

ORDER IN COUNCIL

Ratifying a Projet de Loi entitled

" The Non-Contributory Old Age and Blindness Pensions (Guernsey) Law, 1950 ".

(Registered on the Records of the Island of Guernsey
on the 18th day of February, 1950.)



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IN THE ROYAL COURT OF THE ISLAND OF GUERNSEY.

The 18th day of February, 1950, before Sir Ambrose James Sherwill, C.B.E., M.C., Bailiff ; present:—
Osmond Priaulx Gallienne, Esquire, Ernest de Garis, Esquire, O.B.E., Sir John Leale, James Frederick Carey, Arthur Falla, Pierre de Putron, Quertier Le Pelley, Walter John Sarre, Esquires, Richard Henry Johns, Esquire, O.B.E., William Robert Freake Clark, Walter John Gavey and Ernest Francis Lainé, Esquires, Jurats.

The Bailiff having this day placed before the Court an Order of His Majesty in Council dated the 3rd day of February, 1950, ratifying a *Projet de Loi* entitled "the Non-Contributory Old Age and Blindness Pensions (Guernsey) Law, 1950",—the Court, after the reading of the said Order in Council and after having heard His Majesty's Procureur thereon, ordered that the said Order in Council be registered on the records of this Island and that a copy of this present Act, together with an extract of the said Order in Council, be sent by His Majesty's Greffier to the Clerk of the Court of Alderney for registration on the records of that Island, of which *Projet de Loi* the tenor followeth :—

At the Court at Sandringham

The 3rd day of February, 1950.

Present,

The King's Most Excellent Majesty.

LORD CHANCELLOR
VISCOUNT HALL
SIR ALAN LASCELLES.

WHEREAS there was this day read at the Board a Report from the Right Honourable the Lords of the Committee of Council for the Affairs of Guernsey and Jersey, dated the 26th day of January, 1950, in the words following, viz. :—

“ YOUR MAJESTY having been pleased, by Your General Order of Reference of the 18th day of December, 1936, to refer unto this Committee the humble Petition of the States of the Island of Guernsey, setting forth :—

‘ 1. That, in pursuance of their Resolution of the 22nd day of June, 1949, the States of Deliberation at a meeting held on the 16th day of December, 1949, approved a Bill or “ *Projet de Loi* entitled “ The Non-Contributory Old Age and Blindness Pensions (Guernsey) Law, 1950 ”, and requested the Bailiff to present a most humble Petition to Your Majesty in Council praying for Your Royal Sanction thereto : 2. That the said Bill or “ *Projet de Loi* ” is in the words and figures set forth in the Schedule hereunto annexed. And most humbly praying that Your Majesty might be graciously pleased to grant Your Royal Sanction to the Bill or “ *Projet de Loi* ” of the States of Guernsey entitled “ The Non-Contributory Old Age and Blindness Pensions (Guernsey) Law, 1950 ”, and to order that the same shall have force of Law in the Islands of Guernsey, Alderney, Herm and Jethou ’.

“ THE LORDS OF THE COMMITTEE, in obedience to Your Majesty’s said Order of Reference, have taken the said Petition and the said *Projet de Loi* into consideration, and do this day agree humbly to report, as their opinion, to Your Majesty, that it may be advisable for Your Majesty to comply with the prayer of the said Petition and to approve of and ratify the said *Projet de Loi*.”

HIS MAJESTY having taken the said Report into consideration is pleased, by and with the advice of His Privy Council to approve of and ratify the said Projet de Loi, and to order, as it is hereby ordered, that the same shall have the force of Law within the the Islands of Guernsey, Alderney, Herm and Jethou.

AND HIS MAJESTY doth hereby further direct that this Order and the said Projet de Loi (a copy whereof is hereunto annexed) be entered upon the Register of the Island of Guernsey and observed accordingly.

AND the Lieutenant Governor and Commander-in-Chief of the Island of Guernsey, the Bailiff and Jurats, and all other His Majesty's Officers, for the time being, in the said Island, and all other persons whom it may concern, are to take notice and govern themselves accordingly.

E. C. E. Leadbitter.

PROJET DE LOI

ENTITLED

“The Non - Contributory Old Age and Blindness Pensions (Guernsey) Law, 1950”.

ARRANGEMENT OF SECTIONS.

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Schedules.

