

Special
report to
Minister.

2. A special report shall be communicated in writing to the Minister, stating the Superintendent's opinion as to the standing and financial position of every company so visited, and all other matters desirable to be made known to the Minister.

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Inquiries to
company
and reply.

31. For the purpose of carrying out the provisions of this Act, the Superintendent is hereby authorized and empowered to address any inquiries to any insurance company licensed under this Act, or to the president, manager, actuary or secretary thereof, in relation to its assets, investments, liabilities, doings, or condition, or any other matter connected with its business or transactions, and it shall be the duty of any company so addressed to promptly reply in writing to any such inquiries. The Superintendent may in his discretion embody in his annual report to the Minister the inquiries made by him under this section and the answers thereto.

Examination
at head office
of foreign
company.

32. The Minister may, from time to time, instruct the Superintendent to visit the head office of any company licensed under this Act, and to examine into the general condition and affairs of such company.

Expenditure
of Depart-
ment to be
ascertained.

33. The Superintendent shall annually, as soon as may be after the close of each fiscal year, by reference to the public accounts, and by such further inquiry or investigation as he may deem necessary, ascertain and certify the total amount of the expenditure incurred by the Government for or in connection with the administration of this Act during the last preceding fiscal year, and the amount of the expenditure so ascertained and certified by the Superintendent shall be final and conclusive for all purposes of this section.

Premiums
received by
companies
to be
ascertained.

2. The Superintendent shall also before the thirty-first day of December in each fiscal year ascertain from the returns made under the requirements of this Act, and from such other information as may be necessary or available, the total amount of gross premiums received in Canada during the last preceding calendar year by each company licensed under this Act, and by each company not licensed under this Act but transacting life insurance business thereunder, and he shall also in each case ascertain and deduct from the amount of gross premiums so received the amount of the dividends paid or allowed by each such company to its policyholders in Canada during the said calendar year, and the finding of the Superintendent as to the amount aforesaid when certified by his hand, shall be final and conclusive.