

in the case of the local authority, by being left at its office or sent by registered letter to its office ; and the claimant shall be entitled to receive from the officer for the time being in charge of any such office a receipt stating the day on which such claim was delivered or received ; and any officer refusing to give such receipt on demand shall be liable to a fine not exceeding *five* pounds. 5

(3.) In order to prove the service of any claim as aforesaid it shall be necessary to produce the receipt of the officer receiving the same.

Court may compel claimant to state particulars.

1894, No. 42, sec. 43

44. If the claimant does not give full particulars of such claims, or does not specify in his claim the amount claimed for each matter on account of which he claims compensation, the respondent may, by notice in writing, require him to furnish such particulars ; and if such particulars are not supplied at least twenty-one days before the date appointed for the sitting of the Court to hear the claim, that Court may, if it think fit, upon the application of the respondent made before or at the hearing, order the claimant to furnish such particulars, and may adjourn the further hearing of the claim until such particulars are supplied, and until the respondent has had reasonable time to consider the same, and may order that the costs occasioned by such adjournment shall be borne by the claimant. 10 15 20

Claims, if notice of non-admission not given within sixty days, may be filed in the Supreme Court.

Ibid, sec. 44

45. If the respondent does not, within sixty days after receiving such claim, give notice in writing to the claimant that he does not admit it, the claimant may file a copy of his claim, together with the receipt for the service thereof, in the Supreme Court ; and such claim, when so filed, shall be deemed to be and shall have the effect of an award filed in the Supreme Court, and may be enforced in the manner provided in section seventy-seven hereof. 25

Respondent may make an offer ; if refused, the claimant may require claim to be settled in Compensation Court and appoint Assessor.

Ibid, sec. 45

46. (1.) If the respondent gives notice in writing within the said sixty days that he does not admit the claim, he may, within ninety days after receiving the claim, by notice in writing, make the claimant an offer of the sum which he is willing to pay in lieu of the amount claimed and may file a copy of such notice in the Court or office prescribed in subsection *four* of this section. 30

(2.) If the respondent gives notice in writing within the said sixty days that he does not admit the claim, but makes no such offer, or if the claimant does not accept the offer so made, the claimant may file a copy of his claim in the Court or office prescribed in subsection four of this section, together with a notice in the form in the *Fourth* Schedule hereto that he requires such claim to be heard by a Compensation Court ; and he shall, in such notice, state the name and address of some person whom he thereby appoints to act as Assessor in such Court, and shall give notice in writing to the respondent of the appointment of such Assessor. 35 40

(3.) If the claimant does not file such notice as aforesaid within thirty days after the time limited for the respondent to make an offer as hereinbefore provided, the claimant shall be deemed to have abandoned the proceedings in respect of his claim, and shall not be entitled to prosecute the same further, except with the leave of the Court in which the claim might have been filed within such time, to be granted upon such terms and conditions as to the time and mode of procedure, and as to the costs of the application for such leave, as that Court thinks fit. 45 50