

ing mine; two cisterns on the building, containing, according to my information, 10,000 gallons of water; a stationary Fire Engine used for pumping water on the buildings and used also in cases of fire. The tube of this engine is of a diameter of $2\frac{1}{2}$ inches. This engine can throw 5,000 gallons of water in one hour. To it is attached 300 feet of hose, which were in good order and worked perfectly at the time of the fire. Those hose, with a hand pump, were bought by the Proprietors from a person who had purchased them from the Imperial Government. The last mentioned pump is worked by twenty-four men, and was also in good order at the time of the fire.

The Establishment was also provided with a bell for the ordinary service, but which when rung apart from the usual hours became an alarm bell, and all those who were out were obliged to come back to the establishment.

On the night of the fire, the steam-engine was fed by water from the reservoir, which has a diameter of 25 feet and 6 or 7 feet high, and I have every reason to believe that it was full then, as it is fed by the water of a reservoir by the means of a pipe through which the water runs continually.

The establishment in all its parts has been visited by the gentlemen comprising the Grand Jury, during the sittings of the Court of Queen's Bench and of the Sessions of the Peace.

Their reports have been published and consequently are public property. These reports have always been favorable to the establishment, and in them no suggestions tending to change or modify the plan, or calling the attention of the Government to defects which might have existed, were ever made.

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