
LOCAL MINING LAWS AND REGULATIONS.

PREFACE.

The following collection of district mining laws has been transcribed with great care in order to present accurate copies of the original records, with their multiform errors of grammatical construction, spelling, punctuation, &c. In most instances the transcripts are certified by the district or county recorders, and the accuracy of the remainder is attested by the special agents of the Census who made the collection. By the rigid exactness of the reproduction, the value of this record for the purpose of citation or reference is evidently enhanced, while the crude and defective character of these rudely framed codes is shown forth in a more natural and vivid light.

LOCAL MINING LAWS AND REGULATIONS.

ARIZONA.

YUMA COUNTY.—CASTLE DOME MINING DISTRICT.

At a meeting held at La Paz on the 8th of December 1862 by persons claiming interests in mineral veins near the Castle Dome range of mts Col Snively was requested to act as Chairman and H Ehrenberg as Secretary of the meeting and the following resolutions were adopted.

That the District wherein said veins are situated be called the Castle Dome District and be bounded as follows Beginning at the Peak known as Castle Dom—Thence 10 miles south—Thence East 10 miles—Thence north 10 miles—Thence West 10 miles to the starting point.

- 2 That a mining claim in this District shall be 100 yards along said vein including all the angles spurrs &c belonging thereto—
- 3 That the Discoverer or Discoverers of a vein shall be entitled to 100 yds extra on each & every vein discovered by him or them.
4. That in taking possession of claims the shall be clearly defined by conspicuous stakes or monmts of rock with the names of persons claiming.
5. That 100 yards on each side of the vein where not conflicting with prior rights shall be considered part of the claim, and shall belong to the same, with any and every substance or thing found within these bounds on or below the surface.
6. That all claims shall be recorded within 10 days after claiming them—
7. That all claims thus recorded shall be properly described in their boundaries, and their relative position, as bearing and distances (where practicable) to any natural or artificial object stated.
8. That in consideration of the want of mining implements and material in this section at present, the time for commencing operations on the claims is fixed to 15 March 1863.
9. That on and after that date all claims located shall be worked within 30 days.
10. That all claims shall be worked in good faith for at least 4 days in each month.
11. That companies holding various claims on the same vein shall not be obliged to work all of them severally, but that the working of any one of their claims in accordance with article 10 shall be sufficient evidence of good faith and ownership of the parties claiming.
12. No claims shall be considered abandoned or forfeited for suspension of work for want of water or on account of war with Indians or any other unavoidable circumstance or obstacle.
13. A Recorder shall be elected for the District who shall record the different claims, as presented in a book kept for that purpose and he shall give certified copies thereof—
14. The fee of Recording shall be One Dollar for each claim, and no records of claims shall be made unless a specimen of the ore, coming from said claim shall accompany the statement to be recorded, which specimen shall be properly marked and preserved by the Recorder to serve as evidence in case of dispute hereafter.
15. The Recorder to be elected hereafter shall for the present keep his office in the town of La Paz Arizona—
- 16 Herman Ehrenberg is hereby chosen Recorder for Castle Dom District.
- 17 Any five miners holding claims in this District shall have a right to call a general meeting of the miners interested in claims there, for the purpose of revising the mining laws, the election of Recorder or for any other purpose referring to the general interest of the District.
- 18 Any such meeting as mentioned in article 17 shall only be considered legal by having 2 notices thereof posted within the bounds of said district, and one at the Recorders office for at least 14 days previously.

J. SNIVELY *Chairman*

H. EHRENBERG *Secretary*.

"Notice"

At a meeting of the miners of Castle Dome District, held at La Paz the 14th day of September 1863—
On motion Cal J. Snively was called to the chair and Mr. C. H. Brinley was chosen Secretary.
The object of the meeting having been stated by the chairman, *to wit*—the propriety of suspending work in Castle Dome District for a period, it was *resolved and adopted* by the meeting

"That all labor necessary to hold possession of claims in said district be suspended until the 1st day of November proximo—"

Whereupon the meeting adjourned "sine die"

LA PAZ 14th September A. D. 1863

J. SNIVELY *Chairman*

C. H. BRINLEY *Secretary*

MINER'S MEETING.

Notice.

A meeting of the miners will be held in this Town on Monday the 14th instant at 6 p. m. at the office of the Recorder, to take into consideration the propriety of a further suspension of the mining regulations which expire by limitation on the 15th inst.

Mining District of La Paz territory of Arizona

By request of many miners

T. H. BILDURRAIN *Recorder*
C. H. BRINLEY *Deputy*

Pursuant to the tenor of the above (which is copy of the Notice for a miners meeting) the miners of this District met at the appointed time and place and on motion Col. J Snively was called to the chair, and Mr. C. H. Brinley appointed secretary of the meeting—

Whereupon the meeting was called to order by the chairman, and the secretary was instructed to read the regulations concerning the suspension of work on mining claims as adopted by the meeting held in La Paz on the 11th day of April last past. The same having been read by the secretary, the following resolutions were offered and adopted.

1st That on or before the 15th day of October next ensuing it shall be incumbent upon all claimants to mining ground situated in this district to sink a hole on each company lead or lode of five feet in depth; and in default thereof, all said claims will be liable to forfeiture and re-location.

2d That all claimants to mining ground in this district shall elect and stake off their claims on or before the 15th day of October next ensuing—

3d That the foregoing resolutions shall in no wise be construed as effecting claims which have already been worked in conformity to the mining laws of this District—

4th That Mr. C. H. Brinley retain in his possession the records of this District until the successor of the present incumbent be elected—

Whereupon the meeting adjourned—

J. SNIVELY *Chairman*

C. H. BRINLEY *Secretary*

LA PAZ 14th September A. D. 1863

MINING LAWS

NOVEMBER 1st 1863.

Miners meeting pursuant to notice

On motion Cal. Snively was called to the chair.

On motion Geo. W Leigh was appointed secretary.

On motion a committee of three was appointed by the chair to Draft laws for the District.

The chair appointed James Porter Thomas Bidwell & Dr. Rogers said committee.

On motion the meeting adjourned for one hour to give the committee time to prepare their report.

SEC. 1st That a mining claim in the District shall be three hundred feet along the vein including all the dips angles & spurs, and also fifty feet on each side of the Lode or vein, and all metals therein contained

SEC. 2. That the discoverer or discoverers shall be entitled to an extra claim of three hundred feet—

SEC. 3d A monument at least 18 inches high and a notice designating the distance each way from the monument.

SEC. 4th That all persons holding claims which are duly located as described in section third, to have the same recorded by the Recorder of this District within thirty days, upon failing to comply, his claim shall be deemed vacant and subject to location by any other party. And the recorders fees shall be Two dollars and fifty cents for recording each notice. When said notice shall not contain more than five names, each additional name above that number shall be charged twenty five cents.

SECT. 5th It shall also be the duty of the claimants, or one of them to sink or cause to be sunk a shaft or cut a tunnel at least five feet within the period of six months from date of record, which shall entitle the owners thereof in full possession for twelve months.

SECTION 6th That all the laws conflicting with foregoing are hereby repealed.

SEC. 7th That a Recorder for the District be elected on this day, and hereafter, on the first Monday in November, annually, and the Recorder shall hold his office and have Books of Record in this district and he shall have power to appoint a competent Deputy, and his Books shall at all business hours be open for inspection in the presence of the Recorder or his Deputy, and all stationary and other expenses pertaining to the office shall be borne by the said Recorder. And at the end of his term, or in case of resignation, he shall deliver at once to his successor all papers books &c of whatsoever nature pertaining to said Recorders office. All deeds for mining claim in this District shall be recorded in the books of Record for the sum of two dollars and fifty cents each.

SEC. 7th That all extensions taken shall be as distinctly marked and boundaries as clearly defined as in the original location, and shall be governed & held only by the same laws and regulations as are applied to all other claims.

On motion Col. J. Snively was nominated for Recorder and was unanimously elected.

On motion the meeting adjourned sine di.

J. SNIVELY *Chairman*

GEO. W LEIGH *Secretary*

CASTLE DOME DISTRICT MINING LAWS

In accordance with the previous notices posted at La Paz and Arizona City, we the miners of Castle Dome District held a miners meeting at Castle Dome City on Saturday the 2d day of November 1867 at 12 o'clock m.

Mr. Bidwell called the meeting to order and nominated Mr. Lindsay as President. Mr. Lindsay was declared elected & Mr. Bidwell was declared elected Secretary.

On motion a committee of three was appointed by the chair composed of T. H. Rhea, C. Rogers and T. P. Laird to report a set of laws for the government of the District, who report as follows:

Whereas, all laws & regulations heretofore made and providing for the location and regulation of mines and mineral deposits in the mining district of Castle Dome have ceased by default, and

Whereas, the laws of the United States and that of the territory of Arizona empowers the miners of their respective Districts to make all rules and regulations for the location of mines

Resolved 1st That the District shall be known as "Castle Dome" and bounded as follows—Commencing at the mouth of the Yuma Wash on the Colorado River, and thence in a direct line to the peak known as the Castle Dome & thence in a South easterly course to the Gila River, thence along said River to its confluence with the Colorado River thence along the main channel of the Colorado to point of beginning—

Resolved 2nd That Two hundred feet shall constitute a claim, running with the Ledge or Lode and one hundred feet on each side with all dips spurs & angles of said Ledge or Lode—

Resolved 3rd Where parties owning mining claims have complied with section 25 of chapter 50 Howell Code & sunk a shaft ten feet deep on said mines are hereby declared valid and not subject to relocation. And all mining claims that have not complied with said section are hereby declared abandoned and subject to relocation.

Resolved 4th All Locations made in pursuance to this Law shall be made by the parties making the same by building a monument of substantial material on the Lode or vein & placing a notice on some conspicuous place in said monument with the names of the Locators & the number of feet claimed by them—

Resolved 5th That 30 (thirty) days shall be allowed to record all Locations made in this District.

Resolved 6th That Peter Dall County Recorder is hereby declared ex. Officio Recorder of this District and shall hold his office for one year—

Resolved 7th That upon application of three miners interested in this District by petition to the Recorder he shall call a meeting of the miners of said District by posting notices at three different places within the County of Yuma giving at least ten days notice and said meeting shall be held within the limits of this District. The Recorder may deputize some person to act instead at said meeting, and he shall call an annual meeting for the transaction of all business of said District. Parties may transmit their notices to the Recorder with the fees and the Recorder shall file them at once—The Recorder shall not be compelled to make any Record without his fees in advance—

Resolved 8th The Recorder shall receive the following fees: Fifty cents for each name on a notice and twenty five cents for each certificate of location; fees in currency.

Resolved 9th That a shaft at least ten feet deep shall be sunk within twelve months from the date of the location.

Resolved 10th All Locations made subsequent to the passage of an act of Congress of the United States for the Government of Mineral Laws and in conflict with said act is hereby declared abandoned and subject to re location.

Those Preambles and resolutions reported by the committee for the government of this District which was unanimously adopted—

On motion the meeting adjourned

Attest:

OLIVER LINDSAY *President*

THOS T. BIDWELL *Secretary*

Recorded at La Paz Yuma County this eleventh day of November 1867

PETER DALL *Recorder*

"MINERS MEETING" HELD AT CASTLE DOME YUMA COUNTY ARIZONA TERRITORY JULY 17th 1871.

Pursuant to notice posted according to law calling a meeting of all parties interested and working as miners in the Castle Dome Range Yuma County Arizona Tery. to be held on the evening of Monday the 17th day of July A. D. 1871 at which time the following named miners met together in the cabin of the "Castle Dome mine" Wm Scriver, Nick Gunther, Neal Johnson, John Wreno, Jos Ruth, Wm Conway, Geo. Wilson, John T. Voison, John McWade Abe Hoagland, John Boland, Danl Johnson and Wm P. Miller.

The meeting was called to order at 8 p. m. & the following named parties were duly elected Officers of the meeting—Abe Hoagland as Chairman and Wm P. Miller as Secretary—

After a statement of the object of the meeting by the chairman upon agreement of all parties the following were adopted article by article by the miners present as a code of laws for defining working & regulating of all lode & ledge claims & locations of said District.

CASTLE DOME MINING LAWS.

JURISDICTION.

ARTICLE I The jurisdiction of the following laws shall extend over all lode, ledge & vein mines and mining property within the following described and bounded District. Commencing at a point known and being the centre of the "Castle Dome Mine" on the "Buckeye" lode in the "Castle Dome" Mining Range, and running from said point North Ten (10) miles. South Ten (10) miles, and all mines within said boundary shall be known as being in the "Castle Dome" Mining District.

DIMENSIONS OF CLAIMS

ARTICLE II Any person shall be entitled to locate on any ledge or lode that is open to location by discovery or other wise, one claim of Two Hundred feet with an additional claim of Two Hundred feet for discovery, & for each and every individual name located on same

ledge forming one company Two Hundred feet; provided that there shall not be over three thousand feet held on any one ledge or lode by any one company and said claim or claims shall include all dips spurs angles & variations of the ledge, and said claimants shall be entitled to one hundred feet of ground on each side of the ledge for the purpose of working said ledge.

WORKING THE CLAIMS

ARTICLE III—If any person company or their agents within thirty days from the date of locating their claims commence work on said claims, and sink a shaft or slope to the amount of Depth of fifteen feet by three ft. wide and five feet on any part of their claim or claims, said claim or claims shall be considered and held under good title for the period of six months from the date of Location, and if any person company or their agents within thirty days from the date of location of their claims commence work on their claims & sink a shaft or slope to the depth of thirty feet by three feet wide and five feet long on any part of their claim or claims, said claim or claims shall be considered and held under good title for the period of one year from the date of location Provided that all claims located between the 15th day of June and the 1st day of October shall not be required to work on their claims until the 1st day of October and all claims thus located shall be under good title until the first of October by monument & location notices.

The working season for this district shall be from the 1st day of October until the 15th day of June of each year when work shall be prosecuted according to these laws to perfect Title.

WHAT CLAIMS TO BE ABANDONED.

ARTICLE IV All claims that have been located since July 1st 1870 that have not done the amount of work as described and required by Article III of these laws and shall fail to comply with the provisions of these laws, shall be considered abandoned after thirty days from the date of the working season October 1st 1871, and shall be subject to be located by any other party or parties.

"RECORDER"

ARTICLE V There shall be a District Recorder elected by the miners in meeting at the mines of this District, to hold office for the term of one year from date of Election and said Recorder shall furnish Books for recording claims to be kept on and within said mining District of "Castle Dome." The Recorders fees shall be for each and every claim of two Hundred feet twenty-five cents and for each certificate fifty cents.

"TITLES"

ARTICLE VI No title to any claim here after located or taken up shall be considered valid unless recorded in the books of the District Recorder within sixty days from the date of such location if located during the working season, as described in Article III otherwise within sixty days from October 1st the beginning of the working season.

LOCATIONS HOW MADE

ARTICLE VII Location shall be made by placing a good and sufficient monument at some point on the claim with a notice stating the number of claims and feet, names of parties date of location and the course of said claims from said monument.

FORMER RULES & LAWS

ARTICLE VIII All laws, rules & regulations here-to-fore passed for the purpose of regulating controlling working locating and management of the mines in this District are hereby declared null & void, & of no account whatever.

CERTIFICATE

ARTICLE IX Any person or company having located any claim or claims in accordance with these laws, and having the same duly recorded as provided in these articles, & making oath that such person or persons or company have done the requisite amount of work on such claim or claims in developing the same as required by these laws, then the District Recorder shall give to said person or persons in company a certificate of title to said claim or claims according to the amount of work performed from time to time for each year as provided

"BOOKS PAPER &C"

ARTICLE X The District Recorder shall pass all books papers & records to his successor in office—William P. Miller having been duly elected at this meeting is hereby declared the District Recorder for the term of one year from date and shall be in the District either in person or by deputy with Books of Record by the 1st of October 1871

ARTICLE XI—Nothing in these articles shall at any time be inconsistent with the laws of the United States.

The foregoing laws were enacted by the miners of Castle Dome Mining District, at the Central Location of said District July 17th 1871

WM P. MILLER *Secty.*

Recorded July 27th A. D. 1871 at 3 o'clock p. m.

ABRAM R. HOAGLAND *Chairman*

JAMES S. SPAUN *County Recorder*
pr A. A. MIX *Deputy*

MINERS MEETING HELD AT CASTLE DOME MINING DISTRICT YUMA COUNTY A. T. JANUARY 9 A. D. 1875.

Pursuant to notice posted according to law December 30th A. D. 1874, calling a meeting of all parties interested and working as miners in the Castle Yuma County A. T. to be held on the evening of Saturday January 9th A. D. 1875 the following miners met together in the house of Miller & Hopkins in said Dist. viz—W. L. Hopkins, G. W. Cole, J. D. Sibold, W. O. Lyon, W. J. Helms, H. Jones, W Logan, Thomas J. B. Heath, J. D. Rittenhouse and Chas Farrel.

The meeting was called to order at 7.30 oclock p. m. and the following named parties were duly elected officers of the meeting—viz—W. L. Hopkins as President, and J. D. Rittenhouse as Secretary.

After a statement of the object of the meeting by the President, the following resolutions were adopted by the miners present for the future regulation and working of all lode and ledge claims and mining locations of said Castle Dome Mining District in Yuma County Arizona Territory, viz:

1st All laws rules & regulations heretofore passed for the purpose of regulating working, locating, controlling and for management of the mines in the Castle Dome Mining District Yuma County A. T. are from and after this 9th day of January A. D. 1875 hereby declared null & void and to have no weight and worth in future in said District.

2d That the jurisdiction of all laws & regulations adopted by this meeting shall extend over all Lode, Ledge & vein mines and mining property within the following described and bounded district commencing at a point known and being the centre of the "Castle Dome Mine" on the "Buckeye Lode" in the Castle Dome Mining Dist. A. T. and running from said point North five (5) miles, and South (5) five miles, East five (5) miles and West five (5) miles. The District to be ten (10) miles long and ten (10) miles wide, and all mines within said boundaries, shall all be known as being the Castle Dome Mining District Yuma county A. T.

3d That from and after January 9th, A. D. 1875 the act of Congress of the U. S. A passed May 10th A. D. 1872 relating to mines & mining; be and is accepted as the law governing the mines of this Castle Dome Mining District Yuma county A. T. and all locations made shall be made under & in conformity to, and all future working of mines in said Castle Dome District to be in accordance to said law of the U. S. of A of May 10th 1872.

4th That the office of District Recorder of Castle Dome Mining District Yuma County A. T. be and is hereby abolished from and after the 9th day of January A. D. 1875.

5th That all records of locations of mines and mining property in the Castle Dome Mining District Yuma County A. T. from and after January ninth A. D. 1875 be made with the County Recorder of Yuma County A. T. within (30) thirty days from date of location.

6th That the resolutions of the meeting be Recorded in the county records at Yuma A. T. and be published in the Arizona Sentinel.

W. L. HOPKINS *Presdt*

J. B. RITTENHOUSE *Secretary*

Recorded March 2d A. D. 1875 at 5 p. m. at request of Mr. Phillips

JAMES S. SPANN *County Recorder*

YAVAPAI COUNTY.—WEAVER MINING DISTRICT.

NAME AND BOUNDARY OF DISTRICT.

1st This District shall be known as Weaver District and bounded as follows—to wit, commencing at the mouth or sink of the Hassayamp Creek following up the eastern bank of said creek to the Tanks on the Southern boundary line of Walkers, thence West to the head of the Canyon of the St. Maria, thence southerly to Indian Springs continuing in said direction crossing Date creek near the Indian Cometary ten miles from said crossing, thence east to the place of beginning.

SIZE OF CLAIMS.

2d—The size of claims in this District shall be one hundred & fifty feet on creeks or Gulches and seventy five feet on each side.

NUMBER OF CLAIMS &C.

3d No person shall hold but one claim in this District except the original discoverers (Ten in number) and the discoverer of new creek or Gulch diggings who are & shall be entitled to one additional claim, all claims worked & Recorded within five days from the time of location shall hold good for sixty days. After the expiration of said sixty days all claims shall be worked on one day in ten.

ARBITRATION.

4th All disputes in reference to mining claims in this District to be settled by arbitration.

MEXICANS.

5th No citizens of Mexico shall hold or work claims in this District except the boy Lorenzo Para who is one of the original discoverers, and should the miners employ any of the said citizens of Mexico, they will be held responsible for their good behavior, and should the said employer fail to comply with this article he or they shall forfeit all interest in the mines & leave the District.

PURCHASING CLAIMS.

6th No person or persons shall purchase or sell any claims in this District for sixty days from the adoption of these laws, nor shall any person take up and hold claims for non-residents of the District.

RECORDER.

7th There shall be one Recorder elected whose duty shall be to record mining claims & bills of sale & preserve the laws of the district in a book or books to be kept for that purpose, said Records to be open for examination (free). His term of office shall be three months & until his successor is elected. He shall post or cause to be posted notices in three public places of the District notifying the miners of the expiration of his term, stating the time & place of election, and deliver to his successor all Books Papers and Maps belonging to his office. His fees for Recording shall be one dollar for each claim, and one dollar for each Bill of Sale. No Bills of Sale of claims will be valid unless recorded within forty-eight hours after date—

CALLING MEETINGS.

8th Any five miners can call a meeting of the miners of the District by Posting notices in three public places of the District stating the object of the meeting, giving five days notice and signing their names to said notices

ARTHUR M. HENRY *Recorder*

JUNE 25TH 1863.

ORGANIZATION OF WEAVER DISTRICT.

LA PAZ, *March 9th, 1863.*

Notice is hereby given that a miners meeting will be held in Olive City on the 20th day of March for the purpose of considering the importance of forming a new District to be composed of what is now known as the "Weaver Range" and other sections that it may be considered judicious to add thereto. Signed by request of many miners—

The meeting called in accordance with the above notice was organized by electing Mr. C. B. Green President and James S. Trimble Secretary.

The object of the meeting was explained by reading the preceding notice which had been duly posted throughout the district.

Mr. J. P. Newcomb moved that a committee be appointed to consider the division of the district and bring in resolutions in regard thereto, which motion was seconded and passed by the meeting. Some objections being raised it was reconsidered and the question left open for discussion. After some debate the sense of the meeting was taken directly upon the division of the district, which resulted in almost a unanimous vote in favor of division—

On motion a committee of five were appointed and elected by the meeting to draft laws for the district and also to define its limits, the following Gentlemen were elected said committee—Jas Reed J. B. Chevalier, W. B. Marshall H. M. Oliver Louie Robertson.

On motion the meeting adjourned for one hour to allow the committee time to prepare their report.

Meeting again convened at 2 o'clock P. M. The committee upon the limits of the District, and resolutions for the government of the same, handed in the following report.

OLIVE CITY *March 20th 1863.*

At a meeting of miners and others held at Olive City in pursuance of notice it was

Resolved That the undersigned act as a Committee to draft resolutions and to fix the limits of a proposed new mining District, both to be submitted for the action of an adjourned meeting to be held at 2 o'clock of the same day—

The committee respectfully submit the following resolutions.

Resolved 1st That the district be known as the Weaver District

Resolved 2d That the District be bounded on the north commencing at a point on the River called the "Half Way House" situated between Olive City and La Paz, thence running Easterly to Las Posas thence running Southerly along the main arrotta to "Castle Dome" thence Westerly to the River thence running North by the River to the place of beginning.

Resolved 3d That any one may locate one claim only on each lode or ledge that may be discovered in the district and that in addition the discover of any ledge shall have a discovery claim.

Resolved 4th That each claim both by location and discovery shall be two hundred feet on the ledge, and one hundred feet on each side along the ledge and following the dip of the ledge.

Resolved 5th That in locating any claim or taking one up by discovery, the party so locating or taking up shall place a conspicuous notice on said claim defining its boundaries & the direction in which it runs.

Resolved 6th Said notice shall hold the claim twenty days, after which time should there have been neither work done upon it, nor record made of it, such claim shall be subject to forfeiture.

Resolved 7th That each claimant do or cause to be done on his claim three days labor in every ninety days.

Resolved 8th That in case such claimant shall have done twelve days labor on his claim within six months from the time of commencement, such labor shall hold said claim for twelve months.

Resolved 9th That there be a Recorder elected for this District who shall be a resident of Olive City whose term of office shall be six months—It shall be his duty to record all claims presented to him for that purpose in a book kept for that special purpose, & that it be his duty should it be required to furnish a certificate of record to each one recording a claim, or transfer of claims or bill of sale—

Resolved 10th That for recording such claim the Recorder be paid fifty cents and for recording deed or transfer two dollars and fifty cents—The records shall be open for inspection of any one who may wish to examine them in the presence of the Recorder or his deputy—That the books Stationary etc necessary to the carrying on of his office be furnished by the Recorder at his own cost.

Resolved 11th That the above are not intended to have other than a prospective effect and consequently that they do not in any manner conflict or interfere with any interests held under the laws of the district of La Paz.

Resolved 12th That a certificate of record from the La Paz district for any claims now taken within the boundaries of Weaver district shall be recorded free of charge in Olive City—

The meeting then balloted for Recorder which resulted in the election of James S. Trimble. Fifty seven votes were cast

The meeting then adjourned

JAMES S. TRIMBLE *Secretary.*

C. B. GREEN *President*

Recorded March 20th 1863.

Re Recorded June 3rd 1863 from a printed copy of the original Record printed in the Morning Call newspaper in San Francisco Dated April 9th 1863

WM A. WOOD *Deputy*

JAMES S. TRIMBLE *Recorder*

MINUTES OF MINERS MEETING

OLIVE CITY *March 19th 1864.*

At a meeting held in the Recorders office in Olive City this day in pursuance of notice the following proceedings were had.

Mr. J. B. Chevalier was elected President and Wm Blanchard Secretary of the meeting.

It was moved by Mr. Hanford that the meeting be adjourned until April 2nd 1864 on account of the few miners present. the motion was seconded and carried, and the meeting was then declared adjourned by the president.

J. B. CHEVALIER *President*

WM BLANCHARD *Secretary*

Recorded March 29th 1864

WM A. WOOD *Recorder—*

MINUTES OF MINERS MEETING.

An adjourned meeting was held at the residence of W. A. Wood (Rec) in Olive City at 12 o'clock m. on Saturday April 2nd 1864 when J. W. Hanford was chosen chairman & W. W. Holder Sec. for the purpose of electing a Recorder for the Weaver District and amending the laws—The minutes of adjournment was read and adopted—

Resolved 2nd That the words or Mineral be added to art. 9th of code of laws of this district so as to read Olive or Mineral City also strike out the word six and insert the word twelve so as to read whose term of office shall be twelve month—

Resolved 3d That we proceed to Elect a Recorder which resulted in the unanimous choice of J. W. Hanford Recorder of Weaver District

Resolved That the meeting now adjourn so carried

J. W. HANFORD *President*

W. W. HOLDER *Secretary*

Notice.

A Miners Meeting will be held in Olive City on Monday the 23rd inst at 1 o'clock P. M. by the miners interested in the Weaver Mining District also an Election for Dist. Recorder if deemed expedient all interested in the Dist. are requested to attend as business of importance will be brought before the meeting.

Dated Mineral City Jan 11th 1865

W. HANFORD *Dist. Recorder—*

The meeting called in pursuance of the above notice was organized by electing Wm Thompson President and J. W. Hanford Secretary, the above notice was read by the Sec. the meeting then proceeded to adopt the following resolutions

On motion of Mr. Freman and seconded by Mr. Gird

Resolved That we adopt the Mining laws of this Territory *subject to the action of Congress* as the laws of this district hereby repealing all the laws heretofore made and in force in this District

Resolution adopted

By Mr. Freman

Resolved That we adopt the County Recorder as the recorder of this district

Resolution adopted

On motion the meeting adjourned

W. THOMPSON *President*

W HANFORD *Secretary*

PINAL COUNTY.—PIONEER MINING DISTRICT.

MINERS MEETING ON THE OOKILSIPAVA RIVER MAY 10th 1863

Mr S. SHOUP *President*

J. V. WHEELHOUSE *Secretary*

Names of original prospectors as required by Resolution No seven—

Capt I. R. Walker

Jos R. Walker Jr

John Dixon

Jacob Linn

Jacob Miller

Jas V. Wheelhouse

Jack Swelling

Frank Finney

S. C. Miller

George Bloper

A. C. Benedict

S. Shoup

T. J. Johnson

B. Ellis

A. B. French

Chas Taylor

H. B. Cummings

Wm Williams

G. Gillahan

Jackson McCrackin

Rodney McKinnon

Felix Cholet

M Lewis

Jas Chase

George Coulter

Preamble, laws, & resolutions adopted & passed by the "Walker" prospecting & mining company for their mutual guidance and protection at a meeting of said company on the Oookilipava River May 10th 1863

SEC 1st To all whom it may concern, be it known that the "Walker" prospecting & mining company have taken up certain portions of Oookilipava river & Tributarys for mining purposes have formed the said portion into a District to be called Pioneer District extending from the head of said river to a tree below the falls at the foot of the mountains (on which the notice of claimants is put up) taking in all tributarys, gulches, & ravines drained by said portion of river to main summit on both sides

SEC 2d That at a miners meeting duly called & at which a majority shall pronounce pro & con, shall be in this Dist the manner by which all laws be made & adopted, disputes to rights of claims settled, extent thereof, litigation &c, & all other business appertaining to miners & their rights usually settled at said meetings in other mining Dists—

SEC 3 That there shall be one President to preside over said meetings & one Secretary, both of whom shall be elected by a majority of votes for the term of one year from the date of election— It shall be the duty of said Presd't to call all meetings & see that business belonging to said meetings be properly brought before it & freely discussed to the satisfaction of all parties concerned— The duty of the Sec'y shall be to keep a true & proper record (in writing) of the proceedings of each & all of said meetings—

SEC 4 There shall be a Recorder for said Dist appointed by the miners for the term of one year, whose duty it shall be to record all claims, sales & transfers of same & other transactions in said Dis't appertaining to said office in other mining districts—He shall keep a true record of same in writing open at all proper hours for public inspection—

Resolutions passed & carried at the above meeting—

Resolved, That one hundred yards in length and fifty yards from each side of centre of gulch be considered a claim on this river—

Resolved, That each original prospector be entitled to one extra claim by right of discovery—

Resolved, That each member of the company having drawn by lottery the number of his claims shall have the privilege of exchanging one or both of them for any other unclaimed part of said river same dimensions as original being observed—

Resolved, That whereas but little time was taken to properly prospect, no claims be taken for persons outside of original prospectors until they, have definitely settled to which part of said river their claim may be exchanged to—

Resolved That the President be entitled to a fee of five dollars for each miners meeting which may be called to settle disputes or other individual business, to be paid by parties calling said meeting before the meeting be called & in case of winning suit to be refunded to Plaintiff & same amount collected from Defendant—

Resolved That the names of all original prospectors be embodied in this document—

Resolved That Mr T. J. Johnson be President of this Dis't

Resolved That Mr Wheelhouse be Secretary—

" That Mr Wheelhouse be Recorder

" That the original claimants whose names appear in this document have nothing to pay for recording their first claims—

Resolved That the fee for recording claims be fixed at Two dollars & fifty cents per claim—

Resolved, That no Mexican shall have the right to buy, take up, or pre empt a claim on this river, or in this Dis't for the term of six months, to date from the first date of June 1863 to Dec 1st 1863

S. SHOUP *President*

J. V. WHEELHOUSE *Sec'y*—

MINERS MEETING, HELD ON THE OOLKILIPAVA RIVER, JUNE 10th 1863

Resolutions passed at said meeting—

Resolved, That the present boundaries of the Dis't be enlarged & its limits be extended to the Francisco River on the East, on the West to the divide of the river Aziamp & Antelope creek & include the Aqua Frio river & its tributaries—

Resolved, That two days more "from date" be allowed Original prospectors for locating their claims—

Resolved, That each & all owners of claims mark & number them on trees or stakes at both ends so as to be properly understood—

Resolved, That claim holders shall have the right to say at which end of their claim or claims they shall commence measuring from when they are called upon to measure—

Resolved, That all claims taken up be recorded within ten days & no person allowed to take up claims for others when out prospecting—

Resolved, That all claims duly recorded be held for one year whether worked or not—

Resolved That 200 feet in lodes be considered a claim

Resolved, That Chinamen be excluded from working in any portion of this District—

Resolved, That all persons bringing in Mexicans or having them in their employ, record the names of said Mexicans at the office of the Dis't Recorder—

Resolved, That persons employing Mexicans in any capacity be held responsible for all depredations upon property proved to have been committed by them—

Resolved, That upon the discharge of each or any such Mexican from employ notice be given the Recorder by the employer—

Resolved, That the fee for Recording each individual name be fixed at four bits—

MEETING OF THE 12TH JULY 1863 LINK (*sic*) CREEK—

Resolved, That the law already passed with regard to Mexicans remain unchanged—

Resolved, That the "Walker party" or Original prospectors have the right to locate their discovery claims in any part of the Dist & have ten days from date to do the same—

Resolved, That no person hold more than one pre empt claim on each stream in this District

Resolved, That Asiatics & Senorians be excluded from working in this Dist—

Resolved, That a committee of three be appointed to measure & stake all claims on this stream, said committee to receive two bits per claim as remuneration—

Resolved, That the above named committee consist of Mr Murray, Col Dobbins, & Jacob Miller.

Resolved, That a committee of three be appointed who shall decide who are & who are not Mexicans subject to the law of exclusion from taking up & holding claims in the Dist—

Resolved, That Mr Green, Mr Murray & Wheelhouse compose the above named committee—

T. J. JOHNSON *President*

J. V. WHEELHOUSE *Secretary*—

Resolution passed at above meeting not mentioned above—

That Recorders fees be reduced to \$1⁰⁰ pr claim for Recording and Companys claims as one & ten days from date in which to record the same be allowed to miners—

At an adjourned meeting of the miners of Pioneer Dis't held to pursuant to notice Jan 10th 1864. Present Capt J. C. Bogert in the chair & V. C. Smith Secretary

Upon motion of F. G. Christie Mr V. C. Smith was unanimously declared Recorder of Placer mines
The following amendment to the By-laws was adopted

Resolved, That no person shall hold more than one placer claim by pre-emption at one time within this Dis't except those claims heretofore granted to the Walker party—

The following resolution was adopted & embodied in the laws of the District—

Resolved, That any person holding a placer claim by purchase must have a bill of sale of said claim recorded within ten days from the date of purchase unless the purchaser take immediate possession & must if required show a good and sufficient title to said claim & show value received by oath or affirmation before the Recorder or a sworn officer—

Adjourned Sine Die

V. C. SMITH *Sec'y*

At a called meeting of the miners held March 6th 1864 the following resolution was adopted—

We the citizens & miners of the "Walker" mining Dist under the existing Indian difficulties believing that it behooves us to protect our rights & those who may not be present & believing that no parties will be injured thereby—

Be it there fore Resolved—That all claims within "Walkers" mining Dist either quartz or placer mining claims be & they are here by considered the property of the present owners, provided the same are now recorded without the re-presentation & labor required by the By-Laws of this Dist

The trial respecting a disputed mining claim between J. M. Sanford, Plf, & McKinnie & Hulton Dfdts, came on to be tried before a jury of the whole.

The following witnesses were were sworn & testified for Pltf, W. L. Griffin, H. L. Hubbard, J. Marsh, Crane, Ingalls, R. Kram & Lockhardt & the following witnesses were sworn & testified for Dfdt, S. Ruder, H. B. Cummings T. J. Johnson & F. G. Gillihan. The case was argued & the Jury gave as a result

For Plaintiff Eleven (11)

" Defendants Eighteen (18)

& it was ordered that verdict for defendents be entered.

On motion the meeting was adjourned Sine Die

VAN SMITH *Sec*
By F. G. CHRISTIE

At a called meeting of the citizens of Lynx Creek held March 14th 1864 a committee of three were appointed to draft resolutions to present to the Governor. The com was composed of Dr Alsop, Genl Coulter & A. Brichta— & they submitted the following resolution—

"Whereas we the citizens of Lynx creek & vicinity are of the opinion that we are in danger from the hostile Indians that surround us, unless some measures are taken for our safety, & whereas we deem it our privilege to apply for protection to the constituted authorities & government, There fore be it

Resolved, That a committee of three persons be appointed to confer with the Governor of this Territory upon the means to be adopted for our protection

Resolved, That we pledge ourselves to afford all the aid in our power to subdue the Indians & render the country safe & habitable—

Resolved, That we are of the opinion that the stationing of a small body of soldiers in this immediate vicinity to act as patrols would materially add to the safety of the miners & others at work on this creek & its vicinity—

Resolved, That we believe our greatest danger lies in the stopping of supplies by cutting of the various trains of provisions & clothing that are now or may hereafter be on the way to this place & we earnestly recommend that immediate measures be taken to keep open communication with our sources of supply—

G. COULTER
A BRICHTA
J T ALSOP

The report was accepted & a further resolution adopted

Resolved, That a copy of the above resolutions be sent to the Governor by this committee

The committee appointed to confer with the Governor were, Col Dobbins, L. St James, F. G. Christie.

On motion adjourned Sine Die

F. G. CHRISTIE *Deputy Recorder*

At a called meeting of the miners & others in Pioneer Placer Dist & Walkers Quartz mining Dist held at the office of the Recorder of said Dist on the 22d day of May 1864 the following proceedings were had. J. C. Bogart president in the chair & Van Smith Sec'y by J T. Alsop Deputy—

Amendment to Article 16 of the laws of the Dist moved by G. Coulter & after having been amended by motion of J. C. Bogart was passed & read as follows,

ART 16—No person or persons shall locate a claim or claims within this Dist who are not within the Dist at the time of location & no person within the service of the United States be allowed to locate a claim within this Dist—

On motion of G. Coulter the following resolution was carried—

Resolved, That all claims within Walkers Mining Dist whether quartz or placer claims be & they are hereby the property of the present owners provided the same are now or may hereafter be recorded within the time stipulated in the By-Laws of this Dist without the representation required by labor, until the Indian difficulties are settled, which time shall be determined by a meeting of the miners of the Dist—

Mr Shupe was unanimously elected President Placer & Quartz
 A. W. Adams was elected Secretary & Recorder Placer & Quartz
 Resolution of May 10th 1863 in regard to Mexicans extended six months from date
 Adjourned Sine Die

VAN SMITH *Sec'y*
 By J T ALSOP *Deputy*—

At a meeting of the miners & others held pursuant to a call by the President of the Districts of Pioneer (Placer) & Walkers Quartz mining Dist on 29 day of May 1864 The following resolutions were passed—

1st *Resolution* That, that portion of Article 16 of By-Laws relating to persons in the service of the United States & which reads as follows "and no person in the service of the United States be allowed to locate a claim in this Dist" be & the same is hereby repealed—

2nd *Resolved* That Art 16 of the mining laws of Walkers Quartz mining Dist be amended to read "Territory" in place of "District" allowing all citizens of the Territory the privilege of locating quartz claims—

SOLOMON SHOOP, *President*

& A. W. ADAMS *Secretary*

WALKER DIST ARIZONA May 29th 1864

At a meeting held on Sunday June 26th 1864 pursuant to a call by notice dated on 19th inst the following resolution was passed—

Resolved That all that portion of Walker Dist embraced on Turkey creek & its tributaries be struck off to be formed into another Dist at the pleasure of those holding claims in said section or locality—

S. SHOOP *President*

A. W. ADAMS *Secretary*—

At a meeting of the miners of Walkers Quartz mining Dist held on 2d day of October A D 1864 held pursuant to a call by the President of the Dist the following resolutions were adopted

Resolution 1st amendment to art 13

Resolved 1st That any person holding a quartz location of 200 feet within this Dist who has or may hereafter sink on the same a shaft 3 ft wide 4 feet in length & 2 feet deep running with the ledge, the same will be equivalent to 12 days labor as required by Art 13 of the By-Laws of this Dist, or if the same is held by a company, for every additional member thereto the sinking of 1 foot deeper in said shaft will be required of each member in order to perpetuate the titles to the same—

Resolved 2d That the labor required by resolution 1 passed at this meeting shall be performed within six (6) months from this date—

Resolved 3d That the recorder is hereby authorized to issue certificates of title to any person or persons who may have complied with the provisions of Resolutions 1st & 2nd passed at this meeting, for which he shall receive the sum of \$1⁵⁰ measuring off the shaft or work included

S. SHOUP *President*

A. W. ADAMS *Sec'y*

WALKER DIST AARIZONA Oct 2d 1864

At a meeting of the miners held Monday evening Nov 14th 1864 at the store of Wormsen & Co Lynx Creek—
 On motion it was resolved 1st

That the laws of this Dist be & are hereby amended so as to authorize parties or persons owning mineral land or Quartz lodes to locate for his or their benefit one quarter section of land for the purpose of a mill site to be used by he or them in the prosecution of their labors in reducing ores, subject to the Territorial law with all of its restrictions & provisions to the same intent & effect as if herein copied—

2d All laws heretofore passed at any of the meetings conflicting with the foregoing section are hereby repealed—

3d This law shall take effect from & after its passage—

4th The recorder shall receive \$1⁰⁰ one dollar for recording each claim of auxiliary land—

5th In the event of the failure of the Congress of the United States to approve the Territorial law, section first of this resolution shall be null & void

S. SHOUP *President W. Quartz M. Dist*—

C. BROOKS *Sec'y*—

At a meeting of the miners of Walkers Quartz Mining Dist held Nov 27th 1864 for the purpose of electing officers for the ensuing six months Solomon Shoup unanimously elected President E B Radford having received 21 votes out of 32 cast was declared elected Recorder

No further business meeting adjourned—

SOLOMON SHOUP *President*

Meeting held Feb 26th 1865 office of recorder declared vacant on $\frac{2}{3}$ of absence & Wm Baxter elected in his place—

S. SHOUP *Pres'd*—

YAVAPAI COUNTY.—YAPAPEI (*sic*) MINING DISTRICT.

