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STATE RIVERS AND WATER SUPPLY COMMISSION.

By-law No. 1.—Coliban District Water Supply.

THE State Rivers and Water Supply Commission (hereinafter called "The Commission"), in pursuance and in exercise of the powers and authorities conferred by the *Water Act* 1905, doth hereby make the By-law following for the district supplied with water from the Coliban system of waterworks:—

1. All previous By-laws relating to the Castlemaine and Bendigo District Water Supply shall be and the same are hereby revoked, but not so as to relieve, discharge, or absolve any person from liability to pay any rate or charge made in accordance with the provisions of the said By-laws, for payment of which rate or charge such persons shall have become liable prior to or at the date of this By-law coming into operation; nor to abrogate or diminish the power of the Commission to recover and enforce payment of any such rate or charge; nor to annul or stay any proceedings taken, prosecution commenced, or business initiated as in conformity with the provisions of the said By-laws, prior to the date of this By-law coming into operation, but the same respectively may be continued and carried to completion; and all offences against any provision of the said By-laws committed before the date of this By-law coming into operation may be prosecuted for and punished as if this By-law had not been made.

2. No hose or pipe shall be attached to any pipe or tap for the purpose of watering ground, or trees, or plants, or washing house walls or carriages, or for any similar purpose, except where the water is charged for by measure. Syphon pumps will not be allowed except where the water is supplied by measure.

3. Any person receiving water from the Commission who shall take and carry away such water from his premises, or who shall allow any person to take or carry away such water, or shall sell the same to any other person, shall be guilty of an offence.

4. Any person not having agreed to be supplied by the Commission who shall take or carry away water from any drinking-tap, trough, or private or public service-pipe, shall be guilty of an offence.

5. Before any plumber, workman, or other person affix any service-pipe to any pipe of the Commission, or alter, repair, or in any manner interfere with any pipe of the Commission, or any service-pipe, cock, or fitting connected with the pipes of the Commission, he shall obtain from the Commission a licence to execute such works; and any unlicensed person affixing, altering, repairing, or in any manner interfering with any such pipe, service-pipe, cock, or fitting, as aforesaid, shall be guilty of an offence.

6. Before any such licence is granted by the Commission the person applying for same shall satisfy the Commission that he is a competent plumber.

7. The Commission may at any time cancel any such licence if, in the opinion of the Commissioners, the holder thereof, by himself or his employés, commits any breach of this By-law. Every such licence shall expire on the 31st day of December in each year, and may be renewed. All licences issued under previous By-laws relating to the Castlemaine and Bendigo District Water Supply are hereby revoked and cancelled, as from the 31st day of December, 1906.

8. Any person, whether licensed as aforesaid or not, who shall open any ground so as to uncover any pipe the property of the Commission, without giving two days' notice to the Commission or its proper officer of his intention so to do, or who shall in any way tamper with or alter any pipe the property of the Commission, without the permission, in writing, of the Commission being first obtained, or who shall wilfully or carelessly break, injure, or open any lock, valve, pipe, or other work, the property of the Commission, shall be guilty of an offence.

9. Any person, whether licensed as aforesaid or not, who shall lay any pipe to communicate with the pipes of the Commission, or with any service-pipe connected therewith, without giving two days' notice of the day and hour when such pipe is intended to be made to communicate with such pipes, or who shall make such communication except under the superintendence and according to the directions of the proper officer of the Commission, or who shall lay any leaden or other pipe to communicate with the pipes of the Commission of a strength and material not sanctioned by the Commission, shall be guilty of an offence. Wrought-iron piping of approved quality, and lead piping of the following weights only, will be allowed to be fixed for either internal or external services:—

Diameter of Pipe.		Weight of Pipe per yard.
$\frac{3}{8}$ inch	...	5 lbs.
$\frac{1}{2}$ inch	...	6 lbs.
$\frac{5}{8}$ inch	...	$7\frac{1}{2}$ lbs.
$\frac{3}{4}$ inch	...	9 lbs.
1 inch	...	12 lbs.
$1\frac{1}{4}$ inch	...	20 lbs.
$1\frac{1}{2}$ inch	...	28 lbs.

All fittings must be of good quality, and of strength to bear with safety the maximum pressure to which they may be subject. Connexions with the pipes of the Commission must be made with proper stop-cock screwed ferrules, and with two feet of lead piping with brass unions. One service-pipe only, for domestic supply, to each tenement will be permitted. The maximum size of service-pipes, unless by special consent of the Commission, shall be—for tenements of annual value not exceeding £30, $\frac{1}{2}$-inch bore; for tenements exceeding £30 annual value, $\frac{3}{4}$-inch bore.

