This PUBLIC BILL originated in the LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY, and, having this day passed, is now ready for presentation to the LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL for its concurrence.

Legislative Assembly Chamber, Sydney, 21 March, 1892. F. W. WEBB, Clerk of Legislative Assembly.



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VICTORIÆ REGINÆ.

No.

An Act to provide for the Inspection and Regulation of Steamboilers on land; the examination of persons in charge of the same, and the granting of certificates to such persons; to define the duties and liabilities of the owners of such boilers; to make provision for the holding of inquiries into accidents caused by the explosion of such boilers; and for other purposes incidental to the objects aforesaid.

(As agreed to in Select Committee.)

WHEREAS it is expedient that certain steam-boilers employed on Preamble. land or for any of the purposes hereinafter mentioned within certain localities in this Colony should be subject to official inspection and control; that the duties and liabilities of the owners of such 5 boilers should, in certain respects, be defined; and that provision should be made for the holding of inquiries into accidents caused by boiler explosions; and that persons in charge of such boilers should give satisfactory evidence of competency in that behalf: Be it therefore enacted by the Queen's Most Excellent Majesty, by and with the advice 10 and consent of the Legislative Council and Legislative Assembly of

New South Wales in Parliament assembled, and by the authority of the same, as follows :—

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1. This Act may be cited as the "Land Boilers Inspection Act short title. of 1892."

2. In this Act, if not inconsistent with the context, the word—Interpretation.
"Boiler" means any boiler or vessel in which steam is generated under pressure, used for manufacturing or forany other purpose, or for the working of any engine or machinery used on land, or in, on, or about any mine, subject to the provisions of the 714—A Coal

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Coal Mines Regulation Act in force for the time being, or for the working of any engine or machinery used on any wharf, or on any hulk, punt, raft, or vessel not propelled by steam, or on any structure of any description employed in any harbour, river, inlet, or lake. It also includes the setting and all the fittings and mountings, feed-pumps, injectors, donkey-engines, and other equipments necessary to maintain the efficiency of the boiler.

- "Building" means any manufactory, mill, shop, shed, or premises in which any boiler is erected or where the same is kept or is in operation.
- "Court" means in and for the Metropolitan Police District, any Stipendiary Magistrate, and elsewhere any Police Magistrate. "-District-"-means-any-district-proclaimed-under-this-Act.
- "Governor" means the Governor, with the advice of the Executive Council.
 - "Inspector" means any person appointed to be an Inspector of Boilers under this Act acting within any district-or-districts locality for which he is appointed.
 - "Magistrate" means a Stipendiary or Police Magistrate.
 - "Minister" means the Minister charged with the administration of this Act.
 - "Owner" means and includes as well the owner of any boiler, as also the mortgagee or lessee of any boiler, and any engineer, overseer, foreman, agent, or person in charge or having the control or management of any boiler.
 - "Premises" means and includes any building, yard, farm, paddock, field, road, place, punt, raft, vessel, or structure in which a boiler, as hereinbefore defined, is kept or is in operation.
 - "Prescribed" means prescribed by this Act or by any regulation made thereunder.

ESTABLISHMENT.

- 3. The Governor may, by proclamation in the Gazette, divide Governor maydivide 35 the Colony-into-districts for the purposes of this Act, with such names Operation of Act. and-boundaries-as-he-shall-think-proper, and-may, in like-manner, alter the boundaries of any such district : Provided always that for at least twelve-months-after the passing of this Act The provisions thereof of this Act shall be confined to the counties of Cumberland and Northumberland,
- 40 and to such other--important-centres--of-manufacture populous localities as the Governor may, by proclamation in the *Gazette*, declare to be under the operation of this Act, and after the expiration of such twelve months to such other districts as the Governor may, in like manner, so declare-as-aforesaid and (except in relation to the construction of new 45 boilers and inquiries as to accidents) to boilers used on premises in
- persons are employed. which not less than

4. The Governor may appoint from among the officers of the Governor may Civil Service a duly qualified person to be Chief Inspector of Land appoint Inspectors. Boilers, and one or more duly qualified persons to be Inspector or

- 50 Inspectors of Boilers for any district locality under this Act. but no person-shall be appointed a District Inspector who does not possess the prescribed competency, and has not passed the prescribed examination. The Chief Inspector shall conduct all examinations of Inspectors held under this-Act.
- 5. Every Inspector shall be furnished with a certificate under Inspectors' certifi-55 the hand of the Minister to the effect that he has been appointed an cates of appointment. Inspector for the district or districts locality or localities named therein, and, on his entering upon any premises in pursuance of this Act, he shall, if required, produce the said certificate to the owner of such 6. 60 premises.

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6. Every person who forges any such certificate, or, with intent Penalty for forging to deceive, makes use of any forged or false certificate, and every pretending to be an person who falsely pretends to be an Inspector under this Act, shall Inspector. be guilty of a misdemeanour, and be liable to be imprisoned for any 5 period not exceeding twelve months, with or without hard labour.

7. Every Inspector shall keep minutes of his proceedings, and Inspectors to keep shall, twice in every year, or oftener if required, forward such to the Minister. proceedings to the Chief Inspector, who, when required, shall submit the same to the Minister.

EXAMINATION OF INSPECTORS.

Qualifications.

8. Any person d esirous of being appoint ted an inspector under Examination of this Act shall pass the prescribed examination according to the rules and regulations hereinafter mentioned, and shall satisfy the examiner of 15 his competency as follows:—He must have a sound knowledge of the principles of modern boiler construction, and be able to calculate the stresses and strains to which the various parts are esubjected. He must be well versed in the strength of materials, and thoroughly understand the mechanical properties of iron and steel a sused for this special
20 purpose. He must be able to work out all classes s of riveting, check and calculate dead weight, lever, and spring loaded safety valve pressures. He must know the stan dard proportions of the various parts, how they should be stayed, and be competent to make a plain drawing or a good working sketch of any boiler. His testimonials must also
25 show, to the satisfaction of the examiner, that he is a person of considerable practicable experience, sobriety, and general fitness for the position. His age shall not be less than twenty-five nor more than forty-five years.

Inspection and registration of boilers.

- 30 9. Every owner of any boiler in-this-Coleny, whether within Inspection of boilers. the operation of this Act or not shall, within sixty days after the All Boilers to be commencement of this Act, and every other person who may hereafter become the owner of any such boiler shall, within one month after
- he shall have become such owner, send to the inspector of the district 35 locality, or other persons duly appointed where such boiler is, or in which it is intended to keep or work such boiler, a notice stating the name of such owner and the place where such boiler is erected, kept, or intended to be worked; and such notice shall also give a short description of such boiler, its grate surface in square feet, its principal
- 40 dimensions, and the pressure at which it is being worked, and if known the makers name, and its age, also the name, age, and qualification of the person in charge, together with the owner's full address. And if any owner fails to give such notice he shall be liable to a penalty not exceeding ten pounds nor less than five pounds.
- 45 10. Every inspector having reasonable justification may at any Powers and duties of time enter upon any premises where any boiler may be placed or is in inspectors. use in order to satisfy himself that the provisions of this Act have been complied with, but he shall be careful not to needlessly inconvenience the owner.
- 50 11. If any person shall wilfully impede any inspector in the Penalty for obstructexecution of his duty under this Act, or if any owner of any boiler ^{ing inspectors.} shall refuse to give such information as the inspector may require for the purposes of this Act he shall for any such offence be liable to a penalty not exceeding twenty pounds nor less than five pounds.

Special

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Special provisions as to boilers.

12. The Minister shall cause every inspector to be provided Minister to provide with suitable standard steam gauges and other appliances by which standard. the efficiency of the boiler and fittings can be tested.

13. All boilers shall be fitted with the following mountings :- Mountings for One glass water gauge, complete.

Two test cocks.

One feed check valve, flange jointed or screwed into boiler.

One stop valve, flange jointed or screwed into boiler.

One blow-off cock, jointed or screwed into boiler.

One test cock three quarter inch Whitworth thread for connecting inspectors standard gauge.

A suitable connection to enable force pump or feed pump to be applied in testing boiler by hydraulic pressure.

A suitable pump or injector for feeding boiler and new boilers shall be fitted with two safety valves of approved design and of sufficient area to relieve the boiler without increasing the loaded pressure more than ten per centum. The combined area of the two valves shall be in proportion to the pressure carried, and one of the valves shall be arranged so as to be beyond the control of the person in charge.

14. All boilers now working and having one safety valve of Provision for boilers sufficient area shall in addition be fitted with a signal valve so arranged having one safety valve. as to be beyond the control of the person in charge.

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15. In all cases where any boiler now working is not provided six months notice with all the prescribed fittings or mountings the owner of such boiler given to comply with shall have six months from the data of the first inspection of such shall have six months from the date of the first inspection of such boiler, within which to comply with the provisions of this Act or any of the Regulations made hereunder, unless the absence of such fittings

30 or deficiency of such mountings would in the opinion of the inspector seriously imperil the safety of the boiler, in which case such inspector may direct the necessary fittings to be supplied before granting a certificate.

- 16. When any boiler is examined the inspector shall make and Inspector shall keep 35 keep a complete record of all particulars necessary to ascertain its a complete public record to all boilers. condition, and any changes, alterations, or repairs shall be carefully recorded by him. Such records shall be kept in a book which shall be open to inspection, without the payment of any fee, at such convenient place in the district locality as may be appointed for that purpose
- 40 by the Minister, but no other person other than the owner of the boiler shall be entitled to receive from the inspector an extract or copy of any entry affecting any boiler. If an inspector fail to keep such record book in the prescribed manner he shall be liable to be dismissed from his office, and in addition thereto shall be liable to a
- 45 penalty not exceeding one hundred pounds nor less than twenty pounds.

17. All boilers shall be inspected once every twelve months or When boilers are oftener if required. Such examination shall be made so as not to to the inspected. needlessly impede or prevent the working of any boiler, and the 50 inspector is to carefully study the convenience of the owners whenever

he shall see fit to exercise the powers conferred upon him by this Act.

18. The inspector may test any boiler by hydraulic pressure Boilers may be tested where the parts are difficult of access, and may, in like manner, test by hydraulic any boiler where he may think it necessary, in addition to any other pressure. 55 tests and examination that may be required, in which cases the owners

shall furnish all appliances required by the inspector.

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19. The nominal horse-power of all boilers coming under the Horse-power how provisions of this Act shall be calculated from the grate surface, and calculated. every square foot of grate surface shall be deemed to be equal to one horse power.

20. Before and for the purposes of inspection, every boiler shall Preparation for be emptied and made cool, and all man and mud-hole doors off, and 5 furnace bars and bridges out; and all brickwork or other material in which any boiler is set shall be taken down by the owner of a boiler when required by the inspector. All furnaces, flues, backs, and

- 10 uptakes connected with such boiler shall be swept clean, and all safetyvalves shall be taken to pieces, and appliances shall be provided by the owner thereof for weighing the same. The inspector shall also satisfy himself as to the efficiency of the boiler and safety-valves under steam.
- 21. If an inspector considers any boiler to be unsafe or Inspector to give 15 dangerous to life or property, he shall give to the owner of such boiler notice requiring owner to desist using a notice in the form or to the effect set forth in the First Schedule boiler. hereto, and by such notice may require such owner either-

- (I) To wholly desist from working or using the boiler from a period to be fixed in such notice until certain repairs or alterations to be stated in the notice shall have been effected; or
- (II) To partially desist from working or using such boiler from such a period as aforesaid, except at such reduced pressure as shall be stated in such notice, until such repairs or alterations shall have been effected.

And if any person to or upon whom any such notice shall have been delivered or served as hereinafter provided shall, for a period exceeding that which shall be set forth by the inspector in such notice, fail either wholly or partially to desist from working such boiler pursuant to 30 such notice, such person shall be liable to a penalty not exceeding one

hundred pounds nor less than twenty pounds. 22. Whenever an owner shall have effected any repairs to any owner effecting boiler, or shall have added to or taken away from any boiler any repairs to give notice fittings or appliances of any kind, or in any mannon altered the con-

fittings or appliances of any kind, or in any manner altered the con-35 struction thereof, he shall forthwith give notice thereof to the inspector of the district locality. And if such owner fails to comply with the provisions of this section he shall be liable to a penalty of not more than twenty pounds nor less than five pounds: Provided that this section shall not extend to cases where repairs have been effected in 40 accordance with a notice given by an inspector under the powers

hereinbefore contained.

23. Any person who by any means knowingly does anything to Penalty on increasing increase, or which tends to increase, the pressure in any boiler beyond pressure in boiler.

that stated in the certificate then in force granted by an inspector, and 45 any person who aids or abets in so increasing such pressure, or procures such pressure to be so increased, shall be guilty of a misdemeanour. The person in charge of any boiler at the time when such increased pressure shall be discovered, or, who finding the boiler under such increased pressure, allows the same to continue under such increased 50 pressure, shall be deemed prima facie to have committed an offence within the meaning of this section.

Construction of New Boilers.

24. Before any person shall commence to construct any new Construction of new boiler in this Colony, tracings on cloth and specifications of the same boilers in this Colony. 55 shall be submitted to the Chief Inspector for approval, so that everything relating to its construction may be definitely settled before the work is commenced. Tracings of the safety-valves shall also be submitted in a similar manner. All boilers made in the Colony shall be tested

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tested by hydraulic pressure to twice the working pressure in the presence and to the satisfaction of the inspector, and the amount of this test, the date on which it was applied, together with the initials of the inspector must be legibly stamped on all boilers in a place where it 5 can always be seen. During construction all such boilers will be under the supervision of the inspector. Constructors of new boilers shall at their own expense prepare and provide test strips in accordance with the standard practice, in order to satisfy the inspector as to the quality and suitability of the material for the purpose intended. 10 All mountings must be suitable to the pressure carried and approved

by the inspector.

RULES FOR CONSTRUCTION.

Imported Boilers.

- 25. The rules which are to be used in determining the Rules governing 15 working pressure of all new boilers and fittings coming under the construction. provisions of this Act shall be those which govern the Manchester Steam Users Association of England, provided however that any boilers constructed in accordance with the Board of Trade Rules, Lloyd's Rules, or the rules which at present apply to boilers now
- 20 under Government control in this Colony, shall be deemed sufficient in finding and fixing the authorised working pressure. When boilers are Imported boilers. imported, and when the owners of the same cannot produce an official certificate certifying to their construction under the supervision of the above authorities, the Inspector shall carefully measure all the parts
- 25 and make the necessary calculations in accordance with the Standard Rules, and by which the working pressure shall be determined. And in all boilers constructed in the Colony or imported, the Inspector shall satisfy himself that all mountings and fittings comply with the provisions of this Act.
- 26. No person shall have charge of any boiler unless he is Age of persons twenty-one years of age, and holds a certificate of competency signed having charge of boilers. by the Chief Inspector; and any owner or lessee who knowingly employs any person under that age, or without the said certificate to the control of any boiler shall be liable to a penalty not exceeding
- 35 fifty pounds and not less than twenty pounds.

GENERAL PROVISIONS AS TO BOILERS.

Fees for Inspection.

