

On Motion it was resolved that all persons present endorsing said resolutions should subscribe their names thereto which was done

The committee on Constitution and By Laws reported a Constitution which was read and adopted.

On motion the committee on Constitution and By Laws required more time

On motion the meeting adjourned to meet on the 18th of April at the house of Hawkins & Lamb to hear the report of said committee.

GEORGE W. ABBEY, *Pres.*

HENRY C. HARRISON, *Secty.*

GRANITE MINING DISTRICT, *Lake County Colorado. April 13th 1868.*

Whereas, We the Miners of Granite District deeming it essential to take some action to protect our interests and acknowledging the fact that in Union there is strength do hereby organize ourselves together for that purpose, and the name of this Organization shall be called the Granite District Claim association

ARTICLE 1st. All persons who are property holders or residents of the District shall be considered as members of this Organization

ARTICLE 2nd. The President of the District, or in his absence the Vice President or Recorder shall have power to appoint a committee of five residents or property holders of the District as an executive committee, and to fill all vacancies in said committee

ARTICLE 3rd. The executive committee to have power to call a meeting at any time or at any place in the District for the purpose of transacting any business necessary for the protection of the rights of the property holders and miners of said District.

ARTICLE 4th. It shall be the duty of said committee to cause the arrest of any parties found trespassing on any property belonging to any of the members of this association, and bring them before a meeting called to decide the case.

Whereas, Certain parties have been to the County Recorder's office and attempted to claim property belonging to other parties who had them previously recorded according to Laws as they understood it, and have complied with the District Laws so far as was in their power. Therefore be it

Resolved that until said parties relinquish all claims to said property upon the records that we will use all Lawful means in our power to prevent them from getting possession of any property in the District that we hereby forbid them or any of them from coming into the District or attempting to visit therein

Resolved that we publish the proceedings of this Meeting in the Denver papers.

Resolved that all persons present endorsing these resolutions shall subscribe their names thereto

GEO. W. ABBEY, *Pres.*

HENRY C. HARRISON, *Secty.*

Elias F Dyer and 34 others.

CONSTITUTION OF GRANITE MINING DISTRICT.

Whereas, we the Miners of Granite District in Lake county Colorado Territory deeming it necessary for our mutual protection and for the proper development of the county that Laws should be instituted for the guidance and government of said district do hereby institute this Constitution and By Laws.

ARTICLE 1st. The boundaries of said District are hereby declared to be as follows, commencing at a point on the East Bank of the Arkansas River immediately opposite the mouth of Pine Creek, thence running Easterly to the summit of Georgia Bar Range, thence Northerly along the summit of the Range to the head of Union Gulch thence down said Gulch to the Arkansas River, thence down said river to point of beginning.

ARTICLE 2nd. The officers of said District shall consist of a President, Vice-President and Recorder, the term for which these officers shall serve shall be one year or until their successors are chosen and qualified, except the first officers elected who shall serve until the first Monday in July 1869.

ARTICLE 3rd. The regular annual meeting of said District for the election of officers shall be held on the first Monday of July each year

SECTION 4th. The Recorder of said District shall record all instruments filed with him for Record the fees of said Recorder shall be the same as those of the clerk and Recorder of Lake County Colorado.

ARTICLE 5th. All Gulch claims in said District shall be one thousand feet in length, and the entire width of the Gulch and all claims for Gulch shall be worked within one year from Date of Record or will be forfeited.

ARTICLE 6th. No Lode claim shall be held by stake merely; but shall be worked sufficiently to expose a vein of Ore.

ARTICLE 7th. No amendment shall be made to this Constitution except at regular annual meetings and then it shall require a two thirds majority of all the Miners in the District present at the meeting.

Adopted April 13th 1868.

GRANITE DISTRICT *April 18th 1868.*

At a meeting of the miners of Granite District held according to adjournment on the 13th of April to the cabin of Lamb & Hawkins, the following proceedings were had to wit:

Meeting called to order Mr. Geo. W. Abbey in the chair and Jos Hutchinson being appointed Secretary.

Motion made that the proceedings of the last meeting be read.

Motion that they be adopted and made part of the Record. Carried.

Committee on By Laws reported.

Motion made that the Constitution and By Laws be copied by the Recorder and a copy be filed in the County Recorder's Office. Carried.

Motion made that the committee on By Laws be discharged. Carried.

Motion made that the proceedings of the meeting be read. Carried

Motion that the meeting adjourn Sine Die Carried

GEO. W. ABBEY, *Pres.*

JOS. HUTCHINSON, *Secty.*

BY LAWS OF GRANITE MINING DISTRICT.

ARTICLE 1st. It shall be the duty of the President to preside at all meetings of said District, to preserve order, to put all questions to vote, and give the casting vote in case of a tie.

ARTICLE 2d. It shall be the duty of the Vice-President to preside in case of absence of the President and to perform the duties of the same.

ARTICLE 3rd. It shall be the duty of the Recorder to provide a suitable Book, to attend all meetings of said District and act as Secretary of the same to keep a correct record of its proceedings and shall keep his books open for inspection at all reasonable times. He shall appoint a Deputy in case he cannot attend meetings, or wishes to leave the District.

ARTICLE 4th. All regular annual meetings of the miners of said District shall be held on the first Mondays of July in each year at which time an election of officers shall be held.

ARTICLE 5th. A called meeting of the Miners of the District shall be held on the written request of Ten miners of the District and it shall be the duty of the Recorder to post public notices in three conspicuous places in said District. At least three days notice shall be given, the parties calling said meeting shall pay said recorder the sum of five dollars for his services.

ARTICLE 6th. All Gulch claims in said District shall be one thousand feet in length and the entire width of the Gulch, and all claims for gulch mining shall be worked within one year from date of record or will be forfeited.

ARTICLE 7th. Any person making a discovery in this District shall have thirty days thereafter to define a vein of ore and Record the same.

ARTICLE 8th. No association or Company shall hold more than three thousand feet on any one Lode and said three thousand feet shall run fifteen hundred feet each way from discovery, and no one person shall be allowed to pre-empt more than two hundred feet on any one Lode, except the discoverer who shall be allowed an additional two hundred feet by right of discovery.

ARTICLE 9th. No Extension of Lode claims can be legally Recorded until a discovery of said extension is made and section seven of these By Laws complied with.

ARTICLE 10th. All Miners pre-empting Lode claims under these By Laws shall be entitled to twenty five feet of surface ground on each side of said Lode for working purposes. Priority of claim when holden according to law shall be respected.

ARTICLE 11th. Any person or Company intending to erect a Quartz mill may select and locate three hundred feet square for a Millsite which shall be recorded in the District record. He may also claim right of way to bring water power to said Mill from any point if not interfering with vested rights.

ARTICLE 12th. Any person may pre-empt by recording with the District Recorder fifty feet front and one hundred feet deep for a building lot, but shall not secure the same against being used for mining if found to be rich any person working the ground on which a house stands shall secure the house against damages, no person shall be allowed to hold lots without building on the same.

ARTICLE 13th. The discoverers of each lode within this district shall place a post firmly in the ground at least three inches in diameter at the discovery hole with the name of the discoverer name of Lode, and date of discovery marked plain thereon.

ARTICLE 14th. All Hill and Patch claims shall be five hundred feet square for surface mining.

ARTICLE 15th. No amendments shall be made to these By Laws except at regular annual meetings and then it shall require a two thirds majority of all the miners of the District present at the meeting.

Adopted April 18th 1868.

GRANITE DISTRICT, July 6th 1868.

At a regular annual meeting of the Miners of Granite District held at the cabin of Lamb and Hawkins the following proceedings were had to wit:

Meeting Called to order. Mr. Fletcher in the chair.

Motion that the minutes of last meeting be read and adopted. Carried.

Motion that article seven of the By Laws be amended, a substitute was adopted.

Motion that Mr. Houghton's Resolutions be made part of the By Laws. Adopted.

Motion that "then" and "two thirds" be stricken out of the Constitution and By Laws. Motion lost.

Motion that the meeting adjourn to meet at this place Sat. July 18th at 4 o'clock p. m.

Motion carried.

W. W. FLETCHER, *President.*

B. F. SPENCER, *Secy.*

TERRITORY OF COLORADO

County of Lake s. s.

At the regular annual meeting of the Miners of Granite District held in said district at the House of Hawkins & Lamb on the 6th day of July 1868 the following articles in relation to Lode Claims were adopted as additional and supplementary to the By Laws of the District

ARTICLE 1st. Whereas it having been the General custom of the Miners of this district since the passage of the act of Congress approved July 26th 1866, to record their Lode property according to said laws under the construction put upon the same by Commissioner Wilson. Therefore

Resolved that all Lodes so recorded are hereby confirmed and made Legal giving to the owners thereof the right to claim and hold the same according to the record, provided they have otherwise complied with Local Laws of the district in relation to defining crevice and working the same.

Adopted July 6th 1868.

GRANITE DISTRICT July 18th 1868.

According to adjournment on the 6th of July the meeting was called to order and M. N. Adams appointed chairman pro tem.

Motion that the minutes of the last meeting be read and adopted. Adopted.

Motion that the meeting adjourn Sine die. Carried.

M. N. ADAMS, *Pres Pro tem.*

B. F. SPENCER, *Secy.*

LAKE COUNTY.—RED MOUNTAIN MINING DISTRICT.

At a meeting of the Miners & Citizens of Red Mountain Mining District, held at the Forks of the Lake Fork of the Arkansas River, Lake County, Colorado, Territory, at 2 o'clock p. m. July 9th 1864, Geo W. Lane was chosen President and C. P. Slade was chosen Secretary, and on motion of J. Sears, H. J. Rodgers, H. R. Hunt, & H. Earl were appointed a Committee to present to the meeting Laws and Regulations for the government of the District

The committee retired and on motion of J. Johnson the meeting took recess of two hours to enable the committee to report

Four o'clock p. m. July 9th 1864 the committee by H R Hunt their Chairman presented the following Report to the meeting

Your committee report the following Laws & Regulations and recommend the adoption of the same

LAWS OF RED MOUNTAIN MINING DISTRICT.

SECTION 1st. That portion of Lake Creek commencing at the lower Main Fork & taking Two Miles on either side to the head of the same, or to the top of the main divide shall be knowned as the Red Mountain Mining District.

SECTION II. There shall annually be elected in said District a President & a Recorder whose duties shall be the same as like offices in other mining Districts in Colorado Territory.

SECTION III. Every person Discovering a Lode shall be entitled to hold two hundred (200) feet in length and Fifty (50) in width on the Lode as a Discovery claim and one hundred feet in length & fifty feet in width on the Lode as a pre-emption claim, and all persons shall be permitted to pre-empt and hold one claim by pre-emption on each Lode in the District.

SECTION 4th. Every person shall have the right to take up and preempt three hundred (300) feet square as a mill privilege or site on any Creek or Gulch in said District, and also a Building Lot forty (40) feet front by one hundred (100) feet deep, and all claims, Mill Claims, or Building Claims when taken and Recorded according to the laws of this District and the Laws of Colorado Territory shall be hold as Real Estate,

And on motion of Cyrus Sloan, the said laws so reported were taken up Section by Section, passed and adopted as the Laws of Red Mountain District.

Whereupon an Election was held and Geo. W. Lane having received all the votes cast for President of Red Mountain Mining District was declared duly elected to that office. Chas. P. Slade and Wm H. Morgan were nominated for the office of Recorder & Chas. P. Slade having received a majority of all the votes cast was declared duly elected to the Office of Recorder of Red Mountain Mining District.

I, Chas P. Slade, Recorder of Red Mountain Mining District do certify that the foregoing is the true laws & Records of the Red Mountain Mining District

July 13th '64

C. P. SLADE *Recorder.*

Meeting of Miners and Citizens of Lake Center and Red Mountain Districts. W. Londoner appointed Chairman
G. Leonhardy " Secretary

Mr. Morgan offered a resolution

That Lake Center and Red Mountain Districts shall be consolidated into one district to be named Red Mountain District said District to be subject to the same Laws and regulations which regulate Red Mountain District.

Which resolutions were unanimously adopted.

Resolved that the same shall be published in the Denver News and the Mining Journal.

Meeting adjourned on motion.

G. LEONHARDY, *Secy.*

ORO CITY Oct. 2nd 1865

LAKE COUNTY.—LITTLE GROVE MINING DISTRICT.

LAWS.

ORO CITY, *Sept. 23rd, 1864*

At a meeting held at the Recorders in said City S. D. Breece was elected President and Geo Henderson Secretary The said meeting was for the purpose of forming a new District in Lake County Colorado Territory, said District on motion to be called Little Grove District.

On motion the boundaries of the above District to be as follows—

Bound'ds on the North by the summit of the divide between Evans and Birdseye Gulches, on the East by the summit of the Range, on the West by the Junction of the main branches of Evans Gulch, on the south by the Divide between Evans Gulch and Iowa and California gulches all situated in Lake County Colorado Territory.

On motion

Any person discovering a lode shall be entitled to one hundred feet in length and fifty feet in breadth on the Lode as a Discovery

claim and one hundred feet in length by fifty feet in width as a preemption claim, and all persons shall be permitted to hold one claim by preemption on each Lode in the District.

On Motion that the above Laws be adopted motion carried.

On motion that the above Laws be recorded in the County Records Motion carried.

On Motion to adjourn carried.

GEO HENDERSON, *Secretary.*

S. D. BREECE, *President.*

Recorded Sept. 23rd 1864

S. H. FONTE, *Recorder.*

LAKE COUNTY.—LAKE CENTRE MINING DISTRICT.

LAWS.

