Seed Potatoes.

(Standards.)

Grading.

To be in accordance with terms of contract.

Packing.

(*a*) All packages to be 112 lbs. net weight, except in the case of packages to which labels are attached showing the actual net weight.

(*b*) All potatoes produced in Northern Ireland and sold or offered or exposed for sale under the name of a particular variety must be the produce of a crop inspected by the Ministry and certified by the Ministry to be of a purity of not less than 99½ per cent. All potatoes so sold or offered or exposed must also be packed in containers which bear either a brand or a label showing the name of the variety and the number of the purity certificate issued by the Ministry for the crop from which the potatoes were produced.

All seed potatoes from uncertified crops must be either labelled or branded as "produce of non-certified crops" or as "mixed varieties."

(*c*) Any package shall be so packed that any tubers exposed to view or which would be exposed to view if the package were opened in the ordinary manner, fairly represent in size, condition and variety the entire contents of the package.

Standard of Quality.

Potatoes to be—

(*a*) in clean and sufficiently dry condition to enable defects to be observed, and to prevent heating or decay of potatoes in storage;

(*b*) free from mixture with foreign matter;

(*c*) practically free from dirt, misshapen tubers, rot diseases, injurious diseases or damage of any kind that would impair the vitality of the tubers.

Tolerance for Defects.

Non-conformity to grade—5 lbs. per 112 lbs.

Frost—Nil.

Soft rot—½ lb. per 112 lbs.

Earth—1 lb. per 112 lbs.

Other defects—3 lbs. per 112 lbs. provided that the total defects other than non-conformity to grade do not exceed 3 lbs.

PROSECUTORS' AND WITNESSES' EXPENSES.

Regulations.

THE PROSECUTORS' AND WITNESSES' EXPENSES REGULATIONS (NORTHERN IRELAND), 1934, DATED THE 22ND DAY OF NOVEMBER, 1934.

1934. No. 100.

WHEREAS it is enacted by Section 41 of the Local Government Act (Northern Ireland), 1934, that certain expenses of prosecutors or witnesses or in connection with prosecutions which would apart from that enactment have been chargeable to counties in accordance with the provisions of Section 105 of the Grand Juries (Ireland) Act, 1836, Section 4 of the Constabulary (Ireland) Act, 1851, and Section 14 of the Criminal Justice Act, 1855, shall be paid out of monies provided by Parliament and that all such expenses shall be paid and accounted for by such officer and in any such manner as may be provided in Regulations

to be made by the Ministry of Home Affairs with the approval of the Ministry of Finance :

Now, therefore, the said Ministry of Home Affairs, in exercise of the powers conferred by the Local Government Act (Northern Ireland), 1934, and all other powers it thereunto enabling with the approval of the Ministry of Finance, hereby makes the following Regulations :—

1.—(1) These Regulations may be cited as the Prosecutors' and Witnesses' Expenses Regulations (Northern Ireland), 1934.

(2) In these Regulations the following expressions have the meanings respectively assigned to them, namely :—

" The Ministry " means the Ministry of Home Affairs ;

" District Inspector " means a District Inspector of the Royal Ulster Constabulary and includes a Sub-Inspector of Constabulary as referred to in the Constabulary (Ireland) Act, 1851 ;

" District " means a Police District under the control of a District Inspector ;

" The Force " means the Royal Ulster Constabulary, and includes the Constabulary Force referred to in the Constabulary (Ireland) Act, 1851 ;

" Justices' Certificate " means a certificate given by a Justice or Justices or other authority in accordance with Section 4 of the Constabulary (Ireland) Act, 1851 ;

" Justices' Order " means an Order made by the Justices in Petty Sessions in accordance with Section 14 of the Criminal Justice Act, 1855, for the payment of fees or expenses ;

" Court Order " means an Order made by a Court of Assize or Quarter Sessions for the payment of expenses of prosecutors and witnesses in accordance with Section 105 of the Grand Juries (Ireland) Act, 1836.

The Interpretation Act, 1889, as applied to Northern Ireland by the Interpretation Act, 1921, shall apply for the interpretation of these Regulations as it applies for the interpretation of an Act of Parliament.

2.—(1) All expenses incurred in the conveyance of witnesses to any Assizes or Quarter Sessions included in a Justices' Certificate and defrayed by the District Inspector in accordance with Section 4 of the Constabulary (Ireland) Act, 1851, out of his public funds shall, as soon as may be after the close of the Assizes or Quarter Sessions as the case may be, be recovered by him from the Crown Solicitor for the County in which his District is situated, who after examining the account of such expenses together with the vouchers for the payments made and the

Justices' Certificates, and being satisfied of the reasonableness and accuracy of the account shall pay to the District Inspector the amount thereof out of his public funds and shall charge the same in his public account, provided that no travelling expenses or subsistence or other allowances paid to any member of the Force shall be included in any such account.

(2) All expenses incurred in the conveyance of any witnesses for examination before a Justice or Coroner included in any Justices' Certificate shall be defrayed by the District Inspector of the District in which the offence shall be charged to have been committed and shall be accounted for by him as part of the expenses payable out of monies provided by Parliament for such purposes.

(3) All expenses included in any Justices' Certificate other than the expenses specified in sub-articles (1) and (2) of this article shall be defrayed by the District Inspector out of his public funds and shall be charged and accounted for by him as part of the expenses of the Force, in accordance with the regulations and instructions for the time being in force in respect thereof.

3. All fees and expenses included in a Justices' Order shall be paid by the District Inspector of the District in which the offence shall be charged to have been committed and shall be accounted for by him as part of the expenses payable out of monies provided by Parliament for such purposes.

4. All expenses and allowances included in any Court Order shall be paid by the Crown Solicitor for the County in which the offence shall have been or shall have been alleged to have been committed and shall be accounted for in his public account and every order made out and delivered by the Clerk of the Crown and Peace in accordance with Section 105 of the Grand Juries (Ireland) Act, 1836, shall be addressed to the bank in the books of which the public account of such Crown Solicitor is kept and the bank is hereby authorised and required to pay out of such public account to the prosecutor or witness named in such order or to any person by him authorised any sum of money so ordered.

Given under the Seal of the Ministry of Home Affairs for Northern Ireland this twenty-second day of November, 1934.

(L.S.) (Signed), *W. A. Magill,*
Assistant Secretary.

The Ministry of Finance approves of the foregoing Regulations, in witness whereof the official Seal of the Ministry of Finance has been affixed this 22nd day of November, 1934, in the presence of

(L.S.) (Signed), *G. C. Duggan,*
Assistant Secretary.