27. There shall be paid to each inspector or to such other person Fees for inspection. as may be authorized by the regulations, on the inspection of any 40 boiler or before grant of any certificate as hereinafter provided, the respective fees specified in the Second Schedule hereto, but such fees shall be in the nature of annual charges only. If an inspector makes Penalty for receiving any charge for inspection over and above the amount so prescribed, or excessive fee, &c. accepts any fee or receives any sum of money not authorised by law,

45 he shall be liable forthwith to be dismissed from office and in addition to pay a penalty not exceeding fifty pounds.

Certificates of Inspection.

28. When an inspector has inspected a boiler and is satisfied Inspector to give that it is in good repair and may be safely used for its actual or ^{certificate.} 50 intended purpose, and that it is furnished with other appliances in accordance with the provisions of this Act, he shall give to the owner thereof a certificate in the form or to the effect of the Third Schedule hereto.

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29. After receiving such certificate the owner shall cause to be Boiler to have metal affixed on a conspicuous part of such boiler, fitting, or seating, to be plate affixed. approved by the inspector, a metal plate bearing in legible characters the words "Certified under the 'Land Boilers Inspection Act, 1892,'

5 pressure lbs." (stating the pressure mentioned in the certificate). If any person shall cause such plate to be affixed to a boiler without having obtained such certificate, or if the owner of such boiler shall neglect to keep any such plate so affixed so long as any certificate granted in respect thereof shall remain in force, or shall keep the

- 10 same so affixed when any such certificate has ceased to be in force, such person or owner shall respectively be liable to a penalty not exceeding fifty pounds.
 - 30. The owner shall cause such certificate to be exhibited in Certificate to be some conspicuous place, to be determined by the inspector, where it exhibited.

15 can be seen by all persons working at or with such boiler. And if such owner neglects so to exhibit such certificate, he shall be liable to a penalty not exceeding twenty pounds.

31. Subject to the provisions of the next following section Duration of certifi. such certificate shall remain in force for any period the inspector cates.

20 shall think fit, not exceeding one year, which period shall be stated on the certificate.

32. No such certificate shall have any force or effect if any Further provision as material alteration or addition be made in or to the boiler mentioned to certificates. in such certificate : Provided that the inspector shall have power

25 to cancel or suspend any such certificate in any case where he may deem it necessary for the purpose of giving due effect to this Act.

33. Any owner working or using any boiler under the operation Penalty for working of this Act in respect of which a certificate shall not have been granted, without certificate. or for which a certificate shall not be in force under this Act, shall be

30 liable to a penalty not exceeding one hundred pounds. No proceeding shall be instituted for a breach of this section except by an inspector or person authorized by the Minister.

34. An inspector duly authorised under this Act, where it shall Cancellation of cerappear to him that any boiler is in an unsafe condition, shall have 35 power to withhold for any given time the issue of any certificate of the efficiency of any boiler, or to cancel any existing certificate under this Act, by serving a notice in writing to that effect in the form of the Fourth Schedule herein attached, and should the owner of any boiler within the meaning of this Act use or cause to be used such boiler or

- 40 boilers after having been served with such notice as aforesaid, he shall be liable to a penalty of not less than twenty shillings per day for any and every day such boiler may be used after receipt of such notice; but should an explosion occur, or an accident arise or take place Penalties for working through the dangerous condition of such boiler, after a certificate has tificates.
- 45 been cancelled or withheld, whereby the life of any employee or the lives and property of the general public have been endangered, the owner or person responsible for not complying with such notice to desist from using or working such boiler shall be liable to a criminal prosecution, and may be prosecuted, and may be imprisoned, with or
- 50 without hard labour, for any term not exceeding two years, or may be sentenced to penal servitude not exceeding seven years.

Duties and Liabilities of Owners of Boilers.

35. Any person who shall sell or let on hire any boiler shall, Where boiler is sold within one month after the sale or contract of hiring has been made, given. 55 give a written notice to the inspector, stating the name, occupation, and abode of the person to whom the boiler has been sold or let on hire. And if default shall be made in giving any such notice the person in default shall be liable to a penalty not exceeding ten plounds.

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36. The owner of any boiler in respect of which an offence has Owner liable to been committed under this Act, and for which a pecuniary penalty may penalty in the first instance. be imposed, shall, in every case (save as hereinafter provided), be deemed in the first instance to have committed the offence, and shall

- 5 be liable to pay the penalty; but any owner who shall have been proceeded against by an inspector shall be entitled, upon complaint or information duly made by such owner, to have any agent, servant, or workman, brought before the Court at the time appointed for hearing the complaint made against such owner. If, after the commission of 10 the offence has been proved, the owner shall prove to the satisfaction
- of the Court that he used due diligence to enforce the execution of this Act, and that the said agent, servant, or workman, had committed the offence in question without such owner's knowledge, consent, or connivance, such agent, servant, or workman, shall be convicted, and 15 shall be liable to the penalty provided by this Act, which, together
- with costs, may be enforced against such agent, servant, or workman. 37. No person shall be liable under this Act as an owner of a Owners and mortboiler, unless such boiler shall be under his immediate power or control, gagees when not liable. nor shall any mortgagee of any boiler be so liable unless he shall be in
- 20 actual possession thereof, or have the same under his immediate power or control. For the purposes of this Act the words immediate power or control shall be applicable in every case where any boiler is worked or used by the owner of such boiler personally, or his agents, servants, or others under his orders or directions, and for his benefit or
- 25 profit. But nothing herein contained shall exempt any body corporate from any liability under this Act in respect of any boiler by reason only that such boiler was or is under the control of any director, secretary, manager, or other person employed by such body corporate. 38. In any case where it shall be brought to the notice of an Actual offender may
- 30 inspector that an offence has been committed under this Act, and it be proceeded against in certain cases. shall appear to him that the owner had used all due diligence to comply with the conditions of this Act, and that the offence was committed without the knowledge or consent of the owner, and in contravention of his orders, the inspector may proceed against the 35 actual offender in the first instance.

Inquiries as to Accidents.

39. Whenever any person shall be killed or injured by the Notice of every acciexplosion of a boiler the owner of such boiler shall within twenty-four dent to be sent to inspector. hours after such explosion give notice of the fact to the chief inspector

40 of the district. Any owner who neglects to send such notice as aforesaid shall be liable to a penalty not exceeding twenty pounds and not less than ten pounds.

40. The Minister may in any such case as aforesaid, or in any Magistrate to hold case of a boiler exploding, direct an inquiry to be held before a Magis- inquiry, and report 45 trate together with a person skilled in the use and construction of Minister. boilers to be appointed by the Minister. And such Magistrate, together with such person as aforesaid, shall have power to hold the inquiry at such time and place as the Minister may appoint, and shall report the

- results thereof to the Minister. With respect to the summoning and 50 attendance of witnesses at such inquiry, and the examination of witnesses upon oath, or as may be otherwise allowed by law, every Magistrate shall have all the powers which he might lawfully exercise in any case within his ordinary jurisdiction : Provided also that any workman or person injured through a boiler explosion, or through an
- 55 accident to such boiler, may produce in evidence the finding of any Court or Board of Inquiry in support of any claim made by him against the owner of the boiler.

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Power of Appeal.

41. The owner of any boiler or boilers under the provisions of Owner has the this Act shall have the right to appeal to the Chief Inspector and also power to appeal. to the Minister against any decision of any Inspector. And the 5 Minister, if so appealed to, shall appoint one skilled expert as arbitrator, And the who, with another skilled expert chosen by the owner, and an umpire selected by these arbitrators, may personally examine such boiler or boilers, and shall hear any evidence that may be tendered in respect to the condition of same, and their decision shall be final as between

10 the Inspector and the owner, the cost of such arbitration to abide the issue.

Miscellaneous Provisions.

42. All rights of parties and all liabilities of owners of boilers Saving of liabilities, or other persons accruing before this Act comes into operation in respect &c.

15 of any boiler shall remain unaffected by this Act and by any certificate granted under its provisions.

43. Whenever any notice, summons, or other process is required How notices, &c., to be served upon any owner under this Act, service on the manager, ^{may be served.} foreman, or agent of such owner shall be of good service. And every 20 notice required or authorized under this Act may be either written or

printed or partly written and partly printed.

44. All penalties incurred under this Act or any regulation Penalties to be made thereunder may be recovered in a summary way before any summary way. Stipendiary or Police Magistrate, and whenever any person wilfully

25 contravenes any provision of this Act for which no other penalty is by this Act imposed, he shall for every such offence incur a penalty not exceeding ten pounds.

45. The Court imposing any penalty under this Act may direct Magistrate may that a part not exceeding one moiety thereof shall be applied to com-30 pensate any person for any bodily injury or other damage which he son injured, &c. may have sustained by reason of the offence or default in respect of which such penalty is imposed. And subject thereto the appropriation of all such penalties shall be subject to the provisions of the fifteenth section of the Act sixteenth Victoria number one.

46. All-moneys-paid-to-inspectors by-way-of-salary-and All the Expenses of Act. 35 costs and charges of carrying this Act into execution shall be paid out of moneys appropriated for that purpose by Parliament. All fees received under this Act shall be paid to the Colonial Treasurer and form part of the Consolidated Revenue Fund. Governor may make

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47. The Governor may make regulations prescribing regulations. The area or districts localities which shall be subject to the provisions of this Act in-the-first-instance, and-may-alter-and extend_its_operations_to_other_districts_after_it-has_been-twelve months-in-force-;

45 The competency to be possessed by candidates for the office of inspector, and the examination to be passed by such candidates;

- The providing for the examination and granting of certificates to all persons who have charge of boilers under the provisions of this Act.
- The forms of notices to be given under this Act in any case where the same are not therein provided for;

The duties and powers of the Chief and District other Inspectors; A record book to be kept for the entry of particulars as to inspection of boilers and the mode in which the same shall be kept, and at what places and times the same shall be open to inspection;

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The time and place in each district locality at which fees shall be paid to an inspector, or to some other officer or person other than an inspector;

And generally for carrying this Act into execution.

- 5 All such regulations may provide for their enforcement under penalties not to exceed in any case the sum of twenty pounds, and shall be published in the Gazette, and upon such publication shall have the force of law. Copies of every regulation shall be laid before Parliament within fourteen days after the publication thereof, if then in Session;
- 10 otherwise within fourteen days after the commencement of the then next ensuing session.

48. Nothing contained in this Act shall apply to or affect any Act not to extend to 40. Froming contained boltoming contained boltoming contained to boltoming of the Government used on or employed in the of the Government. working of any Government railway, tramway, or other public work,
15 by persons in the employ of the Government; nor shall this Act prejudice, or in any way interfere with, the statutory powers of inspection and regulation of steam vessels and their machinery.
49. The administration of this Act shall be vested in the Act to be administered by the Minister authorised to carry it out.

50. This Act shall come into operation on the first day of July, Date of coming into 20 operation. one thousand eight hundred and ninety-two four.

SCHEDULES.

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FIRST SCHEDULE.

Notice to Owner that Boiler is dangerous.

To [name of owner] of

5 I HEREBY give you notice that I have this day inspected a boiler attached to [here describe boiler] and that the same appears to me to be dangerous and to require repairs [or is in such a dangerous state that it is unsafe to life and property to use the same]. You are therefore hereby required to cause repairs to be effected in such boiler in the following particulars [here specify repairs to be effected]. And you are hereby further within [here 10 state period fixed] from the time this notice is served on you and until such repairs shall be effected, to wholly desist from using or suffering the said boiler to be used [or if it is to be partially used state particulars fully].

This notice is given under the "Land Boilers Inspection Act of 1892." 18

Dated this	day of	
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SECOND SCHEDULE.

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Fees for Inspection, &c., shall not exceed	2	ю.	u.
For every single boiler of 8 horse-power and under	1	0	0
20 For every single boiler over 8 horse-power and up to 15 horse-power	2	0	0
For every single boiler over 15 horse-power and up to any power	3	0	0
For two or more boilers (in the same factory) over 15 horse-power-full			
charge for the first, viz	3	0	0
and for every additional boiler	1	10	0
25 For two or more boilers (in the same factory) under 15 and over 8 horse-			
power-full charge for the first, viz		0	
and for every additional boiler	1	0	0
For two or more boilers (in the same factory) under 8 horse-power-full			
charge for the first, viz	1	0	0
30 and for every additional boiler	0	15	0
For checking, drawings, and specifications, and for supervising the construc-			
tion of each new boiler	. 2	0	0
For inspector's certificate of competency	3	0	0
The above charges for boilers shall only be made once every year	r, pr	ovid	ed
35 however that in exceptional cases where it has been found necessary to issue	certi	ficat	es

for a shorter period a charge may be made when any certificate is renewed.

THIRD SCHEDULE.

Certificate of Inspection.

THIS is to certify that in accordance with the "Land Boilers Inspection Act of 1892," I 40 have this day inspected the boiler mentioned at the foot hereof, and that I consider the same to be in good order and condition and fit for the purpose stated below.

A.B. Inspector.

Description of Boiler.

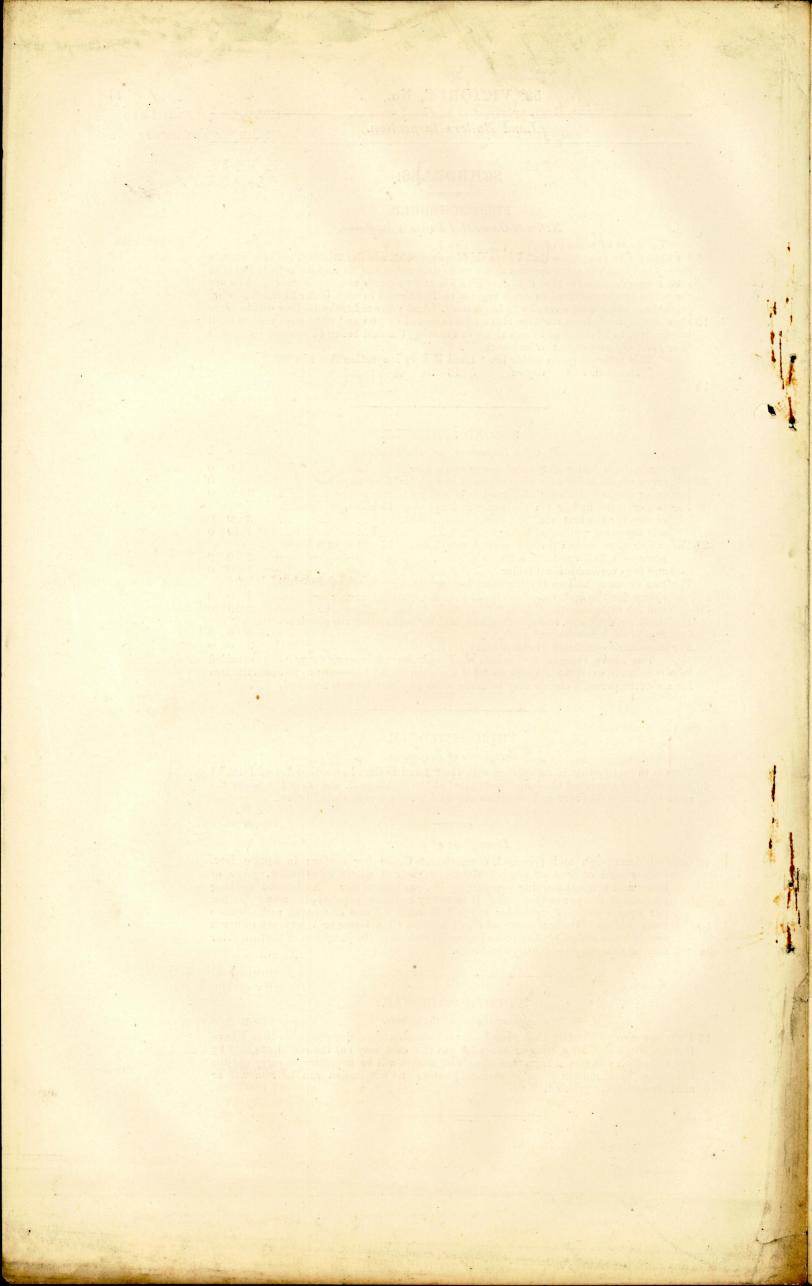
45 General description and principal dimensions. Grate bar surface in square feet. Constructed of iron or steel. Makers name and where constructed. Age of boiler and original working pressure in lbs. per square inch. Authorised working pressure in lbs. per square inch. If tested by hydraulic pressure, the amount in lbs. per square inch. Purpose for which it is used. Name of district and distance
50 from Sydney. Owners name and full address (if a lessee or temporary owner it should be so stated.) Any other particulars which in the judgment of the inspector may be necessary to identify the boiler.