THE STATES, in pursuance of their Resolution of the 22nd day of June, 1949, have approved the following provisions which, subject to the Sanction of His Most Excellent Majesty in Council, shall have force of law in this Island and in the Islands of Alderney, Herm and Jethou:—

1.—(1) Every person in whose case the conditions laid down by this Law for the receipt of an old age pension (in this Law referred to as “statutory conditions”) are fulfilled, shall be entitled to receive such a pension under this Law so long as those conditions continue to be fulfilled, and so long as he is not disqualified under this Law for the receipt of the pension.

Right to
receive
old age
pension.

(2) An old age pension under this Law shall be at the rate set forth in the First Schedule of this Law.

(3) Regulations under this Law may provide that when a person is undergoing medical or other treatment as an in-patient in a hospital or similar institution no account shall be taken, in calculating his means in accordance with the provisions of the First Schedule to this Law, of the value to him of the accommodation, maintenance and services provided in the hospital or institution, but that his pension shall be adjusted to such extent as may be specified in the said regulations.

(4) The sums required for the payment of old age pensions under this Law shall be paid out of moneys provided by the States.

(5) The receipt of an old age pension under this Law shall not deprive the pensioner of any franchise, right, or privilege, or subject him to any disability.

2.—(1) Subject to the provisions of this Law, the statutory conditions for the receipt of an old age pension by any person are that—

Statutory
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for
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of old
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pension.

(a) the person shall have attained the age of seventy, or, in the case of a blind person, the age of forty ;

- (b) the person shall for at least ten years up to the date of the receipt of any sum on account of a pension have been a British subject, and shall have been resident in Guernsey, if he is a natural born British subject, for an aggregate period of not less than twelve years since attaining the age of fifty years, or, in the case of a blind person, twenty years, and, if he is not a natural born British subject, for an aggregate period of twenty years ;
- (c) the person's yearly means as calculated in accordance with the provisions of the First Schedule to this Law do not exceed eighty-nine pounds five shillings.

(2) For the purpose of computing residence in Guernsey under paragraph (b) of subsection (1) of this section—

- (a) any periods spent outside Guernsey in any service under the Crown, the remuneration for which is paid out of moneys provided by Parliament, or as the wife or servant of a person in any such service so remunerated ;
- (b) any periods spent in the United Kingdom, the Channel Islands other than Guernsey, or the Isle of Man by a person born in Guernsey ;
- (c) any periods spent abroad by any person during which that person has maintained or assisted in maintaining any dependant in Guernsey ;
- (d) any periods of absence spent in service on board a vessel registered in Guernsey by a person who immediately before his absence on that service was living in Guernsey ;

- (e) any periods of temporary absence not exceeding three months in duration at any one time ;
- (f) any periods spent in any part of Ireland before the establishment of the Irish Free State ;
- (g) any periods of absence spent in the service of an employer resident in Guernsey by a person who immediately before his absence on that service had his place of residence in Guernsey ; and
- (h) any period of detention on the Continent of Europe during the war of 1939 to 1945 suffered by a person who was resident in Guernsey immediately prior to such detention ;

shall be counted as periods of residence in Guernsey.

(3) The condition as to nationality imposed by paragraph (b) of subsection (1) of this section shall not be required to be fulfilled in the case of a woman who satisfies the Administrator that she would, but for her marriage with an alien, have fulfilled this condition.

(4) For the purpose of this Law, " blind person " means a person so blind as to be unable to perform any work for which eyesight is essential.

3. Where during any period a person is, except in such circumstances as may be prescribed by regulations under section eleven of this Law, undergoing imprisonment or detention in legal custody, then he shall be disqualified for receiving any sum accruing during that period on account of any pension which would otherwise be payable to him, and if before the commencement of that period any sum has accrued on account of a pension payable to him, that sum shall not be paid to him during the continuance of the said period.

Disqualifications for old age pension.

4.—(1) Not more than one old age pension, whether under this Law or the Contributory Pensions Laws, 1935 to 1949, shall be payable to any one person.

Prohibition against double pensions.

(2) Where payments in respect of old age pension under this Law are in arrears for any period and outdoor relief has been granted under the Public Assistance Law, 1937, for that period by reference to the requirements of the person to whom the payments are due, the payments may, at the discretion of the Authority, be abated to the extent to which the actual amount of the said relief exceeds what would have been the amount as decided by the authority granting the said relief, if the said payments had not fallen into arrears.

