

1878, ch. 157.

200. The said mine inspector, while in office, shall not act as land agent, or as agent or superintendent and manager of any mine, and shall in no manner whatever be under the employ of any of the mining companies operating mines in said counties; and it shall be the duty of said mine inspector, on or before the first day of January in every year, to make a report to the governor, of his proceedings as such mine inspector and the condition of each and every mine in said counties, stating therein all accidents that may have happened in or about the said mines, and to set forth in said reports all such information that may be proper and beneficial, and also to make such suggestions as he may deem important as to any further legislation on the subject of mining.

Ibid.

201. The owner or lessee of every coal mine that may be in operation in the said counties of Allegany and Garrett shall make or cause to be made an accurate map or plan of the workings of such mine, which shall be kept at the office of the company, lessee or individual so mining, and shall be at all times accessible to the said inspector for reference only.

Ibid.

202. The owner, lessee or agent of every coal mine that may now or hereafter be in operation in the said counties of Allegany or Garrett, whether worked by slope, shaft or draft, shall provide and establish for every such mine, a proper system of pure air ventilation by such modes as are now in use in the coal mines of Allegany and Garrett counties, which said ventilation shall be maintained through every working heading throughout the entire mine, so as to expel from said mines the noxious gases and impure air, and thus keep the entire mine in a healthful condition for the men working therein, and free from danger to their lives from such impure air and gases.

Ibid.

203. To secure the proper ventilation of every coal mine in the counties of Allegany and Garrett, and to provide for the health and safety of the men employed therein, the owner, lessee