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 Guardians 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 Guardians 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 Guardians (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,*
Assistant Secretary.

Elections : Urban Districts and Towns.

1931. No. 14.

To the County Council of every Administrative County in Northern Ireland :
To the Urban District Council of every Urban District in Northern Ireland not being a Borough :
To the Clerk of every such Urban District Council :
To the Town Commissioners of every Town having Commissioners under any Act but which is not an Urban District :
To the Clerk of the Town Commissioners of every such Town :
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 election 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 it is provided by Article 23 of the Principal Order that the provisions of the Ballot Act, 1872, which with adaptations and alterations are set out in the Third Schedule to the Principal Order shall subject to such adaptations and alterations apply to the elections of urban district councillors and town commissioners :

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 Urban District Councillors and Town Commissioners 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 Principal Order as sets out Rule 50 for the purpose of Elections of Urban District Councillors and Town Commissioners 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 Urban District Councillors and Town Commissioners 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 Urban District Councillors and Town Commissioners (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.