## Elections : Boroughs.

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To the Mayor, Aldermen and Councillors of every Borough in Northern Ireland not being a County Borough ;

To the Town Clerk of every such Borough ;

And to all others whom it may concern :

WHEREAS the Ministry of Home Affairs for Northern Ireland by an Order under Seal bearing date the 7th day of December, 1922, entitled the Urban District Councillors and Town Commissioners (Northern Ireland) Election Order, 1922, and made in exercise of the powers vested in the Ministry by the Local Government Acts (Northern Ireland), 1898 to 1922, did apply the provisions of the Urban District Councillors and Town Commissioners (Ireland) Election Order, 1898, being an Order made by the Local Government Board for Ireland (which Order is hereinafter referred to as "the Principal Order"), as amended by two Orders of the said Local Government Board bearing date respectively the 29th day of November, 1901, and the 11th day of September, 1914, for the purpose of the elections of urban district councillors and of town commissioners in towns not being urban districts in Northern Ireland subject to the additions and amendments therein contained :

And whereas the said Ministry of Home Affairs by an Order under Seal bearing date the 23rd day of December, 1927, entitled the Aldermen and Councillors of Boroughs (Northern Ireland) Election Order, 1927, and made in exercise of the powers vested in the Ministry by the Local Government Acts (Northern Ireland), 1898 to 1924, did apply the Principal Order, as amended and applied as aforesaid, for the purpose of the elections of aldermen and councillors in boroughs not being county boroughs in Northern Ireland subject to the amendments therein contained :

And whereas provision is contained in Rule 18 of the Principal Order to prevent a local government elector voting in more than one ward in a borough not being a county borough :

And whereas it is enacted by sub-section 6 of the Section substituted for Section 4 of the Representation of the People Act, 1918, by the Representation of the People Act (Northern Ireland), 1928, that nothing in sub-section (2) of Section 8 of the Representation of the People Act, 1918, or in the Local Government (Ireland) Act, 1898, or any similar enactment shall be construed so as to prevent a person registered as a local government elector in respect of several company qualifications possessed by different companies from voting in one or more wards by virtue of each company qualification in respect of which he is registered, or from voting by virtue of a qualification other than a company qualification in respect of which he is registered as a local

government elector and would apart from the said Section 4, as so substituted, be entitled to vote :

And whereas it appears expedient to the said Ministry to amend and vary the Principal Order, as applied to boroughs as aforesaid, in manner hereinafter appearing :

Now, therefore, the Ministry of Home Affairs for Northern Ireland in exercise of every power in this behalf enabling the Ministry hereby orders and directs as follows :—

1. Nothing contained in Rule 18 of the Principal Order shall be construed so as to prevent a person registered as a local government elector in respect of several company qualifications possessed by different companies from voting in one or more wards by virtue of each company qualification in respect of which he is registered or from voting by virtue of a qualification other than a company qualification in respect of which he is registered :

2. Sub-section 2 of Rule 18 of the Principal Order shall be read and have effect as if for paragraph (*b*) thereof the following were substituted :—

(*b*) " Have you already voted at the present election of aldermen and councillors, or councillors in the Borough of as the case may be, in respect of a qualification other than a company qualification ? "

3. Section 27 of the First Schedule to the Ballot Act, 1872, as adapted and printed in the Third Schedule to the Principal Order shall have effect subject to the following amendments :—

(1) The words " in respect of a qualification other than a company qualification " shall be inserted in the form of oath in the said Rule prescribed immediately after the word " ward " in line 5 of the said form.

(2) The words " in respect of a qualification other than a company qualification " shall be inserted in the form of affirmation in the said Rule prescribed immediately after the word " ward " at the end of the said form.

4. This Order may be cited as the Aldermen and Councillors of Boroughs (Northern Ireland) Election Order, 1929, and shall be construed as one with the Principal Order as amended and applied as aforesaid.

Given under the Seal of the Ministry of Home Affairs for Northern Ireland, this 1st day of May, 1929.

(L.S.) *D. L. Clarke,*
Assistant Secretary.