or has commuted such pension or allowance or any part thereof, the amount of such pension, allowance or gratuity may be taken into consideration in the assessment of any pension, allowance or gratuity under this Order and such pension, allowance or gratuity may be reduced, suspended or disallowed accordingly if, in all the circumstances of the case, it seems equitable so to do..

2. If a member of the force or any widow, child or dependant of a member of the force is entitled to or is already in receipt of any pension, allowance or gratuity from the Imperial Government in respect of service in the Royal Irish Constabulary or has commuted such pension or allowance or any part thereof, the amount of such pension allowance or gratuity may be taken into consideration in the assessment of any pension, allowance or gratuity under this Order, if, in all the circumstances of the case, it seems equitable so to do.

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

2nd December, 1924.

SCHEDULE.

Scales of Pensions, Allowances and Gratuities.
CHILDREN'S ALLOWANCES.

1. Members of the force or pensioner dying as the result of non-accidental injury received in the execution of duty—The allowance in respect of each child who has not attained the age of sixteen shall be an annual allowance, up to the time that the child attains the age of sixteen, at the rate of one-twelfth of the annual pay, and if he leaves no widow or the widow dies before all the children attain the age of sixteen the allowance may be increased up to two-twelfths of such pay in respect of each child under sixteen; but in any case the aggregate amount paid in any year by way of children's allowances when added to the widow's pension, if any, shall not exceed two-thirds of such pay.

THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS FOR NORTHERN IRELAND.

THE ILLEGITIMATE CHILDREN (AFFILIATION ORDERS) ACT (NORTHERN IRELAND).

WHEREAS by Section 8 (5) of the Illegitimate Children (Affiliation Orders) Act, 1924, it is enacted that where a court of summary jurisdiction makes an Order for the periodical payment of money through the collecting officer, there shall be paid to such officer out of the Petty Sessions Clerks' (Northern Ireland) Fund, in manner provided by rules of the Ministry of Home Affairs for Northern Ireland (hereinafter referred to as "the Ministry") under this Act, a sum in respect of his remuneration and expenses, not exceeding such percentage of the money actually paid through the collecting officer in pursuance of the Order as may be fixed by those rules:

Now, therefore the Ministry in exercise of the powers vested in it as aforesaid, and of all other powers in this behalf enabling the Ministry doth hereby make the following

1. The Collecting Officer of each County Borough or Petty Sessions District shall, as soon after the end of each quarter as may be practicable, forward to the Secretary of the Ministry, in each case where under the terms of an Affiliation Order payments are directed to be made to him, a copy of the said Order.

- 2. He shall also forward to the Secretary of the Ministry a statement setting out in each case the payments which he has received and the amount paid over by him to the mother or other person who under the said Order is ultimately to receive these payments, and he shall attach a receipt signed by the mother or such other person aforesaid for each payment made by him.
- 3. Where the Order is for the payment of a weekly sum or the expenses incidental to the birth or the funeral expenses of a child the Collecting Officer shall be paid quarterly, when his statement has been examined and approved by the Ministry, out of the Petty Sessions Clerks' (Northern Ireland) Fund five per cent. of the money actually paid through him during the previous quarter.
- 4. When the Order is for the payment of any lump sum save as hereinbefore mentioned the Collecting Officer shall be paid such percentage of the lump sum as may be fixed by the Ministry after consideration of all the circumstances of the case.
- 5. This Order may be cited as The Affiliation Orders (Payment of Collecting Officers) Order, 1925.

Given under the Seal of the Ministry
of Home Affairs for Northern Ireland, this 1st day of January, in the
year One Thousand Nine Hundred
and Twenty-five.

A. P. MAGILL, Assistant Secretary.

The Ministry of Commerce for Northern Ireland has appointed the following Gentlemen to act as Public Valuers for Northern Ireland for the year ending 31st December, 1925, under the provisions of the Friendly Societies Act, 1896 (59 and 60 Vict., cap. 25), viz. :—

Austin, H. H., 252 High Holborn, London, W.C.¹
 Bacon, James, Temple Chambers, Temple Avenue, London, E.C.4.

Barrett, W. G., 196 Strand, London, W.C.2.

Burrows, V. A., Temple Chambers, Temple Avenue, London, E.C.4.

Galer, F. B., 34 Coleman Street, London, E.C.2. Green, A. J., 234 St. Vincent Street, Glasgow.

Maudling, R. G., Temple Chambers, Temple Avenue, London, E.C.4.

Meiklem, W. H., Norwich Union Life Insurance Society, Norwich.

Robertson, J. H., 79 West Regent Street, Glasgow.

Rusher, E. A., Christ Church Cottage, Hamp-stead, London, N.W.3.

Tayler, H. Hosking, 252 High Holborn, London, W.C.1.

Worthington, W., Royal Insurance Buildings, 1 North John Street, Liverpool.

> W. D. SCOTT, Secretary.

Ministry of Commerce, 13, Wellington Place, Belfast, 1st January, 1925.