BY LAWS.

LEIHYS & MELLONS CAMP *September 10th 1863.*

Notice is hereby given that a Miners Meeting will be held at Leihy & Mellon's camp on the 28th day of September for the purpose of forming a Mining District and to make laws governing the same—

SEPTEMBER 28th 1863.

The meeting called in accordance with above notice, was organized by electing A. B. Smith—President & Geo. W. Leihy Secretary—

A committee of 5 were elected to draft laws for government of District & its boundaries—A. B. Smith, Geo. W. Leihy, G. C. Welch, C. G. Mellon & G. C. Cross the gentlemen of committee

On motion meeting adjourned one hour to allow committee to make report.

4 O'CLOCK P. M. 28th 1863.

Meeting again assembled—The committee made the following report & respectfully asked its acceptance & adoption as the laws & boundaries of the District.

Resolved 1st That the District be known as the Yapapei District.

2nd That the District be bounded on the North by commencing at the North end of Point of Mountain Range lying on the West side of the Assamp River, near the headwaters of the Agua Frio River, from thence along the dividing ridge of said Mountain in a southerly direction to a point intersected by the Trail now traveled from Peoples Ranch to what is known as the Tanks on the Assamp River, from thence along the said Trail in a Southerly direction to the South-East corner of what is known as "Webbers Ranch" from thence in a North West direction to Williams Fork River, from thence up the Main Branch of said River twenty (20) miles from thence to the place of beginning.

3rd That any one may locate one claim only on each Lode or Vein of Mineral that may be discovered in the District, & that in addition the discoverer of any Lode or Vein of Mineral shall have a discovery claim.

4th That each claim both by location & discovery be Three Hundred feet on the Lode or Vein and One Hundred feet on each side following the dip of the Lode or Vein.

5th That on locating any claim or taking one up by discovery the party or parties so locating or taking up shall place a notice on said claim in a conspicuous place setting forth the direction in which such claim or claims are taken.

6th That said notice shall hold said claim thirty days from the time of putting up said notice, after which time if there is no record made of said notice the claim shall be deemed abandoned and subject to relocation by any other party.

7th That any person taking up or holding claims in this District neglects to work or does not cause to be worked for the time of Sixty days from the time of recording shall be deemed to have abandoned the same & the claim shall be subject to relocation.

8th That each claimant do or cause to be done three days work on each claim in every ninety from the time of taking up or locating their claim.

9th That in case such claimant shall have done or caused to be done twelve days labor within six months from the time of locating, it shall hold said claim for one year—

10th That there be a Recorder elected for this District who shall be a resident of the District, whose term of Office shall be six months or until his successor is elected, it shall be his duty to record all claims presented to him for record in a book kept by him for that purpose, & that it be his duty, should it be required, to furnish certificate of Record to each one recording a claim or transfer of claim or Bill of Sale. That it shall be the duty of said Recorder to deliver all records of this District kept by him to his successor in office upon presentment of a duly certified certificate of his election by the Miners of the District.

11th That for recording each claim or notice of claim Fifty cents, and for recording deeds of transfer Two dollars and fifty cents. The Recorders book shall be open to the inspection of any person who may wish to examine in the presence of the Recorder or his Deputy. That the Books, stationery &c. necessary for the office shall be furnished by the Recorder at his own expense—

12th The Recorder may appoint any suitable person resident of this District, to act as his Deputy—

The whole adopted.

The meeting then proceeded to ballot for Recorder; G. C. Welch declared unanimously elected for the next ensuing six months—

A. B. SMITH *President*—GEO. W. LEIHY *Secretary*Adjourned *sin die*.

YAVAPAI COUNTY.—WALKER MINING DISTRICT.

At a meeting of the Miners of Lynx Creek & vicinity held pursuant to notice on the 24th day of November 1863 at the office of the Recorder, The President T. J. Johnson tendered his resignation which was accepted and Capt Bogert was elected chairman.

The Recorder J. V. Wheelhouse tendered his resignation, and an election for the office of Recorder was called after a ballot Mr. V. C. Smith was declared elected.

Upon Motion a committee of five was appointed by the chair to draft Laws to govern the Quartz mines of the District consisting of V. C. Smith Mr. Shoup Cal Dobbins Major McKinney & Mr Sandford

Upon motion a committee of three was appointed to draft new Laws to govern the Placer mines of the district consisting of Cal Dobbins A. Thom Mr. McCrackin as appointed by the chair

The committee appointed to draft Laws for the government of the Quartz Mines of the District submitted the following report.

To the officers and members of the miners meeting held Nov. 24th, 1863, at the office of Recorder Lynx Creek.

GENTLEMEN Your committee appointed to establish boundaries & draft Bye Laws for the government of a Quartz Miners District would most respectfully submit the following Preamble Resolutions and Bye Laws for your consideration

PREAMBLE

Whereas owing to the increasing interest manifested by the Residents & Miners of this locality in Quartz & other Lodes containing metal of value—and to the many & various conflicting and untruthful reports that have originated and spread throughout the land concerning, and to the detriment of the Residents & Miners of this locality be it

Resolved, That we the residents & miners of Lynx Creek & vicinity will under any & all circumstances defend, protect, aid & assist any and all traders & persons whether citizens or not in the prosecution of right & legitimate business while within the jurisdiction of our laws.

Resolved, That we denounce the originators of the many falsehoods, circulated by the faint hearted many who have returned to their shin warming firesides as a set unworthy the name of Pioneers & be it further Resolved, That the boundaries of this Quartz Mining & Mineral district be as follows viz. Commencing at a Bald Mountain near the sink and to the Westward of Lynx Creek running in a Southerly direction following the dividing ridge of the waters of the Agua Frio and Hassayamp Rivers to a large Pine mountain, about thirty-five miles in an Easterly direction from the place of commencement, thence in an Easterly direction to the Agua Frio River, thence up the Agua Frio River following the bed of the stream northerly direction to Woolsey's Ranch, thence in a Westerly direction to the place of beginning, and be it further

Resolved, That the name of this district be known as the Walker Quartz Mining district

BYE LAWS.

ART 1st The officers of this district shall consist of One president and one Recorder Whose term of office respectively shall be six months from the date of the election

ART. 2nd It shall be the duty of the president to preside over and order all meetings, and to conduct the business of the same according to the rules adopted by legislative bodies

ART. 3rd It shall be the duty of the Recorder to act as secretary of all meetings and keep a true & correct record of all claims located and when required shall accompany the person or persons locating claims as a witness of the same & make out all deeds and transfers of claims and take acknowledgements thereto.

ART. 4th The Recorder shall receive for each name appearing upon the notice fifty cents and for each mile traveled by him when required in locating claims provided the same exceeds two miles travel from his office fifty cents per mile and for each deed or transfer the sum of \$1.50 The Recorder shall procure the necessary books for his office & turn the same over to his successor

ART. 5th The books of the Recorder shall be open at all times at his office for the inspection of the public.

ART. 6th The Recorder may appoint deputies who shall have the same authority, & whose acts shall be deemed as legal as the principal.

ART. 7th Notices of all meetings shall be posted one week previous to the meeting in three prominent places in the district which notices shall designate the time & place of holding the same.

ART. 8th All claims of Quartz or of lodes containing metal of value shall be two hundred feet along the lode with Fifty feet on each side & all the dips, spurs & angles following the ledge.

ART. 9th The discoverer of a ledge shall be entitled to one claim, which shall be known as the discovery claim, and one by right of pre-emption.

ART. 10th Person or persons locating claims shall post notices and erect monuments either by stakes ditches or furrows or stones or trees at each end of his or their claims which notices shall designate the date of location, amount claimed, names of parties claiming the direction following the ledge as possible with its dips, spurs & angles.

ART. 11th All claims shall be recorded within sixty days from the date of posting notices

ART. 12th Person or persons locating claims shall furnish the Recorder with a true copy of the notice and a specimen of the metal

ART. 13th No claim shall be deemed abandoned or subject to relocation after recording provided three days labor shall be performed on each claim every three months for one year, or if held by a company the number of days labor required for the number of claims held by them may be performed upon any individual claim held by such company upon that particular ledge on & after the 1st day of April next.

ART. 14th None but white persons shall be allowed to hold claims in this district.

ART. 15th All disputes with regard to claims shall be settled by arbitration: The parties disputant each selecting an arbitrator the two arbitrators thus selected, selecting the third, the decision of the arbitrators shall be deemed final

ART. 16th No person or persons shall locate a claim or claims in this district who are non residents, or who are not within the district at the time of its location

ART. 17th No person or persons except the discoverer of a ledge shall hold more than one claim on each ledge discovered except by purchase.

ART. 18th All sales and transfers of claims must be made by deed properly acknowledged, and a note of the same entered upon the books of the Recorder, stating the date amount sold or transferred and to whom so sold or transferred.

ART. 19th Any person or persons or company holding claims who shall have complied strictly with the foregoing by laws for the term of one year from the first day of April next such claims shall be deemed and considered as Real estate & held as such

ART. 20th The amount of labor required to be performed upon each claim or claims for one year may be performed at one & the same time, provided the same is performed within three months from the first day of April 1864, or within three months after recording if recorded on and after said first day April.

ART. 21st Persons acting as arbitrators shall be entitled to a fee of \$5 per day which fee must be deposited by the parties calling the arbitration with the President of the District.

ART. 22nd The person or persons losing the suit shall pay the expenses, and the money deposited by the opposite party upon demand returned to them by the President.

ART. 23rd All laws & parts of laws conflicting with these by laws are hereby repealed.

ART. 24th The discovery claim upon each ledge is hereby exempt from the labor required in the foregoing by laws.

At a meeting held On Lynx Creek at McLaughlin Store Sept 16th A. D. 1865 pursuant to a call for the purpose of Electing A Presadent and revising the Laws in Said District on motion Mr. J. B. Blanchard was Nominated to Act as Presadent *Pro Tem* of the meeting Mr. J B Blanchard Duely Electid

It was moved and Seconded that A. L. Clough Act as Presadent of Lynx Creek District for the Ensuing Year Mr. A. L. Clough Unanimously Elected

Moved And Seconded that the Presadent Appoint A Committee of 5 to Draft Laws for the District Approved Presadent Appointed F. D. Cole B. Franklin A. Douglass A. W. Adams J. B. Blanchard A. Clough acts as one of the Committee in place of F. D. Cole

Moved And Seconded that We as A boddy Are Empphatically Opposed to the Present Territorial Laws Carried Unanamosly

Moved And Seconded that A Committee of 3 be Appointed by the Presadent to Draft A memorial to be Presented to the members of the Legislature from this District And Also presented to the Next meeting for its Adoption by the miners of Said District

Committee of 3 Appointed by the Presadent J. Brooks J. E. McCaffre J. Rees

Moved And Seconded that this meeting Stands Adjourned until Sept. 30th A. D. 1865 at 4 Oclock P. M. Carred

SEPT 30th

Meeting Called to Order by the Presadent Moved And Seconded that this meeting Stands Adjourned Until the first Day of October A. D. 1865 Carried

A. L. CLOUGH *Pres.*

F. D. COLE, *Sec*

MINERS MEETING

WALKERS DISTRICT *January 19th A. D. 1866*

A meeting held by by the Miners of Walkers District Pursuant to A Call by the Presadent A. L. Clough On the 19th of January A. D. 1866 At 5 Oclock P. M. The following was Enacted

Meeting Called to order by the Presadent A. L. Clough It was moved and Seconded that R. E. Elliott act as Presadent (*Pro Tem*) At this meeting Unanimously Elected

It was Moved and Seconded that the Old Law of this District Requiring no Representation for Placer Mining Claims Is and is hereby Repealed. (Unanamosly Repealed)

The following Resolution was presented to the meeting

All persons not at present Residents of Lynx Creek But Elsewhere Engaged in Business and holding Mining Claims on this Creek Shall be Required to Represent such Claims by at least one Days work Every 10 Days or forfeit all Title and the same shall be Subject to Relocation

The present amend ment to the Resolution was excepted Providing that the Law shall not be so construed as to interfere with the present Resadents of this District who may at Present be Absent Prospecting Or proouring Provisions for use in this District

It was moved and seconded that the Resolution as it stands amended be adopted by this meeting as the Law to Placer Mining in this District Unanamosly adopted

It was moved and seconded that this meeting adjourn Sinae Die Carried

R E ELLIOTT *Presadent Pro Tem*

F. D. COLE *Secretary*

MINERS MEETING

At a regular meeting held at R. E. Elliott store on the 18th of August A. D. 1866 Pursuant to a call by the Presadent of Walkers Quartz Mining District John Rees Presadent

Meeting called to order by Secretary. Presadent being absent

It was moved and seconded that J. McCracken act as Chairman presadent pro Temn carried

Moved and seconded that the Recorder b elected by Ballot carried—

Moved & seconded that we vote whether we elect a Recorder or no Recorder Division of the House Decided to elect a Recorder.

Moved and seconded that S. B. Franklin be nominated for Recorder also R E E Elliott

Balloting for Recorder S. B. Franklin Received 13 votes R E Elliott 10 S. B. Franklin was declared elected of Walkers Quartz Mining District

Moved & seconded the Presadent be Elected by aclimation R E Elliott being nominated was unanimously elected

Moved and seconded to adjourn Mottion withdrawn and J. E. McCaffrey moved and it was seconded that Recorder not be allowed to Record a claim untill he goes on the ground and that he shall receive one Dollar per mile going and coming from the Lod in addition to the regular fee by Law

Moved and seconded that the meeting adjourn Caried

————— *Presadent*

F. B. COLE, *Sec.*

MINERS MEETING—

WALKERS QUARTZ MINING DISTRICT Feb. 5th A. D. 1866.

A meeting of the miners of Walker District pursuant to a call by the President A. L. Clough on the 5th of Feb. A. D. 1866 at 12 o'clock A. M. for the purpose of electing a Recorder Whose Term of office shall commence on the 26th of February for six months from that date before it expires in accordance with the Mining Laws of said District.

Meeting called to order by the President by A. L. Clough.

Moved & seconded that the Recorder be elected by Ballot Carrid the President and Res were receivers of votes for Recorder and a committee of three was appointed to count said votes cast and their report was as follows—

F. D. Cole 11 votes R. E Elliott 3 Big rump 1 It was committee John Rees, C. Y. Shelton H. Glover

Moved and seconded that the miners Elect a President for the next six months at this meeting by Ballot Carrid John Rees receiving the majority was declared duely Elected his term to commence 17th Day of March A. D. 1866

Moved and Seconded that this meeting adjourn Carried

A. L. CLOUGH Pres

F. D. COLE, Sec

YAVAPAI COUNTY.—QUARTZ MOUNTAIN MINING DISTRICT.

LAWS.

At a meeting of Quartz Miners held at Lount Cabin on Granite creek December 27th 1863. John West was chosen President and C. M. Dorman Secretary—

The following laws & regulations for the better governing of Quartz Mining, as reported on by the committee, were taken up separately and adopted.

ARTICLE 1st That this District shall be known & called the Quartz Mountain District, and shall be bounded and described as follows: Commencing at a Bald Mountain known as the North West corner of the Walker District running along the West line of said district to its South West corner. Thence in a North Westerly course along the Divide between the Waters of the Hassayampa and Granite creeks to the Granite Mountain, Thence in a straight line to the place of beginning.

ARTICLE 2nd That this District shall have a Recorder who shall hold his office one year from the time of his election, or until his successor be elected and qualified, and whose duty it shall be to visit examine & measure either himself or Deputy the ground claimed in any notice presented him for Record before recording the same, & shall be entitled to receive one dollar for each claim so recorded and examined

ARTICLE 3rd A claim on any Ledge or Lode of Mineral Rock in this District shall not exceed 300 feet, running with the main Lead, together with (150) feet of ground on each side of the main Lead or Lode with all the Minerals contained therein.

ARTICLE 4th All persons locating ground for Mining purposes on any Metallic Vein or Lode of Quartz or other Rock in this District, shall be required to post a notice on a conspicuous place on the Vein indicating as nearly as possible the direction, & setting forth the number of feet claimed each way from the notice, and the notice of the discoverer or the company containing the discovery claim, shall be the starting point from which all claims subsequently located on the same vein shall be measured.

ARTICLE 5th No person shall be entitled to hold by location more than one claim on the same Vein, except the discoverer, who shall be entitled to two.

ARTICLE 6th Any notice claiming ground for Mining purposes on any Metallic Vein or Lode of Quartz or other Mineral Rock posted according to provisions of Art. 4th of this code, shall be deemed sufficient to hold such claim or claims for the term of sixty days from date of such notice. But after the expiration of sixty days, such notice be not found recorded or filed for record with the recorder of this district, the ground so claimed shall be deemed abandoned & subject to relocation.

ARTICLE 7th All notices claiming ground for Mining on any Metallic Vein or Lode of Quartz or Mineral Rock in this District properly located according to the provisions of Art. 4th of this code, shall be deemed sufficient to hold such ground until the first day of May One thousand eight hundred and sixty-four (1864) But if any claimant or claimants to any ground in this District, located & held as here in above described, shall perform or cause to be performed the am't of (6) six days labor to each claim on any part of his or their ground at any time between date of the notice claiming such ground and the first day of May 1864, the same shall be deemed sufficient to give him or them perpetual title thereto; Provided that in case the claimant or claimants are not actually engaged in working the same at the expiration of two years from the time a perpetual title is acquired and certificate to that effect issued by the Recorder; the claimant or claimants shall renew the record in the Recorders Book provided for the purpose—Otherwise the claim to be deemed abandoned & subject to relocation—The amount of labor in all cases to be examined by the Recorder who shall on application visit & examine the ground, & if in his opinion the required amount of labor has been done there on, he shall certify the fact in a note to be attached or written beneath the notice recorded claiming such ground; and for such services he shall be entitled to receive one dollar for each claim so recorded.

ARTICLE 8th Any person or persons holding ground for mining purposes in this District, on and after the first day of May 1864, shall be required to perform or cause to be performed thereon the amount of three days labor to each claim, in every ninety days, and if any person or persons shall comply with the above provisions for the period of one year, he or they shall thereby acquire perpetual title thereto. The labor to be examined and certified to by the Recorder, as provided in art. 7th; Provided always that the labor be performed or record renewed according to Art. 7th of this code—

ARTICLE 9th If any person or persons holding ground for Mining purposes in this District perform or cause to be performed thereon the amount of twelve days labor at any time after the first day of May 1864, Shall thereby acquire perpetual title thereto; The labor to be examined & certified to by the Recorder; And provided always that labor be performed or record renewed as provided in Article 7th of this code.

10th. A miners meeting may be called at any time by posting notices in three conspicuous places in the District, ten days previous to the time of holding the meeting, stating in such notice the object for which the meeting is called, and place of holding the same, all such notices to be signed by the Quartz Miners of the District.

ARTICLE 11th All persons owning ground & residing in this District may vote at any meeting properly called by Quartz Miners. All persons non resident of this District may vote by proxy; provided they hold at the time of such meeting one claim in the District.

ARTICLE 12th The Recorder shall furnish at his own expense all books necessary for the recording of claims deeds of transfer &c. pertaining to his office, and keep the same open to the inspection of the public; and turn them over to his successor in office free of charge.

ARTICLE 13th An election shall be held on the first Monday in December of each year for the purpose of choosing a Recorder. A majority of the votes cast by ballot to elect. The Recorder so elected to commence his duties and take charge of the Books on the first Monday of January after his election.

ARTICLE 14th In case of the death or resignation of the Recorder, an election shall be ordered as provided in Art. 10th of this code for the choosing of a Recorder to fill his unexpired term of office.

ARTICLE 15th It shall be the duty of the Recorder to enter on the books for recording claims; underneath the notices, the name of the person who has examined such claim for record.

ARTICLE 16th All Laws or parts of Laws heretofore in force in this District, pertaining in any way to Quartz Mining, are hereby repealed.

ARTICLE 17th These laws shall be in force from & after the date of their adoption.

On motion of Geo. Lount—A. O. Noyes was put in nomination for recorder and unanimously elected.

We the undersigned committee appointed to draft and report By-laws & regulations for the better government of Quartz mining in Quartz-Mountain District, having examined the foregoing Laws, do certify to them as a true & correct copy of the Original Laws as adopted at the meeting called for that purpose Dec. 27th 1863.

(Signed)

A. O. NOYES
E. M. SMITH
GEO. LOUNT.

YUMA COUNTY.—EUREKA MINING DISTRICT.

MINERS MEETING HELD AT WILLIAMS CAMP COLORADO RIVER A. T. JANUARY 2ND A. D. 1864.

Pursuant to a call made in the usual way by notices ten days notice previously posted the Miners of this section met at Williams camp on the 2nd day of January A. D. 1864 for the purpose of forming a new mining District and passing a code of By-laws by which the same shall be governed. On motion the meeting was called to order by appointing J. W. Hanford chairman and Jas S. Spann secretary of the meeting—When the following resolutions were unanimously adopted—

1st That this shall be called Eureka Dist. and bounded as follows (to wit) beginning at Joe Johnsons Gulch on the Colorado River, then running up the river to Rode's Ranch and extending back at right-angles from the River at each of the above points 12 miles, thereby including all country within 12 miles of the Colorado River between Johnsons Gulch and Rodes Ranch.

2nd. That the following shall constitute the by-laws by which all mining claims in this District, shall be held and governed.

See mining laws of Eureka district—marked T.

MINING LAWS OF EUREKA DISTRICT. PASSED JANUARY 2ND 1864.

ART. 1 That a claim in this district shall consist of 300 feet along the tracings or croppings of the Lode including all dips angles and spurs, with the right of way of fifty feet on each side of the Lode for the erecting of machinery, Building or any other purpose pertaining to the working of the Lode claimed

ART. 2nd That the discoverer of a Lode in this District shall be entitled to an extra claim for the right of discovery—But in no case shall a locator be allowed more than one claim on the same Lode unless he be the discoverer—

ART. 3rd When a location is made the locator shall erect three monuments along the tracings of the Lode not less than 200 feet apart & at least 18 inches high with a notice in the centre specifying the date of location names of claimants and no. of feet claimed.

ART. 4th When an extension is claimed on a Lode the person or persons thus locating shall trace the Lode outside the original discovery claims Then place monuments and notices as required in article 3rd—

ART 5th—That each company shall required to have their claims Recorded within 30 days from the date of locating their Lode in the Books of the District Recorder—

ART. 6th That each company shall sink shaft Run cut or tunnel five feet in depth within 90 days from the date of Record which shall entitle them to hold the same without further work for 12 months from the date of locating.

ART. 7th That all claims in this District held by purchase or location shall be placed on Record for public inspection.

ART. 8th That there shall be a District Recorder elected whose term of office shall hold for one year

ART 9th That it shall be the duty of the Recorder to go upon the Lode with the locator, take minutes of and observe particularly the tracings monuments and boundaries of the claim so as to place the same on Record in a plain & comprehensible manner, and in no case shall the Recorder make Record of ground where there has been a prior location Recorded by other parties (without first notifying all parties concerned of the fact)

ART. 10th That the Recorder shall keep his office and Books in the most central & convenient, to the mines in the District where the Records shall be free to inspection at all times, But in no case shall he allow the Books to go out of his office unless in the hands of himself or Deputy nor in any other way give opportunity for tampering with the Records.

ART. 11th That the Records shall be kept in a neat and legible style and the Recorder shall be entitled to fifty cents for each claim Recorded and fifty cents milage, when the distance traveled is over two miles from his office—

ART. 12th That the Recorder shall copy the proceedings of this meeting in the Book of Records together with the names boundaries and laws of the District, and shall deliver into the hands of his successor all the Books papers & Records of the District when his term of office shall have expired.

ART. 13th That whenever it shall be come necessary to call a meeting of the miners of the District, for any purpose pertaining the interest thereof it shall be by petition to the Recorder signed by not less than 12 Resident claimants of the District when it shall be the duty of the Recorder to post not less than three notices in the most conspicuous places within the District, Ten days prior to the day of meeting.

ART. 14th That it shall be the duty of the Recorder to furnish every claimant a certificate of Record (If required) For which he shall receive 25 cts And also to copy into the book of Records all claims that may have been Recorded in Castle Dome District prior to the date of this meeting free of charge at the request of claimants—

ART. 15th That all prior locations shall be placed on Record within 30 days from the date of this meeting.

J. W. HANFORD *Pres*

JAS S. SPANN *Sec*

At the regular anual meeting of the miners of Eureka Mining District at the District Recorders office in the town of Wms port A. T. on the 2nd day of January A. D. 1865—The meeting organized by appointing P. Hovey President and J. S. Spann sec. of the meeting.

On motion the minutes & proceedings of the last meeting were read and approved as herein after specified when the following set of Resolutions and additional by-laws for the government and Representation of mines in this District were offered and adopted—to wit

Resolved That Article nine of the by-laws of this District be amended so as to read as follows In no case shall the recorder make record of ground where there has been a prior location Recorded by other parties unless the same shall have become vacant and subject to re-location in accordance with the laws of this District.

Resolved That if at the ex piration of twelve months from the date of location a claim in and under the laws of this dist. shall not be further represented either by work or the personal presence of some owner thereon the same shall be and is hereby declared vacant and subject to re-location—

Resolved That all claims previously located and properly represented up to date of this meeting shall hold good for twenty-four months from date of location by the owners thereof ex tending their old shaft, cut or tunnel to adepth of eight feet within ninety days from date of this meeting

Resolved That a twenty foot shaft, cut or tunnel sunk on a claim prior to the 2nd day of January next and since the formation of this district shall entitle the owners there of to hold the same for a term of three years from date of location.

Resolved That all parties in complying with one or both of the foregoing resolutions shall be required to have their shaft, cut or tunnel masured by the Dist. Recorder and registered in the book of locations upon the margin of the same page on which the claim is recorded and that the fees of the recorder for such service shall be fifty cents for each name including a certificate of registration to each locater and describing the claim as recorded in the book of Records—

THOMAS EVANS, *chairman Com't.*

THOMAS WILLIAMS

NICH WILLIAMS

JAS McINTOSH

M. McKENNA *sec.*

Committee to draft Resolutions

On motion the above report of the Committee was unanimously adopted as the laws of this Eureka Mining dist. When the meeting proceeded to elect a Recorder by ballot which resulted in the election of J. W. Hanford of Mineral City Weaver Mining Dist. A. T.

On motion meeting adjourned *sine die*

JAS S. SPANN *Sec.*

P. HOVEY *President*

Notice.

WILLIAMSPORT Dec. 20th 1865

The Anual meeting of Eureka Mining district A. T. will be held at the Dist. Recorders office on the 2nd day of January next at 2 Oclock P. M. Also an election for Dist. Recorder at the same time and place

J. W. HANFORD *Recorder*

In pursuance of the above notice the miners met and organized by choosing P. Hovey chairman and J. W. Hanford Secretary

By Jas. S. Spann

Resolved That we abolish the District organization

So adopted

Resolved That the Books of record of this Eureka Mining District A. T. be left in the care of Jas S. Spann not to be removed from the district—

So adopted

On motion the meeting adjourned *sine die.*

Williamsport Jany 2nd 1866

J. W. HANFORD *Secretary.*

MARICOPA COUNTY.—WICKENBURG MINING DISTRICT.

LAWS OF THE WICKENBURG MINING DISTRICT ARIZONA TERRITORY.

ARTICLE 1st. This district shall embrace all the ground from which the waters flow to the Hassayampa River South of the Red Cannon situated ten miles South of Weaverville extending South to the White Tanks, and shall be known as the Wickenburg District.

ART. 2nd This District shall have a Recorder who shall hold office for one year from the time of his election, or until his successor shall be elected & qualified & he shall be entitled to receive one dollar (\$1.00) for each claim recorded.

ART. 3rd A claim on any Metallic Vein or Lode of Quartz or other rock in this District shall be three hundred feet (300) running with the dips, spurs & angles of the lode together with one hundred and fifty feet of ground on each side next to the lode with all minerals therein contained.

ART. 4th All persons locating ground for Mining purposes on any Metallic Vein or Lode of Quartz or other rock, in this district, shall be required to post a notice in a conspicuous place on the Vein indicating as nearly as may be practicable its direction, & setting forth the number of feet claimed each way from the notice, and the notice of the discoverer or of the company claiming the discovery claim, so posted, shall be the starting point from which all claims subsequently located on the same Vein shall be measured.

ART. 5th No person shall be entitled to hold by location in this District more than one claim on the same Vein, except the discoverer who shall be entitled to two.

ART. 6th Any notice claiming ground for mining purposes on any Metallic Vein or Lode of Quartz or other rock in this District, posted according to the provisions of Art. 4th of this code, shall be deemed sufficient to hold such ground for the term of thirty days from the date of such notice; but if after the expiration of thirty days such notice be not found recorded or filed with the Recorder for record, the ground so claimed shall be subject to relocation.

ART. 7th Any claimant or claimants to any ground in this District, located & held as herein above provided, shall perform or cause to be performed the amount of five days labor to each claim, on any part of his or their ground at any time between the date of the notice claiming such ground and ninety days thereafter shall be deemed sufficient to hold the same for the term of one year from date of record.

ART. 8th A Miners meeting may be called at any time in the District, by posting notices in three of the most public places (5) five days previous to the time for which the meeting is called, by the recorder at the request of three miners of this district, stating the object for which the meeting is called and designating the time & place of holding the meeting.

ART. 9th No person shall be allowed to locate any claim on any Metallic Vein or Lode of Quartz or other rock in this district for any non resident of this Territory.

ART. 10th All persons owning mining ground and recorded in this District shall have a vote—

ART. 11th Any Water privilege taken up in this District by notice & recorded, shall hold good for the term of one year from date of record.

ART. 12th All laws or parts of laws heretofore in force in this District, pertaining in any way to Quartz mining are hereby repealed.

ART. 13th These laws shall be in force in this District from & after their passage.

Adopted May 21st 1864.

Jas. A. Moore was elected recorder May 21st 1864

HENRY WICKENBURG *President*

JAS A. MOORE *Secretary*

YAVAPAI COUNTY.—WALNUT GROVE MINING DISTRICT.

LAWS & REGULATIONS.

ART 1. This Dist shall be known & called the Walnut Grove Quartz mining Dist & shall be bounded as follows, on the North by the Hassayampa Dist & on the East by the Aqua Erico river running down the said river 30 miles or more thence West across to the Hassayampa to where the wagon road leaves that stream to Los Pinos & thence North from Los Pinos on the line of the Weaver Dist to the place of beginning—

ART 2d This Dist shall have a recorder who shall hold the office for one year from the time of his election or until such time as his successor shall be elected & qualified & whose duty it shall be to visit, examine & measure either himself or his deputy the ground claimed in any notice presented to him for record, before recording the same & shall be entitled to receive one dollar for every claim so examined & recorded & shall also receive fifty cents (50c) per mile from the place of his residence to the place of the location to be recorded.

ART 3d A claim upon any ledge or lode of mineral rock shall not exceed three hundred feet (300) running with the main lode together with one hundred & fifty feet (150) of ground on each side of the main lode with all the mineral contained there in

ART 4th All persons locating ground for mining purposes on any metallic vein or lode of quartz or other rock in this Dist shall be a citizen of the United States & shall be to post a notice in a conspicuous place on the vein indicating as nearly as possible the direction & setting forth the number of feet claimed each way from the notice & the notice of the discoverer or the company containing the discovery claim shall be the starting point from which all claims subsequently located on the same vein shall be measured

ART 5th No person shall be entitled to hold by location on the same vein except the discoverer who shall be entitled to two claims—

ART 6th Any notice claiming ground for mining purposes on any metallic vein or lode of quartz or other mineral rock posted according to Article 4th of this code shall be deemed sufficient to hold such claim or claims for the period of sixty (60) days from the date of such notice, but if after the expiration of sixty (60) days such notice be found not recorded or filed for record with the Recorder of this Dist the ground so claimed shall be deemed abandoned & subject to relocation—

ART 7th All notices claiming ground for mining purposes on any metallic vein or lode of quartz or other mineral rock in this Dist properly located in this Dist according to the provisions of art 4 of this code shall be deemed sufficient to hold such ground & give them perpetual title thereto.

ART 8th A miners meeting may be called at any time for the purpose of amending or changing the laws of this Dist by posting notices in three (3) conspicuous places in this Dist ten (10) days previous to holding such election after publishing the same for three (3) months in any paper published in this Territory stating in said notice the object for which said meeting is called & the place of holding the same all such notices to be signed by ten quartz miness of this Dist—

ART 9th All persons owning ground & residing in this Dist may vote at any election properly called. All persons non residents of this Dist may vote by proxy provided they hold at the time of such meeting one (1) claim in this Dist.

ART 10th The Recorder shall provide at his own expense all books necessary for the recording of claims deeds, transfers &c pertaining to his office & keep the same open to the inspection of the public & turn them over to his successor in office free of charge—

ART 11—An election shall be held on the first Monday in December of each year for the purpose of electing a recorder a majority of votes cast by ballot to elect the same who shall commence his duties & take charge of the books on the first Monday in January after his election—

ART 12—In case of the death or resignation of the Recorder an election shall be ordered by posting three (3) notices in conspicuous places in this Dist't ten (10) days previous to the time of holding said meeting—

ART 13—It shall be the duty of the Recorder to enter on the books for recording claims underneath the notice the name of the person who examined such claims for record—

ART 14—All laws or parts of laws heretofore in force in this Dis't pertaining to Quartz Mining are here by repealed—

ART 15—These laws shall be in force from & after the date of their adoption—

The above is a true copy of the laws in the Walnut Dis't as adopted & now in force—

F. M. LARKIN Deputy Recorder

WALNUT GROVE May 21st 1864—

YAVAPAI COUNTY.—BRADSHAW MINING DISTRICT.

TRANSCRIPT OF THE RULES LAWS & REGULATIONS OF THE BRADSHAW MINING DIST HELD SEPT 14TH 1864 AT MONTEZUMA CITY ARIZONA TERRITORY

At a meeting of the miners of Bradshaw Dist in the Territory of Arizona on Turkey Creek Mr Moore was called to the chair & Dr George M Willing appointed Secretary of said meeting—The following proceedings were then & there had—

The Dist was declared to be ten miles square commencing from a monument in the town of Montezuma on Turkey creek & radiating from said monument in each & every direction five miles, which was in open meeting declared to be the boundaries of said mining Dist of Bradshaw—

On motion Mr M Solomon was nominated & by acclamation elected President of said Dist for the term specified in the rules laws & regulations—

On motion Dr George M Willing was nominated & duly elected Recorder for the term specified in the said laws & regulations of said Dist—

NAME AND STYLE

ART 1st The name style & title of this District shall be "The Bradshaw Mining District of Arizona Territory—

OFFICERS

ART 2d SEC 1 The officers of the said Bradshaw Mining Dist shall be composed of a President & Recorder—

SEC 2d—It shall be the duty of the President to preside at all meetings of the miners & faithfully cause the laws rules & regulations of said district to be faithfully enforced & until the Government of the United States shall by act of Congress or otherwise establish laws regulating the same. The President shall be ex officio Judge of the miners court before whom all causes relating to the mines shall be tried & shall hold his office for the term of one year or until his successor is duly elected & qualified.

SEC 3d In the absence or death of the President the Recorder shall perform the duties pertaining to the office of President.

SEC 4th It shall be the duty of the Recorder to keep a true & correct record of all mining lots claims, discovery lots & building sites or lots or parcels of ground enumerated herein in a book set apart for that purpose He shall also in person or by deputy bound & number all mining claims or lots & parcels of ground as set forth in these laws rules & regulations & give to said claimants a certified copy of same on payment of fees. He shall also be ex officio clerk of the miners court & shall keep a seal of his office—The said Recorder as compensation for such services shall be entitled to the following fees—

For recording a surface or wash digging.....	one dollar
" " " placer	one dollar
" " " ledge or lode claim.....	one dollar
" " " mill site or lot claim	five dollars
" " all other claims not enumerated.....	one dollar
" " Deeds & mortgages	Two dollars & a half
" each transcript.....	" " " "
" affixing seal of office.....	25 cts
" administering oath	25 "
" Each summons & subpoena.....	25 "
" Each certificate	25 "

On the fourteenth day of September 1865 & on the fourteenth day of each succeeding year in September there shall be held an election for the officers of this District which election shall be by ballot—

Any five persons present & qualified voters under these laws rules & regulations may appoint a Judge of said election which Judge shall appoint two clerks & proceed to receive the votes of the miners for the several officers to be elected—

No person shall be a voter at any such election after the 14" day of September 1864 unless such person shall have resided in this District thirty days prior to the day of said election—And no person shall be entitled unless such person is connected or associated with some mine in this Dist & provided further that no person shall be entitled to vote by proxy—

It shall be the duty of said clerks at each election held within this Dist record the names of each voter & mark upon the ticket the number of such ballot in plain figures each clerk keeping a separate list of names & votes & at the close of the ballot box to record the votes counted by the Judge of said election in the presence of three witnesses—One copy of which record of both names & votes shall be filed with the Recorder & one copy with the President of said Dist

ART 4—SEC 1—Each person within this Dist shall be entitled to hold the following claims as hereinafter described in section 2
 Art 4 The working of one of said claims shall be evidence of the working of all & shall hold the same as if all were worked. Provided

however that each & every discovery claim or lot & one *pre-emption* lot or claim by location near said discovery which said claims of this class shall be held inviolate to the discoverer whether worked or not or whether it shall be one or the other of the claims as enumerated in sec 2 art 4 to wit

SEC 2—One discovery claim of all kinds	300 ft square
One claim by location	300 " "
One Placer or Surface claim	300 " "
One Hill claim	300 " "
One Lode or vein or ledge of Gold Silver, Copper, Tin or other metal of value, on each and every lode or vein discovered	300 " "
One lot for building purposes 50 ft x 150 feet—	
One water claim 300 yards square—	

One mill site for each mill or reducing works—one hundred yards square—provided however that no person or persons shall take up any claim within this dist for Agricultural or Horticultural or Ranching purposes to the exclusion of mining operations—Nor shall such claimant or claimants of such lands or parcels of land hold the same only under the laws rules & regulations of this Dist & the same may be taken up as mining claims by the miners thereof—Provided however that all improvements of value on such lands or parcels of land shall not be interrupted or damaged, but where a valuable mine is known to exist & any such improvements be thereon the damages shall be assessed by three disinterested persons & the claimant of such mine shall pay to the owner of such improvements the assessed value of such damages—

ART 5 SEC 1—Two or more persons may form themselves into a company for the more perfect & profitable working of their claims & said company or companies shall be protected & defended as provided for each & every individual miner. Said company or association may take up & hold a claim of one of all the afore mentioned classes of claims for each & every member of said company & for each operator in their employ & that may be duly employed by said company or companies in the working of said claims as specified in Art 4 Sec 2 Each company or companies shall have the right of all discoveries made by them as single miners with right of way for roads, sluices, mills tunnels or other operations necessary for mining purposes & shall be privileged to record & hold their claims under the title & name of their company or companies or association of persons—Any miner or company of miners may in addition to the grants specified in these laws rules & regulations of this mining Dist acquire and retain by transfer or device, purchase any claim or claims transferred by any miner in this Dist or persons holding claims therein and said transfers shall be by deed conveyed & acknowledged before the Recorder of said Dist or other officer qualified to take acknowledgements & recorded by him. And when the party or parties reside without the Dist then such transfer shall be acknowledged before any Judge of any court of record in the United States or the Territories & the same shall be recognized by this Dist as valid & admitted to record—

ART 6th—These laws rules & regulations may be altered & repealed only in the following manner to wit—
Any eight persons members of said dist may petition to the President thereof, to call a special meeting of the miners or at their regular sittings, stating for what purpose in full & upon the receipt of such petition the President shall cause six notices to be put up in the most public places of the dist ninety days before the day of calling the miners together for such meeting to take into consideration only the subject matter contained in said petition & the same rules shall be applied to all such meetings as is applied to voters in this Dist, each member thereof to be a qualified voter. And then & there it shall be determined whether the matter contained in such petition shall be acted on—And provided further that no other matter or subject relating or appertaining to the miners shall be acted upon in said meeting unless two thirds of the miners of this dist shall consent to the same & are present at said meeting & provided further that such alteration change or repeal of any law rule or regulation shall not affect in any manner whatever any claim or claims or right, of any description whatever owned or claimed by any person or persons under the existing laws of this Dist prior to the said alteration, change or repeal of the same—

ART 7—Every miner shall be considered as a representative of said Dist & shall be entitled to a seat in said meeting provided he is a citizen of the United States of America & qualified under these laws, & it shall be the duty of the clerk to keep a correct list of the names of such miners alphabetically & call the names upon the roll the same as if it were a regular constituted legislative body & when also it is requested by any member, & also to note absentees. And it is further provided that the Recorder shall be ex officio clerk of all such miners meetings with power to appoint a clerk when the said Recorder shall preside

AMENDMENT—It is further provided that on account of the danger apprehended by depredations of Indians & the safety of the mining community no person or persons shall be compelled to work any mine for the space of one year commencing from the 14th day of September 1864 to the 14th day of Sept 1865—

These laws, rules & regulations to be in force from & after their passage—

I do hereby certify that the foregoing laws rules & regulations were passed & approved in meeting by the miners assembled in the Bradshaw Mining Dist Arizona Territory Sept 14th 1864
MAX SOLOMON *President*

TERRITORY OF ARIZONA
Montezuma City ss

RECORDERS OFFICE
The Bradshaw Mining Dist

I, George M. Willey, Recorder for & within The Bradshaw Mining Dist do hereby certify that the above is a correct copy of the foregoing laws rules & regulations of the Bradshaw Mining District
Given under my hand and seal of office this 14th day of September 1864
GEORGE M. WILLEY *Recorder*

[Private seal x no public seal provided.]