At a meeting of the miners and Citizens of Lake Centre District held at the mouth of the canon of Lake Creek above the Lakes, Lake County and Territory of Colo. at 1 o'clock p. m. Oct. 12th 1864, W. J. Eagles was chosen president and H. C. Justice was chosen Secretary

And on motion of John Boyd; H. C. Justice, H. J. Depp, and Louis Hoffman were appointed a committee to present to the meeting Laws and Regulations for the government of the District.

The committee retired and on on motion of William Layson the meeting took recess of an hour to enable the committee to report.

Two o'clock p. m. October 12th 1864 the committee by H. C. Justice their chairman presented the following report to the meeting.

Your Committee Report the following Laws and Regulations and recommend the adoption of the same

SECTION 1st. That portion of Lake Creek commencing at the outlet into the Upper Lake and two miles on each side of said Creek and up said stream to the main fork of the same or to the boundary of the Red Mountain District.

SECTION 2nd. There shall annually be elected in said District a President and Recorder whose duties shall be the same as like officers in other mining Districts in Colorado Territory

SECTION 3rd. Every person discovering a Lode in said District shall be entitled to hold one hundred (100) feet in length and fifty (50) feet in width on the Lode as a Discovery claim (provided other Lodes are not discovered within fifty (50) feet in width) and one hundred (100) feet in length and fifty (50) feet in width on the lode as a preemption claim and all persons shall be permitted to preempt and hold one claim by preemption on each lode in the District.

SECTION 4th. Every person shall have the right to take up and pre-empt three hundred feet square (300) as mill site and to run up said Lake creek or any stream in said District until a head of twenty feet is attained and also a building lot forty (40) feet front by one hundred and twenty feet deep, and all claims whether mining claims, mill claims or Building Claims when taken and recorded according to the Laws of this District and the Laws of Colorado Territory shall be held as Real Estate.

And on motion of R. Nat Johnson the said Laws were taken up Section by Section, passed and adopted as the laws of Lake Center District.

Whereupon an Election was held and W. J. Eagles was elected president of the Lake Center District.

On Motion H. C. Justice was elected Recorder of Lake Center District for the term of one year.

I, H. C. Justice, Recorder of Lake Center District do certify that foregoing are the true laws and Records of Lake Center District.

Oct 20th 1864

H. C. JUSTICE, *Recorder.*

Recorded Oct. 20th 1864 at 9 o'clock p. m.

S. H. FONTE, *Recorder.*

Lake Center District became a part of Red Mountain District October, 2, 1865. For minutes of meeting at which consolidation took place see "Red Mountain District, Lake County."

LAKE COUNTY.—ARKANSAS RIVER MINING DISTRICT.

LAWS AND REGULATIONS.

Adopted at a Miner's Meeting held at Oro City, Lake County, Colorado Territory on the 24th day of Dec. A. D. 1864

That whereas at a Miner's meeting held on the 10th day of December 1864 there was a law past annulling all Laws relating to the working of California Gulch No 59. We form a new District to be known as the "Arkansas River District."

SECTION 1st. That the Eastern boundary of said District shall be on the line between 59 and 60, or on the most Easterly end of Weston, Brecece and Deweys ground sluice where they are now to work, the Western Boundary the Arkansas river and North and South the summits of the Ridges.

SECTION 2nd. That 200 feet up and down the Gulch from Bank to Bank shall constitute a claim.

SECTION 3rd. That there shall be Surveyor and Recorder elected.

SECTION 4th That the District shall be surveyed commencing at the eastern boundary of the District and the claims be numbered down the Gulch.

SECTION 5th No person shall be allowed to hold more than one claim by pre-emption.

SECTION 6th Ladies shall be allowed to hold claims by pre-emption.

SECTION 7th All persons holding claims under the old organization shall be allowed to hold the same by representing them in person by filing notice with the Recorder within 30 days, provided that they do not hold more than 200 feet by pre-emption.

SECTION 8th. All claims shall be represented by work by the first of June 1865.

SECTION 9th All work done upon drain ditches shall represent the claims proposed to be drained the same as if done upon the claims.

SECTION 10th Any company holding several claims can represent the same by working any part thereof.

SECTION 11th Any owners of claims shall have the right of way through adjoining claims 10 feet in width at the bottom of drain for Drainage.

SECTION 12th. All owners of claims running a drain through another persons claims and strike the bed rock, shall notify the person whose claim on which he is to work to run said drain ditch, if he refuses to commence to work on said drain within five days after being notified then the parties running said drain may continue it according to Section 11

SECTION 13th. Any parties working claims shall not run the water past parties working below them unless the fall of the gulch will not permit it otherwise and in that case they shall equally divide the water with the party working immediately below them.

SECTION 14th Provided always that the foregoing Laws shall not be so construed as to interfere with the Flume known as the Sacramento and Hydraulic Fluming Co's Flume.

SECTION 15th All claim owners shall pay to the Surveyor or Stake driver fifty cents for each claim surveyed to be paid to the Recorder of the said district, if said sum of fifty cents is not paid to the within 30 days, said claim or claims shall be forfeited.

SECTION 16th That the Recorder shall receive fifty-five cents fee for each certificate and filing with stamps made out.

SECTION 17th. That Rheuben Smithers shall act as Surveyor and Geo Leonhardy as Recorder of said District.

GEO LEONHARDY, *Recorder.*

BOULDER COUNTY.—CENTRAL MINING DISTRICT.

Bounded as follows, To wit,

Commencing at a stone mark on James creek following the dividing river (west) of the waters of James creek and left hand to where it intersect the Dist. of Gold Lake thence north to James creek thence up Sand creek one mile, thence north to St. Vrain creek, thence down said creek to fourth range, thence south to the place of beginning, the same being and is hereby constituted the Central Mining District

We the citizens of said District aforesaid to hereby make and adopt the following laws by which we and each of us are firmly bound. To wit.

ARTICLE 1 Each and every Lode or mining claim discovered by any individual or mining company shall show a crevice or sink the same five feet before he or they shall be entitled to stake the same then the stake to be respected for the term of thirty days and within the above time he or they shall cause the same to be sunk ten feet in depth on crevice.

SEC. 2 All persons taking up Forfeited Load claims under the laws of this dis. shall cause the same to be sunk to completion without delay.

SEC 3 All persons or Company taking up mill sites within this dis. shall be entitled to take up and preempt. (300) Three hundred feet Lengthwise upon the streams and four hundred feet wide and shall stake the same at all of the corners according to the survey and shall Record, the same as taken for Gulch mining and mill purposes and shall cause a good wagon road to be made across the same within thirty-days after the county commissioners shall locate the Road according to the same across the same

SEC. 4 All persons or companies taking up mining claims outside of mill sites or mill claims shall be entitled to take up and Preempt three Hundred feet Lengthwise of the streams and from Bank to bank and shall stake the same at all of the corners claims

SEC. 5 Persons wishing to take a house lot may take up and preempt a lot not to exceed five Acres of land which shall be recorded in the office of the County Rec. and shall be staked in a substantial manner at all of the corners of the same and shall cause to be erected upon the same a dwelling house at least 12 by 14 feet upon the same within nine months from the date of the taking of the same and the house aforesaid shall have at least one door & one window in the same proved however that no house lot shall be taken within this district so as to interfere with any of the mill sites upon the streams within this Dis.

SEC. 6 There shall be elected for this Dis. on the 7th day of Sept. (1866) one Register and survey to hold their office for the term of one year or until their successor is elected and annually here after while this Dis. shall continue. It shall be the duty of the register to record all claims of every description within this Dis. and his fees or deputy shall be Twenty five cents for recording each and every claim and it shall be the duty of the surveyor to survey all mill sites and Gulch mining claims and house lots and he shall be entitled to pay at the rate of (\$5.00) per. day for Gulch services

SEC. 7 All Mills claims & house lots & Gulch mining claims and load claims shall be registered with the Dis. Recorder bearing the of each discovery on taking together with the name or names of the claimants and shall also be recorded in the office of the county recorder of Boulder Co.

SEC. 8th To constitute a good and valued claim to any mill site, house lot or Gulch mining claim any person or company shall apply to the dis. surveyor and have the same surveyed in conformity with the above laws. Be it known that we the settlers of Central mining Dis. hereby testify that the foregoing by laws was passed and adopted by the unanimous consent of all present this the 7th day of Sept. A. D. 1866.

H N COFFEY *Secretary*

JOHN GILLASPI *Pres.*

Supplement to section 3rd of the foregoing by laws the Starting point of all surveys shall be and start from a tree on North branch thence running up said creek, and from a tree and stake on James creek, marked starting point for the Surveyors of this part of Dis.

LAKE COUNTY.—TAYLOR PARK MINING DISTRICT.

MINING LAWS OF TAYLOR PARK MINING DISTRICT.

At a meeting of the miners of Taylor and Union parks held at Sick Gulch Lake County Colorado Territory, May 7th 1867 for the purpose of organizing a Mining District and adopting laws for the government of the same Frederick Lottes was elected President and Thomas Keyes Secretary.

On motion the following laws were unanimously adopted for the government of the district

SECTION 1st This District shall be known as Taylor Park District bounded as follows, to wit: Beginning at the mouth of a certain creek emptying into Taylor River from the Red Mountain Pass; thence up said creek to the summit of the Range of Mountains encircling Taylor and Union Parks; thence along the summit of said range Easterly, Southerly and Westerly, to the West Bank of Taylor River thence up said West Bank to the place of Beginning

SECTION 2. The officers of said district shall be a President and Recorder

SECTION 3. The duties of the President shall be to call and preside at all meetings of the District

SECTION 4. The duties of the Recorder shall be to Survey Stake, Record and issue certificates of pre-emption for all mining claims in said District, to keep a correct set of Books of Record for the District which shall at all times be open for examination by the public, to post notices of miners meetings by order of the President and to act as Secretary of all District Meetings.

SECTION 5. The President shall preside at all meetings of a general nature without compensation; but when meetings are called to settle private claims or disputes he shall be entitled to receive two dollars and fifty cents for presiding thereat, to be paid by the party at whose instance the meeting was called.

SECTION 6 The fees of the Recorder shall be one dollar for recording each claim, and issuing a certificate therefore, and two dollars and fifty cents for writing and posting each notice calling meetings of a private nature, the party at whose instance the notice was issued paying for the same—

SECTION 7—The annual election of officers shall be held on the first day of June of each year hereafter.

SECTION 8—The officers of said District shall hold their offices for one year from the date of their elections and until their successors are qualified.

SECTION 9—Should the office of President become vacant the Recorder shall perform the duties of President until the next regular District election, a Secretary pro tem being appointed at any Miner's Meeting that may be held. Should the office of Recorder become vacant the President shall have power to appoint a recorder to hold the office until the next regular meeting.

SECTION 10. The claims of Taylor Park Mining District shall be divided into the following classes to wit: Gulch, Flume and Lode claim

SECTION 11. Gulch claims shall measure one thousand (1000) feet up and down the Gulch and extend from Bank to Bank. Provided always that the Gulch claims shall be entitled to the Gulch pay streak wherever it may run.

SECTION 12 Flume claims shall measure two thousand (2000) feet up and down the Gulch, creek or River including the pay streak wherever it may run

SECTION 13. Lode claims shall measure two hundred feet horizontal measurement of the length of the lode and twenty five feet each way from the centre of the Lode.

SECTION 14 The discoverer of a Lode shall be entitled to two claims on it—one for the discovery and by pre-emption.

SECTION 15. Claims to the number of fifteen may be recorded on each Lode

SECTION 16. When two or more Lodes cross or intersect each other, or are within twenty five feet of each other the priority of record shall determine the rights of claimants.

SECTION 17. The right to the water of any Gulch, creek or other stream for the purpose of working any claim or claims, in other gulches, creeks or streams may be secured by the claimants causing the same to be recorded in the District Records, and performing labor on the ditch to be constructed within twenty days of the date of location, provided always that the first right of the natural water of any stream shall rest in parties owning claims on the same.

SECTION 18. All gulch flume, lode and ditch claims shall be filed for record with the District Recorder within ten days from the date of location or be subject to relocation.

SECTION 19. Each male person in the District over the age of sixteen years, shall be entitled by pre-emption to one Gulch, one Flume, and one Lode claim on each and every discovery made in the District. Purchased claims to be held by representation as required by the District Laws

SECTION 20. All ditches constructed within said District for the purpose of working a specified gulch or gulches shall be deemed abandoned after lying idle one year unless the same shall have been incorporated in pursuance of Territorial Laws.

SECTION 21. All gulch and flume claims incorporated under the provisions of the "Act of March 11 1864" Territorial Laws of Colorado previous to the formation of this District shall not be restricted as to the number of feet claimed and incorporated, but the claimants shall be entitled to hold the amount as incorporated Provided said claims be duly worked and represented according to District Law.

Sec. 22nd. All gulch, flume, and lode claims shall be represented by the presence of the owners or their authorized agents during the mining season and shall be worked at least six days during the mining season where practicable. Upon failure to comply with these provisions said claims shall be subject to relocation.

Sec. 23rd. All work done on any portion of the ground owned by a company by labor on a ditch, or ditch leading to the same, or by any labor intended for the improvement of said company's claims shall be held to apply to all claims embraced in the organization.

SUMMIT COUNTY.—GEORGIA PASS MINING DISTRICT.

At a meeting held on Swan river July 1867 by miners of Summit County in the Territory of Colorado, for the purpose of organizing the boundaries of a lode mining district on the head waters of the south fork of Swan river the following resolutions were submitted and unanimously approved by the meeting.