(3) Where any payment is abated under the last preceding subsection, there shall be paid, out of the moneys provided by the States under subsection (4) of section one of this Law, to the authority granting the said relief an amount equal to the abatement.

Payment
of old
age
pensions.

5.—(1) An old age pension under this Law, subject to any directions of the Authority in special cases, shall be paid weekly in advance in such manner and subject to such conditions as to identification or otherwise as the Authority direct.

(2) A sum shall not be paid on account of an old age pension—

(a) to any person unless that person is in Guernsey ; or

(b) if payment of the sum is not obtained within three months after the date on which it has become payable.

Date of
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pension.

6.—(1) Where a pension is first allowed the pension shall commence to accrue, and where, by virtue of a decision on any question which has been raised, a pension becomes payable at an increased rate, the pension shall become payable at an increased rate on the first Friday after the date on which the claim for the pension is received by the Authority or on which the notice of the question is received by the Authority, as the case may be, or on the first Friday after the date on which the claimant or the pensioner first becomes entitled to the pension or on which the

pension first becomes payable at the increased rate, whichever is the later, or, if the later of those two dates is a Friday, on that Friday.

(2) Where any general public holiday falls on a Friday, the Authority may, if it thinks fit, direct that sums payable by way of old age pensions on that Friday shall be paid on some other day, whether earlier or later.

7.—(1) Every assignment of, attachment of or charge on, and every agreement to assign or charge, an old age pension under this Law shall be void, and, on the bankruptcy of a person entitled to an old age pension, the pension shall not pass to any trustee or other person acting on behalf of the creditors.

Old age pension to be inalienable etc.

(2) Any sums received by any person by way of an old age pension shall not be included in calculating his means for the purpose of Article III of the Law entitled "Loi ayant rapport aux Débiteurs et à la Renonciation" registered on the Records of the Island of Guernsey on the 2nd day of August, 1929.

8.—(1) All claims for old age pensions under this Law and all questions whether the statutory conditions are fulfilled in the case of any person claiming such a pension, or whether those conditions continue to be fulfilled in the case of a person in receipt of such a pension, or whether a person is disqualified for receiving or continuing to receive a pension, or whether the payment of a pension shall be suspended, shall be decided by the Administrator.

Determination of claims and questions.

(2) Any person aggrieved by a decision of the Administrator under the last foregoing subsection may appeal from that decision within the time prescribed by regulations under section eleven of this Law, to a tribunal (hereinafter referred to as "the tribunal"), which said tribunal shall be appointed by the Royal Court either generally or in respect of a particular appeal and shall consist of a Chairman and Deputy Chairman appointed by the Royal Court and such other members as the Royal Court may decide.

(3) The tribunal may refer to the Royal Court for decision any question of law arising in connection with the determination of an appeal by the tribunal under this section in such manner and within such period as shall be laid down by Order of the Royal Court.

(4) Any person aggrieved by a decision of the tribunal on any question of law may appeal from that decision to the Royal Court in such manner and within such period as shall be laid down by Order of the Royal Court.

(5) The decision of the Administrator or the tribunal, as the case may be, on any claim or question in respect of which there has been no appeal under this section, within the time so prescribed or laid down by Order of the Royal Court, as the case may be, shall be final and conclusive.

Further provisions with respect to the raising and determination of questions.

9.—(1) A question may be raised at any time—

- (a) whether at any time or during any period a person has been in receipt of an old age pension when the statutory conditions were not fulfilled, or when he was disqualified for receiving the pension ; and
- (b) whether a person has been at any time or during any period in receipt of a pension at a certain rate when his means exceeded the amount which justified the payment of a pension at that rate, and, if so, at what rate the pension, if any, should have been paid ; and
- (c) whether a person who is in receipt of a pension at a certain rate is, having regard to his means, entitled to a pension at a higher or a lower rate, and, if so, at what rate the pension, if any, should be paid ;

and an application may be made at any time to alter or revoke a provisional allowance of a claim for a pension, and the provisions of the last preceding section shall apply to any such question or applica-

tion as they apply to the questions mentioned in that section.