YAVAPAI COUNTY.—AGUA FRIO MINING DISTRICT.
LAWS OF THE AGUA FRIO MINING DISTRICT.

At a meeting of the undersigned citizen miners held Jan. 11th A. D. 1865 at the point on the Agua Frio known as the Beaver Dams, the following rules & regulations for governing this Mining District were adopted.

SEC. 1st This District shall be known as the Agua Frio District.

SEC. 2nd The boundaries of this District shall be as follows—On the North by Bradshaw, Turkey Creek and Walnut Grove Districts. Thence running southward along the eastern line of the Wickenburg District forty miles. Thence east ward forty miles crossing the Agua Frio at or near the Frog Tanks, thence north forty miles, Thence westward, to the south east corner of the Bradshaw district.

SEC. 3rd There shall be one recorder elected for this District who shall hold his office one year from the present date, whose duty it shall be to keep a faithful record of all claims of mineral or auxiliary lands and other documents filed with him for record.

SEC. 4th The recorder shall receive for his services one dollar for each claim recorded, & one dollar for each certificate of record.

SEC. 5th All claims shall be numbered each way from the discovery claim.

SEC. 6th The Territorial law for the registry & government of minerals & mineral deposits is hereby adopted, to its full intent and effect.

SEC. 7th These laws shall remain in force until changed by a meeting called for that purpose consisting of not less than twenty interested miners.

SEC. 8th It shall be the duty of the recorder to call a meeting when requested by seven or more interested miners of the District and no meeting shall be considered legal unless called by the Recorder who shall give due notice thereof.

SEC. 9th On motion Milton Hadley was unanimously elected Recorder of the District.

MILTON HADLEY
N. P. PIERCE
G. W. SMITH
G. JOHNSON
GEORGE CLINTON

N. L. GRIFFIN
W. R. BASHAM
JESUS MUNGUIS
SIMON ROBLEZ
JESUS OTARO

ALFRED ZIMMERMAN
W. F. BANNING
JOSEPH LENNON*

JOSEPH LENNON *President*

MILTON HADLEY *Secretary*

YAVAPAI COUNTY.—TURKEY CREEK MINING DISTRICT.

RECORD OF DISTRICT MINING LAWS.

At a meeting of the miners of Turkey Creek Quartz Mining District, Territory of Arizona, held at the office of the Mining Recorder on the 23th day of January A. D. 1865, T. J. Arnold called to the chair & Henry Clifton acting as secretary, when the following resolutions were submitted & adopted—to wit:

1st *Resolved*, That the Territorial mining law shall govern the mines of this District, provided that each claim or pertenencia shall be numbered each way from the discovery claim 1, 2, 3, &c. North South East or West (as the case may be) each claimant holding the ground on the vein corresponding to the number opposite his name.

2nd *Resolved*, that the miners of this District shall meet at the office of the mining Recorder on the 1st day of June of each year and elect some suitable person as Recorder who shall hold said office until his successor shall be elected & qualified, at which time he shall be required to deliver to his successor in good order, & without fee, all the books & papers in any wise pertaining to said office.

3rd *Resolved*—that the recorder of this District for performing the duties required by section 19 of the Territorial Mining Law shall be entitled to receive the following fees; to wit: For each mine actually visited measured described & recorded by him or his deputy (50) Fifty cents per mile going and returning, and one (1.00) dollar for each claim or pertenencia contained in such mine. For recording description of auxiliary tract (\$2.50) two dollars & fifty cents. For performing the duties required of him by section 28 of the Territorial Mining Law he shall receive fifty cents per mile going & coming to & from the mine, with one dollar for pertenencia contained in such mine.

4th *Resolved*—that all laws or parts of laws heretofore in force in this District in any wise conflicting with the provisions of the Territorial Mining Law, or these Resolutions, are hereby repealed.

T. J. ARNOLD *President*

HENRY CLIFTON *Secretary*.

TURKEY CREEK QUARTZ MINING DISTRICT
Yavapai County, Territory of Arizona, January 28 A. D. 1865.

Recorded January 29th 10 oclock a. m. A. D. 1865

CHARLES TAYLOR *Recorder*
By HENRY CLIFTON *Deputy*

YAVAPAI COUNTY.—BIG BUG MINING DISTRICT.

In pursuance to a notice a miners meeting was held at Boggs & Companys camp on Big Bug Creek in the Woolsey Mining district county of Yavapai Territory of Arizona Feb. 7th 1865 There being a large majority of the miners of the district present the following business was transacted.

On motion Jackson McCracken was duly installed into the chair and J. M. Boggs elected secretary.

The following resolutions were introduced & unanimously adopted as laws regulating the mining interests of the district.

Resolved, That the name of this district shall be known hereafter as the Big Bug Mining district.

Resolved, That a new Recorder shall be elected for this district.

Resolved, That the Recorder be allowed the sum of 50 cents a mile, where the distance exceeds two miles, going to a mine or mines; for recording and returning from a mine the recorder shall receive no compensation for mileage.

Resolved, That the recorder be instructed to number all claims located in this district from the discovery claim.

Resolved, That all claims located in this mining district shall not exceed two hundred feet on any Quartz ledge, vein or Lode excepting the discoverer or discoverers, who alone shall be entitled to locate one claim by preemption and one for discovery.

Resolved, That the mining law passed by the Legislative assembly of the Territory of Arizona, concerning the locating of auxiliary land for mining & mill purposes, be adopted.

Resolved, That all claims on Quartz ledges, Veins or Lodes, taken up or located and recorded prior to the date of this meeting, in the name or names of females in this district, shall be considered legal and valid, and their rights to said claim or claims shall be respected in the same manner and form that the laws of this district extend to males.

Resolved, That the recorder be instructed to hold his office in the most populous section of this mining district.

Resolved, That all laws passed and adopted by previous miners' meetings held in this district shall be declared null & void and of no effect whatever, such laws conflicting with acts and resolutions passed and adopted by this meeting.

Resolved, That any claim or claims located in this district, shall be placed on record within thirty days after discovery, or such claim or claims shall be liable & subject to re-location by other parties.

Resolved, That whenever the recorder be requested by five or more miners of this district to call a miners meeting he shall proceed to have three public notices posted in the most conspicuous places in the district, and specify the motive & object for which the meeting shall be called for.

Resolved, That the proceedings of this meeting shall be published in the "Arizona Miner."

John H. Marion was nominated and elected by acclamation Recorder of the district.

The following was offered and unanimously adopted :

Resolved, That the newly elected Recorder Mr. John H. Marion, be instructed to pursue a legal course in securing all books records or papers belonging to this district.

On motion the meeting adjourned sine die—

JACKSON McCracken *President*

J. M. Boggs *Secretary*.

BIG BUG & Feb. 7th 1865.

YAVAPAI COUNTY.—BRADSHAW MOUNTAIN MINING DISTRICT.

MINING LAWS.

In pursuance to notice a meeting of miners of Bradshaw mountain was held Oct 24th 1870 at the mining camp of Messrs Taylor McCracken & Co for the purpose of organizing a mining District & enacting laws for the Government of the same—

On assembling M Taylor was elected chairman who explained the object of the meeting & appointed McMorris, Geo Monroe & Samuel Boll a com of three to draft a code of mining laws for the Dist, describe its boundaries & give it a name—

After a short absence the com presented to the meeting the following report—

ART 1 That this Dist be known as Bradshaw Mt Dist & bounded as follows, on the north by Turkey Creek Dist, on the west by Bradshaw Dist on the south by Pine Grove Dist & on the east by Black Canon Dist—

ART 2 That this Dist elect a Recorder whose term of office shall be one year from date of election & whose duties shall be to make true & correct entries of notices of mining & all other claims left with him for record in good & suitable books expressly for that purpose, said books of record to always be kept in the possession of the Recorder & subject to inspection to all persons when calling at proper office hours.

ART 3 The Recorder shall receive as compensation for his services the following fees viz— Recording mining & all other claims one dollar for each name & will be required to give a certificate of record to all persons requiring the same, by paying for each certificate one dollar—

ART 4—Any six miners by giving three days notice regularly posted at conspicuous places at different mining camps in the Dist, can call a regular miners meeting & it will be the duty of the Recorder to act as Secretary of all regularly called miners meetings—

ART 5—No person will be allowed to vote at miners meetings except those owning interest in the Dist—

ART 6—A claim of any Gold, Silver, Copper, Lead or other metallic quartz or rock on any leade, lode, or ledge, or deposit shall be two hundred feet by pre-emption & two hundred feet additional for the right of discovery together with all dips, spurs, angles & variations, and seventy-five feet on each side of the Leade, lode or ledge so claimed, for working & mining purposes—

ART 7—Any person or persons discovering any Leade, lode ledge or deposit of Gold, Silver, Copper Lead or Clay & claiming the same will be required to erect a monument on the Leade with notice naming the leade stating the number of feet claimed describing as near as possible its general course & locality—

ART 8—Any person or persons locating any Leade, lode or ledge or deposit of Gold Silver, Copper, Lead or other metallic bearing quartz rock or clay will be required to file a notice with the Recorder for record within ten days after such location or locations—

ART 9—A monument upon any leade, lode ledge or deposit will be sufficient to hold an individual or company's claim six months from the date of record—

ART 10—A shaft or Tunnel of ten feet on the leade lode or ledge of any individual or company's claim will be sufficient to hold the same one year from the date of record & a shaft or tunnel of twenty feet on the leade lode or ledge on any individual claim or company's will be considered a permanent title & not subject to relocation—

ART 11—Any individual or company not worked for one year from the date of record will be declared abandoned & subject to relocation—

ART 12—Any reasonable amount of ground not exceeding ten acres & taken in a body can be located for a mill site for milling & mining purposes together with wood timber & water on the same & must be recorded giving its proper boundaries

ART 13—No person or company can nor shall in any way obstruct the free access to or from any individual or company claim (mining) nor infringe in any way by cutting wood or timber on ground allowed each side of leade for working & mining purposes—

ART 14—Water claims for milling & mining purposes can be located upon any gulch ravine or spring including & claiming the entire amount of water running in such gulch or ravine to the point of location & amount of water afforded by such spring if actually

necessary for milling & mining purposes by the person or company so locating & no person or company can in any manner make subsequent locations of water privileges that will in any way affect or *diminish* water previously located. Water privileges must be recorded with description of their locality & boundaries of claims—

ART 15 A lot on any town site in this Dist shall be one hundred feet square & subject to preemption & must be recorded—

ART 16—Grounds for agriculture or garden purposes can be located by filing notice with the Recorder giving the boundaries & location provided such location does not in any manner interfere with the free access to or from any mining claims or interfere with or *diminish* any water claimed & required for milling & mining purposes—

ART 17—The rights of miners, for milling, mining & working purposes shall have preference over all other rights.

MACK MORRIS

GEO MONROE

SAMUEL BALL

Committee

On motion the report was received & the committee discharged—

On motion Mack Morris was elected recorder for the Dis't.

No more business being before the meeting it was adjourned sine die

McMORRIS—*Sec'y.*

MOHAVE COUNTY—HUALAPAI MINING DISTRICT.

SOLDIER SPRINGS Nov 4th 1870

In pursuance with notice a meeting of the claim holders assembled at Soldier Springs on the 4th day of November 1870 & on motion of Mr O Key, James Fleming was chosen President & Henry Hardy Secretary

On motion of Mr Dunkel a committee of three consisting of Messrs Hardy, Hoffner & Fleming were chosen to draft a new set of laws to govern the Dist on & after this date—

On motion all laws, rules & regulations heretofore adopted are hereby repealed & declared null & void—

The committee appointed to draft a new set of laws to govern the Dist reported the following which upon motion of Mr Fee were adopted to wit.—

ART 1st This District shall be known hereafter as the "Wallapi Mining Dist" & shall be bounded as follows to wit—"Commencing at Beals' Springs & running thence along the Prescott & Mohave Toll road westerly ten miles, thence up the Sacramento Valley centrally with the river range of mountains thirty miles, thence East twenty miles, thence down the Wallapi Valley to road & thence to Beal's Springs"—

ART 2d Each locator of a claim upon any mineral bearing vein or lode shall be entitled to 200 feet in length & one hundred & fifty feet on each side, if not conflicting with any other parallel lead or lode & each discoverer of any vein or lode shall be entitled to 200 feet additional—

ART 3—All locations shall be plainly marked by stakes or monuments & notices posted defining the boundaries & containing the name of the claimants & number of feet claimed—

ART 4th All claims located from the first of October 1870 to Nov 4th 1870 shall be duly recorded by the 15th of November 1870 & all claims located after the 4th day of Nov 1870 shall be recorded within ten days after location & as soon as the notice is filed it shall be considered recorded—

ART 5th It shall be the duty of the Recorder to keep in a suitable book or books a full record of the proceedings of all meetings free of charge, and to place on record all locations brought to him for record, where such location does not interfere with or affect the rights or interests of others, provided he shall receive the sum of fifty cents for each location of 200 feet—

ART 6th The Recorder shall not recognise any location of any character made prior to the first day of Oct 1870—

ART 7th The Recorder shall be required to visit every location made, prior to recording the same & see that the boundaries are well defined by good & substantial marks & shall receive there fore the sum of fifty cents per mile to be computed from O Key or Whitney Springs—

ART 8th In case the Recorder neglect to perform any act required of him by these laws he shall forfeit his office, provided that three notices be posted calling a meeting giving at least two days notice signed by three claim owners—at said meeting the parties agrieved shall submit their charges & if sustained by a majority of those present the office shall be declared vacant & his successor shall be immediately elected—

ART 9th Each & every claim holder shall be required to put at least two days work upon each location for every two hundred feet claimed within ninety days after recording—And after the expiration of said ninety days each & every claim holder shall be required to put at least one day's work upon each location for every two hundred feet claimed every thirty days, until the depth of thirty feet is sunk on the location—after the depth of thirty feet is sunk it shall not be subject to re-location, unless publicly abandoned, for one year—

ART 10th Every claim holder, locator or locators not complying with the provisions of article nine shall forfeit all rights of every kind, nature & character whatsoever & the locations made by them shall be considered & treated as null & void—

ART 11th Two or more company owners claiming upon the same vein or lode may join together in prospecting said vein or lode & the work done on the vein or lode by one-company may be accredited to both, provided articles of agreement to that effect are filed with the Recorder & one of the locators make oath that it is a bona fide transaction—

ART 12th The officers of the Dist shall consist of a Recorder to be elected by those taking part in these proceedings & who shall hold his office for the term of two years from the date of his election & may have one or more deputies—

ART 13th It shall be the duty of the Recorder to give any claim holder, who shall have a claim recorded in his books a certificate of the same & for such services shall receive the sum of one dollar & fifty cents—

ART 14th It shall be the duty of the Recorder to give locators & owners of claims who shall make a written affidavit that he has done a certain amount of work on a vein or lode & receipt for the same & for said services he shall receive the sum of one dollar & fifty cents & said amount shall include the expense of filing the affidavit—

ART 15th These laws shall be subject to revision alteration or amendment by a majority of claim owners & actual residents of the Dist at all times, provided, that twenty-five claim holders cause to be posted in three public places (including one at the county seat) notices setting forth the place, and intended revision, alteration or amendment to be made—

ART 16 " The Recorder shall be a bona fide resident of the Dist & shall keep all books & papers in said Dist, so long as it may be safe to do so, & in case of removal shall deposit all books & papers with the county Recorder subject to the order of the claim holders of said Dist, provided that in the case of the removal of said books & papers from the office of the County Recorder said claim owners give sufficient guarantee for their safety—

ART 17 " The Recorder shall not absent himself from the Dist without leaving a good & reliable deputy & in case he should be absent for more than thirty days said office shall become vacant & said Deputy shall immediately call a meeting of claim holders whose duty it shall be to elect a Recorder to fill the vacancy. In case there shall be no deputy then three (3) claim holders shall be empowered to call a meeting for a like purpose & either of said notices shall give at least five days notice & one copy shall be posted on the county seat—

ART 18 " There shall be held at the office of the Dist Recorder an annual meeting of claim owners at the hour of 10 o'clock a. m. the first Wednesday of November

On motion of Mr Speer, William Fer was duly elected Recorder for the ensuing two years

On motion the meeting adjourned sine die—

JAMES FLEMING *President*

HENRY F. HARDY *Secretary*

CERBAT CITY March 22d 1871

Miners meeting called to order & S M. Atchison chosen chairman when the following amendments were made to the mining laws of the Dist—

Article 9 was so amended as to read.

That two days work in each company location of two hundred feet or more will be sufficient to hold their claim for the term of three months—

ARTICLE 17 Is hereby amended so as to read as follows, The Recorder shall not absent himself from the District without leaving a good & reliable Deputy" striking out the words thirty days

ARTICLE 19. Whereas we think it to the interests & advancement of the District to those have mines that they that do work on the furnace shall have their work or such amount thereof as is necessary to hold their claims accredited to such claims for the term of three months—

ARTICLE 20—The Recorder shall be required to enter upon the records the appointment of his deputy or deputies—

ART 2 Is so amended as to conform to Senator Stewart's bill, which is an act to protect the rights of miners, a width of one hundred & fifty feet on each side of the thread of the lode, shall be allowed, and all the veins found within the space formed by this surface location extending downward perpendicularly shall belong to the locator of the claim with the right to follow such lodes even if they dip out of said lines

Meeting then adjourned

S. M. ATCHISON—*President*

W. J. FEE *Recorder—*

Meeting held Nov 4th 1872 at which Mr Toll moved that the congressional act now in force be adopted as a whole, which was adopted—

Dr Rees moved that twenty days work be considered equivalent to \$100⁰⁰ done in a ledge, carried—

A. C Haskell receiving 62 votes out of 94 cast was declared elected Recorder

H. F. BAKER *Presdt—*

YAVAPAI COUNTY.—TIGER MINING DISTRICT.

PROCEEDINGS OF MINERS MEETING HELD FEBRUARY 4TH 1871

Meeting called to order, Jackson McCrackin Presd't & E. A. Gordon Secty—

Motion that the Presd't appoint three to draft rules & regulations for the government of the Dist Carried & Messrs Rees, Rogers & Gordon appointed & upon report of the Committee the following rules & regulations were adopted—

ART 1—That the District is to be known as the "Tiger District"

ART 2—This District shall include all the country known as the "Humbug" from its head to a point ten miles down said stream—

ART 3—The officers of the Dist shall consist of one Recorder who shall be elected by the miners of the Dist for the term of one year unless sooner removed by charges properly preferred & sustained by claim holders of the Dist

ART 4—It shall be the duty of the Recorder when so ordered by five claim holders to call & preside over all meetings upon business pertaining to the Dist—

ART 5—The duties of the Recorder shall be to record all claims or articles pertaining to the rights of the miners, also to act as Secretary of all meetings keeping a correct record of the proceedings of the same—

ART 6—All locations made in this District shall be designated by a monument & notice there on to be placed on some prominent part of the location describing location & direction of the lode & of the amount of ground claimed not to exceed 200 feet for each claimant with the right of an additional 200 feet for the discovery claim

ART 7—It shall be the duty of every locator to file a copy of his notice within ten days from date of location with the mining Recorder of the Dist

ART 8—Resolved that five days work to every claim shall hold the same for the period of six months—the work to commence within 30 days from date of Record—

ART 9—The Recorder shall be allowed one dollar per name as fees for recording

On motion of Mr J. Rees, E. A. Gordon was duly elected Recorder for the period of one year

E. A. GORDON *Recorder "Tiger" Mining District—*

YAVAPAI COUNTY.—SEDGWICK MINING DISTRICT.

CLINTON STATION A. T. *November 20th 1871*PROCEEDINGS OF A MEETING HELD AT CLINTON STATION NOV 20th 1871.

Mr Pierce Dorgan was duly elected chairman & forthwith proceeded to call the meeting to order—C. G. Terry elected chairman—

1—On motion of Mr Cox a District was formed having as a pivot a high point to the North East of Clinton Station, said point to be hereafter known as McCloud's point—

2—On motion the following described lines is hereby made the boundary of the Dist now undergoing organization—From McClouds point east for a distance of eight miles & from thence south a distance of 12 miles thence west 12 miles, thence north 12 miles thence 4 miles east to McClouds point comprising a section of country 12 miles square—

3 On motion Dist named Sedgwick Dist

4—Regarding claims by motion of Mr Hall that a period not to exceed twenty days after location be granted to claimants to record their respective claims before the Dist Recorder—Carried—

5—Motion of Mr Kennedy that five days work on any claim or company's claim hold the same for six months—Carried

6—Motion that within 30 days after recording work be commenced upon said recorded claims—Carried—

7—Motion Mr Cox that each claim or company's claim have their respective limits defined by erecting a monument or driving a stake at the beginning and terminus of said claims—Carried—

Motion of Chairman, Samuel Hill was elected Dist Recorder in & for Sedgwick Dist

Motion of Mr Kennedy that the Dist Recorder have & receive for a consideration the sum of one dollar for each claim placed upon record—

Resolved that a written application be presented to the Recorder of (said) Sedgwick Dist when a miners meeting is to be held & subscribed to by twelve miners interested in said District & be it

Resolved that the Recorder give ten days notice by placing or having placed in three conspicuous places in said Dist before such or any meeting can be held pertaining to the interests thereof—& be it further

Resolved that the Recorder be requested to keep a book for recording claims & said book be open to public inspection & the Recorder will cause to be placed upon the first pages of his record book the proceedings of this meeting & be it further

Resolved that the afore said laws are in force from & after this date & all laws conflicting with the same are hereby repealed

PIERCE DORGAN *Chairman*

C. G. TERRY *Secy*

SAMUEL HILL *Recorder*

MARICOPA COUNTY.—GLOBE MINING DISTRICT.

BOUNDARIES AND LAWS.

Pursuant to notice, the miners in the neighborhood of the Globe Mine, on Pinal Creek, Maricopa county, Territory of Arizona, met together on the 25th of November, 1875, at the camp of A. R. Hammond, for the purpose of forming a Mining District and making the necessary laws to govern the same. R. B. Metcalf, was called to the chair and R. H. Choate, appointed secretary of the meeting.

The chairman stated the object of the meeting, and his remarks were followed by a motion, that the district about to be formed should be called the "Globe Mining District," which was carried.

A motion was also carried that the boundaries of the Globe District be as follows:

Commencing at a point where the supposed line of the San Carlos Indian reservation crosses Salt River; thence down along the course of said river to the mouth of Pinto Creek; thence in a southerly direction to the Bloody Tanks on the trail from the Globe mine to the Pinal Post; thence along the summit of the timber range of the Pinal mountains to the Gila river; thence up the Gila river to the supposed line of the San Carlos reservation; thence along said line to the place of beginning.

This district is intended to embrace that portion of the San Carlos reservation that is about to be cut off and declared open for the occupation of miners and prospectors.

The motion carried that the Mining Act passed by Congress on May 10, 1872, and all subsequent amendments to that Act, be and are hereby adopted as the laws governing this district.

The following By-Laws and regulations were then adopted:

SECTION 1.—That each claim located in this district shall be recorded in the district records within thirty days after the date of Location, and any failure to comply with this rule shall be considered an abandonment, and the claim subject to relocation as though it had never been located.

SECTION 2.—There shall be upon each claim recorded in the district the amount of twenty-five dollars in labor expended during the first three months after the date of location.

SECTION 3.—Any failure to comply with the above rule, shall be deemed an abandonment of the claim.

SECTION 4.—All claims located in this district prior to this date, shall be recorded in the district records, within sixty days from the date of the passage of these laws.

SECTION 5.—Each notice of location presented for record, shall bear the signatures of one or more witnesses to the location.

SECTION 6.—There shall be notices posted in three conspicuous places in the district five days previous to the calling of any and all subsequent meetings of the miners of this district, and five mine owners in the district may call such meeting.

SECTION 7.—In all miners' meetings hereafter held in the district, fifteen mine owners in the district shall be considered a quorum to transact business, and a two-third vote of all mine owners present at any meeting shall be required to alter, abolish or make new laws for this district.

SECTION 8.—On the 25th of November of each year there shall be a meeting of the miners of this district, held for the purpose of electing a recorder, and for such other business as may be brought before it.

SECTION 9.—The recorder shall be elected to serve the term of one year.

SECTION 10.—It shall be the duty of the recorder to keep the books and papers of his office within this district.

SECTION 11.—The recorder shall be entitled to a fee of one dollar for recording each claim, and one dollar for each certificate furnished.

SECTION 12.—It shall be the duty of the recorder to appoint a deputy to act in his stead during his absence from the district.

Nominations for recorder were declared in order, and A. R. Hammond was nominated and elected by acclamation.

A motion was carried that the secretary be instructed to forward a copy of these proceedings to the *Arizona Citizen*, the *Prescott Miner* and the *Silver City Herald* for publication.

Signed,

R. B. METCALFE, *Chairman.*

R. H. CHOATE, *Secretary.*

C. M. SHANNON,
JOHN HARVEY,
A. R. HAMMOND,
EDWIN POLK,
G. C. NOLAND,

I. WINTERS,
N. L. GRIFFIN,
M. ENSENA,
C. E. BUCK,
L. E. JONES,

M. MORRIS,
F. TARBELL,
GEO. SCOTT,
OMER WHITLOCK,
F. J. MORRIS.

R. H. CHOATE, *Secretary.*

Meeting adjourned.

TERRITORY OF ARIZONA,
County of Gila, ss.

I, G. A. Swasey, District Recorder of Globe Mining District, County and Territory aforesaid, do hereby certify that the foregoing is a full, true and correct copy of the Laws, etc., of said Globe Mining District, as found recorded in the Records of said District, and that the same are now in full force and virtue.

Witness my hand this 25th day of February 1881

G. A. SWASEY,

District Recorder said Globe Mining District.

CALIFORNIA.

AMADOR COUNTY.—DRYTOWN MINING DISTRICT.

LOCAL MINING LAWS.

At a meeting of the miners of Dry Creek, Ranchera Creek, Amador Creek & Sutter Creek holden near the town of Rancheras Saturday June 7th 1851, in accordance with previous public notice for the purpose of making rules and regulations for Quartz Miners in the Mining District hereinafter described.

M. A. Lawton was chosen to preside—Samuel Herbert Vice-President & Wm. Salter jr. sec'y.

On motion of O. L. Palmer a committee of three were appointed consisting of O. L. Palmer, Wm. Fenton of Ranchera and Hiram P. Platt of Drytown to prepare resolutions for the consideration of the meeting. Committee offered the following report which was accepted—

Resolved 1st That Rules and Regulations for the security peace and harmony of the miners who are now or who may be hereafter engaged in prospecting and working quartz mines are positively necessary—

Resolved 2nd That in compliance with that necessity we do hereby ordain and establish the following rules and regulations for the government of of the District within the following bounds to-wit:—

All that portion of the County of Calaveras that lies south of the dividing ridge between the Cosumnes River and Dry Creek and North of the Mokelumne River.

Resolved 3rd That the size of a claim in quartz veins shall be two hundred and forty (240) feet in length of the vein without regard to the width to the discoverer or company and one hundred and twenty (120) feet in addition thereto for each member of the company that shall now or may be hereafter organized—

Resolved 4th That no claims hereafter made shall be considered good and valid unless the same shall have been staked off in conformity with the provision of Resolution 3rd and written notice of the size of the claim and number of men in the company posted upon a tree or stake at each end of the claim together with the date of day when the claim was made and all claims that are now made shall be staked off in conformity with these resolutions within five days from the date of the adoption of these resolutions.

Resolved 5th That the size of the claim, the number of men composing the company that holds the claim together with a brief description of the location of the same so that it may be identified shall within ten days after the claim is made be filed in the office of the Justice of the Peace in whose district the same may be located. And all persons holding such claims shall file the same within ten days from this meeting.

And all persons hereafter making claims [within ten days after the claims are located] or otherwise such claims shall be forfeited—

Resolution 6th In all cases where claims are held by a company working jointly they shall not be required to work in more than one place but when held by individuals each several claim must be worked.

Resolution 7th Whenever a claim has been abandoned and such can be clearly proven before the Justice of the Peace where such file was made, said claim shall be forfeited to the person or persons establishing such proofs—

Resolution 8th. That these rules, regulations and proceedings be signed by the President and Secretary of this meeting and filed in the Justice's office at Drytown.

T. J. LAWTON *Pres.*

WM SALTER JR. *Sec'y.*

MARIPOSA COUNTY.—MARIPOSA MINING DISTRICT.

LOCAL LAWS.—MARIPOSA QUARTZ COVENTION.

A convention of Quartz Miners convened pursuant to public call in the town of Quartzburg, County of Mariposa, on the 25th June, 1851. The meeting being called to order, on motion, Col. Thorn was unanimously chosen President of the meeting, and J. T. Temple, Secretary.

On motion, a committee of seven was appointed to draft a preamble and resolutions for the consideration of the meeting.

The chair appointed the following gentlemen as that committee: Col. Kyle, Maj. Burney, Maj. Gaines, Judge Lansing, Messrs Thurmond, jr., F. Johnson and J. T. Temple.

The committee after retiring for some time, made by their chairman, Maj. Burney, the following report:

Whereas, We deem the protection of the Quartz Mining interest in the County of Mariposa essential to the peace of said county, And whereas, certain definite and fixed rules are requisite to the protection of said interest and the maintenance of the peace and harmony of the county; therefore,

That all quartz veins now owned and occupied in the county of Mariposa, or which may hereafter be discovered or claimed, shall be governed by the following rules, to wit: The interest of a party making a discovery in quartz shall be five hundred feet in length, and the entire width of the vein, be that more or less. The interest of all persons claiming subsequently to the discovery shall be two hundred and fifty feet in length, and the entire width of the vein.

Resolved, That every vein of quartz now discovered, or which may be discovered, shall be recorded the County Clerk's Office defining the location, and clearly describing the boundaries of each claim. Every vein of quartz now owned or claimed must be recorded as above specified within thirty days from the first day of July next; and all subsequent discoveries and claims, within thirty days from said discovery or claim.

Resolved, That any person making a discovery of a quartz vein, shall in some clear and distinct manner, in some prominent place, mark his name & the date of the discovery; and further, that every owner of an interest in a quartz vein shall have said interest represented either personally, or by agent and said interest shall be worked in good faith within six months from the date of the record in the County Clerk's office.

Resolved, That all lands adjoining the veins and necessary for the successful operations in mining, as for tunneling, running a ditch, etc, shall be considered as the property of the party owning the vein, or that part of the vein, for the successful working of which said land is important.

Resolved, That we consider all rights claimed in quartz veins, subject to the debts of the claimants or owners, as absolutely as any other property.

Resolved, That all conflicting interests may be settled by a board of seven referees, who shall be disinterested, and their decision shall be final. The parties defeated shall pay the expenses of the referees while adjusting their conflicting interests.

Resolved, That the foregoing resolutions shall not be so construed as in any manner to affect injuriously or in any way impair the sales or transfers of interests heretofore made of quartz veins in this county.

Resolved, That the proceedings of this meeting be published in the Stockton, San Francisco, and Sacramento papers, and that a copy be furnished to our Senators & Representatives in Congress.

Resolved, That for the full and faithful maintenance of these rules and regulations in our County of Mariposa, we sacredly pledge our honors and our lives.

JOHN T. TEMPLE, *Sec'y.*

THOMAS THORN, *President.*

Filed July 16, 1851, and recorded at request of Thomas Thorn, esq.

EDWARD C. BELL,
Clerk Mariposa Coy.

STATE OF CALIFORNIA

County of Mariposa ss:

I, Angevine Reynolds, clerk in and for the County and State above named, do hereby certify the foregoing to be a full, true and correct copy of the Quartzburg Mining Laws, of Mariposa County, as appears of record in my office.

In witness whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed my official seal, this — day of — A. D. 18—

County Clerk.

BUTTE COUNTY.—CON COW MINING DISTRICT.

BY LAWS OF THE QUARTZ CONVENTION HELD AT RICH GULCH ON SATURDAY THE 15TH DAY OF NOVEMBER, 1851.

We the citizens of Rich Gulch and the adjacent mining District in Convention assembled do hereby enact the following laws to govern us in regard to Quartz Mining.

ARTICLE 1st. It shall be the duty of all persons or Companies intending to hold Claims in Quartz in this district, to have the same recorded by the Recorder of this district, within thirty days after discovery. Which claims can be legally held until such times as machinery can be put upon it. Provided the time does not exceed six months.

ARTICLE 2nd. All person or companies claiming and working a Ledge of Quartz, shall be entitled to one hundred & fifty feet of each Ledge so worked and claimed, also one extra claim for discovering the same.

ARTICLE 3d. When a company have taken up a Ledge they shall be entitled to hold so much ground as they may deem necessary for the purpose of erecting machinery & other needful constructions. With the water privileges thereon. Provided the same has not been previously claimed.

ARTICLE 4th. The Recorder elected by this district shall receive for his services the sum of Twenty-five cents for each & every claim he records.

ARTICLE 5th. All difficulties arising from holding disputed claims or Mining Ground shall be settled by arbitration.

All persons buying a claim shall have an indisputable right to the same.

The Convention then elected L. C. Goodman Recorder & adjourned.

C A WEISERT *Chairman.*

JOHN Q. A. MILLER *Secretary.*

LAWS OF 1852. RICH GULCH BUTTE COUNTY.

By Laws of the Miners' Convention held at the store of J. I. Steward, Rich Gulch, May 22nd 1852.

At a meeting of the miners of Rich Gulch & vicinity called by due notice at the store of J. I. Steward on the 22d of May 1852 a large & respectable portion of the miners of this vicinity assembled for the purpose of father regulating the mining interest of this district.

On motion Levi Hedges was elected Chairman & John Callon Secretary.

On motion the laws passed at a former meeting in regard to Quartz mining were read & the following preamble & resolutions were offered & unanimously adopted viz:

1st. *Resolved*, that all persons or companies claiming & working a ledge of quartz shall be entitled to one hundred & fifty each on each ledge so worked & claimed also one extra claim for discovering the same.

2nd. *Resolved*, that on placing a quartz Claim on Record they shall hold the same without working it for six months.

3d. *Resolved*, that no person shall be entitled to more than one Claim in a Ledge unless by purchase or inheritance from this date.

4th. *Resolved*, that if a claim has been taken possession of properly prospected so as to satisfy the parties that they shall work it. They may give due notice thereof & due proof that they have done so their Claims shall be good for 30 days from said notice.

5th. *Resolved*, That all disputes in regard to Quartz Claims shall be settled by three disinterested men. One to be chosen by each party & the third by the two chosen who shall be governed in their decision by the laws of this district & if it be desired by a party or parties said arbitrators shall summon a jury who shall decide the case, as before mentioned, under the direction of the arbitrators & subject to an appeal to a general meeting of the miners.

6th. *Resolved*, that when a company have taken up a Ledge, they shall be entitled to hold so much ground as they may deem necessary for the purpose of erecting machinery & other needful constructions with the water privilege thereon. Provided the same has not been previously claimed

7th. *Resolved*, that no person shall hold more than sixty feet in length & thirty in width in Gulch, Ravine & Flat or Coyate diggins with the exception of present Claimants.

8th. *Resolved*, That Gulch or Ravine & Flat or Coyate claims not recorded must be renewed every ten days, unless the owner is on his Claim & working the same.

9th. *Resolved*, That all Gulch Ravine & Cayate diggins can be held during the dry season by recording the same until their is sufficient water to work the same.

10th. *Resolved*, That no person shall be entitled to more than one Claim in Gulch, Ravine or Coyate diggins unless by purchase or inheritance.

11th. *Resolved*, That all claims in Companyship each shareholder's name shall be inserted upon the Recorder's Book.

12th. *Resolved*, That the discover of any & all Kinds of diggins, shall be entitled to one extra Claim.

13th. *Resolved*, That the discover of any & all Kinds of diggins, shall be entitled to one extra Claim.

14th. *Resolved*, That all disputes in regard to Gulch Ravine or Coyate diggins shall be settled in the same way as in Quartz Claims.

15th. *Resolved*, That the Boundaries of this district shall be the North Fork & West Branch of Feather River

16th. *Resolved*, That a Recorder of Claims shall be appointed at this whose duty it shall be to keep a record of all claims handed in to him on receiving his fees for the same.

17th. *Resolved*, That the Recorder shall Keep one book for Quartz & one for Gulch etc. Claims. He shall act as Secretary at all meetings of the miners of this District provided said meeting be duly called as hereinafter specified. He shall also keep a true record of all laws of this district duly posted, & have his books always ready for inspection & use of all persons calling for the same. He shall also put up Copies of all laws in two public places within the district.

18th. *Resolved*, That the Recorder be empowered to appoint a Deputy to perform his when he may be absent or sick.

19th. *Resolved*, That the Recorder's fee shall be for recording each Quartz Claim or bill of sale one dollar & for each Gulch Claim or bill of sale one dollar provided that he shall not charge more than one fee for recording a company which may comprise two or more shareholders.

20th. *Resolved* That the Recorder shall be elected by vote & J. I. Steward was unanimously elected as Recorder of this district.

21th. *Resolved*, That future meetings of this district shall be called as follows. Any two miners may sign a request to the Recorder to call a meeting stating in their request the object for which the meeting is called

The recorder shall thereupon issue a notice stating in the same a copy said notice shall be posted up in three public places in the District at least three days previous to said meeting, provided that no other business shall be attended to at said meeting except what is specified in said notice.

It was then moved to adjourn for the time being.

LEVI HODGES *Chairman*

JOHN CALLON *Secretary.*

LAWS OF 1880

By virtue of a notice duly signed and posted on the 23d day of August 1880, a meeting of Miners was held at Yankee Hill, Butte Co. Cala on August 28th 1880, for the purpose of revising the mining laws and forming a new District and conforming to the United States Laws, also for the purpose of electing a Recorder for said District, at which place and time the Con Cow Mining District was formed.

Mr. M. H. Wells acted as Chairman and Mr. L. Glass acted as Secretary

Following are the laws passed to govern the District.

Laws.

- 1st. The Mining District shall be called the Con Cow Mining District
- 2nd. The District shall embrace the following described and bounded territory: Commencing at the Junction of the North Fork of Feather River on the West Branch of Feather River on the South end and following the West Branch of Feather River in all its course Westerly and Northerly to the North line Township 22, and thence Easterly to the North Fork of Feather River, thence Southerly and Easterly to the Junction of said North Fork of Feather River and West Branch River to the place of beginning, including to said River the centre thereof.
- 3rd. Chapter Six of Title 32 Revised Statutes of the United States is adopted as this article.
- 4th. In the location of mines in this district, copies of the notices of Location must be placed on the mines before any legal record of the same can be made by the Recorder, any location not so made shall be null and void
- 5th. All locations must be filed in the office of the Recorder within ten (10) days after the actual date of location
- 6th. The Recorder shall be entitled to a fee of one dollar (\$1.00) for each and every notice recorded with one name and twenty-five cents (25 cts) for each additional name.
- 7th. The Recorder of this District shall hold office from the 28th day of August 1880, until his successor is elected.
- 8th. The Recorder shall keep full and complete records of the minutes and proceedings of the respective meetings
- 9th. These rules and regulations and by laws shall not be altered or in any way changed except at a meeting of the miners of said District and then only by a majority of miners Present, which meeting shall be called by written notice posted in five (5) conspicuous places within the District, naming day and date etc, Which meeting shall have power to elect a Recorder, such fact being stated in notice of call.
- 10th. Any and all persons, who are citizens of the United States of America or who have declared their intentions to become such, and own shares or stock or interest in any mine in this district shall be entitled to vote at a miners meeting.
- 11th. Five (\$5.00) dollars per day shall be allowed for each and every eight hours work performed upon a mine, for the purpose of holding title or performing the necessary amount of work for a patent.
- 12th. All mines hereafter located in this District shall be marked by end and corner stakes or monuments at least eighteen inches in height above ground with sufficient marks placed in or upon them showing which end or corner of the claim they designate.
- 13th. All locations made and recorded previous to the adoption of these rules, regulations and by-laws are hereby fully legalized.
- 14th. These rules, regulations and by-laws shall be in full force and effect on and after this 28th day of August 1880.
- 15th. In this District a Ravine claim shall consist of four hundred and fifty feet (450) along the bed of Ravine and fifty feet (50) on each side from centre in width.
- 16th. Hill claims shall be three hundred feet (300) front, at base of hill, and running back to the centre of the Hill.
- 17th. River claims shall consist of twenty (20) acres for each person locating.

The following resolutions were also adopted at this meeting.

Resolved, that parties holding claims under the old laws may at their option relocate and have recorded in the name of the company, as many claims of twenty (20) acres each, as may be embraced within their present boundaries, without invalidating prior and accrued rights and that when five hundred dollars (\$500) has been expended by any company on their claims, that the annual recording and expenditure of fifty dollars (\$50) on said claims, will be held sufficient to confirm title, providing that nothing in the new laws shall be construed so as to affect any rights acquired under the old laws.

Resolved, that we learn with much satisfaction that James C. Logan, Frank McLaughlin and Geo. W. Cummings of Orville contemplate running a tunnel from a point on the North Fork of Feather River near Hamilton Bar through the ridge, to a point in Dark Canon, for the purpose of diverting the water of said North Fork from its natural bed in that portion of the River known as "Big Bend" so that the whole bed of the river may be dried up and mined from said Hamilton Bar to the junction of the West Branch and North Fork of Feather River. And recognising the fact that the bed of said North Fork through said Big Bend cannot be successfully mined in any other way than by drying up or diverting the waters thereof, and believing that the very large amount of money necessary to be expended to accomplish such purpose will give a new and beneficial impetus to the mining interest of this district and reposing the utmost confidence in Messrs Logan, McLaughlin and Cummings be it further resolved and recorded as the sense of this meeting that we the miners of this district do hereby agree to pass such laws governing the district as will from time to time meet the requirements of this great enterprise and we agree that nothing in existing laws, governing this District shall be so construed as to interfere in any manner with the successful carrying out said undertaking. And all laws and parts of laws enacted heretofore in this District for the government of ordinary placer and quartz mining which are not applicable to the present undertaking, (We recognize the fact of the novelty of this enterprise) are hereby declared inoperative and void, as to their application to this great tunnel enterprise. And we further resolve and decree that during and after the completion of said tunnel Messrs. Logan McLaughlin and Cummings shall have the right to and shall own all the precious metals and minerals in the bed of said River, throughout its course through Big Bend, between the points before named, excepting only the product of bars and flumes now being worked by persons having established and legitimate rights held and enjoyed under the laws of this district previous to the first day of June A. D. 1880.