ART 1st All that tract of ground lying within the following described boundaries shall be known and hereafter called "Georgia Pass District" commencing on Swan river at the North East corner of Carpenter's District and running southerly on the divide between American and Mulberry gulches and on the east line of Carpenter District to the summit of the dividing ridge between French gulch and said south fork of Swan river; thence on the summit of the last mentioned divide to the intersection of the main range; thence on the

summit of the main range in a northerly direction to the divide separating the waters of the middle fork and those of the south fork of Swan river and up along its south bank to the place of commencement, comprising all ground drained by the south fork of Swan river within the above described boundaries

ART 2d The laws of the Territory of Colorado in relation to mines and mining when in accordance with those of the United States are and shall be recognized and enforced in the Georgia Pass District.

Witness the signatures of the members of meeting

Z. SMILIS
P. M. HALSEY
A. PEDDIE
I. D. ROBY
Mr H. DICKINSON
C. BURNS

CHAS DONELLY
G. W. PARKER
JAMES DOWNEY
W. F. SCHMIDT
HANS H. LILIENTHAT
CHARLES TWILLING

JULIUS FAIRFIELD
PATRICK NOLAN
GEORGE H. BRESSLER,
J. D. RANKIN
F. WOLFF.

SAN JUAN COUNTY.—LAS ANIMAS MINING DISTRICT.

MINING DISTRICT LAWS, FROM SAN JUAN COUNTY RECORDS.

LAS ANIMAS RIVER COL, June 15th 1871.

At a meeting of miners called this day and date, the following by-laws were made and adopted and the following officers were chosen and elected for the present year. I. H. Cook Prosdent and Miles T. Johnson Recorder. By vote the following resolutions and articles were adopted.

ARTICLE 1st—This District shall be called & known by the name of the Las Amimas District.

ARTICLE 2nd—This District shall be defined and bounded as follows; commencing at the head of the canon on the Las Animas River at the lower end of what is called and known as Baker's Park, and thence running East to the summit of the main dividing Range, and then following said Range around so as to include all the waters of said River to the place of beginning

ARTICLE 3rd—All miner's claims shall be recorded by the District recorder of said District within ten days from the time of discovery

ARTICLE 4th—All discoveries made within said District shall have a monument and notice erected at place of discovery with the name of each and every claimant, stating the number of feet claimed and in what direction running from said monument and notice, and also the name of said lode Deposit or Placer.

ARTICLE 5th—All Lodes shall have a well defined crevice and at least one wall rock developed within 90 days from date of record, otherwise it shall not be considered as valid

ARTICLE 6th—All claims appertaining to Mining interest, shall be recorded by the District Recorder.

ARTICLE 7th—The books of the Recorder shall always be open to the inspection of the Public, and shall never be taken from the hands of the Recorder, but any person shall be entitled to copy any Record at any reasonable time.

ARTICLE 8th—All officers for the district shall be elected for the term of one year only, and the same shall be a President and Recorder of claims.

ARTICLE 9th—It shall be the duty of the Recorder to take charge of all records and keep safely the same.

ARTICLE 10th—The fee for recording each and every claim shall be the sum of one dollar.

ARTICLE 11th—All notices of miner's meetings shall be posted at least six days and shall be accompanied by six miner's signatures in the above mentioned district and shall be posted by order of the Recorder

ARTICLE 12th—Mr. J. H. Cook was elected for the present year, and Miles T. Johnson District Recorder.

After the above resolutions were made and adopted, the meeting was adjourned.

MILES T. JOHNSON *Dist Recorder*

RECORDERS OFFICE LAS ANIMAS MINING DISTRICT

Colorado Territory June 6th 1872.

Pursuant to notice published on the first day of June 1872, a meeting of the miners of this District was held at the office of the Recorder

The meeting was called to order by the Recorder, Mr. Johnson.

On motion Mr. T. A. Dolan was chosen President pro tem, and Mr. Johnson Secretary.

The object of the meeting having been stated, motion was made and carried to appoint a committee to draft amendments to the by-laws. The following gentlemen were appointed on said committee viz: D. Reese, M. T. Johnson, and G. W. Ingersoll;

After deliberation the following resolutions & admendments were presented by the committee, and after having them read by the Secretary were adopted by the meeting. viz:

Resolved That article V of these by-laws be amended so as to read,—that persons making locations on Lodes, veins or other deposits of gold, silver or other minerals shall have ninety days from date of record in which to sink a shaft to the depth of ten feet, or to run a tunnel or cut in the mind, so as to show a face of ten feet perpendicular & and in all other respects comply with the territorial Law.

Adopted.

Whereas—quite a number of locations were made last year on mines and the locators were unable to comply with article V of these by-laws, therefore be it resolved, that an extension of ninety days from this date be granted to such locators in which to comply with the law; provided the mines claimed shall not have been relocated and recorded prior to this date.

Adopted June 6th 1872.

Whereas—There is now a large amount of lode claims, claimed and held as extensions on which no work has been done. Therefore be it Resolved by the miners of this District that no claim or claims, claimed as extensions shall be legal without the same amount of developments as though the claim or claims were an original discovery

Adopted June 6th 1872.

On Motion, a committee of three, consisting of Messrs Mulholland, Ingersoll and Johnson, were appointed to review the by-laws of this District and report to the annual meeting June 15, 1872. any suggestions, alterations, amendments or additions that shall to them seem wise or beneficial.

There being no further business the meeting adjourned *sine die*.

T. A. DOLAN *President pro tem*

MILES T JOHNSON *Secretary*.

RECORDERS OFFICE LAS ANIMAS MINING DISTRICT
Colorado Territory June 15, 1872

Annual meeting of the miners of Las Animas Mining District was called to order by T. A Dolan President pro tem.

Proceedings of the last annual meeting and the meeting held June 6th 1872, was read by the Recorder, after which Mr. McNutt was nominated and duly elected President of the District for the ensuing year. Mr. Johnson was elected Recorder.

Motion was made and reconsidered that the Recorder of the District in addition to his other duties be the Secretary of all miner's meeting of this District.

Considered there being no further business, the meeting adjourned *sine die*.

MILES T. JOHNSON *Dist. Recorder*.

LAS ANIMAS MINING DISTRICT COL. TERRITORY August 7th 1872.

Pursuant to notice given for a meeting this day, the miners met at the place appointed.

The meeting was called to order by the President when the following business was transacted.

On motion of Maj. Brookie,—seconded—that all blanks left on the record book be marked by a blank line cross the blanks. Carried.

On motion of Maj. Brookie—seconded—that a committee be appointed to examine the records and report thereon. Carried

The President appointed on records *as committee*, Larhner, Ingersoll & Mulholland, to report as soon as possible.

On motion of Maj. Brookie—seconded—That there be a committee appointed to review the by-laws and make such alterations as may seem advisable. Carried.

The President reported as a committee on by-laws, Quinn, Royal and Brookie to report as soon as possible.

Moved a recess till the committees were ready to report.

Meeting called to order by the President and the committee on records offered the following report, which was read by sections and adopted.

I That all blank space shall be marked so that no further record can be made thereon.

II That all future records shall be so placed that no space exceeding two lines shall intervene between any two records.

III We would further recommend that the recorder be instructed to file upon all papers presented to him at the time the date and hour of each filed with him.

IV That a set form of blanks be determined upon for locations and that books of Record with corresponding forms be procured for the more convenient recording of claims.

On Motion the report of the committee was received and the committee was discharged.

The committee on by-laws reported and offered the following which was adopted.

Your committee appointed to examine the by-laws finding them good as far as they go beg leave to offer the following amendments and suggestions

I That one hundred feet each way from the center of each Lode be allowed for working purposes.

II That all claims located prior to this date that come within the one hundred feet. That the ground lying between such claims be equally divided for working purposes.

III That there shall be allowed for a days labor on all lodes the following prices. For working in loose rock and earth twelve dollars per day. For hard rock such as will require powder and drills sixteen dollars per day.

IV. That there be an inspector elected to examine the Lodes and see that the necessary amount of work be done and give certificates accordingly and that he shall receive for his services the sum of two dollars and fifty cents for each Lode examined

V. That the 15th day of July be appointed the day of annual meeting instead of the 15th of June.

VI. That there be an inspector elected to fill the office till the regular annual meeting

VII Resolved that the officers elected for the present year hold their office till the 15th day of July A. D. 1873.

VIII On motion seconded and carried that all notices on Lodes be *wrote* in plain English and posted in some conspicuous place on the Lode.

IX On motion seconded and carried that there be a vice President elected for this district to fill the office of Recorder in his absence.

Report of the committee on by-laws was received and the committee was discharged.

On Motion seconded and carried to elect an inspector for this District, Mr. Cook and Mr. Royal were put in nomination, and Mr. Royal was elected

Mr. Larhner was elected Vice President. There being no farther business the meeting adjourned sine die

R. J McNUTT *President*

I. L. WIGHTMAN *Secretary*

LAS ANIMAS MINING DISTRICT *June 2d 1873*

At a called meeting of the miners of this District this day, the following business was transacted. President McNutt presiding, I. L. Wightman Secr.

Moved and seconded that I. L. Wightman be elected Recorder till the annual election. Carried.

Moved and seconded whither the Mountaineer Lode belonged to Maj. Hamilton or not. Carried; twenty one votes to none.

Moved and *carried* that Maj. Hamilton be put in immediate possession of the property. Carried. There being no further business the meeting adjourned.

R. J. McNUTT *President*

I L WIGHTMAN *Secretary*

LAS ANIMAS MINING DISTRICT COL. TERRITORY *July 15. 1873*

The annual meeting of the miners of the Las Animas District being called to order, Mr. Jones was elected temporary chairman. The meeting then elected D. Reese President and A. Beigold Vice President for the ensuing year.

Minutes of the last annual and called meeting read and approved.

Moved and carried that the office of District inspector be abolished.

Moved and carried that the Recorder be elected by ballot, and that the polls be kept open till 6 o'clock P. M. July 15th 1873.

The President appointed as Judges of election F. T. Ketchum, Trainer and L. L. Welch, and the polls were declared open for votes.

Moved and carried that a path master be appointed to locate and improve a path from the Las Animas District to Antelope Park on the Rio Grande River. Mr. Jones was elected path Master to commence the trail at the mouth of Cunningham Gulch.

The question of right to a claim on the Round Mountain Lode between A. Helphenstine and I. L. Wightman being brought before the meeting by I. L. Wightman, it was unanimously decided I. L. Wightman should have and hold the claim as originally located and claimed by him.

After 6 o'clock P. M. the vote being counted, the Judges of election declared the result as follows; I. L. Wightman (63) sixty three votes; for George Ingersoll (14) fourteen votes. I. L. Wightman was elected Recorder for the ensuing year.

There being no further business the meeting adjourned sine die

D. REESE *President*

I. L. WIGHTMAN *Secretary*

LAKE COUNTY.—CHALK CREEK MINING DISTRICT.

HOT SPRINGS CHALK CREEK *April 12th 1873.*

Agreeable to notice signed by E. W. Keyes, A. E. Wright, W. W. Fletcher, and others, a Meeting of those interested in the Chalk Creek mines was held to day—present—A. E. Wright J. A. Merriam E. W. Keyes, W. W. Fletcher Thos Morgan Henry L Ballard and others.

The meeting was called to order by Dr A. E. Wright and the object of the meeting stated by Mr Keyes when it was voted—that Henry L Ballard serve as Chairman, that E. W. Keyes act as Secretary, that a committee of three retire and report name of District, limits of same and necessary Laws. Committee to be appointed by the Chairman who selected Messrs Wright, Bassham and Fletcher. The above committee reported for name

“Chalk Creek Mining District limits of same commencing at McFarland's Rancho, so called running west up Four mile creek to the summit of the Range, thence along the summit of the range to Mt. Harvard on the North, thence East to the Arkansas River and South down said river to the place of beginning. Also that all new discoveries, or claims of Lodes in this District shall be provided with a three inch stake firmly planted and marked with name or names of parties interested with date of said discovery. Said claims to be properly developed and recorded within ninety days from said date.

Voted that; said Report be adopted; E W Keyes be elected Recorder for one year Committee of three be appointed by the Chairman to name the principal Mountains and cañons in said District.

The chairman appointed Messrs J. A. Merriam, Hiram Marks and Ira G. Wing to report at the next meeting.

Voted that; the Recorder receive a fee of one dollar for recording each and every Lode; the Recorder receive one dollar each and every Certificate.

Voted that this meeting adjourn to 2nd Tuesday of next April unless sooner convened by the Secretary.

Attest:

E. W. KEYES *Secy*

HENRY L. BALLARD *Chairman.*

At a Meeting of the Miners of the Chalk Creek and Helena Mining Districts made the 12th day of May 1873, the following rules were adopted.

Resolved that a committee of three retire and report a dividing line between the Helena and Chalk Creek, Districts.

Josiah Weston, J. G. Ehrhart, and J. A. Merriam are thereby appointed to view and fix said line.

Said Committee report as follows—

That the north line between said districts shall commence at the lower Hot Springs on Chalk Creek, thence in a northerly direction to the lower Hot Spring on Cottonwood Creek, thence in a westerly direction along the left hand branch of in south fork of the Cottonwood Creek to the summit of the Snowy range

Signed

JAS. D. DOWNING

Recorder of Helena Mining District

E. W. KEYES

Recorder of Chalk Creek Mining District.

SAN JUAN COUNTY.—EUREKA MINING DISTRICT.

MINING DISTRICT LAWS FROM SAN JUAN COUNTY RECORDS.

At a miner's meeting held at the mouth of Eureka Gulch Animas Park, on the 16th day of August 1873. Due and timely notice having been given of such meeting for two weeks previous and a Majority of the miners of the District being present the following business was transacted.

The meeting being called to order and its object being stated by Mr. R. J. McNutt; on motion Mr. A. P. Simpson was elected chairman and Mr. T. H. Taylor Secretary.

