(*b.*) RETURN showing the FEES PAYABLE for the INSPECTION of BOILERS and MACHINERY, and for the issue of ENGINE-DRIVERS' CERTIFICATES during the Financial Year ended 31st March, 1908.

Fees payable—On boilers, £6,901 10s.; on machinery, £494 15s.; for engine-drivers' certificates issued, £395 15s.: total, £7,792. Government boilers and lifts inspected but not charged for, representing £219 17s. 6d. Total, £8,011 17s. 6d.

The cash actually received for boilers and machinery inspected, and paid into the Public Account, amounted to £6,926 15s. 6d. The difference is represented by unpaid fees. The cash actually received and paid into the Public Account for engine-drivers' application fees amounted to £611 10s. 6d. for the financial year ended the 31st March, 1908. This amount includes fees for certificates not yet issued.

(*c.*) RETURN showing the NUMBER of SERVICE and COMPETENCY CERTIFICATES issued to WINDING and TRACTION and LOCOMOTIVE ENGINE-DRIVERS and to STEAM STATIONARY-ENGINE DRIVERS during the Financial Year ended 31st March, 1908.

Class of Certificate.	Number of Certificates issued.	Fees received.	Total.	
			Number of Certificates issued.	Fees received.
		£ s. d.		£ s. d.
Steam winding—				
Service	3	0 15 0	...	...
Competency	27	13 10 0	30	14 5 0
Traction and locomotive—				
Competency	154	77 0 0	154	77 0 0
Steam stationary—				
Service—First class ...	14	3 10 0	...	...
Competency—				
Extra first class	4	4 0 0	...	...
First class	148	148 0 0	...	...
Second class	298	149 0 0	464	304 10 0
			648	£395 15 0

No. 2.—RETURN of DEFECTS found on Inspection of Boilers during the Financial Year ended the 31st March, 1908.

Description of Defects.	Dangerous.	Defective in Lesser Degree.	Total.
A number of rivets in shell bad	...	4	4
A number of screwed stays in firebox bad	4	26	30
A number of screwed stays in firebox broken ...	1	...	1
All screwed stays in firebox bad	2	...	2
All screwed stays in firebox-crown bad	2	...	2
Back tube-plates bulged	1	5	6
Back tube-plate corroded (pressure reduced)... ...	...	2	2
Badly pitted inside shell	...	2	2
Barrel of boiler much wasted (pressure reduced) ..	...	2	2
Boilers dirty inside	2	106	108
Bottom of combustion-chamber wasted	...	1	1
Bottom of firebox wasted	...	2	2
Bottom of shell badly pitted	...	2	2
Bottom of shell defective (pressure reduced)	1	2	3
Bottom of shell thin	1	3	4
Bottom row of tubes bad	...	1	1
Brickwork-setting defective	...	29	29
Bulged in steam space at back end	...	1	1
Bulged under bottom of shell	8	18	26
Bulged under fire-door	...	1	1
Compensating-ring round manhole-opening wasted ...	...	4	4
Corroded at bottom corners of firebox	...	3	3
Corroded internally	...	16	16
Coupling-pins in longitudinal stays bad	...	1	1
Cracked at bottom of furnace	...	1	1
Cracked slightly at a number of rivet-holes	...	4	4
Cracked slightly in firebox	..	7	7
Cross tubes thin	...	2	2