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Office of the Privy Council of
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25th November, 1959.

A meeting of the Privy Council of Northern Ireland was held at Government House, Hillsborough, today, at which the following were present—

His Excellency the Governor of Northern Ireland.
The Right Honourable the Lord Chief Justice of Northern Ireland.
Capt. The Right Honourable T. M. O'Neill, M.P.
The Right Honourable W. B. Maginess, M.P.
The Right Honourable Lord Justice Black.

His Excellency signified his approval to the Northern Ireland Winter Assize Order, 1959, and to a Warrant for the issue of a Commission for the Northern Ireland Winter Assizes, 1959, fixing the Court House of the County of Antrim at Belfast as the venue for the forthcoming Winter Assizes.

A. J. KELLY, *Clerk of the Council.*

SUPREME COURT, NORTHERN IRELAND WINTER ASSIZE

THE NORTHERN IRELAND WINTER ASSIZE ORDER, 1959

By the Governor in the Privy Council of Northern Ireland

WAKEHURST

I, John de Vere, Baron Wakehurst, Knight Commander of the Most Distinguished Order of Saint Michael and Saint George, Governor of Northern Ireland, by and with the advice and consent of Her Majesty's Privy Council in Northern Ireland, in pursuance of the Winter Assizes Act, 1876, and of the Supreme Court of Judicature Act (Ireland), 1877, and of the Government of Ireland Act, 1920, and the Orders made by Her Majesty in Council under the last mentioned Act, and of all other powers in that behalf do hereby order as follows:—

Definition of the Winter Assize County

1. The county of Antrim, the county of Armagh, the county of Down, the county of Fermanagh, the

county of Londonderry, the county of the City of Londonderry, and the county of Tyrone, for the purposes of the next Winter Assizes and of this Order, shall be united together and form one county under the name of the Northern Ireland Winter Assize County.

Place for Holding the Assizes

2. The next Winter Assizes for the said Winter Assize County shall be held in the Court House of the County of Antrim at Belfast.

Jurisdiction

3. The Court at the Winter Assizes at Belfast shall have jurisdiction to try any prisoner committed for trial at Assizes or Quarter Sessions, and also any person bound by recognizance to surrender and take his or her trial at Assizes or Quarter Sessions in the said Winter Assize County, who may be brought before it, and any indictment which has been heretofore found by any Grand Jury in any of the aforesaid counties, the trial of which stands postponed, and any person against whom depositions have been taken although not committed for trial, against whom a bill of indictment shall be preferred by the authority of Her Majesty's Attorney-General for Northern Ireland for any indictable offence committed within the said Winter Assize County, and shall have the same powers with respect to the trial of and passing sentence upon such prisoner or person, and the trial of such indictment, as a Court of Oyer and Terminer and General Gaol Delivery would have had at the Assizes in the county where, but for the said Acts and Orders and this Order, such prisoner or person or such indictment would have been tried and for the purpose of giving effect to any sentence, whether it be a sentence of capital punishment, or of imprisonment, shall have power to commit such prisoner or person to prison there to be dealt with according to law; and any indictment found by the Grand Jury at the said Winter Assizes, the trial of which shall stand postponed, shall be a good and valid indictment to be tried at any future Court of Oyer and Terminer and General Gaol Delivery or Quarter Sessions for the county where the offence is charged to have been committed, or is deemed to have been committed.