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CHAPTER 92.

An Act respecting Coroners and Coroners' Inquests.

HIS MAJESTY, by and with the advice and consent of the Legislative Assembly of the Province of Ontario, enacts as follows:

1. This Act may be cited as The Coroners Act. 1 Geo. V. c. 23, s. 1.

2. In this Act "Coroner" shall include Associate Coroner. 1 Geo. V. c. 23, s. 2.

PART I.

APPOINTMENT OF CORONERS.

GENERAL.

3.—(1) The Lieutenant-Governor in Council may appoint one or more Coroners for the whole or any part of every county, city, town, provisional judicial district and provisional county.

(2) This section shall not apply to the cities of Toronto or Hamilton. 3-4 Geo. V. c. 21, s. 1, part.

SPECIAL PROVISIONS AS TO THE CITIES OF TORONTO AND HAMILTON.

4.—(1) The Lieutenant-Governor in Council may appoint a Coroner to be called the Chief Coroner for the City of Toronto and a Coroner to be called the Chief Coroner for the City of Hamilton and such number of Associate Coroners in each city as may be deemed proper.

(2) An Associate Coroner, subject to such regulations as the Lieutenant-Governor in Council may prescribe, shall perform all the duties and exercise all the powers of a Coroner.

(3) Except the Chief Coroner, every Coroner and Associate Coroner appointed for the County of York, including the City of Toronto, and for the County of Wentworth, including the City of Hamilton, shall have, exercise and perform within the City of Toronto and within the City of Hamilton respectively only such powers and duties as are assigned by the regulations to an Associate Coroner.
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(4) The Chief Coroner for the City of Toronto shall be paid in lieu of all fees by the Corporation of the City half yearly, such salary, not exceeding $1,500 per annum, and the Chief Coroner of the City of Hamilton shall be paid in lieu of all fees by the Corporation of the City half-yearly such salary not exceeding $1,000 per annum, as may be fixed by the Lieutenant-Governor in Council, and the said Corporations shall be respectively reimbursed out of The Consolidated Revenue Fund to the extent of one-half such respective salaries. 3-4 Geo. V. c. 21, s. 1, part.

NOTICE OF APPOINTMENT.

5. A copy of the Order in Council appointing a Coroner shall be sent to the Clerk of the Peace of the County or District in which the Coroner is to act, and shall be filed by him in his office. 1 Geo. V. c. 23, s. 5.

PART II.

INQUEST ON DEATH.

DISQUALIFICATION OF CORONER.

6. A Coroner shall not conduct an inquest upon the body of any person whose death has been caused at or on a railway, mine or other work, whereof he is the owner, or part owner, or which is owned or operated by a company in which he is a shareholder, or in respect of which he is employed as medical attendant or in any other capacity by the owner thereof, or under any agreement or understanding, direct or indirect, with the employees at or on such work. 1 Geo. V. c. 23, s. 6.

DUTY OF CORONER ON INFORMATION OF DEATH.

7.—(1) Where a Coroner is informed that there is within his jurisdiction the body of a deceased person, and that there is reason to believe that the deceased died from violence or by unfair means, or in consequence of culpable or negligent conduct of others, or under such circumstances as require investigation, he shall issue his warrant to take possession of the body, Form 1, and shall view the body and make such further enquiry as may be required to satisfy himself whether or not an inquest is necessary.

(2) After the issue of such warrant no other Coroner shall issue a warrant or interfere in the case, except under the instructions of the Attorney-General or the Crown Attorney. 1 Geo. V. c. 23, s. 7.

8. If, after making such enquiry, the Coroner deems it necessary that an inquest should be held, he shall issue his warrant, Form 2, for the holding of an inquest, and shall 70 s.
forthwith transmit to the Crown Attorney a statutory declaration, Form 3, setting forth briefly the result of such enquiry, and the grounds upon which he deems it necessary that an inquest should be held. 1 Geo. V. c. 23, s. 8.