Resolved, that the Recorder be requested to record the proceedings of this meeting and that the foregoing enactment be recorded as special by laws governing the aforesaid tunnel enterprise within the limits of this district

M. H. WELLS *Chairman*

LOUIS GLASS, *Secretary*

EL DORADO COUNTY.—GRIZZLY FLAT MINING DISTRICT.

ORIGINAL QUARTZ LAWS PASSED FEB. 4TH 1852 IN CONNECTION WITH PLACER MINING.

ARTICLE 1st SECTION 1st—No. 6—*Resolution*—That for the engagement of the discovery of Quartz dikes or lead in this vicinity the discoverer be entitled to one extra claim and that one hundred and fifty feet in length and the dip or inclination of said lead to any depth and its width constitute one claim.

S. 2nd No. 7. *Resolution* That a company or a part of a company discovering a Quartz lead shall be entitled to as many claims as there are members in the Co but that said Co be entitled to only one extra claim as in case of a single individual making the discovery.

S. 3rd No 8 *Resolution*. That the notice of said individual or Co be set up at some convenient point of said claim or claims designating the same and that the owner of said claims be required to improve them once in every ten days till machinery is brought on.

S. 4th No. 9 *Resolution*. That the improvement of one claim of a Co at a time by said company be considered valid as though the whole number of claims were being worked at the same time.

On motion the secretary was requested to post up one or more notices of the same also retain the original copy.

J. W. STEELEY *Clerk*.

FEB. 26th—1853—

At an adjourned meeting of the miners resolution 8. altered so as to read every sixty day instead of every ten days.

Also Added on the same day. That company claiming water-privileges for the purpose of running machinery shall be allowed the same or so much as will be necessary for their use in connection with their quartz.

L. GOULD, *Sec'y*.

J. W. STEELEY *Clerk*

(NOTE:—None of the books containing records made under the first laws are in existence—Date of first record unknown.)

AMENDMENTS AND REVISION OF MINERS LAWS.

ARTICLE 1st SEC. 1st This district shall hereafter be called and known by the name of Mount Pleasant Mining District—

SEC. 2nd The Boundaries of Mount Pleasant Mining District are as follows to-wit:—

Commencing as a starting point at the mouth of Steeley's Fork of Cosumnes River and running from thence a due South course to the Middle fork of Cosumnes river, thence up this side of said River the line and boundary of said district following the most northerly branch of said stream to its source or to the Sierra Nevada range of mountains to the most northerly branch of the north Cosumnes River thence down said stream to a point due north of place of commencement and from thence across (due south) to starting place—

SEC 3rd The Mining interests of this district are divided into the following classes as follows:—

1st Into Placer Mining

2nd Into Quartz and Mineral Vein Mining

ARTICLE 2nd SECTION 1st Placer Mining is divided into—

1st Ravine and River diggings

2nd Flatt and surface diggings

3rd Hill or tunnel diggings

4th Wet diggings

5th Dry diggings

S. 2nd Ravine, Cañon and River diggings are one hundred and fifty feet in length (up and down) and the entire width of the same including the bed from base of hill to base of hill.

S. 3rd Flatt and Surface diggings are three hundred feet square—

S. 4th Hill or tunnel diggings are four hundred feet wide, commencing at the base of the hill and running to the summit of the same—

ARTICLE 3rd S. 1st Each miner shall be entitled to take up only two claims one in the wet diggings and one in the dry diggings except by discovery in which case the discoverer shall be entitled to one extra claim for right of discovery.

S. 2nd All claims may be taken up by a prospector's notice designating the same in which case a prospector is required to use reasonable diligence.

S. 3rd All claims must be notified by a notice of the same with the proper names of each claimant.

S. 4th All claims after it is ascertained that they will pay must be registered on the Clerk's docket with the name of the company and the individuals names annexed at the times or within fifteen days after such fact is known, or else such claim or claims shall not be cognizable by these Laws.

S. 5th All forfeited claims of Cos. shall renat to the remainder of the E by a registry of the same on the Clerk's docket at or about the time of forfeiture—

S. 6th All purchased claims shall be rallied by the purchaser holding a certificate of the same registered on the clerk's docket subject to the same Laws as the original owners

S. 7th (offered by L. Gould & passed) No man shall be allowed to hold but two claims at once by purchase.

S. 8th Any dirt thrown up for the purpose of washing when water can be had or for the purpose of letting the sun or weather act upon it in order to make it wash easier is entitled to all the ground under said dirt.

S. 9th All dirt thrown up will hold good twelve months at which time such dirt shall be subject to the other laws which compels the owners thereof to work it in the working season.

ARTICLE 4th SECTION 1st Dry diggings are those which have not a sufficiency of water to work them profitably only during the rainy season—

S. 2nd Wet diggings are those which have too much water to work them profitably only during the dry season (from the first of the month of November to the first of the month of July.

ARTICLE 5th S. 1st regulates the amount of labour to be done on Ravine, Cañon and River diggings—Work must be done on them to the amount of ten dollars every fifteen days during the working season.

S. 2nd Regulates Platt and Surface diggings a reasonable amount of labour must be done on them during the working season, to yeald profits.

S. 3rd Hill or tunnel diggings are governed by the following Lays:—Any man or Co. of men running a tunnel into a hill shall be entitled to hold and own the same after such claim shall pay for work or after labour to the amount of five hundred dollars is done on said claim for the time of twelve months without further improvement or expense by registering the cause of such suspension of work on the clerk's docket.

S. 4th Tunnel diggings expressly means that one tunnel can only hold one claim except in prospecting a hill in which case two claims may be joined together by a Co. of two or more men and said claims worked by said tunnel at the discretion of said claimants thereof.

S. 5th Sickness always forms a sufficient excuse to hold claims without work—

S. 6th Inability to prosecute prospecting claims from a lack of means shall cause no forfeiture by the owner thereof registering such cause on the clerks docket.

ARTICLE 6th *Pertaining to Quartz and Mineral Vein Mining* S. 1st The Quartz laws of this district stand as they are with this addition, that all mineral veins such as silver, Copper, Tin, Mercury &c—if any should be discovered shall be governed by the same laws as those of Quartz.

ARTICLE 7th S. 1st All controversies or disputes relative to the title of claims must be left to an arbitration by a committee of two chosen by the controvissial parties which committee shall in case of disagreeing have a right to call in a third person the majority of whose decision shall be final.

S. 2nd The committee shall hear all the evidence of both parties from witnesses uninterested as also allow the parties in dispute to make their statements, but in no case shall such interested parties evidence be taken unless both parties have no other evidence to give.

S. 3rd When any claim or claims are in dispute and the opposite party failing or refusing to go with trial in five days therefrom, the party so agrieved may by giving them five days notice (after such time has run out.) proceed to trial as in case the other party were agreed thereto.

ARTICLE 8th S. 1st, This district shall have a clerk or Recorder whose duty it shall be to keep a true record of all the business transacted at the miners meeting and also register all business certificates &c, on his docket presented or given to him by the miners for that purpose

S. 2nd It shall be the clerks duty to notify the miners of any meeting when ten or more shall make the request in writing by posting up or causing to be done notices in this place—(Mount Pleasant City—as G. F. was formerly called—) ten days before such meeting stating specially for what purpose such meeting is called—

S. 3rd These laws may be amended altered or added to at any meeting of the miners such being specified in the clerk's notice so as not to invalidate any miners rights owning under former laws.

S. 4th The clerk shall be allowed one dollar for every entry on his docket.

S. 5th It shall be the clerk's duty to keep a copy of the miners Laws of this district posted up at some public house in this place—

On motion J. W. Steeley was appointed clerk.

On motion the meeting adjourned till duely called together as these laws prescribe.

J. W. STEELEY *Clerk.*

Local mining record.

Seventeen locations were recorded during the year ending May, 31st 1880.

None in June 1880.

(In pencil:) First location recorded July 10, 1854

TRINITY COUNTY.—EAST FORK OF NORTH TRINITY MINING DISTRICT.

MINING LAWS.

WEAVERVILLE, *February 17, 1852.*

Notice is hereby given that we the undersigned miners of this Creek met on the 17th day of February 1852 and adopted the following resolutions.

1st. That each man may hold one hundred yards of the Creek as a claim.

2nd. That the ground to high water mark is considered as belonging to said claim.

3rd. That each man in taking up his claim shall post a notice at each end of his claim which will hold said claim for the term of ten days and at the end of that time said notices are considered null and void.

No notice shall be considered good after the first day of May next unless the claimant is at work on said claim

5thly. Companys may work out their claims together and while working one claim may hold all belonging to the individuals of said company.

Sixly. If a man buys a legal claim he may hold it as well as his own leagal claim.

East Fork of North Trinity.

CHAS BELL.

J. H. HALL.

STEPHEN FLEMING.

S. HOGELIN.

D. WILLARD.

R. M. DEVER.

JNO BARTLETT.

H. B. LANCASTER.

ANDREW WATSON.

GEO. THORNTON.

W. P. McMILLAND.

H. L. SNIVELY.

S. N. MARSH.

J. W. TAYLOR.

D. P. DUDLEY.

THOS. MCGULLION.

MANSEL TOLLE.

WM HAZELTINE.

P. K. SHIVELY.

H. O. ADAMS.

WM JOHNSTON.

JACOB PRICE.

SAML. S. FINLEY.

JACOB. B. GIDEON.

Copy of original filed and recorded, Feb'y 24th 1852. County Recorder, Weaverville, Trinity Co.

YUBA COUNTY.—UPPER YUBA MINING DISTRICT.

YUBA COUNTY MINING LAWS.

1st. *Resolved*, That a River claim worked with Flume Race or Wingdam, shall consist of thirty feet deep up or down Stream from Notice and extending across said Stream, including such portion of Bank or Bar as could not be worked without the aid of said Flume, Race or Wingdam; attached to such Water claims there shall be a Notice posted in some conspicuous place, and renewed Monthly, naming the bounds and the party holding such claims, said notice to be valid during the time said claims cannot be properly worked or in preparation for that purpose; and thirty feet in the Bank hereafter, and this to conflict with no claims taken up under the old Laws.

2nd. *Resolved*, That a Bank, Bar, Ravine or Coyote claim shall consist of thirty feet square and be designated by Stakes or other visible bounds, and Tools shall be left on said Claims. Such Claims shall be worked at least as often as every five days.

3rd. *Resolved*, That every person holding a River claim shall be entitled to hold a Bank, Bar, Ravine or Coyote claim during that portion of the Year when he cannot successfully work said River Claim and while he is making preparations to do so.

4th. *Resolved*, That claims of deceased persons can be sold to the highest bidder, and the person thus purchasing shall be allowed to hold such claims for the purpose of Working, even if he is in possession of others.

5th. *Resolved*, That all disputes in relation to Miners' Claims, shall, on application by either party to the dispute, be settled by Arbitration or Reference, in the following manner to wit: The party aggrieved or Plaintiffs shall give the other party 24 hours notice; after the expiration of notice, both the parties shall choose two persons on each side, and then the persons thus chosen, shall choose another, making five Arbitors or Referees; These five persons shall proceed to investigate the matter in dispute by hearing such witnesses of facts as can be of any benefit to either Side of the question. The decision to be by the Majority. At the request of either party, the arbitors and witnesses may be sworn by a Justice of the Peace. In case the Defendants shall neglect or refuse to choose two arbitors, within twelve hours after the expiration of the first notice, they shall be defaulted. In case of an arbitration an appeal can be had to the County Court.

6th. *Resolved*, That all persons mining may hold one claim by purchase and one claim by Location.

7th. No person shall hold any more than as specified in the foregoing Resolution.

8th. *Resolved*, That any claims or disputes which may have been heard or which may be pending on appeal, shall be tried and settled as set forth in the foregoing Resolutions.

9th. *Resolved*, That each Sluicing Co. Fluming Co and all other Companies of Miners shall post and keep up conspicuously a notice of the name or style of Co. on their claims, giving the number of actual members and their names, which shall be kept up during the holding or working of such claims.

10th. *Resolved*, That no Company shall monopolize a Stream of Water for Speculation or unnecessarily use it to the injury of others.

11th. *Resolved*, That any person prosecuting the mining business on other claims than River, shall be allowed to hold possession and right of possession to such claims, by notice during such time as such claims cannot be worked to advantage on account of high water.

12th. *Resolved*, That the Upper Yuba District consist of Snake Bar and all above, and embracing the North Fork and the South Fork of the Yuba River.

J. C. STANLEY, *Secretary*.

Passed April 11th 1852.

L. A. DOOLITTLE, *Chairman*

J. C. STANLEY *Secretary*

TRINITY COUNTY.—WEAVER CREEK MINING DISTRICT.

RULES AND REGULATIONS.

Adopted by the miners for the government of miners rights and privilage on Weaver Creek, commencing at the first bend of the creek above the trading post on big flat and running down to the mouth of the creek.

ART. 1st Each and every miner shall be entitled to hold one claim at a time and no more, either by purchase or otherwise from this time forth.

ARTICLE 2nd. A claim in the bed of the stream shall be as follows. viz. To consist of 120 feet to each and every man, the same to extend from bank to bank at the low water mark.

ARTICLE 3rd. Bank claims shall be as follows viz: to commence on the face and work back in a straight line to the hill, the face of said claim not to exceed 30 ft to the man and running back as far as they choose

ARTICLE 4th. In order to hold a claim a person shall be required to *notify* the same if after three days he does not place Tools or other evidences of his intentions to work it, it may then be taken up by any other person

ARTICLE 5th. Any and every person shall be required either to be at work himself or represent the same at least one day in ten or lose the same, except in case of sickness, or high water when by notifying the same to that effect it shall stand good to him until such time as he is able to work it.

ARTICLE 6th. Whenever any disputes may occur in regard to claims they shall in all cases be settled by a Jury of miners, to consist of four disinterested persons Two chosen by each party and in case of their not agreeing, they to select the fifth (litigation to be thrown entirely aside) the parties are to abide by the decision of the miners law which is to be final

ARTICLE 7th. Any race which may have been cut or dam built previous to this Law shall be held good to the parties referred to in 2d article without any reference to the 120 feet.

Resolved, That the foregoing rules and regulations be recorded in the County Clerks office of Trinity County and that they also be published in the Shasta Courrier.

WM AUGUSTUS KNAPP *Secretary*.

The following Resolutions were then passed appended to and embodied in the above

That we allow the Saw Mill Co. to hold for the accomodation of their mill, those mining claims which they have bought for that purpose and those which they find necessary to purchase hereafter for securing a sufficient pond or head of water for said mill.

Resolved, that we are satisfied that the bed of the creek and banks which is flowed by said mill Dam, has been generally worked out and will not justify an interference with said dam to work the same. Therefore

Resolved, that we will not sustain any miners in interfering with said mill or dam for the sake of working mineral ground which is flowed by said mill Dam, provided such claim shall have been made since the commencement of said Mill Dam.

WM AUGUSTUS KNAPP, *Secy.*

Filed and Recorded this day the 19th of June 1852 at 7. a. m.

TRINITY COUNTY.—WEAVERVILLE MINING DISTRICT.

MINERS MEETING.

WEAVERVILLE June 7th 1853.

The miners of this district met to-day en masse in front of the Independence for the purpose of finally settling the claims to the water of West Weaver, and which heretofore has been conducted to those "diggings" by two races known as Dr Wares and Fiddler's races; but now claimed by the miners of West Weaver.

On motion Col. W. B. May was appointed President and Wm Feast *Secy.*

Col. O. H. Allen rose and stated in a concise and short address, the object of the meeting, giving the history of the above Races, the cause of their origin &c and concluded with an expose of the law on the subject.

After some desultory from some few of the claimants and others the following preamble and resolutions were adopted by a *seventh eighth* vote.

Whereas, some malicious persons residing on West Weaver, have without cause or provocation committed a wanton destruction of property in the burning of Dr Ware's reservoir on West Weaver, and cut and otherwise injured the Race known as Dr. Wares Race, which in part supplies water for the diggings on McKenzie's Gulch and its tributaries, to the serious injury of not only Dr Ware but also the miners working on said gulches and whereas the several Race companies of East and West Weaver have incurred considerable expense in constructing reservoirs and conducting water from said creeks to Weaver for mutual benefit without having interfered with the right of any miner or miners working on said creeks at the time; and

Whereas, it becomes us as Americans and good citizens to protect one another in our rights and privileges therefore be it;

Resolved, that we the miners of Weaver assembled, en masse, do hereby repudiate and frown upon any and every such spirit of agrarianism as has so lately manifested itself in the burning of the reservoir and cutting of Dr Wares Race and will protect all persons in their respective rights and privileges, as guaranteed to them by the constitution of the state as well as that of the United States.

Resolved, that the aforesaid Race Companies be entitled according to their priority of right to so much of the water of said creeks as their respective Races will convey. Provided always that a sufficient quantity be allowed to run in the natural beds of said creeks for the benefit of miners at present working or who may hereafter work said beds; and that four tom-heads shall be deemed sufficient for that purpose.

Resolved, that any individual or company of individuals who have dug or who may hereafter dig a race or races (not otherwise mentioned in this our act) for the conveyance of water not in use at the time, from any gulch or creek in this district, shall be protected in the to said water so long as he or they shall keep said race or races in proper repair, provided such water be used for mining purposes.

Resolved, that we will assist Dr Ware in the repair of his race, and do hereby constitute a committee of the whole and pledge ourselves to see the provisions of this meeting be complied with

On motion it was

Resolved, that the president appoint at his leisure six persons to act as directors of said committee.

On motion the proceedings were ordered to be published in the Shasta Courier when the meeting adjourned sine die. By order

WM. B. MAY, *President.*

WM FEAST *Secy.*

Recorded Dec. 13 '53.

L. S. WILLIAMS *Recorder.*

MINERS MEETING.

Pursuant to notice a meeting of miners was held on Tuesday the 9th of August at Johnsons old house at Sidney flat.

Mr Cameron was appointed Chairman and called the meeting to order.

On motion R. T. Miller was appointed Secretary.

The object of the meeting was to investigate the existing difficulties between Dr Ware and a mob of miners on West Weaver, who without any apparent cause and in violation of all laws of the country and of honor, have destroyed his property with that of other individuals, and as we are creditable informed are now holding water by force of arms, that is justly the property of Ware and others.

Dr Ware explained the object of the meeting in a few pertinent remarks. He said that McDermot told him on yesterday that unless he gave up one half of the water in the creek aforesaid, that he McDermot would take a body of men and take the water by force of arms and hold the same until he and his men were whiped off the ground. His party as above mentioned have taken possession of the water and are holding it by force of arms, in this dilemma Dr Ware calls upon his fellow miners to assist him in defending his rights, agreeable to the old miners laws, they said that this was a serious affair but that they were willing to defend the old and established miners laws and the right.

Mr Miller then moved that a committee of five be appointed to investigate the nature of the grievances and examine the law on the subject and report to an adjourn meeting at one o'clock. Motion carried unanimously.

Messrs Brown, Gordon, Eaton, Pencost & Cameron appointed said committee.

Meeting adjourned to one o'clock.

Pursuant to adjournment meeting met at one o'clock, were called to order by the chairman Mr Cameron Committee reported as follows, having thoroughly investigated the laws and customs of the miners of Weaver. We fully concur in the opinion that Dr Ware is fully entitled to all the water in West Weaver except four tom-heads, which is allowed for the bed of the stream, also that the burning of his reservoir and the destruction of his dam and other property and the taking of his water from his race by force of arms are malicious acts and should not be submitted to by those who are in favor of law and order.

On motion the report was received and the committee discharged.

On motion it was

Resolved, that we assist Dr Ware in turning the water into his race and that we sustain him to the last extremity in keeping it in the Race.

On motion meeting then adjourned for the purpose of carrying this resolution into effect.

Recorded Dec 13th 1853.

PLUMAS COUNTY.—WARREN HILL MINING DISTRICT.

Public notice having been given calling a meeting of the miners of Spanish Flat, to consider the propriety of dividing said District and forming a part of the original territory into a new mining district to be called Warren Hill Mining District

In pursuance of said notice a large number of miners met at the House of J. M. Jackman & Kidder at 7 p. m. Oct 21st 1853, and proceeded to Business by the election of J. H. Kilbourn, as chairman.

On motion of Mr. Haymond the chairman appointed the following gentleman as a committee to draft a constitution and Bye Laws viz: W. H. Lester C. M. Bosworth C. Bordwell C. F. Jackson Geo. McKelvey

On motion of W. H. Lester, the chairman was added to the committee and Creed Haymond appointed Secretary

On motion of Mr R. B. Sigafoose, the meeting proceeded to elect a recorder.

On motion of Mr M. Hall, the vote was taken by ballot, Geo. H. Stockwell and J. S. Hayden acting as Tellers. 59 votes were given of which J. H. Kilbourn received 37. C. F. Jackson 14. scattering 8.

On motion the meeting adjourned

Oct 22nd. Pursuant to a call of the chairman of the committee on Constitution &c, the miners of Warren Hill met in front of Jackman & Kidders store at 4. p. m. The object of the meeting was stated when the constitution was read by the Secretary.

On motion of Mr A. A. Hayden it was taken up article by article and the following with its preamble unanimously adopted.

STATE OF CALIFORNIA

County of Sierra (note: now Plumas Co.)

AN ACT to regulate Mining and miners claims on Warren Hill adopted October 22nd 1853.

We the miners and citizens of Warren Hill, in order to form a more perfect and correct understanding among ourselves and all others that may come among us, respecting our rules of mining our claims of ground, the condition of becoming in peaceable and permanent possession therein, to establish Justice and secure harmony, do enact and draft the Laws as follows.

ARTICLE 1ST.

We do declare and confirm the following to be our permanent boundaries viz: commencing at the Bridge near the Rabbit Creek House as the northwest corner and the Gibsonville thence to the foot of the main hill shall be the northern boundary and a noted slide near the foot of said Hill shall be the northeast corner, thence southerly down a ravine to the Dublin ditch and thence with said ditch to the Bowington Ravine, thence southerly to the Spanish Flat Road, thence westerly to a point on the Rabbit Creek where the trail from Spanish Flat to Secret Diggings crosses said Rabbit Creek, thence with said Creek to the place of beginning and all within said boundary shall be called Warren Hill.

ARTICLE 2ND.

SECT. 1st. All miners or other persons residing now within this district shall be considered citizens of Warren Hill and have the right to vote in our assemblies.

SECT. 2nd. All persons who come here for the purpose of mining or becoming residents shall after the 6th day be considered citizens and have the privileges as above mentioned.

SECT. 3rd. All persons who have previously lived within these boundaries and having recorded or legal claims, who have left with the intention of returning and working the same, shall have the right of citizenship on there arrival here.

ARTICLE 3RD.

SECT. 1st. All persons now residing here or who may hereafter become "citizen" residents shall have a right to take up one claim of ground for mining unless such person be in possession of a claim by location.

PRECIOUS METALS.

SECT. 2nd. And any and every such person shall have the right to purchase one or more claims and to hold or sell the same. But at the time of such purchase he shall take a bill of sale, showing therein the ground purchased, also the cost thereof attested by one or more witnesses, which if given in good faith and without collusion between the parties shall entitle the purchaser to the same rights which might have pertained to the original occupant of said claim or claims and such bill of sale shall be recorded.

ARTICLE 4.

SECT. 1st. When a miner has taken up a claim of ground, he shall at the time measure and stake off the same and set up a written notice upon some part of the said claim, describing therein its boundaries and extent.

SECT. 2nd. He shall also within three days, have the same recorded therein, showing its locality, situation extent &c.

ARTICLE 5TH.

SECT. 1st. When a miner has taken up a claim and put up a notice, and afterwards takes up another before the limitation shall have expired for recording, the first notice; he shall take down before setting up the second notice the first notice and draw his stakes or he shall be liable to lose said second claim.

ARTICLE 6TH.

SECT. 1st. Any persons holding one or more claims shall at all times have persons working upon the same whenever sufficient water can be obtained to work the same, and do so in good faith, not merely as a pretext to hold said claims. But all such claims shall be considered worked upon, if one man for each claim shall be at work, though they may all work upon the one claim onely.

SECT. 2nd. And shall any persons neglect complying with the instructions of this article longer than ten days after the arrival of water or longer than six days at any period during the continuence of sufficient water to work the same, he shall be liable to loose all claims not represented.

ARTICLE 7TH.

SECT. 1st. When a miner can no longer work a claim for want of water, he shall have the right to take up and work any unoccupied ground and hold the same as though he held no other claim until such time as his former claim or claims are workable, when he shall abandon and not sell the latter claim otherwise forfeit all right and title to his first claim or claims.

ARTICLE 8TH.

SECT. 1st. The extent of all claims taken up after the passage of this act shall be 100 feet by 125 feet.

ARTICLE 9TH.

SECT. 1st. Whenever a company of miners take up or purchase claims and onely a part of said Company go before the Recorder. He may record the claim for the party present but shall refuse to record the claim of the absent party, unless the party present make affidavit of the existance of said partnership, which affidavit shall be taken by the recorder and made a matter of record.

ARTICLE 10TH.

SECT. 1st. Any person shall have the right to take up a new claim by abandoning the old claim and making such abandonment a matter of record.

ARTICLE 11TH.

Every miner or company of miners shall have the right to run their tailings through the claims below by Fluming or ditching said claims Provided the fluming or ditching be done on the part of said lower claims that will least incommode the owners of said claims.

This provision shall onely apply to those who may take up or purchase claims above those that are being worked or recorded below them.

ARTICLE 12TH.

SECT. 1st. Every person who may desire it may take up 100 feet square for building purposes, provided the same is not known or generally believed to be good mining ground.

SECT. 2nd. No person or persons shall have the privilege to build or use a house as a house of ill-fame in this District.

SECT. 3rd. All persons who take up lots for building purposes shall have said claims duly recorded within three days and commence building within a reasonable time.

ARTICLE 13TH.

All water-ditches or flumes that are now or may be hereafter constructed shall be respected and not in anywise injured without the trespassers being liable for damages.

SECT. 2nd. But no water flumes or ditches that may be hereafter constructed shall pass through any legal claim or claims without first paying to the owners thereof the amount of damages thereby accruing, which shall be assessed by three disinterested persons chosen by the parties.

SECT. 3rd. No person shall have the right to cut any timber, off the legal claim of another without his consent, neither shall he fall any timber upon the claim of another without removeing the same within 24 hours.

ARTICLE 14TH.

SECT. 1st. It shall be the duty of all resident miners now in this District to appear before the recorder within ten days after the adoption of these laws and inform him what claim they now hold, which he shall place upon the record, otherwise they will be forfeited, miners having claims here, who are absent, shall appear as above within ten days after they return.

ARTICLE 15TH.

SECT. 1st. It shall be the duty of the Recorder to keep a true copy of these Laws at his office for public exhibition at all times.

ARTICLE 16TH.

SECT. 1st. Any part or parts of these Laws shall be subject to amendment at any future time, by the qualified citizens of this District, provided as many as two-thirds of all the citizens be at the assembly for that purpose.

ARTICLE 17TH.

SECT. 1st. The Recorder shall receive \$1.00 for every claim recorded.

On motion of R. B. Sigafoose the Laws were unanimously adopted, ordered attested by the President and Secretary and placed on record.

J. H. KILBOURN, *Pres*

Attest

OREED HAYMOND, *Secy.*

EL DORADO COUNTY.—FRENCH CREEK MINING DISTRICT.

LOCAL MINING LAWS.

At a meeting of the miners of French town Dist held at French Town Nov. 12 1854 the following laws were adopted

G. H. H. FORRESTER *Chairman*

WM. B. SCHENCK *Secy.*

1. *Resolved*, that French Town Mining district shall embrace all mining land drained by French Creek from a line running from the north side of the Sugar loaf to Shingle Springs Ravine on the west and to Big Cañon on the East and from thence to its junction
2. *Resolved* that creek claims shall not exceed one hundred feet running lenthwise of the Creek, and two hundred feet across. And ravine claims shall not exceed one hundred and fifty feet by two hundred feet across the ravine.
3. *Resolved* that in Hill or Coyote diggings the claim shall not exceed one hundred and fifty feet square and every individual or company shall be entitled to fifty feet in width at the commencement of their tunnel and running to their claims. The first discoverer of such diggings shall be entitled to an extra claim.
4. *Resolved* that Quartz claims shall not exceed one hundred and fifty feet in lenth including the dips on angles of the vein and the first discoverer is entitled to an extra claim.
5. *Resolved* that a man is entitled to hold a creek a ravine or Surface Claim and a Tunnel Claim.
6. *Resolved* that a man shall be required to work at least one of his claims once in seven days to hold them if workable except in case of sickness.
7. *Resolved* that a claim shall not be considered workable unless water can be had free of charge.
8. *Resolved* that there be a recorder elected whose duty it shall be to keep a book for recording of claims and shall be intitled to a fee of twenty five cents for each and every claim recorded and furnish his own stationery—That his books be open for inspection at all reasonable times.
9. *Resolved* that a persons title to a claim shall not be considered good unless he has staked or marked his boundry and had it recorded except he is engaged in working it.

(True copy.)

At a meeting held Jany 3rd 1858.

Resolved that Ravine flat claims be extended to 300 feet in lenth and as wide as the parties may wish provided it takes no other Ravine or Gulch.

Resolved that creek claims be extended to two hundred feet in lenth and remain the same width as in the old laws [200 ft]

JOHN ROBINSON *Chairman.*

WAL. S. DIKEMAN *Sec.*

At a meeting of the miners held on April 6, 1859.

On motion of Moses Knight seconded by L. S. Waters

The price of the recording of a claim will be fifty cents (50 cts).

(Carried).

JOS. EDWARDS *Chairman.*

A. LYNCH *Sec.*

FRENCH CREEK March 20, '63

Pursuant to motion duly given the Citizens of French Creek Mining District met at g. Baratts for the purpose of enacting a code of Laws, governing Quartz Mining— Upon motion of Mr. Barns, Jackson, Robeson was chosen chairman and H. A. Lease sect.

Upon motion of M. Barns a committee of three consisting of Isaac Grist, E. C. Barns, William Bean was appointed by the President to report boundaries and Laws governing mining in the above District upon consultation the Committee reported the following resolutions.

1. *Resolved* 1. That we adopt the old boundaries of French Town District Placer diggings for the boundaries of gold, silver, copper cinabar or any other metals or minerals that may be found in any vains or ledges.
2. That every may be entitled to one claim on each lead or vain by record and one extra for the right of discovery to the discoverer.
3. That each claim shall be three hundred feet in length including dips angles and spurs—
4. That a notice shall stand good for 20 days and after that it shall be recorded or forfeited.

5. That each one shall be required to put five dollars (\$5) worth of labor on his claim within 90 days after recording or forfeit his claim. A company may expend the amount in one place.
6. That the recording of claims shall be $\frac{25}{100}$ for each claim.
7. That a company may hold their claims by one notice in the middle there of.
8. That all claimants shall drive a stake or blaze a tree at each end of their claim or claims.

JOHN ROBINS, *President.*

H. AARON LEASE, *Secy.*

Miners meeting held at French Town Satdy Feb. 27 1875 Adopted U. S. Laws.

YUBA COUNTY.—SUCKER FLAT MINING DISTRICT.

JANUARY 22nd 1855.

The miners of Sucker Flat and vicinity met pursuant to notice for the purpose of taking into consideration the holding of claims until such time as the Excelsior Canal Co. may have completed their canal or until such time as water may be had in greater abundance and at reduced rates; proceeded to organize the meeting by electing J. Foster Pres. and C. Slack Secretary.

Moved that in consideration of the incompleteness of the present laws and that they are ill adapted to the wants of this community at the present time a committee of five be appointed to revise them.

Adjourned.

ADJOURNED MEETING *January 25th 1855.*

Committee Reported as follows.

Whereas at a meeting of the miners of Sucker Flat mining district called for the purpose of taking into consideration the holding of mining claims until such time as water may be procured in greater abundance and at reduced rates and whereas at said meeting the present laws of the district were found to be incomplete unintelligible and ill adapted to the wants of the mining community at the present time, therefore be it resolved that the old laws as amended in the following articles be adopted to take effect from and after the twenty-fifth day of January A. D. 1855.

ARTICLE 1. *Resolved*, that the bounds of this mining district be as follows commencing at the junction of the ravine commonly known as the Timbuctoo Ravine with the main ravine emptying into Cordanay's Bar, thence running up the main ravine to the main road, thence along the main road to the crossing of Deer Creek, thence down the creek to its mouth, thence down the river to the ravine known as the McDonald ravine, thence across the ridge to the place of starting. All places within said bounds having representatives in this meeting.

ART. 2. *Resolved*, that each claim shall consist of one hundred feet running up and down a ravine ridge or flat by one hundred and twenty feet across the same.

ART. 3. *Resolved*, that no person shall be allowed to hold more than one claim by location at any one time.

ART. 4. *Resolved*, that a recorder shall be elected to record and renew all notices of claims in this Mining District and also to record all bills of sales of claims in the same as soon after as they shall have been made and executed as shall hereinafter be provided.

ART. 5. *Resolved*, that the Recorder be entitled to the sum of fifty cents for recording a notice or bill of sale and twenty-five cents for renewing a notice.

ART. 6. *Resolved*, that any person or persons locating a claim or claims shall have the same recorded within ten days after such location and if a company the name of each member of the co. shall be signed to the notice and also to the record either personally or by accordance with a verbal order.

ART. 7. *Resolved*, that all persons having claims shall be entitled to hold the same by one renewal until the first day of May next except as hereinafter made and provided.

ART. 8. *Resolved*, that from and after the first day of May next all claims shall be renewed by notice and also by record once every thirty days except that they be occupied by permanent tools to the amount of Fifty dollars or that actual work is being done on the same.

ART. 9. *Resolved*, that all claims shall be staked out within ten days after location whether by record or otherwise.

ART. 10. *Resolved*, that any person or persons who may purchase a claim or claims from a bona fide holder shall be entitled to hold the same.

ART. 11. *Resolved*, that all transfers of claims shall be recorded within ten days after the same.

ART. 12. *Resolved*, that when a company shall hold ten or more claims the working of one shall be deemed sufficient to hold the whole provided that if separated a notice be kept upon the remainder stating the same.

ART. 13. *Resolved*, that any person who shall be permitted by sickness from working or renewing his claim shall not for that reason forfeit the same.

ART. 14. *Resolved*, that all laws heretofore existing having reference to this Mining district which may conflict with any of the foregoing be and are hereby repealed.

ART. 15. *Resolved*, that nothing contained in the foregoing articles shall be so construed as to conflict with the rights of miners holding claims under the former laws of this district

J. FOSTER
J. MULLIN
Mr. RILEY
J. D. HALL.
S. MURPHY

Committee

JAN 25th 1855.

At a meeting of the miners of Sucker Flat held Dec 31, 1855, The following additional laws were adopted.

1st. That individuals or companies holding claims immediately along side of or adjoining flumes in opening the same shall have the privilege of running along side of same keeping a proper distance so as not to injure or endanger the flume 18 boxes until he or they have worked into his or their own ground sufficient to set in 18 boxes after which time the first 18 boxes shall be removed and placed so as to empty into the head of the flume or some convenient point provided he or they shall at no time have less than 18 boxes on his own ground.

2nd. That individuals or companies holding upper or back claims whose convenience requires an outlet through claims below, they shall notify the owners of claims below them who shall in a reasonable time proceed to cut an outlet in which case the upper claim holder shall have the privilege of placing 20 boxes in said cut or outlet, the upper claim holders cutting their own part of the same & after the tailings and water pass through said 20 boxes the same shall be the property of those owning the ground and putting in the cut. Provided that at such time as the owners of the ground where the 20 boxes is set may wish to work the same nothing herein contained shall be so construed as to interfere with the working of the same.

3rd. That in case the owners or claim-holders shall refuse to make the cut or outlet as described in resolution 2d then the upper holders shall have the privilege of making the same in a good substantial manner (the parties making to have and own the same) The dirt or gold taken out of the cut to recur to the owner of the ground through which the same may pass.

4th. That all disputes & litigations that may occur in the district shall be settled by arbitration each party selecting two and the four the fifth whose decision shall be final which we pledge ourselves to maintain

5th. That a committee of two be appointed to wait on Mr. Snyder the ex Recorder and procure the Books. They to be handed over to the Recorder elect and that the additional laws part of the minutes of Dec 31st 1855 be recorded

S. W. LADON, *Pres.*
G. WHITNEY, *Sec't.*

MINUTES OF A MINERS MEETING HELD FEBRUARY 10 A. D. 1868.

Persuant to notice a large meeting of the miners of the Sucker Flat mining district met at the store of Daniel Doughty, Monday evening February 10th '68.

The meeting was organized by the choice of J. W. Taylor as chairman Wm. Carpenter Secretary and Jas. S. Gordon ass't sec't'y.

Mr. John Rose offered the following preamble and resolution which after being read by the chairman was unanimously adopted.

Whereas in the year one thousand eight hundred and fifty-six in or about the month of November the miners of this district met according to notice and passed a law declaring that all claims located back of the front claims should not be considered forfeited by reason of not being worked until the claims in front of them should be washed or worked out. Also that all claims that had work done on them to the value of fifty dollars should not be subject to forfeiture at any time thereafter but the lawful owners of such claims should be considered to have acquired a vested right in the same.

And whereas said laws cannot be found or their disappearance be accounted for, now therefore,

Resolved that said laws the substance of which is set forth in the foregoing preamble shall be considered in full force and effect the same as if said laws were still to be found on the books of record from date of their enactment.

It was moved that the above Preamble and Resolution be dated and certified to by the chairman and Secretary and handed to the recorder for record together with the minutes of the meeting, which was carried unanimously.

On motion meeting adjourned

Sucker Flat Feb 10th 1868.

J. W. TAYLOR *Chairman*
WM. CARPENTER *Sec't.*
JAS S. GORDON *Ass't Sec't.*

Recorded Feb 17th 1868.

DANIEL DOUGHTY *Recorder.*

EL DORADO COUNTY.—SMITH'S FLAT MINING DISTRICT.

HILL LAWS.

[No date of adoption is given.]

1st. Hill claims shall be one hundred and fifty front and running to the center of the hill. Two or more holding claims may form a company to work any one of them without being compelled to work each one of them.

2nd. Any miner shall forfeit his claim by neglecting to work it one whole day in every seven between the first of July and the first of December.

3rd. Any Miner or company of miners finding new diggings in this district shall be allowed to locate and hold one extra claim for each member of the company so finding on any vacant hill ground in the District.

4th. Any tunnel company that shall have expended two hundred dollars upon giving to the Recorder of their intention to leave their tunnel shall not forfeit the same provided they resume work within six months of the time of giving notice.

Resolved, that the old code of laws be repealed and the above be published in the "Mountain Democrat".

J. F. MARTIN, *President.*

W. F. JESS, *Secretary.*

At a meeting of the miners of Smith's Flat on the evening of the 20th of February 1855, J. F. Watson was called to the chair and W. P. Jess appointed secretary and the following laws for the government of Smith's Flat District were unanimously adopted.

SURFACE AND RAVINE MINING LAWS OF SMITH'S FLAT DISTRICT.

1st. The boundaries of Smith's Flat District shall be as follows viz: Beginning at the Southeast corner of Negro Hill District running east to the house of Mr. Vosburgh on the immigrant road.—thence south to Chunk Canyon embracing the same.—thence down to Cooper & Co's Coon Hollow ditch—thence westward along said ditch to Spanish Hill District, thence north to the south line of Negro Hill District thence east to place of beginning.

2nd. The size of surface and Ravine claims shall be 50 by 100 yds each miner may hold two claims.

3rd. Any person holding a claim shall forfeit the same by neglecting to work it one whole day in every seven from the first of December to the first of July provided a sluice head of water can be obtained.

4th. Digging a ditch or making sluices or a reservoir to be used for the claim shall be considered as work done on the same.

5th. Any person having two claims may hold both by working either as required by Article 3rd.

6th. All claims must be recorded by a Recorder duly elected or a deputy appointed by him.

7th. [*Repealed Feby 12th 1873.*] Any difficulty that may arise relative to mining interests shall be referred to a Jury of the Miners—two to be chosen by the parties and the third by those two. The Jurors shall be entitled to receive two dollars each as fees to be paid by the party calling the same, to be deposited with the Recorder prior thereto.

8th. Any miner who wishes to prospect any vacant land may have three days to prospect without recording it by leaving his tools on the same marking the boundaries and posting notices on the same.

9th. Any person having a claim that requires a tail race shall have the privilege of cutting the same through claims below provided said cutting does not interfere with the working of such, but in no case shall he be allowed to accumulate tailings to the detriment of working such lower claims.

10th. The annual meeting of this District shall be held on the second Tuesday in February. for the election of Recorder and revision of the laws and such other business as may come before the meeting. Ten day previous to which time written notice shall be posted in this district setting forth the business to be acted upon.

11th. It shall be the duty of the Recorder to record all claims that he may be requested to record—putting a stake or permanent mark at each corner and putting notices on each claim giving the number and date of the record and the name of the person locating the same. And he shall make an entry in a book kept for that purpose of all claims he may so locate, describing their locality. He shall receive for each claim he so records and marks out one dollar. All books and papers belonging to the office shall be delivered by him to his successor in office. He shall make an entry of all transfers of claims and all notices of intention to work claims and shall receive twenty five cents for each claim included in such transfer or notice.

