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.

2. Any days of unemployment occurring between the commencement of section six of the Act of 1923 and the third day of May, 1923, which, together with any days of unemployment occurring before the commencement of that section, might have been treated under the Unemployment Insurance Acts (Northern Ireland), 1920 to 1922, as a continuous period of unemployment, may, together with such days, be so treated, notwithstanding the repeal of the provisions of the last-mentioned Acts relating to the computation of continuous periods of unemployment.

3. A continuous period of unemployment which begins before and continues after the commencement of section six of the Act of 1923 shall, together with :—

(a) any previous continuous period of unemployment of not less than one week from which it is separated by an interval of not more than six weeks ; and

(b) any subsequent continuous period of unemployment from which it is separated by a period of less than three weeks.

be treated as a continuous period of unemployment.

4. In these Regulations, the expression "continuous period of unemployment" where it refers to a period beginning after the commencement of section six of the Act of 1923 has the same meaning as in that Act, and where it refers to a period occurring or beginning before the commencement of that section has the same meaning as in the Unemployment Insurance Acts (Northern Ireland), 1920 to 1922.

5. These Regulations may be cited as the Unemployment Insurance (Continuous Period of Unemployment) (Transitional) Regulations (Northern Ireland), 1923.

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

(Signed),

(L.S.) *J. A. Dale,*

Secretary, Ministry of Labour for Northern Ireland.

Courts of Referees (Amending).

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

1923. No. 41.

The Ministry of Labour for Northern Ireland by virtue of the powers conferred on it by the Unemployment Insurance Acts (Northern Ireland), 1920 to 1923, and of all other powers enabling it in that behalf hereby makes the following Regulations :—