9.—(1) If, after viewing the body and making such enquiry, the Coroner deems an inquest unnecessary, he shall issue his warrant, Form 4, to bury the body, and shall forthwith transmit to the Crown Attorney a statutory declaration, Form 5, setting forth briefly the result of such enquiry and the grounds on which the warrant has been issued.

(2) Notwithstanding such declaration, the Attorney-General or the Crown Attorney may direct the Coroner making the same, or some other Coroner having jurisdiction, to hold an inquest upon the body, and the Coroner to whom such direction is given shall forthwith issue his warrant for an inquest and hold the same accordingly. 1 Geo. V. c. 23, s. 9.

10. If the Coroner declares an inquest to be unnecessary, and an inquest is not held by him, he shall be entitled for his services to a fee of $5 and mileage at the rate of 20 cents per mile for every mile necessarily travelled by him, and such fee and mileage shall be paid in the same manner and upon the same conditions as the fees of a Coroner in a case in which an inquest is held. 1 Geo. V. c. 23, s. 10.

WHEN INQUEST COMPULSORY.

11. Where the death of any person appears to have been caused in the construction or operation of any railway, street railway or electric railway the Crown Attorney, subject to the provisions of section 6, shall direct a Coroner having jurisdiction in the locality to hold an inquest upon the body of the person so dying, and the Coroner shall issue his warrant and hold an inquest accordingly. 1 Geo. V. c. 23, s. 11.

12.—(1) Where a Coroner has ordered an inquest upon the body of a person who has met death by violence in the wreck of a building, bridge, structure, embankment or railway train, the Coroner may take charge of all wreckage and place a constable or constables in charge thereof so as to prevent persons from disturbing such wreckage until the jury at the inquest has viewed the same, or the Coroner where there is no jury has made such examination as he deems necessary.

(2) The Coroner shall have power to swear in such special constables as may be necessary for such purposes.

(3) The jury or Coroner as the case may be shall view such wreckage at the earliest moment possible. 3-4 Geo. V. e. 18, s. 20 (2).
13.—(1) Where an inmate of a house of refuge or house of industry dies, the superintendent, or other officer in charge, shall immediately give notice of such death to the Crown Attorney.

(2) On receipt of such notice the Crown Attorney shall enquire into the facts, and if, as a result of such enquiry, he is of opinion that such death took place under circumstances requiring an investigation, he shall direct a Coroner having jurisdiction to hold an inquest upon the body of the deceased person, and the Coroner shall issue his warrant, Form 2, and hold an inquest accordingly. 1 Geo. V. c. 23, s. 12.

14. Where a prisoner in a gaol, prison, house of correction, reformatory or lock-up dies the warden, gaoler, keeper or superintendent thereof shall immediately give notice of such death to a Coroner having jurisdiction in the county, city or town in which such death takes place, and the Coroner shall issue his warrant, Form 2, and hold an inquest accordingly. 1 Geo. V. c. 23, s. 13.

POWERS AND DUTIES OF CROWN ATTORNEY OR COUNSEL FOR ATTORNEY-GENERAL.

15.—(1) Every Coroner, before holding an inquest, shall notify the Crown Attorney of the time and place of holding the same, and the Crown Attorney may, and if directed by the Attorney-General shall, attend the inquest and may examine or cross-examine the witnesses thereat, and the Coroner shall summon such witnesses as the Crown Attorney directs.

(2) The Attorney-General may be represented by Counsel at any inquest, and such Counsel shall have the same powers as the Crown Attorney has under subsection 1. 1 Geo. V. c. 23, s. 14.

MEDICAL WITNESSES AND POST-MORTEM.

16.—(1) The Coroner may, at any time before the termination of the inquest, by his warrant, Form 6, direct a post-mortem examination to be made by a medical practitioner, with or without an analysis of the contents of the stomach and intestines.

(2) A post-mortem examination shall not be made without the consent in writing of the Crown Attorney unless an inquest is actually held.

