sufficient accommodation. The annual rate of the contribution shall not exceed the total amount of the grants (exclusive of annual capitation grant) which would have been payable to the school had it not been discontinued.

(b) The Ministry may also, with the concurrence of the Ministry of Finance, make a contribution towards the cost of conveying children to a public elementary school, where this course is considered desirable as an alternative to the establishment of a new school. The annual rate of the contribution shall not exceed the total amount of the grants (exclusive of annual capitation grant) which would have been payable annually by the Ministry to a new school had it been established.

(c) Before undertaking to make a contribution under either of the foregoing sections of this rule the Ministry must be satisfied that the number of children habitually using the vehicle will not be less than ten, and the continuance of the contribution shall be dependent upon the fulfilment of that condition.

(d) In any case where the Ministry has undertaken to make a contribution towards the cost of the conveyance of children to school, it may also, with the concurrence of the Ministry of Finance, make a grant towards the initial cost of providing a suitable vehicle for the service ; but such grant shall be made only on the condition that, if the service be afterwards discontinued, the vehicle shall be sold, and part of the proceeds, representing the proportion of the original cost contributed from Public Funds, paid over to the Ministry.

8.—These regulations may be cited as the Public Elementary Education (Transitional Services) Regulations, 1924.

Given under the Seal of the Ministry of Education for Northern Ireland this 22nd day of May, 1924.

L. M'Quibban,

Secretary.

Public Elementary Education : Miscellaneous Services.

MADE BY THE MINISTRY OF EDUCATION, NORTHERN IRELAND, IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE PROVISIONS OF THE EDUCATION ACT (NORTHERN IRELAND), 1923.

1924. No. 33.

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In pursuance of the powers conferred by the Education Act (Northern Ireland), 1923 (hereinafter referred to as "the Act") the Ministry of Education for Northern Ireland (hereinafter

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referred to as "the Ministry") hereby makes the following Regulations :---

1.—(a) The Ministry shall pay all charges necessarily incurred in connection with the maintenance and upkeep of the Model schools, the lighting, heating and cleaning of the premises and grounds, the supply of equipment, and any other services considered by the Ministry to be necessary for the efficient conduct of such schools : Provided that if a Model School be transferred from the Ministry to the Education Authority under the provisions of Section 14 of the Act, the Ministry shall not be liable for the payment of any such charges incurred in connection with the Model school after the date of such transfer.

(b) Where a Public Elementary school is vested in the Ministry, the cost of keeping the schoolhouse and furniture in repair shall be defrayed by the Ministry : Provided that if a school so vested be transferred to the Education Authority under the provisions of Section 14 of the Act, the Ministry shall thereupon cease to be liable for the cost of keeping the schoolhouse and furniture in repair : And provided further that if such a school be not transferred to the Education Authority after the appointed day has been fixed enabling it to be so transferred, then the provisions of Section 15 of the Act shall apply, and the Ministry shall defray such portion of the aforesiad expenditure, if any, in respect of such school as may remain after deducting therefrom the contribution payable by the Education Authority under the said section.

(c) Where an official residence has been provided at the cost of the State for the principal teacher of a Model school, the Ministry shall pay such charges as are necessarily incurred in connection with the maintenance and upkeep of the residence : Provided that if a residence be transferred from the Ministry to the Education Authority under the provisions of Section 14 of the Act, the Ministry shall not be liable for the payment of any such charges incurred in connection with the residence after the date of such transfer.

2. The Ministry, in approved cases, may provide fuel and light, or an allowance in lieu thereof, or for house rent, etc., for principal teachers of Model Schools.

3. The school record books shall be granted gratuitously to public elementary schools by the Ministry, whose property they shall remain.

4. The Ministry may refund to Managers of Public Elementary schools the sums properly paid by them, under the provisions

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of the several Acts relating to Health and Unemployment Insurance, as employers' contributions in respect of recognised teachers in their employment to whom the said Acts apply.

5.—(a) The Ministry may, at its discretion, pay allowances to pupil teachers and monitors in respect of the travelling and lodging expenses necessarily incurred by them in attending the annual examination in their final year of service. Pupil teachers and monitors who have received such allowance shall not be eligible to receive any allowance in respect of expenses incurred by them in attending a subsequent examination as candidates for recognition as teacher, or for admission to a training College.

(b) The Ministry may also, at its discretion, pay allowances towards travelling and lodging expenses incurred by candidate teachers in attending the annual examinations for the first time as candidates for recognition as teacher. No person is eligible to receive such allowance more than once.

6. These regulations may be cited as the Public Elementary Education (Miscellaneous Services) Regulations, 1924.

Given under the Seal of the Ministry of Education for Northern Ireland this 19th day of June, 1924.

L. M'Quibban,

Secretary.

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Religious Instruction in Public Elementary Schools.

MADE BY THE MINISTRY OF EDUCATION, NORTHERN IRELAND, UNDER SECTION 29 OF THE EDUCATION ACT (NORTHERN IRELAND), 1923.

1924. No. 4.

Whereas by Section 29 of the Education Act (Northern Ireland), 1923 (in these Regulations referred to as "the Act"), it is enacted that the Ministry of Education for Northern Ireland (in these Regulations referred to as "the Ministry") shall make such regulations as it may consider necessary for securing that the provisions of Part V. of the Act in regard to religious instruction