(2) Any such question may be raised notwithstanding that the decision of the question involves a decision as to the correctness of a former decision of the Administrator or the tribunal, as the case may be, but, where by a later decision a former decision is reversed a person who has received any sums on account of an old age pension in accordance with the former decision shall, notwithstanding anything in subsection (2) of section ten of this Law, in the absence of any fraud on his part, be entitled to retain any sum so received up to the date of the later decision which he would have been entitled to retain but for the reversal of the former decision.

10.—(1) If for the purpose of obtaining or continuing an old age pension under this Law, either for himself or for any other person or for the purpose of obtaining or continuing an old age pension under this Law for himself or for any other person at a higher rate than that appropriate to the case, any person knowingly makes any false statement or false representation, he shall be liable on conviction to imprisonment for a term not exceeding six months.

Penalty for false statements, etc., and repayment where pensioner is found not to have been entitled to pension.

(2) If it is found at any time that a person has been in receipt of an old age pension under this Law while the statutory conditions were not fulfilled in his case or while he was disqualified for receiving the pension, he or, in the case of his death, his personal representative, shall be liable to repay to the Authority any sums paid to him in respect of the pension while the statutory conditions were not fulfilled or while he was disqualified for receiving the pension, and the amount of those sums may be recovered as a debt due to the Authority.

This subsection applies with the necessary modifications to cases where an old age pension is received at a higher rate than that appropriate to the case as it applies to cases where a person has been in receipt of an old age pension while the statutory conditions were not fulfilled.

(3) For the purposes of the last preceding subsection—

- (a) any decision of the Administrator under section eight of this Law on any question which is not the subject of an appeal to the tribunal ;
- (b) the decision of the tribunal on any question which is the subject of an appeal to it under that section and which has not been reversed or modified on appeal ; and
- (c) any decision of the Royal Court on an appeal under that section ;

shall be conclusive proof of any matters decided by the Administrator, the tribunal or the Royal Court as the case may be. A copy of any decision of the Administrator or the tribunal, if authenticated in manner provided by regulations to be made for the purpose under this Law, shall be received in evidence.

(4) Where any person who is in receipt of an old age pension is liable to repay to the Authority any sums under this section in consequence of the finding of the Administrator, or of the tribunal in the case of an appeal to it, or of the Royal Court in the case of an appeal to it, the Authority shall be entitled, without prejudice to their other powers under this section, to direct the deduction of those sums from any sums to which that person becomes entitled on account of an old age pension, in manner to be provided by regulations to be made for the purpose under this Law :

PROVIDED THAT, in the case of a personal representative, the deduction shall only be made from any sums to which that person becomes entitled as personal representative.

Regulations
and
expenses.

11.—(1) The Authority may make regulations for any purpose for which regulations may be made under this Law and generally for carrying this Law into effect and in particular—

- (a) for prescribing the evidence to be required as to the fulfilment of statutory conditions ;
- and

- (b) for prescribing the manner in which claims to pensions may be made ; and
- (c) for prescribing the procedure to be followed on the consideration and determination of claims and questions to be considered and determined by the Administrator or by the tribunal ; and
- (d) for prescribing the manner in which any question may be raised as to the continuance, in the case of a pensioner, of the fulfilment of the statutory conditions, and as to the disqualification of a pensioner ; and
- (e) as to the time to be allowed for making an appeal to the tribunal ; and
- (f) for enabling the Administrator to appoint a person to exercise on behalf of any claimant or pensioner who is by reason of any mental or other incapacity unable to act, any right to which that claimant or pensioner may be entitled under this Law and to authorise any person so appointed to receive on behalf and for the benefit of the claimant or pensioner any sums payable by way of old age pension ; and
- (g) for suspending the payment of a pension to any person during the continuance of that person's failure to comply with any regulation made under this Law.

It is hereby declared that the power to prescribe procedure includes power to make provision as to the representation of one person at the hearing of an appeal to the tribunal by another person whether having professional qualifications or not.

(2) The regulations shall provide for provisionally allowing claims to pensions before the date on which the claimant will become actually entitled to the pension, in such manner and subject to such conditions as may be laid down by the regulations, and

for making the procedure for considering and determining any claim for a pension or question with respect to an old age pension under this Law as simple as possible.