(3) Every medical practitioner making a post-mortem examination shall make a report thereon in writing upon a form approved by the Lieutenant-Governor in Council which shall be supplied by the Coroner.
Fees not to be paid unless report made.

(4) No fees shall be paid to a medical practitioner for a post-mortem examination unless such report is made and contains the particulars required by the form or satisfactorily accounts for their absence. 1 Geo. V. c. 23, s. 15.

Calling medical attendant of deceased.

17.—(1) The Coroner may issue his warrant, Form 6, for the attendance before him or at the inquest of the legally qualified medical practitioner, if any, who attended the deceased at his death, or during his last illness, or of any other legally qualified medical practitioner in or near the place where the death occurred, but he shall not without the consent of the Crown Attorney order the attendance of more than one medical practitioner.

Fees of medical witness.

(2) A legally qualified medical practitioner shall be entitled for each attendance in obedience to any such order to $5 and mileage at the rate of twenty cents per mile for every mile necessarily travelled, and for a post-mortem examination without an analysis of the contents of the stomach or intestines he shall be entitled to a fee of $15, and if with such analysis to an additional fee of $25.

Proving mileage.

(3) The number of miles so travelled shall be proved by the statutory declaration of the medical practitioner. 1 Geo. V. c. 23, s. 16.

JURY.

Number of jurors to be summoned.

18.—(1) The number of jurymen to be summoned to serve on an inquest shall be not less than seven nor more than twelve.

And to find inquisition.

(2) An inquisition may be found by a majority being not less than seven in number of the jurors sworn. 1 Geo. V. c. 23, s. 17.

Inquest without jury in district.

19. Where an inquest is held in a Provisional Judicial District the Coroner may, with the consent of the Crown Attorney, hold the inquest without a jury. 1 Geo. V. c. 23, s. 18.

Qualification of jurors.

20. A person shall not be qualified to serve as a juror unless he is named in the voters' list of the municipality and marked therein as qualified to serve as a juror. 1 Geo. V. c. 23, s. 19.

Disqualification.

21. An officer, employee or inmate of a house of refuge, house of industry, hospital, asylum, or charitable institution, gaol, prison, house of correction, reformatory or lock-up, shall not be qualified to serve as a juror at an inquest upon the body of any person whose death occurred therein. 1 Geo. V. c. 23, s. 20.
22.—(1) Every juror serving at an inquest shall be entitled to $1 for every day upon which such inquest is held, and is continued for not more than four hours, and where the time occupied by an inquest on any day exceeds four hours $1 in addition for each such day, and mileage at the rate of 10 cents per mile for each mile necessarily travelled from his place of residence to the place where the inquest is held.

(2) Subject to the provisions of section 24 the amount to be paid to jurors shall be certified by the Coroner, who shall make his order for payment thereof. 1 Geo. V. c. 23, s. 21.

PAYMENT OF EXPENSES.

23. The Coroner shall give to every person entitled to fees, mileage or other expenses in connection with an inquest an order on the treasurer of the county, or of the city or separated town in which an inquest is held, or in the case of an inquest in a Provisional Judicial District upon the treasurer of the district, for the payment thereof, and upon presentation of the order the treasurer shall pay the amount named therein. 1 Geo. V. c. 23, s. 22.

EXPENSES OF INQUEST WHEN CAUSE OF DEATH TAKES PLACE OUTSIDE CITY OR TOWN.

24.—(1) Where an inquest is held upon the body of a person who has died in a county, city or separated town, and the jury find that the cause of death did not arise within such county, city or town, the Coroner shall make an order for the payment of the fees and expenses in connection with such inquest on the treasurer of the county, city or town in which the inquest is held, who shall thereupon pay the same; and the amount so paid shall, on demand, be repaid by the treasurer of the county, city or separated town in which the matter causing the death is found to have arisen or taken place.

(2) In this section “county” shall not include a city or a town separated from a county for municipal purposes. 1 Geo. V. c. 23, s. 23.

ANNUAL RETURNS.

