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proceeding with the payment of solicitors' costs) shall apply as if an arbitration were a proceeding in the High Court, and the High Court may make declarations and orders accordingly.

Taxation of umpire's fees.

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- 19.—(1) If in any case an arbitrator or umpire refuses to arbitrator's or deliver his award except on payment of the fees demanded by him, the High Court may, on an application for the purpose. order that the arbitrator or umpire shall deliver the award to the applicant on payment into court by the applicant of the fees demanded, and further that the fees demanded shall be taxed by the taxing officer and that out of the money paid into court there shall be paid out to the arbitrator or umpire by way of fees such sum as may be found reasonable on taxation and that the balance of the money, if any, shall be paid out to the applicant.
  - (2) An application for the purposes of this section may be made by any party to the reference unless the fees demanded have been fixed by a written agreement between him and the arbitrator or umpire.
  - (3) A taxation of fees under this section may be reviewed in the same manner as a taxation of costs.
  - (4) The arbitrator or umpire shall be entitled to appear and be heard on any taxation or review of taxation under this section.

Interest on awards.

20. A sum directed to be paid by an award shall, unless the award otherwise directs, carry interest as from the date of the award and at the same rate as a judgment debt.

Special Cases, Remission and Setting aside of Awards, &c.

Statement of case.

- 21.—(1) An arbitrator or umpire may, and shall if so directed by the High Court, state-
  - (a) any question of law arising in the course of the reference: or
- (b) an award or any part of an award.

in the form of a special case for the decision of the High Court.

- (2) A special case with respect to an interim award or with respect to a question of law arising in the course of a reference may be stated, or may be directed by the High Court to be stated, notwithstanding that proceedings under the reference are still pending.
- (3) A decision of the High Court under this section shall be deemed to be a judgment of the Court within the meaning of section twenty-seven of the Supreme Court of Judicature (Consolidation) Act, 1925 (which relates to the jurisdiction of the Court of Appeal to hear and determine appeals from any judgment of the High Court), but no appeal shall lie from the

decision of the High Court on any case stated under paragraph (a) of subsection (1) of this section without the leave of the High Court or of the Court of Appeal.

22.—(1) In all cases of reference to arbitration the High Court Power to or a judge thereof may from time to time remit the matters remit award. referred, or any of them, to the reconsideration of the arbitrator or umpire.

(2) Where an award is remitted, the arbitrator or umpire shall, unless the order otherwise directs, make his award within three months after the date of the order.

23.—(1) Where an arbitrator or umpire has misconducted Removal of himself or the proceedings, the High Court may remove him. arbitrator and

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(2) Where an arbitrator or umpire has misconducted himself of award. or the proceedings, or an arbitration or award has been improperly procured, the High Court may set the award aside.

(3) Where an application is made to set aside an award, the High Court may order that any money made payable by the award shall be brought into court or otherwise secured pending the determination of the application.

24.—(1) Where an agreement between any parties provides Power of that disputes which may arise in the future between them shall court to give be referred to an arbitrator named or designated in the agree- relief where ment, and after a dispute has arisen any party applies, on the arbitrator is not impartial ground that the arbitrator so named or designated is not or may or the dispute not be impartial, for leave to revoke the authority of the arbi-involves trator or for an injunction to restrain any other party or the question of arbitrator from proceeding with the arbitration, it shall not be fraud. a ground for refusing the application that the said party at the time when he made the agreement knew, or ought to have known, that the arbitrator, by reason of his relation towards any other party to the agreement or of his connection with the subject referred, might not be capable of impartiality.

(2) Where an agreement between any parties provides that disputes which may arise in the future between them shall be referred to arbitration, and a dispute which so arises involves the question whether any such party has been guilty of fraud, the High Court shall, so far as may be necessary to enable that question to be determined by the High Court, have power to order that the agreement shall cease to have effect and power to give leave to revoke the authority of any arbitrator or umpire appointed by or by virtue of the agreement.

(3) In any case where by virtue of this section the High Court has power to order that an arbitration agreement shall cease to have effect or to give leave to revoke the authority of an arbitrator or umpire, the High Court may refuse to stay any action brought in breach of the agreement.