10. All connexions between lead and iron pipes must be made with brass union couplings, all joints connecting lead pipes must be "wiped" joints; in no case will

"bolt" or "copper bit" joints be allowed on service-pipes, either in the interior or on the exterior of any building or tenement, on pain of cancellation of the licence of the plumber affixing the same. A high-pressure screw-down stop-cock shall be fixed on each service between the main and the building line, and at a uniform distance of three feet from the building line, properly secured and covered with an approved cast-iron cap.

11. The service-pipes from the mains being the property of the owners or occupiers of the tenements supplied by such services-pipes, the occupier or the owner shall, in every instance in which any damage is caused by reason of such service-pipe being leaky, or otherwise out of repair, or broken, be guilty of an offence.

12. If any person neglect to repair any service-pipe conveying water from the pipes of the Commission into the premises of such person after having received notice from the proper officer of the Commission that such service-pipe requires repairing, the Commission may stop the water from flowing into such premises, either by cutting off the service-pipe or otherwise, as to the Commission may seem fit, until the necessary repairs have been effected.

13. The Commission may at any time, when found necessary, repair or renew any pipes and stop-cocks laid for conveying a supply of water to any tenement, and may charge the owner thereof with the cost and expense of providing and laying, repairing, or renewing the same; and such cost and expense shall be a debt due by such owner to the Commission, and shall be recoverable in any Court of competent jurisdiction.

14. No meter for measuring the water supplied to any tenement shall be affixed until it shall have been examined, tested, and approved by the proper officer of the Commission. Every such meter shall be capable of registering at least 1,000,000 gallons. The Commission will, if it so think fit, but not otherwise, affix and let for hire water meters, the rent for which, if inferential meters, shall be at the rate per annum of :—

For ½-inch meter, Seven shillings;
For ¾-inch meter, Eight shillings;

and if positive meters—

For ⅝-inch meter, Eleven shillings;
For ½-inch meter, Thirteen shillings and sixpence;
For ¾-inch meter, Seventeen shillings;
For any meter of larger size than ¾-inch the rent per annum shall be at the rate of 10 per centum upon the cost of such meter, fixed complete.

Such rents shall be exclusive of and in addition to the amount chargeable for the recorded consumption of water, and shall become due and be paid half-yearly, in advance, on the first day of the months of January and July, in each year. Such hired meters shall be kept in repair at the cost of the Commission, except as to external injuries, the cost of repairing which shall be borne by the hirer.

15. In the event of the hirer being dissatisfied with the registering of a meter hired from the Commission, he may, by notice in writing, require the Commission to cause such meter to be removed and tested; and, together with such notice, shall forward a sum of Ten shillings, which, if the meter be found to register correctly, shall be applied in paying the cost of the removing, testing, and replacing, and the balance, if any, shall be returned to him; but if such meter be found to fail to register, or be found to register incorrectly, it shall be repaired and replaced, or another meter shall be placed instead thereof at the cost of the Commission, and the amount deposited by the hirer shall be returned to him. Any person so hiring a meter from the Commission, who shall cease to occupy the premises on which such meter is fixed, without having previously given, in writing, at least six days' notice to the Commission of his intention to do so, shall be guilty of an offence.

16. If any meter cease registering, or be found to be out of repair, or registering inaccurately, the Commission may estimate and charge for the water consumed during the period such meter was not in working order and until repaired and re-fixed, either by taking an average of the quantity used during the previous quarter, or during the corresponding period of the previous year.

17. Meters, other than such as are hired from the Commission, will be tested on delivery thereof at the yard of the Commission at Bendigo; a fee of One shilling shall be charged for each test.

18. The Commission, by its officers, may, at any time, after six days' notice, in writing, of its intention, attach a check meter to the service-pipes of any consumer, either inside or outside the premises of such consumer; and may, for such purpose, enter such premises at any time between the hours of Ten in the forenoon and Four in the afternoon, and then and there do all things necessary therefor.

19. Any person supplied with water by the Commission who shall wilfully or negligently allow such water to run to waste shall be guilty of an offence; and, in the event of continuing the same, shall be guilty of a further offence for each day, after notice from the Commission, on which such waste is continued.

20. All water troughs supplied from the pipes of the Commission shall be lined with metal, so as to be water-tight, and shall have proper and efficient fittings for supplying them automatically and for preventing overflow. All such troughs and fittings shall be kept in proper order and repair. No water trough, the supply to which is charged for under sub-section 6 of section 28 of this By-law, shall be of greater capacity than twenty-five gallons. Should any trough or the fittings thereof be out of repair or leaking the supply thereto may be cut off until efficiently repaired.

21. Baths supplied from the pipes of the Commission, except when the supply is by measure, must not exceed six feet three inches in length along the centre line, by a mean width of two feet, and a depth of one foot nine inches, with ends sloping inwards. Overflow pipes to baths will not be premitted.