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FOURTH SCHEDULE.

Cancellation of Certificate.

55 I HEREBY give you notice that your boiler is in such a defective condition that I have THEREBY give you notice that your boner is in such a detective condition that I have this day suspended for a time or cancelled (as the case may be) the certificate held by you and which was issued from this office, and that it will be necessary to carry out the following [here mention what is required] before the suspension can be removed or another certificate granted.



This PUBLIC BILL originated in the LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY, and, having this day passed, is now ready for presentation to the LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL for its concurrence.

Legislative Assembly Chamber, Sydney, 21 March, 1892. F. W. WEBB, Clerk of Legislative Assembly.



An Act to provide for the Inspection and Regulation of Steamboilers on land; the examination of persons in charge of the same, and the granting of certificates to such persons; to define the duties and liabilities of the owners of such boilers; to make provision for the holding of inquiries into accidents caused by the explosion of such boilers; and for other purposes incidental to the objects aforesaid.

(As agreed to in Select Committee.)

WHEREAS it is expedient that certain steam-boilers employed on Preamble. land or for any of the purposes hereinafter mentioned within certain localities in this Colony should be subject to official inspection and control; that the duties and liabilities of the owners of such 5 boilers should, in certain respects, be defined; and that provision should be made for the holding of inquiries into accidents caused by boiler explosions; and that persons in charge of such boilers should give satisfactory evidence of competency in that behalf: Be it therefore enacted by the Queen's Most Excellent Majesty, by and with the advice 10 and consent of the Legislative Council and Legislative Assembly of New South Wales in Parliament assambled and by the authority of the

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1. This Act may be cited as the "Land Boilers Inspection Act short title. of 1892."

2. In this Act, if not inconsistent with the context, the word—Interpretation.
"Boiler" means any boiler or vessel in which steam is generated under pressure, used for manufacturing or forany other purpose, or for the working of any engine or machinery used on land, or in, on, or about any mine, subject to the provisions of the 714—A Coal

Note.-The words to be omitted are ruled through; those to be inserted are printed in black letter.

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4. The Governor may appoint from among the officers of the Governor may Civil Service a duly qualified person to be Chief Inspector of Land appoint Inspectors. Boilers, and one or more duly qualified persons to be Inspector or 50 Inspectors of Boilers for any district locality under this Act. but no

- person-shall-be-appointed-a-District Inspector who-does not possess the prescribed competency, and has not passed the prescribed examination. The Chief Inspector shall conduct all examinations of Inspectors held under this-Act.
- 5. Every Inspector shall be furnished with a certificate under Inspectors' certifi-55 the hand of the Minister to the effect that he has been appointed an cates of appointment. Inspector for the district or districts locality or localities named therein, and, on his entering upon any premises in pursuance of this Act, he shall, if required, produce the said certificate to the owner of such 6. 60 premises.

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6. Every person who forges any such certificate, or, with intent Penalty for forging to deceive, makes use of any forged or false certificate, and every pretending to be an person who falsely pretends to be an Inspector under this Act, shall Inspector. be guilty of a misdemeanour, and be liable to be imprisoned for any

5 period not exceeding twelve months, with or without hard labour.

7. Every Inspector shall keep minutes of his proceedings, and Inspectors to keep shall, twice in every year, or oftener if required, forward such to the Minister. proceedings to the Chief Inspector, who, when required, shall submit the same to the Minister.

EXAMINATION OF INSPECTORS.

Qualifications.

8. Any person desirous of being appointed an inspector under Examination of this Act shall pass the prescribed examination according to the rules and regulations hereinafter mentioned, and shall satisfy the examiner of 15 his competency as follows:—He must have a sound knowledge of the principles of modern boiler construction, and be able to calculate the stresses and strains to which the various parts are subjected. He must

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Inspection and registration of boilers.

- 30 9. Every owner of any boiler in-this-Coleny,-whether within Inspection of boilers. the operation of this Act or not shall, within sixty days after the All Boilers to be commencement of this Act, and every other person who may hereafter become the owner of any such boiler shall, within one month after he shall have become such owner, send to the inspector of the district
- 35 locality, or other persons duly appointed where such boiler is, or in which it is intended to keep or work such boiler, a notice stating the name of such owner and the place where such boiler is erected, kept, or intended to be worked; and such notice shall also give a short description of such boiler, its grate surface in square feet, its principal
- 40 dimensions, and the pressure at which it is being worked, and if known the makers name, and its age, also the name, age, and qualification of the person in charge, together with the owner's full address. And if any owner fails to give such notice he shall be liable to a penalty not exceeding ten pounds nor less than five pounds.
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5 10. Every inspector having reasonable justification may at any Powers and duties of time enter upon any premises where any boiler may be placed or is in inspectors. use in order to satisfy himself that the provisions of this Act have been complied with, but he shall be careful not to needlessly inconvenience the owner.

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11. If any person shall wilfully impede any inspector in the Penalty for obstructexecution of his duty under this Act, or if any owner of any boiler ^{ing inspectors.} shall refuse to give such information as the inspector may require for the purposes of this Act he shall for any such offence be liable to a penalty not exceeding twenty pounds nor less than five pounds.

Special

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Special provisions as to boilers.

12. The Minister shall cause every inspector to be provided Minister to provide with suitable standard steam gauges and other appliances by which standard. the efficiency of the boiler and fittings can be tested.

13. All boilers shall be fitted with the following mountings :- Mountings for boilers. One glass water gauge, complete.

Two test cocks.

One feed check valve, flange jointed or screwed into boiler.

One stop valve, flange jointed or screwed into boiler.

One blow-off cock, jointed or screwed into boiler.

One test cock three quarter inch Whitworth thread for connecting inspectors standard gauge,

A suitable connection to enable force pump or feed pump to be applied in testing boiler by hydraulic pressure.

A suitable pump or injector for feeding boiler and new boilers shall be fitted with two safety valves of approved design and of sufficient area to relieve the boiler without increasing the loaded pressure more than ten per centum. The combined area of the two valves shall be in proportion to the pressure carried, and one of the valves shall be arranged so as to be

beyond the control of the person in charge. 14. All boilers now working and having one safety valve of Provision for boilers sufficient area shall in addition be fitted with a signal valve so arranged having one safety valve. as to be beyond the control of the person in charge.

25 15. In all cases where any boiler now working is not provided six months notice with all the prescribed fittings or mountings the owner of such boiler given to comply with the Regulations. shall have six months from the date of the first inspection of such boiler, within which to comply with the provisions of this Act or any

of the Regulations made hereunder, unless the absence of such fittings 30 or deficiency of such mountings would in the opinion of the inspector seriously imperil the safety of the boiler, in which case such inspector may direct the necessary fittings to be supplied before granting a certificate.

16. When any boiler is examined the inspector shall make and Inspector shall keep 35 keep a complete record of all particulars necessary to ascertain its a complete public record to all boilers. condition, and any changes, alterations, or repairs shall be carefully recorded by him. Such records shall be kept in a book which shall be

open to inspection, without the payment of any fee, at such convenient place in the district locality as may be appointed for that purpose 40 by the Minister, but no other person other than the owner of the boiler shall be entitled to receive from the inspector an extract or copy of any entry affecting any boiler. If an inspector fail to keep such record book in the prescribed manner he shall be liable to be dismissed from his office, and in addition thereto shall be liable to a 45 penalty not exceeding one hundred pounds nor less than twenty

pounds.

17. All boilers shall be inspected once every twelve months or When boilers are oftener if required. Such examination shall be made so as not to to the inspected. needlessly impede or prevent the working of any boiler, and the 50 inspector is to carefully study the convenience of the owners whenever

he shall see fit to exercise the powers conferred upon him by this Act.

18. The inspector may test any boiler by hydraulic pressure Boilers may be tested where the parts are difficult of access, and may, in like manner, test by hydraulic any boiler where he may think it necessary, in addition to any other pressure.

55 tests and examination that may be required, in which cases the owners shall furnish all appliances required by the inspector.

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19. The nominal horse-power of all boilers coming under the Horse-power how provisions of this Act shall be calculated from the grate surface, and calculated. every square foot of grate surface shall be deemed to be equal to one horse power.

5 20. Before and for the purposes of inspection, every boiler shall Preparation for be emptied and made cool, and all man and mud-hole doors off, and inspection. furnace bars and bridges out; and all brickwork or other material in which any boiler is set shall be taken down by the owner of a boiler when required by the inspector. All furnaces, flues, backs, and

10 uptakes connected with such boiler shall be swept clean, and all safetyvalves shall be taken to pieces, and appliances shall be provided by the owner thereof for weighing the same. The inspector shall also satisfy himself as to the efficiency of the boiler and safety-valves under steam.

21. If an inspector considers any boiler to be unsafe or Inspector to give 15 dangerous to life or property, he shall give to the owner of such boiler notice requiring owner to desist using a notice in the form or to the effect set forth in the First Schedule boiler. hereto, and by such notice may require such owner either-

(I) To wholly desist from working or using the boiler from a

- period to be fixed in such notice until certain repairs or alterations to be stated in the notice shall have been effected; or
- (II) To partially desist from working or using such boiler from such a period as aforesaid, except at such reduced pressure as shall be stated in such notice, until such repairs or alterations shall have been effected.

And if any person to or upon whom any such notice shall have been delivered or served as hereinafter provided shall, for a period exceeding that which shall be set forth by the inspector in such notice, fail either wholly or partially to desist from working such boiler pursuant to 30 such notice, such person shall be liable to a penalty not exceeding one

hundred pounds nor less than twenty pounds. 22. Whenever an owner shall have effected any repairs to any owner effecting boiler, or shall have added to or taken away from any boiler any repairs to give notice fittings or appliances of any kind, or in any manner altered the con-

35 struction thereof, he shall forthwith give notice thereof to the inspector of the district locality. And if such owner fails to comply with the provisions of this section he shall be liable to a penalty of not more than twenty pounds nor less than five pounds: Provided that this section shall not extend to cases where repairs have been effected in 40 accordance with a notice given by an inspector under the powers

hereinbefore contained.

23. Any person who by any means knowingly does anything to Penalty on increasing increase, or which tends to increase, the pressure in any boiler beyond pressure in boiler. that stated in the certificate then in force granted by an inspector, and

45 any person who aids or abets in so increasing such pressure, or procures such pressure to be so increased, shall be guilty of a misdemeanour. The person in charge of any boiler at the time when such increased pressure shall be discovered, or, who finding the boiler under such increased pressure, allows the same to continue under such increased 50 pressure, shall be deemed prima facie to have committed an offence

within the meaning of this section.

Construction of New Boilers.

24. Before any person shall commence to construct any new Construction of new boiler in this Colony, tracings on cloth and specifications of the same boilers in this Colony. 55 shall be submitted to the Chief Inspector for approval, so that everything relating to its construction may be definitely settled before the work is commenced. Tracings of the safety-valves shall also be submitted in a similar manner. All boilers made in the Colony shall be

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tested by hydraulic pressure to twice the working pressure in the presence and to the satisfaction of the inspector, and the amount of this test, the date on which it was applied, together with the initials of the inspector must be legibly stamped on all boilers in a place where it

- 5 can always be seen. During construction all such boilers will be under the supervision of the inspector. Constructors of new boilers shall at their own expense prepare and provide test strips in accordance with the standard practice, in order to satisfy the inspector as to the quality and suitability of the material for the purpose intended.
- 10 All mountings must be suitable to the pressure carried and approved by the inspector.

RULES FOR CONSTRUCTION.

Imported Boilers.

- 25. The rules which are to be used in determining the Rules governing 15 working pressure of all new boilers and fittings coming under the construction. provisions of this Act shall be those which govern the Manchester Steam Users Association of England, provided however that any boilers constructed in accordance with the Board of Trade Rules, Lloyd's Rules, or the rules which at present apply to boilers now
- 20 under Government control in this Colony, shall be deemed sufficient in finding and fixing the authorised working pressure. When boilers are Imported boilers. imported, and when the owners of the same cannot produce an official certificate certifying to their construction under the supervision of the above authorities, the Inspector shall carefully measure all the parts
- 25 and make the necessary calculations in accordance with the Standard Rules, and by which the working pressure shall be determined. And in all boilers constructed in the Colony or imported, the Inspector shall satisfy himself that all mountings and fittings comply with the provisions of this Act.
- 26. No person shall have charge of any boiler unless he is Age of persons twenty-one years of age, and holds a certificate of competency signed having charge of by the Chief Inspector, and any among an lower here here here boilers. by the Chief Inspector; and any owner or lessee who knowingly employs any person under that age, or without the said certificate to the control of any boiler shall be liable to a penalty not exceeding
- 35 fifty pounds and not less than twenty pounds.

GENERAL PROVISIONS AS TO BOILERS.

Fees for Inspection.

27. There shall be paid to each inspector or to such other person Fees for inspection. as may be authorized by the regulations, on the inspection of any

- 40 boiler or before grant of any certificate as hereinafter provided, the respective fees specified in the Second Schedule hereto, but such fees shall be in the nature of annual charges only. If an inspector makes Penalty for receiving
- any charge for inspection over and above the amount so prescribed, or excessive fee, &c. accepts any fee or receives any sum of money not authorised by law, 45 he shall be liable forthwith to be dismissed from office and in addition

to pay a penalty not exceeding fifty pounds.

Certificates of Inspection.

28. When an inspector has inspected a boiler and is satisfied Inspector to give that it is in good repair and may be safely used for its actual or certificate. 50 intended purpose, and that it is furnished with other appliances in accordance with the provisions of this Act, he shall give to the owner thereof a certificate in the form or to the effect of the Third Schedule hereto.

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29. After receiving such certificate the owner shall cause to be Boiler to have metal affixed on a conspicuous part of such boiler, fitting, or seating, to be plate affixed. approved by the inspector, a metal plate bearing in legible characters the words "Certified under the 'Land Boilers Inspection Act, 1892,"

lbs." (stating the pressure mentioned in the certificate). 5 pressure If any person shall cause such plate to be affixed to a boiler without having obtained such certificate, or if the owner of such boiler shall neglect to keep any such plate so affixed so long as any certificate granted in respect thereof shall remain in force, or shall keep the

10 same so affixed when any such certificate has ceased to be in force, such person or owner shall respectively be liable to a penalty not exceeding fifty pounds.