It was resolved to form a Mining District to be known as the Eureka Mining District with the following boundaries, to wit;

Commencing at a stake one mile north of the mouth of Cunningham on the East side of the trail running up the valley of the Animas. Thence Westerly to the summit of the divide between the Eureka Gulch and the water South, following the same *Westerly and Southerly* to the point of intersection with the divide, between the Uncompahgre and Rio Las Animas waters. Thence Northerly and Easterly along the divide to its Junction with the main or Snowy Range. Thence southerly following the summit of the range to the point of intersection with the divide, between Maggie Gulch and Cunningham Gulch. Thence Westerly along the Divide to the point of commencement. The same to include all the water shed *whose waters empty into the Rio Las Animas above the starting point.*

On motion the chair appointed a committee to draft a code of District mining laws, consisting of R. J McNutt, James Beaton and J. L. Ufford.

The committee submitted their draft to the meeting and the following code was adopted article by article

ARTICLE 1st—The officers of this District shall consist of a President, Vice Presedent, Secretary and Recorder. The duties of the President shall be to call special and preside at all meetings of the District.

Of the Vice Presedent to act in the same capacity in the absence of the President

Of the secretary and Recorder to act as Secretary of all miner's meeting, to hold possession of and be responsible for the safe keeping of all books, papers and records, belonging to the District & to make such entries upon the District records, indexing both mines and locators, as may be offered to him, accompanied by a fee of one dollar for each record made.

ARTICLE 2nd The officers of the District shall be elected at each annual meeting of the District, and shall hold their term of office for one year. But in case of unavoidable absence or inability to perform their duties, deputies to each and all may be appointed by themselves or the District. And in case of their wilfully absenting themselves or neglecting to perform duties, each and any of them may be impeached and their place filled for the unexpired term by a two thirds vote of any meeting, where there is a quorum of the votes present.

ARTICLE 3rd A quorum shall consist of thirty voters, who hold property in the District and no impeachment of officers or change of these laws shall be made except by a two thirds vote

ARTICLE 4th—All papers, books & records belonging to the District shall be open to public inspection at all reasonable times under the supervision of the Recorder, but in no case shall they be taken from his possession, except by the District officers in case of impeachment.

ARTICLE 5th—All mining claims shall be recorded after such a general rule and upon such blank forms as may be adopted by the District and shall be numbered together with date and hour, in the order of their filing for record. And each locator of a claim upon presenting his notice for record accompanied by the Recorder's fee, shall be entitled to an exact copy of the record certified to and recorded by the Recorder.

ARTICLE 6th A ledge or Lode claim shall consist of 1500 feet in length and 300 feet in width and shall include all lodes, ledges, deposits of ore, mineral bearing rock, that may have their apex within the limits of the claim, but shall not in any case extend beyond the side or end lines of this parallelogram, or surface claim, except what may be necessary in following down in a direct line, the dip of any lode or ledge, or part of such, as may have its apex within the limits of the claim.

ARTICLE 7th Any persons or persons, locating a lode or ledge claim shall place, or have upon the claim a monument at least two feet in height, and on the same a written notice on paper and within five days thereafter place upon it a stake of at least two feet in highth, with a face upon it at least four inches in width, upon which shall be legibly written, the name of the Lode, the name of the individual locating, a definition of limits and date of location and cause a notice of same to be recorded in the District records within twenty days thereafter.

ARTICLE 8th—Any Miner possessing a mine, or any mill, or furnace owner may claim and hold a mill site of five acres in accordance with the United States Mining laws, with right to use all the water that passes through it, in case he or they return the same to its natural channel upon leaving his premises, without injury to his neighbor, by posting notice on such claim in a conspicuous place, defining limits, with name of locator and date of location and recording the same within twenty days from such location

ARTICLE 9th—Any miner may claim and hold, not to exceed one tunnel claim in the District, by posting notice at the face of such Tunnel with date of location and name of locator or locortors, recording and working assessments under the same provisions as are necessary to hold a ledge or lode, claim.

ARTICLE 10th—Any person who shall remove, alter or deface any legal notice of location not his own discovery shall be considered guilty of a misdemeanor and on conviction thereof shall be punished by such fine or forfeiture of rights as may be deemed just and right by a two thirds vote of a quorum of miners of the District.

ARTICLE 11th—In estimating assessments the excavation of one cubic yard of blasting rock, or three cubic yards of pick and shovel work, or three hundred yards of trail made for the use of a mine shall be considered equivalent to thirty dollars worth of labor, and in the same proportion for any greater or less amount Other labor for the benefit of a mine, or whereby greater inconvenience, the expense is greater the amount may be substantiated by voucher and affidavit at the rate of ten dollars for each ordinary days labor, and twelve dollars for each days labor in blasting.

ARTICLE 12th—Where so desired any miners holding property recorded in the records of Los Amintas District may record such property in Eureka District records, with change of name and such further description of such property, together with its surroundings, as may be better accord with the laws of the United States and Eureka District, without injury to former claim or title, providing no adverse rights exist at the time of re recording

T. H. TAYLOR *Sect. V.*
JAS BEATON *Dist Recorder*

Recorded Aug. 17th 1873

SUMMIT COUNTY.—CENTRAL MINING DISTRICT.

PROCEEDINGS OF A MEETING HELD JUNE 11TH 1874

Meeting called to order by Wm P. Pollock

On motion John D. Roby was elected president and Wm P. Pollock Secretary.

The following resolution was offered by Fredk Wilke to wit;

Resolved that owing to the scarcity of water in Soda, Right Hand and Wilke gulches in said mining District and the ditch carrying water to said gulches being still unfinished; the owners of said property shall have until next July viz;—July A. D 1875 to complete said ditch, and that said mining property to-wit; Soda, Right Hand and Wilke gulches, together with 4000 feet on Blue River adjoining shall be held as represented until the time aforesaid viz; July A. D. 1875 and not subject to relocation;—carried

On motion meeting adjourned sine die

JOHN D. ROBY *President.*

WM P. POLLOCK *Sec'y*

SUMMIT COUNTY.—LONG ISLAND AND UNION OR UNION CONSOLIDATED MINING DISTRICT.

MARCH 26th 1875

At a meeting of the miners of the (so called) Long Island and Union or Union Consolidated Mining Districts situated at or near the confluence of the Blue and Swan rivers, in the Territory of Colorado and county of Summit J. T. Clark having been called to the chair and A. R. Emmett elected secretary the following preamble and resolutions were unanimously adopted viz;

Whereas The mineral resources of this district are of great value and the development of the same is of vast importance to the miners and to the public generally

And, Whereas The organization of numerous mining districts by persons of limited experience heretofore has had a tendency to encourage speculation to retard development, discourage immigration, complicate titles, promote law suits and render difficult, uncertain tedious and expensive the manner of proceeding to obtain U. S. Patents, as the experience of the last fifteen years has abundantly proven

Wherefore be it resolved 1st That Union and Long Island Mining Districts heretofore indefinitely bounded as follows viz; on the East by Pleasant Park district; on the South by Spaulding Mining District; on the West by unknown district and Ten Mile range and on the North by Unknown district, including the valley of the Blue River and the Swan river at the confluence of the Blue and Swan rivers and extending two (2) miles more or less up the Blue river from its confluence with the Swan river and four (4) miles northerly down and along the Blue river, from the aforesaid confluence of the Blue and Swan rivers, including the valley of the Blue river and any and all parts of mining districts included within the boundaries of the so called mining district is hereby declared abandoned and the laws thereof *Null and Void*

2d *Resolved* that all mining claims situated within the boundaries of said districts or either of them, whether Creek, Gulch Bar or Bank claims are hereby declared forfeited and abandoned together with all and singular the rights of any claimant which may have been heretofore.

3rd *Resolved* That sections one and two shall not be so construed as to impair the *just rights* of any person or persons who may have been engaged in mining within the last twelve-months or in actual development of his or their mining property within the above abandoned district.

4th Resolved That the laws of the United States and of the Territory of Colorado relative to water rights, size of claims, dump privileges, locations, manner of recording and amount of work necessary to hold possession of a claim, in so far as the same is applicable to placer mining claims is now and shall be hereafter the only recognized authority in the abandoned (so called) Union and Long Island or Union Consolidated Mining District

5th Resolved That the written proceedings of this meeting shall be filed with the Recorder in and for the county of Summit and territory of Colorado, within ten days or less from the date above written

JAMES T. CLARK, *Pres*

D. B. EMMETT, *Secy.*

SUMMIT COUNTY.—CONSOLIDATED TEN MILE MINING DISTRICT.

At a meeting of the miners called and held in McNulty Gulch July 24th 1875 J. H. Follett was called to the chair and Frank Brandon was chosen secretary.

The object of the meeting was to change the laws of the Old District or district located in early days in and about the head of Ten Mile creek and to locate a new Mining District; the following resolutions or laws were passed

SEC 1st That this district shall be called Consolidated Ten Mile District, and bounded as follows; commencing at a stake at the corner of Park and Lake Co; thence running along the tip of the range between Blue river and Ten Mile and thence on the top of the range between Eagle river & Ten Mile and thence south to the top of the main range, and northerly bound by West Ten Mile creek

SECTION 2d That the old mining laws embraced in the boundaries of Sec 1 are hereby declared null and void That hereafter all placer mining claims shall be taken and held under the territorial and United States laws concerning the same

SEC 4 That all claims now held under the old District laws and not represented on or before the first day of August 1875, shall be considered forfeited.

SEC 5th That all claims located and held under the old laws and represented according to the same are lawful

SEC 6th All claims not represented on or before the first of July annually are considered forfeited after August the first 1875; the amount of representation being one hundred dollars.

SEC 7th That those laws be duly recorded at the County Recorder's office within ten days of date.

July 24th 1875

JNO H. FOLLETT *Chm*

FRANK BRANDON *Secretary.*

CONSOLIDATED TEN MILE DISTRICT

At a miner's meeting called and held at Clinton City Consolidated Ten Mile District, Summit Co. Colo July 19—1877; the following local laws and resolutions were passed

Mooved that the league rates of miner's wages in working assessments on lodes in Consolidated Ten Mile Mining District be fixed at ten dollars (\$10.00) per day with pick and shove and twelve and one half (\$12.50) blasting.

Mooved that we stand by each other in the support and legitimate rights of each.

Mooved that proceedings be recorded at Breckenridge and published in the Colorado Springs Gazette and Fairplay Sentinel

JULY 19—1877

At a meeting of the miners of the Consolidated Ten Mile District, held at the home of Benjamin F. Brandon in McNulty Gulch on the evening of the 3d day of October A. D 1878, and which was attended by a majority of the miners of said district; Benjamin F. Brandon was elected to act as President of said meeting and Leonard S. Butler as Vice President, Alvah Lake as Secretary and Newton B. Low as assistant secretary. and the following preamble and resolutions were adopted

PREAMBLE.

Whereas certain incidents have arisen in this mining district during this day, which would lead if not connected by local mining regulations pertaining thereto, to litigation and destruction of the best interests of the district, therefore

No. 1 Resolved that this district will be governed in all matters pertaining to Lode mines by the Revised Statutes of the United States and the statutes of the state of Colorado, and the regulations adopted by this meeting

No. 2d Resolved that any one person or a number of parties together, may locate in this district, one or more lode mines provided he or they shall have complied with the regulations herein after provided, in relation to the location and work thereon

No. 3 Resolved that any locator or locators of lode mines in this district, who before the first day of July A. D 1879 shall have sunk a shaft ten feet deep four feet wide and six feet long, shall be entitled to hold said claim or lode until that date whether he or they shall have struck mineral or paying ore or not

No. 4 Resolved That any locator or locators of any lode claim who shall have run an adit or drift or tunnel or incline four feet wide, six feet high and ten feet in depth from a point on the bottom of the same where the adit or drift or tunnel or incline, shall have reached at or near its entrance a depth of five feet he or they shall have possession of the same until the first of July 1879, whether he or they shall have struck mineral or paying ore or not

No. 5 Resolved that any locator or locators of lode mines in this district who may have performed that portion of the work heretofore required under these regulations, to hold possession of his or their claim until July 1st 1879 in order to maintain free possession of such claim or claims after the 15th day of July 1879, shall be required to push forward the work on the development of the same, to a point where mineral or paying ore shall have been obtained or the party or parties who shall have located such claim or claims shall have become impressed with the desire to abandon the same and shall apply the labor of two men each day at least and the work by

whom shall be faithfully performed until mineral or paying ore shall be struck or the claim abandoned and any neglect on the part of said locator to perform such work for any consecutive ten days after the said 15th day of July 1879 shall work a forfeiture of said claim and such claim shall be subject to relocation according to the statutes of Colorado.

No 6 *Resolved* That it shall be sufficient before filing a claim for record to retain possession of a lode claim in this district, unless forfeited by failure to work the same, as hereinbefore provided to set a stake 750 feet from each end and 75 feet from each side of said claim, upon which said stake distances shall be described, together with the course of said vein, giving the name of the lode, ledge or deposit and the date of the location of the same and the name of the locator or locators and no claim so located shall be disturbed by anybody nor subject to forfeiture until the 15th day of July 1879 provided all the conditions in regard to holding possession of the same shall have been fulfilled as hereinbefore provided

No. 7 *Resolved*, That should any mineral be discovered upon any located lode claim in this district which shall have such a dip or angle or be of such a character as that lately called carbonates at Leadville in Lake Co., the mining for the same and the right to the possession of the same on a regularly located claim shall be confined to the space between the side and end lines of the same but should said lode have a nearly vertical dip of from 4° to 9° the party having located said claim, shall have all the rights to dips spurs and angles, as provided in the statutes of Colorado

No. 8. *Resolved* That the name of this camp shall be designated as Carbonateville, and that on the opening of work in the camp on or after the first day of June 1879, the governor of the state and the United States Senator, shall by the officers of this meeting be requested to use their influence to furnish a tri-weekly mail to this district

No 9 *Resolved*—That the boundaries of this district be the same as those heretofore recorded

No 10. *Resolved*; that Carbonateville shall be located at or near the confluence of McNulty gulch with Ten Mile River and near the head waters of Eagle river.