22. Any person, whether licensed or not, connecting any service-pipe or branch service-pipe with any steam boiler, for the purpose of feeding or supplying the same with water, without first affixing a self-acting valve for preventing the pressure of the steam reversing or affecting the dial of the meter, shall be guilty of an offence.

23. Water closets and urinals will not be allowed to be supplied direct from the pipes of the Commission, but from a cistern only, so constructed that the water cannot flow continuously, and that not more than two gallons can escape at one flush; the supply thereto shall be by measure.

24. The streets shall not be watered from hydrants or fire-plugs by means of a nozzle, but by carts, or by some method approved by the Commission.

25. Channel flushing and filling of public baths will be permitted only between the hours of Ten o'clock p.m. and Six o'clock a.m.

26. Any person, having received a supply of water from the Commission, allowing any other person who has not agreed to be supplied by the Commission to use such water, shall be guilty of an offence; and any such last-mentioned person so using such water shall be guilty of an offence.

27. If any person supplied with water by the Commission does, or causes to be done, anything in contravention of this By-law, or fails to pay any rates or charges lawfully due by him, or fails to do anything which under this By-law ought to be done, or wilfully or negligently allows water to run to waste, the Commission may, in addition to any other remedy, cut off the supply of water from the premises of such person, either by cutting the pipes by or through which water is supplied or otherwise, and may cease to supply him with water so long as the cause of complaint remains or is not remedied.

28. The charge to be paid for water supplied by measure from the pipes of the Commission shall be One shilling per 1,000 gallons, except in the cases hereinafter specially mentioned :—

(1) For building purposes, in the case of buildings not exceeding £300 estimated capital value, the charge shall be Ten shillings for the first three months from the date of connecting with the pipes of the Commission, and Ten shillings per month thereafter for each month or part thereof. In the case of buildings exceeding £300 estimated capital value the supply shall be by measure only.

(2) For mining purposes the charge shall be Sixpence per 1,000 gallons.

(3) For gardens, nurseries, vineyards, or other lands cultivated for trade purposes, and for cricket grounds the charge shall be Ninepence per 1,000 gallons.

(4) For cemeteries the charge shall be Fourpence per 1,000 gallons.

(5) For public gardens or parks the charge shall be Sixpence per 1,000 gallons.

(6) For private water troughs the charge shall be Twenty shillings per annum each; except where the Commission shall decide that the supply shall be by measure, in which case the minimum quantity to be charged for shall be 20,000 gallons per annum. Troughs erected in any public highway, with the consent of the council of the municipal district in which such highway is situated, shall not be deemed to be private troughs.

29. The minimum quantity of water to be charged for by measure in each case where water is supplied from the pipes of the Commission shall be as follows:—

(1) Where the supply is for domestic, as well as for other than domestic purposes, the quantity which, if charged for at One shilling per 1,000 gallons, would give an amount equal to that payable in respect of the premises so supplied under the provisions of any By-law of the Commission for making and levying rates, if such premises were supplied otherwise than by measure.

(2) Where the supply is solely for other than domestic purposes, a quantity which, if charged as provided by the last preceding section, would give a sum of Five shillings for any continuous period of three months.

30. The charge to be paid for water supplied from the channels of the Commission shall be One penny per 1,000 gallons, except in the cases hereinafter mentioned:—

(1) For sluice mining, except for purposes directly connected with machinery in motion, One-third of a penny per 1,000 gallons.

(2) For steam boilers, condensers, air compressors, and machinery for manufacturing purposes, Threepence per 1,000 gallons.

31. The minimum quantity to be charged for in each case where water is supplied from the channels shall be as follows:—

(1) For sluice mining, 252,000 gallons per week:

(2) For purposes other than sluice mining, 60,000 gallons per month, to be made in one delivery.

32. All supplies from the channels shall be continuous or regularly intermittent, and shall be delivered during seven days per week, at such times and in such manner as the Commission may from time to time direct.

33. All payments for water supplied from the channels shall be made in advance.

34. In the construction of this By-law the word "person" shall extend to and include a corporation, whether aggregate or sole; the expression "proper officer" shall mean an officer or servant of the Commission authorized to perform any act or to accept service of any notice or to execute any function on behalf of the Commission.

35. Any person guilty of an offence against this By-law shall be liable to a penalty not exceeding Five pounds, recoverable summarily before any Court of competent jurisdiction.

The foregoing By-law was made by the State Rivers and Water Supply Commission, and the common seal of the said Commission was hereunto affixed the sixteenth day of July, One thousand nine hundred and six, in the presence of—

STUART MURRAY, Chairman.
(SEAL) G. GARSON, Commissioner.
WM. CATTANACH, Commissioner.