25.—(1) Every Coroner shall on or before the 15th day of January in each year make a return to the Attorney-General for the year ending on the 31st day of December next preceding, containing

(a) every case in which after investigation by him an inquest was deemed unnecessary; and
(b) every case in which an inquest was held by him, with the findings of the jury thereon.

(2) The return shall as far as possible show the name, place of residence and occupation of the deceased, the place of death, and the cause of death as found by the coroner on such investigation, or by the jury at the inquest.

(3) The return shall be in the form prescribed by the Lieutenant-Governor in Council which shall be furnished to all coroners. 1 Geo. V. c. 23, s. 24.

FEES OF CORONERS.

26.—(1) The fees and expenses to be allowed and paid to a coroner holding an inquest upon a death shall be those set forth in schedule "A," and shall be payable, in the first instance, by the city or county, and the city or county shall be recouped for the same out of the Consolidated Revenue Fund. 1 Geo. V. c. 23, s. 25 (1).

(2) On the recommendation of the Attorney-General an additional allowance may be made to a Coroner holding an inquest, where in the opinion of the Attorney-General such fees are an insufficient remuneration, having regard to the difficulties of travelling and other special circumstances. 3-4 Geo. V. c. 18, s. 20 (1).

PART III.

INVESTIGATION OF FIRES.

ON REQUISITION OF INSURANCE COMPANY OR MUNICIPAL COUNCIL.

27. Where a Coroner within whose jurisdiction a fire has occurred, whereby any building, or any moveable property, has been wholly or in part consumed or damaged, receives

(a) a requisition in writing signed by the agent of an insurance company setting forth the facts as far as known, and stating that there is reason to believe that the fire was the result of culpable or negligent conduct or design, or occurred under such circumstances as, in the interests of justice and for the due protection of property, require investigation; and requiring the coroner to hold an inquiry into the cause and origin of the fire; together with a statutory declaration that the statements made in the requisition are true to the knowledge of the person making the declaration; or

(b) a resolution passed by the council of the city, town, village or township in which the fire took place.
that there are strong special and public reasons why an investigation should be held into the cause and origin of the fire and stating such reasons, and

(c) an undertaking, on the part of the insurance company or council, to pay the expenses of the inquiry, he may, in his discretion, issue his warrant for summoning not less than seven nor more than twelve of the householders resident in the vicinity of the fire to hear the evidence that may be adduced concerning the same, and to render a verdict under oath according to the facts, or he may hold the inquest without a jury. 1 Geo. V. c. 23, s. 26.

FEES OF CORONER.

28. Where an inquest is held by a Coroner in respect of a fire the Coroner shall be entitled to the sum of $10, and should the enquiry extend beyond one day, then to $10 per diem for each of two days thereafter and no more. 1 Geo. V. c. 23, s. 27.

PAYMENT OF EXPENSES.

29. The insurance company or municipal council requiring the inquest shall alone be responsible for the expenses of and attending the same, and the fees, mileage and other charges shall be certified by the Coroner, who shall give his order in writing upon the company or the treasurer of the municipality, as the case may be, for payment thereof to the persons entitled thereto, and the same shall be payable accordingly. 1 Geo. V. c. 23, s. 28.

30. The expenses consequent upon an adjournment of an inquest shall not be chargeable against or payable by the insurance company or municipal council requiring the investigation unless the Coroner has certified under his hand why and for what purpose in his opinion an adjournment took place or became necessary. 1 Geo. V. c. 23, s. 29.

WHO TO BE PARTIES TO INVESTIGATION.

31.—(1) A director or officer of any fire insurance company interested, or the assured, or any person claiming under a policy of insurance, or any person prejudicially affected by any of the evidence adduced may attend personally or by counsel any investigation held under this Part as party thereto, and may, with the Coroner’s consent, examine, cross-examine or re-examine witnesses, as the case may be.