12th. [*Repealed Feb. 12, '73.*] Every person living in this district with his family shall be allowed one claim for gardening purposes the same is fenced without having to work it as a mining claim.

13th. Every miner leaving his claims unrepresented shall notify the Recorder of his intention to resume labor upon them within the time prescribed by the laws of the District and all transfers of claims shall be entered on the Recorder's books, the fees to be paid by the party transferring.

14th. Any miner shall not forfeit his claims when not working them when sick or disabled.

15th. It shall be the duty of the Recorder to keep his records open for inspection at all times and shall not allow them to go out of his custody at any time.

Pursuant to a notification by the Recorder of Smith's Mining District the miners met on Wednesday evening February the 12th 1873 for the purpose of electing a recorder The meeting was organized by electing Mr. J. T. Moore president and F. B. De Witt Secretary The president then appointed Mrs. Robert Coe and Joseph Lyons to act as tellers nomination was then declared to be in order.

Mr. W. P. Carpender, Mr. F. F. Watson and Mr. James Creighton sr. was placed in nomination for the office of Recorder.

A vote was then taken which resulted as follows there being twenty-eight votes cast in all, Mr. J. F. Watson received fifteen, Mr. W. P. Carpender thirteen, Mr. James Creighton none. Mr. J. F. Watson having received a majority of the whole vote cast was declared duly elected recorder of the Smith's Mining District.

On Motion section seventh and section twelfth of the mining laws of said district were stricken out.

On Motion section 15th was amended to read as follows and he shall not let the Books go out of his hands there being no further buisness on motion the meeting adjourned.

Mr. J. T. MOORE, *President.*

F. B. DE WITT, *Secretary.*

SISKIYOU COUNTY.—LOWER HUMBUG CREEK MINING DISTRICT.

MINING LAWS.

At a meeting of the miners of that part of Humbug Creek lying between O. K. Roundheds trading post and the mouth commonly known as Lower Humbug held at Round tent bar April 7th A D 1855 John H Fuller was chosen chairman and Glover Laird secretary.

On motion the laws passed in February 1852 were read and a committee of the following gentlemen were chosen to draft new Laws: W. W. Johnson Nathan Hull P. C. Peters C. A. Strong Daniel Ream comtte.

The Committee reported the following Laws which were unanimously adopted:

RULE 1st. Each and every claimant shall be entitled to hold fifty yards up and down the Creek embracing the banks on each side of the Creek from bluff to bluff.

RULE 2d. Where two or more adjacent claims are taken by different individuals at one and the same time the backwater of the lower claimant shall in no case be allowed to interfere with the other.

RULE 3d. When a claimant occupies a claim previously to the taking of the adjacent one next above, he shall be allowed the privilege of putting in a dam at the upper end of his Claim the subsequent claimant above if any being compelled to terminate his race at the head of the race below nor shall the backwater of the lower claim in such case be considered an incumbrance to the one above.

RULE 4th. A Notice stating the date of Posting and the name of the Claimant thereof posted in a conspicuous part of the claim shall be considered sufficient to hold such claim for the space of three days from the date of posting thereof, after the expiration of the said time if no work shall have been done upon the same it shall be considered as forfeited and renewal of such notice at said expiration shall in no case be allowed to hold possession.

RULE 5th. In case where claims or part of a claim is not workable on account of obstruction, the owner of such claims shall retain possession of the same for the space of three days after the removal of such obstruction.

RULE 6th. The tools upon a claim shall be considered sufficient to retain possession for the space of three days after cessation of work provided that such cessation be not caused by sickness, in such case the claim shall not be considered as forfeited until the recovery of said claimant

RULE 7th. Each claimant shall be allowed to hold one claim by prescription and one by the right of purchase at one and the same time. Provided both are worked according to the foregoing rules.

RULE 8th. Any number of men taking adjoining claims may work, and work one claim without the forfeiture of the other.

JOHN. H. FULLER *President*

GLOVER LAIRD *Secretary*

W. W. JOHNSON
H HULL
CHAS A STORY
DANIEL REAM
P. C. PETER

Committee

STATE OF CALIFORNIA

County of Siskiyou

Personally appeared before me a Justice of the Peace of Humbug Township Daniel Ream, one of the within mentioned committee who being duly sworn says that the within is a true Copy of the laws made by a meeting of the for lower Humbug Creek

DANIEL REAM

Sworn and subscribed to before me, this 9th day of A D 1855.

EDWARD S. MURY, *Justice of the Peace*

Filed by ——— April 9th at 3 o'clock p. m

H G FERRIS *Recorder*

Recorded April 10th 1855 at 10½ o'clock a m

H. G FERRIS, *Rec*
by H. C CLARK

CALAVERAS COUNTY.—ANGEL'S MINING DISTRICT.

LOCAL MINING LAWS.

Quartz mining laws of Angels District passed on or about July. 20 1855.

ARTICLE 1st. Any person or persons locating a claim (Quartz) shall put a notice at a point where the claim commences stating the probable direction of the vein, the extent to which it is claimed and the name of the party or parties interested therein—

ARTICLE 2nd One hundred feet (100) shall be allowed to each man on the length of the vein, by one hundred and fifty (150) on each side of it or He may take more on one side than on the other, but the claim shall not exceed three hundred feet width on the surface. The discoverer shall be entitled to fifty (50) feet additional on the length of the vein.

ARTICLE 3rd He or they shall have the right to all the Dips Spurs or angles of every vein originating on the claim. We understand that a vein originates on or below the surface running downwards and not from below running upwards so that no person or persons locating a claim on either side of the Boundries of another shall have a right to a vein running through his or Their claim that originates as above understood on the claim first located but no man shall have the right to follow a vein n the length of it beyond the perpendicular line of his Boundary

ARTICLE 4th (Amended March 24 1860) Miners shall be compelled to perform one day's Bona Fide work on the claim or claims every thirty (30) days from the first day of April to the first day of December if they should fail to do so Their claim will be considered as forfeited and open to other Parties

ARTICLE 5th Any time spent in erecting Machinery, building or in any way for the use of the Mine shall be considered as work done on the claim.

ARTICLE 6th Every Quartz claim shall be recorded within the first thirty (30) days after the notice has been put up. The Record book shall be kept by the Justice of the peace who shall record every claim therein and shall deliver a copy of the Record to the parties interested. The Judge shall receive for his trouble the sum of two dollars for recording and delivering its copy to each company—The record shall be open at all times free of expense to all parties whose claims are therein recorded.

ARTICLE 7th All surface claims will expire on any claimed Quartz vein when the surface earth gives out and the Quartz vein or Jedge begins.

ARTICLE 8th In case any member of a company shall be unable to work on account of sickness, his claim shall be respected

ARTICLE 9th All Laws passed heretofore conflicting with the present Laws shall be null & void from the adoption of the present.

ARTICLE 10th A copy of these laws shall be placed in the hands of the Justice of the Peace and two or more copies posted up in camp.

We the undersigned officers of the above-named meeting certify the above to be a true report.

JOHN HIGGINS *President*

SAM PLARME *Sec'y*

Amendment to art. 4. adopted March 24th 1860 reads that Ten days (10) per year must be performed instead of one day out of thirty (30) as formerly.

BUTTE COUNTY.—OREGON GULCH MINING DISTRICT.

LAWS REGULATING PLACER DIGGINS PASSED DEC. 29TH 1855.

At a meeting of the miners held at the store of G. W. Wilmot on Saturday, Dec. 22nd 1855 for the purpose of revising and amending the existing mining laws of Oregon Gulch District.

On motion H. J. Morrison esq. was called to the chair and G. B. Morrison acting secretary.

On motion it was resolved that two committees be appointed to draft laws for the District, one of said committees to draft laws for the government of Placer mining and the other to draft laws for the government of Quartz mining.

The following persons were appointed a committee on placer laws: John Crawford, Wm Hendricks and John J. Smith, and for Quartz Committee John Nisbit, Hammon Bay, James Hitchens and Horatio Wilson were appointed.

Moved: the recorder be authorized to furnish the District books to the Committee during their sessions, when the meeting adjourned to Saturday Dec. 29th 1855, to receive and act upon the reports from the committees.

Pursuant to adjournment the miners again met on the 29th of Dec 1855, at the store of Mr Wilmot. H. J. Morrison called to the chair and J. B. Morrison Secretary.

On motion, it was resolved that the report from Committee be received and the following resolution and by laws were adopted for the government of Placer mining:

SEC. I. *Resolved*, That this District shall embrace all the country within the following boundaries: Commencing at the junction of the Gossburgh Ravine with the main Oregon Gulch, thence in a due East course to the summit of the dividing ridge between Potters Ravine and north Fork of Feather River up said ridge to head waters of said Potters Ravine, then in a westerly direction to the dividing ridge between the waters of Oregon and Spring Valley gulches, along said ridge to the Table mountain, thence west to the centre of said mountain, thence in a southerly direction down centre of said mountain to a point due west from place of commencement, thence east to place of commencement.

SEC. II. *Resolved* (1), That all Placer claims within this District shall be known and classed as Hill and surface claims. (2) That Hill claims are those running in a pitching off from rim under surface or brow of hill or mountain (3) That surface claims shall include all claims heretofore known as Gulch Ravine, Flat Banks etc.

SEC. III. *Resolved* (1), That all surface claims shall be one hundred feet square, located as the claimant may see fit (2) That hill claims shall be one hundred feet front, running from rim, dip or brow of hill or mountain to centre of same with privilege of trail race on unoccupied ground.

SEC. IV. *Resolved* (1), That but one hill claim can be held by the same person, which may be held over and above legal surface claims. (2) That in Surface claims two claims a piece may be held one by pre-emption and one by purchase. (3) That any person or company discovering new diggins separate and distinct from any heretofore worked may claim and hold one extra claim.

SEC. V. *Resolved* (1), That any person or company laying a claim or claims shall be required to place a notice in some conspicuous place thereon, distinct by defining the boundaries of the same. (2) That said notice shall not hold good for a longer term than four days after taking up said claim.

SEC. VI. (1), That a claim shall be considered workable when a ton-head of water can be conveniently obtained without purchase. (2) That after evident indications of working a claim in good faith have been made, a notice may hold good for ten days only. (3) That in case of sickness, a claim may hold good by notice and renewal every ten days until such claimant is able to work it, in which case notice shall specify the reason of such claim not being worked. (4) That after labor has been performed to the amount of Two hundred Dollars to each claim or shall in prospecting for hill diggins said claim or share shall hold good by recording for six months without work or renewal.

SEC. VII. *Resolved* (1): That any person or persons recording a claim or claims shall appear each of them personally before the recorder and sign his own name to the record. (2) That any person or company recording a claim or claims shall be required to specify and distinctly defined the boundaries and location and name, the gulch, ravine, hill or flat, and the particular part of which said claim or claims are located. If not so distinctly described and defined as to be easily found, such record shall be considered worthless.

SEC. VIII. *Resolved*: That unworkable claims may hold good by recording and placing a certificate of record in some conspicuous place on said claim or by ordinary notice renewed every ten days until such claims become workable

SEC. IX. *Resolved* (1): That any person owning two claims may hold them both by representing but one when such claims are in connection.

SEC. X. *Resolved* (1). That any person or company may divert the water from any creek gulch or ravine, for mining purposes, providing that enough water be left in the natural channel to work the bed of such creek, gulch or ravine. (2) That reasonable reservoir claims shall be respected through mining claims may be taken up under them and held as unworkable. (3) That all dams for elevating water for the purpose of working banks or flats shall be considered ditch property.

SEC. XI. *Resolved* (1): That an election for Recorder may take place at any regular meeting of the miners in the District (2) That he shall have one dollar for recording a single claim and giving a certificate of the same and fifty cents for each additional claim in the same record. (3) That he shall keep two sets of books separate and distinct from each other, one in which to register the laws of the district and the other for recording claims in. (4) That it shall be his duty to number each record with a corresponding number on the certificate, giving each record the date on which it was presented for record. He shall record each record in regular order as presented. (5) That he shall keep these books within the district, and in no instance shall he allow them to go out of his possession, unless upon an order from a court of justice, or a written order from persons who are chosen to arbitrate disputes between miners in which case due precaution shall be taken for their safe and immediate return. (6) That said books shall be open for the free inspection of the miners at all reasonable hours. (7) That he shall act as secretary of all regular meetings of the miners, and keep minutes of all business transacted thereat. (8) That he at any time upon the application of ten miners or more call a meeting by causing notices to be posted up in not less than three public places within the district and giving at least ten days notice therefor and signing the names of persons calling the meeting and setting forth the object of the same.

SEC. XII. *Resolved*: That all recording must be done with the District Recorder.

SEC. XIII. *Resolved* (1): That all laws heretofore existing within the district are hereby repealed. (2) That two copies of the above laws be posted in two public places in the district by the recorder or some person appointed by the miners.

J. J. Smith appointed.

Amendment to Art. I Sec 3rd.

That all surface claims shall be Two hundred and fifty feet in length and one hundred feet in width.

Adopted at a miners meeting held at Oregon City—June 17th A. D. 1861.

JAMES ARMSTRONG *Chairman.*
S. B. MORRISON *Secy.*

Quartz Laws.

[For Preamble see Placer Laws.]

SECT. I. The boundaries of this district shall be the same as those described in the Placer laws.

SECT. II. Each separate claim on a Quartz Vein or Ledge shall be one hundred and fifty (150) feet in length with all its dips and angles banch, veins etc. And any person or persons discovering a Quartz Vein or Ledge, shall be entitled to one extra claims.

SECT. III. Any person or company taking up or making a Quartz claim, shall post a notice in some conspicuous part of the vein, describing the distance and extent of said claim and signed by all the parties interested and bearing date of the time when such claims were located or made, and shall within five days after such time furnish the District Recorder with a true copy of such notice with a full description annexed of the particular location and boundaries of the same.

SECT. IV. Within six months after any Quartz Claims shall have been taken up or made, the holder of each claim shall be required to make some permanent improvement to the amount of one hundred (\$100.00) dollars, such as sinking a shaft running a tunnel or erecting machinery on it, and such holder shall continue to make said improvement to the same value every six months until he shall have expended Five Hundred (\$500) dollars, then it shall be lawful for them to leave their claims or works idle for any length of time not exceeding one year.

SECT. V. No Joint Stock Company shall be obliged to work or improve more than one of their claims at the same time *providing always* That they are all connected together and laying within the same bounds. In all other cases they shall be worked separately and be governed by the preceding resolutions.

SECT. VI. No person except the Discoverer shall be allowed to hold more than one claim, unless it be by purchase and any person or persons laying claims shall immediately file with the District Recorder a certificate of the number of claims, where situated and from whom bought and the possession and working of such claims, shall be governed by the same laws and regulation as all other claims herein provided for.

SECT. VII. All Quartz Notices and certificates put in possession of the District Recorder, shall be filed and retained in his office, for future reference and in no case shall he allow them to go out of his possession unless it be to his successors office, or as evidence in some Court of Justice in this State.

SECT. VIII. All matters of difference arising between different companies of Quartz miners about their claims or privileges in working them shall be referred to and decided by a Jury of six quartz miners, at the office of the District Recorder, at such time as the contending parties shall agree upon. Each of the contending parties shall select three persons, and in case that the Jury cannot agree they shall choose a seventh person to act with them and when they have once delivered their verdict, there shall be no appeal from their decision.

SECT. IX. When contending parties have agreed according to the provisions of the preceding resolutions, they shall sign an article to be filed in the office of the District Recorder to the effect that they will abide by the decision of the Jury to whom they have submitted their case for trial.

SECT. X. All Quartz laws passed in this district prior to this time and conflicting with the provisions of the above resolutions are hereby repealed.

SECT. XI. The Recorder is requested to keep a separate book the recording of Quartz claims and his fee for recording shall be one dollar (\$1.00) for the first claimants name and 50 cts for the remaining names, and that he shall make a true copy of these laws in the Quartz Record Book. It is resolved that the sum of five dollars (\$5) be paid to the Recorder for every arbitration held in his office by the contending parties.

SECT. XII. In order to call a meeting to repeal, modify or amend any of the above resolutions it shall be necessary for at least ten Quartz miners to sign a petition and deliver it to the Recorder, praying that such a meeting be called, whereupon the Recorder shall give at least ten days notice by posting notice in at least six. of the most public places in the District setting forth the object of the call and the names of the persons requesting it.

Resolved, That the laws regulating Quartz mining take effect thirty days from this date.

H. J. MORRISON, *Chairman.*

S. B. MORRISON, *Secy.*

Amendments to Quartz Laws.

SATURDAY August 13th. (No year specified.)

Quartz Laws, Sect. 4th was amended to read as follows:

That within six months after any Quartz Ledge shall have been taken up the shareholders or company making the location shall be required to expend on said claim five days work per month during the first six months after said location and said shareholders or company shall continue to make permanent improvements to the value of one hundred dollars every six months thereafter until they shall have expended five hundred dollars in permanent improvements. Then it shall be lawful for them to leave their said claim or works idle for any length of time not exceeding one year.

Sect. 11. was amended as follows:

Resolved: That the fee of the Recorder for recording shall be fifty cents for the first claim and twenty-five cents for each additional claim in the same record.

At a meeting of the miners held at Oregon Gulch on Monday June 17th 1861 for the purpose of revising and amending the existing laws governing hill diggings of Oregon Gulch District Jos. Armstrong chair S. B. Morrison sec'y.

Report of the committee appointed to revise and draft laws governing Hill claims, J. M. Nash, E. C. Rider Ed. Seymore, Thomas Belew, G. R. Fitzgerald.

Resolved:

ART. 1st. That a Hill claim shall be one hundred and fifty feet front running to centre of Table mountain.

ART. 2nd. That in all Hill Diggins in the district each person may hold but one claim by pre-emption.

ART. 3rd. That all Hill claims may be recorded by the District Recorder. Each claimant shall be required to perform five days labor on the said claim after he takes it up within thirty days and three days every succeeding thirty days until labor is done to the amount of fifty dollars after such labor is performed he or they shall hold the same for six months, after that period of time such claim shall be held good for six months.

That for the first record of each claim. The recorder be allowed one Dollar for recording a single claim and giving a certificate of the same and fifty cents for each additional claim in the same record, and half of the above price for each renewal of the same record.

ART. 5. That it shall be the duty of the recorder to go with each person locating a claim or claims in the Table land in this District and set the stakes for such person or persons.

ART. 6. That all laws heretofore existing within this district governing hill claims are hereby repealed.

On motion of Ed. Seymore S. B. Morrison was elected recorder.

JOS. ARMSTRONG *Chairman*

G. B. MORRISON *Secy.*

On the third Saturday of February 1872. The following amendments were adopted at a miners meeting

Resolved 1st. That Gulch and Flat claims will consist of 250 feet square and Hill claims 150 feet front running to the centre of the hill or mountain. Said hill claim defined as Tunnel and Drift mine.

2nd. Gulch and Flat claims may be located by posting a notice on the same describing the number and extent of the claims or may be held by working without recording as long as he is in possession. In the event of leaving or not working in thirty days it will be necessary to record the same. Otherwise it will be considered abandoned. After expending \$100.00 in labor on the claims and recording them, he may remain in possession for 12 months without doing any additional work

3rd. *Resolved*, That Section third passed at the meeting of June 17th A D 1861 be amended so as to allow six months in which to expend \$50.00 on such claim. Also that the word (shall) be substituted for the word (may) be recorded in the same section.

All laws or parts of laws conflicting with the above are hereby repealed.

SISKIYOU COUNTY.—ORO FINO DIGGINGS MINING DISTRICT.

MINERS LAWS.

At a meeting of the miners of the *Oro Fino* Diggings Scott Valley Siskiyou County Cal held *February 6th* 1856, Joseph Barker was elected chairman and Robert Atherton secretary and the following laws were passed.

First. The Gulch claims now held by Mr Joseph Barker and the flat purchased by him with the ditch be respected as his property

Second. Each miner shall be allowed one claim of one hundred Yards in length and fifty yards in width on the gulches and flats by location, and as many as he wishes to purchase provided he works them when in a workable condition. The boundaries of all claims must be distinctly designated by stakes or some other visable marks and when not worked, by notice.

Third. Claims shall be considered in a workable Condition when water can be procured, and every claim must be worked at least one day in seven unless prevented by some unavoidable circumstances.

Fourth. Each claim must be recorded by a recorder Elected for that purpose who shall not charge more than one dollar for his services.

Fifth. That these laws be sent to the County Clerk to be recorded by him.

JOSEPH BARKER, *Chairman.*

R. ATHERTON, *Secretary.*

Filed for record February 8th 1856 By Mr Chase at 12 o'clock, m.

H. G. FERRIS, *Recorder*
JONAS W. BROWN *Dep.*

Recorded February 9th 1856 at 8 o'clock a m.

H. G. FERRIS, *Recorder.*
E. M. ANTHONY

YUBA COUNTY.—ODD FELLOWS AND OHIO FLAT MINING DISTRICTS.

OHIO FLAT DISTRICT

Persuant to notice the people of Oddfellows District held a meeting at the store of L. Wesson on the 8th March 1856 for the better security of their mining interests, the following motions were adopted W. W. Ferguson appointed Chairman and T. A. Steel secretary.

1st. Motioned that the District formally called Oddfellow District be divided, which was adopted.

2nd. Motioned that the line of fence dividing the Ohio Flat and New York Ranch be the line dividing said district and that the western part be called Ohio Flat District including Ohio Flat, Garden Ranch and all the streams running into them which was adopted.

3rd. Motioned that the chairman appoint a committee of six to draft a code of laws for the government of the mining in trusts in said District which was adopted.

4th. Motioned that this meeting adjourn to Saturday 15th inst at 2 o'clock p. m. which was adopted.

W. W. FERGUSON, *Chairman*.

THOS. H. STEELE, *Secy*.

The people of Ohio Flat district met pursuant to adjournment Saturday 15th 1856, the report of the committee was read amended and adopted as follows:

Caption: A code of laws for the better security of the interests of the miners holding claims in the Ohio Flat District in Yuba County California.

LAWS OF OHIO FLAT DISTRICT.

SECT. I. The South eastern boundary of the Ohio Flat District shall be the line or fence dividing the Ohio and New York Rancho and said districts shall embrace all Flats, Ravines, gulches and intermediate hills to the centre of the dividing ridge dividing the waters of said Ohio Flat District from the Feather River and that of the Hornout Creek.

SECT. II. All persons (Chinamen excepted) are entitled to one claim by pre-emption and as many as they may lawfully purchase, provided each claim is represented by one hand to two claims when the said claims are connected.

SECT. III. All claims on the Flat shall embrace the most prominent channels or lead in said Flat or from bank to bank and all Ravine claims shall be one hundred feet square or from bank to bank and all Hill claims shall be one hundred feet square

SECT. IV. All Flat claims shall be considered workable from the 1st. day of June to the 1st. day of November of each successive year if there is sufficient water and all Ravine claims shall be considered workable when there is sufficient water in said Ravine and must be worked in ten days after water can be had at a reasonable price or forfeited.

SECT. V. The water in each Flat, Ravine, or Gulch shall be governed by the usages in said District.

SECT. VI. Each and every individual or company claim (when not considered workable) shall have a notice posted in some conspicuous place on said individual or company claim describing the bounds and extend to said claim or claims, and have said notice regularly recorded on the district records book, or renewed every ten days.

SECT. VII. There shall be a recorder chosen for this district whose duty it shall be to faithfully record all claims filed with him for that purpose, and certify the recording of the same on said notice for which the Recorder shall receive one half dollar for each entry on the Book of said district and it shall be further the duty of the Recorder to post up a notice in the most public place in said district when any respectable number of claim-holders shall desire to change the laws of said district and give at least ten days notice of the time and place of said meeting.

On motion W. W. Ferguson was chosen Recorder of said District.

On motion the meeting adjourned *sine die*.

W. W. FERGUSON *Chairman*

THOS. H. STEEL, *Secretary*.

NOVEMBER 12th 1857.

Meeting organized by choosing H. S. Maddox President of the meeting and H. M. Eddy Secretary.

On motion of H. M. Eddy it was moved and supported that we establish a Quartz Mining District having for its boundaries the county line between Yuba and Butte counties on the (North) The top of the ridge on the east side of Leeston Ravine and New York Flat on the (East) Dry Creek on the (South) The top of the ridge on the west side of New York and Ohio Flat and Garden Ranch on the (West) to be called the Ohio Flat Quartz Mining District which motion was carried and said Quartz Mining District as therein described duly established by a unanimous vote.

On motion of Mr. Roberts it was moved and supported that all laws now in force for the regulation of Quartz Mining (if any there be) within the limits of this district as now established be repealed which motion was carried and all such laws repealed by a unanimous vote.

The following laws were then read before the meeting.

SECT. I. There shall be a recorder elected at this meeting who shall hold his office for one year or until a successor is elected. The election shall be *vivavoca* and in case the office shall become vacant by removal resignation or otherwise any person who may have the records in possession may act as a deputy until another is chosen.

SECT. II. The duty of the recorder shall be to give notice of all meetings in the district on the written application of three miners of the district by posting up three notices in three of the most public places in the district at least six days before such meeting. It shall also be his duty to keep a record of the proceedings of all such meeting and to record all Quartz claims presented to him for record that have not before been recorded in a book to be kept for that purpose for which service he shall be entitled to a fee of one dollar for a single claim and Two dollars for a company and also upon application for a certificate of due compliance with law of the district he shall visit the Quartz claim or claims and being satisfied that the amount of labor as hereinafter provided has been done on said claim or claims he shall issue a certificate to that effect to the owner or owners thereof for which service he shall be entitled to a fee of Five dollars.

SECT. III. All Quartz claims within the limits of this district shall be Three hundred feet long together with all the branches, dips and angles and slides and no person shall be entitled to hold more than one claim by location.

SECT. IV. On the location of a Quartz claim or claims the locator or locators thereof may hold the same for ten days by posting a notice on said claim or claims and if duly recorded within said ten days the owner thereof shall be entitled to six months from the date of the record to make improvements thereon to the amount of Fifty dollars to each claim which when done shall be entitled to a certificate from the recorder as specified in sect. 2. of due compliance with the laws which certificate shall entitle the owner or owners thereof to one year from the date of the certificate for actual operation and showing a bonafide intention of working and developing said claim and a full compliance with these laws shall debar any other person from jumping such claim.

SECT. V. Any person not satisfied with the decision of the Recorder in granting a certificate as specified in sect. 2 may appeal to the decision of three disinterested persons one of which shall be chosen by the Recorder and their decision shall be final.

SECT. VI. All difficulties and disputes arising between parties in regard to Quartz claims within the limits of this district may be adjusted by calling a meeting for that purpose.

SECT. VII. The record of all Quartz Claims that have been heretofore recorded according to the requirements of any laws that may have been in force prior to this time may be transferred to the records kept by the requirement of these laws by the presentation to the Recorder of a certificate of its former record and payment of one-half the regular fee for recording.

SECT. VIII. The laws may be altered or amended at any meeting by a majority present, providing there shall have been notice of such an alteration or amendment given in the notice of the meeting calling it.

After reading the above laws on motion of R. B. Fry they were passed by a unanimous vote for the government and regulation of Quartz mining in the Ohio Flat District.

Mr. H. M. Eddy elected recorder.

Meeting adjourned.

H. M. EDDY, *Secretary.*

By laws of Ohio Flat, May 15th 1858.

Pursuant to notice the miners of Ohio Flat District met at the store-room of Wm. H. M. Eddy's for the purpose of electing a Recorder, revising the old by-laws and enacting new laws in relation to holding mining claims in Ohio Flat & Garden Ranch Flat.

On motion H. M. Eddy was chosen chairman & H. S. Maddox requested to act as secretary of said meeting

On motion a committee of three viz. J. Whealdon, T. H. Steel & H. F. Roberts were chosen to revise the by-laws of this District & prepare a certain section with regard to holding mining claims, which by-laws were submitted to the meeting for adoption or rejection.

The By-laws of Ohio Flat mining Dist, as revised by committee and adopted by the above named meeting May 15th, 1858.

SECT. I. The southeastern boundary of the Ohio Flat District shall be the line or fence dividing the Ohio & New York ranches and said District shall embrace all Flats, Ravines Gulches and intermediate hills to the center of the dividing ridge, dividing the waters of said Ohio Flat District from the waters of the Feather river & that of the Honour Creek.

SECT. II. All persons (Chinamen excepted) are entitled to one claim by pre-emption and as many as they may lawfully purchase, provided each claim is represented by one hand to two claims when the said claims are connected.

SECT. III. All Ravine or Flat claims shall be one hundred feet in length and from hill to hill.

SECT. IV. All Ravine claims when there is not sufficient natural water for working them shall hold good for one year by recording the same. When there is sufficient natural water the claim must be worked at least one day in ten or considered vacant.

SECT. V. The water in each Flat, Ravine or Gulch shall be governed by the usages in said District.

SECT. VI. Each and every individual or company claim (when not considered workable) shall have a notice posted in some conspicuous place on said individual or company claim, describing the bounds and extent of said claim or claims and have said notice regularly recorded on the district recorder's book, or renewed every ten days.

SECT. VII. There shall be a recorder elected once a year who shall receive fifty cents for recording each claim and it shall be the duty of the Recorder at the expiration of his term of office or when a respectable number of claim holders shall require it, to post notices, call a meeting to elect a recorder &c.

SECT. VIII. All claims in Ohio Flat & Garden Ranch Flat shall hold good till a certain Bed rock Flume (the construction of which is now commenced) is completed through said Flat by being recorded in the Recorder's book of this district.

SECT. IX. All claimants notices recorded in the record book shall show whether the claimant comes into possession by purchase or pre-emption of said claim or claims.

By a unanimous vote of the meeting Thos. H. Steel was elected Recorder of Ohio Flat Mining District.

On motion meeting adjourned sine die.

H. M. EDDY *Chairman*

HENLEY S. MADDOX *Secretary.*

ODD FELLOWS DISTRICT.

Laws.

In consequence of the Odd Fellows Mining District record book containing the laws and records of said District having been destroyed, the District assembled at the house of N. S. Williams in N. Y. Township, Yuba county, on Thursday the 15th September 1864 agreeable to previous notice. T. H. Steele was elected Chairman and G. N. Butler Secretary of said meeting.

On motion a committee of three composed of N. S. Williams, T. H. Steele and G. N. Butler were appointed to draft and report a code of laws to be submitted to an adjourned meeting.

On motion the meeting adjourned till the 24th inst. at 7 o'clock p. m.

G. N. BUTLER *Secretary.*

T. H. STEELE *Chairman*

At an adjourned meeting of the Odd Fellows Mining District held on the 24th day of September 1864 E. T. Shaw Chairman and G. N. Butler Secretary the committee reported the following laws which were unanimously adopted.

SECT. 1. This mining district shall be known as the Odd Fellows District and shall embrace within its boundaries the whole of N. Y. Flat and its tributaries excepting the Ohio Flat and its Tributaries

SECT. 2. All ravine claims shall be one hundred feet in length and shall extend from bank to bank or shall embrace the most prominent channel or lead.

SECT. 3rd. All Flat claims shall be one hundred feet in length and shall extend across the flat.

SECT. 4. A miner in this district may hold one and only one claim by pre-emption.

SECT. 5th. The name of each claimant pre-empting claims must be put on the notice.

SECT. 6. All ravine claims when there is sufficient natural water shall be worked one day in every ten. When there is not sufficient natural water they shall hold good by having a notice posted on them to be renewed every ten days or by being recorded in the Recorders book of this district. All claims on N. Y. Flat and Letson's Flat shall hold good until a certain Bed Rock Flume (the construction of which is now commenced) shall be extended up to said claims, by being recorded in the Recorders book of this district, and if not represented within three months after said Flume is extended up to said claims, they shall be considered vacated.

SECT. 7. There shall be a Recorder elected who shall hold his office for the term of one year or until his successor is elected whose duty shall be to record the claims of all applicants of this district, and at the request of a respectable number of claim-holders to post a notice to call meetings and shall receive the sum of fifty cents for recording each claimants claim.

EDWIN F. SHAW *Chairman*

G. N. BUTLER *Secretary*

SISKIYOU COUNTY.—LITTLE HUMBUG CREEK MINING DISTRICT.

LITTLE HUMBUG CREEK *April 8th A D 1856*

At a Meeting of the Miners of little Humbug Creek held at the House of James Masterson & Co. upon the 8th of April 1856 as aforesaid the following Resolutions were dopted after meeting was duly organised & Mr Wm W Johnson was appointed chairman & Mr S. L. Root secty the following committee to draft Resolutions. T. M. Kelley chairman of comtte John Hogan S L Root secty, Chas Vedder E. Crockett S M Fall John Kating C. H. Gray P. H. Poindexter Hinds Fuller S. G. Berry & B. C. Brewer.

ARTICLE 1st. *Resolved*, that the mining District district of Little Humbug Creek shall extend from the head of said Creek down to the junction of what is called the North fork and the following laws shall only have jurisdiction over the claims & mining privileges of said Creek as above specified in this article.

ART. 2. *Res*, that the claims on little Humbug shall be one Hundred yards in length extending up and down the Creek, and shall be one hundred and fifty feet in width & every claim holder on little Humbug may take his claim on both sides of the present of the creek or all upon one side or as part on either side as he may see proper.

ART. 3. *Res*, that no person shall be entitled to any more than one claim by location, but he may succeed to as many claims as he may obtaine by a & *bono file* purchase providing he keeps them represented by a person working on each claim according to the provisions of art. 5 in this code of Laws.

ART. 4th. *Res*, that any miner or Company of miners shall have the privilege of Cutting a drain ditch through the ground below them in such a manner & position as will do the co below the least possible injury.

ART. 5th. *Res*, that all claims upon little Humbug while workable shall be represented by labor performed one day in every five Sundays excepted in order to hold the claim from being Jumped

ART. 6th. *Res*, that labor done at building a cabin on a claim or in preparing or gettings tools or any mining apperatus or in doing any other kind of labor for the better working of any claim, shall be considered working it properly & shall hold the claim accordingly.

ART. 7th. *Res*, that no persons claim shall be jumpable on little Humbug while he is sick or in any other way disabled from labor or while he is absent from his claim attending upon sick friends.

ART. 8th. *Res*, That all disputes or difficulties about claims or Water privileges occuring in this mining district shall be settled by a majority of the miners in a minors meeting or by a jury as the parties may agree. A jury shall preferable if either party wish it, and in all cases the jury shall be chosen by the parties.

ART. 9th. *Res*, that no person shall have a voice or vote in a minors meeting or at arbitration that accurs in this mining District except he either holds a claim or is working in this mining district.

ART. 10th. *Res*, That all former laws in this mining district that in any way conflicts with these laws are hereby repealed and shall be considered null and void after this code of laws take effect.

ART. 11th. *Res*, that no minors or company of miners shall back water by a dam or otherwise upon the claim above them to the injury of the party holding the upper claim without their, the upper parties, consent.

ART. 12. *Res*, That no person or persons shall be allowed to divert the waters by a ditch or otherwise from Little Humbug to the prejudice of the miners working on the Stream.

ART. 13th. *Res*, That this code of laws shall not be hereafter modified or repealed except by a majority of the claim holders in this mining district.

ART. 14. *Resolved*, That no dam or reservoir shall be constructed in this mining district to Gather Water for the purpose of sluiceng with shall the water be detained in any aforesaid dam or reservoir later than seven o'clock a m

ART. 15th. *Res*, that this code of laws shall take take effect & be in full force from this the of their adoption, furthermore, a copy of these laws shall be posted up in the most public place in this mining district. Also, a copy of them shall be kept by the secty of this meeting.

WM. W. JOHNSON *Chairman of Meeting*

S L. ROOT *Secty.*

Filed for record in the Clerks office April 9th A D 1856 by S L. Root

Recorded April 9th A D 1856

JONAS. W. BROWN *Recorder*
by M. O. WHITE *Deputy*

JONAS. W. BROWN *Recorder*
by. M. O WHITE, *Depty*

SIERRA COUNTY.—SAINT LOUIS MINING DISTRICT.

BY-LAWS.

At a meeting of the Miners of St. Louis District held at the Town Hall on the 6th day of July A. D. 1856 for the purpose of enacting Laws for the government of said District the meeting was organized by Ralph Ellis being called to the chair and Joel Eveland appointed Secretary.

Pursuant to the above mentioned meeting the following Laws were enacted.

ARTICLE I. In this district shall be included all the mining ground between Sackett's Ravine on the North Fork and Cedar Grove Ravine on the South and the dividing ridge between Slate and Canyon Creeks.

ARTICLE II. A claim shall consist of 100 feet square or 10,000 square feet and any person may hold two such claims by Location and one by purchase making in all three claims; And any person may hold three by purchase; but in no case shall any person hold more than three claims.

ARTICLE III. Any person holding a Mining claim in this District shall keep the angles plainly marked with Stakes and stating as near as possible the direction of the Angles and in addition shall keep a notice posted in some conspicuous place with all the owners' names signed to it.

ARTICLE IIII. Any person locating ground claimed by another party who are holding more than three claims may select such ground as he chooses provided that he does not take the ground on which the second party is at work.

ARTICLE V. Any person holding three claims in this District may hold the same by working one and renewing the others every thirty days during the mining season.

ARTICLE VI. The Mining Season shall be the months included between April 1st and July 1st all claims worked up to that date shall hold good from July 1st to April 1st without renewal.

ARTICLE VII. Any person holding a claim with another lying in front of it shall have the privilege of opening through said claim provided he pays the Damage assessed by the Miners chosen for the occasion.

ARTICLE VIII. The Sworn certificate of the Secretary of this meeting shall be a proof of the validity of these claims.

On motion it was agreed that a Copy of these proceedings be published in the Mountain Messenger.

Adjourned *Sine die*.

JOEL EVELAND *Secretary*.

RALPH ELLIS *Chairman*

TRINITY COUNTY.—DEMOCRAT GULCH MINING DISTRICT.

At a miners meeting of the miners on Democrat Gulch held on Wednesday Sept the 3 1856 The following rules and regulations were adopted

Resolved, that the boundary lines at present be respected and each man is entitled to one hundred yards as a claim in the gulch from bank to bank on the main rise of the bed rock.

Resolved, Bank or hill claims, one hundred yards front and running back as far as you wish to work.

Resolved, Gulch claims to be held by notice from the first of July to the first of October and said notice to be renewed every 22 days.

Resolved, Hill claims to be held by notice to be held by notice from the 1st of December to the 1st of May and said notice renewed every 22 days.

Resolved, claims deserted for 10 days when workable are subjected to forfeiture.

Resolved, In case of sickness claims to be held by notice and said notice to be renewed every 22 days

Resolved, Companies working the hills cannot run dirt on the Gulch claims provided the said Gulch claims have the oldest right

Resolved, That these rules be recorded in the Recorder's office.

DAVID FARRELL *Secy*.

Recorded Sept 9th 1856.

JOHN FARRELL *Chairman*.

SISKIYOU COUNTY.—MAINE LITTLE HUMBURG CREEK MINING DISTRICT.

BY LAWS.

MAINE LITTLE HUMBURG CREEK *Oct 8th A. D. 1856*.

At a meeting of the miners of Maine Little Humberg Creek held at the house of Mr Dixon on said Creek the following resolutions were adopted after the meeting was duly organized and Mr James Dixon was chosen chairman and L. A. Rood secretary the following committee was appointed to draft resolutions. Byron Cox David Keneday, Patrick Cummins John Keneday, Patrick McDermit, Gumler Hansons Win Carpenter, Jacob Reid Joseph Bemans Anthony Reid J. Feberns Ephraim Sweet.

ARTICLE 1st. *Resolved*, that the mining District of Maine Little Humberg Creek shall extend from the forks of said creek or little Humberg District to the mouth of Maine little Humberg Creek and the following laws shall have jurisdiction over the claims and mining privileges of said District specified in this article.

ART. 2d. *Res*, that the claims in this District shall be 100 yards in length extending up and down the Creek and 200 feet in width

ART. 33. *Res*, that no person shall be entitled to more than one claim by location, but he may succeed to as many claims as he may obtain by fair and bona fide purchase Provided he keep them represented by a person working on each claim, according to the proviso of art. 5th in this code of Laws

ART. 4th. *Res*, that any miner or company of Miners shall have the privilege of cutting a drain ditch through the Ground below them in such a manner and position as will do the Company below, the least possible injury

ART. 5th. *Res.* that all claims in this district workable shall be represented by labor performed one day in every seven in order to hold the claims from being jumped.

ART. 6th. *Res.* That labor done at building a cabin on a claim or in preparing or in getting tools or any mining apparatus or in doing any other kind of labor for the better working of any Claim shall be considered working it properly and shall hold the claim accordingly

ART. 7th. *Res.* that no persons claim shall be Jumpable in this district while he is sick or in other way disabled from labor or while he is absent from his claim attending upon sick friends.

ART. 8th. *Res.* that all disputes or difficulties about claims or Water privileges occurring in this mining district shall be settled by a majority of the miners in a miners meeting or by a Jury as the parties may agree a Jury shall be preferable if either party wishes it, in all cases the jury shall be chosen by the parties

ART. 9th. *Res.* That no person shall have a voice or vote in a miners meeting or arbitration that occurs in this mining district except he either holds a claim or is working in the mining district

ART. 10th. *Res.* That all former laws in this mining District that in any way conflict with these laws are hereby repealed and shall be considered null and void after this code of laws take effect.

