

By-Law, or by nomination by the parties, or the submission, may be appointed to hear the case, and to decide upon the same.

Arbitrators to be sworn.

12. The Elected Arbitrators shall, after their election, and before they act as Arbitrators, take and subscribe an oath before any Justice of the Peace, or any Commissioner appointed to receive affidavits in the Superior Courts (who are hereby empowered to administer such oaths) that they will faithfully, diligently, and impartially perform their duties as Arbitrators, and will, in all cases to be submitted, give a true and just award according to the best of their judgment and ability, without fear, favor, or affection, of or for any party or person whomsoever; and Arbitrators nominated by the parties shall, in each case before they act, take and subscribe a similar oath, in manner aforesaid; and the Members of the said Board of Review shall take a like oath to that provided for the said Arbitrators on the assumption of office; and all such oaths shall be deposited with the Secretary of the Association, and such oath may be according to the form in Schedule " B " of this Act.

Procedure before arbitrators, fees, &c., how regulated.

13. The Corporation shall have power to make all By-Laws necessary to regulate the forms and modes of procedure to be observed in cases of Arbitration; to regulate the taxation of witnesses' fees, and all fees, costs, and expenses; fees to be paid to the Arbitrators, Secretary, or to any of the servants of the Association, and to require payment thereof before delivery of the award; to regulate fines to be paid by any Arbitrator declining to act as Arbitrator when duly appointed (which fines may be collected as a debt before any Civil Court having jurisdiction to the amount) and to amend and repeal such By-Laws, from time to time, as well as the other By-Laws of the Association, and in the mode thereby provided.

Powers of arbitrators.

14. The Arbitrators shall have power to appoint a time and place for hearing and deciding upon any matter or thing so submitted to them, and to adjourn their meetings from time to time as may be necessary, but not beyond the time fixed in the submission for rendering their award, if the time is so fixed, except by the consent of the parties; and shall have power severally, at any meeting, to administer oaths to the parties and their witnesses, and to examine them either orally or in writing; relative to the matters submitted and under consideration, to allow to witnesses just and equitable fees, and to assess the fees, costs and expenses of such arbitration according to such rules and scales as may be fixed by By-Law; and a certificate under the hand of the Secretary of the Association, of the amount allowed to any witness, or of any such fees, costs or expenses, or of the fine imposed upon the Arbitrator so refusing to act, or of any other matter, act or thing done by the Association or by any such Arbitrators, and recorded by the Secretary in the books of the Association, shall be sufficient *prima facie* evidence of such amount, and of the contents of the said certificate.

Costs and fees.

Awards to be in writing.

15. All awards shall be made in writing, and signed by the Arbitrators rendering the same, and shall be handed to the Secretary, who shall, upon payment of all costs, fees and expenses, record the same in a book to be kept by him for that purpose, and when so recorded he shall promptly furnish the parties interested with copies thereof when requested; and no notification of an award to the parties shall be necessary.