30. The owner shall cause such certificate to be exhibited in Certificate to be some conspicuous place, to be determined by the inspector, where it exhibited.

15 can be seen by all persons working at or with such boiler. And if such owner neglects so to exhibit such certificate, he shall be liable to a penalty not exceeding twenty pounds.

31. Subject to the provisions of the next following section Duration of certifi. such certificate shall remain in force for any period the inspector cates.

20 shall think fit, not exceeding one year, which period shall be stated on the certificate.

32. No such certificate shall have any force or effect if any Further provision as material alteration or addition be made in or to the boiler mentioned to certificates.

in such certificate : Provided that the inspector shall have power 25 to cancel or suspend any such certificate in any case where he may

deem it necessary for the purpose of giving due effect to this Act. 33. Any owner working or using any boiler under the operation Penalty for working of this Act in respect of which a certificate shall not have been granted, without certificate. or for which a certificate shall not be in force under this Act, shall be

30 liable to a penalty not exceeding one hundred pounds. No proceeding shall be instituted for a breach of this section except by an inspector or person authorized by the Minister.

34. An inspector duly authorised under this Act, where it shall Cancellation of cerappear to him that any boiler is in an unsafe condition, shall have 35 power to withhold for any given time the issue of any certificate of the efficiency of any boiler, or to cancel any existing certificate under this Act, by serving a notice in writing to that effect in the form of the Fourth Schedule herein attached, and should the owner of any boiler within the meaning of this Act use or cause to be used such boiler or

- 40 boilers after having been served with such notice as aforesaid, he shall be liable to a penalty of not less than twenty shillings per day for any and every day such boiler may be used after receipt of such notice; but should an explosion occur, or an accident arise or take place Penalties for working through the dangerous condition of such boiler, after a certificate has tificates. boilers without cer-
- 45 been cancelled or withheld, whereby the life of any employee or the lives and property of the general public have been endangered, the owner or person responsible for not complying with such notice to desist from using or working such boiler shall be liable to a criminal prosecution, and may be prosecuted, and may be imprisoned, with or
- 50 without hard labour, for any term not exceeding two years, or may be sentenced to penal servitude not exceeding seven years.

Duties and Liabilities of Owners of Boilers.

35. Any person who shall sell or let on hire any bloiler shall, Where boiler is sold within one month after the sale or contract of hiring has been made, given. 55 give a written notice to the inspector, stating the name, occupation, and abode of the person to whom the boiler has been sold or let on hire. And if default shall be made in giving any such notice, the person in default shall be liable to a penalty not exceeding ten pounds.

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36. The owner of any boiler in respect of which an offence has Owner liable to been committed under this Act, and for which a pecuniary penalty may penalty in the first be imposed, shall, in every case (save as hereinafter provided), be

deemed in the first instance to have committed the offence, and shall 5 be liable to pay the penalty; but any owner who shall have been proceeded against by an inspector shall be entitled, upon complaint or information duly made by such owner, to have any agent, servant, or workman, brought before the Court at the time appointed for hearing the complaint made against such owner. If, after the commission of 10 the offence has been proved, the owner shall prove to the satisfaction

- of the Court that he used due diligence to enforce the execution of this Act, and that the said agent, servant, or workman, had committed the offence in question without such owner's knowledge, consent, or connivance, such agent, servant, or workman, shall be convicted, and 15 shall be liable to the penalty provided by this Act, which, together
- with costs, may be enforced against such agent, servant, or workman. 37. No person shall be liable under this Act as an owner of a Owners and mortboiler, unless such boiler shall be under his immediate power or control, gagees when not

nor shall any mortgagee of any boiler be so liable unless he shall be in 20 actual possession thereof, or have the same under his immediate power For the purposes of this Act the words immediate or control. power or control shall be applicable in every case where any boiler is worked or used by the owner of such boiler personally, or his agents, servants, or others under his orders or directions, and for his benefit or

- 25 profit. But nothing herein contained shall exempt any body corporate from any liability under this Act in respect of any boiler by reason only that such boiler was or is under the control of any director, secretary, manager, or other person employed by such body corporate.
- 38. In any case where it shall be brought to the notice of an Actual offender may 30 inspector that an offence has been committed under this Act, and it be proceeded against shall appear to him that the owner had used all due diligence to comply with the conditions of this Act, and that the offence was committed without the knowledge or consent of the owner, and in contravention of his orders, the inspector may proceed against the 35 actual offender in the first instance.

Inquiries as to Accidents.

39. Whenever any person shall be killed or injured by the Notice of every acciexplosion of a boiler the owner of such boiler shall within twenty-four dent to be sent to inspector. hours after such explosion give notice of the fact to the chief inspector

40 of the district. Any owner who neglects to send such notice as aforesaid shall be liable to a penalty not exceeding twenty pounds and not less than ten pounds.

40. The Minister may in any such case as aforesaid, or in any Magistrate to hold case of a boiler exploding, direct an inquiry to be held before a Magis- inquiry, and report 45 trate together with a person skilled in the use and construction of Minister.

- boilers to be appointed by the Minister. And such Magistrate, together with such person as aforesaid, shall have power to hold the inquiry at such time and place as the Minister may appoint, and shall report the results thereof to the Minister. With respect to the summoning and
- 50 attendance of witnesses at such inquiry, and the examination of witnesses upon oath, or as may be otherwise allowed by law, every Magistrate shall have all the powers which he might lawfully exercise in any case within his ordinary jurisdiction : Provided also that any workman or person injured through a boiler explosion, or through an
- 55 accident to such boiler, may produce in evidence the finding of any Court or Board of Inquiry in support of any claim made by him against the owner of the boiler.

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Power of Appeal.

41. The owner of any boiler or boilers under the provisions of Owner has the this Act shall have the right to appeal to the Chief Inspector and also power to appeal. to the Minister against any decision of any Inspector. And the 5 Minister, if so appealed to, shall appoint one skilled expert as arbitrator, who, with another skilled expert chosen by the owner, and an umpire selected by these arbitrators, may personally examine such boiler or boilers, and shall hear any evidence that may be tendered in respect to the condition of same, and their decision shall be final as between 10 the Inspector and the owner, the cost of such arbitration to abide the

issue.

Miscellaneous Provisions.

42. All rights of parties and all liabilities of owners of boilers Saving of liabilities, or other persons accruing before this Act comes into operation in respect &c. 15 of any boiler shall remain unaffected by this Act and by any certificate granted under its provisions.

43. Whenever any notice, summons, or other process is required How notices, &c., to be served upon any owner under this Act, service on the manager, ^{may be served.} foreman, or agent of such owner shall be of good service. And every 20 notice required or authorized under this Act may be either written or

printed or partly written and partly printed.

44. All penalties incurred under this Act or any regulation Penalties to be made thereunder may be recovered in a summary way before any recovered in a Stipendiary or Police Magistrate, and whenever any person wilfully

25 contravenes any provision of this Act for which no other penalty is by this Act imposed, he shall for every such offence incur a penalty not exceeding ten pounds.

45. The Court imposing any penalty under this Act may direct Magistrate may that a part not exceeding one moiety thereof shall be applied to com- penalty to other per-30 pensate any person for any bodily injury or other damage which he son injured, &c. may have sustained by reason of the offence or default in respect of which such penalty is imposed. And subject thereto the appropriation of all such penalties shall be subject to the provisions of the fifteenth section of the Act sixteenth Victoria number one.

35 46. All-moneys-paid-to-inspectors-by-way-of-salary-and All the Expenses of Act. costs and charges of carrying this Act into execution shall be paid out of moneys appropriated for that purpose by Parliament. All fees received under this Act shall be paid to the Colonial Treasurer and form part of the Consolidated Revenue Fund.

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- 47. The Governor may make regulations prescribing-The area or districts localities which shall be subject to the
- provisions of this Act in-the-first-instance, and-may-alter-and extend-its-operations-to-other-districts-after-it-has-been-twelve months-in-force;

The competency to be possessed by candidates for the office of inspector, and the examination to be passed by such candidates;

- The providing for the examination and granting of certificates to all persons who have charge of boilers under the provisions of this Act.
- The forms of notices to be given under this Act in any case where the same are not therein provided for;

The duties and powers of the Chief and District other Inspectors; A record book to be kept for the entry of particulars as to inspection of boilers and the mode in which the same shall be kept, and at what places and times the same shall be open to inspection; 714—B

Governor may make regulations.

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The time and place in each district locality at which fees shall be paid to an inspector, or to some other officer or person other than an inspector;

And generally for carrying this Act into execution.

5 All such regulations may provide for their enforcement under penalties not to exceed in any case the sum of twenty pounds, and shall be published in the *Gazette*, and upon such publication shall have the force of law. Copies of every regulation shall be laid before Parliament within fourteen days after the publication thereof, if then in Session;

10 otherwise within fourteen days after the commencement of the then next ensuing session.

48. Nothing contained in this Act shall apply to or affect any Act not to extend to boilers the property of the Government used on or employed in the boilers under control of the Government. working of any Government railway, tramway, or other public work,

15 by persons in the employ of the Government; nor shall this Act prejudice, or in any way interfere with, the statutory powers of inspection and regulation of steam vessels and their machinery.

49. The administration of this Act shall be vested in the Act to be adminis-ter authorised to carry it out. Minister authorised to carry it out.

20 50. This Act shall come into operation on the first day of July, Date of coming into operation. one thousand eight hundred and ninety-two four.

SCHEDULES.

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FIRST SCHEDULE.

Notice to Owner that Boiler is dangerous.

To [name of owner] of 5 I HEREBY give you notice that I have this day inspected a boiler attached to [here describe boiler] and that the same appears to me to be dangerous and to require repairs [or is in such a dangerous state that it is unsafe to life and property to use the same]. You are therefore hereby required to cause repairs to be effected]. And you are hereby further within [here particulars [here specify repairs to be effected]. And you are hereby further within [here 10 state period fixed] from the time this notice is served on you and until such repairs shall be effected, to wholly desist from using or suffering the said boiler to be used [or if it is to be partially used state particulars fully]

This notice is given under the "Land Boilers Inspection Act of 1892." Dated this day of 18

A.B., Inspector, &c.

SECOND SCHEDULE.

Fees for Inspection, &c., shall not exceed	£	s.	d.
For every single boiler of 8 horse-power and under	1	0	0
20 For every single boiler over 8 horse-power and up to 15 horse-power	2	0	0
For every single boiler over 15 horse-power and up to any power	3	0	0
For two or more boilers (in the same factory) over 15 horse-power-full			
charge for the first, viz		0	
and for every additional boiler	1	10	0
25 For two or more boilers (in the same factory) under 15 and over 8 horse-			
power-full charge for the first, viz		0	
and for every additional boiler	1	0	0
For two or more boilers (in the same factory) under 8 horse-power-full			
charge for the first, viz		0	
30 and for every additional boiler	0	15	0
For checking, drawings, and specifications, and for supervising the construc-	1		
tion of each new boiler		0	
For inspector's certificate of competency		0	
The above charges for boilers shall only be made once every year	, pr	ovid	ed
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35 however that in exceptional cases where it has been found necessary to issue certificates for a shorter period a charge may be made when any certificate is renewed.

THIRD SCHEDULE.

Certificate of Inspection.

THIS is to certify that in accordance with the " Land Boilers Inspection Act of 1892," I 40 have this day inspected the boiler mentioned at the foot hereof, and that I consider the same to be in good order and condition and fit for the purpose stated below.

A.B., Inspector.

Description of Boiler.

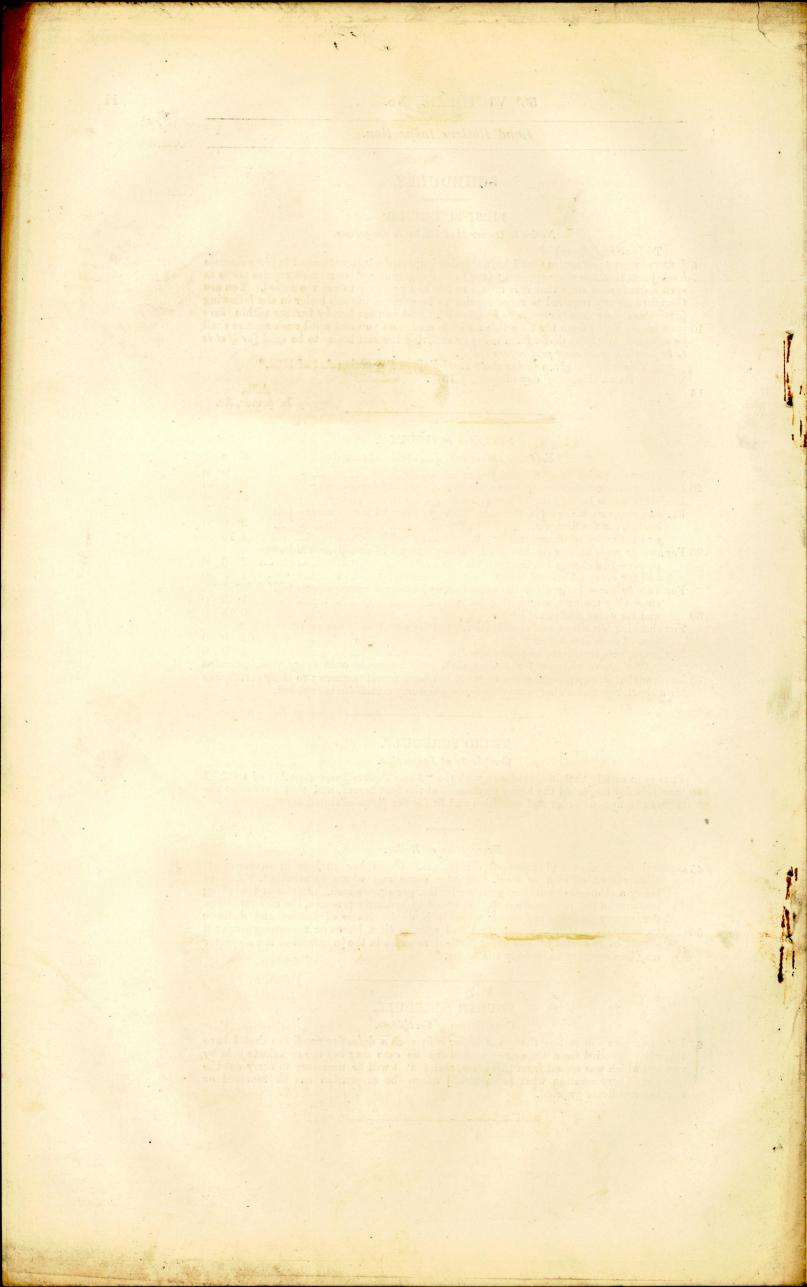
45 General description and principal dimensions. Grate bar surface in square feet. Constructed of iron or steel. Makers name and where constructed. Age of boiler and original working pressure in lbs. per square inch. Authorised working pressure in lbs. per square inch. If tested by hydraulic pressure, the amount in lbs. per square inch. Purpose for which it is used. Name of district and distance from Sydney. Owners name and full address (if a lessee or temporary owner it should be so stated.) Any other particulars which in the judgment of the inspector may be necessary to identify the boiler. 50

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FOURTH SCHEDULE.