ART. 11th. *Res.* that no miners or Company of miners shall back water by a dam or otherwise upon the claim above them to injury of the party holding the claim above without their (the upper companys) consent

ART. 12th. *Res.* that no person or persons shall be allowed to divert the water by a ditch otherwise from this district injurious to the miners working the stream

ART. 13th. *Res.* that this code of laws shall not be hereafter modified or repealed except by a majority of the claim holders in this mining District

ART. 14th. *Res.* That no dams or reservoirs shall be constructed in this mining District to gether water for the purpose of sluicing neither the water be detained in any aforesaid dam or reservoir later than seven o'clock a m

ART. 15th. *Res.* that this code laws shall take effect and be in full force hereafter from this time of their adoption, furthermore a copy of these laws shall be posted up in the most conspicuous place in this mining District also a copy of these laws shall be kept by the secretary of this meeting

ART. 16th. *Res.* That these laws be recorded at the County Recorders office in this county.

JAMES DISON *Chairman*

L. A. ROOD *Secretary*

Filed for record Saturday October 11th A D 1856 at 3 o'clock p. m.

JONAS W. BROWN *Recorder, of Siskiyou County*
By M C WHITE *Deputy*

Recorded October 15th A D 1856 at 3 o'clock p. m in Book of Miners Claims &c.

JONAS W BROWN *Recorder*
By M C WHITE *Deputy*

SIERRA COUNTY.—GIBSONVILLE MINING DISTRICT.

MINING LAWS.

ARTICLE I. The boundaries over which these rules and regulations shall be exercised is from the Mouth of the West Branch of Slate Creek on the South to the Mouth of 3rd Ravine with all the Ravines and Gulches putting into said Branch of Slate Creek, and the ground naturally drained thereby.

ARTICLE II. All Ravine and Creek claims shall consist of 30 feet wide and 100 feet up and down the Creek and Ravine.

ARTICLE III. All Bank and Hill claims shall consist of 100 feet running back to the Main Ridge.

ARTICLE IV. No person shall hold more than one claim by right of Pre-emption.

ARTICLE V. Any person or Company taking up a claim or claims shall put up a Stake at each of the Front Corners and shall place a notice on one of said Stakes signed by himself or one of the Company stating the Boundaries with the date of making said claim and placing a sufficient number of Stakes to define the directions of the lines running to the Ridge and said notice shall be recorded.

ARTICLE VI. Any person or Company holding Claims shall during the Months of April May June and July work the same or renew their notice once in 20 days either himself one of the Company or an Agent appointed for that purpose.

ARTICLE VII. Any person or Company may hold his or their claim from the 1st day of August to the 1st day of April by working the same or by having said claim recorded or renewed on the Record.

ARTICLE VIII. There shall be one Recorder whose duty it shall be to record all claims and renewals of claims presented to him by the Owners thereof for which he shall receive the sum of 50 cents for each Claim Recorded and 25 cents for each Renewal of Notice on Record.

ARTICLE IX. The Recorder shall be elected by Ballot for one year. In case of Removal or Inability to perform the duties of his office the Recorder may appoint a person to fill the Vacancy subject to the approval of the Miners.

ARTICLE X. Any Company running a Cut or Tunnel through unclaimed ground to get into their claims shall hold by right of said Cut or Tunnel 25 feet each side of said Cut or Tunnel from the Centre.

ARTICLE XI. It shall be the duty of the Recorder to post up Notices for a meeting of the Miners to Elect a Recorder at least 30 days previous to the Expiration of his term of office.

ARTICLE XII. Any person at any time feeling aggrieved by any of the above Rules and Regulations and desirous to have said Rules and Regulations Altered or amended may call a meeting of the Miners by giving at least 3 days notice of such intention by placing up at least two Notices on the most public places in Gibsonville.

CHARLES. T. SHEETZ *Chairman.*
B. V. RUTHERFORD *Secretary.*

The above is a true Copy of the Laws of Gibsonville passed Jany. 8th 1857

By FRANK SCHOOMAKER *Recorder.*

All articles passed previous to this date Jany 8th 1857 Are Null and Void.

SACRAMENTO COUNTY.—FOLSOM MINING DISTRICT.

GENERAL NOTICES.

To Quartz Miners of Sacramento County:

Notice is hereby given that a meeting of the Quartz Miners of this county will be held at Russville, opposite Folsom on Thursday January 22d 1857 at 10 o'clock p. m. to adopt such laws and regulations as may be necessary for the protection of the Quartz Mining interests.

RUSSVILLE January 22nd 1857.

At a meeting of the Quartz Miners of Sacramento County assembled this day in pursuance of a call advertised in a newspaper called the "Union" at the house of Col Russ on Prospect Hill in the town of Russville, Major John H. Gass was called to the chair and J. S. Meredith was chosen Secretary. The following laws were adopted to wit:—

QUARTZ MINING LAWS OF SACRAMENTO COUNTY.

ARTICLE 1st. The jurisdiction of the following laws shall extend over all quartz mines and quartz mining property within the county of Sacramento.

ARTICLE 2nd. Each proprietor of a quartz claim shall hereafter be entitled to two hundred feet of a quartz ledge or vein and the discoverer shall be allowed two hundred feet additional. Each claim shall include all the dips, angles and variations of the vein.

ARTICLE 3rd. On the discovery of a vein of quartz three days shall be allowed to make and stake off the claim in such manner by name of the owner and number of the claim or otherwise as shall properly and fully identify such claims. Parties having claims may cause a map or plan to be made and a copy filed with the Recorder if deemed requisite to more particularly fix the locality.

ARTICLE 4th. Work to the extent of sixty dollars in value or twenty days faithful labor shall be performed by each company holding claims within thirty days from the date recording the same as provided in Article 6th of these laws and the duly authorized representative of a company making oath that such money has been expended or that such labor has been performed shall be entitled to a certificate from a Recorder guaranteeing undisputed possession of such claims for the term of one year; and for a like sum of money or labor expended or performed within twenty days of each succeeding year duly acknowledged as herein named shall entitle the claimants or company from year to year to certificates of undisputed proprietorship and possession; and a company having a mill contracted for in good faith to the amount of five thousand dollars for the working of its claim or claims the proper representative of the company making oath of the same shall be entitled to receive from the County Recorder a title deed to said claim or claims guaranteeing to the claimants or company their successors or assigns undisputed possession and proprietorship forever under these laws provided that nothing in this article shall be at any time inconsistent with the laws of the United States.

ARTICLE 5th. Whenever the requisite amount of money or labor as provided for in Article 4th has not been expended within sixty days from the adoption of these laws the claim or claims thus neglected shall be considered abandoned and subject to be located by any other party or parties.

ARTICLE 6th. Any person a citizen of the United States or any person having taken the necessary steps to become a citizen of the United States shall be entitled to hold one quartz claim as provided for in Article 2nd and as many more as may be purchased in good faith for a valuable consideration for which certificates of proprietorship shall be issued by the Recorder.

ARTICLE 7th. The discoverer of a new ledge or vein of quartz shall be entitled to two hundred feet for his discovery and one claim additional even though he is already in possession of another claim taken up by himself and the same benefit may be claimed for each and every discovery, although many discoveries may be made by one person.

HORACE P. RUSS Recorder

Col Russ proposed a form for certificate to be issued by the Recorder, also form of affidavit to be made by claimants which were adopted.

Horace P. Russ was elected Recorder of claims for Sacramento Co. Office to be kept in the town of Russville.

On motion of Col. Z. Hagen,

Resolved, That the proceedings of this meeting be published in the Sacramento Weekly Union for three weeks.

JOHN H. GASS President.

JAMES S. MEREDITH, Secretary.

YUBA COUNTY.—INDIANA RANCH MINING DISTRICT.

LAWS REGULATING QUARTZ MINING FOR THE DISTRICT OF THE KEYSTONE, INDIANA RANCHO & DRY CREEK.

SECT. I. A Quartz claim shall be one hundred and fifty feet on the line of the lead following the dips and angles of said lead indefinitely.

SECT. II. All persons discovering Quartz leads shall be entitled to hold one claim each by the right of discovery and one claim each by the right of location. Nothing herein contained shall be construed in such a manner as to interfere with the right to hold different claims on separate leads or such as may be acquired in good faith by purchase.

SECT. III. All persons taking up Quartz claims shall post a notice at or near the lead so taken up and shall record a copy of said notice with the Mining Recorder of the district stating the number of claims claimed by them or him.

SECT. IV. Persons prospecting Quartz leads shall not be obliged to define the exact bounds of their claims until they have had a reasonable time to discover the lines of bearing of such leads. Providing however that they shall not have the right to claim a greater distance than to the extent of such claims as they may be entitled to either on one side or the other, from the place where said lead was first struck by them.

SECT. V. In locating claims persons having priority in performing labor or posting their notices shall have priority in the right of locating.

SECT. VI. To entitle persons to hold claims they shall perform at least One Hundred Dollars worth of labor within the first three months on said claim, After which they shall be entitled to hold said claims one year by performing at least twenty days labor on the same.

SECT. VII. Persons having posted notices previous to the passage of these laws shall have the right to alter the same in conformity though dated at the time that their notice was originally posted.

SECT. VIII. Nothing herein contained shall be so construed as in any manner to interfere with Hill Diggins or Placer claims located prior to the location of Quartz claims.

SECT. IX. These laws shall be recorded in the Book of the Mining Recorder of this district and shall be open to the inspection of Miners and the Recorder shall receive the sum of One dollar to each person for recording the same.

INDIANA RANCH April 18th A. D. 1857.

Amended.

At a meeting of the miners at the school-house near the Indiana Ranch Nov. 7th 1857 The following was adopted.

Resolved, that the Quartz Mining laws of this district be amended by adopting the following section to wit.

SECT. X. All persons holding Quartz claims shall be entitled to hold fifty feet of ground on each side of their lead, the line of said fifty feet running parallel with the dips angles and variations of the lead together with all parallel and cross leads spurs and branches within said fifty feet and in case of cross leads or contested rights the same shall be decided by the right of priority in location.

Resolved, that the mining Recorder be instructed to open a new book separate and apart from the Mining Record now in use for the purpose of recording Quartz laws and claims, and that he be instructed to copy all notices of Quartz claims from the old book.

At a meeting held this day the 13th of March 1864 at Indiana Ranch the miners have resolved unanimously the by-laws and amendments as follows :

Sect. 2 amended so as to read

SECT. 2. All persons discovering Quartz ledges shall be entitled to hold one claim for discovery and one claim each by location. Nothing herein contained shall be construed in such a manner as to interfere with the right to hold different claims on separate ledges or such as may be acquired in good faith by purchase.

Sect. III amended thus :

All persons taking up quartz Claims shall post a notice at the or near the ledge, so taken up and shall record a copy of said notice within 30 days with the mining recorder of the district stating the number of claims claimed by them or him.

Sect. IX was amended to read

The Recorders fee shall be 25 cts for each claim instead of one dollar.

Mr. Robbins acting as chairman and Mr. Th. Lombaertt sect.

INDIANA RANCH March 13th '64.

At a meeting of the miners of the Indiana Ranch mining District held at the Indiana Ranch on the 25th day of April 1878,

Peter Labadie was chosen Chairman and Lewis Wilder Secretary.

The chairman stated that the object of the meeting was to elect a recorder and amend such articles of the old mining laws as are necessary.

On motion of Mr French the chair appointed L. R. Stevenson, Albert Hanch and Michael Higgins as a committee of three to draft an order of business.

On motion of John McKune Mr. French was added to the committee. Moved and seconded that the meeting adjourn for ten minutes carried Meeting called to order. The committee reported an order of business as follows. * * * *

PLACER MINES BY-LAWS ADOPTED MAY 4, 1878.

ART. I. The boundaries of the Indiana Ranch Mining District shall commence at Williams' old mill on Dry Creek and running on a strait line to Mrs. Scott's Ranch thence up the turnpike to the summit of Oregon Hill, thence along the summit in the Northern direction to the head of Albert Von Hauk ravine thence down said ravine to Dry Creek thence down Dry Creek to the place of beginning.

ART. II. All Quartz claims shall be the same as the U. S. law which is 1,500 feet in length and 600 feet in width. All local laws in regard to Quartz claims are hereby repealed.

PLACERS CLAIMS

Amend ART. 2. All claims heretofore shall consist of 100 feet square on either flat creek or ravine and that a miner shall hold one claim by location and as many by purchase as he choose.

ART. II. Their shall be a recorder elected who shall hold his office for the term of one year whose fees shall not exceed 50 cts for the First named and 25 cts for each additional name.

ART. XIII. All persons who is entitled to locate mining claims shall be entitled to vote in miners meeting.

ART. XIV. All local laws shall remain in force except those that are amended

JOHN MCKUNE *Chairman.*

E. C. IRWIN.

A. VON HAUK.

M. HIGGINS.

BUTTE COUNTY.—CENTREVILLE AND HELLTOWN MINING DISTRICTS.

Mining Laws of Butte county as revised by the miners at a meeting held at the store of W. N. Nesbit in Helltown October 11th 1857.

JOHN G. MAXWELL, *Chairman.*

1st. Claims shall consist of four classes 1st. River claims. 2d. Bar, Bench or Flat claims 3d. Ravine claims 4th. Hill claims.
2nd. River claims shall be all that is drained, except such parts of the ground as may be claimed previous to giving notice of intention to drain such ground.

3rd. Bar, Bench or Flat claims shall be one hundred feet, facing the river and shall extend at right angles across such Bar, Bench or Flat across the supposed channel to the final raise of the bed rock.

4th. Ravine claims shall extend one hundred and fifty feet up or down the ravine and not exceed forty feet in width, and may be located in the centre or on either side.

5th. Hill, deep or Cayote diggings, shall consist of one hundred feet front to the man, running crosswise of the hill, through it, or to unlimited extent.

6th. Claims on river bars, benches or Flats that may be worked by the water from the river or creek shall be considered as wet diggings, and ravines that are dependent on the rainy season for water shall be considered as dry diggings.

7th. Any one holding a claim or claims shall work the same when workable as often as one day in each week or have them represented by another or forfeit his right to them unless prevented by sickness.

8th. In addition to the above, any one may hold one claim in dry diggings, by recording the same, and posting up the recorder's notice on the claim, or by posting a notice and renewing it every ten days during the time it is not worked.

9th. Any one except Chinamen may hold a claim by purchase, provided he pay a genuine remuneration for the same, and purchases it of a man who has worked ten days on the same.

10th. Any one holding more claims than he is entitled to shall forfeit such claims, after giving the first claimant his choice of ground.

11th. Any one who is sick or injured, so as to be unable to work, may hold a claim by a renewal of his notice every ten days, stating the cause of absence, or by recording the same.

12th. Any person or party discovering new diggings which are five hundred yards distant from any worked ground, shall be entitled to one extra claim for such discovery.

13th. All claims in dry diggings shall be considered workable within five days after sufficient water is obtained by the rain.

14th. River claims shall be considered workable on the first day of August of every year.

LAW ON WATER.

15th. Any person may hold the right of surplus water in a ravine by posting up a notice in some conspicuous place in the ravine to be renewed every ten days or by recording the same

16th. Water that is claimed in any ravine may be used by any others, above in the same ravine but not taken out above any point at which there is an older claim.

17th. Any person or persons who are at work bringing in water ditches, or making sluices or other work preparatory for working the claim, shall be considered working their claim.

18th. There shall be a Recorder elected, whose duty it shall be to record claims in a book to be kept for that purpose, and to attend all meetings for arbitration, when required to do so, to act as clerk, to record the decisions of the same, and also to post up copies of the laws in conspicuous places and to keep copies of the same.

19th. The Recorder's fee shall be three dollars for attending any arbitration meeting, such fee to be deposited by the party requesting his attendance and one dollar for recording a claim.

The recorder shall be elected by the votes of the meeting, and shall have the power of appointing his successor, but a new Recorder may be elected at any time, by calling a meeting of the miners and giving ten days notice of the same.

21st. These laws shall not interfere with any existing claims.

22d. Any person having expended in labor to the amount of one hundred dollars any tunnel deep cut or Hill may hold his claim without labor for one year by having it recorded.

23d. No Chinaman shall be allowed to work on Butte Creek above the head of the Diamondville Ditch in the mines nor shall they be allowed to hold claims by purchase above said point.

STATE OF CALIFORNIA, COUNTY OF BUTTE: *March 23rd, 1878.*

At a miners meeting called for the purpose of revising the laws, and electing a Recorder, Thomas McNellis was called to the chair and Press Longley, the Recorder, acted as Secretary.

On motion of William McIntyre a committee of three were appointed to define the boundaries of the Helltown & Centreville Mining District, who after ten minutes conference reported the following boundaries to wit:

That the Northern boundary commence at the top of the ridge on the West side of Big Butte Creek, opposite the New York Rifle and running thence East to Kiles' Gulch, across Little Butte creek at its mouth, thence to the top of the Ridge East, thence down the side to the mouth of Little Butte creek; thence down the Ridge on the East side of main Butte Creek to the Butte mills as the Southern Boundary; thence across Butte creek to the top of the Ridge Northerly to the place of beginning.

JOHN NICHOLL,
W. N. NESBIT,
C. C. MALTBY,
Committee.

THOMAS MCNELNIS, *Chairman.*

PRESS LONGLEY, *Secretary.*

SISKIYOU COUNTY.—HUNGRY CREEK DIGGINGS MINING DISTRICT.

BY LAWS.

HUNGRY CREEK Oct 24th 1857.

At a meeting of the miners of Hungry Creek, the following Laws and Resolutions were unanimously adopted.

ARTICLE 1. *Resolved*, that these Diggings be called Hungry Creek diggins & bounded as follows from the mouth of that creek to its head and its tributaries.

ARTICLE 2. *Resolved*, that each miner be entitled to hold one hundred yards Square on the above named boundaries.

ARTICLE 3. *Resolved*, that any miner can hold one claim by pre-emption and one by purchase and the same shall hold good whether they are separate or in a body.

ARTICLE 4. *Resolved*, that each individual or Company shall put up in legible notices at each end of their claims to define the boundaries of the same with the claimant's name signed to it.

ARTICLE 5. *Resolved*, that any Company of miners can hold the quantity of ground allowed by law although the vacant ground between other companies when taken up was less than quantity allowed by law.

ARTICLE 6. *Resolved*, that all claims not represented according to law shall be recorded & the same shall hold good from the twenty-fourth of October until the fifteenth day of February eighteen hundred and fifty-eight.

ARTICLE 7. *Resolved*, that any claim not represented once in ten days after the above date shall be considered vacated and it shall be represented by one full days labor.

ARTICLE 8. *Resolved*, that no individual or Company shall be allowed to build a Dam or or other obstruction in the creek to the detriment or hinderence of any other individual or company.

ARTICLE 9. *Resolved*, that the oldest claim shall hold Gulch Water provided there was no claims taken on the gulch before the water was taken therefrom but no water claim shall hold good taken from a gulch that has mining claims located on it at the present time.

ARTICLE 10. *Resolved*, that it shall be the duty of the Recorder to keep the books of this Creek and record the claims also to let any miner inspect the books when called for, he shall have one dollar for recording each claim, it shall be his duty to deposit the books in the County Clerk's office in Yreka Should the miners have to leave the Creek through stress of weather or any other causality whatever.

HUNGRY CREEK January 27th 1858

At a meeting of the miners of Hungry Creek, the following laws and Resolutions were adopted.

ARTICLE 1. *Resolved*, that article third be declared null & void and the following inserted in its stead

ARTICLE 2. *Resolved*, that each miner shall represent all the claims he may have over one claim whether they are together or not and he may work them or either claim he chooses, this article to take effect from the first day of June (1858) until the first day of November following, after that date all claims shall hold good until the first of June (1859) provided they are recorded.

LEVI ANDERWOOD *President*JAMES GOWLEY *Secretary*BENJ. ANTRIM *Recorder*

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F. A. ROGERS *Recorder*

CALAVERAS COUNTY.—MURPHY'S MINING DISTRICT.

LOCAL MINING LAWS.

Miners Laws adopted by the Miners of Murphys' District, Monday Oct. 26, 1857

PREAMBLE:

Whereas, we deem it necessary for our better government & protection, to adopt a new code of laws: therefore, we, the Miners of Murphy's District in Mass convention assembled, this 26th day of October, 1857, do enact as follows:

ARTICLE 1. SECTION 1. The boundaries of Murphy's District shall be as follows: commencing at the head of Angels Creek, and running in a southerly direction to the head of Kiota Creek, thence in a westerly direction along the dividing ridge between Browns Ranch and Missouri Gulch; from thence along the south side of Central Hill, to the southwest corner of Hartz Ranch; from thence in a direct line across Angels Creek to the dividing Ridge between Indian Gulch & San Domingo Creek, including San Domingo Camp; from thence in an easterly direction along the ridge to the head of San Domingo Creek, & back again to the place of beginning.

SECTION 2. A mining claim in any new ground in placer diggings shall not exceed one hundred feet square; & in old or abonded diggings one hundred feet wide by one hundred and fifty feet in length.

SECTION 3. Every miner shall be entitled to take up and hold two claims, in the following manner. One dry claim, & one wet or water claim. The dry claim shall be worked whenever water can be procured at the usual prices; and a wet or water claim from the 20th of May to the 20th of November, inclusive, of each & every year.

SECT. 4. All claims shall be worked immediately after the expiration of three days, from the time of taking up, or purchase of the same. And if left unworked for more than three days at any one time, shall be forfeited. This shall apply to all claims, when workable.

SECTION 5. Companies of miners having a claim each, & work one only of said claims, the balance of their claims shall hold good. But this law shall not be considered to allow a part of a company to hold the claims of a whole company during the absence of a part of its members.

SECTION 6. All claims shall be duly marked and bounded, with at least one notice placed in a conspicuous place, with the names of all its claimants thereon, and stakes at each corner of the claim; and the owners of claims whenever called on to show their boundaries, shall do so.

SECTION 7. All claims, whether obtained by *preemption*, purchase or otherwise, shall be represented in person, or by proxy: and worked in conformity with laws herein prescribed.

ARTICLE II SEC. 1. No member of a company shall absent himself & work elsewhere, without giving his copartners due notice; and also provide the money or means to have his share fully represented, in accordance with the customary usages and laws of miners; and in default thereof, he shall forfeit his right, share, or interest in said company.

SEC. 2. Whenever a member of a company shall provide a substitute to work in his place, or have his interest fully represented, he shall do so, agreeably to the rules of said company.

SEC. 3. No miner shall be obliged to represent his claim in case of sickness, or attendance at court, either as witness or Juror, and any claims not represented at such times shall hold good:

SEC. 4. No person shall hold more than one wet and one dry claim by right of preemption, & if found holding more than one wet & one dry claim, by preemption; he shall forfeit all. But then laws recognize the privilege, & will protect the rights of those who hold but two claims by right of preemption, & hold none by right of purchase; providing, they keep men at work on them, according to the laws of the District.

ARTICLE III Sec. 1. When any miner or companies of miners shall deem it to their advantage to *cut tail* races run tunnels, or make improvements of any other kind, by passing through the claim of any company, they shall in all cases have the privilege of so doing: provided, always, that it shall not be to the injury of the claim through which they pass.

SEC. 2. When any company shall be employed in making improvements, for the better working of their claims the said claims shall hold good during the time that such improvements are in operation.

SEC. 3. Companies prospecting shall be entitled to work what number of hands they shall think proper, until they have struck pay dirt.

SEC. 4. Any person making discoveries of new diggings, shall be entitled to one extra claim of one hundred feet; but this shall not apply in any case to old diggings.

ARTICLE IV. SEC. 1. A claim for tunneling or shafting purposes, shall be one hundred feet on the lead, and in width, the width of the lead, be the same more or less, with all its dips, curves, and angles.

SEC. 2. All tunneling claims shall be governed by the laws regulating placer mining.

SEC. 3. A claim on a quartz leade shall not exceed one hundred and fifty feet on the lead, by two hundred feet in width, with all its dips, curves, & angles.

SEC. 4. Miners locating quartz claims shall have twelve days allowed them for the recording of the same, at the County Seat, and from the time of recording, four months for prospecting the same; after the expiration of which time, they shall be governed by the laws regulating placer mining.

SEC. 5. All laws passed heretofore that conflict with these, are hereby repealed.

A. T. DOWD, *Pres.*

G. H. BOWN, *Sec'y.*

CALAVERAS COUNTY.—LOWER CALAVERITAS MINING DISTRICT.

PLACER AND QUARTZ MINING LAWS ADOPTED AND IN FORCE IN LOWER CALAVERITAS MINING DISTRICT.

At an adjourned Meeting of Miners held for the purpose of forming a new Mining District and to make Laws to govern the same held Saturday Evening November 7th 1857 at the store of Thos. Corcoran in Lower Calaveritas camp

Mr. S F Scott chairman

The Secretary of preceeding Meeting being absent—

On motion Mr Joseph Clark was Elected as Secretary.

The report of a committee appointed at the previous meeting to define the boundaries of this District and to draft laws to Govern the same—was read—and On Motion—said report was taken up in detail and adopted as follows, viz:—

ART. 1st. This District shall be known as the Lower Calaveritas Mining District

ART. 2nd. Miners may each man hold in Gulch or Flat claims 200. by 100. feet, and define first boundary by placing a stake at each end of the claim with a Notice on each stake.

ART. 3d. River Claims. Each man may hold 150. feet by 100. feet.

ART. 4th. Tunnel Claims. Each man may hold 100. feet front. length running *through the Hill*.

ART. 5th. All claims except Tunnel Claims deserted for the space of five days, shall be considered vacant. If the same could be worked to advantage with Tom or sluice.

ART. 6th. All Tunnel claims deserted for the space of Fourteen days shall be considered forfeited. If not recorded stating the inability to work the same claim, and upon being recorded shall hold the claim good for 60 days.

ART. 7th. A miner may purchase one claim If he causes the same to be worked either by personal labor or hired help.

ART. 8th. All persons holding claims not workable shall have the same recorded and the record shall hold the claim good for six months.

ART. 9th. If there should any difficulty arise between miners about claims, each miner shall be allowed to choose a man and the two may choose a third all to be disinterested in said claims, all to be miners of this District who shall decide the matter in dispute.

ART. 10th. No miner shall lose his claim by sickness or attending public business or any Law *proceedings*.

ART. 11th. No person shall hold a claim in a fictitious name.

ART. 12th. A casting claim shall be 200. by 100. feet in a gulch and 200. feet square in a Flat.

ART. 13th. Any surface claim above the reach of Water from any Ditch supplying water to this District—shall be considered as a Casting claim. Said claim may be held during the rainy season by renewing notice every 10 days or by recording the *same*.

ART. 14th. There shall be a Recorder whoes duty it shall be to record all claims and keep a record of the same and shall receive (50) cents for recording each man's *claim*.

ART. 15th. All Laws conflicting with the above Laws are hereby repealed.

On Motion proceeded to Elect a Recorder for this Mining District.

Messrs Peter Gore & S. F. Scott were nominated.

On proceeding to elect *viva voce* it being declared a tie—a Division was called—whereupon—Mr. Scott received (14) votes and Mr. Gore (12).

Mr. Scott was declared duly Elected Recorder for this mining District

On motion ajourned *Sine Die*.

JOSEPH CLARK, *Secretary*.

S. F. SCOTT, *Chairman*.

Pursuant to notice the miners of Lower Calaveritas District assembled for the purpose of amending the Mining Laws.

Mr L. Fine in the chair, W. A. Wallace secretary.

On Motion the following amendments to art. 6 (on Page 3) was adopted :

ART. 1st. The Record shall hold Tunneling or Hill claims for twelve (12) months then by performing six days labor and recording again shall hold another twelve (12) months and so on.

On motion, Morris Murphy was appointed recorder of this mining District

We certify the above to be correct.

L. FINE *Chairman*.

W. A. WALLACE, *Secretary*.

LOWER CALAVETAS June 28th 1858.

Amendment to quartz mining laws passed April 4th 1863.

At a meeting of the miners of Lower Calaveritas District held in E. D. Léurnah store in Lower Calaveritas Camp April 4th 1863, for the purpose of amending the Quartz Mining Laws so as to embrace Copper and Silver claims,

On motion Mr. P. W. Vail was Elected as Chairman & W. H. Johnston Secretary.

The report of the committee of the whole on Laws regulating Quartz, Copper, Silver and other valuable minerals were read and adopted as follows—viz :—

ART. 1st. Each mans claim shall be two hundred feet on the Lode by 400 feet in width.

ART. 2nd. Each claim or companys claim shall have a Notice posted thereon specifying the size and boundaries of said claim, with the name or names of the claimants written thereon in full, and said notice shall be posted at least once in every twelve (12) months.

ART. 3d. Any person or persons Discovering a new Lode shall be entitled to hold one Extra claim.

ART. 4th. No person shall forfeit his claim when prevented from working the same by sickness or by Legal summons.

ART. 5th. That recorded claims that the record shall prevent said claims from becoming forfeited during the space of twelve (12) months, Providid that there shall be one days work done in every Calendar month for each and every claim so recorded from the first day of May to the first day of November.

ART. 6th. That all minerals in the Earth be it the surface or in the rock—shall belong to the person or persons owning such claims.

ART. 7th. That all claims being worked and occupied shall be considered as valid claims without being recorded.

ART. 8th. Any claimant not complying with the foregoing Laws, his claim shall be forfeited.

ART. 9th. The recorder of this mining District shall keep a record of all claims within this District and shall receive (50) cents for each and every claim recorded.

All Laws conflicting with the above are hereby repealed. We certify the above to be correct.

On motion adjourned *Sine die*.

P. W. VAIL *Chairman*

W. H. JOHNSTON *Secretary*.

LOWER CALAVERITAS CAMP April 4th 1863.

AMADOR COUNTY.—VOLCANO MINING DISTRICT.

LOCAL MINING LAWS.

At a meeting of Quartz Miners in Volcano. Amador Co. Cala Saturday February, 6th 1858 for the purpose of defining the boundaries of the camp and making such regulations and Laws as seemed most necessary for quartz miners at present. J. K. Hatton was called to the chair and F. M. Whitmore appointed secretary.

Under a resolution the Chair appointed Dr. G. F. Smith—I. Tullock and F. Richlin, Committee to draft a code of laws as a guide for quartz mines in the district

The committee in due time submitted the following as the Quartz Mining Laws of Volcano.

ARTICLE I. This shall be known as the Volcano Quartz Mining District bounded as follows Commencing at the south western corner of the Aurora District near Prospect Hill, thence north east along the line of said District to the Ashland District thence west to Hartran's Ranch and on to Dry Creek; thence to Upper Rancherea, thence to Sutter Creek; at its junction with Grass Valley Creek thence along the northern boundary of the Grass Valley District to beginning.

ARTICLE II Each claim shall consist of three hundred feet running along the main lode and fifty feet on each side of the same with all its dips, spurs, angles and variations

ARTICLE III Any person discovering a load not before discovered and taken up shall be entitled to hold one claim for discovering in addition to the one by location.

ARTICLE IV One claim only can be held by location except under the provisions of the 3d Article of these laws but as many by purchase as will be worked according to the following laws.

ARTICLE V Within thirty days after the location of a claim there shall be a shaft sunk to the depth of ten (10) feet, or work to that amount shall be done in a cut or tunnel on the claim and every succeeding three months work to the amount of twenty five dollars shall be done for each individual claim. After one hundred dollars worth of work has been done on each claim, it shall not be forfeited for two years from the date of location.

ARTICLE VI There shall be a Recorder elected annually whose duty it shall be to keep a faithful record to be signed by the *bona fide* owner as his legally authorized agent.

ARTICLE VII Every claim shall be recorded within one month after its location the fees of the Recorder to be one dollar (\$1 00) for each company.

ARTICLE VIII Vacancy occurring in the office of Recorder an election can be held by giving ten days notice the notice to be signed by ten quartz miners of this district posted in three public places.

ARTICLE IX Any of the above laws may be repealed or amended at a subsequent meeting by a two-thirds vote.

ARTICLE X For claims already taken up the same can be lengthened and increased in size to conform to these laws when such situation does not conflict with the previous rights of any other person the notice and record shall be changed to comply.

ARTICLE XI All claims already taken up to be worked according to these laws. The above laws being read and unanimously adopted J. K. Hatton was elected Recorder by acclamation.

SIERRA COUNTY.—SIERRA COUNTY MINING DISTRICT.

QUARTZ MINING LAWS OF SIERRA COUNTY.

ART. 1th. A claim, on any Quartz Ledge, in this County may have a length of 200 feet along the same and a width of two hundred feet at right angles with the Ledge on each side of the same to include all Quartz to be found within the above mentioned limits.

ART. 2nd. Any person discovering a Gold bearing Ledge not previously located shall be entitled to two claims being one for discovery.

ART. 3rd. No person but a Discoverer shall be entitled to hold more than one claim by location in a Company.

ART. 4th. No one but an American Citizen or a Foreigner who has and exhibits his Foreign Mining 'Tax' Receipt shall be allowed to hold a claim by Location on any Quartz Ledge in this County.

ART. 5th. It shall be necessary for Claimants to post on some conspicuous place on the claims located setting forth the number of feet claimed and from what point upon which the real names of the Locators shall appear in full—Said notice shall hold good for ten days at the expiration of which time a copy of said notice shall be placed upon the Records of this County, the notice and Record as above shall hold said claims without further improvements from & after the first day of November until the first day of May following if Recorded after the first day of November. But upon all claims located between the first day of May and the first day of November following Labor to the amount of Eight dollars per claim shall be expended toward the prospecting or developing the same in each Thirty days after such location.

ART. 6th. To hold Quartz Claims for the first 12 months after location it shall be required of each claimant to expend at least one hundred dollars upon each claim of 200 feet in such improvements as may be required in the development of the same.

ART. 7th. Quartz claims which have been duly located in accordance with the foregoing Rules and Regulations persons are entitled to hold without limit as to number by afterwards conforming to the requirements set forth in these By-laws.

ART. 8th All Quartz claims in this County heretofore located upon which no permanent improvements have been made will be declared forfeited within thirty days after the Publication of these By-laws unless the notice of location is renewed and recorded if not already upon the Records of the County and labor expended upon the same in accordance with the foregoing regulations for holding Quartz claims.

DOWNIEVILLE June 6th 1859

ALFRED HELM *Secretary.*

WM ILLINGSWORTH *Chairman.*

YUBA COUNTY.—BROWNSVILLE MINING DISTRICT.

At a meeting held at Page's old mill April 7th A. D. 1860, when Saml. A. Jewett was chosen President and J. E. Brown Secretary, when the following resolutions were adopted.

Whereas the miners of Dry creek and vicinity have heretofore been without any established rules or regulations to protect their interests and believing that some established rules defining the rights of each miner are essentially necessary to preserve order and peace in the community and believing also that it is the duty as well as the right of the miners of every mining section to hold their meetings, organize their district and to pass such laws as they may deem best to govern their own local interest: Therefore we the miners of Dry Creek in mass meeting assembled do resolve as follows

1st. That this District shall be bounded as follows—Commencing at a point where the New York Flat Creek enters into Dry Creek and running up the opposite ravine, through Geatty's Flat to its head; thence by the Union House in a direct line to the nearest point of New York Township line; thence following said line south and west to where it strikes the Honcut Creek. Then up said creek to its source, down the opposite ravine to New York Flat and down said flat to Dry creek to the place of beginning.

2nd. That the section of country embraced within the lines as described in the foregoing resolution shall be called the "Brownsville Mining District."

3d. That no mining claim in this district shall exceed the following surface limits

- (1) Hill claims shall be limited to one hundred feet (100) in front each, but may extend back to the centre or summit of the hill.
- (2) A creek claim shall be one hundred feet (100) up and down the creek and in width to foot of the hills on each side.
- (3) A ravine claim shall be two hundred (200) feet up and down the ravine and one hundred feet wide or from hill to hill.
- (4) A quartz claim shall be one hundred feet (100) long running with the ledge and embracing in width all the dips, spurs, angles and false or side ledges connecting with the main ledge.

4th. That any person discovering diggings shall be entitled to one claim extra for discovery, but no one shall be entitled to hold more than one claim of a kind by pre-emption on the same ledge, but the right of purchase is fully recognized.

5th. That this meeting elect a Recorder for the district, whose duty it shall be to record all claims presented to him for that purpose, and to keep such record together with a copy of the miners laws of this district at his office, free for inspection or examination. He shall also post at least one copy of the laws at the most public place in the district, and he shall issue and post notices of all the miners public meetings to be held in the district during his term of office—which shall be for twelve months from the day of his election.

6th. That the Recorder shall be entitled to a fee of fifty cents for recording a single claim and for recording company claims of two or more in notice Seventy-five cents.

7th. That a claim when recorded shall hold good for the term of twelve months from the date of record, but any claim not recorded shall be forfeited if not worked within ten days after there is sufficient water for that purpose.

J. E. Brown was elected Recorder for twelve months and the meeting adjourned.

SAMUEL A. JEWITT *Pres*

J. E. BROWN *Secty*

At an annual meeting of the miners of Brownsville Mining District held March 30th 1861 Wm. G. Rice was chosen President, J. E. Brown Secretary, when the old laws of 1860 were re-adopted excepting the 7th Resolution which was revised.

J. E. Brown Chosen Recorder for twelve months and the meeting adjourned.

WM. G. RICE *Pres*

J. E. BROWN *Secty*.

AMENDMENTS.

7th. That a claim recorded shall hold good for the term of six months from the date of record, but any pre-empted claim not recorded shall be forfeited if not worked within ten days after there is sufficient water for that purpose.

At an annual miners meeting held at Pages old mill April 7th 1862 Wm. G. Rice chosen pres. and J. E. Brown sect'y. When art 1st in 3rd Resolution was changed—That a Hill claim should be two hundred (200) instead of 100 ft as heretofore.

J. E. Brown was chosen Recorder for the next twelve months or until another is elected. Meeting adjourned.

WILLIAM G. RICE *Pres*

J. E. BROWN *Secretary*.

MONO COUNTY.—BODIE MINING DISTRICT.

MINING LAWS.

At a meeting of the Miners of the Bodie Diggings, the following Laws were adopted:

ARTICLE 1st. This District shall be known and designated as the Bodie Mining District, and shall extend in each direction from the Bodie Claim, north, south, east and west, five miles.

ARR. 2d. Ravine and Gulch Claims shall be four hundred feet in length, and extending fifty feet each side of gulch or ravine from center. Flat Claims shall be two hundred and fifty feet square. Hill Claims shall be two hundred feet front and extending back to the summit or center of the hill.

ARR. 3d. No person shall be allowed to hold more than one Gulch, one Hill, and one Flat Claim in this District by location; but can hold as many as he purchases in good faith.

ARR. 4th. Ravine and Hill Claims shall be designated by a stake and notice at each of said claims. Flat Claims shall be designated by stake and notice at each corner.

ARR. 5th. All claims shall be recorded within ten days after location, or be forfeited, unless parties making such locations are at work upon their claims.

ARR. 6th. All persons holding claims in this District shall do one day's work every week on said claim, when there is sufficient water to work with a long tom or rocker.

ARR. 7th. All persons locating Quartz Claims in this District shall be allowed two hundred and fifty feet of a quartz lead, together with all its dips, spurs, angles and variations, and together with fifty feet on each side of said quartz lode for right of work.

ARR. 8th. All Quartz Claims shall be recorded within ten days after location or be forfeited.

ARR. 9th. All Quartz Claims shall be designated by a stake and notice giving the name of the lead and company, also the number of feet located and names of parties making such location.

ARR. 10th. All Quartz Claims shall be worked to amount of fifty dollars to each share within three months after location, which amount of work shall hold the claim good for the term of one year from the date of location.

ARR. 11th. Any person or persons discovering a quartz ledge shall be entitled to one extra claim for discovery.

ARR. 12th. All claims in this District shall be laid over and not be forfeited until from the first day of Oct., 1860, until the first day of May, 1861.

ARR. 13th. There shall be a Recorder elected who shall hold his office for the term of one year and shall be entitled to fifty cents for each claim recorded.

ARR. 14th. The Recorder shall keep in his possession a well bound book with all the laws of this District written therein, which shall be at all times subject to the inspection of the public in his presence.

On motion Jeremiah Tucker was elected Recorder for the term of one year commencing at this date, July 10th, 1860.

E. GREEN, *Chairman*.

A. D. ALLEN, *Secretary*.

At a meeting of Miners held Aug. 10th, A. D. 1861, at the Taylor Cabin in Bodie Quartz Mining District.

On motion of Robt. Nevias, Mr. W. W. Vaughn was called to the chair and Wm. Feast appointed Secretary.

On motion of J. Tucker it was ordered that a committee of three be appointed to examine the old laws and report amendments thereto to this meeting. Col. Crawley, J. Tucker and J. E. Patton were appointed as the committee.

On motion of T. H. Bust the old laws were read by the Secretary. The Committee on By-Laws reported as follows:

That the Laws of this District be amended as follows:

ARTICLE 1st. Each claim on a quartz lode shall be worked to the amount of (\$50) fifty dollars within three months after date of location; said work may be performed either upon his own claim or that of any other person or persons on the same lode.

ART. 2d. Claims located during the year of 1860 upon which the necessary amount of labor has been done that is required by the laws of 1860, shall, in order to secure them from re-location for one year, have an additional amount of labor to the amount of twenty-five dollars put thereon within three months after this date. Provided that those claims upon which the said amount of work has already been [done] shall be exempt from the action of this article.

ART. 3d. Work on claims may be suspended from Nov. 1st, 1861, until June 1st, 1862.

ART. 4th. The Recorder shall be entitled to receive one dollar for each claim recorded, instead of fifty cents as heretofore.

ART. 5th. That the Recorder shall be required to visit all new discoveries and note the same.

ART. 6th. All laws or parts of laws heretofore enacted conflicting herewith are hereby repealed.

On motion it was resolved to proceed to ballot for a Recorder for the ensuing year, and on motion Messrs. Tucker and Mead were put in nomination. Result of ballot:

Tucker.....	8 votes.
Mead.....	8 votes.

Whereupon it was moved and seconded that we proceed to another ballot, which resulted in the election of J. Tucker.

