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BOSTON, FRIDAY EVENING, MARCH 30, 1855.

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ANOTHER DECISION IN THE STEAMERS "OCEAN" AND "CANADA" COLLISION CASE. After the late decision of the local board of inspectors for the district of Boston and Charlestown, in the case of collision between steamers Ocean and Canada, revoking the pilot licenses of Richard Donovan, master of the Ocean, and of George Stilpen and James Collins, pilots of said steamer, the aggrieved parties made an appeal to William Burnett, Esq., the Supervising Inspector, who has reviewed the case, and publishes his report in the Post of this morning. The concluding paragraph is as follows :

Although giving in this case a confirmatory decision, that there was, on the part of those managing the steamer Ocean, a failure to conform to the "rules to be observed by pilots, with regard to steamers' lights, to prevent collisions at night;" still, as I do not consider that this is one of those cases of infraction for which the penalty of forfeiture of license is contemplated by the law; nor that such disposal of the case would subserve the purposes of the law or the public interest. And as it is not shown that these pilots have, heretofore, been guilty of a like offence, it is plainly my duty, in accordance with the 9th clause of the 9th section of this act, to revoke the decision of the local board, in as far as relates to the revocation of the licenses of the appellants in this case. And the same is hereby revoked.

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From Washington.

The New Supervising Steamboat Inspector.
Special Dispatch to the Cincinnati Gazette.

WASHINGTON, Sept. 14.

The President to-day, on the recommendation of Secretary Bristow, appointed William Burnett, of Boston, Supervising Inspector General of Steamboats, vice Smith, removed. Mr. Burnett is at present an Inspector assigned to the California District, and is the first member of the Board advanced to the chief position. Heretofore there has been a lack of accord between the Board and its head in the Treasury, and this appointment will effectually remove this difficulty. Mr. Burnett has had much experience both in New England and in California. He is a Democrat, and this was fully considered in making the selection, and fitness alone was considered.