

## Auditor General's Report.

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*Order in Council March 13, 1895.*—That the moving expenses of Judges holding weekly sittings of the High Court of Justice at Ottawa and London, payment of which is authorized by the Order in Council of the 14th January, 1895, be fixed as follows:—

For each sitting at Ottawa.....	\$25 00
For each sitting at London.....	10 00

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*Order in Council March 4, 1897.*—That the Order in Council of the 23rd October, 1896, in reference to advances for travelling expenses from Civil Government Contingencies, be amended to read as follows:—That hereafter no advance be made to officers of the several departments, out of Civil Government Contingencies, for travelling expenses, in excess of one hundred and fifty dollars; and that all advances made to them be accounted for at the end of each quarter, and that no advances be made until previous advances are settled.

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### **Triplicate deposit receipts for balances of travelling expense advances to go to Accountant of Contingencies.**

*Order in Council June 10, 1893.*—That the following regulation in connection with accounts to be rendered to the Accountant of Contingencies for sums advanced from Civil Government Contingencies be approved of by Council.

That the triplicate receipts for all refunds of balances of amounts advanced from Civil Government Contingencies for travelling expenses and for petty cash, and for all other refunds made on account of Civil Government Contingencies, be forwarded by the department or officer making such refund to the Accountant of Contingencies for the purpose of closing the personal accounts and replacing to the credit of the different departments the amounts so refunded, to enable him to keep a proper check upon the various appropriations.

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### **Special Qualifications.**

TREASURY BOARD, OTTAWA, Nov. 13, 1883.

SIR,—I have been directed by the Hon. the Treasury Board to call your attention to the 5th subsection of section 7 of 46 Victoria, chapter 7 (C. S. Act), wherein it is stated that "in the case of attorneys, barristers, engineers, architects, actuaries and land surveyors, the examination may be dispensed with on a report from the deputy head concurred in by the head of the department, that it is not necessary;" and in connection therewith I have to call your attention to the "Hansard" of last session, page 1035, when in reply to an observation from Mr. Ross, of Middlesex, Sir Hector Langevin stated that these gentlemen are employed in the service in the practice of their profession, and therefore an examination would not be required, as they had already passed technical examinations before their admission into the ranks of their profession.

I have now to ask whether, in case any of these professional gentlemen are employed in a department where their professional attainments are not required, as for instance, a barrister in the Finance Department, the spirit of the Act would allow of the examination being waived?

Your obedient servant,

J. M. COURTNEY, *Sec. Treasury Board.*

The Deputy Minister of Justice.