W. W. VAUGHN, *President.*

WM. FEAST, *Secretary.*

At a meeting of the Quartz miners of Bodie District, held at Burnett's Cabin, June 7, A. D. 1862, in Bodie District, County of Mono, State of California, the following resolutions were adopted:

ARTICLE 1st. *Resolved*, that work may be suspended on quartz claims from the above date until the 25th day of August, 1862.

ART. 2d. On motion, it was ordered that it be inserted by the Secretary that it is *Resolved*, that what portion of three months is left on the first of November, 1861, from the date of location or re-location of any quartz claim, shall be suspended until the 15th day of August, 1862, or during any time while [work] is suspended on quartz claims.

ART. 3d. On motion, it was also *Resolved*, by acclamation, that Samuel S. Tucker should have full control and charge of the Record Books, and shall be authorized to do what recording is required to be done by the miners of this District until his father's term expires.

O. G. LEACH, *President.*

S. S. TUCKER, *Secretary.*

Agreeable to a call of the miners of Bodie District, a meeting was held on the 9th inst., at Leach and Monroe's cabin, for the purpose of electing a District Recorder for the ensuing year and revising the laws of said District.

The meeting was called to order at 1 o'clock p. m., by J. E. Smith. S. H. Chase was appointed to the Chair, and S. S. Tucker, Secretary.

On motion, the polls were opened for the election of Recorder. O. G. Leach and S. S. Tucker were put in nomination. Whole number of votes cast, 33; necessary for a choice, 16. O. G. Leach received 20, and was declared duly elected Recorder of Bodie Mining District for the ensuing year.

S. H. Chase, having business elsewhere, resigned the Chair; whereupon, O. G. Leach was appointed in his place.

On motion of J. E. Smith, a committee of three was appointed by the Chair to examine the laws of the District and report such amendments as they might deem necessary for the interests of the miners of said District. J. E. Smith, B. J. Haslett and Jesse Spray were appointed as that committee.

The following amendments were proposed and adopted:

Art. 7th amended so that it should read two hundred feet instead of two hundred and fifty feet, which reads as follows:

ART. 7th. All persons locating Quartz claims in this District hereafter shall be allowed two hundred feet each of a quartz lode, together with all its dips, spurs, angles and variations, and together with fifty feet on each side of said quartz lode for the right of work.

Art. 10th amended so as to read as follows:

ART. 10th. All quartz claims of two hundred feet and proportions thereof shall be worked to the amount of twenty-five dollars, or five days' work, within three months from the time of location, which amount of work shall hold the claim, good for the term of one year from the date of location.

BODIE, Aug. 9th, 1862.

S. S. TUCKER, *Secretary.*

BODIE MINING DISTRICT, Nov. 12, 1862.

At a meeting of the miners of Bodie District, held on this the 12th day of November, 1862 (in compliance to a call of the miners), Judge L. O. Stevens was called to the Chair, and O. G. Leach appointed Secretary.

On motion of Mr. Hubbard, the following laws were read and adopted unanimously:

ART. 15th. All quartz claims of two hundred feet and proportions thereof, that shall have fifty dollars' worth of work or useful labor expended upon them, shall give the owner or owners a perpetual title.

ART. 16th. The district Recorder is hereby authorized and empowered to issue certificates to any person or persons, upon application being made and satisfactory evidence shown to him that the required amount of work or labor has been performed on any claim or claims, as stated in art. 15th; and said Recorder shall keep a record of the same, and shall receive a fee of one dollar for each certificate issued.

ART. 17th. Any person or persons who may locate a site for a tunnel in this District shall run said tunnel forty feet within one year from date of location, or it shall be forfeited.

ART. 18th. Any person or persons who may locate and run a tunnel in this District for the purpose of prospecting any quartz lode or leads, having a notice of the same recorded in the Recorder's office of this District, and also in the County Clerk's office, stating for what lode or lodes the tunnel is intended to prospect, are not required to do any work directly upon said lode or leads, but shall put the work in said tunnel as stated in art. 17.

ART. 19th. The District Recorder is hereby authorized to issue certificates of ownership to all persons having claims recorded in this district (who may desire them), and shall receive a fee of fifty cents for each certificate issued.

ART. 20th. All laws or parts of laws heretofore enacted, which in any way conflict with the above, are hereby repealed.

ART. 21st. Work may be suspended upon all quartz claims now located, or which may be hereafter located, from this date (Nov. 12th, 1862) until the first day of July, 1863.

On motion, the meeting adjourned.

O. G. LEACH, *Secretary.*

L. O. STEVENS, *Chairman.*

MINERS' MEETING.

BODIE DISTRICT, *March 4th, 1864.*

At a meeting of the miners held this day at the house of J. Elnathan Smith, jr., the following laws were enacted and repealed :

On motion, Mr. J. S. Mooney was elected to the chair and J. W. Biderman, Secretary.

On motion of Mr. Childs the office of Recorder of this District was declared vacant; by motion of H. W. Walker, John Harlow was put in nomination and, there being no other nomination, was duly elected.

On motion of H. W. Walker the chair appointed a committee of two—J. W. Biderman and H. W. Walker—to examine the By-Laws and report.

On motion of Mr. Childs Articles twenty-second, twenty-third and twenty-fourth were ordered to be read and added to the By-Laws as per Report of Committee.

On motion of H. W. Walker the Articles twenty-second, twenty-third and twenty-fourth were ordered to be placed on Record of the Books of the District.

ART. 22d. All persons holding Placer claims in this District shall do three days' work in every week on each and every claim after the first day of May, 1864.

ART. 23d. All labors performed on ditch, reservoir or flume, for the purpose of bringing in water from Cottonwood Creek for Placer mines, shall be considered as labor actually done on said Placer claims.

ART. 24th. All Articles or parts of Articles conflicting with said Articles twenty-second and twenty-third are this day hereby repealed.

On motion, there being no further business before this meeting, it was ordered adjourned.

JAMES S. MOONEY, *Chairman.*

J. W. BIDERMAN, *Secretary.*

MINERS' MEETING.

BODIE MINING DISTRICT, *Oct. 24th, 1864.*

At a meeting of the miners and claim owners of Bodie district, held pursuant to legal notice, at the house of Messrs. Biderman & Pooler this day, the following proceedings were held :

On motion of John W. Biderman, F. K. Bechtel was called to the chair and O. G. Leach chosen Secretary. Whereupon the object of the meeting being stated by the Chairman, the following Resolutions were unanimously adopted :

Resolved, that all quartz claims that now are, or may hereafter become a matter of record upon which the required amount of labor has not, or may not be done shall not be subject to re-location before the fifteenth day of June, 1865.

Resolved, that these proceedings be spread upon the Record Book of this District.

F. K. BECHTEL, *Chairman.*

O. G. LEACH, *Secretary.*

Witnesses present:

J. W. Bidderman, Wm. Pooler, Edwin Donahugh, J. D. Spray, Alexander Paxton and John Harlow.

Recorded October 24th, 1864, by John Harlow, Recorder Bodie District, California.

MINERS' MEETING.

Agreeable to the following call the Miners of Bodie Mining District met at Wand & Barker's Saloon at 12 o'clock and thirty minutes, Oct. 5th, 1865. J. L. Howard was called to the Chair and O. G. Leach elected Secretary.

On motion of J. L. Mayhugh, a committee of three was appointed by the chair to revise the laws of the District and report such changes as would best suit the interests of the Miners. F. K. Bechtel, J. S. Mooney and J. L. Mayhugh were appointed as that committee.

On motion of F. K. Bechtel the meeting took a recess of ten minutes to give the committee time to report. At the expiration of ten minutes the Chair called the meeting to order, when the committee made the following report, which was accepted and committee discharged.

(Report of committee can be seen on following page.)

Resolutions of committee's report were then read in the regular order. After some discussion the first resolution was adopted by a vote of five to four. Second, third, fourth, fifth, sixth and seventh resolutions were read and adopted unanimously.

On motion of J. L. Mayhugh it was resolved that the proceedings of the meeting be spread upon the Record Books of the District, and a copy of the same be forwarded to the *Esmeralda Union* for publication.

On motion of J. S. Mooney, the meeting adjourned.

O. G. LEACH,
Sec'y Miners' Meeting.

OCTOBER 5th, 1865.

[Following is a portion of the preamble and the resolutions referred to in the minutes of the meeting of Oct. 5th, 1865. They were written on letter paper and wafered in the book, instead of being written on the leaves of the book, and one page or leaf is missing, hence the abrupt beginning of the committee's report as it now appears in the book.]

Situated between High Peak on the west, Bunker Hill Mining Claims on the east and bounded on the north by Lady Alice Company's ground, and on the south and southwest by the Ho estate and Stonewall Consolidation, whereupon be it

Resolved, 1st. That said Crescent location with its present boundaries be and they are hereby declared to be in accordance with the laws of this District and is valid and effectual.

Resolved, 2d. That any person or company of persons owning Placer Claims in this District shall be required to perform five days labor for each claim upon any portion of his or their claims and when so performed such claim or claims shall not be subject to re-location for the space of one year from date of location.

Resolved, 3d. That all claims located from and after the passage of these resolutions upon any quartz ledge or lode within this District may be made either by claiming two hundred (200) feet of running or lineal measure upon a ledge, including all dips, angles and spurs; or by locating two hundred feet square upon the surface of the ground with the right to hold all dips, angles and spurs that may be found within the said two hundred feet square, excepting such claims or lodes as may now be claimed and the title thereto has been made good or shall be made good as hereinafter provided.

Resolved, 4th. That all claims hereafter located shall be recorded within five days from and after being located, and when so recorded and five days available labor shall have [been] performed for each claim of two hundred (200) feet square or lineal measure as the case may be, the same shall not be subject to re-location for the space of one year from date of location.

Resolved, 5th. That all laws or parts of laws, resolutions or orders passed heretofore that are repugnant to or inconsistent with these preambles and resolutions are hereby repealed.

Resolved, 6th. That these preambles and resolutions shall take effect and be in full force from and after their adoption by this meeting.

Resolved, 7th. That these proceedings be spread upon the District records, and a copy thereof be published in the *Esmeralda Union*.

J. L. HOWARD, *President of meeting.*

O. G. LEACH, *Secretary of meeting.*

MINERS' MEETING.

BODIE DISTRICT, *March 3d, 1866.*

On motion, M. R. Elstner was called to the chair, and F. K. Bechtel was chosen Secretary. The object of the meeting being stated, Messrs. Mooney, Walker and Bechtel were then on motion chosen a committee to draft resolutions amendatory of our mining laws, who, after due time, presented the following preamble and resolutions, [which] were unanimously adopted:

Pursuant to notice, the miners and claim-owners of Bodie Mining District met at the house of E. D. Barker, in the town of Bodie, this the third day of March, A. D. 1866, for the purpose of amending the mining laws of said District; also, for the purpose of electing a Recorder to serve for one year from date hereof; when, on motion, M. R. Elstner was called to the chair, and F. K. Bechtel chosen Secretary. After which, the following preamble and resolutions were introduced, read and adopted:

Whereas, At a miners' meeting held at this place, on the fifth day of October, 1865, certain amendments to the mining laws of this District were enacted, one article of which is deemed detrimental to the prosperity of the District, being calculated to retard the development of our mines; and

Whereas, The article referred to is ambiguous in its character and liable to misconstruction; wherefore, be it

Resolved, 1st. That Article 4th of the resolutions passed at a miners' meeting held at this place, on the fifth day of October, 1865, be and the same is hereby repealed.

Resolved, 2d. That all locations for quartz claims made hereafter shall be by lineal measurement, and that all such locations be allowed fifty feet on each side of the ledge for working purposes.

Resolved, 3d. That five days' available work shall be done for each claim of two hundred feet, such work to be performed within ninety days from date of location.

Resolved, 4th. That all locations made under Art. 4th, passed at the meeting of Oct. 5th, 1865, upon which no available labor has been performed, be and the same [is] declared void, and subject to re-location under the provisions of the second resolution herein contained.

Resolved, 5th. That all locations of quartz ledges shall be recorded within five days from date of location.

Passed unanimously.

Meeting adjourned.

F. K. BECHTEL, *Secretary.*

M. R. ELSTNER, *President.*

MINERS' MEETING.

In pursuance of notice, a miners' meeting was held at the house of Robt. Kernahan, on the fourth day of March, 1867, and James S. Mooney was called to the chair, and Robt. Kernahan was chosen Secretary.

On motion, they then proceeded to elect a Recorder.

T. J. Murphy and Roger Horner were appointed tellers of said meeting.

James S. Mooney then received the majority of all the votes cast, and was duly elected Recorder for the ensuing year.

On motion, a committee of three, viz: T. J. Murphy, Henry Walker and Robert Kernahan were appointed to examine the laws of the District.

On motion, a recess of one hour was [hereby] given said committee to examine said laws.

JAMES S. MOONEY, *Chairman.*

ROBERT KERNAHAN, *Secretary.*

Report of committee.

Resolved, 1st. That all locations made hereafter on quartz ledges shall be by lineal measurement, and fifty feet on each side of the ledge for working purposes.

Resolved, 2d. That five days' available work shall be done for each claim of two hundred feet, such work to be performed within ninety days from date of location.

Resolved, 3d. That sixty days' work, exclusive of the aforesaid five, shall have to be performed each and every year from date of location, otherwise said claim shall be subject to re-location.

Resolved, 4th. That any law or laws heretofore enacted, coming in conflict with the laws of this date, are hereby declared null and void.

BODIE, *March 4th, 1867.*

T. J. MURPHY,
H. W. WALKER,
ROBERT KERNAHAN,
Committee.

MINERS' MEETING.

At a miners' meeting, held at the house of F. Swenson, in Bodie, on Wednesday, the 13th day of November, A. D. 1867, pursuant to a call by the Recorder, posted in three public places in said District, for ten days previous thereto, J. S. Mooney was duly elected President, and E. B. Dickenson, Secretary.

The following resolutions were unanimously adopted:

Resolved, 1st. That the annual meeting for the election of Recorder for this District be hereafter held on the first Saturday in July and that James S. Mooney, the present Recorder, hold said office until his successor is elected and qualified.

Resolved, 2d. That Articles 15 and 16, passed at a miners' meeting held Nov. 12th, 1862, be and the same are hereby repealed.

Resolved, 3d. That Article 3d of the resolutions passed at a miners' meeting held at this place, on the 4th day of March, A. D. 1867, be and the same is hereby repealed.

Resolved, 4th. That all companies be required from and after this date, to perform available labor to the amount of one hundred dollars upon their claim or claims each and every year. That in case said labor is not performed, then said claim or claims are subject to re-location.

Resolved, 5th. That all resolutions heretofore passed, coming in conflict with the foregoing, are hereby repealed.

Thereupon the meeting adjourned *sine die*.

BODIE, *November 13th, 1867.*

J. S. MOONEY, *President.*

E. B. DICKENSON, *Secretary.*

MINERS' MEETING.

BODIE MINING DISTRICT, *December 30th, 1876.*

Pursuant to notice posted in three public places the Miners of Bodie Mining District met in the saloon of J. C. Smith at 7 p. m., Dec. 30th, 1876.

Meeting was called to order by F. K. Bechtel, Recorder, and on motion of P. J. Kelly, Wm. Irwin, sr., was chosen Chairman and Silas B. Smith Secretary.

A motion was made and carried fixing the fee for recording a Mining Claim at five dollars. When no further business appearing the meeting adjourned *sine die*.

WM. IRWIN, SR., *Chairman.*

SILAS B. SMITH, *Secretary.*

Attest: F. K. BECHTEL, *Recorder.*

A meeting was held Dec. 29, 1879, for election of officers.

CALAVERAS COUNTY.—SAN ANDREAS MINING DISTRICT.

MINERS' MEETING—AMENDMENT OF MINING LAWS.

The miners of San Andres have amended their mining laws as follows :

On motion, Article 16 was amended so as to read : Any person or company holding shaft or tunnel claims, that have been worked for one season or more, by shafts or shafts sunk to the ledge, and drifted out pay dirt, and have seepage water upon the lead or channel which must be taken out in order to work the claim, and which claims are not considered practicable of operations in consequence of suspended operations upon contiguous claims, may be held over by renewal of record from the 1st to 3d of July and September; *provided*, that no such claim shall be held over in such a manner for more than one working season, consecutively.

BUTTE COUNTY.—CHEROKEE FLAT MINING DISTRICT.

LAWS OF 1861 & AMENDMENTS.

At a meeting of the miners at Cherokee Flat on the 19th of November 1861, the following Rules and Regulations were adopted for the government of the mining District.

1st. This mining District shall be called the Cherokee Flat District and bounded as follows, to wit, commencing at the mouth of the West Branch of Feather River to Indian Flat, thence westerly along the ridge which divides the waters of Oregon Gulch and thence flowing North into Feather River to the head of Saw Mill Ravine, thence down said ravine to the mouth of the Hydraulic Flume Co's tunnel, thence North to the West Branch of Feather River, thence down said river to the place of beginning.

2d. The size of mining claims in this District shall not exceed one hundred feet square each.

3rd. No miner shall be entitled to hold more than one claim by location or pre-emption at the same time.

4th. All claims shall be designated by dial stake or stone being set at each corner, except when several claims are held by the same individual or company in a body, then a stake or stone at the out side corners shall be sufficient.

5th. All claims shall be recorded by the Recorder of this Mining District on the first day of June and December of each year, providing that after the first Record a renewal of the same shall be sufficient, and all claims not so recorded or renewed within ten days after the said first days of June and December of each year, the same shall be considered abandoned.

6th. There shall be a Recorder elected by the miners of this District who shall hold his office until removed by the miners of the District.

7th. It shall be the duty of the Recorder to keep a book in which he shall

(1) Transcribe a correct copy of these rules and regulations.

(2) Correctly record all claims presented for record and renew the same when requested; for which he shall receive the following compensation, for all notices, containing not more than five claims one dollar and for each additional claim twenty cents—each, a renewal being the same as a record.

8th. Nothing herein contained shall be so construed as to impair any rights heretofore acquired, and all Rules & Regulations heretofore adopted shall stand repealed on the taking effect of these.

9th. These rule and regulations shall take effect and be in force on the first day of December 1861.

We certify that the above rules and regulations are those adopted at an adjourned meeting of the miners of Cherokee District, held on the evening of the 19th of November A. D. 1861, at Weavers Saloon.

B. P. HUTCHINSON, *Chairman*.

JAMES A. EBY *Secretary*.

CHEROKEE FLAT Nov. 19th 1861.

SAMUEL GLASS, *Recorder*.

Amendments.

CHAMBERS HALL Cherokee Flat Sept 23rd 1871.

Mr. R. C. Pulliam offered the following Resolutions which were adopted unanimously :

(1) *Resolved*, That the Fourth and Fifth rules of Mining Rules and Regulations of Cherokee Flat District are hereby repealed.

(2) *Resolved*, That the following rule be adopted as the Fifth Rule : All claims shall be recorded by the Recorder of this District from the first to the tenth days of June, each inclusive of each year, providing that after the first record a renewal of the same shall be sufficient and all claims not so recorded or renewed within said time of each year, the same shall be considered vacant and subject to be located or pre-empted by any person or persons.

B. P. HUTCHINSON, *President*.

JOHN SLISSMAN, *Secretary*.

EL DORADO COUNTY.—SPANISH CAMP—AGRA MINING DISTRICT FORMERLY.

LOCAL MINING LAWS.

Adopted about Apr'l. 1862.

We the Quartz Miners of the above mention District to meet to enact laws relative to the Quartz mines of said district— Mr. Isaac N. Hitchcock Chairman— John Kearns secretary.

Resl. That this law includes all the Quartz of said District.

2 *Resolved*, that each miner claim 200 feet for his claim and a miner making Discovery of said ledge has the privelege of claiming 200 feet for said discovery or otherwise shard his 200 feet with those prospecting said claim.

3 Resolved that no miner can claim but one claim on said Ledge with exception of miner or company of miners that makes the first discovery as is mentioned above.

4 Resolved. that there is to be expended on each claim to the amount of \$100 in each year of 365 days unless in case of sickness and said miner must notify the Recorder of said District that he is unable to work his claim.

Resol that each miner has 30 days from the time of placing his notice on his claim before Recording said claim if not he forfeit his claim.

Resol that Mr. W. E. Reibson be Recorder of said Quartz claims in the Spanish Camp District

The above resolutions all unanimously adopted by this meeting held at Spanish Camp on the above mentioned day and date.

1st Location April 23rd 1862.

Changed to "Agra District" June 14th 1866.

YUBA COUNTY.—EMPIRE MINING DISTRICT.

UNION RANCH, *January 22, 1863.*

A Miners Meeting was called to order and George Moore esq was elected President, M Hatch as Secretary and B. J. Muray as Recorder.

ARTICLE 1st. It was Resolved that the District be known as the Empire Copper Mining District Commencing at Hutchings Ranch thence to Bear River one mile below the Flouring Mill thence to the North West corner of the Zinc House Copper Mining District Thence along the line to the North east corner to a Point Two Miles above Landers Bar thence down the Yuba River to the Place or Point of beginning.

ARTICLE 2nd. There shall be a Recorder Elected who shall hold the office for the term of Twelve Months who shall be qualified before entering upon the duties of his office who shall take an oath to faithfully perform the duties of the Recorder then of which he shall record all claims brought to him in this order of presentation keep the Records in a suitable Book or Books for that purpose who shall Receive for each claim Recorded Twenty-Five cents and shall give to every person or persons a certificate naming in the certificate the Page in the Records of which it is recorded

ARTICLE 3d. All examinations of the Records must be made in the presence of the Recorder or his deputy

ARTICLE 4th. Notice of a claim or Location of Mining ground by any individual or by a Company on file in the Recorders office shall be deemed equivalent to a record of the same

ARTICLE 5th. Each claimant shall be entitled to hold by Location (200) two Hundred feet on any lode in the district with all its dips angles spurs offshoots out crops depths widths variations and all Minerals and other valuables contained Therein The discoverer of any or locator on, a new Lead being entitled to one claim Extra for discovery

ARTICLE 6th. The Locator of any load or Ledge in this district shall be entitled, to, hold on each side of the Ledge load or Lead Located by him or them two Hundred and fifty feet any lateral veins Loads or Ledges Bearing Minerals therein the space of said two Hundred and fifty feet on each side of the main lead shall be considered as claimed by and entirely belonging to the Locator or Locators of a Ledge and his or their assigns and parcel of the same mine

ARTICLE 7th. It shall be the Privilege of any Person or Persons or company when the vein ledge or lode of Mineral is not distinctly traceable on the surface to take up the ground they deem to—Prospect Stating on their notice the manner they intend to prospect the same

ARTICLE 8th. Every claim whether by individual or company shall be recorded within ten days after the date of Location

ARTICLE 9th. It shall be required of each company holding ground in this district to put fifty dollars worth of work on said ground in three months from the date of Recording

ARTICLE 10th. That when any company shall have done honest work to the amount of one Hundred dollars upon their claims and shall cause an entry—To be made upon the Records of this district said company shall be considered as Having acquired a vested right in said Ledge which shall have all the force an effect in Law an Equity as other real estate and property The Recorder shall have fifty cents for such entries

ARTICLE 11th. The Recorder shall go upon the ground with any one or Parties desiring to locate claims and shall be entitled to receive for such service say for a company Locating ten or more names five dollars for each Location numbering less than ten names fifty cents each. Amendment to said article 11th requiring the Recorder when requested to go with parties Locating ground for which he shall receive (50 cts) a mile from his office to the Ledge

ARTICLE 12th. It shall be the duty of all Recorders elected after the time of the adoption of the Laws to post or cause to be posted a notice of an Election of his Successor in three Public places within two months of the expiration of his term of office The Election to be held within two weeks of the Expiration of his term of office Amendment to said article That whenever any ten miners owning claims shall request the Election of another Recorder said Recorder shall put up notices of an election to be held within ten days of the Petition

ARTICLE 13th. No Person shall be allowed to vote after the adoption of these Laws and the election of officers at any Subsequent election except such voters be an actual owner of a claim or claims in the district

ARTICLE 14th. Nothing in these Laws shall be so construed as to restrict any citizen of the United States from holding all the claims he may purchase

ARTICLE 15th. Any person or persons holding claims on one lead or ledge shall be entitled to hold claims by location on other ledges that may be or shall have been discovered

ARTICLE 16th. This constitution Rules or Mining laws may be altered or amended by a two third vote of those attending a legally called meeting of the miners of this district

Amendment to said article Providing that the two thirds vote consist of fourteen or more

ARTICLE 17th. It shall be the duty of the Recorder at any time (10) that ten claim holders shall Petition to him in writing for the call of a miners meeting to change the Laws To post or cause to be posted in at least three conspicuous places notices of such meeting stating the time and place and object of such meeting

ARTICLE 18th. That when any company has put work to the amount of fifty dollars said work shall hold said claim for one year

AMADOR COUNTY.—JACKSON MINING DISTRICT.

MINING LAWS.

Proceedings of the first meeting of a Committee of Five held in Jackson, Amador County, State of California, Feb'y. 7th 1863—for the purpose of drawing up and defining the boundaries of a mining district in and for said Jackson and vicinity and drafting Laws for said district which committee of Five was appointed by the first Miners meeting which was held in the Court House in said Jackson Feb'y. 5th 1863 for the purpose of forming as above stated and organizing a Quartz, Copper and all other veins of metal Mining District. The above Committee to draw up Laws &c met for the first time Feb'y, 7th 1863 and organized by electing *J. G. White* their chairman and *Arthur Chambers* their Secretary

ARTICLE I. This District shall be known as the "*Jackson Quartz and all other veins of Metal District,*" and is bounded as follows:—

On the West by the East lines of the Mt. Echo and Newton Mining District on the South by the Mokelumne River; on the east by the east line of Township No. 1. of Amador Co. California to near the New York Ranch at a point where the same crosses the Volcano and Lone City Road which is known as the *Ridge Road*, north by said road to the place of beginning.

ARTICLE II. A Recorder for said District shall be elected by the voters of the District.

ARTICLE III. The Recorder of the District shall before he enters on the duties of his office, take an oath that he will keep a correct record of all meetings in and for this District and so enter them upon the Records of the District which he shall keep for that purpose. He shall also keep a true and correct record of all claims or records of claims in said district in the usual manner of making and keeping such records of claims in said District noting the day hour and minute of filing such records and at whose request upon such filings as well as in said records—such recording shall date from the filing of the same. The Recorder shall receive twenty-five cents for each claim so filed and recorded. Such recorder shall hold his office for one year and until his successor is elected and qualified.

ART. IV. The books of said Recorder shall be open at all times to the inspection of the claim-holders of said District as well also to all other persons.

ART. V. Persons can locate but one claim on any one lead in this District. All claims in this District shall be two hundred feet on and along said leads and five hundred feet wide—That is—two hundred and fifty feet on each side of the centre of the lead. All claims located shall be for residents of the State of California.

ART. VI. Any person locating a claim in this District (or cause it to be done) shall post up a notice at both ends of such claim stating the metes and bounds thereof the date of its location &c. When several claims are jointly located a notice put up at each end of such claims or company shall in like manner be posted and is sufficient for all such claims.

ARTICLE VII. (Repealed May 22nd 1863.) All persons or parties so locating shall within eight days after locating such claim file with the Recorder a description of all such claims or company stating the metes and bounds, date &c of the same.

ART. VII (as amended). A notice upon a claim shall hold the same for ten days only recording a claim shall hold the claim thirty days, after which time labor to the amount of two dollars per month for each two hundred feet must be expended upon the claims by the company excepting the months of December January, February and March, during which time such labor shall not be required. Provided however when the sum of \$20.00 shall have been expended by any company for each share of 201 feet such claims shall not be considered abandoned for the term of one year. Parties wishing to avail themselves of this provision must post a notice upon the claims claiming the exemption and have the same recorded in the book of the Recorder of the District. Non-compliance with the provisions of this article shall be construed as an abandonment by them—of their claims. And for each succeeding year thereafter the same amount of labor and other requirements shall be performed as for said first year.

ART. VIII. All meetings in this District for the regulation of alteration, amendments &c of the laws in this District shall be called by the Recorder giving public notice of ten days preceding all such meetings or by ten persons having mining interests in this District giving such notice by putting up three notices in public places in the District—one of which shall be at the Post office door or room in Jackson Cal.

All claims located held and recorded in this district as per the foregoing Laws shall hold good for three months or ninety days in this district from the date of such Record.

All laws in this District shall take effect from and after the election and qualification of the Recorder of said District.

AMADOR COUNTY.—PLYMOUTH (FORMERLY PUCKERVILLE) MINING DISTRICT.

MINERS' LAWS.

At a regular meeting of the Copper and Quartz miners of Puckerville (Plymouth now) District, County of Amador and State of California, held at Puckerville February 11th 1863.

AUSTIN HART. *Chairman.*

B. F. RIGHTMEYER *Secretary.*

It was resolved that we the miners of this district do ordain and establish the following Rules By-laws and Regulations and were adopted.

ARTICLE 1st This District shall be known as the Puckerville Copper Mining District and shall include all the Copper mines within the following named boundaries Commencing one-half mile above Hooper's Quartz Mill on Dry Creek thence in a Westerly direction to Doman's Ranch thence in a northerly direction to Musick Dale, thence up the Cosumnes River to Bomaus and Hurenimes Bridge on Side River thence on Air Line to Wheeler's Flowering Mill on Indian Creek thence on Air Line to the place of Beginning.

ART. 2nd Any Person who is a Resident of the State of California may take up or Preempt one claim on Each Ledge of 200 feet in length and Five hundred feet in Width and shall be entitled to follow the ledge through all its dips spures, and angles—including all its minerals there in contained

ART. 3rd All Persons competent and who shall claim in this District shall within Ten days from the time of location file with the Recorder of said District a Description of their claims individule or in Company as the case may be.

ART. 4th Location shall be considered valid by placing Notices at the end of his or their claims Posted conspicuously bearing the names of the Claimants and Date.

ART. 5th It shall be required of each respected Company to perform one day's work in each month or equivalent to be expended on the claim for each shareholder and in case none performed of said requirements said Companies claims shall be considered abandoned and liable to be located by other parties as if said claims had not been located.

ART. 6th It shall be the duty of the Recorder of the district to keep a book of Records for the purposes of recording individuals or companies' claims according to description thereof for filing each description or companies the Recorder shall receive Twenty-five cents and for recording the same he shall receive Twenty-five cents for each claim the date of filing shall be evidence of priority of claims in all cases the recorder shall allow one full entry claim for the discoverer of every new Lode in this district he being entitled to the same for his discovery.

ART. 7th Every transfer of Claims to be valid against third parties shall be placed upon record in the Recorder's office of the District and the recorder shall be entitled to the sum of fifty cents for recording such transfer and giving a certificate of the same.

ART. 8th. All meetings of this District shall be called by the Recorder or by Twenty Persons whose names shall be placed upon the Notices calling the meeting there shall be at least five notices at different Public Places throughout Said District and one week at least shall elapse before the meeting shall be held.

ART. 9th. The term of the recorder shall be six months from his election and he shall hold his office until his successor is Elected.

After a company shall have expended the sum of One hundred and Fifty Dollars to a full share on claims of 200 feet they shall have a good and valid title for the same for the Term of two years.

ART. 11th It shall be the duty of the Recorder of this District to enter said laws upon his books and Keep the same open to Public inspection at all reasonable business hours.

ART. 12th No persons within the Boundrys of this District shall hold more than one claim on every one lead except by Purchase but this article shall not include the first discoverer of any New Lode.

By a vote at said meeting E. S. Potter was duly elected Recorder for this District.

AUSTIN HART *Chairman.*

B. F. RIGHTMYER—*Secretary*

At a meeting of the Miners of Puckerville (Plymouth) and vicinity held pursuant to notice at the store of F. Sheaver on Saturday evening May 23rd 1863, for the purpose of enacting laws to govern the different mining interests within the District—Austin Hart was called to the chair—and Jno. Jones appointed secretary

A committee of five was appointed by the chair to draft laws for the government of the District.

The following were submitted to the meeting and were unanimously adopted.

ARTICLE 1 This District shall be known as the Puckerville Quartz, Gold, Silver, and Copper Mining District.

ART. 2nd Said District shall be bounded as follows: Commencing at a point on the South Fork of the "Cosumnes River" one mile above the Forks and thence running on an air line until it strikes the Forks of Dry Creek thence on an air line to the Forks of Dry Creek, thence on an air line to the Central House thence to Southwest corner of Doman's Ranch thence on an air line to the Eastern boundary of opossum Bar District following said lines to the Cosumnes River thence up said River following its South Bank to the forks thence up the South Fork of said river one mile to the place of beginning.

ART. 3rd Any person being a resident of this state may preempt one claim on each of the Lodes named in Art. 1st. of 200 feet on said lode by 500 feet in width including all dips, Spurs, angles, cross and parallel leads within the aforementioned boundaries.

ART. 4th No person shall be allowed to claim locate more than one claim on the same lode in this District except the discoverer of a lode who shall be entitled to one claim extra for such discovery.

ART. 5th The boundaries of claims shall be established and defined by maintaining good and sufficient boundary marks at either end or in the centre of each company's claims and by recording a description of them in the District Recorder's Books, and by posting at either end or in the centre of said claims a notice specifying each individual forming said Company.

ART. 6th A notice upon a claim shall hold the same for ten days. The recording of a claim shall hold the same for thirty days after which an equivalent of three Dollars per month for each two hundred feet must be expended by the company excepting the months of December, January, February March during which time such labor shall not be required. Provided however that when the sum of seventy five Dollars in money or its equivalent shall have been expended by any company for each share of two hundred feet. Such claims shall not be considered abandoned for one year—Parties wishing to avail themselves of this provision must post a notice upon their claims, claiming the exemption and have the same recorded in the Books of the Recorder of the District.

A non-compliance with the provisions of this article shall be construed as an abandonment by them of their claims.

ART. 7th Lodes of Minerals that cannot be traced by croppings or other outward indications—such as gold-bearing Ochre's shall be considered abandoned until five days after water can be obtained to work the soil from off the ledge.

ART. 8th Placer claims shall be two hundred feet in length by one hundred feet in width to each claimant.

Hill claims shall be one hundred feet front and running into the hill across and including the lead or channel.

All Placer diggings shall be considered abandoned unless worked within ten days after water can be obtained.

ART. 9th A recorder shall be elected in this district shall hold his office for the term of six months his residence shall be within the boundaries of this district and he shall be required to give at least one week's notice prior to the expiration of his term of office by posting at least three notices in three of the most public places within the District to fill said vacancy. Said Recorder shall be elected by ballot and a majority shall elect.

ART. 10th It shall be the duty of the Recorder of this district to keep a Record of all meetings and their proceedings and truly Record all claims in the order they are presented noting the day hour and minute of filing the same and his Books shall be open at all reasonable hours for inspection by all claimants in the District who may wish to examine the same free of charge.

The Recorder shall receive the sum of twelve and one-half cents for each claim for recording and all transfers of claims shall be recorded by the Recorder of the District, and shall receive for the same Fifty cents.

These Laws shall be in force from and after their adoption.

J. A. Robinson was elected Recorder.

A. HART, *Pres't.*

JNO. JONES *Sec'y*

EL DORADO COUNTY.—DIAMOND QUARTZ MINING DISTRICT.

MINING LAWS.

At a meeting held at the Washington Hotel in Diamond Springs February 14th, A. D. 1863, for the purpose of forming a Quartz Mining District and enacting laws to govern the same Dr. S. F. Hamm was elected President of the meeting and W. M. Muffley, Secretary.

The President called the meeting to order, and declared the same duly organized and in order for business. Whereupon the following By-Laws were adopted—

ART. 1. *Name.*—This District shall be known as the Diamond Quartz Mining District.

ART. 2. *Boundaries.*—The boundaries of this district shall be as follows, to-wit:

Commencing at Ladies Valley on the North fork of the Cosumnes River and running thence down said River to the mouth of Mathenas Creek. Thence following the Township line between Mud Springs and Diamond Springs to Webber Creek. Thence due North to the centre of the Divide between Hangtown Creek and Webber Creek. Thence following said Divide easterly to the point where the Road known as Bertram's Road to Placerville crosses said Divide under the South Fork Canal Co's Flume. Thence following the Road via Darlington's and Hank's Exchange to Ladies Valley, the place of beginning.

ART. 3. *Extent of claim.*—Three hundred feet shall constitute a claim in this District and each notice of claim in order to be effectual for the purpose of holding such claim or claims shall be filed for Record with the Recorder of this District within ten days from the date and frosting of such notice.

ART. 4. *Work.*—Each Company locating and recording claims in this District in order to hold the same for one year shall be required to do work on the same to the amount of Five Dollars for each full claim within Three months from the date of filing the same for record.

ART. 5. *Recorder and His Duties.*—A Recorder shall be elected whose duty it shall be to record all claims in a Book to be kept by him for that purpose and also to record in said Book all transfers of claims filed with him upon the payment to him of the fees allowed by these By-Laws.

He shall hold office for one year.

ART. 6. *Fees of Recorder.*—The fees of the Recorder of this District shall be as follows:

For filing and Recording each notice of Claim Five Dollars.

For recording each transfer one Dollar.

No services shall be required of him as above provided unless the fees be paid him in advance.

The meeting then proceeded to the election of a Recorder which resulted in the election of W. N. Muffley.

S F HAMM, *President*

W. N. MUFFLEY, *Secy.*

PLACER COUNTY.—ILLINOISTOWN MINING DISTRICT.

The Miners meeting (of which public notice was given by posting notice at Mr. D. W. Maddins, Illinoistown, and Mr. G. W. Applegates Lisbon, on March 10th 1863 to meet on the 21st of same month) convened according to notice at B. Bickells Hotel $\frac{1}{2}$ past 7 o'clock p. m. 21st March 1863.

There were present the following gentlemen Messrs. Geo. W. Applegate, E. S. Yates, Thos. Smothers, Melvin Simons, Geo. Barrett, Wm McCartey, H. L. Price, Jacob Kick, Daniel Penman, O. F. Leech, W. E. Cummings, T. Brown, John Sculley, S. W. Shepard, & B. Bicknell.

Mr. Keck was nominated chairman, and elected to the position

Mr. Penman was nominated secretary and elected to that position.

Mr. Kick on taking the chair spoke of the purpose of the meeting viz: to form a District by boundaries and adopt laws and regulations for the government of said Illinoistown Mining District.

After due debate of each section the following laws were adopted

After adoption of the laws Jonathan Brown was elected Recorder of the District

Meeting adjourned sine die

JACOB KECK *Chairman.*

DANIEL PENMAN *Secretary*

ILLINOISTOWN March 21st 1863.

LAWS AND REGULATIONS.

MARCH 21st, 1863.

SECT. I. The District shall be known by the name of the Illinoistown Mining District, and shall be bounded as follows, to-wit: On the North by a line from Ford's Bar to Secret Town, thence to Bear River. On the East by the American River. On the South by the Lone Star Mining District, and on the West by Bear River.

SECT. II. The officer of this District shall consist of a Recorder elected by those taking part in these proceedings, who shall hold his office for the term of one year from the date of the election.

SECT. III. When twenty or more miners shall apply to the Recorder to call a meeting for the purpose of altering or amending said district laws, it shall be his duty to give public notice of said meeting

SECT. IV. It shall be the duty of the Recorder to keep in a suitable book a full and truthful record of the proceedings of all public meetings. To place on record all claims brought to him for that purpose; recording the same in the order of their date for which service he shall receive fifty cents for each claim recorded and forty cents per folio for recording the transfer, bill of sale or deed of any mining property. It shall be the duty of the Recorder to keep his books open at all times to the inspection of the public. He shall have the power to appoint a deputy to act in his stead for whose official acts he shall be held responsible.

SECT. V. All examinations of the records must be made in the full presence of the Recorder or his deputy and in no instance shall any person or persons making examination of such record be permitted to use pen and ink. The Recorder shall furnish to such person or persons a lead pencil with which memoranda may be made.

SECT. VI. Notice of a claim or location of mining ground by any individual or by a company on file in the recorder's office shall be deemed equivalent to a record of the same.

SECT. VII. Each claimant shall be entitled to hold by location two hundred feet on any lead in the district with all its dips, angles, and spurs, offshoots and out crops, depths, widths, variations and all the minerals and other valuables therein contained. The discoverer of any location of a new lead being entitled to one claim extra for discovery.

SECT. VIII. The locator of any lead, lode or ledge in the district shall be entitled to hold sufficient ground on each side for the successful working of said ledge.

SECT. IX. Any person or persons, company or companies who shall locate ground under these laws, shall be entitled to hold and enjoy and receive all the profit of working any and all leads, lode or ledge of mineral deposit found and within the limits of their location and claim, by the running of tunnel, cut or shaft and drift, on any part of the ground claimed, which shall be considered as work done upon the claim and if such work amount to that required by these laws, the title of the lead, lode or ledge shall be deemed to vest in the locators and their assigns.

SECT. X. Every claim whether by individual or by company located shall be recorded within three days after the date of location.

SECT. XI. Three days labor shall be done on each claim or on the company's ground for each claim in order to hold the same: and said labor must commence within thirty days after record, and fully performed within ninety days from the date of record.

SECT. XII. Whenever work shall have been done upon the claims of a company deemed to be of the value of or cost of five hundred dollars or upwards, the claims on which such sum shall have been expended cannot and shall not be subject to a forfeiture and relocation for the term of one year from the date of the last work done.

SECT. XIII. Whenever one thousand dollars shall have been expended on the claims of a company in this district the ground so claimed by the company shall be deemed as belonging in full to the locators thereof; and their assigns: and the same shall not be subject to location or re-location by other parties ever after, except by abandonment.

SECT. XIV. No person shall be allowed to vote after the adoption of these laws and the election of officers, at any subsequent election except such voter be actual owner of a claim or claims in this district. All claim-holders shall be qualified electors.

