(b.) In the case of a battery superintendent's certificate, such knowledge and practical experience of the machinery and appliances used in working the process employed as entitles him to such certificate.

Candidate to supply proof of experience. 1898, No. 38, sec. 190

234. The candidate shall supply to the Board evidence in writing from his previous employers in proof of the nature and extent of his practical experience; such experience being in the case of a candidate for a mine-manager's certificate not less than five years' actual employment in the underground workings of a mine, and in any other case actual employment of such nature and for such period as are prescribed.

## Certificates without Examination.

Certificates from beyond colony  ${\bf recognised.}$ Ibid, sec. 191

235. On payment of a fee of ten shillings the Board may, without examination, grant any of the certificates aforesaid to any person of good repute who satisfies the Board that he is the holder of a corresponding certificate of equal status granted after examination by any duly con- 15 stituted and recognised authority outside the colony.

## Employment and Disqualification of Certificate-holders.

Disqualification. Ibid, sec. 192

236. Whenever it appears to the Board that the holder of any certificate under this Act, or any engine-driver's certificate under "The 20 Inspection of Machinery Act, 1902," is guilty of any offence or misconduct which would render him unfit to be trusted to efficiently perform his duties as such holder, the following provisions shall apply:

(a.) The Board may call upon him to show cause why he should

not be disqualified.

25(b.) If he fails to show cause, the Board shall report the matter to the Minister, who, by notice in the Gazette, may disqualify him for such period as he thinks fit; and during the period of disqualification he shall, for all the purposes of this Act, be deemed not to be the holder of such certi- 30

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ficate.

237. It shall not be lawful—

(a.) To carry on mining operations in any mine where more than twelve men are employed unless such mine and operations are under the management and charge of a duly certifi- 35 cated mine-manager:

Provided that this paragraph shall not apply in the case

of a sluicing or dredging claim; nor

(b.) To use the cyanide-of-potassium process, or any other chemical process within the meaning of this Act, in or in connection 40 with any mine unless such process and the machinery and appliances connected therewith are under the management and charge of a duly certificated battery superintendent;

(c.) To use in or in connection with any mine any engine or winding 45 machinery by means whereof persons are drawn up, down, or along any shaft, pit plane, or level unless such engine or machinery is under the charge of a duly certificated enginedriver.

When unlawful to work without superintendent, or engine-driver. Ibid. sec. 193