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ferce has power under Act 53 Vict., c. 4, s. 160, to issue of his own motion a warrant for the parties to proceed, GALLA-GHER V. CITY OF MONCTON ......360 - Report - Order of Reference not Attached to Report-Act 53 Vict., c. 4, 8. 170-Entitling Evidence-Illegible Abbreviations in Evidence-Evidence in Leadpencil Writing - Absence of Notice of Hearing before Referee to Parties Interested—Act 53 Vict., c. 4, s. 160.] A motion to confirm report of a Referee, on a reference for the appointment of a guardian, recommending the appointment of the father, was refused where the order of reference was not attached to the report as required by Act 53 Vict., c. 4, s. 170, and the evidence taken by the Referee was not entitled in the matter, was in lead-pencil writing, contained abbreviations impossible to understand, and it appeared that relatives of the infant, except her father, had not been notified of the hearing before the Referee. In re-Report—Exceptions—Costs . . . . 191 See Costs, 4.

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