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## No. 9.

*An Act to provide for the Appointment of a Superintendent of Fire Brigades, and for other purposes therein mentioned.*

[Assented to, 19th December, 1867.]

**W**HEREAS it is expedient to repeal the Act No. 6 of 1862, intituled "An Act to provide for the appointment of a Superintendent of Fire Brigades, and for other purposes therein mentioned; and by this Act to re-authorize the appointment of a Superintendent of Fire Brigades and to confer upon him the powers hereinafter mentioned, and otherwise to provide for the protection of property against loss or damage by fire—Be it therefore Enacted by the Governor-in-Chief of the Province of South Australia, with the advice and consent of the Legislative Council and House of Assembly of the said Province, in this present Parliament assembled, as follows:

Preamble.

1. The said Act No. 6 of 1862, intituled "An Act to provide for the appointment of a Superintendent of Fire Brigades, and for other purposes therein mentioned," shall be and the same is hereby repealed, save so far as may be necessary to support any appointment lawfully made, or any act, matter, or thing, lawfully done thereunder before the passing of this Act.

Repeal of Act No. 6, 1862.

2. It shall be lawful for the Governor, with the advice and consent of the Executive Council, to appoint as Superintendent of Fire Brigades such fit and proper person as may be for that purpose nominated by the majority of the Companies in the City of Adelaide insuring property against loss or damage by fire, or of the agents

Governor may appoint Superintendent of Fire Brigades.

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of such Companies, and from time to time remove such Superintendent of Fire Brigades and to appoint another person nominated as aforesaid in his place: Provided that no such appointment shall be made unless it shall be shown to the satisfaction of the Governor that sufficient provision has been made by the said Companies, or some of them, for efficient fire brigades, and for the payment by them of the salary of such Superintendent, as long as he shall remain in office.

Police to maintain order at fires.

3. The Inspector of Police, or some other officer or non-commissioned officer in command of the police on duty, shall at any fires which may occur within any city, town, or place, where police shall be stationed, muster a sufficient number of men and proceed at once to such fire, for the maintenance of order and for the preservation of life and property at or near to such fire.

Control and management of fire brigades.

4 The Superintendent of Fire Brigades shall at any fire have the command of all fire brigades and engines, and all the appurtenances thereof shall also be under his control and management; and the said fire brigades or some of them shall turn out on the first alarm of fire, and endeavor by all means in their power to subdue any fire that may occur within the limits of their respective districts; and the Superintendent shall be authorized to charge for the attendance and services of the fire brigades and plant as hereinafter provided.

Remuneration for attendance of fire brigades, how contributed and recovered.

5. In case any fire shall occur in any house, row, or block of houses, or in any buildings or premises, and any fire brigade or brigades shall attend at such fire, and be employed in extinguishing the same, the Superintendent of Fire Brigades shall be entitled to recover the expenses actually incurred by the brigade or brigades at such fire, not exceeding those mentioned in the schedule of charges hereunto annexed; and such expenses shall be paid by the insurer or insurers, or person taking the risk, if such house, row, or block of houses, or buildings or premises shall be insured, and shall be paid by the owners and occupiers thereof if the same shall be uninsured; each owner, occupier, and insurer contributing towards such expenses in proportion to the value of the respective properties so protected or sought to be protected, and such value shall be ascertained by the assessment roll of the city, town, or district, in which the fire shall occur: and such expenses may be recovered by and in the name of the Superintendent aforesaid in the nearest Local Court; provided that no greater sum than Five Guineas shall be recovered in any case when a chimney only shall be on fire.

In the name and on behalf of the Queen I hereby assent to this Act.

D. DALY, Governor.

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**SCHEDULE REFERRED TO.**

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The following is the scale of charges allowed for services or attendance at any fire within the districts supplied with fire brigades :—

	£	s.	d.
For Superintendent of Fire Brigades, for first hour, if actually attending ..	1	1	0
“ “ “ per hour for each succeeding hour, day or night	0	10	6
“ each reel, with hose, pipes, &c., in attendance at any fire .....	2	10	0
“ each fireman when called out to any fire, day or night, for the first hour	0	5	0
“ “ “ “ for the second hour	0	3	0
“ “ “ “ for the third hour	0	2	0
“ “ “ “ for each succeeding hour	0	2	0
“ each horse, for taking a reel to and from any fire, day or night.....	0	10	6
“ cleaning and drying the hose, and taking it to and from the drying yard, after each fire at which <i>it is used</i> , for each hand reel .....	0	10	0
“ “ “ for each horse reel .....	0	15	0
“ horse for taking hose-cart to and from any fire in the suburbs .....	0	15	0
“ the brigade and reel arriving first at any fire, as prize money.....	3	3	0
“ “ “ second at any fire “ “ .....	2	2	0
“ “ “ third at any fire “ “ .....	1	1	0
“ notice of fire to the Superintendent of Fire Brigades at his residence..	0	10	6
“ notice of any fire within the City of Adelaide to the fireman in charge of the reel that obtains the first prize .....	0	5	0
“ “ “ the second prize .....	0	3	0
“ “ “ the third prize .....	0	2	0
“ wages for extra men or boys engaged by the Superintendent at any fire, day or night—men, first hour .....	0	2	6
“ “ “ second hour .....	0	1	6
“ “ “ third hour .....	0	1	0
“ “ “ each succeeding hour .....	0	1	0
“ “ boys, first hour .....	0	1	3
“ “ “ second hour .....	0	1	0
“ “ “ third hour .....	0	0	9
“ “ “ each succeeding hour .....	0	0	6