(2) The Coroner shall summon such witnesses as he may deem necessary and as may be required by any party to the investigation. 1 Geo. V. c. 23, s. 30.
32. A Coroner who is a director or officer of the insurance company, or who is interested in any way, shall not hold an investigation under this Part, nor shall any such director or officer or any other interested person act for the Coroner as clerk, reporter or otherwise in taking down or recording the depositions or evidence. 1 Geo. V. c. 23, s. 31.

PART IV.

PROVINCIAL CORONERS.

33.—(1) The Lieutenant-Governor in Council may appoint Provincial Coroners, each of whom shall be by virtue of his appointment a Coroner for every county, provisional county and provisional judicial district for the purpose of

(a) holding fire inquest;

(b) holding investigations in cases of maiming or suspected poisoning of horses, cattle and other domestic animals; and

(c) holding an investigation in any case in which there is in his opinion reason to believe that property has been destroyed or damaged by the wilful or malicious use of explosives.

(2) Except where otherwise expressly provided a Provincial Coroner when holding an inquest or investigation shall have all the powers of a Coroner.

(3) Where a fire has occurred whereby any building or any moveable property has been wholly or in part consumed or damaged, and it appears to a Provincial Coroner that there is reason to believe that the fire was the result of culpable or negligent conduct or design, or occurred under such circumstances as require investigation, he may hold an inquest as to the cause or origin of the fire, and may summon a jury for that purpose, as provided by section 17, or may dispense with a jury as he may deem expedient.

(4) A Provincial Coroner may hold an inquest or investigation without or upon the like requisition as in the case of a Coroner acting under Part III., but he shall not enter upon any inquest or investigation without the consent of the Attorney-General or the Crown Attorney.

(5) Where a Provincial Coroner acts upon the requisition of an agent of an insurance company, or upon the resolution of a municipal council, the expenses of and incidental to the investigation shall be borne and paid in the same manner as in the case of an inquiry by a Coroner, and in other cases
such expenses shall be borne and paid in the same manner as in the case of an inquest upon the body of a deceased person. 1 Geo. V. c. 23, s. 32.

PART V.

GENERAL PROVISIONS.

APPLICATION.

34. This Part shall apply to every inquest and investigation held by a Coroner or by a Provincial Coroner under the authority of this Act or of any other Act or law in force in Ontario. 1 Geo. V. c. 23, s. 33.

35.—(1) In addition to any other powers which he may possess a Coroner shall have the same power to issue summons to witnesses, Form 8, to enforce their attendance and to punish for non-attendance or refusing to give evidence as is possessed by the Supreme Court.

(2) A fine imposed for non-attendance or refusal to give evidence shall not, in the case of a medical practitioner, exceed $40, and in the case of any other witness shall not exceed $10. 1 Geo. V. c. 23, s. 34.

36.—(1) The evidence upon an inquest or any part of it, with the sanction of the Crown Attorney, may be taken in shorthand by a stenographer who may be appointed by the Coroner, and who before acting shall make oath that he will truly and faithfully report the evidence; and where evidence is so taken it shall not be necessary that it be read over to or signed by the witness, but it shall be sufficient if the transcript is signed by the Coroner and is accompanied by an affidavit of the stenographer that it is a true report of such evidence.

(2) The Coroner shall certify what he deems a reasonable payment of fees of the stenographer, and the same shall be paid, on the order of the Coroner, in the same manner as the other expenses of the witnesses.

(3) The sanction of the Crown Attorney to the employment of a stenographer shall not be necessary in the case of an inquest held by a Provincial Coroner, or in the case of a fire inquest where one of the parties thereto in writing requests the Coroner to employ a stenographer and agrees to pay the extra charges occasioned thereby. 1 Geo. V. c. 23, s. 35.

37.—(1) A Coroner may and if required by the Crown Attorney shall employ a person to act as interpreter at an inquest, and such person may be summoned to attend the inquest.
(2) An interpreter shall be paid for his attendance and services such fees as may be fixed by the Provincial Coroner, or by the Coroner with the approval of the Crown Attorney. 1 Geo. V. c. 23, s. 36.