SECT. XV. This constitution, rules or mining laws may be altered or amended by a two thirds vote of these owning claims in the district, at any time. Thirty day notice of such intention shall have been given, at three or more public places in the above district.

SECT. XVI. It shall be the duty of the Recorder to deliver all books and papers to his successor and for all certificates or transcripts the Recorder shall receive 40 cts a folio.

NEW LAWS FOR GRAVEL MINING.

SECT. XVII. Locators of gravel or surface claims shall be entitled to hold 200 ft. in front, commencing at some point on the side or the base of a hill and running through said hill not exceeding one half mile, and where government surveys have been made, it shall be the duty of locators to locate in accordance with government surveys, where it is practicable to do so.

SECT. XVIII. Ravine claims shall be deemed to consist of 300 ft in length, in the ravine and 150. ft on each side, making in all 300, ft square.

Amendment.

SEC. IV. Amend sect 4, so as to read after (Shall be held responsible) The recorder shall receive fifty cents for each claim recorded up to ten and 25. cts for each claim over this number.

Approved by the meeting

JOHN FRAZER, Recorder.

EL DORADO COUNTY.—PLACERVILLE MINING DISTRICT.

MINING LAWS.

We again publish for the information of those engaged in mining, the laws adopted by the miners of this District on the 21st of March, 1863, and which are still in force.

An adjourned miners' meeting was held in Placerville, on Saturday evening, March, 21st A. C. Henry in the Chair. Mr. Wm. Smith from a committee previously chosen made the following report:

The Committee chosen to draft and report a code of By-laws for the "Placerville Mining District", respectfully report as follows:

First. *Boundaries.*—Commencing at the junction of Hangtown and Weber Creek, running thence in a Northerly direction to the South Fork of the American River, thence up on the South side of said South Fork, to a point opposite the mouth of Mosquito Canon, thence in a southerly direction to the junction of the North and South branches of Weber Creek; thence Westerly down the Creek to the place of beginning.

Second. *Extent of claims.*—Each claimant may hold two hundred feet in length upon a ledge or lode, with all its dips, spurs, and angles, and two hundred and fifty feet upon each side thereof; and the discoverer of any lode or ledge may hold two hundred feet in length additional to the above.

Third. *Recording claims, etc.*—Each claim must be filed for record within five days of posting notice thereof and the notice must distinctly specify the general direction of the claim ledge or lode and record made accordingly.

Fourth. *Work necessary to hold claims.*—Each company shall be required to expend at least seven days work upon the ledge or lode held by them, for and in every month of the time said claim is held; otherwise the same may be considered as abandoned.

Fifth. *Recorder. His duties etc.*—A Recorder shall be elected, who shall reside in the District, who shall record all claims or notices of claims, sales or transfers of the same, in a book which he shall provide for that purpose, and which upon his retirement from office he shall deliver to his successor, and who shall receive for his services, in fees, as follows: For recording any claim or notice twenty-five cents for each name attached thereto and for recording any bill of sale or transfer, fifty cents.

Sixth. *Amendments, etc.*—These By-laws may be altered or amended at any miners' meeting to be called as follows: To wit: Any fifteen or more miners interested residents of the District may call the same by publishing a notice with their names attached, thirty days in some newspaper of said District, or by posting the same in three of the most conspicuous places in said District, at least fifteen days prior to the time of said meeting and such notice must distinctly specify the proposed alteration or addition.

W. M. SMITH,
Wm. KEMP,
Committee.

Which report was accepted adopted and the Committee discharged.
On motion the meeting was then adjourned *sine die*.

A. C. HENRY, *Chairman*.

(NOTE.—The above was taken from the *Weekly Democrat* a copy of which Mr. J. P. Cleese, the District Recorder furnished. He certifies as to the correctness of it.)

EL DORADO COUNTY.—EL DORADO MINING DISTRICT.

LAWS OF EL DORADO MINING DISTRICT.

ART. 1st This District shall be known as the El Dorado Mining District.

ART. 2d. The Boundaries of this district shall be as follows:—

Commencing at Sampsons Saloon at the head of Indian Creek thence down Indian Creek to Indian Springs thence in a Straight line to the mouth of Slate Creek on Dry Creek to the eastern Boundaries of Rose Springs Mining District, thence southerly along the line of said Rose Springs Mining Dist. to Big Cañon, thence along the Eastern slope of said Big Canon to Northern Boundaries of King's Store Mining District. thence easterly along the northern boundaries. of said King's Store Dist. to the eastern line of Mud Springs township thence northerly along said Township line to the place of beginning.

ART. 3d. No person shall be allowed to hold more than Three Hundred feet by location on the same ledge but can hold six hundred feet in width for the purpose of prospecting and defining his lead or ledge, the discoverer of a Ledge is entitled to an extra claim; but any and all persons may hold as many claims as they choose by purchase, provided they work the same according to the Laws of the District.

ART. 4th. A notice upon a claim to be valid must be written with Ink and placed upon a Board, Stake or tree in as conspicuous a place as possible and upon or as near the Ledge or lead as possible.—Such Notice must state the number of feet claimed describing as accurately as possible the boundaries thereof, containing all the names of the claimants with the date truly affixed, a true copy of which must be recorded by the District Recorder, within twenty days from the date of such Notice or such claim shall be considered forfeited.

ART. 5th. A notice upon a claim holds the same for 20 days only Recording the notice of a claim holds the same for ninety days only before the expiration of which time labor to the amount of \$2.50 to each Three Hundred feet in a claim must be expended upon the claim by the company which holds the same for fifteen months from date of record the non-compliance with the provisions of this article by any company shall be construed as an abandonment by them of their claim.

ARTICLE 6th. A Recorder for this district shall be elected who shall hold his office for the term of twelve months.

ART. 7th. It shall be the duty of the Recorder to truly Record the notices of all claims in the order in which they are presented to him in a book prepared by him for that purpose with the hour and date of such notice it being an exact copy of the one placed upon the claim by the claimants His book of Record shall be open for the inspection of all claimants in this District who may choose to examine it.

ART. 8. The Recorder shall receive the sum of two dolls. for Recording each company's claim and no claim shall be considered Recorded unless paid for by the claimants the Recorders Receipt for his fees being evidence of the claim being Recorded.

ART. 9th. In case of dispute between parties claiming the same ledge or lead each of the contending parties may choose an arbitrator and the two may choose a third person who shall be disinterested the three shall constitute a Board of arbitrators whose decision shall be final unless notice of an appeal be within ten days from the rendition of the decision.

ART. 10th. Nothing in these Laws shall be so construed as to conflict with the rights of those who have taken up surface or other claims under the old Mining Laws of this District, but have reference solely to Gold, Silver, copper, or other valuable mineral ledge recently discovered or that may be discovered within this District.

ART. 11th. All transfers of claims shall be Recorded by the Recorder who shall receive the sum of fifty cents for such record.

ART. 12th. No amendments or alteration shall be made to these laws unless a meeting of the miners of this District be called by Notice posted in three public places within this District. at least before such meeting takes place five days.

ART. 13th. The Recorder shall transcribe the above Laws in his book of Records subject to inspection by all miners in the District.

At a meeting held at the National Hotel in the Town of El Dorado (Mud Sp'gs) on Tuesday Ev'g, April 7th 1863 the above laws were unanimously passed.

S. N. WALKER, *Sec'y.*

J. McCORMICK, *Presd.*

U. S. Laws as given in Copp's Hand Book of Mining Law. adopted at a meeting of Miners Oct. 17th 1878.

BUTTE COUNTY.—FORBESTOWN MINING DISTRICT.

LAWS.

FORBESTOWN, June 6th 1863.

Miners meeting called to order by electing R. C. Gaskill Prest. and Robert Eccleston Secy. A motion was made & carried to appoint a committee of three to draft a set of laws to be presented to an adjourned meeting to be held in this place. on next Tuesday evening. The chair appointed Messrs. Vail, H. Maddox and R. B. Fry, Such

committee. Mr. J. T. Johnson was the elected Recorder. Motion adopted to give the District a name—Forbestown Mining District. A motion adopted that the committee of three appointed confer with the miners of Dixon District in regard to consolidating the two Districts, After which a motion carried to adjourn until next Tuesday evening at 8 o'clock.

R. C. GASKILL, *Pres.*

ROBT ECCLESTON, *Secy.*

TUESDAY, June 9th 1863.

An adjourned meeting called the miners meeting of Forbestown District. Called to order by E. S. Owens esq. Chairman, Rob't Eccleston acting as Sec'y. A motion adopted to rescind the election of Recorder and also to alter the minutes of the last meeting be corrected accordingly adopted. A motion was carried without a dissenting voice to consolidate the Forbestown & Dixon under the name of the Forbestown Mining District. Some debate ensued relating to the boundary of the District. The committee appointed to frame laws then handed in their report which was made by the Sec'y. Report adopted and committee discharged. Motion then adopted to read & act on the laws separately. The 1st and 2nd Sect. were adopted and a motion adopted to alter the Section 3d, the laws as amended per the annexed document were adopted and made the laws of this District.

The meeting then adjourned.

E. S. OWEN *Chairman*

ROBERT ECCLESTON, *Secy.*

R. P. FENTON *Recorder.*

FORBESTOWN MINING DISTRICT LAWS.

SECT. 1st. This district shall be known and recognized as the Forbestown Mining District and is bounded as follows, to wit, beginning at the line of the Slate Ravine District on the east and following the county line of Butte and Yuba counties, running west to Robison Ravine thence following the line of said District running North to the bluffs of the South Fork of Feather River, thence running up said bluffs of the River to the Slate ravine line thence south to the place of beginning.

SECT. 2d. There shall be two kinds of mining claims in this District to wit, Placer or Ravine claims and Quartz claims.

SECT. 3rd. The size of a Placer or Ravine claim shall be one hundred feet in length running up and down the ravine and the owner or owners of said claim or claims can work the same as wide as he or they choose and if a Quartz lode runs across the Placer claim the owner of the same shall be entitled to one hundred feet of the quartz lode fifty feet on each side of the main or deepest channel running through his claim.

SECT. 4th. The size of an individual claim on gold bearing, silver or other mineral veins shall be one hundred feet in length on the ledge, vein or lode including all lateral spurs, angles, variations intersecting veins with a width of two hundred feet on each side of the ledge.

SECT. 5th. When there is conflict in boundary or as to location the claim or claims first located shall have priority of right, location and property and the claim subsequent in date if it is a lateral interference may be extended by expansion on the other side if desired, providing that the same does not interfere with prior location.

SECT. 6th. A person may hold by pre-emption in Placer or Ravine diggings one claim and by purchase as many as he sees proper providing he causes the same to be worked one day in ten when there is sufficient water.

SECT. 7th. A person may pre-empt a claim on each lode or vein in this District but no person shall be allowed to locate more than one claim on the same lode, but may hold as many as he chooses by purchase. Also the discoverer is entitled to one claim extra for Discovery.

SECT. 8th. Every claim located in this District must have good substantial notices specifically setting forth the direction nature and extent of the claim posted at each end of the same in some conspicuous place and a copy thereof filed in the office of the Recorder within ten days thereafter.

SECT. 9th. Each Quartz Mining Company who has claims in this District upon which Fifty Dollars worth of work shall not have been expended must be worked upon in good faith, at least two in every thirty days by the company holding said claims and all ground which shall not have been so worked within thirty days shall be deemed vacant ground and subject to location the same as though it had not been located. Those claims on which work to the amount of Fifty Dollars shall be done on may be held by the claimant for the period of six months after work shall have been stopped on the same, when the claim shall be considered abandoned.

SECT. 10th. All placer or Ravine claims may be laid over by having the same Recorded from the time natural water fails until it can be obtained again.

SECT. 11th. A Recorder shall be elected for this District who shall hold his office until a successor shall be elected; he shall enter on file and record in a book of records of mining claims all copies of claims located in this district which may be presented to him for record, and his book of record shall at all times be open to inspection free of charge; he shall be entitled to receive before performing any service of filing and recording any copy of notice for a claim consisting of from one to six names the sum of one dollar all over that two dollars.

SECT. 12th. The Recorder shall call meetings of the District when requested by five or more persons in good faith or in his judgement it is necessary. Such call shall be made by posting written notices thereof in three public places in the District ten days previous to holding of said meeting and be the secretary and keep and record the proceedings of this meeting and the laws and regulations thereby adopted, and he shall also post a copy of said laws in three of the most public places for public convenience in the District, within ten days hereafter. He may appoint a deputy in case of his absence or inability.

SECT. 13th. The record of mining claims of this District shall be kept at the town of Forbestown.

SECT. 14th. These laws shall be in force and effect from and after their adoption.

E. S. OWENS *Chairman.*

ROBT. ECCLESTON, *Secretary.*

R. P. FENTON, *Recorder.*

SISKIYOU COUNTY.—EMPIRE MINING DISTRICT.

MINING LAWS.

At a Quartz Miners Meeting held at J Myers & Miller's house on Empire Creek Siskiyou County State of California on the 15th day of February 1864 in accordance with a published notice given thereof, the following business was transacted :

On motion Jacob Myres was chosen Chairman and J. Johnson Secretary.

On motion the Chair appointed the following committee to draft By-Laws E. B. Lovelace, Samuel Bowden, John Rohrer, James Coffman and Perry Murry.

ARR. 1. This Quartz District shall be known and designated as the *Empire Mining District* and shall embrace all that section of Siskiyou County lying between and more particularly described, commencing at the mouth of Ash Creek, and running due north to the State line until it intercepts the due North course from the mouth of Beaver Creek, thence from the mouth of Beaver Creek up the north side of the Klamath River to the place of beginning.

ARR. 2. That a pre-emption Quartz claim in this district for each individual shall not exceed one hundred one hundred yards in length horizontally on the course of the ledge and shall include all the spurs angles and variations thereof to the extent of twenty five feet on each side from the centre of the ledge.

ARR. 3. That no person shall be entitled to hold more than one claim upon the same ledge by preemption except by the right of discovery in which case the discoverer shall be entitled to hold two claims

ARR. 4. That each claim of one hundred yards shall be represented by at least one days labor being performed there on respective month from and after being located *provided*. nevertheless that parties who may so elect shall have privilege of doing the amount of work in advance for the period of six months. Also that companies owning claims jointly may represent all of such claims by performing the requisite amount of labor at any point within their bounds and that all persons failing to comply with the provisions of this section shall be deemed to have forfeited their right and title thereto

ARR. 5. That a location of a quartz or mineral ledge shall consist in the party or parties thereto posting a written notice thereon setting forth the number of claims and amount claimed together with a description of the ledge so claimed. that the same shall be dated when put up and the names of the claimants appended thereto and that a notice of such location shall be recorded by the Recorder of said District within five days after such location

ARR. 6. That no person or persons shall have acquired the right of locating of claims without first having posted his notice on said claims previous to Recording the same.

ARR. 7. That any person or persons who have done or desire to do the requisite amount of labor to lay their claims over for six months, as provided in Article 4 shall file with the recorder a notice of such fact together with the date when such claim shall expire.

ARR. 8. That a Recorder shall be elected for this district for the term of one year who shall record the claims in a book kept for that purpose, and that his fees shall not exceed one dollar per notice.

ARR. 9. That these laws shall be in full force and effect from and after the 20th day of February 1864

On motion the foregoing laws were read and adopted.

On motion Jacob Myres was elected Recorder of this mining District.

On motion the secretary was requested to furnish a copy of the proceedings of this meeting to each of the papers of Yreka for publication.

On motion adjourned *sine die*

JACOB MYRES *Chair man.*

J. JOHNSON, *Secretary.*

MARIPOSA COUNTY.—COULTERVILLE MINING DISTRICT.

QUARTZ MINING LAWS COULTERVILLE DISTRICT PASSED MARCH 5TH 1864

Persuant to a Call the Quartz Miners of Coulterville and vicinity met in convention at the Saloon of Capt Aiken Coulterville for the purpose of taking action in Reguard to the mining intrests of this district Township No 4 Mariposa County J W Fuqua Elected Chairman and S A Scott Secretary

On Motion the secretary Read the Quartz mining laws of 1851 and now governing our County

On motion of George Counts the convention Resolved itself into a committee of the whole and adapted the following articles for the government of Coulterville District

Whereas the Quartz Mining Laws of Mariposa County passed and adapted at Quartzburg on the 25th day of June 1851 are inconvenient and not adapted to the wants of this mining community Therefore the miners and Resident Citizens of the District embracing all that part of Mariposa County Known as Township No 4 do ordain and Establish the following By-laws Rules and Regulations for the Government in the location Recording Working and Holding all auriferous veins of Quartz or other Rock containing Gold Silver Copper or any other metal of value therefore be it

Resolved, that the following laws be adapted

ARTICLE 1st. The Boundaries of this District

ARTICLE 2. This District shall be Known as the Coulterville District

ARTICLE 3. Any Resident of this State may hold by Right of Prumption one claim of 250 feet in length on each vein or ledge with all its spurs dips and angles to the Exstent of one hundred and fifty feet on Each side of the vein or three hundred feet in width and the discoverers of a new vein or ledge shall be intitled to One Extra claim of 250 feet

ARTICLE 4. All locations shall be considered valid by having one or more notises posted in som conspicuous place upon the claim bearing the names of the claimants describing the bondaries of the claim giving the date of the location

ARTICLE 5. Any person or persons hereafter locating claims in this district shall file or cause to be filed with the district Recorder a full and particular discription of his or their claim with each of their names anexed within 20 days of the date of location

ARTICLE 6. All persons holding claims in this district which have been Recorded in the Clerks office of Mariposa County prior to the adaption of these laws or who have acquired any claims by purchase shall file with the Recorder of this district on or before the first day of January 1865 a full and concise description of these claims and the nature of the title thereto which Record shall be taken and held as valid in this district as if said claims were newly located

ARTICLE 7. It shall be Required of every person or persons locating claims in this district to perform one days work or expend Three dollars in money on some portion of the Companys Claims for each full share in said claim within Sixty days of the date of their Record and one days work or \$3 in money for each 60 days thereafter until they shall have spent seven days work or its Equivalent in money (\$21.00) and in case of failure of said company or any individual to comply with the above Requirements the claim or claims thus neglected shall be forfeited and liable to location anew by any other parties

ARTICLE 8. After any individual or company shall have expended in developing their vein or ledge in money or labor to the amount of \$21.00 to each full Share and may desire to cease operations thereon and shall make affidavit thereto by their authorized agent or some one of their company before some person authorized by law to administer oaths and shall file a copy of said affidavit with the District Recorder within 30 days after the completion of the work as aforesaid Or in case of Old Claims previously Recorded in Mariposa within 30 days after the date of their filling the Record in this District they shall be entitled to Exemption from forfeiture for twelve months from the date of filling affidavit and after any individual or company shall have Expended in developing their vein or ledge in Money or labor to the amount of forty dollars (\$40) to each full share and make and file the affidavit as aforesaid they shall be entitled to Exemption from forfeiture for Two years and after an individual or company shall have Expended in developing their vein or ledge in Money or labor to the amount of Seventy five (\$75) dollars to each full Share and make and file their affidavit as aforesaid they shall be entitled to Exemption from forfeiture for five years and after an individual or company shall have Expended in developing their vein or ledge in Money or labor to the amount of one hundred dollars to each full share and shall have erected a Mill for the purpose of crushing the Quartz taken out of their vein or ledge and file their affidavit as aforesaid and in either case herein mentioned Receive from the District Recorder a Certificate to that effect shall be entitled to exemption from forfeiture for ten years from the date of filling affidavit for filing affidavit and giving certificate the Recorder shall be entitled to Receive one dollar

ARTICLE 9. There shall be a district Recorder Elected by the Electors of this Meeting who shall hold his office for one year from the first Saturday in March 1864 and continue in office until his successor shall be elected and qualified and in case of his death Removal or Resignation his successor can be Elected any time by a meeting Regularly called according to article 10

ARTICLE 10. At any time a meeting in this District may be called by 20 persons holding claims in the District whose names shall appear on the notice Calling said meeting which notice shall be posted in three public places in the District not less than 20 days before the day set for the meeting and a copy of said notice filed with the recorder

ARTICLE 11. The Recorder shall Reside in and Keep his office in the Town of Coulterville and before entering upon the duties of his office shall take and subscribe to an oath before some person competent to administer the same faithfully to perform the duties of his office according to the best of his abilities and the Requirements of the laws here adapted

ARTICLE 12. It shall be the duty of the Recorder to keep a well Bound Book in which he shall Record at full length a complete description of all claims filed for Record in his office with the names of the claimants annexed and mark the date of filing the same in the Book of Records for Recording each description with one name thereto One dollar and for each additional name thereto 25 cents for furnishing a certified copy of a Record when Required one dollar and for any other services which may be required of him shall be entitled to the same fees as are allowed by law to the County Recorder for similar services

ARTICLE 13. The Recorder endorse upon the description of Each claim filed for Record the day hour month and year when the same was filed for Record

ARTICLE 14. These laws shall take effect and be in force on and after the fifth day of March 1864

ARTICLE 15. All Quartz Mining laws heretofore observed and in force in this district are hereby Repealed

ARTICLE 16. The Books of the Recorder shall always be open to the inspection to any one, and he shall deliver them to his successor in office

On motion the convention Elected George Counts esqr Recorder for the ensuing year

Resolved, that the proceeding of this convention be published in the Mariposa papers

On motion the convention adjourned

J W FUQUA *Chairman*

S A SCOTT *Secretary.*

STATE OF CALIFORNIA

County of Mariposa

I hereby certify the above and foregoing as a full true and correct copy of the Quartz mining laws of the Coulterville Quartz Mining District

Given under my hand (there being no seal of office) This 14th day of December 1880

B. F. MORRIS

Recorder of Quartz Mines for Coulterville Mining District

YUBA COUNTY.—DOBBIN'S CREEK MINING DISTRICT.

BY LAWS.

SECTION 1. This mining district so far as relates to mining on mineral veins shall be known as the Dobbin's Creek District and shall be included in the following boundaries to wit; commencing at the junction of the South Branch Turupike (opposite the Oregon House) thence following said Turupike to the Bridge on the North Yuba river, Thence up the said North Yuba River to George Mixes Bridge, Thence along the said Mixes road to the mountain cottage; thence on a line from the mountain cottage to the John Eich House thence along the Marysville and Camptonville road to the place of beginning.

SECTION 2d. The size of an individual claim on Gold, Silver or Copper veins shall be two (2) hundred feet in length on and along the main lode, the same including and embracing all lateral Dips, Angles, Spurs, Variations, Deposits, Pitters intermediate and intersecting veins to the width of one hundred feet on each side of the main lode in all its dips and widths, a person discovering a Lode may locate a claim for such discovery besides his individual claim.

SECT. 3. Claims may be located by one individual or by a company in which case their possession and right shall be as tenants in common unless otherwise stipulated by the parties

SECTION 4th. All minerals such as Gold, Silver Copper or other precious metals found within the limits of a claim located under these laws shall be and is a part of the claim so located the same as if such claim had been in the first instance located for such mineral and the land embraced within the limits of such claim shall be and is a part of such claim subject only to whatever drainage may arise from the working of the mine or mines prior in location.

SECT. 5th. A person or persons may locate and shall any or all claims located by such person or persons or purchased by them, and when claims are located and held by two or more persons as one company, work done up on any portion of said ground with reference to said claim as a whole shall for the purpose of holding the same be considered work upon the whole claim.

SECT. 6th. Persons or companies owning claims adjoining each other on either or both ends may consolidate such claims and after such consolidation may be held owners and possessed by such person or company as a consolidated mining claim and work done on any part of the mining ground so (located or) consolidated shall be considered work upon the whole or each claim.

SECT. 7th. Every claim when located in this district must have a good substantial notice specifying the extent of the claims posted on said claim in a conspicuous place and a copy thereof within thirty days after such posting shall be filed for record in the recorder's office of this district and such notice shall give to such person or persons the possession of said claim and the right of possession and property upon complying with the laws of this district as to working the same.

SECT. 8th. When claims conflict in boundaries or as to location the claim or claims first located shall have priority and the claim subsequent in date if it be a lateral interference may be extended by expansion on the other side of said claims if desired, provided the same does not interfere with a prior location.

SECT. 9th. All ground located and claimed in this district which one hundred dollars worth of work and improvement done on the Ledge shall hold the same for one year, but if not must be worked upon in good faith at least two days in every thirty, and all ground which shall not have been so worked within thirty days shall be deemed and considered vacant land and subject the same as if it had never been located.

SECT. 10th. In the location and holding of claims the measurement of length and width shall be lineal and horizontal, and all persons now claiming locations are requested to locate the same so as to conform to the rules and regulations adopted by this meeting. To have the same surveyed by definite meets and bounds on and along the main mineral lode located and at the beginning and end of said vein when practicable to plant permanent stakes and to record a copy thereof hereinbefore required. The boundaries of all claims shall accommodate themselves to the main lode it may be determined by the process of working or sinking down on said lode.

SECT. 11. A Recorder shall be elected for this district who shall hold his office for the term of one year or until his successor is elected. He shall enter on file and record in a Book of record of mining claims all copies of notices of claims recorded in this district which may be presented to him for record and his book of records shall be at all times open to inspection free of charges. He shall be entitled to receive before performing any services for filing and recording a copy or notice twenty-five cents for each notice and twenty-five cents for each claim.

SECT. 12th. The recorder shall call meetings when requested in writing to do so by five or more persons in good faith owners in two or more companies that have located and are operating in any Gold, Silver or Copper lodes in this district, And such call shall be made by posting three written or printed notices thereof in three public places in the district ten days previous to the holding of said meeting. He shall attend such meeting and be the Secretary thereof and keep on record the proceedings of said meeting and the laws and regulations thereby adopted. He may appoint a deputy to act as recorder in case of his disability or absence but in no other.

JAMES McMENOMY *President.*

GEORGE J. MIX *Secretary.*

I hereby certify the above Laws to be a true copy of the original adopted at Gardners Ranch March 26th 1864 and approved at Dobbins ranch April 17th 1864,

JOHN M. GARDNER *Recorder.*

MONO COUNTY.—BLIND SPRINGS MINING DISTRICT.

Meeting of miners of Blind Springs Dist held February 1865 the following laws were adopted.

ART. 1. This District shall be known as the Blind Springs District & shall be bounded as follows. Commencing at Whiskey Flat and running northerly up Blind Springs Valley to the mouth of Hot Spring Cañon, thence West & south up the east side of Hot Spring Cañon through the divide to a point due west of the place of beginning.

ART. 2. Duties of Recorder, as to keeping books, & recording locations. Fees \$2.00 for recording location & \$1.00 for each additional name.

ART. 3. All examinations of records to be made in presence of Recorder or deputy.

ART. 4. Recorder to visit & measure claim before recording.

ART. 5. Issuing certificate of labor \$1.00 after making examination of work done.

ART. 6. All claims hereafter located shall not exceed 400 feet in length on the surface including all dips spurs and angles with 50 ft on each side of the vein for working purposes.

ART. 7. Requiring the placing of notice on a stake put in stone monument 2 feet high.

ART. 8. All locations must be recorded within ten days after discovery.

ART. 9. All claims in this District shall have at least 4 days work done on each 400 feet in each & every month till work is done to the amount of \$400. When the owner or owners thereof shall be entitled to a perpetual title & may receive a certificate from the Recorder to that effect upon paying the required fee.

ART. 10. The discoverer of a new ledge or lode shall be entitled to an extra 400 feet for discovery.

Meeting held March 23d 1865 & the foregoing laws adopted as a whole.

F. C. Smith elected Recorder.

Meeting held May 4th 1865 and article 4th of the laws amended so as to make it compulsory for the Recorder to go on the ground before recording a claim. Also amend article 9 Making 2 days work per month on a claim until \$200 worth of work has been performed sufficient to obtain a perpetual title.

Meeting held July 8th 1865.

Article 9th amended to read :

Locations now & hereafter shall have 2 days work done on them within one month from date of location which shall entitle owners to hold until May 1866 & when \$200 worth of labor is done on 400 feet, the holder of the location shall be entitled to a perpetual title upon paying fees.

Meeting held November 18th 1856 at Camp Enterprise to amend the law defining the boundaries of the Dis't after appointing chairman & Secty the meeting adjourned to Novbr 25th

Meeting Novbr 25th 1865.

Article 1st amended to read :

This shall be known as Blind Springs Mining District to be defined as follows. Commencing at Whiskey flat & running Northerly up the Centre of Blind Springs Valley to the mouth of Hot Spring Cañon, thence along foot of the hills to a point opposite to & easterly of the main cañon leading to Black Lake Valley. Thence to said Cañon about one mile south of the Hot Springs. Thence to southern end of Black Lake & thence along the southern shore of said Lake to a point westerly five miles, thence southerly to the North West corner of, or boundary of Indian District, thence along the North West boundary of said District to the point of beginning.

Meeting held March 20th 1875.

On motion the mining laws of the United States approved May 10th 1872 with the amendments thereto were adopted as the mining laws of this District. All laws of this District in conflict are hereby repealed.

Meeting held March 27th 1875.

Committee on revision of the District local laws reported as follows.

1st. The boundary of Blind Springs District shall be as follows to wit. Commencing at Whiskey Flat at Mrs. Morans house & running due North to a point due East of Hot Spring Cañon, thence West 10 miles, thence south to the northern boundary of Indian Mining District, thence along the northern boundary of said Dis't to the place of beginning.

2d. Adoption of U. S. Laws with District modifications.

3d. Making surface width on each side of the vein 100 feet.

4th. The present holders of locations shall have the right to increase the size of their claim to 1500 feet in length by 200 feet in width, when such enlargement shall not conflict with any other, the ground to be surveyed & the enlargement recorded.

5th. The Recorder to hold office one year.

6th. Annual meeting to be held November of each yr.

7th. The duties of the Recorder, keep a suitable book or books, record all claims in the order of their date, after going upon the ground & seeing that the necessary monuments have been properly placed, to give certificates for assessment work after having measured the same—his fees to be as follows to wit :

Surveying & Recording a claim.....	\$10.00
Surveying & Recording an enlargement.....	10.00
Certificate of labour	5.00
Certificate of Copy of record	1.00

8th. Location notices to be placed on each monument, stating the number of feet claimed, the direction of the ledge, the boundaries governed by some permanent marks, as a tree, rock or house, the name of locator or locators with number of feet claimed by each, a copy to be filed for record with the Dist Recorder within thirty days after location.

9th. Each location shall be surveyed and recorded within 30 days or the claim will be subject to relocation.

BUTTE COUNTY.—LOVELOCK MINING DISTRICT.

This district shall commence at the West Branch of Feather river at the Dogtown line and running on said line to the Forks of Butte district boundary line ; thence on said line to Inskip boundary and Easterly to the West Branch of Feather river and down said river to the place of beginning. And this district shall be called Lovelock District.

1st. A claim on a Quartz lode or vein shall be three hundred (300) feet with all dips spurs and angles and one hundred feet each side of said ledge. The discoverer being entitled to one claim extra or two claims.

2d. All persons shall have one claim on as many different lodes as they may locate & by purchase all they buy on Quartz.

3d. All parties holding Quartz claim or claims in this district shall do fifty dollars worth of work every year that a notice posted on the said ledge will hold good for ten days and a record on the books will hold good for thirty days previous to the work. That each days work shall be five dollars on said ledge due therefor.

4th. All persons holding Gulch or ravine diggins shall be entitled to one hundred yards up the said ravine by forty yards wide.

5th. Surface claims or claim shall be one hundred yards by one hundred feet.

6th. Hill diggins shall be one hundred feet front and running into the hill without limit.

7th. All persons holding claims shall be entitled to a sufficient tail race to drain his or their claim or claims. If he is the first locator.

8th. A notice posted on the ground claimed will hold good for ten days from date to be recorded at the expiration of that unless recorded except the person or persons so claiming shall be actually at work on the same

9th. It shall be the duty of the Recorder to proceed to the place of location and measure all claims so requested & for such service he shall be entitled to two dollars per day or part of day.

10th. The Recorder shall keep a book where in he shall keep a correct record of all matters pertaining to his office. It shall be open for the inspection of all persons applying for the same.

11th. That Chas. Kingman be appointed Recorder for this district for the term of one year or until his successor is chosen and the Recorder shall be entitled to fifty cents for recording each claim with one name and fifty cents for each additional name. He shall preside at each meeting, post notice for same

12th. That the Recorder shall be elected by ballot, Each person residing in the district ten days or upwards shall be entitled to one vote. The board of election to determine such vote. It shall consist of the Chairman & Secretary of the meeting who shall declare the result to the meeting, which shall be final

13th. That these laws shall take effect on & after their passage and all laws or parts of laws in effect previous and in conflict with these are hereby repealed.

14th. That the first location shall be entitled to the natural water which may accumulate in his claim, ravine, gulch or what not for mining purposes.

The aforesaid Mining Laws passed April 3rd A. D. 1865.

JEFFERSON SIGGINS, *Pres.*

H. B. RAY, *Sect.*

Amendment to section 1. A claim on a Quartz lode or vein shall be fifteen hundred feet (1500) long with all dips spurs and angles and six hundred in width

15th. No Chinaman or Mongolian shall pursue the occupation of mining in this District

CONTRA COSTA COUNTY.—MARSH CREEK MINING DISTRICT.

MINING LAWS.

[“The Mining and Scientific Press,” June 3rd, 1865.]

MINING LAWS OF MARSH CREEK MINING DISTRICT, CONTRA COSTA COUNTY, STATE OF CAL.

Adopted at a meeting held in said district by the miners, for the purpose of defining the district, and making proper mining laws for the same.

Resolved, That as Congress has made no rules and regulations for the government of the mining districts of the State, and, as the State Legislature of California has provided by Statute, and accorded to the miners of California the right of making all laws, rules and regulations that do not conflict with the constitution and laws of California, in all actions respecting ‘mining claims’.

Resolved, That this district shall be known as the Marsh Creek Mining District, and shall consist of the following townships, to wit: One north range two east, one south range two east and one south range three east, Mount Diablo Meridian; excluding all homesteads and improved pre-emption claims

RULES AND REGULATIONS.

ART. 1st. A claim in this district shall consist of two thousand six hundred and forty (2,640) feet square.

ART. 2. That every person who shall locate a claim in this *district*, shall be required to post a notice giving the boundaries of his claim, in a conspicuous place, which shall hold said claim for ninety (90) days. Before the expiration of this time, from date of location of the same, the party having posted said notice, shall be required to do or have done, one day’s work on his claim, which shall hold the same for the following six months, and one day’s work for every six months following shall hold his claim thereafter.

ART. 3. Every person locating claims in the said district, shall be required, within five days after posting said notice, to have the same recorded by the Recorder of the said district, and the Recorder shall receive for such services, one dollar for each notice so recorded.

ART. 4. When a company of persons locate or have located more than one claim, they shall not be required to do the work required in art. 2, of this code of laws, upon every claim separately. But they shall be at liberty to do the whole amount of work upon any one or more of the different claims.

ART. 5. A Recorder shall be elected and shall hold office for one year. It shall be his duty to keep a book and properly record therein all notices of claims presented to him, in conformity with Art. 3, of this code of laws. It shall be the duty of the Recorder to deliver to his successor in office, all books, records, papers, etc., belonging to or pertaining to his office, all transfers shall be noted in the book of records; for which service the Recorder shall receive the sum of fifty cents each.

ART. 6. These laws shall not be changed without the consent of five-sixths of the occupants of claims in this district.

ART. 7. These by-laws, rules and regulations shall take effect from and after the twenty-seventh day of May, A. D. 1865.

EL DORADO COUNTY.—BIG CAÑON QUARTZ MINING DISTRICT.

MINING LAWS ADOPTED AT DUNCAN’S STORE NOVEMBER 11TH 1865.

ARTICLE 1st. This District shall be known as Big Cañon Quartz Mining District—Bounded as follows: Commencing at the Forks of the Cosumnes river up North Fork to the mouth of Cross Cañon and up said cañon to the south line to the Middle fork down Fork to the place of beginning.

ART. 2nd. There shall be elected annually a Recorder on the First Saturday of September his duty will be to keep books for the purpose of recording all quartz claims that may be located within Big Canon District. Said Recorder shall keep a truthful and correct record of all claims given to him to be recorded, for which he shall be entitled to receive one dollar for each claim.

ART. 3rd. It shall be lawful for each person to hold Three Hundred feet on any ledge or Lode and one hundred and fifty feet on each side of said ledge with all dips angles and spurs with all minerals contained therein, the discoverer shall be entitled to Three Hundred additional feet of the ledge.

ART. 4th. As many persons as may please can form themselves into one company or more each person being entitled to three hundred feet of ledge each company being considered as one claim.

ART. 5th. In order to hold a claim it shall be necessary to work at least one day in thirty and when work amounting to One Hundred dollars shall have been done shall hold it for six months.

ART. 6th. Every notice of location after having been posted ten days shall be placed on record in the book of the recorder for Big Cañon district.

ART. 7th. It shall be lawful at every annual election for Recorder to propose amendments to these laws the Recorder shall then give ten days notice of the intention to amend by posting notices in three public places in the District.

ART. 8th. At said meeting for the purpose of amending the laws of the District it shall require a majority of two-thirds of all the voters present to amend.

ART. 9th. All laws which may have been made heretofore for the purpose of regulating Quartz Mining in Big Cañon Mining District are hereby repealed.

B. A. MOSELEY, *Pres.*

H. R. SMITH, *Secy.*

EL DORADO COUNTY.—HENRY'S DIGGINGS MINING DISTRICT.

LOCAL MINING LAWS ADOPTED JUNE, 1867.

ARTICLE 1st. This District to be known as the Henry's Diggings Mining District and bounded as follows:—North by the Cosumnes r. & Steeley's Fork—East by what is known as the Meadows. West by Lady's Valley Mining District—South by Middle Fork of Cosumnes River.

ARTICLE 2nd. A claim on any quartz lode or vein shall be 200 feet in length with all its dips, spurs, angles and variations with 100 feet on each side of the ledge—except in case of a parallel ledge, in which case the parties shall hold at equal distances from their respective ledges. The discoverer of a ledge shall be entitled to one extra claim.

ARTICLE 3rd. A notice placed on a claim shall hold good for 10 days and a record of said notice shall hold good 20 days from date of record. Work done on any claim to the amount of one day's labor to each share of 200 feet shall hold good the claim for 60 days but if sufficient proof that the owner of a claim or claims have not faithfully complied with the 2nd clause of the Article the claim or claims shall be declared forfeited.

ARTICLE 4th. Work done on any ledge of quartz to the amount of \$300.00 shall hold the same good for one year and be recorded, by the Recorder of the District

ARTICLE 5th. Work done on any quartz claim by way of running tunnels, open cuts &c shall be considered as work done on the ledge and a notice should be posted on the tunnel or open cut and on the ledge stating the same.

ARTICLE 6th. A surface claim shall be 250 feet square to each person one extra claim for the discoverer and in a gulch or ravine 300 feet in length with 150 feet on each side from the centre of gulch or ravine.

ARTICLE 7th. All surface claims shall be worked within 10 days after water can be procured.

ARTICLE 8th. A hill claim shall be 100 feet front for each person running to the centre of the hill and no one claim shall exceed 400 feet front. Work on any hill claim to the amount of \$300 holds said claim one year.

ARTICLE 9th. A river claim shall be 250 feet in length and in width from base to base. Such claims shall not be subject to relocation from December 1st to June 1st. if recorded in the District record by the 1st of December.

ARTICLE 10th. There shall be a recorder elected annually for this District by the miners of the District whose duty it shall be to keep a strict record of all claims presented to him and on presentation of a notice for record it shall be his duty to make a note of the time when said notice is presented and before recording the same shall visit the ground claimed in said notice and satisfy himself whether said ground is vacant or not and shall establish the boundary lines of said claim as nearly as practicable.

ARTICLE 11th. The Recorder shall keep a Book of Records at his office which shall be open for inspection at all times in his presence or his deputy. He shall hold his office for the term of one year from the date of his election, unless removed for neglect of duty or inability.

ARTICLE 12th. The Recorder shall receive 50 cents. for each name on all notices recorded by him and at the expiration of his term of office or removal shall deliver all records and papers to his successor.

ARTICLE 13th. A notice to revise or amend these laws and to elect or remove a Recorder shall be signed by five of the resident claim-holders and posted in three of the most public places in the District for ten days.

ARTICLE 14th. All laws or parts of laws that have heretofore existed in this District are hereby repealed.

R. P. CULVER *Chairman*

D. T. STEELBY *Secretary.*

(The United States Mineral Laws were adopted at a meeting of the miners held August 3rd, 1872 with this difference, That instead of 300 feet to be claimed on each side of the ledge, only 150 feet on each side was allowed.)

YUBA COUNTY.—BROWN'S VALLEY MINING DISTRICT.

MINERS' MEETING.

At a meeting of miners of the Browns Valley Mining district held on the third Monday in May A. D 1870 Said meeting having been regularly advertised in the Marysville Daily Appeal a newspaper published in the County of Yuba according to the Customs and regulations of said district, On Motion W. W. Nelson was called to the Chair and James L. Hall appointed Secretary.

On motion it was unanimously adopted that a committee of three be appointed to draft a new code of laws for the mining district of Browns valley.

The Chair by consent thereupon appointed as such committee, James Read, A. T. Moline, and W. H. Hogle, with instructions to report before the adjournment of the meeting.

The report of the committee on rules and regulations for the district was received, acted upon by sections and adopted as follows.

1st. Browns Valley Mining District shall be bounded as follows.—Commencing at a certain point on Dry Creek at the centre of Smith's Valley. Running thence in a Northerly direction up said Valley to Payne's School House on the Fosters Bar road, Thence in a Westerly direction down said road to the ranch known as the Parkhurst ranch, thence in a Southerly direction to the Yuba River,