MANILA, August 22, 1913.

EXECUTIVE ORDER ) No. 66.

Executive Order Numbered Twenty-six, series of nineteen hundred and eleven, is hereby amended to read as follows:

"Section thirteen of Act Numbered One hundred and forty-six, as amended, provides that-

"'In cases of emergency or where the public interest shall require, the Governor-General shall have power to authorize the head of any Department or Bureau, or any provincial government, to make purchases directly and not through the Purchasing Agent, the provisions hereof to the contrary notwithstanding. In cases where the Governor-General exercises the power herein conferred he shall make provision, in the order conferring the authority, for such limitations upon the method of purchase as shall secure the lowest prices consistent with the emergency presented and the conditions of the market.'

"Under the foregoing provision of law, I hereby direct that all purchases of the Insular Government, the city of Manila, the provincial governments, and the city of Baguio, except as hereinafter specified, shall be made through the Bureau of Supply. All special authorizations heretofore granted to make purchases directly and not through the Bureau of Supply are hereby revoked.

"PURCHASES WHICH MAY BE MADE WITHOUT THE INTERVENTION OF THE BUREAU OF SUPPLY.

- "1. Purchases from the United States Government, or articles purchased upon terms fixed by contract between the United States Government and the dealer, of which the Government of the Philippine Islands is allowed the benefit. "2. Purchases by the Insular Government in the provinces
- of products the growth-and manufacture of the locality, for local use, in amounts to be fixed by the Governor-General. "3. Purchases of poultry, fresh fish, fresh vegetables, and
- fresh fruits. "4. Purchases of forest specimens by the Bureau of
- Forestry. "5. Emergency purchases with the specific approval of
- the Governor-General. "6. Section twelve of Act Numbered One hundred and

forty-six, as amended, provides that-

"'Nothing in this Act shall be construed to require that purchase of material, supplies, and other things needed for the use of any provincial government shall be made through the Purchasing Agent, if such articles are in the province and can be purchased by the provincial treasurer at prices deemed by the provincial board to be reasonable.' "For the purposes of this paragraph the city of Baguio

shall have the status of a province. "Purchases made through the Bureau of Supply will be

divided into the following classes: "Class A.—On contracts prepared with the assistance of the requisitioner for supplies, of a technical nature, other than staple, peculiar to a certain branch of the service, where delivery of the supplies is made direct and payments

made by the requisitioner or without other intervention of the Purchasing Agent, the surcharge shall be one per centum on the amount involved. When any Bureau or Office of the Insular Government, any department of the city of Manila, any provincial government, or the city of Baguio prepares specifications for any article to be purchased under the provisions of this paragraph, they shall submit the same to the Purchasing Agent and obtain his prices, before going into the market to solicit bids.

"Class B .- On purchases made under the direct order and payment system the surcharge shall be two per centum.

"Class C .- On purchases on time delivery requisitions in other countries than the Philippine Islands, when the bill is paid by the Bureau or Office concerned, the surcharge shall be five per centum.

"Class D .- On deliveries made from stock carried by the Bureau of Supply, on purchases made directly by the Bureau of Supply for the requisitioner in the local market, and in all cases where the bill is paid by the Bureau of Supply the surcharge shall be ten per centum."

> W. CAMERON FORBES, Governor-General.