No. 11 *Resolved*;—that we the miners and locators of claims in this district agree to stand faithfully by each other in enforcing the laws of the United States, of the state of Colorado and the foregoing laws, adopted for the government locally of this district (in consequence of the failure of the United States government and of the state of Colorado to supply the wants of this district locally therein) and under all circumstances to combine together and work with each other to resist jumping of claims, except under these regulations and to maintain good order and decent and proper individual conduct in this district

No. 12 *Resolved*;—that this meeting shall resolve itself into an association and that the term of office of its officers shall be for one year from the 15th day of July of each year, on which day an election for President Vice-President, Secretary and Assistant Secretary shall be held at a meeting to be had for the purpose, and that the officers heretofore elected shall hold office until their successors are elected on July 15th 1879

No. 13 *Resolved*;—that no person having located in this district shall have a voice in this meeting or association except he shall by location or purchase be possessed of a mining claim.

No. 14 *Resolved* that the work required to be done on a lode claim, in order to hold the same may be done on any part of said claim.

No. 15 *Resolved*;—that the Representative of Summit county be requested by the officers of this association to present to the Legislature of the state at its coming session these regulations in the event of a movement in said legislature in the direction of remodeling the present statutes of Colorado in regard to lode mining with the request that the same may be endorsed as the law of this district in regard thereto, and to further request said representative to prepare a bill and present the same to the Legislature for its adoption as a law giving to Summit County a width of three hundred feet to lode claims.

No. 16. That the proceedings of this meeting shall be published in the papers at Leadville and Denver and that the same shall be recorded in the recorder's office of Summit County and that the same shall be left in the hands of the President of this association (for the examination by any member of the association or by new locators at any time) and ultimately to be turned over by him to his successor in office.

MEMORANDUM;—these proceedings were adopted by the unanimous vote of all present at the meeting who formed a large majority of the miners of this district

B. F. BRANDON *Prest.*

LEONARD S. BALLOU *Vicc.-Prest*

ALVAH LAKE, *Secretary*

N. B. LORD *Asstt Secretary*

EDWIN ANDERSON

WILLIAM A. LEPERAN

J. M. FORSHEY

WM C. TOMPKINS

JOHN L. DAVENPORT

HORACE MCNEIL,

J. M. THORNE

JOHN NOLAN

DAVIS A. GAGE

M. B. CARPENTER

SAM BECK

GEO W. MUMFORD

W. R. BARTLETT,

WM H. STROHM

S. A. HERRICK

WM F. ELAHIN

B. F. FOLLETT

J. H. TOLLETT

G. W. LINGREN

ANDREW REGEN

SAMUEL ALLISON

by their agent
Leonard S.
Ballou.

JOHN R. CRABB

JOHN EDWARDS

JOHN STEWART

ROBERT SOMERS

ROBERT H. LORD } their Atty N. B.

RICHARD S. LORD } Lord.

THOMAS STRIART

W. R. DAVIS

JACOB FLECHT

JOHN STILL

W. T. WILKINS

W. J. WILLIAMS

GRAND COUNTY.—POLLARD MINING DISTRICT.

CAMP POLLARD ON JACK CREEK, GRAND COUNTY, COLORADO TERRITORY,

Aug. 14, 1875—

At a meeting held by the miners of Pollard District, L. M. Hill appointed chairman, Tom Wallace secretary, for the purpose of making by-laws for said District

Be it resolved that the Boundaries of Pollard District be as follows, Beginning at the north east corner of Campbell District & running north five (5) miles, thence west to a point due north of the north west corner Campbell District, thence south to the northwest corner of Campbell District, thence east along the summit of the Rocky mountains to place of beginning.

Resolved that we adopt sixty days for developing, after staking, before recording.

ARTICLE second—*Resolved*, disputes shall be settled by a miners' meeting.

ARTICLE third, In all other respects to be governed by U. S. and territorial laws.

Motion made and carried that we adopt said laws as read & also that the secretary present a copy of said laws to the county Recorder for recording.

TOM WALLACE *Sec.*

HINSDALE COUNTY.—PARK MINING DISTRICT.

Copy from File in the County Court of Hinsdale County at Lake City Colorado.

MINERS CONVENTION

Pursuant to notice, the Miners in Burrows' Park, Colorado, met in Convention at Tellurium, August 21, 1875 at 4 o'clock p. m. An organization was effected by electing A Hargrave President and Benton Fraley Secretary.

The Chair stated the object of the meeting to be the organization of a new mining district—it appearing that the records of the Adams district have not been recorded on any county records and can not now be found—and further to fix the legal rates of miners' wages in working assessments in the proposed district.

On motion, a committee consisting of Messrs Niles, Howland, Kiser, Winsby and Bradshaw was appointed to define the boundaries of the proposed district.

After some time spent in consultation the committee reported as follows:

"Boundaries of a mining district to include Burrows Park. All the tributaries of the Lake Fork of the Gunnison river and slopes of the mountains from the summit at the head of said Lake Fork to Cottonwood Junction," which report was adopted, and, on motion, the District was named "Park District."

On motion, the legal rates of miners' wages in working assessments in this district was fixed at \$12⁰⁰ per day, with pick and shovel and \$16⁰⁰ per day with steel and powder.

It being considered probable that a portion of this district lies in Hinsdale County and a portion in La Platta county, (the county lines having never been run out), it is on motion ordered that our district records shall be recorded in both Hinsdale and La Platta counties, and Frank Barnes and Thomas Logan were appointed a committee to see that the record is completed in the Recorders office at Lake City and at Silverton.

John F Dowling was elected President and Benton Fraley Secretary of the Miners association in this district, for the ensuing year.

A motion prevailed instructing the secretary to send copies of the proceedings of this meeting to the "Silver World" and La Platta Miner," with the request that the same be published; and the meeting adjourned sine die.

A HARGRAVE, *President*

BENTON FRALEY, *Secretary.*

HINSDALE COUNTY.—GALENA MINING DISTRICT.

At a meeting held at the town of Galena, on the 11th day of May, the following boundaries of Galena Mining District were established: The eastern boundary line commencing at the head of Crystal Lake, following Crystal Creek to Henson, thence up Alpine Creek to the line of Park Mining district. The Southern boundary line running westerly from the head of Alpine along Park district, to the San Juan County line. Thence northerly ten miles along the line of San Juan County for a western boundary line, thence easterly to Crystal Lake, or place of beginning

H YOUMANS, *President*

JOHN B SEARCH, *Secretary*

GALENA *Hinsdale County, May 11, 1876.*

At a meeting of citizens of Galena District, called for the purpose of organizing as a mineral district; May 17, 1877, the following action was taken

1st—That this district is known as "Galena Mining District"

2d—That the officers of this district shall consist of a President, Vice President and Secretary and shall hold office for one year.

BY LAWS.

Miners' wages shall be eight dollars, thirty-three and one third cents per day, for powder and fuse. [NOTE—this means, if they work with powder and fuse] Other Labor Five dollars per day.

That this is a lode running district and there are at present no Placer mines known to exist in its limits.

That all locations made by fencing and placer claims for the purpose of speculation are hereby denounced.

Resolved, That the boundary of Galena mining district shall commence at the mouth of Alpine Creek, running south to the North boundary of Park district; thence west to the county line, thence east to a point north of the Mouth of Alpine creek; thence south to the place of beginning

G GREGGORY, *President*

B. K. JOHNSTON, *Secretary.*

PRECIOUS METALS.

HINSDALE COUNTY.—SUNNYSIDE MINING DISTRICT.

CAMP ON FIR CREEK, HINSDALE CO COLORADO *February 3rd, 1877.*

At a meeting of miners called this day and date, for the purpose of organizing a mining district, the following by laws were unanimously adopted :

ART. 1. This district shall be called the Sunnyside District.

ART. 2. This district shall be defined and Bounded as follows : Commencing at the Mouth of Willow Creek, on the Rio Grande river, thence north to the Summit of the Snowy range, thence east eight miles, thence south to the Rio Grande river, thence west one mile to the place of beginning.

ART. 3. The following points are designated as "locus" points, reference to which shall be made in the locating of all claims within the boundaries of the district :

1st. The tower of rock on Stonewall Mountain, situated about 1000 feet from its Southern extremity.

2d. The highest ledge of rock on Stonewall Mountain, northwesterly from the tower—(location No 1,) and distinct therefrom about 8,000 feet

3d. The Devil's Gate, situated on Willow Creek

4th. The pile of rock on "Pilot knob," south of Shallow Creek and about northwest of the bridge at Poquin's Ranch

5th. The point of rocks on the south side of the Rio Grande river, just above the bridge at Poquin's ranch.

ART. 4. The officers of this district shall be a President and Recorder of claims, and said officers shall be duly chosen by ballot at an annual meeting and shall hold office for the term of one year.

ART. 5. The annual meeting of the district for the purpose of electing officers and transacting such other business as may come before it, shall be held on the first Saturday of February of each year at 4 o'clock p m

ART. 6. Special meetings may be called by the President, at the request of three or more miners, residents of the district, notice of the same to be posted at least three days before the date of said meeting, said notice to specify the time and place of meeting and to be posted, one on the outside of the Recorder's office, and one each in two other conspicuous places.

ART. 7. It shall be the duty of the President to preside at all meetings and to issue the notices for special meetings, in accordance with article 6.

ART. 8. It shall be the duty of the Vice President to fill the office and discharge the duties of the President in the event of his absence

ART. 9. It shall be the duty of the Recorder to keep a record of all mining claims located within the limits of the district, said record to be the property of the district and to be open to the inspection of the miners of the same, at all reasonable times, and the fee for recording each and every claim shall be the sum of fifty cents.

ART. 10. All claims shall be recorded with the District Recorder, within thirty days from the date of discovery.

ART. 11. In the event of the absence of the Recorder it shall be the duty of the President to appoint a person to discharge the duties of that office during said absence.

ART. 12. Nine (9) miners, residents of the district, shall constitute a quorum for the transaction of business at any regular or special meeting.

ART. 13. No other laws or regulations relating to mining interests than those of the United States and of the State of Colorado shall be in force in this district, the simple object of the organizing of the district being the establishment of certain locus points for the better and more definite location of mining claims.

ART. 14. These by laws shall not be suspended, altered, or amended, except by a three-fourths vote of all the miners of the district.

In accordance with article 4 of the above by laws, the following persons were elected officers of the district for the ensuing year : Fred C. Gay, President, G U Johnson, Vice President Frank S. Earle, Recorder.

FRANK S. EARLE *Recorder of District.*

GUNNISON COUNTY.—ELK MOUNTAIN MINING DISTRICT.

ELK MOUNTAINS COLORAD GUNNISON COUNTY *Aug 4, 1877*

At a meeting of Miners this day and date, the following resolutions were made and adopted, and the following officers elected : M. L. Waller, President. S. C. Robinson, Secretary.

By vote the following articles and resolutions were adopted :

ARTICLE I. This District shall be known as and called the Elk Mountain District.

ART. II. This district shall be defined and bounded as follows: Commencing on the west at the mouth of North Rock Creek and following the same to its head crossing ; thence southeasterly to the head of Cement Creek, and following the same to its junction with East river ; thence southeasterly to the summit of the Divide, between Ohio Creek and Slate river, along said Divide to the head of Yule Creek and continuing down the same to its mouth, thence up Rock Creek to place of beginning.

ART. III. That the rates for labor on working assessments on claims be eight dollars, with pick and shovel, and ten dollars per day with drills and powder, for each day's labor.

ART. IV. That all notices of miners' meetings shall be posted at least six, and shall be accompanied by at least six miner's signatures in the above-mentioned district, and shall be posted by order of the President or Secretary.

S C ROBINSON *Secretary.*

HINSDALE COUNTY.—SHERMAN MINING DISTRICT.

In the town of Sherman, Hinsdale County Colorado, a meeting of Miners was held on this, the 2d day of October, 1877, and organized a mining district.

The following by laws were unanimously adopted :

ART. 1. This district shall be known as Sherman Mining District,

ART. 2. This district shall be defined and bounded as follows: Commencing at the head or upper end of Lake San Christobal, thence southwest along the summit of the divide to the western county line of Hinsdale County, a point northwest (on the Animas Divide) of the north fork of Cottonwook Creek; thence south east to the summit of the Clear Creek Divide; thence North east along the summit of the divide to a point opposite Lake San Christobal and thence to place of beginning

ART. 3. The officers of the district shall be a President and Secretary, who shall be duly chosen by ballot at an annual meeting and hold office for the term of one year.

ART. 4. The annual meeting of the district, for the purpose of electing officers and transacting other business deemed necessary shall be held on the first Monday of October each year.

ART. 5. Special meetings may be called by the President at the request of four or more of the resident miners of the district.

ART. 6. For annual labor performed in the district eight (\$8) dollars per day shall be allowed when powder and fuse are used in execution of said labor, and six (\$6) dollars per day for any other labor performed without powder and fuse.

In accordance with article third of aforesaid By Laws, the following named persons were unanimously elected officers of the district for the ensuing year. John Morein, President. Michael Cooney, Secretary.

MICHAEL COONEY, *Secretary.*

SUMMIT COUNTY.—BATTLE MOUNTAIN MINING DISTRICT.