Cancellation of Certificate.

55 I HEREBY give you notice that your boiler is in such a defective condition that I have this day suspended for a time or cancelled (as the case may be) the certificate held by you and which was issued from this office, and that it will be necessary to carry out the following [here mention what is required] before the suspension can be removed or empty and the suspension can be removed or another certificate granted.

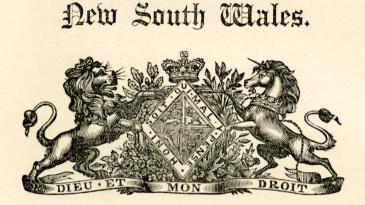


This PUBLIC BILL originated in the LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY, and, having this day passed, is now ready for presentation to the LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL for its concurrence.

Legislative Assembly Chamber. Sydney, 21 March, 1892.

F. W. WEBB, Clerk of Legislative Assembly.

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No.

An Act to provide for the Inspection and Regulation of Steamboilers on land; the examination of persons in charge of the same, and the granting of certificates to such persons; to define the duties and liabilities of the owners of such boilers; to make provision for the holding of inquiries into accidents caused by the explosion of such boilers; and for other purposes incidental to the objects aforesaid.

(As agreed to in Select Committee.)

WHEREAS it is expedient that steam-boilers employed on land or Preamble. for any of the purposes hereinafter mentioned within this Colony should be subject to official inspection and control; that the duties and liabilities of the owners of such boilers should, in certain 5 respects, be defined; and that provision should be made for the holding of inquiries into accidents caused by boiler explosions; and that persons in charge of such boilers should give satisfactory evidence of competency in that behalf: Be it therefore enacted by the Queen's Most Excellent Majesty, by and with the advice and consent of the 10 Legislative Council and Legislative Assembly of New South Wales in

1. This Act may be cited as the "Land Boilers Inspection Act short title. of 1892." Parliament assembled, and by the authority of the same, as follows :--

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2. In this Act, if not inconsistent with the context, the word-Interpretation. "Boiler" means any boiler or vessel in which steam is generated under pressure, used for manufacturing or forany other purpose, or for the working of any engine or machinery used on land, or in, on, or about any mine, subject to the provisions of the 714-A Coal

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-	Coal Mines Regulation Act in force for the time being, or for the working of any engine or machinery used on any wharf, or on any hulk, punt, raft, or vessel not propelled by steam, or on any structure of any description employed in any harbour, river, inlet, or lake. It also includes the setting
5	and all the fittings and mountings, feed-pumps, injectors, donkey-engines, and other equipments necessary to maintain the efficiency of the boiler.
10	"Building" means any manufactory, mill, shop, shed, or premises in which any boiler is erected or where the same is kept or is in operation.
	"Court" means in and for the Metropolitan Police District, any Stipendiary Magistrate, and elsewhere any Police Magistrate. "District" means any district proclaimed under this Act.
15	 "Governor" means the Governor, with the advice of the Executive Council. "Inspector" means any person appointed to be an Inspector of Boilers under this Act acting within any district or districts
20	for which he is appointed. "Magistrate" means a Stipendiary or Police Magistrate.
	 "Minister" means the Minister charged with the administration of this Act. "Owner" means and includes as well the owner of any boiler, as also the mortgagee or lessee of any boiler, and any engineer,
25	overseer, foreman, agent, or person in charge or having the control or management of any boiler.
	"Premises" means and includes any building, yard, farm, paddock, field, road, place, punt, raft, vessel, or structure in which a boiler, as hereinbefore defined, is kept or is in
30	operation. "Prescribed" means prescribed by this Act or by any regulation made thereunder.

ESTABLISHMENT.

3. The Governor may, by proclamation in the *Gazette*, divide Governor may divide 35 the Colony into districts for the purposes of this Act, with such names ^{Colony into} districts. and boundaries as he shall think proper, and may, in like manner, alter the boundaries of any such district : Provided always that for at least twelve months after the passing of this Act the provisions thereof shall be confined to the counties of Cumberland and Northumberland,

- 40 and to such other important centres of manufacture as the Governor may, by proclamation in the Gazette, declare to be under the operation of this Act, and after the expiration of such twelve months to such other districts as the Governor may, in like manner, so declare as aforesaid.
- 4. The Governor may appoint a duly qualified person to be Governor may Chief Inspector of Land Boilers, and one or more duly qualified appoint Inspectors. 45 persons to be Inspector or Inspectors of Boilers for any district under this Act; but no person shall be appointed a District Inspector who does not possess the prescribed competency, and has not passed 55 the prescribed examination. The Chief Inspector shall conduct all
- examinations of Inspectors held under this Act.

5. Every Inspector shall be furnished with a certificate under Inspectors' certifithe hand of the Minister to the effect that he has been appointed an cates of appointment. Inspector for the district or districts named therein, and, on his

55 entering upon any premises in pursuance of this Act, he shall, if required, produce the said certificate to the owner of such premises. 6.

6. Every person who forges any such certificate, or, with intent Penalty for forging to deceive, makes use of any forged or false certificate, and every pretending to be an person who falsely pretends to be an Inspector under this Act, shall Inspector. be guilty of a misdemeanour, and be liable to be imprisoned for any 5 period not exceeding twelve months, with or without hard labour.

7. Every Inspector shall keep minutes of his proceedings, and Inspectors to keep shall, twice in every year, or oftener if required, forward such to the Minister. proceedings to the Chief Inspector, who, when required, shall submit the same to the Minister.

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EXAMINATION OF INSPECTORS.

Qualifications.

8. Any person desirous of being appointed an inspector under Examination of this Act shall pass the prescribed examination according to the rules inspectors.

and regulations hereinafter mentioned, and shall satisfy the examiner of 15 his competency as follows :—He must have a sound knowledge of the principles of modern boiler construction, and be able to calculate the stresses and strains to which the various parts are subjected. He must be well versed in the strength of materials, and thoroughly understand the mechanical properties of iron and steel as used for this special

20 purpose. He must be able to work out all classes of riveting, check and calculate dead weight, lever, and spring loaded safety valve pressures. He must know the standard proportions of the various parts, how they should be stayed, and be competent to make a plain drawing or a good working sketch of any boiler. His testimonials must also
25 show, to the satisfaction of the examiner, that he is a person of considerable practicable experience, sobriety, and general fitness for the position. His age shall not be less than twenty-five nor more than forty-five years.

Inspection and registration of boilers.

- 30 9. Every owner of any boiler in this Colony, whether within Inspection of boilers. the operation of this Act or not shall, within sixty days after the All boilers to be commencement of this Act, and every other person who may hereafter become the owner of any such boiler shall, within one month after
- he shall have become such owner, send to the inspector of the district, 35 or other persons duly appointed where such boiler is, or in which it is intended to keep or work such boiler, a notice stating the name of such owner and the place where such boiler is erected, kept, or intended to be worked; and such notice shall also give a short description of such boiler, its grate surface in square feet, its principal
- 40 dimensions, and the pressure at which it is being worked, and if known the makers name, and its age, also the name, age, and qualification of the person in charge, together with the owner's full address. And if any owner fails to give such notice he shall be liable to a penalty not exceeding ten pounds nor less than five pounds.
- 45 10. Every inspector having reasonable justification may at any Powers and duties of time enter upon any premises where any boiler may be placed or is in inspectors. use in order to satisfy himself that the provisions of this Act have been complied with, but he shall be careful not to needlessly inconvenience the owner.
- 50 11. If any person shall wilfully impede any inspector in the Penalty for obstructexecution of his duty under this Act, or if any owner of any boiler ^{ing inspectors.} shall refuse to give such information as the inspector may require for the purposes of this Act he shall for any such offence be liable to a penalty not exceeding twenty pounds nor less than five pounds.

Special

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Special provisions as to boilers.

12. The Minister shall cause every inspector to be provided Minister to providel with suitable standard steam gauges and other appliances by which inspectors with the efficiency of the boiler and fittings can be tested.

13. All boilers shall be fitted with the following mountings :- Mountings for One glass water gauge, complete.

Two test cocks.

One feed check valve, flange jointed or screwed into boiler.

One stop valve, flange jointed or screwed into boiler.

One blow-off cock, jointed or screwed into boiler.

One test cock three quarter inch Whitworth thread for connecting inspectors standard gauge.

A suitable connection to enable force pump or feed pump to be applied in testing boiler by hydraulic pressure.

A suitable pump or injector for feeding boiler and new boilers shall be fitted with two safety values of approved design and of sufficient area to relieve the boiler without increasing the loaded pressure more than ten per centum. The combined area of the two valves shall be in proportion to the pressure carried, and one of the valves shall be arranged so as to be beyond the control of the person in charge.

14. All boilers now working and having one safety value of Provision for boilers sufficient area shall in addition be fitted with a signal valve so arranged having one safety valve. as to be beyond the control of the person in charge.

25 15. In all cases where any boiler now working is not provided six months notice with all the prescribed fittings or mountings the owner of such boiler given to comply with shall have six months from the data of the first inequation of such shall have six months from the date of the first inspection of such boiler, within which to comply with the provisions of this Act or any

of the Regulations made hereunder, unless the absence of such fittings 30 or deficiency of such mountings would in the opinion of the inspector seriously imperil the safety of the boiler, in which case such inspector may direct the necessary fittings to be supplied before granting a certificate.

- 16. When any boiler is examined the inspector shall make and Inspector shall keep 35 keep a complete record of all particulars necessary to ascertain its a complete public record to all boilers. condition, and any changes, alterations, or repairs shall be carefully recorded by him. Such records shall be kept in a book which shall be open to inspection, without the payment of any fee, at such convenient place in the district as may be appointed for that purpose
- 40 by the Minister, but no other person other than the owner of the boiler shall be entitled to receive from the inspector an extract or copy of any entry affecting any boiler. If an inspector fail to keep such record book in the prescribed manner he shall be liable to be dismissed from his office, and in addition thereto shall be liable to a
- 45 penalty not exceeding one hundred pounds nor less than twenty pounds.

17. All boilers shall be inspected once every twelve months or When boilers are oftener if required. Such examination shall be made so as not to to be inspected. needlessly impede or prevent the working of any boiler, and the 50 inspector is to carefully study the convenience of the owners whenever

he shall see fit to exercise the powers conferred upon him by this Act.

18. The inspector may test any boiler by hydraulic pressure Boilers may be tested where the parts are difficult of access, and may, in like manner, test by hydraulic any boiler where he may think it necessary, in addition to any other pressure.

55 tests and examination that may be required, in which cases the owners shall furnish all appliances required by the inspector.

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19. The nominal horse-power of all boilers coming under the Horse-power how provisions of this Act shall be calculated from the grate surface, and calculated. every square foot of grate surface shall be deemed to be equal to one horse power.

20. Before and for the purposes of inspection, every boiler shall Preparation for 5 be emptied and made cool, and all man and mud-hole doors off, and inspection. furnace bars and bridges out; and all brickwork or other material in which any boiler is set shall be taken down by the owner of a boiler when required by the inspector. All furnaces, flues, backs, and

- 10 uptakes connected with such boiler shall be swept clean, and all safetyvalves shall be taken to pieces, and appliances shall be provided by the owner thereof for weighing the same. The inspector shall also satisfy himself as to the efficiency of the boiler and safety-valves under steam.
- 21. If an inspector considers any boiler to be unsafe or Inspector to give 15 dangerous to life or property, he shall give to the owner of such boiler notice requiring owner to desist using a notice in the form or to the effect set forth in the First Schedule boiler.

hereto, and by such notice may require such owner either-

- (I) To wholly desist from working or using the boiler from a period to be fixed in such notice until certain repairs or alterations to be stated in the notice shall have been
- effected; or (II) To partially desist from working or using such boiler from such a period as aforesaid, except at such reduced pressure as shall be stated in such notice, until such repairs or alterations shall have been effected.

And if any person to or upon whom any such notice shall have been delivered or served as hereinafter provided shall, for a period exceeding that which shall be set forth by the inspector in such notice, fail either wholly or partially to desist from working such boiler pursuant to 30 such notice, such person shall be liable to a penalty not exceeding one

hundred pounds nor less than twenty pounds. 22. Whenever an owner shall have effected any repairs to any Owner effecting boiler, or shall have added to or taken away from any boiler any repairs to give notice fittings or appliances of any kind, or in any manner altered the con-35 struction thereof, he shall forthwith give notice thereof to the inspector of the district. And if such owner fails to comply with the provisions of this section he shall be liable to a penalty of not more than twenty pounds nor less than five pounds : Provided that this section shall not extend to cases where repairs have been effected in accordance with a

40 notice given by an inspector under the powers hereinbefore contained. 23. Any person who by any means knowingly does anything to Penalty on increasing increase, or which tends to increase, the pressure in any boiler beyond pressure in boiler.

that stated in the certificate then in force granted by an inspector, and any person who aids or abets in so increasing such pressure, or procures 45 such pressure to be so increased, shall be guilty of a misdemeanour.

The person in charge of any boiler at the time when such increased pressure shall be discovered, or, who finding the boiler under such increased pressure, allows the same to continue under such increased pressure, shall be deemed prima facie to have committed an offence 50 within the meaning of this section.

Construction of New Boilers.

24. Before any person shall commence to construct any new Construction of new boiler in this Colony, tracings on cloth and specifications of the same boilers in this Colony. shall be submitted to the Chief Inspector for approval, so that every-55 thing relating to its construction may be definitely settled before the

work is commenced. Tracings of the safety-valves shall also be submitted in a similar manner. All boilers made in the Colony shall be tested

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tested by hydraulic pressure to twice the working pressure in the presence and to the satisfaction of the inspector, and the amount of this test, the date on which it was applied, together with the initials of the inspector must be legibly stamped on all boilers in a place where it

- 5 can always be seen. During construction all such boilers will be under the supervision of the inspector. Constructors of new boilers shall at their own expense prepare and provide test strips in accordance with the standard practice, in order to satisfy the inspector as to the quality and suitability of the material for the purpose intended.
- 10 All mountings must be suitable to the pressure carried and approved by the inspector.

RULES FOR CONSTRUCTION.

Imported Boilers.

- 25. The rules which are to be used in determining the Rules governing 15 working pressure of all new boilers and fittings coming under the construction. provisions of this Act shall be those which govern the Manchester Steam Users Association of England, provided however that any boilers constructed in accordance with the Board of Trade Rules, Llovd's Rules, or the rules which at present apply to boilers now
- 20 under Government control in this Colony, shall be deemed sufficient in finding and fixing the authorised working pressure. When boilers are Imported boilers. imported, and when the owners of the same cannot produce an official certificate certifying to their construction under the supervision of the above authorities, the Inspector shall carefully measure all the parts
- 25 and make the necessary calculations in accordance with the Standard Rules, and by which the working pressure shall be determined. And in all boilers constructed in the Colony or imported, the Inspector shall satisfy himself that all mountings and fittings comply with the provisions of this Act.
- 26. No person shall have charge of any boiler unless he is Age of persons twenty-one years of age, and holds a certificate of competency signed having charge of boilers. by the Chief Inspector; and any owner or lessee who knowingly employs any person under that age, or without the said certificate to the control of any boiler shall be liable to a penalty not exceeding
- 35 fifty pounds and not less than twenty pounds.

