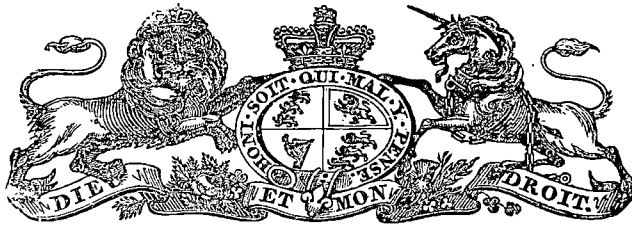


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MINING LAWS AND REGULATIONS OF TASMANIA :

PROGRESS REPORT OF SELECT COMMITTEE.

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September 16, 1891.



PROGRESS REPORT of the Select Committee appointed to enquire into and report upon the Mining Laws and Regulations of Tasmania.

YOUR Committee have the honor to report to your Honorable House—

1. That they have made diligent enquiry into the matters submitted to them.
2. That, knowing that the Regulation of Mines Bill (No. 30) would engage the attention of your Honorable House before the said enquiry could be finally completed, they decided to deal with the said Bill, and now report their suggestions thereon, as follows:—
 - (a.) That Clause 5 be amended by affixing the words “nor shall any person be eligible for such appointment unless he holds a certificate of competency in all matters under his jurisdiction.”
 - (b.) Clause 11, by inserting the words “electric or” after the word “of” in line 38.
 - (c.) Clause 14, by striking out the word “Three” and inserting “Six” in lieu thereof.
 - (d.) Clause 19, by striking out the words “No drill-hole shall be bored within a distance of Three feet directly below or within One foot in any other direction from the site of a previously exploded charge of any nitro-glycerine compound.”
 - (e.) Clause 19, General Rules, sub-section 22, by making it arbitrary that the appliances mentioned should be available, but that their use should be optional with those interested; in sub-section 39, line 30, by striking out the word “Twenty” and inserting “Ten” in lieu thereof.
 - (f.) Clause 25, by inserting the word “practical” after the word “be” in line 45.
3. That your Committee trust to place the full result of their deliberations before your Honorable House at an early date.

HARRY CONWAY, *Chairman.*

Committee Room, 16th September, 1891.