At a meeting of miners called this day and date the following resolutions were adopted and the following officers were chosen and elected for the present year: For President Walter Wilson; Vice-President Samuel Murdy Secretary R. Rohm; a committee of three W. S. Barney; Wm Helmer and John Kelly were appointed to draft articles to form a mining district and the following laws were adopted

ARTICLE 1st. This district shall be called and known by the name of Battle Mountain District

ART. 2d. This district shall be defined and bounded as follows; commencing at the mouth of Homestake creek at the junction of the Eagle river; thence following the course of the said Eagle river twelve miles down and embracing six (6) miles on each side of said river

WALTER WILSON, *President.*

R. L. ROHM, *Sec.*

W. L. BARNEY	JAMES PATTEN
WM HELMER	PETER JONES
HENRY HELMER	DR WILLIAMSON
SAM MURDY	JAMES MCGREW
JOHN KELLY	JAMES D. DEMING

Committee

BATTLE MOUNTAIN EAGLE RIVER Summit County Colorado June 21st 1879

GUNNISON COUNTY.—RUBY MINING DISTRICT.

DISTRICT LAWS AND REGULATIONS.

"PITKIN" DISTRICT August 2 1879

To the miners of Pitkin District:

A meeting of the miners will be held on Saturday at 3 p. m. August 2 1879 at the "Ruby Palace", (the same place of the road meeting, for the purpose of more perfectly organizing the camp, by electing a district Recorder and three Judges before whom all miners' disputes shall be heard and adjudged, and such decisions shall be considered valid by the camp over which they have Jurisdiction. Also for a further consideration of the requirements of this camp.

MANY MINERS

"PITKIN" DISTRICT August 8 1879

At a meeting held this day the following was adopted:

Resolved, That we hereby ratify and heartily endorse the proceedings of the first miners' meeting, held in this district on the 8th day of July, 1879; also the subsequent change of name from "Pitkin" to Ruby District, so as to avoid confusion of localities, and repeal all subsequent regulations in conflict therewith.

It was moved and carried that all that section of Gunnison County, drained by the waters of Ohio Creek, Coal Creek and Anthracite Creek, from its head to a distance of fifteen miles, below Brennan's Lake shall be known and is hereby organized as Ruby Mining District.

A committee was appointed to draft by-laws, rules and regulations of the camp, composed of C Christopher, A. B. Litchfield, Charles Deferbough, James D May, and Mr. Copley, which were presented at a subsequent meeting.

RUBY MINING DISTRICT.—BY-LAWS, RULES AND REGULATIONS

Be it enacted by the miners of Ruby Mining District in mass meeting assembled, August 12, 1879, that the following laws, rules and regulations governing the location of claims etc., in said district be adopted to-wit:

SECTION 1. The Ruby Mining District shall consist of all that section of Gunnison County, Colorado, drained by the waters of Ohio Creek, Coal Creek, (a fork of Slate river), and Anthracite Creek, from its head, including Ruby Creek, for a distance of fifteen miles below Brennan's Lake.

SECTION 2. The officers of this District shall consist of a Recorder and Secretary, the Recorder to be ex-officio secretary and shall keep the records of all meetings

SECTION 3. We hereby adopt the United States Mining Laws of May 10 1872, with all acts and amendments thereto, and the Colorado Mining Laws, with the following local rules and requirements.

SECTION 4. A mining claim located after the adoption of these laws, whether located by one or more persons, may equal, but shall not exceed fifteen hundred feet in length along the vein or lode. No claim shall extend more than 150 feet on each side of the middle of the vein, at the surface; the end lines of each claim shall be parallel to each other.

SECTION 5. Any location or certificate of location of a lode claim which shall not contain the name of the lode, the name or names of the locators, the date of location, the number of lineal feet claimed on each side of the discovery shaft, the general course of the lode, with a discovery stake that will at least square three inches, and such other description as shall identify the claim with reasonable certainty, shall be void.

SECTION 6. Such surface boundaries shall be marked by six substantial posts, hewed and marked on the side or sides which are in toward the claim, and sunk in the ground to wit: One at each corner and one in the center of each side line where it is practically impossible, on account of bed rock, to sink such posts, they may be placed in a pile of stone, and when in marking the surface boundaries of a claim, any one or more of such posts shall fall by right upon precipitous ground, where the proper placing of it is impracticable, or dangerous to life or limb, it shall be legal and valid to place any such posts at the nearest practical point, suitably marked to designate the proper place.

SECTION 7. In order to hold the possessory right to a claim, there shall be done not less than \$100 worth of work or improvements thereon each year, and for the first year the work or improvements thereon shall be completed within sixty days from date of discovery.

SECTION 8. Any discovery shaft five feet by three and a half feet, by ten feet deep from the surface on the vein or lode, shall be considered \$100 worth of work; or any open cut, cross cut or tunnel five feet in width, which shall cut a lode at the depth of ten feet below the surface, shall hold such lode the same as if a discovery shaft were sunk thereon or an adit, of at least ten feet in along the lode, by five feet wide, from the point where the lode may be in any manner discovered, shall be equivalent to a discovery shaft.

SECTION 9. The office of Recorder is hereby declared elected for this district, for the year ending August 1, 1880.

SECTION 10. It shall be the duty of the Recorder to call meetings of the miners of the district whenever a petition is handed him signed by ten or more persons owning lode claims in this district, or the legal representatives of such lode claim owners, requesting him to give notice of such meeting for the purpose of altering or amending the laws of this district or for the consideration of miners' disputes on claims, or for the election of officers, and such notices shall be posted in at least five conspicuous places in the district for at least ten days previous to the meeting, and it shall be the duty of the Recorder to record all location notices upon the payment of his fees. He shall have the right to appoint one or more deputies and shall be entitled to the following fees: For recording quartz mining claims, coal claims, mill sites and tunnel rights, each (\$2⁰⁰) two dollars, and for deeds bonds and mortgages, and other instruments of writing, one dollar for the first folio, and 50 cents for each additional folio; and certified copies of location notices shall be furnished for one dollar each.

SECTION 11. Deposits of borax, coal or iron must be entered under the mining laws, under the proceedings required in cases of placer mines. [Copp's Mining decision, 194 and 235.]

SECTION 12. It shall take at least a four fifth vote from all miners present at any meeting to change, alter or amend the rules regulations or by laws of this district.

CALLED MEETING

At a called meeting of the Miners Association of Ruby District, August 24, 1879, a resolution was adopted denouncing all forceable settlements of miners disputes, and a board of arbitration to be appointed for this purpose, in case of all disputes and differences as to claims and locations

SUMMIT COUNTY.—WILKINSON'S MINING DISTRICT.

SEPT 24th 1879

At a meeting held at the head of Meddow Creek Mr C. J. Witaker was appointed chairman and D. R. Emmett Secretary.

The following resolutions were adopted

- 1st. That this new mining camp be organized into a Mining District
- 2d. That the name of the District shall be known as Wilkinson's Mining District
- 3d. That the boundaries of the district shall be as follows—Commencing at the junction of West Ten Mile creek with Ten Mile river and thence running up West Ten Mile to Block Lake; thence down Block Lake fork of Piney in a north west course to the junction of Big Horn creek with Piney fork of Eagle, thence up Big Horn creek to its head, thence across the Blue River Range to the head of Rock Creek; thence down Rock creek to its junction with the Blue River, thence up the Blue River to its junction with Ten Mile River; thence up Ten Mile River to the place of beginning
- 4th. That in working assessments hereafter \$5.00 per day per man including tools &c shall be considered the basis for estimating the value of the work done

D. R. EMMETT, Secy.

C. J. WHITAKER, Chairman

SUMMIT COUNTY.—SWAN RIVER MINING DISTRICT.

At a meeting of the miners on Swan river called this 14th day of February A. D 1880 for the purpose of forming a mining district and making and adopting a code of laws for governing the same the following officers were elected to serve for the term of one year from date:

Mr Isaac Williams, President; Mr N. Burnett Gleason Vice President; Mr Frank Rearden Recorder; Mr Watter Farrar Assistant.

And by vote the following articles were adopted.

ARTICLE First. This district shall be called and known as the Swan river district.

ARTICLE Second. This district shall be defined and bounded as follows; commencing at the point on the Swan river opposite the mouth of Summit gulch and running thence northerly to North Turner creek; thence easterly up North Turner creek and on to the head of

Keystone gulch, thence to western boundary of Georgia district; thence southward along said boundary line to summit of the divide between Swan river and French gulch; thence westerly along said divide to point opposite the head of Summit gulch; thence northerly down Summit gulch to place of beginning

ARTICLE Third. It shall be the duty of the President or in his absence the Vice-President to preside at all meetings of the miners of said district,

ARTICLE Fourth. It shall be the duty of the President or in his absence the Vice-President or in the absence of both the Recorder, whenever requested by any four (4) or more miners belonging to said district to call a meeting of miners therein, to post or cause to be posted in a prominent place in said district a plain notice of such meeting giving at least four (4) days notice of same.

ARTICLE Fifth. It shall be the duty of the Recorder or in his absence the assistant Recorder to be present at all meetings of the miners and act in his official capacity.

ARTICLE Sixth. It shall be the duty of the Recorder to take charge of all records and papers belonging to the district and preserve the same carefully

ARTICLE Seventh. All discoveries made within said district shall have a plain notice posted at the discovery shaft or hole written in plain English giving date of discovery, name of lode, deposit or placer claim and of each and every claimant and stating the number of lineal feet each way from centre of discovery shaft also the number of feet in width and in what direction bearing from said notice

ARTICLE Eighth. All claimants or miners shall have a full year unmolested to perform the annual government assessment on his or their lode lodes or claims providing work is commenced thereon on or before the first day of the year dating from date of discovery.

ARTICLE Ninth. In performing the annual assessment required by the government there shall be allowed for a days labor on all lodes or deposits the following prices.

For working in loose rock and earth \$10.00 (ten dollars) per day and in hard rock such as will require blasting \$14.00 (fourteen dollars) per day.

ARTICLE Tenth. A hole on any claim within this district that is sunk to the full depth of 10 (ten) feet from the lower part of the rim of same at the surface, which is the depth required by law for true fissure veins with a plain notice or sign posted as described in article 7th (seventh) of these by-laws shall be valid and not subject to relocation for one year from the date of discovery or location, even though mineral may not be found in the hole.

ISAAC WILLIAMS
N. BENNETT GLEASON
FRANK S. REARDEN
W. R. FARRAR
GEORGE LYNER

WILLIAM JOHNS
CHAS A. THOMPSON
A. R. CLARK
R. W. WALSH
JOHN E. JOHNSON

H. B. TURNER
P. S. HARRIS
Mr TIBIDAUS

SUMMIT COUNTY.—PERU MINING DISTRICT.

MINERS MEETING.

DECATUR, SUMMIT COUNTY, COLORADO, *June 5th, 1880.*

Pursuant to a public notice duly posted a rousing, enthusiastic and very orderly miner's meeting was held at W. L. Sawtell's hotel this evening. The meeting was called to order at 7.40 p. m; W. L. Sawtell chosen chairman; M. A. Lathrop, secretary.

Moved and carried that a committee of five be elected to draft resolutions in regard to staking, working and holding claims and other mining interests of Peru district and present the same for approval at the next regular meeting. S. F. Cowles, Ed. Cane, Geo. B. Semmes, W. L. Sawtell, John F. Leland, committee elected.

Moved and carried that in case any member of the Committee should be unable to be present he be empowered to choose a substitute to represent him in drafting said resolutions. Moved and carried that M. A. Lathrop take up a subscription for the purpose, and procure a suitable cabinet or cabinets for the preservation and exhibition of mineral specimens of this district, and solicit samples, arrange and take care of same, and furnish samples of ores to capitalists, mining exchanges and educational institutions and at the earliest practical convenience place samples of ore from this district in suitable cases on exhibition in some bank or exchange in Georgetown, Denver and Leadville, also receive and answer all correspondence in regard to the same.

Moved by Thomas T. Eyre and by a unanimous vote declared that no Chinaman be employed in any capacity or allowed to remain in Peru district.

Moved and carried that the Secretary Send copies of the proceedings of this meeting to the papers in Denver, Georgetown, Kokomo and Leadville.

CERTIFICATE OF RESOLUTIONS PERU MINING DISTRICT

Your committee after carefully considering the subject under discussion viz; "the staking working and holding of claims and other mining interests," they well knowing that the existing statutes on those points are very explicit yet feeling the importance of some united action whereby disputes and consequent delays in the development of said interests in this district may be avoided, and in order to shape such action your committee would respectfully suggest that a standing committee be elected having certain powers granted them to act and duties to perform. Therefore be it

Resolved That a standing committee of five practical miners shall be elected at a regularly called meeting whose duty it shall be to thoroughly investigate all mining disputes presented to them in writing and decide upon the same according to their best judgment.

ARTICLE 2d. That in case said contestants are dissatisfied with the decision of the standing committee they may appeal to the next regular miner's meeting by signing articles of agreement to abide by the majority vote of said meeting such vote to be considered final.

ARTICLE 3rd. That the chairman of said committee shall be empowered to call a miners meeting whenever a majority of said committee deem it expedient by posting at least two written notices in conspicuous places for not less than three nor more than six days prior to said meeting.

ARTICLE 4th. That any person or number of persons taking a mining claim shall commence work on said claim before the expiration of ten days from the hour of staking said lode or claim, or forfeit all right to protection from the standing committee

ARTICLE 5th. That in staking a mining claim the general directions and distances with date and name of said claim shall be stated on the stake.