GENERAL PROVISIONS AS TO BOILERS.

Fees for Inspection.

27. There shall be paid to each inspector or to such other person Fees for inspection. as may be authorized by the regulations, on the inspection of any 40 boiler or before grant of any certificate as hereinafter provided, the respective fees specified in the Second Schedule hereto, but such fees shall be in the nature of annual charges only. If an inspector makes Penalty for receiving any charge for inspection over and above the amount so prescribed, or excessive fee, &c. accepts any fee or receives any sum of money not authorised by law,

45 he shall be liable forthwith to be dismissed from office and in addition to pay a penalty not exceeding fifty pounds.

Certificates of Inspection.

28. When an inspector has inspected a boiler and is satisfied Inspector to give that it is in good repair and may be safely used for its actual or ^{certificate.} 50 intended purpose, and that it is furnished with other appliances in accordance with the provisions of this Act, he shall give to the owner thereof a certificate in the form or to the effect of the Third Schedule hereto.

29. After receiving such certificate the owner shall cause to be Boiler to have metal affixed on a conspicuous part of such boiler, fitting, or seating, to be plate affixed. approved by the inspector, a metal plate bearing in legible characters

the words "Certified under the 'Land Boilers Inspection Act, 1892,' lbs." (stating the pressure mentioned in the certificate). 5 pressure

If any person shall cause such plate to be affixed to a boiler without having obtained such certificate, or if the owner of such boiler shall neglect to keep any such plate so affixed so long as any certificate granted in respect thereof shall remain in force, or shall keep the

10 same so affixed when any such certificate has ceased to be in force, such person or owner shall respectively be liable to a penalty not exceeding fifty pounds.

30. The owner shall cause such certificate to be exhibited in Certificate to be some conspicuous place, to be determined by the inspector, where it exhibited.

15 can be seen by all persons working at or with such boiler. And if such owner neglects so to exhibit such certificate, he shall be liable to a penalty not exceeding twenty pounds.

31. Subject to the provisions of the next following section Duration of certifisuch certificate shall remain in force for any period the inspector cates.

20 shall think fit, not exceeding one year, which period shall be stated on the certificate.

32. No such certificate shall have any force or effect if any Further provision as material alteration or addition be made in or to the boiler mentioned to certificates.

in such certificate : Provided that the inspector shall have power 25 to cancel or suspend any such certificate in any case where he may deem it necessary for the purpose of giving due effect to this Act.

33. Any owner working or using any boiler in respect of which Penalty for working a certificate shall not have been granted, or for which a certificate shall without certificate.

not be in force under this Act, shall be liable to a penalty not exceed-30 ing one hundred pounds. No proceeding shall be instituted for a

breach of this section except by an inspector or person authorized by the Minister.

34. An inspector duly authorised under this Act, where it shall Cancellation of cerappear to him that any boiler is in an unsafe condition, shall have tificates

- 35 power to withhold for any given time the issue of any certificate of the efficiency of any boiler, or to cancel any existing certificate under this Act, by serving a notice in writing to that effect in the form of the Fourth Schedule herein attached, and should the owner of any boiler within the meaning of this Act use or cause to be used such boiler or
- 40 boilers after having been served with such notice as aforesaid, he shall be liable to a penalty of not less than twenty shillings per day for any and every day such boiler may be used after receipt of such notice; but should an explosion occur, or an accident arise or take place Penalties for working through the dangerous condition of such boiler, after a certificate has tificates.
- 45 been cancelled or withheld, whereby the life of any employee or the lives and property of the general public have been endangered, the owner or person responsible for not complying with such notice to desist from using or working such boiler shall be liable to a criminal prosecution, and may be prosecuted, and may be imprisoned, with or
- 50 without hard labour, for any term not exceeding two years, or may be sentenced to penal servitude not exceeding seven years.

Duties and Liabilities of Owners of Boilers.

35. Any person who shall sell or let on hire any boiler shall, Where boiler is sold within one month after the sale or contract of hiring has been made, given. 55 give a written notice to the inspector, stating the name, occupation, and

abode of the person to whom the boiler has been sold or let on hire. And if default shall be made in giving any such notice, the person in default shall be liable to a penalty not exceeding ten pounds.

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36. The owner of any boiler in respect of which an offence has Owner liable to been committed under this Act, and for which a pecuniary penalty may penalty in the first be imposed, shall, in every case (save as hereinafter provided), be

- deemed in the first instance to have committed the offence, and shall 5 be liable to pay the penalty; but any owner who shall have been proceeded against by an inspector shall be entitled, upon complaint or information duly made by such owner, to have any agent, servant, or workman, brought before the Court at the time appointed for hearing the complaint made against such owner. If, after the commission of 10 the offence has been proved, the owner shall prove to the satisfaction
- of the Court that he used due diligence to enforce the execution of this Act, and that the said agent, servant, or workman, had committed the offence in question without such owner's knowledge, consent, or connivance, such agent, servant, or workman, shall be convicted, and 15 shall be liable to the penalty provided by this Act, which, together
- with costs, may be enforced against such agent, servant, or workman. 37. No person shall be liable under this Act as an owner of a Owners and mortboiler, unless such boiler shall be under his immediate power or control, gagees when not
- nor shall any mortgagee of any boiler be so liable unless he shall be in 20 actual possession thereof, or have the same under his immediate power
- or control. For the purposes of this Act the words immediate power or control shall be applicable in every case where any boiler is worked or used by the owner of such boiler personally, or his agents, servants, or others under his orders or directions, and for his benefit or
- 25 profit. But nothing herein contained shall exempt any body corporate from any liability under this Act in respect of any boiler by reason only that such boiler was or is under the control of any director, secretary, manager, or other person employed by such body corporate.
- 38. In any case where it shall be brought to the notice of an Actual offender may 30 inspector that an offence has been committed under this Act, and it be proceeded against in certain cases. shall appear to him that the owner had used all due diligence to comply with the conditions of this Act, and that the offence was committed without the knowledge or consent of the owner, and in contravention of his orders, the inspector may proceed against the 35 actual offender in the first instance.

Inquiries as to Accidents.

39. Whenever any person shall be killed or injured by the Notice of every acci-explosion of a boiler the owner of such boiler shall within twenty-four dent to be sent to inspector. hours after such explosion give notice of the fact to the inspector of 40 the district. Any owner who neglects to send such notice as aforesaid shall be liable to a penalty not exceeding twenty pounds and not less

than ten pounds.

- 40. The Minister may in any such case as aforesaid, or in any Magistrate to hold case of a boiler exploding, direct an inquiry to be held before a Magis- inquiry, and report 45 trate together with a person skilled in the use and construction of Minister. boilers to be appointed by the Minister. And such Magistrate, together with such person as aforesaid, shall have power to hold the inquiry at such time and place as the Minister may appoint, and shall report the results thereof to the Minister. With respect to the summoning and
- 50 attendance of witnesses at such inquiry, and the examination of witnesses upon oath, or as may be otherwise allowed by law, every Magistrate shall have all the powers which he might lawfully exercise in any case within his ordinary jurisdiction : Provided also that any workman or person injured through a boiler explosion, or through an
- 55 accident to such boiler, may produce in evidence the finding of any Court or Board of Inquiry in support of any claim made by him against the owner of the boiler.

Power of Appeal.

41. The owner of any boiler or boilers under the provisions of Owner has the this Act shall have the right to appeal to the Chief Inspector and also power to appeal. to the Minister against any decision of any Inspector. And the 5 Minister, if so appealed to, shall appoint one skilled expert as arbitrator, who, with another skilled expert chosen by the owner, and an umpire selected by these arbitrators, may personally examine such boiler or boilers, and shall hear any evidence that may be tendered in respect to the condition of same, and their decision shall be final as between 10 the Inspector and the owner, the cost of such arbitration to abide the issue.

Miscellaneous Provisions.

42. All rights of parties and all liabilities of owners of boilers Saving of liabilities, or other persons accruing before this Act comes into operation in respect &c. 15 of any boiler shall remain unaffected by this Act and by any certificate

granted under its provisions.

43. Whenever any notice, summons, or other process is required How notices, &c., to be served upon any owner under this Act, service on the manager, may be served. foreman, or agent of such owner shall be of good service. And every 20 notice required or authorized under this Act may be either written or

printed or partly written and partly printed.

44. All penalties incurred under this Act or any regulation Penalties to be made thereunder may be recovered in a summary way before any recovered in a summary way. Stipendiary or Police Magistrate, and whenever any person wilfully

25 contravenes any provision of this Act for which no other penalty is by this Act imposed, he shall for every such offence incur a penalty not exceeding ten pounds.

45. The Court imposing any penalty under this Act may direct Magistrate may that a part not exceeding one moiety thereof shall be applied to com-30 pensate any person for any bodily injury or other damage which he son injured, &c. may have sustained by reason of the offence or default in respect of which such penalty is imposed. And subject thereto the appropriation of all such penalties shall be subject to the provisions of the fifteenth section of the Act sixteenth Victoria number one.

35 46. All moneys paid to inspectors by way of salary and all the Expenses of Act. costs and charges of carrying this Act into execution shall be paid out of moneys appropriated for that purpose by Parliament. All fees received under this Act shall be paid to the Colonial Treasurer and form part of the Consolidated Fund.

40 47. The Governor may make regulations prescribing-

- The area or districts which shall be subject to the provisions of regulations. this Act in the first instance, and may alter and extend its operations to other districts after it has been twelve months in force;
- The competency to be possessed by candidates for the office of inspector, and the examination to be passed by such candidates;
- The providing for the examination and granting of certificates to all persons who have charge of boilers.
- The forms of notices to be given under this Act in any case where the same are not therein provided for;

The duties and powers of the Chief and District Inspectors;

A record book to be kept for the entry of particulars as to inspection of boilers and the mode in which the same shall be kept, and at what places and times the same shall be open to inspection;

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The time and place in each district at which fees shall be paid to an inspector, or to some other officer or person other than an inspector;

And generally for carrying this Act into execution.

5 All such regulations may provide for their enforcement under penalties not to exceed in any case the sum of twenty pounds, and shall be published in the Gazette, and upon such publication shall have the force of law. Copies of every regulation shall be laid before Parliament within fourteen days after the publication thereof, if then in Session;

10 otherwise within fourteen days after the commencement of the then next ensuing session.

48. Nothing contained in this Act shall apply to or affect any Act not to extend to boilers the property of the Government used on or employed in the of the Government. working of any Government railway, tramway, or other public work, 15 by persons in the employ of the Government; nor shall this Act

prejudice, or in any way interfere with, the statutor, pre-inspection and regulation of steam vessels and their machinery. 49. The administration of this Act shall be vested in the Act to be adminis-tered by the Minister authorised to do so. prejudice, or in any way interfere with, the statutory powers of

20 50. This Act shall come into operation on the first day of July, Date of coming into operation. one thousand eight hundred and ninety-two.

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SCHEDULES.

FIRST SCHEDULE.

Notice to Owner that Boiler is dangerous.

To [name of owner] of

5	I HEREBY give you notice that I have this day inspected a boiler attached to [here describe
	boiler] and that the same appears to me to be dangerous and to require repairs [or is in
	such a dangerous state that it is unsafe to life and property to use the same]. You are
	therefore hereby required to cause repairs to be effected in such boiler in the following
	particulars [here specify repairs to be effected]. And you are hereby further within [here
10	state period fixed from the time this notice is served on you and until such repairs shall
	be effected, to wholly desist from using or suffering the said boiler to be used for if it is
	to be partially used state particulars fully].
	This notice is given under the "Land Boilers Inspection Act of 1892."
	Dated this day of 18.
15	А.В.,
	Inspector, &c.

SECOND SCHEDULE.

Fees for Inspection, &c., shall not exceed	£	s.	d.	
For every single boiler of 8 horse-power and under	1	0	0	
20 For every single boiler over 8 horse-power and up to 15 horse-power	2	0	0	
For every single boiler over 15 horse-power and up to any power	3	0	0	
For two or more boilers (in the same factory) over 15 horse-power-full				
charge for the first, viz	3	0	0	
and for every additional boiler	1	10	0	
25 For two or more boilers (in the same factory) under 15 and over 8 horse-				
power-full charge for the first, viz	2	0	0	
and for every additional boiler	1	0	0	
For two or more boilers (in the same factory) under 8 horse-power-full				
charge for the first, viz	1	0	0	
30 and for every additional boiler	0	15	0	
For checking, drawings, and specifications, and for supervising the construc-				
tion of each new boiler	2	0	0	
For inspector's certificate of competency	3	0	0	
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The above charges for boilers shall only be made once every year, provided 35 however that in exceptional cases where it has been found necessary to issue certificates for a shorter period a charge may be made when any certificate is renewed.

THIRD SCHEDULE.

Certificate of Inspection.

THIS is to certify that in accordance with the "Land Boilers Inspection Act of 1892," I 40 have this day inspected the boiler mentioned at the foot hereof, and that I consider the same to be in good order and condition and fit for the purpose stated below.

A.B., Inspector.

Description of Boiler.

45 General description and principal dimensions. Grate bar surface in square feet. Constructed of iron or steel. Makers name and where constructed. Age of boiler and original working pressure in lbs. per square inch. Authorised working pressure in lbs. per square inch. If tested by hydraulic pressure, the amount in lbs. per square inch. Purpose for which it is used. Name of district and distance
50 from Sydney. Owners name and full address (if a lessee or temporary owner it should be so stated.) Any other particulars which in the judgment of the inspector may be necessary to identify the boiler.

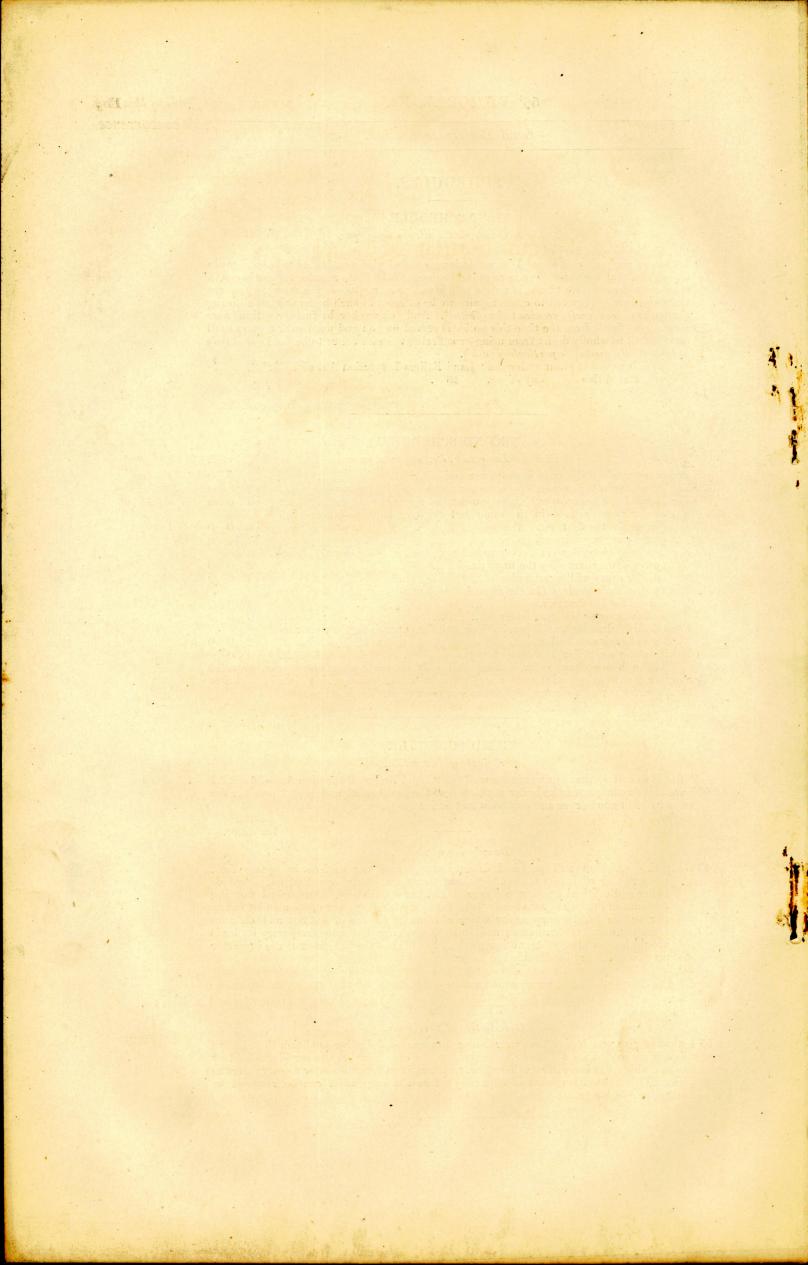
FOURTH SCHEDULE.

