

before them sufficient evidence that Mr. Bronskill was qualified by service, experience and knowledge for the position to which he was appointed, according to the true intent and meaning of the Act constituting the Department of Public Printing and Stationery. (Revised Statutes of Canada, Chap. 27, and the Act amending same, 51 Vic., Chap. 17.)

The Auditor General.

I am, Sir, your obedient servant,

B. CHAMBERLIN, Q. P.

AUDIT OFFICE, Oct. 16, 1888.

SIR,—In reply to your letter of yesterday's date, I beg to say that I do not see my way to passing Mr. Bronskill's salary on the information in my possession with reference to his qualification. You will of course understand that there is an appeal from my decision to the Treasury Board.

I am, Sir, your obedient servant,

J. L. McDUGALL, A.G.

The Queen's Printer.

QUEEN'S PRINTER'S OFFICE, OTTAWA, Oct. 17, 1888.

SIR,—I have the honor to acknowledge receipt of your communication of yesterday's date, with reference to the payment of Mr. Bronskill's salary as superintendent of stationery, and to inform you that the matter has been referred to the Honorable the Treasury Board.

I am, Sir, your obedient servant,

B. CHAMBERLIN, Q.P.

The Auditor General.

Order in Council, Oct. 23, 1888.—The Committee of Council, on the recommendation of the Secretary of State, advise that the Order in Council of the 11th July, 1888, appointing Mr. Henry J. Bronskill as superintendent of stationery be amended, by substituting for the words "he being duly qualified for the appointment thereunder," the words, "he being duly qualified, having been employed for five years in a stationery establishment in Canada," as required by Act 51 Victoria, Chapter 17, Section 3.

JOHN J. MCGEE, C.P.C.

FINANCE DEPT., OTTAWA, Dec. 20, 1889.

MY DEAR SIR,—Mr. Dickieson yesterday handed me a form of your report in which is contained a list of the salaries charged to Finance Department, included in which is "Charles Conroy, \$730." Mr. Conroy is the Superintendent of Laborers and Charwomen, and his salary is paid out of Departments generally. It is true he is under the control of an officer of this Department, but he is no more an officer of the Finance Department as a matter of fact than he is of the Audit Office, and if his office were abolished altogether no additional labor would accrue to this Department as a consequence. I wish you would be good enough to place an erratum in your book pointing out the error, and if it is not asking too much, on future occasions I should be glad to see the forms relating to this Department before they are finally struck off, rather than have some irresponsible examiner state what employees are attached to this Department.

Yours very truly,

J. M. COURTNEY, D. M. F.

The Auditor General.

AUDIT OFFICE, OTTAWA, Jan. 14, 1889.

DEAR SIR,—Let me acknowledge receipt of your letter of Dec. 20, objecting to the classification of Mr. Conroy as an employee of the Finance Department.

You perhaps may not have noticed that the monthly statements of expenditure by the Accountant of Contingencies, as supplied to this Office, are all made out