any of the departments of the Government should be submitted to the Department of Justice for examination and approval before payment.

That at present the practice of the departments appears to be to submit such accounts to the Department of Justice before paying the same, but no formal Order in Council exists on the subject.

That an Order in Council does exist providing that all accounts for printing and advertising are to be certified by the Queen's Printer before payment.

That he, the Minister, thinks that it would be proper that a formal Order should be passed with respect to legal agents. He recommends, therefore, that it be ordered that the accounts rendered by legal gentlemen employed professionally by any of the departments of the Government be submitted to the Department of Justice for examination and approval before payment, and that a copy of the Order be transmitted to each of the departments of the Government.

Certified.

W. A. HIMSWORTH, C.P.C.

## Travelling Expenses.

Order in Council, Sept, 8, 1871.—The Committee of Council have had under consideration an extract from the minutes of a meeting of the Treasury Board held Sept. 7, recommending that the following rules be adopted for the payment of removal allowances to Government employees, and they respectfully advise that the recommendations therein submitted be approved and adopted :—

"*Removal allowances.*—No removal allowances can be granted except on report of the Treasury Board. No removal allowance is to be granted if the salary is increased, except in special cases, and on a report of the head of the department. A removal allowance is not to exceed the actual cost on account rendered."

Order in Council, Dec. 17, 1889.—The Board, having had their attention called by the Auditor General to the suject of the payment of expenses incurred by officers in the employ of the Government while travelling on Government business, recommend to Council that a certificate be attached to accounts for travelling expenses as follows :— "The whole of the expenditure was incurred on Government business;" said certificate to be signed by the officer who has incurred the expense.

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Order in Council, February 6, 1893.—That all the previous Orders in Council relating to expenses and allowances for travelling and living expenses to officers and employees when travelling on the public service be repealed, and that it be ordered that from the date of the passing of the Order in Council founded hereon, there be paid to all officiers (with the exception of the Lieutenant-Governor of the North-west Territories and the Major General Commanding the Militia, and the Judges, who are otherwise provided for) travelling on public service for the Government of Canada, their actual reasonable travelling and living expenses ; that all advances made to such officers for travelling expenses shall be accounted for within one month from the conclusion of the trip ; that the officers shall render to the Department of Finance a detailed statement of such expenses, and that a certificate be attached to all accounts for travelling as follows, signed in each case by the officer who has incurred the expenses :—

" The whole of the expenditure was incurred on Government business."

JOHN J. MCGEE, C.P.C.

Note.--The Lieutenant-Governor of the North-west Territories is allowed \$5 a day by Order in Council, January 12, 1888.