Cancellation of Certificate.

55 I HEREBY give you notice that your boiler is in such a defective condition that I have this day suspended for a time or cancelled (as the case may be) the certificate held by you and which was issued from this office, and that it will be necessary to carry out the following [here mention what is required] before the suspension can be removed or another certificate granted.

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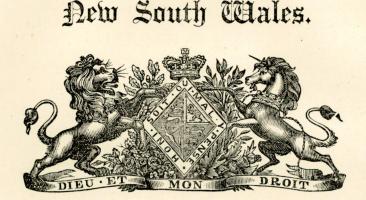
[9d.]



This PUBLIC BILL originated in the LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY, and, having this day passed, is now ready for presentation to the LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL for its concurrence.

Legislative Assembly Chamber, Sydney, 21 March, 1892.

F. W. WEBB, Clerk of Legislative Assembly.



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No.

An Act to provide for the Inspection and Regulation of Steamboilers on land; the examination of persons in charge of the same, and the granting of certificates to such persons; to define the duties and liabilities of the owners of such boilers; to make provision for the holding of inquiries into accidents caused by the explosion of such boilers; and for other purposes incidental to the objects aforesaid.

(As agreed to in Select Committee.)

WHEREAS it is expedient that steam-boilers employed on land or Preamble. for any of the purposes hereinafter mentioned within this Colony should be subject to official inspection and control; that the duties and liabilities of the owners of such boilers should, in certain 5 respects, be defined; and that provision should be made for the holding of inquiries into accidents caused by boiler explosions; and that persons in charge of such boilers should give satisfactory evidence of competency in that behalf: Be it therefore enacted by the Queen's Most Excellent Majesty, by and with the advice and consent of the 10 Legislative Council and Legislative Assembly of New South Wales in

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2. In this Act, if not inconsistent with the context, the word— Interpretation. "Boiler" means any boiler or vessel in which steam is generated under pressure, used for manufacturing or forany other purpose, or for the working of any engine or machinery used on land,

or in, on, or about any mine, subject to the provisions of the 714—A Coal

of 1892."

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	Coal Mines Regulation Act in force for the time being, or for the working of any engine or machinery used on any wharf, or on any hulk, punt, raft, or vessel not propelled by steam, or on any structure of any description employed in any
5	harbour, river, inlet, or lake. It also includes the setting and all the fittings and mountings, feed-pumps, injectors, donkey-engines, and other equipments necessary to maintain the efficiency of the boiler.
1.0	"Building" means any manufactory, mill, shop, shed, or premises in which any boiler is erected or where the same is kept or is in operation.
15	 "Court" means in and for the Metropolitan Police District, any Stipendiary Magistrate, and elsewhere any Police Magistrate. "District" means any district proclaimed under this Act. "Governor" means the Governor, with the advice of the Executive
	Council. "Inspector" means any person appointed to be an Inspector of Boilers under this Act acting within any district or districts for which he is appointed.
20	 "Magistrate" means a Stipendiary or Police Magistrate. "Minister" means the Minister charged with the administration of this Act. "Owner" means and includes as well the owner of any boiler, as
25	also the mortgagee or lessee of any boiler, and any engineer, overseer, foreman, agent, or person in charge or having the control or management of any boiler.
30	"Premises" means and includes any building, yard, farm, paddock, field, road, place, punt, raft, vessel, or structure in which a boiler, as hereinbefore defined, is kept or is in operation.
	"Prescribed" means prescribed by this Act or by any regulation made thereunder.
	ESTABLISHMENT.

3. The Governor may, by proclamation in the Gazette, divide Governor may divide 35 the Colony into districts for the purposes of this Act, with such names Colony into districts. and boundaries as he shall think proper, and may, in like manner, alter the boundaries of any such district: Provided always that for at least twelve months after the passing of this Act the provisions thereof shall be confined to the counties of Cumberland and Northumberland, 40 and to such other important centres of manufacture as the Governor

- may, by proclamation in the Gazette, declare to be under the operation of this Act, and after the expiration of such twelve months to such other districts as the Governor may, in like manner, so declare as aforesaid.
- 4. The Governor may appoint a duly qualified person to be Governor may 45 Chief Inspector of Land Boilers, and one or more duly qualified appoint Inspectors. persons to be Inspector or Inspectors of Boilers for any district under this Act; but no person shall be appointed a District Inspector
- who does not possess the prescribed competency, and has not passed 55 the prescribed examination. The Chief Inspector shall conduct all examinations of Inspectors held under this Act.

5. Every Inspector shall be furnished with a certificate under Inspectors' certifithe hand of the Minister to the effect that he has been appointed an cates of appointment.

Inspector for the district or districts named therein, and, on his 55 entering upon any premises in pursuance of this Act, he shall, if required, produce the said certificate to the owner of such premises.

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6. Every person who forges any such certificate, or, with intent Penalty for forging to deceive, makes use of any forged or false certificate, and every pretending to be an person who falsely pretends to be an Inspector under this Act, shall Inspector. be guilty of a misdemeanour, and be liable to be imprisoned for any

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5 period not exceeding twelve months, with or without hard labour.

7. Every Inspector shall keep minutes of his proceedings, and Inspectors to keep shall, twice in every year, or oftener if required, forward such to the Minister. proceedings to the Chief Inspector, who, when required, shall submit the same to the Minister.

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EXAMINATION OF INSPECTORS.

Qualifications.

8. Any person desirous of being appointed an inspector under Examination of inspectors. this Act shall pass the prescribed examination according to the rules and regulations hereinafter mentioned, and shall satisfy the examiner of

15 his competency as follows :- He must have a sound knowledge of the principles of modern boiler construction, and be able to calculate the stresses and strains to which the various parts are subjected. He must be well versed in the strength of materials, and thoroughly understand the mechanical properties of iron and steel as used for this special

- 20 purpose. He must be able to work out all classes of riveting, check and calculate dead weight, lever, and spring loaded safety valve pressures. He must know the standard proportions of the various parts, how they should be stayed, and be competent to make a plain drawing or a good working sketch of any boiler. His testimonials must also 25 show, to the satisfaction of the examiner, that he is a person of considerable practicable experience, sobriety, and general fitness for the position. His age shall not be less than twenty-five nor more
- than forty-five years.

Inspection and registration of boilers.

- 9. Every owner of any boiler in this Colony, whether within Inspection of boilers. 30 9. Every owner of any boller in this Colony, whether within histories to be the operation of this Act or not shall, within sixty days after the registered. commencement of this Act, and every other person who may hereafter become the owner of any such boiler shall, within one month after
- he shall have become such owner, send to the inspector of the district, 35 or other persons duly appointed where such boiler is, or in which it is intended to keep or work such boiler, a notice stating the name of such owner and the place where such boiler is erected, kept, or intended to be worked; and such notice shall also give a short description of such boiler, its grate surface in square feet, its principal
- 40 dimensions, and the pressure at which it is being worked, and if known the makers name, and its age, also the name, age, and qualification of the person in charge, together with the owner's full address. And if any owner fails to give such notice he shall be liable to a penalty not exceeding ten pounds nor less than five pounds.
- 10. Every inspector having reasonable justification may at any Powers and duties of 45 time enter upon any premises where any boiler may be placed or is in inspectors. use in order to satisfy himself that the provisions of this Act have been complied with, but he shall be careful not to needlessly inconvenience the owner.
- 11. If any person shall wilfully impede any inspector in the Penalty for obstruct-execution of his duty under this Act, or if any owner of any boiler ^{ing inspectors.} 50 shall refuse to give such information as the inspector may require for the purposes of this Act he shall for any such offence be liable to a penalty not exceeding twenty pounds nor less than five pounds.

Special

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Special provisions as to boilers.

12. The Minister shall cause every inspector to be provided Minister to provided with suitable standard steam gauges and other appliances by which inspectors the efficiency of the boiler and fittings can be tested. 5

13. All boilers shall be fitted with the following mountings :- Mountings for One glass water gauge, complete.

Two test cocks.

One feed check valve, flange jointed or screwed into boiler.

One stop valve, flange jointed or screwed into boiler.

One blow-off cock, jointed or screwed into boiler.

One test cock three quarter inch Whitworth thread for connecting inspectors standard gauge.

A suitable connection to enable force pump or feed pump to be applied in testing boiler by hydraulic pressure.

A suitable pump or injector for feeding boiler and new boilers shall be fitted with two safety valves of approved design and of sufficient area to relieve the boiler without increasing the loaded pressure more than ten per centum. The combined area of the two valves shall be in proportion to the pressure carried, and one of the valves shall be arranged so as to be beyond the control of the person in charge.

14. All boilers now working and having one safety valve of Provision for boilers sufficient area shall in addition be fitted with a signal valve so arranged having one safety valve. as to be beyond the control of the person in charge.

25 15. In all cases where any boiler now working is not provided six months notice with all the prescribed fittings or mountings the owner of such boiler given to comply with shall have six months from the data of the first inspection of such the Regulations. shall have six months from the date of the first inspection of such boiler, within which to comply with the provisions of this Act or any

of the Regulations made hereunder, unless the absence of such fittings 30 or deficiency of such mountings would in the opinion of the inspector seriously imperil the safety of the boiler, in which case such inspector may direct the necessary fittings to be supplied before granting a certificate.

- 16. When any boiler is examined the inspector shall make and Inspector shall keep 35 keep a complete record of all particulars necessary to ascertain its a complete public record to all boilers. condition, and any changes, alterations, or repairs shall be carefully recorded by him. Such records shall be kept in a book which shall be open to inspection, without the payment of any fee, at such convenient place in the district as may be appointed for that purpose
- 40 by the Minister, but no other person other than the owner of the boiler shall be entitled to receive from the inspector an extract or copy of any entry affecting any boiler. If an inspector fail to keep such record book in the prescribed manner he shall be liable to be dismissed from his office, and in addition thereto shall be liable to a
- 45 penalty not exceeding one hundred pounds nor less than twenty pounds.

17. All boilers shall be inspected once every twelve months or When boilers are oftener if required. Such examination shall be made so as not to to be inspected. needlessly impede or prevent the working of any boiler, and the 50 inspector is to carefully study the convenience of the owners whenever

he shall see fit to exercise the powers conferred upon him by this Act.

18. The inspector may test any boiler by hydraulic pressure Boilers may be tested where the parts are difficult of access, and may, in like manner, test by hydraulic pressure. any boiler where he may think it necessary, in addition to any other 55 tests and examination that may be required, in which cases the owners shall furnish all even is

shall furnish all appliances required by the inspector.

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19. The nominal horse-power of all boilers coming under the Horse-power how provisions of this Act shall be calculated from the grate surface, and ^{calculated.} every square foot of grate surface shall be deemed to be equal to one horse power.

5 20. Before and for the purposes of inspection, every boiler shall Preparation for be emptied and made cool, and all man and mud-hole doors off, and furnace bars and bridges out; and all brickwork or other material in which any boiler is set shall be taken down by the owner of a boiler when required by the inspector. All furnaces, flues, backs, and

- 10 uptakes connected with such boiler shall be swept clean, and all safetyvalves shall be taken to pieces, and appliances shall be provided by the owner thereof for weighing the same. The inspector shall also satisfy himself as to the efficiency of the boiler and safety-valves under steam.
- 21. If an inspector considers any boiler to be unsafe or Inspector to give 15 dangerous to life or property, he shall give to the owner of such boiler notice requiring a notice in the form or to the effect set forth in the First Schedule boiler. hereto, and by such notice may require such owner either—
 - (I) To wholly desist from working or using the boiler from a period to be fixed in such notice until certain repairs or alterations to be stated in the notice shall have been effected; or
 - (II) To partially desist from working or using such boiler from such a period as aforesaid, except at such reduced pressure as shall be stated in such notice, until such repairs or alterations shall have been effected.

And if any person to or upon whom any such notice shall have been delivered or served as hereinafter provided shall, for a period exceeding that which shall be set forth by the inspector in such notice, fail either wholly or partially to desist from working such boiler pursuant to **30** such notice, such person shall be liable to a penalty not exceeding one hundred pounds nor less than twenty pounds.

hundred pounds nor less than twenty pounds. 22. Whenever an owner shall have effected any repairs to any Owner effecting boiler, or shall have added to or taken away from any boiler any repairs to give notice fittings or appliances of any kind, or in any manner altered the con-

35 struction thereof, he shall forthwith give notice thereof to the inspector of the district. And if such owner fails to comply with the provisions of this section he shall be liable to a penalty of not more than twenty pounds nor less than five pounds: Provided that this section shall not extend to cases where repairs have been effected in accordance with a 40 notice given by an inspector under the powers hereinbefore contained.

23. Any person who by any means knowingly does anything to Penalty on increasing increase, or which tends to increase, the pressure in any boiler beyond pressure in boiler. that stated in the certificate then in force granted by an inspector, and any person who aids or abets in so increasing such pressure, or procures

45 such pressure to be so increased, shall be guilty of a misdemeanour. The person in charge of any boiler at the time when such increased pressure shall be discovered, or, who finding the boiler under such increased pressure, allows the same to continue under such increased pressure, shall be deemed *prima facie* to have committed an offence 50 within the meaning of this section.

Construction of New Boilers.

24. Before any person shall commence to construct any new Construction of new boiler in this Colony, tracings on cloth and specifications of the same boilers in this Colony. shall be submitted to the Chief Inspector for approval, so that every-55 thing relating to its construction may be definitely settled before the

work is commenced. Tracings of the safety-valves shall also be submitted in a similar manner. All boilers made in the Colony shall be tested

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tested by hydraulic pressure to twice the working pressure in the presence and to the satisfaction of the inspector, and the amount of this test, the date on which it was applied, together with the initials of the inspector must be legibly stamped on all boilers in a place where it

- 5 can always be seen. During construction all such boilers will be under the supervision of the inspector. Constructors of new boilers shall at their own expense prepare and provide test strips in accordance with the standard practice, in order to satisfy the inspector as to the quality and suitability of the material for the purpose intended.
- 10 All mountings must be suitable to the pressure carried and approved by the inspector.

