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An Act to amend the Act to authorize investigations in cases of accident by fire.

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**An Act to amend the Act to authorize investigations
in cases of accident by fire.**

WHEREAS it is expedient to extend the provisions of the Act Preamble.
passed in the twentieth year of Her Majesty's Reign and inti-
tuled, *An Act to authorize investigations in cases of accident by Fire,* 20 V., c. 36
and to repeal an Act authorizing such investigations in the Cities of
5 *Quebec and Montreal,* to cases occurring in the rural districts: There-
fore Her Majesty, &c., enacts as follows :

I. The Act first above mentioned shall apply to fires occurring with- The said Act
out the limits of any City, incorporated Town, or incorporated Village, to apply to
and whereby any house or other building shall be wholly or in part con- fires in the
10 sumed, and the Coroner within whose jurisdiction any such fire occurs country parts.
shall have the like duties, powers, and liabilities, and the inquiry shall
be subject to the like provisions, as if it occurred in any City, incorpo-
rated Town or Village within his jurisdiction.

II. When any such inquiry shall be made by any Coroner as to any How the
15 fire occurring without the limits of any City or incorporated Town or Coroner's fees
Village, such Coroner shall be entitled to the same allowance *per diem* shall be paid.
as in the cases mentioned in the said Act, and such allowance shall be
paid by the *Township or Local Municipality* in which the fire occurred,
and the official order of such Coroner for the same upon the Treasurer
20 of such Township or Local Municipality, shall be paid by such
Treasurer out of any funds he may then have in the Treasury, and he
shall pay the same upon the presentation of such order.