



THE POOR PRISONERS' DEFENCE ACT, 1915.

Under the powers conferred by the above Act, Rules (of which a copy is appended) have been made by His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor.

Claims for fees and expenses in accordance with the scale prescribed by His Excellency must be furnished to the Treasurer of the Isle of Man, in duplicate, after having been certified by the Presiding Judge.

By Order.

B. E. SARGEAUNT,

Government Secretary.

Government Office,

Isle of Man,

16th July, 1915.

Rules made by His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor under the Poor Prisoners' Defence Act, 1915, prescribing the Scale of Fees payable to Advocates and others when a Poor Prisoner is provided legal assistance at his trial at the Public Expense.

1. There shall be paid to an Advocate assigned to defend a Poor Prisoner at the Public Expense a fee of £2 2s. 0d., but the presiding Judge, after the conclusion of the trial, and upon the application of such Advocate, may, if he think fit, certify that the case was one of exceptional length or difficulty, and thereupon the fee may be increased to such sum as he may direct, but not in any case exceeding £4 4s. 0d.

2. There shall be allowed to the Clerk to the Justices or other person by whom a certified copy of the depositions is supplied to the prisoner's Advocate payment for the same at the usual rate.

3. There may be allowed to witnesses giving professional evidence and to expert witnesses the same expense as might be allowed to witnesses for a prosecution, provided that the sum allowed shall not in any case exceed one guinea a day, except in pursuance of a special order made by the presiding Judge.

4. There may be allowed to other witnesses (other than witnesses to character only unless ordered by the Court), the same expenses as may be allowed to witnesses for a prosecution.

5. The travelling expenses of witnesses may be allowed as in the case of a prosecution.

RAGLAN,

Lieutenant-Governor.

Government Office, Isle of Man,

5th July, 1915.