(3) Subject to the next succeeding subsection, every regulation under this Law shall be laid before the States forthwith, in such manner as the States may, by general resolution, from time to time direct and if, at the Meeting of the States in the course of which a regulation made under the provisions of this Law is laid before them or at the next subsequent Meeting, the States resolve that the said regulation be annulled, the said regulation shall thenceforth be void, but without prejudice to the validity of anything previously done thereunder or to the making of any new regulation.

(4) No regulations shall be made under paragraph (a) of subsection (1) of this section unless a draft of such regulations has been laid before the States and has been approved by a resolution of the States.

(5) The Authority may pay out of moneys provided by the States—

- (a) any expenses incurred by the Authority in carrying this Law into effect ;
- (b) to any person charged under this Law with the duty of hearing appeals from the Administrator under this Law such sums by way of recompense for such duty in accordance with the rate and under the conditions from time to time laid down by resolution of the States ;
- (c) to any person required to attend at any proceedings for the determination or decision of any claim, question or appeal under this Law, such travelling and other allowances as the Authority may determine ;
- (d) such other expenses incurred in connection with the work of any person referred to in the last but one foregoing paragraph as the Authority may determine.

12.—(1) In this Law the following expressions shall have the meanings hereby respectively assigned to them— Interpretation.

“Administrator” means the person for the time being holding the office of Administrator under the Contributory Pensions Laws, 1935 to 1949 ;

“Authority” means the States Insurance Authority constituted under the provisions of the Contributory Pensions Laws, 1935 to 1949 ;

“Guernsey” includes the Islands of Alderney, Herm and Jethou ;

“hospital” means any institution for the reception and treatment of persons suffering from illness or mental defectiveness, any maternity home, and any institution for the reception and treatment of persons during convalescence or persons requiring medical rehabilitation, and includes clinics, dispensaries and out-patient departments maintained in connection with any such institution or home as aforesaid.

(2) For the purposes of this Law a person shall be deemed to have attained the age of seventy on the commencement of the day previous to the seventieth anniversary of the day of his birth and similarly in respect of other ages.

(3) This Law shall be interpreted in the Islands of Alderney and Jethou as if the Interpretation (Guernsey) Law, 1948, applied to those Islands.

13. The enactments set out in the Second Schedule to this Law are hereby repealed to the extent specified in the second column of that Schedule: Repeals.

PROVIDED THAT—

- (a) any document referring to any enactment repealed by this Law shall be construed as referring to the corresponding enactment of this Law ;
- (b) references in this Law to persons entitled to or in receipt of old age pensions shall, so far as necessary for the purpose of preserving any accruing right, be construed as including references to persons so entitled or in receipt of pensions under the enactments repealed by this Law.

Instruments
made or
issued by the
Authority.

14.—(1) Every document purporting to be an instrument made or issued by the Authority and to be signed by any person authorised by the Authority, shall be received in evidence and be deemed to be so made or issued without further proof unless the contrary is shown.

(2) A certificate signed by the President of the Authority on behalf of that Authority that any instrument purporting to be made or issued by it was so made or issued shall be conclusive evidence of that fact.

Commence-
ment
and short
title.

15. This Law shall come into force on such date as the States shall by Ordinance appoint, and may be cited as the Old Age and Blindness Pensions (Guernsey) Law, 1950.

FIRST SCHEDULE.

Sections 1 (2), 2 (1) (c).

Rate of Pension and Calculation of Means.

Means of Claimant or Pensioner.	Rate of Pension per week.	
Where the yearly means of the claimant or pensioner, calculated in accordance with the provisions of this Law—	Person other than a married woman.	Married woman.
do not exceed £26 5s.	26s.	16s.
exceed £26 5s. but do not exceed £31 10s. ...	24s.	16s.
„ £31 10s. „ „ „ „ £36 15s. ...	22s.	16s.
„ £36 15s. „ „ „ „ £42 ...	20s.	16s.
„ £42 „ „ „ „ £47 5s. ...	18s.	16s.
„ £47 5s. „ „ „ „ £52 10s. ...	16s.	16s.
„ £52 10s. „ „ „ „ £57 15s. ...	14s.	14s.
„ £57 15s. „ „ „ „ £63 ...	12s.	12s.
„ £63 „ „ „ „ £68 5s. ...	10s.	10s.
„ £68 5s. „ „ „ „ £73 10s. ...	8s.	8s.
„ £73 10s. „ „ „ „ £78 15s. ...	6s.	6s.
„ £78 15s. „ „ „ „ £84 ...	4s.	4s.
„ £84 „ „ „ „ £89 5s. ...	2s.	2s.
„ £89 5s.	No Pension	No Pension

