

8. It shall be the duty of the Auditor to see that no Warrant issues for the payment of Public Money without the direct authority of Parliament : and also to report to the Governor in Council through the Minister of Finance, any case in which any sub-accountant has expended money out of the proceeds of any Accountable Warrant, ~~for any purpose~~ is no legislative authority, or beyond the amount for which there is such authority.

9. It shall be the duty of the Board of Audit to frame Regulations respecting the method of Book-keeping to be used in the several departments to which the Members of the Board are respectively attached and by their sub-accountants, the issuing of warrants, the accounting for public moneys, and the auditing of accounts thereof, and to submit such Regulations to the Governor in Council through the Minister of Finance, and from time to time to suggest any amendments they may deem advisable in such Regulations, and to submit them in like manner ; and any Order in Council made on any of the subjects aforesaid, shall have the force of law until revoked or amended, as it may be, by any subsequent Order.

10. It shall be the duty of the Board of Audit to prepare and submit to the Minister of Finance the Public Accounts to be annually laid before Parliament.

11. The said Public Accounts shall include the period from the thirtieth of June in one year to the thirtieth of June in the next year, which period shall constitute the Financial year ; all Estimates submitted to Parliament shall be for the Financial year : Provided always, that the Estimates submitted during the present Session shall be for the six months ending on the thirtieth of June, one thousand eight hundred and sixty-four.

12. The Governor in Council may alter the period at or to which any Accountant for public moneys, Public Officer, Corporation or Institution, is required to render any account or to make any return, whenever in his opinion such alteration will facilitate the correct preparation of the Public Accounts or Estimates for the Financial year, anything in any Act to the contrary notwithstanding.

13. So much of the Act cited in the Preamble or in any other Act as may be inconsistent with this Act, is hereby repealed ; but every enactment in any such Act not inconsistent with this Act, shall remain in force, and shall apply to the Board of Audit as hereby constituted, and to the period appointed by any Order in Council under this Act, for rendering any account or making any return.