those two continuous periods of unemployment shall, if separated by a period of not more than six weeks be treated as a continuous period of unemployment.