**PENALTY ON JUROR FOR NON-ATTENDANCE.**

38. Where a person duly summoned to serve as a juror does not attend the Coroner may impose upon him a fine not exceeding $4. 1 Geo. V. c. 23, s. 37.

**RECOVERY OF FINES.**

39. Where a fine is imposed by a Coroner under this Act he shall thereupon make out and sign a certificate stating the name, residence and occupation of the delinquent, the amount of the fine imposed and the cause of the fine, and shall transmit such certificate to the Clerk of the Peace of the county in which the delinquent resides on or before the first day of the General Sessions of the Peace then next ensuing, and the fine so certified shall be estreated, levied and applied in like manner and upon and subject to the like powers, provisions and penalties as if it had been a fine imposed at the General Sessions. 1 Geo. V. c. 23, s. 38.

**RETURN OF INQUISITION.**

40. Every Coroner shall forthwith, after an inquisition found by or before him, return the same and every recognizance taken before him, with the evidence and exhibits, to the Crown Attorney. 1 Geo. V. c. 23, s. 39.

**COURT ROOM FOR INQUEST.**

41.—(1) The corporation of every city and town shall provide a suitable place for the holding of inquests, and until it is provided for that purpose, inquests may be held in the Police Court room of the municipality, but at such times as shall not interfere with the use of such court room for the holding of the Police Court.

(2) If a suitable place is not provided by the corporation the Coroner may procure a suitable place for holding the inquest and the expense incurred shall be borne by the corporation. 1 Geo. V. c. 23, s. 40.

**FORMS.**

42. The forms set out in Schedule B may be used for the purposes therein designated, but no inquisition shall be set aside or quashed on account of any deviation from any of such forms, where the instrument in question has been duly
signed and attested, and the effect thereof is the same as that set out in the form provided for the purpose. 1 Geo. V. c. 23, s. 41.

(For special provisions as to Coroners when acting under The Sheriffs Act, see cap. R.S.O. c. 16.)

(As to Fatal Accidents in Mines, see The Mining Act of Ontario, R.S.O. c. 32.)

SCHEDULE A.

(a) Impanelling a jury ........................................ $2 00
(b) Examining each witness (including summons) .............. 50
(c) Taking each recognizance ................................ 50
(d) Necessary travel per mile .................................. 20
    When by railway, per mile .................................. 10
(e) Taking inquisition and making return ..................... 10 00
(f) Every warrant ................................................ 1 00
(g) Order for the payment of jurors ........................... 1 00

1 Geo. V. c. 23, Sched. A.; 2 Geo. V. c. 17, s. 21.

SCHEDULE B.

FORM 1.

Coroner's Warrant to Take Possession of Body.

(Section 7.)

Province of Ontario of
To wit

To the Chief Constable of the of
in the County (or district) of

By virtue of my office these are in His Majesty's name to charge and command you that on sight hereof you forthwith take in charge the body of deceased (or the body of an unknown person) now lying dead at (describing as accurately as possible the locality in which body lies).

And thereafter do and execute all such things as shall be given you in charge on behalf of our Sovereign Lord the King touching the death of , and for so doing this shall be your sufficient warrant.

Given under my hand and seal this day of , 19 .

Coroner.

1 Geo. V. c. 23, Sched. B, Form 1.
FORM 2.

WARRANT TO HOLD INQUEST ON DEATH.

(Sections 8, 12.)

Province of Ontario

To the Chief Constable of the

of

To wit

in the County (or district)

By virtue of my office these are in His Majesty’s name to charge and command you that on sight hereof you summon and warn (not less than seven nor more than twelve) able and efficient men of your County (or City) personally to be and appear before me on the day of , at o’clock in the noon of the same day

at , called or known by the name or sign of situate in the said

such things that shall be given them in charge on behalf of our Sovereign Lord the King touching the death of , and for so doing this shall be your sufficient warrant; and that you also attend at the time and place above mentioned, to make a return of the names of the persons whom you shall have sum­moned and further to do and execute such other matters as shall be then and there enjoined you and have you then and there this warrant.