ARTICLE 6th. That any person or number of persons staking a mining claim of 150 feet wide by 1500 feet in length or less shall be protected in the exclusive right for sixty days, to prospect said ground and sink his ten feet hole, if said party conforms to Article 4th

ARTICLE 7th. That after work has been commenced on a mining claim, said claim shall be worked expeditiously until finished, and tools to remain in the hole until completed, said tools to be plainly marked.

ARTICLE 8th. That any person or number of persons proven to have molested or feloniously taken tools from said holes or workings, the same shall be reported at the next regular miner's meeting for their action.

ARTICLE 9th. That any person or number of persons staking a mining claim that has been forfeited according to law, shall be protected in his rights while conforming to Article 4th

ARTICLE 10th. That in case a mining claim is forfeited the parties restaking said claim shall preserve the original stakes, if there be any and such old stakes shall be accepted in evidence in questions of dispute.

ARTICLE 11th. That these resolutions shall take effect from the time of their adoption.

W. L. SAWTELL
GEO B. SIMMS
EDWARD CAIN
JOHN F. LELAND

Moved that any of the preceding articles may be amended or annulled at any future meeting, carried.

The preceding resolutions were adopted by a regularly called miner's meeting of Peru District held at W. L. Sawtell's Hotel, Decatur, Summit Co. Col June 12th 1880

W. L. SAWTELL, *Chairman.*

M. A. LATHROP, *Secy*

CLEAR CREEK COUNTY.—ATLANTIC MINING DISTRICT.

The Atlantic District is a new mining District of Clear Creek County, formed in June 1880. The following are the published minutes of the organization meeting of the miners, held at the office of D. J. Ball in Empire.

Whereas, we, the miners and property holders in the new camp which comprises a part of the western portion of Clear Creek County, Colorado, have by prospecting, development and assays proven the existence there of rich silver and gold ores in true fissure veins, and, as we believe, in great quantity; and being desirous of forming a new district and establishing certain rules and miners' laws for the protection of the people of the district, do hereby declare in public meeting: First: That a new mining district in Clear Creek County is hereby organized, the boundaries of which shall be as follows: Commencing at a point in the centre of Middle Clear Creek due south of J. Musser's cabin; thence westerly along the centre of said Middle Clear Creek to a point where Jones' wagon road crosses said creek; thence south westerly along the line of said Jones' wagon road to Jones' pass; thence following the summit of the Snowy Range northeasterly through Vasquez Pass and Berthone Pass to the summit of Mt. Flora, thence southerly on a direct line to the place of beginning. Second, That the name of said mining district shall be Atlantic, and shall be (so?) known and specified in all records of property discovered therein. Third, That nothing herein enacted shall interfere or prejudice any rights heretofore lawfully acquired within the boundaries of this district. Fourth, That a committee of three citizens be appointed to select a site for a town at some point on Middle Clear Creek which will best accommodate the camp. Fifth, That the name of the town shall be Atlantic. Sixth, That the committee on town site shall consist of Henry M. Cline, George S. Russell and Wm M. Moore, and that they proceed immediately to select and survey the Town of Atlantic, and be authorized to assess the citizens for the necessary funds to pay expenses. A number of miners laws in regard to the holding of town lots, cutting timber, grazing of stock and cattle and other matters were passed.

B. O. RUSSELL, *President.*

E. C. GUIBOR, *Secretary.*

CHAFFEE COUNTY.—CHALK CREEK MINING DISTRICT.

CONSTITUTION OF THE MINER'S ASSOCIATION CHALK-CREEK MINING DISTRICT.

PREAMBLE

We miners and mine owners of Chalk Creek Mining District, Chaffee County, Colorado, in order to secure the mining claims of said district from molestation and depredation by men of unprincipled character, do hereby formulate the following constitution for the government of our actions, binding ourselves, each and every one, under penalty of being expelled from the Association and branded far and wide as a coward and a person unfit for the communion of honest men, should we in the least, knowingly or wittingly, fail to uphold and support this, our constitution or the actions of bodies regularly constituted under it, all of which shall be as lawfully right as may be within our power.

SECTION 1.

1. The Association shall be known as the Miner's Association of Chalk Creek Mining District
2. The association shall be formed, as near as may be, of two-thirds of the men interested in mining pursuits in Chalk Creek Mining District, Chaffee County.
3. The officers of the association shall be a President, two Vice Presidents, Secretary and Treasurer.
4. The duties of the President of the Association shall be to preside at all meetings of the association, decide in cases of a tie and call meetings as elsewhere provided for.
5. The duties of the Vice Presidents shall be to take and fill the position of President upon the absence of that officer.

6. The duties of the Secretary shall be to keep a full and faithful record of all proceedings of the association; also embodying in his minutes a digest of the minutes of the secretary of the Executive Committee.

7. The duties of the Treasurer shall be to receive, collect and disburse monies in behalf of the association and to keep a true report of his action, in relation to his office.

8. The term of office for all officers known in this Constitution both in the general association as a whole, and by the Executive Committee as a part, shall be one year from date of election, unless sooner removed.

9. Just cause for removal from office shall be failure to support the Constitution, or negligence in official duties.

10. The association shall have one regular meeting on the Saturday of the third week in July of each year; but meetings may at any time be called by the Executive Committee at said Committee's discretion, or by a petition signed by fifty of the members of the Association and presented to the President of the Association.

11. A proper notice shall be exhibited in prominent places throughout the district, at least two weeks before each regular annual meeting and one week previous to all call meetings; shall in all cases be signed by the President and secretary of the Association.

SECTION 2.

1. At each regular meeting of the Association a committee of twelve shall be appointed, to be chosen from out the Association; said committee to be called "The Executive Committee of the Miners Association of Chalk Creek Mining District."

2. Each member of the Executive Committee shall, within two weeks subsequent to election be required to swear to the following oath before a notary public, under penalty of being expelled from the association.

OATH

I ——— do hereby most solemnly swear before God and man to perform the duties of my office in as honest and truthful a manner as is within my power without the least equivocation or evasion whatsoever, so help me, God.

3. Within three weeks subsequent to election, the Executive Committee shall have a meeting for the transaction of business and the election of officers.

4. The officers of the Executive Committee shall be a President, Secretary and Treasurer.

5. The duties of the President shall be to preside at all meetings of the Committee, decide in cases of a tie vote and call meetings as elsewhere provided for.

6. The duties of the Vice President shall be to fill the position of President when that officer is absent.

7. The duties of the Secretary shall be to keep a true and faithful record of all proceedings and to hand the same to the Secretary of the Association when the latter officer may require him to do so.

8. The duties of Treasurer shall be to receive Monies from the Treasurer of the Association upon presenting a written order to that officer from the President of the Executive Committee, and disburse the same in behalf of said committee. It shall be his duty to keep a correct record of all receipts and expenditures, and transmit the same to the treasurer of the association, when the latter officer may require him to do so.

9. A quorum for the transaction of business by the Association as a whole or the committee as a part, shall consist of two thirds of the membership.

10. A majority vote shall be necessary for the passage of any vote or other business before the association or the executive committee

SECTION 3.

1. The Executive Committee shall be ready and willing at all times to hold meetings when requested to do so by persons having mining disputes for adjudication.

2. The Executive Committee shall be a power of arbitration in all mining disputes brought to it for a settlement.

3. The proper person to whom mining disputes shall be brought is the President of the Executive Committee, who shall, upon such information, call a meeting of the committee, which shall upon requisite information, appoint an examining Committee of three, chosen from their own number, Said Committee to be placed before the contending parties for rejection or acceptance. Any rejected member shall be replaced by others, chosen by the Executive Committee from their own body until an examining committee shall be found acceptable to both the contending parties. If none such can be found, then the Executive Committee shall appoint three members from their own body who shall proceed to examine into all particulars concerning the dispute brought before the Executive Committee, using all care and discretion and proceeding with all possible dispatch. The examining committee shall, within one week, from appointment, call a meeting of the Executive Committee through its President, and lay before the committee assembled their report. The Executive Committee shall then proceed to deliberate upon the case, and shall, within as short a time as they shall deem possible, give and enforce their decision to the disputants. Should any point require further elucidation before judgment can be reached, then the Examining Committee shall make further inquiries, to be embodied into another report.

4. The Executive Committee shall, at each regular meeting of the association, if so voted by that body, present a report of their actions from the time of the last report.

5. The Executive Committee shall have the power to use what measures it sees fit to carry into effect its decisions, if necessary, calling for help upon members of the association, who shall furnish them such help as they shall deem necessary.

6. This constitution is subject at any time to amendment, by a two-thirds vote.

7. Giving our every effort to act with due prudence and deliberation in supporting this constitution and the actions of the bodies regularly constituted under it, we subscribe ourselves to it as the exposition of our will.

I hereby certify that the above is a true copy of the original constitution as adopted, now on file in my office.

F. E. TYLER

ALPINE, COLORADO Sept 2 1880.

ALPINE MINER'S MEETING

LAND & TYLER'S OFFICE ALPINE, July 24 1880

The entire committee were sworn, as per provision of the Constitution, by notary public Mand, to proceed to election of officers

William Matheson was elected President. J A J Chapman Vice President F E Tyler, Secretary S. E. Land Treasurer.

After general remarks concerning the object of the meeting the following motion was passed:

It is the sense of this committee that when a prospector has discovered float or other indications of a body of mineral, he shall be upheld in a location on such grounds, he being required to expend two hundred dollars on such claim annually, in all other respects to act with strict regard to the State and National laws.

Upon presentation, the following paper was adopted:

1. We, the Executive Committee of the Miners' Association of Chalk Creek Mining District, having justice and equity to all men for our object, hereby make the following by-laws and regulations for the government of ourselves and others in the prevention and settlement of mining disputes in said Chalk Creek Mining District.
2. These by-laws and regulations can be amended at any time the Committee see fit, following the mode prescribed by the Constitution of the general association.
3. Such by-laws and regulations as ordered by this Committee may, from time to time, be published in such manner and form as the Committee sees fit, for the enlightenment of the members of the Association and the public in general.
4. Such statutes relating to the Mining Code as may be passed from time to time by the National and State Legislatures, shall be published by this Committee as soon thereafter as may be possible.
5. There shall be a Schedule of interpretations of the existing mining laws, as may be the sense of the Committee, kept by the Secretary of the Committee; said Schedule may be added to as necessary or the sense of the committee shall dictate.
6. For any and all expenditures of the Committee, orders shall be given to the Treasurer of the Committee, endorsed by the President and Secretary of the Committee, which orders shall be transferred, when required, to the Treasurer of the Association.
7. When members of the Committee shall be required to attend to business relating to the Association, they shall receive four dollars per day and remuneration for such other expenses as the Committee shall see fit.
8. No member of the Committee shall be excused from official duty except by vote of the Committee.
9. One regular meeting shall be held monthly on the Saturday of the third week.
10. Previous to any meeting the members shall be notified by the Secretary of the Committee.

Upon motion, the following Schedule was adopted:

1. A years assessment shall consist of the expenditure of \$100.
2. A day's labor shall be valued at four dollars, and may be considered in respect to the annual expenditure of \$100
3. In contract work only the actual amount of lawful money paid to the contractors shall be counted in the labor of the annual expenditure of one hundred dollars.
4. Any excess in the required annual expenditures of lodes Cannot be applied to the requirements of succeeding years, except in cases of patents.
5. Beside the assessment of ten foot face on the vein, required during the sixty days succeeding discovery, there must also be expended on the claim, sufficient labor, before the expiration of the calendar year, to complete the required years' assessment of one hundred dollars.

Adjourned till July 31, at 7 o'clock

F. E. TYLER, *Secretary.*

No mining laws were passed at the meeting of July 31.

MINUTES OF MEETING

LAND & TYLER'S OFFICE, ALPINE, COL., Sept 4 1880

Regular Meeting

At a meeting of the Miners' Association of Chalk Creek District, this day, (Sept 4 1880) the following resolution was adopted:

1. *Resolved*, That a tunnel claim or location under the statutes of the Federal Government embraces fifteen hundred feet by three thousand, and the owners of tunnel claims or locations have undisputed rights to all veins or lodes existing in said claims, not located prior to the date of said tunnel, claim or location.

2. That, locations made within the boundaries of tunnel claims by other parties than those interested in the tunnel claim after the location and commencement of work and while the same is being diligently prosecuted for the development of said claim, are invalid.

F. E. TYLER, *Secretary.*

Explanatory

All cases of disputes concerning locations and ownership of mining property coming within the jurisdiction of the Miners' Association are referred to the Executive Committee named. Papers and persons are brought before this Committee, which sits in Judicial Capacity, testimony on both sides taken and the questions at issue adjudged. The decision is reported to the general association and the Marshal, by authority, issues the following notice to the disputants, which are handed them in person:

Marshal's Notices

The following are copies of Marshal's notices to disputants, under the decision in case, of the Executive Board, appointed under the constitution and by-laws of the Miner's Association of Chalk Creek

To Mr. _____

ALPINE COLORADO, ——— 1880

DEAR SIR According to the decision reached by the Executive Committee, Miner's Association, Chalk Creek District in the dispute concerning the _____ Lode, the Committee finds Justice and right upon the side of _____ and the general association will so hold, and it is my duty as marshal of said association to inform you of the verdict and request you to abide by it, as it is the general will of said association.

Yours very Respectfully

F. E. TYLER, *Marshal.*

Notice No. 2.

ALPINE COLORADO, — 1880

_____, Esq

DEAR SIR: If the contents of the previous notice handed you by myself are not immediately complied with, the decision therein contained will be enforced according to the Constitution.

Yours very respectfully

F. E. TYLER, *Marshal*.*Explanatory*

Upon failure of the parties to comply with the first notice, after a limit of two weeks, the second notice is then issued, and the order is preemptory. Upon further refusal to obey, the Marshal is empowered to summon to his aid a posse of the members of the association and proceed at once *under arms* to cause a forcible ejection of the parties remaining in possession of the property in dispute.

