RETURN of DEFECTS found in Boilers and Fittings in the Auckland District during the Financial Year ended the 31st March, 1885.

Description. Furnaces and fire-boxes out of shape						Dangerous.	Ordinary.	Total.
Fractured plates	*						1	1
Pitted and grooved pl			,,,				$\overset{\sim}{2}$	2
Corrosion, internal							5	5
Corrosion, external						1	11	12
Joints sprung	• • •	• • •	•••				3	3
Tubes							5	5
Stays	•••					1	3	4
Total defects in boilers Defective fittings—						3	37	40
Safety-valves			•				7	7
Pressure-gauges							7	7
Water-gauges							11	11
Blow-off taps							3	3
Spring-balances			•••				2	2
Omissions—					-			
Boilers without wat		•••	• • •	•••			1	1
Boilers without sluc	dge-holes	• • •	•••			•••	1 ¦	1
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Return of Notices given to repair Boilers in the Auckland District during the Financial Year ended the 31st March, 1885.

Date of Notice.	Description of Boiler.	Nature of Repairs ordered.		
1884. April 9 May 3 May 28 May 30 June 4 June 11 June 13 June 16	Cylindrical Portable Cornish Cylindrical Portable Portable Cornish	New top end, and vertical stay to be fitted. Screw-patch to be fitted, and other parts caulked in lower parts of fire-box. New plate in bottom of boiler. New plate in bottom of boiler. One fore-and-aft stay to be fitted. Screw-patch to be fitted to the shell, and two stays to top of fire-box. Two patches fitted to fire-box, and new water-gauge. New feed-pipe to be fitted, and safety-valve overhauled.		
June 17 June 18 July 4 July 5 July 8 July 14	Portable Locomotive Portable Locomotive Portable Portable	To be re-tubed, and four stays and fusible plug fitted. About one-half of the fire-box to be renewed. New plate in the shell. Patch in fire-box renewed, and six new tubes fitted. New pressure- and water-gauges to be fitted. One of the malleable cast-iron stay-bars on top of fire-box broken through the middle; two wrought-iron ones have		
Aug. 9	Cornish	been fitted. Parts of the bottom which rested on the side walls reduced by corrosion to $\frac{1}{32}$ in. thick; the bottom to be renewed.		
Nov. 17 Nov. 28 Dec. 12 Dec. 23 1885.	Vertical tubular Longitudinal tubular	Two patches to be fitted round sludge-holes. Safety-valves and water-gauge to be overhauled. New flue from crown of furnace to crown of boiler. New top end tube-plate, and patch to the shell. Two riveted patches fitted to bottom. New safety-valve, and two patches fitted to fire-box. Two angle-iron rings fitted to furnace-flue. Re-tubed, and vertical flue repaired. Two screw-patches to be fitted to the lower part of the fire-box.		
Jan. 3 Jan. 7 Jan. 20 Jan. 26 Mar. 10	Portable Vertical tubular Portable Cornish Cornish	Patch fitted to fire-box, and new pressure- and water-gauges. Re-tubed, and vertical flue fitted. Three tubes renewed, and water-gauge fitted. Fractured part of end plate in flue taken out and renewed. One-half of the front end-plate to be renewed.		