And Whereas Rule 50 in the First Schedule to the Ballot Act, 1872, as set out in the Third Schedule to the Principal Order (which Rule as so set out is hereinafter referred to as "Rule 50") provides with respect to Elections of Aldermen and Councillors that the presiding officer may do by the clerks appointed to assist him any act which he is required or authorised to do by the Act at a polling station except ordering the arrest, exclusion or ejection from the polling station of any person :

And Whereas it appears expedient to the Ministry that so much of the Third Schedule to the Principal Order as sets out Rule 50 for the purpose of Elections of Aldermen and Councillors should be amended 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. So much of Rule 50 as prevents the presiding officer of a polling station at Elections for Aldermen and Councillors from empowering the Clerks appointed to assist him to order the arrest or exclusion or ejection from the polling station of any person shall cease to have effect.

2. This Order shall be cited as the Aldermen and Councillors of Boroughs (Northern Ireland) Election Order, 1931 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 11th day of February, 1931.

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

Elections : County Boroughs.

1931. No. 11.

To the Council of each County Borough in Northern Ireland :
To the Town Clerk of each such County Borough :
And to all others whom it may concern :

WHEREAS in exercise of the powers vested in it by the Local Government Acts (Northern Ireland), 1898 to 1929, the Ministry of Home Affairs for Northern Ireland by an Order under Seal entitled the Aldermen and Councillors of County Boroughs (Northern Ireland) Election (Consolidation) Order, 1929 (hereinafter referred to as "the Order") did order and direct that subject to any directions that might be given by the said Ministry, or until the Ministry should otherwise order, the Rules contained

in the said Order should be observed in connection with the election of Aldermen and Councillors of County Boroughs in Northern Ireland :

And Whereas it is provided by Article 24 of the Order that the provisions of the Ballot Act, 1872, which, with adaptations and alterations are set out in the Third Schedule to the Order, shall subject to such adaptations and alterations apply to the Elections of Aldermen and Councillors of County Boroughs in Northern Ireland :

And Whereas Rule 50 in the First Schedule to the Ballot Act, 1872, as set out in the Third Schedule to the Order (which Rule as so set out is hereinafter referred to as " Rule 50 ") provides with respect to Elections of Aldermen and Councillors of County Boroughs in Northern Ireland that the presiding officer may do by the clerks appointed to assist him any act which he is required or authorised to do by the Act at a polling station, except ordering the arrest, exclusion or ejection from the polling station of any person :

And Whereas it appears expedient to the Ministry that so much of the Third Schedule to the Order as sets out Rule 50 for the purpose of Elections of Aldermen and Councillors of County Boroughs should be amended 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. So much of Rule 50 as prevents the presiding officer of a polling station at Elections for Alderman and Councillors of County Boroughs from empowering the clerks appointed to assist him to order the arrest or exclusion or ejection from the polling station of any person shall cease to have effect.

2. This Order shall be cited as the Aldermen and Councillors of County Boroughs (Northern Ireland) Election Order, 1931, and shall be construed as one with the Order.

Given under the Seal of the Ministry of Home Affairs for Northern Ireland, this 11th day of February, 1931.

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