(1) In calculating the means of a person, account shall be taken of—

- (a) the yearly value of any property belonging to that person (not being property personally used or enjoyed by him) which is invested, or is otherwise put to profitable use by him, or which, though capable of investment or profitable use, is not so invested or put to profitable use by him:

PROVIDED THAT—

- (i) the yearly value of the first four hundred pounds of the capital

value of the said property shall be taken to be one twenty-fifth part of the capital value; and

- (ii) the yearly value of so much of the capital value of the said property as exceeds the sum of four hundred pounds shall be taken to be one-tenth part of such excess capital value.

In the case of real property other than rentes situated in Guernsey and which has been assessed under the Cadastre Law, 1947, the capital value thereof shall be a sum equal to twenty times the annual rateable value of the property as shown in the Cadastre, and deduction shall be made of the capital value of the rentes and of sums actually secured by other registered charges thereon.

The capital value of rentes shall be taken to be twenty times the yearly value thereof.

- (b) the income which that person may reasonably expect to receive during the succeeding year in cash, excluding any sums receivable on account of an old age pension under this Law, and excluding any sums arising from the investment or profitable use of property (not being property personally used or enjoyed by him), that income, in the absence of other means for ascertaining the income, being taken to be the income actually received during the preceding year:

PROVIDED that no account shall be taken of—

- (i) any sums receivable on account of a pension payable to the husband or wife of a person under the Contributory Pensions Laws, 1935 to 1949 ;
 - (ii) any amounts received during a period of not more than three months in any year by a person or by the husband or wife of a person, as the case may be, under a medical certificate as sickness benefit from a friendly society or trade union ;
 - (iii) any sums received or to be received during any year by a person on account of grants made or to be made to that person by the States Public Assistance Authority ;
 - (iv) the value of any accommodation provided by the States Public Assistance Authority ;
 - (v) the value of any accommodation provided by, or by arrangement with, any body or institution to the extent and in such circumstances as may be prescribed by regulations made under this Law ;
- (c) the yearly value of any advantage accruing to that person from the use or enjoyment of any property belonging to him which is personally used or enjoyed by him, except furniture and personal effects ; and
- (d) the yearly value of any benefit or privilege enjoyed by that person :

PROVIDED THAT, where under paragraph (a) of the foregoing provisions the yearly value of any property is taken to be one twenty-fifth or one-tenth of the capital value thereof, no account shall be taken under any other of those provisions of any appropriation of that property for the purpose of current expenditure.

(2) In calculating the means of a person being one of a married couple living together in the same house, the means shall be taken to be half the total means of the couple, and where either of the couple or the couple jointly is or are entitled to any property, each of them shall be deemed to be entitled to one half of that property.

(3) Where a husband is separated from his wife, any sum paid by him to her under a separation order shall be deducted in calculating his means.

(4) If it appears that any person has directly or indirectly deprived himself of any income or property in order to qualify himself for the receipt of an old age pension, or for the receipt of an old age pension at a higher rate than that to which he would otherwise be entitled under this Law, that income or the yearly value of that property shall, for the purposes of this Schedule, be taken to be part of the means of that person.

SECOND SCHEDULE.

Section 13.

Enactments Repealed.

Law.	Extent of Repeal.
The Non-Contributory Old Age and Blind Persons Pensions Law, 1931.	The Whole Law.
The Non-Contributory Old Age and Blind Persons Pensions Law, 1931, and the Contributory Pensions Law, 1935, (Increase of Pensions and Benefits) Amendment Law, 1943.	Article 1, section (a) of Article 3, the words "the 1931 Law and" which occur in Article 4, and the words "the 1931 Law or" which occur in Article 5.
The Benefits and Pensions (Contributory and Non-Contributory) Amendment Law, 1947.	The words "The Law of 1931" means the Non - Contributory Old Age and Blind Persons Pensions Law as amended from time to time", which occur in Article I, paragraphs (e) and (g) of Article 2 and the Fifth Schedule.
The Non-Contributory Old Age and Blind Persons Pensions Law, 1931, Supplementary Law, 1949.	The Whole Law.

JAMES E. LE PAGE,

H.M. Greffier.