Given under my hand and seal this day of .

Coroner.

1 Geo. V. c. 23, Sched. B, Form 2.

FORM 3.

DECLARATION OF CORONER THAT INQUEST NECESSARY.

(Section 8.)

Province of Ontario

I, of the of in the

of a Coroner in and for said , do hereby solemnly declare:

That after viewing the body of (or the body of an unknown person) now lying dead at this in this , I am of opinion that there is good reason for believing that (or an unknown man, woman, or male or female child) now lying dead at did not come to his (or her) death from natural causes, or from mere accident or mischance; but came to his (or her) death from violence or unfair means, or culpable or negligent conduct of others, or under other circumstances requiring investigation by a Coroner’s inquest.

And I make this solemn declaration conscientiously believing it to be true and knowing it is of the same force and effect as if made under oath and by virtue of The Canada Evidence Act.

Declared before me at the in the of this day of .

A Commissioner, etc.

Coroner.

1 Geo. V. c. 23, Sched. B, Form 3.
FORM 4.

WARRANT TO BURY AFTER A VIEW.

(Section 9.)

Province of Ontario

To wit

To the person in charge or control of the burying grounds in the and to all others whom it may concern.

Whereas, an inquisition hath this day been held upon view of the body of who now lies dead in your (township or city or as the case may be). These are therefore to certify that you may lawfully permit the body of the said to be buried: and for your so doing this is your warrant.

Given under my hand and seal this day of 19.

Coroner.


______________________________________

FORM 5.

DECLARATION OF CORONER UPON ORDER FOR BURIAL.

(Section 9.)

Province of Ontario

To wit

In the matter of deceased

I, , Coroner of the of , in the County of do solemnly declare that I visited and examined the body of the said and learned from the following facts:—

Upon these facts I issued an order to bury the body.

And I make this solemn declaration conscientiously believing it to be true, and knowing that it is of the same force and effect as if made under oath and by virtue of The Canada Evidence Act.

Declared before me at the of this day of 19.

A Commissioner, etc.

1 Geo. V. c. 23, Sched. B, Form 5.
FORM 6  
WARRANT TO MEDICAL PRACTITIONER.  
(Sections 16, 17.)

Province of Ontario  
To wit  
To a legally qualified medical practitioner of the of in the of  

By virtue of my office, these are in His Majesty's name to charge and command you that you do [make or assist in making a post-mortem examination of the body of now lying dead at the of in the County of , with an analysis, and] appear before me and my jury at , on the day of 19 , at o'clock, and give further evidence touching the death of  

Given under my hand and seal this day of 19 .  
Coroner.  

The words between the brackets [] may be omitted when a post-mortem examination is not required.  


FORM 7.  
SUMMONS TO A JUROR.  

Province of Ontario  
To wit  

By virtue of a Warrant under the hand and seal of His Majesty's Coroner for this , you are hereby summoned personally to be and appear before him as a juryman on the day of at o'clock in the precisely, at the known by the name or sign of of then and there to enquire, on His Majesty's behalf, touching the death of and further to do and execute such other matters and things as shall be then and there enjoined you, and not depart without leave.  

Herein fail not at your peril.  

Dated the day of 19 .  
To Constable of in the  

1 Geo. V. c. 23, Sched. B, Form 7.
FORM 8

SUMMONS TO A WITNESS.

(Section 35.)

Province of Ontario of To of the of
To wit in the of

Whereas I am credibly informed that you can give material evidence on behalf of our Sovereign Lord the King, touching the death of , now lying dead in the of
in the said County of
These are, therefore, by virtue of my office, in His Majesty's name, to charge and command you personally to be and appear before me at (here insert a sufficient description of the place where the inquest is to be held) in the said at of the clock in the noon, on the day of (and then and there to give evidence and be examined, on His Majesty's behalf, before me and my inquest touching the premises.

Given under my hand and seal this day of 19 .

Coroner.

1 Geo. V. c. 23, Sched. B, Form. 8.