RULES FOR CONSTRUCTION.

Imported Boilers.

25. The rules which are to be used in determining the Bules governing 15 working pressure of all new boilers and fittings coming under the construction. provisions of this Act shall be those which govern the Manchester Steam Users Association of England, provided however that any boilers constructed in accordance with the Board of Trade Rules, Lloyd's Rules, or the rules which at present apply to boilers now

- 20 under Government control in this Colony, shall be deemed sufficient in finding and fixing the authorised working pressure. When boilers are Imported boilers. imported, and when the owners of the same cannot produce an official certificate certifying to their construction under the supervision of the above authorities, the Inspector shall carefully measure all the parts
- 25 and make the necessary calculations in accordance with the Standard Rules, and by which the working pressure shall be determined. And in all boilers constructed in the Colony or imported, the Inspector shall satisfy himself that all mountings and fittings comply with the provisions of this Act.
- 30 26. No person shall have charge of any boiler unless he is Age of persons twenty-one years of age, and holds a certificate of competency signed having charge of boilers. by the Chief Inspector; and any owner or lessee who knowingly employs any person under that age, or without the said certificate to the control of any boiler shall be liable to a penalty not exceeding

35 fifty pounds and not less than twenty pounds.

GENERAL PROVISIONS AS TO BOILERS.

Fees for Inspection.

27. There shall be paid to each inspector or to such other person Fees for inspection. as may be authorized by the regulations, on the inspection of any 40 boiler or before grant of any certificate as hereinafter provided, the respective fees specified in the Second Schedule hereto, but such fees shall be in the nature of annual charges only. If an inspector makes Penalty for receiving

any charge for inspection over and above the amount so prescribed, or excessive fee, &c. accepts any fee or receives any sum of money not authorised by law,

45 he shall be liable forthwith to be dismissed from office and in addition to pay a penalty not exceeding fifty pounds.

Certificates of Inspection.

28. When an inspector has inspected a boiler and is satisfied Inspector to give that it is in good repair and may be safely used for its actual or ^{certificate.} 50 intended purpose, and that it is furnished with other appliances in accordance with the provisions of this Act, he shall give to the owner thereof a certificate in the form or to the effect of the Third Schedule hereto.

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29. After receiving such certificate the owner shall cause to be Boiler to have metal affixed on a conspicuous part of such boiler, fitting, or seating, to be plate affixed. approved by the inspector, a metal plate bearing in legible characters

the words "Certified under the 'Land Boilers Inspection Act, 1892,' 5 pressure

pressure lbs." (stating the pressure mentioned in the certificate). If any person shall cause such plate to be affixed to a boiler without having obtained such certificate, or if the owner of such boiler shall neglect to keep any such plate so affixed so long as any certificate granted in respect thereof shall remain in force, or shall keep the 10 same so affixed when any such certificate has ceased to be in force,

such person or owner shall respectively be liable to a penalty not exceeding fifty pounds.

30. The owner shall cause such certificate to be exhibited in Certificate to be some conspicuous place, to be determined by the inspector, where it exhibited.

15 can be seen by all persons working at or with such boiler. And if such owner neglects so to exhibit such certificate, he shall be liable to a penalty not exceeding twenty pounds.

31. Subject to the provisions of the next following section Duration of certifisuch certificate shall remain in force for any period the inspector cates.

20 shall think fit, not exceeding one year, which period shall be stated on the certificate.

32. No such certificate shall have any force or effect if any Further provision as material alteration or addition be made in or to the boiler mentioned to certificates. in such certificate : Provided that the inspector shall have power

25 to cancel or suspend any such certificate in any case where he may deem it necessary for the purpose of giving due effect to this Act.

33. Any owner working or using any boiler in respect of which Penalty for working a certificate shall not have been granted, or for which a certificate shall without certificate not be in force under this Act, shall be liable to a penalty not exceed-

30 ing one hundred pounds. No proceeding shall be instituted for a breach of this section except by an inspector or person authorized by the Minister.

34. An inspector duly authorised under this Act, where it shall Cancellation of cerappear to him that any boiler is in an unsafe condition, shall have

- 35 power to withhold for any given time the issue of any certificate of the efficiency of any boiler, or to cancel any existing certificate under this Act, by serving a notice in writing to that effect in the form of the Fourth Schedule herein attached, and should the owner of any boiler within the meaning of this Act use or cause to be used such boiler or
- 40 boilers after having been served with such notice as aforesaid, he shall be liable to a penalty of not less than twenty shillings per day for any and every day such boiler may be used after receipt of such notice; but should an explosion occur, or an accident arise or take place Penalties for working through the dangerous condition of such boiler, after a certificate has tificates.
- 45 been cancelled or withheld, whereby the life of any employee or the lives and property of the general public have been endangered, the owner or person responsible for not complying with such notice to desist from using or working such boiler shall be liable to a criminal prosecution, and may be prosecuted, and may be imprisoned, with or
- 50 without hard labour, for any term not exceeding two years, or may be sentenced to penal servitude not exceeding seven years.

Duties and Liabilities of Owners of Boilers.

35. Any person who shall sell or let on hire any boiler shall, Where boiler is sold or let notice to be within one month after the sale or contract of hiring has been made, given. 55 give a written notice to the inspector, stating the name, occupation, and

abode of the person to whom the boiler has been sold or let on hire. And if default shall be made in giving any such notice, the person in default shall be liable to a penalty not exceeding ten pounds.

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36. The owner of any boiler in respect of which an offence has Owner liable to been committed under this Act, and for which a pecuniary penalty may penalty in the first be imposed, shall, in every case (save as hereinafter provided), be

- deemed in the first instance to have committed the offence, and shall 5 be liable to pay the penalty; but any owner who shall have been proceeded against by an inspector shall be entitled, upon complaint or information duly made by such owner, to have any agent, servant, or workman, brought before the Court at the time appointed for hearing the complaint made against such owner. If, after the commission of 10 the offence has been proved, the owner shall prove to the satisfaction
- of the Court that he used due diligence to enforce the execution of this Act, and that the said agent, servant, or workman, had committed the offence in question without such owner's knowledge, consent, or connivance, such agent, servant, or workman, shall be convicted, and 15 shall be liable to the penalty provided by this Act, which, together
- with costs, may be enforced against such agent, servant, or workman. 37. No person shall be liable under this Act as an owner of a Owners and mortboiler, unless such boiler shall be under his immediate power or control, gagees
- nor shall any mortgagee of any boiler be so liable unless he shall be in 20 actual possession thereof, or have the same under his immediate power or control. For the purposes of this Act the words immediate power or control shall be applicable in every case where any boiler is worked or used by the owner of such boiler personally, or his agents,
- servants, or others under his orders or directions, and for his benefit or 25 profit. But nothing herein contained shall exempt any body corporate from any liability under this Act in respect of any boiler by reason only that such boiler was or is under the control of any director, secretary, manager, or other person employed by such body corporate.
- 38. In any case where it shall be brought to the notice of an Actual offender may 30 inspector that an offence has been committed under this Act, and it be proceeded against in certain cases. shall appear to him that the owner had used all due diligence to comply with the conditions of this Act, and that the offence was committed without the knowledge or consent of the owner, and in contravention of his orders, the inspector may proceed against the 35 actual offender in the first instance.

Inquiries as to Accidents.

39. Whenever any person shall be killed or injured by the Notice of every acciexplosion of a boiler the owner of such boiler shall within twenty-four dent to be sent to hours after such explosion give notice of the fact to the inspector. hours after such explosion give notice of the fact to the inspector of 40 the district. Any owner who neglects to send such notice as aforesaid

shall be liable to a penalty not exceeding twenty pounds and not less than ten pounds.

40. The Minister may in any such case as aforesaid, or in any Magistrate to hold case of a boiler exploding, direct an inquiry to be held before a Magis- inquiry, and report 45 trate together with a person skilled in the use and construction of Minister. boilers to be appointed by the Minister. And such Magistrate, together

- with such person as aforesaid, shall have power to hold the inquiry at such time and place as the Minister may appoint, and shall report the results thereof to the Minister. With respect to the summoning and 50 attendance of witnesses at such inquiry, and the examination of
- witnesses upon oath, or as may be otherwise allowed by law, every Magistrate shall have all the powers which he might lawfully exercise in any case within his ordinary jurisdiction : Provided also that any workman or person injured through a boiler explosion, or through an 55 accident to such boiler, may produce in evidence the finding of any
- Court or Board of Inquiry in support of any claim made by him against the owner of the boiler.

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Power of Appeal.

41. The owner of any boiler or boilers under the provisions of Owner has the this Act shall have the right to appeal to the Chief Inspector and also power to appeal. to the Minister against any decision of any Inspector. And the 5 Minister, if so appealed to, shall appoint one skilled expert as arbitrator, who, with another skilled expert chosen by the owner, and an umpire selected by these arbitrators, may personally examine such boiler or boilers, and shall hear any evidence that may be tendered in respect to the condition of same, and their decision shall be final as between 10 the Inspector and the owner, the cost of such arbitration to abide the

issue.

Miscellaneous Provisions.

42. All rights of parties and all liabilities of owners of boilers Saving of liabilities, or other persons accruing before this Act comes into operation in respect &c. 15 of any boiler shall remain unaffected by this Act and by any certificate

granted under its provisions.

43. Whenever any notice, summons, or other process is required How notices, &c., to be served upon any owner under this Act, service on the manager, may be served. foreman, or agent of such owner shall be of good service. And every 20 notice required or authorized under this Act may be either written or

printed or partly written and partly printed.

44. All penalties incurred under this Act or any regulation Penalties to be made thereunder may be recovered in a summary way before any recovered in a summary way. Stipendiary or Police Magistrate, and whenever any person wilfully

25 contravenes any provision of this Act for which no other penalty is by this Act imposed, he shall for every such offence incur a penalty not exceeding ten pounds.

45. The Court imposing any penalty under this Act may direct Magistrate may that a part not exceeding one moiety thereof shall be applied to com- allow proportion of 30 pensate any person for any bodily injury or other damage which he son injured, &c. may have sustained by reason of the offence or default in respect of which such penalty is imposed. And subject thereto the appropriation of all such penalties shall be subject to the provisions of the fifteenth section of the Act sixteenth Victoria number one.

35 46. All moneys paid to inspectors by way of salary and all the Expenses of Act. costs and charges of carrying this Act into execution shall be paid out of moneys appropriated for that purpose by Parliament. All fees received under this Act shall be paid to the Colonial Treasurer and form part of the Consolidated Fund.

47. The Governor may make regulations prescribing-

- The area or districts which shall be subject to the provisions of regulations. this Act in the first instance, and may alter and extend its operations to other districts after it has been twelve months in force;
- The competency to be possessed by candidates for the office of inspector, and the examination to be passed by such candidates ;
- The providing for the examination and granting of certificates to all persons who have charge of boilers.
- The forms of notices to be given under this Act in any case where the same are not therein provided for;

The duties and powers of the Chief and District Inspectors;

A record book to be kept for the entry of particulars as to inspection of boilers and the mode in which the same shall be kept, and at what places and times the same shall be open to inspection; 714-B

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The time and place in each district at which fees shall be paid to an inspector, or to some other officer or person other than an inspector;

And generally for carrying this Act into execution.

- 5 All such regulations may provide for their enforcement under penalties not to exceed in any case the sum of twenty pounds, and shall be published in the *Gazette*, and upon such publication shall have the force of law. Copies of every regulation shall be laid before Parliament within fourteen days after the publication thereof, if then in Session;
- 10 otherwise within fourteen days after the commencement of the then next ensuing session.

48. Nothing contained in this Act shall apply to or affect any Act not to extend to boilers the property of the Government used on or employed in the boilers under control of the Government. working of any Government railway, tramway, or other public work,

15 by persons in the employ of the Government; nor shall this Act prejudice, or in any way interfere with, the statutory powers of prejudice, or in any way interfere with, the statutory for the state of the state o

Minister authorised to carry it out.

50. This Act shall come into operation on the first day of July, Date of coming into 20 operation. one thousand eight hundred and ninety-two.

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FIRST SCHEDULE.

Notice to Owner that Boiler is dangerous.

To [name of owner] of

5 I HEREBY give you notice that I have this day inspected a boiler attached to [here describe boiler] and that the same appears to me to be dangerous and to require repairs [or is in such a dangerous state that it is unsafe to life and property to use the same]. You are therefore hereby required to cause repairs to be effected in such boiler in the following particulars [here specify repairs to be effected]. And you are hereby further within [here 10 state period fixed] from the time this notice is served on you and until such repairs shall be effected, to wholly desist from using or suffering the said boiler to be used [or if it is to be partially used state particulars fully].

This notice is given under the "Land Boilers Inspection Act of 1892." Dated this day of 18 .

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A.B., Inspector, &c.

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SECOND SCHEDULE.

Fees for Inspection, &c., shall not exceed

For every single boiler of 8 horse-power and under	1	0	0	
20 For every single boiler over 8 horse-power and up to 15 horse-power	2	0	0	
For every single boiler over 15 horse-power and up to any power		0	0	
For two or more boilers (in the same factory) over 15 horse-power-fu	11			
charge for the first, viz	2	0	0	
and for every additional boiler	. 1	10	0	
25 For two or more boilers (in the same factory) under 15 and over 8 horse	<u>-</u>			
power—full charge for the first, viz		0	0	
and for every additional boiler	1	0	0	
For two or more boilers (in the same factory) under 8 horse-power-full				
charge for the first, viz	1	0	0	
30 and for every additional boiler		15	0	
For checking, drawings, and specifications, and for supervising the construc-				
	2	0	0	
For inspector's certificate of competency	3	0	0	
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The above charges for boilers shall only be made once every year, provided 35 however that in exceptional cases where it has been found necessary to issue certificates for a shorter period a charge may be made when any certificate is renewed.

THIRD SCHEDULE.

Certificate of Inspection.

THIS is to certify that in accordance with the "Land Boilers Inspection Act of 1892," I 40 have this day inspected the boiler mentioned at the foot hereof, and that I consider the same to be in good order and condition and fit for the purpose stated below.

A.B., Inspector.

Description of Boiler.

45 General description and principal dimensions. Grate bar surface in square feet. Constructed of iron or steel. Makers name and where constructed. Age of boiler and original working pressure in lbs. per square inch. Authorised working pressure in lbs. per square inch. If tested by hydraulic pressure, the amount in lbs. per square inch. Purpose for which it is used. Name of district and distance from Sydney. Owners name and full address (if a lessee or temporary owner it should be so stated.) Any other particulars which in the judgment of the inspector may be necessary to identify the boiler.

FOURTH SCHEDULE.

Cancellation of Certificate.

55 I HEREBY give you notice that your boiler is in such a defective condition that I have this day suspended for a time or cancelled (as the case may be) the certificate held by you and which was issued from this office, and that it will be necessary to carry out the following [here mention what is required] before the suspension can be removed or another certificate granted.

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