

weight to the square inch of the boilers of each Steamer belonging to or steaming from the port or place for which he is such Inspector, subjecting them to a hydrostatic pressure, and shall certify such regulations and directions in writing to the master or owner of such Steamer, who, as also the engineer thereof, shall be governed thereby; and it shall be the duty of such owner or master to cause a printed copy of such directions to be posted up, and kept posted up, in some conspicuous part of the Steamboat, during the season to which such inspection shall apply.

21. The owner or master of every Steamer shall at the time of each and every inspection or examination of the boilers thereof, state in writing to the Inspector the amount of pressure which he is willing the boilers shall be subjected to; and the Inspector shall not in any case authorize a greater weight to the square inch of any boiler than two thirds of the amount of pressure such boilers shall have sustained during the inspection; provided always, that the working pressure upon any boilers so authorized by the Inspector shall in no case exceed ninety pounds to the square inch.

22. If any such master, owner, or engineer, after the Inspector shall have so certified as in the last preceding Section directed, shall act contrary to the said regulations, by putting a greater weight upon the boilers than allowed thereby, such master or owner and engineer shall respectively be subject and liable to a penalty not exceeding two hundred dollars for each and every breach of such regulations.

23. Every Steamboat plying on the rivers, bays and harbours within this Province, shall have a lock-up safety escape valve, subject to the approval of the Inspector; and it shall be the duty of the Inspector to establish the pressure, lock up the said safety valve and place the key thereof in the hands of the master of such Steamboat, who shall be responsible for the safe keeping of the same.

24. The Inspector at each port or place shall annually between the first day of April and the first day of June, and at such other times as he may judge necessary, go on board any Steamer used for carrying passengers belonging to or steaming from such port or place, and examine the hull, boilers, machinery, boats and other parts and appurtenances of such Steamer, and shall satisfy himself that every such Steamer is safe and suitable for the service in which she is employed, that she has suitable accommodation for her crew and passengers, and that all the requirements of this law in regard to boats, boilers, machinery, protection against fire, life preservers, and other things, are faithfully complied with; and if he deem it expedient, he may direct the vessel to be put in motion, and may adopt any other suitable means to test her sufficiency and equipments; and if he shall discover any defects, he shall immediately notify the master or owner thereof in writing, stating what repairs, alterations, or additions are required, and directing the same to be made.

25. No license shall be granted to any Steamboat if any combustible material liable to take fire from heated iron, or any other heat generated on board such vessel, in and about the boilers, pipes, and machinery, shall be placed at less than twelve inches distant from such heated metal, or other substance likely to cause ignition, unless a column of air or water intervene between such heated surface and any wood or other combustible material so exposed, sufficient at all times to prevent ignition; and further, when wood is so exposed to ignition, it shall, as an additional preventative,

be shielded by some incombustible material in such manner as to allow the air to circulate freely between such material and the wood; provided, however, that when the structure of any steamer is such, or the arrangements of the boilers or machinery is such, that the requirements aforesaid cannot, without serious inconvenience or sacrifice be complied with, the Inspectors may allow deviations therefrom, if in their judgment it can be done with safety.

26. Any Inspector may at all times when inspecting or examining the hull, boiler or machinery of any Steamboat, ask of any of the owners, officers or engineers of such vessel, or the person in charge or appearing to be in charge of the same, or of the machinery thereof, such pertinent questions concerning the same, or concerning any accident that may have happened thereto, as he may think fit, and every such person shall fully and truly answer every such question so put to him, to the best of his knowledge and ability; and every person refusing to answer, or falsely answering any such question, or preventing any such inspection, or obstructing any such Inspector in the same, shall by so doing incur a penalty of twenty dollars.

27. Where an inspection is not made at the port or place where the Inspector resides, the expense of transporting the testing apparatus to and from the place of inspection shall be paid by the owner of the Steamboat inspected.

28. When the inspection is completed, and the Inspector approves of any Steamboat, and her machinery and equipments, he shall grant a Certificate in duplicate, according to the Form (B) in the Schedule hereto; one of which shall be filed by him in the office of the Treasurer or Deputy Treasurer of the port or place where such examination may be made, and the other shall be delivered to the master or owner of such Steamboat, and shall be posted up in some conspicuous part thereof, together with a copy of this Act, and shall be kept so posted up during the season.

29. In case the Inspector refuses a certificate, he shall, if required by the master or owner of the Steamboat, state in writing under his hand the reason for such refusal.

30. Any person who feels himself aggrieved by any order, decision or act of any Inspector, Examiner, or person authorized to make any examination, survey, or report, under the provisions of this Act, may appeal to the Governor in Council, who may confirm, modify or disallow such order, decision, or act, or may direct a further examination, enquiry or survey by competent persons to be appointed for that purpose.

31. If any Inspector shall be guilty of any neglect of duty required of him under the provisions of this Act, or shall wilfully certify falsely touching any such Steamboat, or her boilers, engines, machinery, pumps, boats, or any of her equipments, or any other matter or thing contained in any certificate, he shall on conviction thereof be fined in a sum not exceeding four hundred dollars, or imprisoned for a period not exceeding twelve months, or both, in the discretion of the Court before whom convicted.

32. Every Inspector shall keep a book containing a record of every Steamboat inspection made by him during the year, with the dates thereof, the names of such steamers, and of the masters and owners thereof; the certificates granted and refused, and the grounds of refusal; also the names of all engineers to whom licenses have been granted, and the dates and classes thereof respectively, and the names of any engineers whose licenses have been cancelled, and the dates and cause thereof; together with all his other official acts;