CHAPTER 20.

An Act to provide for returns respecting Continuous Brakes in use on Passenger Trains on Railways. [17th June 1878.]

BE it enacted by the Queen's most Excellent Majesty, by and with the advice and consent of the Lords Spiritual and Temporal, and Commons, in this present Parliament assembled, and by the authority of the same, as follows:

Short title.

1. This Act may be cited as the Railway Returns (Continuous Brakes) Act, 1878.

Returns to be made twice a year by railway companies to Board of Trade respecting continuous brakes.

2. Every railway company shall twice in every year make to the Board of Trade returns respecting the use of continuous brakes on the passenger trains running on the railways worked by such company.

The returns shall contain the particulars and be in the form specified in the schedule to this Act, or shall contain such other particulars and be in such other form as the Board of Trade from time to time prescribe; and the Board of Trade may in any case dispense with any part of the returns where they deem the same inapplicable.

The returns shall be made for the six months ending on the last day of December and the last day of June in every year, or on such other days as the Board of Trade from time to time direct, and shall be made within fourteen days after the expiration of each six months.

Every return shall be signed by the officer of the company responsible for the correctness of the return, and by the chairman or deputy chairman of the directors of the company, or where there are no directors by the individual or one of the individuals bound to make the return.

Any railway company who fail to comply with this section shall be liable on summary conviction before a court of summary jurisdiction to a fine not exceeding five pounds for every day during which the default continues.

Any person who makes or is privy to the making of a return under this Act which is to his knowledge false in any particular shall be liable on summary conviction before a court of summary jurisdiction to a fine not exceeding fifty pounds.

Expressions in this Act have the same meaning as they have in the Regulation of Railways Act, 1871. 34 & 35 Vict. c. 78.

SCHEDULE.

FORMS OF RETURN.

RETURN for the Six Months ending on the day of 18 of the Amount and Description of Continuous Brake Power in use on the Passenger Trains running on the railways worked by the Railway Company.

Name of Railway Company.	Name and Description of Brake or Brakes adopted by the Company and in use on Passenger Trains on Lines worked by them.	(1.) Whether the Brakes are instantaneous in action and capable of being applied by engine driver and guards. (2.) Whether self-acting. (3.) Whether capable of being applied to every vehicle of a train. (4.) Whether in regular use in daily working. (5.) Whether the materials employed are of a durable character, easily maintained and kept in order.	Amount of Stock fitted with Continuous Brakes.			Amount of Stock NOT fitted with Continuous Brakes.		Amount of Stock fitted during the above Six Months.		Special rules under which the Continuous Brakes are worked.
			Number of Enginesand Tenders used for Passenger Trains.	Number of Vehicles.		Number of Enginesand Tenders used for Passenger Trains.	Number of Passenger Carriages and other Vehicles used for Passenger Trains.	Number of Enginesand Tenders used for Passenger Trains.	Number of Passenger Carriages and other Vehicles used for Passenger Trains.	
				Passenger Carriages.	Other Vehicles used for Passenger Trains.					

Return for the Six Months ending on the day of 18 of all cases in which Continuous Brakes have, from any cause, failed to act when required to be brought into action on any railway worked by the Railway Company.

Name of Railway Company.	Name or description of Brake which failed in being brought into use.	Date of Failure.	Particulars of circumstances relating to the causes of failure.

Return for the Six Months ending on the day of 18 of all cases in which Continuous Brakes have not been used on any Passenger Train running on a railway worked by the Railway Company.

Name of Railway Company.	Name of railway worked by Company on which Passenger Train ran without Continuous Brake.	Number of Passenger Trains so run.

CHAPTER 21.

An Act to apply the sum of Seven million five hundred thousand pounds out of the Consolidated Fund to the service of the year ending on the thirty-first day of March one thousand eight hundred and seventy-nine.

[17th June 1878.]

Most Gracious Sovereign,

WE, Your Majesty's most dutiful and loyal subjects, the Commons of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland, in Parliament assembled, towards making good the supply which we have cheerfully granted to Your Majesty in this session of Parliament, have resolved to grant unto Your Majesty the sum herein-after mentioned; and do therefore most humbly beseech Your Majesty that it may be enacted; and be it enacted by the Queen's most Excellent Majesty, by and with the advice and consent of the Lords Spiritual and Temporal, and Commons, in this present Parliament assembled, and by the authority of the same, as follows:

Issue of 7,500,000*l.* out of the Consolidated Fund for the service of the year ending 31st March 1879.

1. The Commissioners of Her Majesty's Treasury for the time being may issue out of the Consolidated Fund of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland, and apply towards making good the supply granted to Her Majesty for the service of the year ending on the thirty-first day of March one thousand eight hundred and seventy-nine the sum of seven million five hundred thousand pounds.

Power to the Treasury to borrow.

2. The Commissioners of Her Majesty's Treasury may borrow from time to time on the credit of the said sum, any sum or sums not exceeding in the whole the sum of seven million five hundred thousand pounds, and shall repay the moneys so borrowed, with interest not exceeding five per cent. per annum, out of the growing produce of the Con-