

Perhaps you will be able to spare time, within the next day or two, for the consideration of this subject.

I am, your obedient servant,

J. L. McDOUGALL,

Auditor-General.

HON. CHAS. TUPPER,
Min. Public Works.

Expenses of Elections.

AUDIT OFFICE,

OTTAWA, 30th September, 1878.

SIR,—In order to enable me to authorize payment of your fees and expenses under Section 126 of Elections Act of 1874 and its amendment of 1878, I shall require you to send me the accounts as rendered to you :

1. Of the Constable, if any.
2. Of Printer for printing proclamation.
3. do do ballot papers, directions for guidance of voters, and other disbursements absolutely required.
4. Account for rent of building for nomination (if any) when public one not available.
5. Account for ballot boxes, if any.
6. do any special item.
7. Each Deputy Returning Officer's Account properly made out, and supported by account for rent of polling stations, and compartment or screen.
8. Your own account properly made out, with above supports.

Your obedient servant,

J. L. McDOUGALL,

Auditor-General.

The undersigned has the honor to submit to the Honourable the Treasury Board, that in his opinion the 30th Section of the Audit Act requires a uniform mode of issuing letters of credit for expenditure in all the Provinces.

The substitution of the form now used when payments are to be made in Ontario and Quebec for that which has continued to exist in authorizing expenditure for the outlying Provinces would secure the double advantage of the control over all disbursements which was contemplated by Parliament and of having one general system.

J. L. McDOUGALL,

Auditor-General.

AUDIT OFFICE,

1st October, 1878.

The undersigned has the honor to submit to the Honorable the Treasury Board, that the following books are used in his office :—

An Appropriation book in which all payments on account of appropriations are entered against the several headings to which they belong :

A Letter of Credit book in which all credits for Ontario and Quebec are entered:

A book in which all the receipts of the Dominion, under their different headings, are entered as they occur, and are subsequently recapitulated by months and Provinces.