Approved by the Governor in Council the 18th July, 1906.

ROBERT S. ROGERS,
Clerk of the Executive Council.

STATE RIVERS AND WATER SUPPLY COMMISSION.

BY-LAW NO. 2.—COLIBAN DISTRICT WATER SUPPLY.

THE State Rivers and Water Supply Commission, in pursuance and in exercise of the powers conferred by the *Water Act* 1905, doth hereby make the By-law following for the district supplied with water from the Coliban system of waterworks:—

(1) The following rates are hereby made, and shall be levied upon the occupiers or owners of lands and tenements within the said district:—

(I.) Of any tenement (other than land on which there is no building), the annual valuation whereof does not exceed £13 6s. 8d., Twenty shillings per annum.

(II.) Of any such tenement, the annual valuation whereof exceeds £13 6s. 8d., Seven pounds ten shillings per centum on the amount of the annual valuation not exceeding £300, Six pounds five shillings per centum on the amount of the annual valuation exceeding £300 and not exceeding £700, and Five pounds per centum on the amount of the annual valuation exceeding £700.

(III.) Of lands on which there is no building, Seven pounds ten shillings per centum on the amount of the annual valuation.

(2) Such rates are made and shall be levied for the year beginning with the 1st day of July, 1906, and ending with the 30th day of June, 1907; and shall be payable in two equal instalments on the 2nd day of August, 1906, and the 1st day of January, 1907.

(3) Such persons as the State Rivers and Water Supply Commission may from time to time appoint for that purpose shall be and are hereby authorized to demand, receive, collect, and recover the said rates.

(4) For making and levying such rates within the said district, the valuation for the time being of lands and tenements for the municipal rate of the municipality in the municipal district of which such lands and tenements are situate shall be deemed and taken to be the valuation of such lands and tenements respectively; but if any of such lands and tenements are not included in a valuation in force for the municipality in whose district they are situate, or if there is no such valuation, the net annual value thereof may for all the purposes of such rate be determined by a Police Magistrate.

The foregoing By-law was made by the State Rivers and Water Supply Commission, and the common seal of the said Commission was hereunto affixed the sixteenth day of July, One thousand nine hundred and six, in the presence of—

STUART MURRAY, Chairman.
(SEAL) WM. CATTANACH, Commissioner.
G. GARSON, Commissioner.

Approved by the Governor in Council the 18th July, 1906.

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Clerk of the Executive Council.

Insolvency Notice.

In the Court of Insolvency, Western District, at Warrnambool.

NOTICE is hereby given that the estate of Thomas Gardiner, of Warrnambool, labourer, has been sequestrated, and that a general meeting of creditors in the said estate will be holden at the Insolvency Court Offices, at Warrnambool, on Thursday, the 27th day of July, A.D. 1906, at the hour of half-past Ten o'clock in the forenoon, for the election of trustees and for the other purposes mentioned in the 53rd section of the *Insolvency Act* 1890.

Dated at Warrnambool this 16th day of July, A.D. 1906.

CHAS. J. GREY,
Chief Clerk.

Mining Notices.

AUSTRALIAN BLUE TIER TIN COMPANY NO LIABILITY.

ALL shares forfeited for non-payment of the 1st and 2nd calls of One penny each per share, due 10th January and 11th April, 1906, respectively, will be sold by public auction, at the company's registered office, 31 Queen-street, Melbourne, on Saturday, 28th July, 1906, at Twelve o'clock noon, unless previously redeemed.

4324 A. McCRINDLE, Manager.

NEW WHITE LEADS SILVER LEAD MINING COMPANY NO LIABILITY.

ALL shares in the above company upon which the 19th call of Twopence per share (due and payable 13th June, 1906), and other calls shall then remain unpaid will be sold in the Vestibule, Stock Exchange, Melbourne, on Monday, 30th July, 1906, at half-past Twelve o'clock p.m.

By order of the Board.

4325 D. G. STOBIE, Manager.

TORMEY'S FREEHOLD COMPANY NO LIABILITY, MOONAMBEL.

NOTICE.—All shares upon which the 18th call of Threepence per share remains unpaid will be sold by public auction, at the Stock Exchange, Melbourne, on Wednesday, 1st August, 1906, at half-past Twelve p.m., unless previously redeemed.

WM. JACKSON, Manager.

47 Queen-street, Melbourne. 4326

FREDERICK THE GREAT GOLD MINING COMPANY NO LIABILITY.

NOTICE.—All shares on which the 4th call of Sixpence per share remains unpaid are forfeited, and will be sold by Thos. Morrow and Co., at Victoria Chambers, Bendigo, on Saturday, 28th July, 1906, at Four o'clock p.m., unless previously paid on.

4327 G. A. PETRIE, Manager.

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