GUNNISON COUNTY.—PITKIN OR QUARTZ CREEK MINING DISTRICT.

LAWS AND REGULATIONS OF THE PITKIN MINERS' & MERCHANTS ASSOCIATION

The first meeting was held August 7 1880. The following is an abstract the proceedings; as taken from a newspaper report

THE MINERS' MEETING.

Mr. John T. Dixon was elected temporary president, and Frank P. Sheafor temporary secretary, but the latter not being present, William Crawford was nominated and elected.

A committee on permanent organization, consisting of Messrs. Hart, Herzberg, Mills, Ferry, Ebey, McDaniels, Dixon, Fulton, Cornwell and Clemes was nominated and elected.

The committee on permanent organization, through their chairman, Mr. Juan S. Hart, and announced themselves ready to report.

The report of the committee on permanent organization was then read. It provided for a roll of members, for the election of a president, two vice presidents, secretary, treasurer, advertising committee, committee on mines and visitors, committee on freights, and a committee on ores. The report was accepted and the committee discharged.

Those desiring to enroll themselves as members of the association were requested to give their names, and the following responded:

John T. Dixon & eighty seven others

It was moved and seconded that the secretary be authorized to solicit more signatures. Carried.

The meeting then proceeded to the election of permanent officers and members of the following committees;—advertising, mines & visitors, freights, and ores.

Messrs. Ferry, Hart and Chisholm were elected a committee on constitution and by-laws, to report at the next session, and the meeting then adjourned until this evening.

SECOND MEETING.

AUGUST 14 1880

Prest. Hart called the meeting to order, and the roll was called by Secretary Crawford.

On account of the small number present and the importance of the meeting, Mr. Humphreys moved to adjourn. This motion was after some discussion withdrawn.

Messrs. Wm. Marders, W. H. Vance, C. M. Cate, C. M. Humphreys and Joseph Karnaley thereupon signed the roll.

Mr. Mills moved to proceed to hear the report of the committee on constitution and by-laws.

The president decided that the minutes should be first read.

Mr. Culton thought Mr. Humphreys should be allowed to repeat his motion to adjourn.

On motion of Mr. Chisholm the reading of the minutes was dispensed with, much to the relief of ye secretary.

The Committee on Constitution and by laws then presented their report, which was discussed by section.

Mr. Mills moved that the report be placed before the house for consideration.

After some discussion carried.

It was moved and carried that the report be acted on seriatim.

The committee then reported the name as the Miners' and Merchants' Association, of Pitkin, which provoked considerable opposition and discussion, and was finally, on motion of Mr. Cornwell, changed to Miners' and Merchants' Co-operative Association.

(The constitution and by laws as amended are given further on.)

Sections 2, 3, 4 and 6 of the constitution were adopted, and 5, 6, 7, 8 and 9 were laid over until the next meeting.

Two amendments to the by-laws were carried, one by Mr. Suggest that a two-thirds vote of those present should be required to make any alteration in the constitution and by-laws, and one by Mr. Stevenson that notice of any amendment should be given at the meeting prior to that at which action should be taken.

Articles 1, 2, 3 and 4 of the by-laws were laid over until the next meeting; article 5 was adopted; article 6 was adopted; article 7 was adopted, which wound up the report.

Mr. Smith then moved to proceed to the election of officers under the constitution. The motion was put and carried.

Mr. Stevenson nominated Mr. Clemes, and Mr. Patterson nominated the present president, Mr. Hart.

A lively discussion now took place, some claiming that the present officers were permanent and others opposing. A motion by Mr. Culton to reconsider the last vote was put and carried, and then on motion of Mr. Humphreys the meeting adjourned until this evening at 8 o'clock. The president, previous to adjournment, was authorized to appoint a committee to watch the man who kept the key and to furnish lights.

THE M & M ASSOCIATION

AUGUST 21 1880

The association met in the Town Hall on Saturday evening, August 21, a small number being present. The President Called the meeting to order

The question as to what number Constituted a quorum was discussed, some thinking it better to adjourn until the following Saturday

Mr. Chisholm moved an amendment to the by-laws, that twenty Constitute a quorum.

Mr Shumate moved to make the number fifteen, which motion was lost.

The original motion was then Carried.

Mr. Sheafor moved that a quorum be declared present, and the meeting proceeded to business. The motion was Carried.

The minutes were read, amended, and, on Motion of Mr. Stevenson, adopted.

Section 9 of the Same article was adopted

Sections 1, 2 and 3 of the by-laws were adopted.

Section 4 was amended and adopted.

Notice of amendment to section 3 of article 4 was given by Mr. Crawford.

The Constitution and by-laws, as amended and adopted, are as follows :

CONSTITUTION AND BY-LAWS OF THE PITKIN MINERS' AND MERCHANTS' ASSOCIATION

Preamble

Recognizing the necessity of a definite organization of the Miners' and business men of the town of Pitkin and the Quartz Creek Mining District, for furthering the interests of the Camp and developing its resources, and for making rules and regulations to govern the district, we, the miners and business men of Pitkin, do hereby form ourselves into such an organization, and adopt the following Constitution and by-laws for our better Government :

ARTICLE I

This organization shall be called and Known as the "Pitkin Miners' and Merchants' Association".

ARTICLE II

The Officers of this Association shall consist of a President, two Vice Presidents, a Secretary, a treasurer and the following Committees: Of twelve on Mines and Visitors; a Committee of three on advertising; a Committee of three on freights; a committee on ores, to include all the assayers, and a Committee of three on finances.

ARTICLE III

These officers and Committees shall be elected for a term of three months.

ARTICLE IV—Committees

SECTION 1—*President*—It shall be the duty of the President to Call to order and preside at all meetings of this association

SECTION 2—*Vice-Presidents*. It shall be the duty of the Vice Presidents to assume the duties of the President in his absence.

SECTION 3—*Secretary*: It shall be the duty of the Secretary to keep minutes of all meetings and to read the same at such meetings

SECTION 4—*Treasurer*: It shall be the duty of the Treasurer to receive and hold all moneys of the association subject to the order of the Chairman of the Finance Committee.

SECTION 5. *Advertising Committee*: It shall be the duty of the advertising Committee to receive and insure publication of any letters or Communications regarding the resources or development of the Camp.

SECTION 6—*Committee on Mines and Visitors*. It shall be the duty of the Committee on Mines and Visitors to Keep themselves informed as to the location and Value of the Mines of the district, and to invite the inspection of our Mines by any responsible Visitors who may Come to the Camp with a view of purchasing property or erecting machinery for the treatment of ores.

SECTION 7—It shall be the duty of the Committee on freights to report at each meeting the lowest bids for hauling ores to the end of the track.

SECTION 8—It shall be the duty of the Committee on ores to report the receipt or promise of ore sufficiently valuable for Shipment.

SECTION 9—It shall be the duty of the Finance Committee to authorize expenditures and to give orders on the Treasurer for the same

ARTICLE V—Amendments

This Constitution shall be subject to amendment and addition at any meeting by a vote of two-thirds of the Members present, notice of such amendment or addition to be given at one Meeting and acted on at the following one.

By Laws.

First—*Admission fees*: An admission fee of 50 cents shall be exacted of all who may sign this constitution and by-laws.

Second—*Duos*: A monthly fee of 50 cents shall be collected from each member of this association.

Third—*Assessments*: In Case of extra expenditure being authorized by the Chairman of the Finance Committee, an assessment sufficient to Cover such expenditure shall be collected by the Treasurer.

Fourth—*Meetings*: The meetings of this association shall be held on the first and third Saturday of each month, at 8 p. m., at the town hall.

Fifth—*Salaries*: No officers or Committees shall receive any pecuniary Compensation for personal services.

Sixth—*Extra meetings*: Extra meetings May be called by the President on a written request to that effect, signed by five members of the association

Seventh—*Changes or additions to the by-laws*. Any changes in or additions to these by-laws may be made at any meeting by a vote of two thirds of the members present, notice of such change or addition to be given at one meeting and acted on at the following one.

On motion the Consideration of district rules were laid over till the next meeting

GILPIN COUNTY.—HAWKEYE MINING DISTRICT.

LAWS OF HAWKEYE MINING DISTRICT

Officers There shall be one President one Sheriff and one Recorder who shall be elected annually on the last Saturday in April by the legal voters of the District and hold their respective offices until their successors are elected and qualified each of whom shall take an oath to faithfully and impartially perform their respective duties according to law and the best of their ability and each shall have power to appoint one or more deputies

Elections.—The recorder and sheriff together with three other electors shall compose the board of electors each of whom shall take an oath that they will studiously endeavor to prevent all fraud and deceit in conducting the same But if the Recorder or Sheriff should be a candidate or fail to attend the voters present shall fill their vacancies by other voters two of whom shall be clerks and the other three judges of said election. If there shall be any vote challenged by any elector either of the clerks or judges shall administer any oath necessary to determine the right of said vote. Polls are to be open at 9 o'clock A. M. and close at six o'clock P. M. at the close of the polls the clerks and judges shall canvass the votes and the persons receiving the highest number of votes for the respective offices shall be declared duly elected and said Board shall issue certificates of election to the several officers according to their respective offices

Voters Any white person who has attained the age of sixteen years and in the district shall be entitled to a vote at all meetings and elections. At all elections the vote shall be by ballot and at all meetings as the President may direct

Sheriff There shall be elected by the qualified voters of this District a Sheriff who shall hold his office until the next annual election and until his successor is elected and qualified whose duty it shall be to serve all processes issued by the Court and before entering upon the duties of said office he shall give bond with good and sufficient sureties to the acceptance of the Court for the faithful performance of his said duties He shall be conservator of the peace and take an oath that he will faithfully discharge all and singular the duties pertaining to said office

Vacancies Any officer resigning or removing from the District shall be required to deposit all Books papers money &c belonging to the District or pertaining to his office with the remaining officer or officers of the District which officer or officers shall immediately call an election to fill such vacancy

Courts The president shall be Judge of the Miners Court of the District and any person having a cause of action shall file with the President the cause of Complaint written in plain English language and a prayer that the adverse party may be summoned to appear and answer to said Complaint and if the Defendant appears he shall file his answer in writing as above stated whereupon the Judge shall summon the Defendant to appear at a given time and place mentioned in said Summons which shall not exceed ten days from from the issue of said Summons And if the Defendant fails to appear the Judge may proceed to try the cause and render Judgment according to law and evidence and if the parties appear they may submit their cause to the Court or three arbitrators one of whom shall be chosen by the parties respectively and if the parties or their referees cannot agree, upon a third arbitrator the Judge shall appoint a third arbitrator and when the parties so submit their case to referees as aforesaid the decision, or award shall be final and the Judge shall proceed to enforce said award as upon Judgment at law. If either party shall require a jury the Judge shall write the names of twelve judicious disinterested electors of the District and each party may strike from the list alternately beginning with the Plaintiff one name until only six remains and the Judge shall issue his venire for a Jury of the aforesaid six and when assembled each party shall be entitled to one peremptory challenge and also a challenge for good cause shown by the testimony of the jurors or other disinterested person and the Sheriff shall fill the panel with talesmen for all vacancies that may happen by reason of non attendance or challenging of said Jurors. All juries shall be sworn by the Judge to try all causes according to law and evidence. Either party may have an adjournment not exceeding ten days upon proper cause shown under oath. Costs in all cases shall be taxed as the referees Court or jury trying the same may direct. Either party may have the right to an appeal from the from the decision of the Court or Jury of six if gives notice of an appeal at the rendition of the Judgment or verdict and pay all costs within five days from the rendition of the Judgment or Verdict and when the appeal is so taken the Judge shall write the names of twenty four good disinterested voters of the District as in the aforesaid jury list from which each shall strike therefrom as in the jury of six until only twelve remains and proceed in all respects the same as in the aforesaid Jury of six and the decision of the said Jury of twelve or a miners meeting shall be final and the Judge shall proceed to final judgment and award execution according to law

All legal claims whether in law or in equity shall be fairly tried by the referees Court or Miners Meeting as the parties may elect and judgment shall be rendered by the Court accordingly upon which said judgment the party recovering shall be entitled to interest at the rate of ten per cent per annum from the date thereof until paid and the Court shall proceed to issue execution thereon for the amount found due with interest and legal costs but any rate of interest agreed upon in writing between the parties shall be lawful

The Judge of the Miners Court shall keep a docket of all proceedings had before him shall be allowed two dollars and fifty cents a day for presiding at each trial (and when the Recorder shall preside in his stead he shall be entitled to a like sum shall be allowed twenty cents per hundred words for making out all necessary papers except writs of original service and executions for each of which he shall be allowed fifty cents for rendering judgment fifty Cents and making up docket twenty cents per hundred words for each transcript duly certified twenty cents for each hundred words

The Judge Recorder and Sheriff are hereby empowered to administer all oaths and to perform all other duties pertaining to their respective offices and which are required by law

Notice of Election and Meetings It shall be the duty of the President to give at least ten days notice of the time and place of holding any election of officers of the District naming the officers to be elected and shall call a meeting of the miners upon the application of five legal voters of the District stating the object for which said meeting is called and he shall preside at all meetings and perform all other duties pertaining to his said office

Deputies The President shall have power to deputize any one or more of the miners to serve papers &c. that he may deem proper and any person so deputized shall proceed to discharge the duties required of him by law upon the commencement of any suit the judge may at his discretion require the Plaintiff to Deposit money or give security for all costs that may accrue

Judgment & Execution A Judgment shall be a lien upon all property of the Defendant from the time of its being rendered and the Judge shall issue execution forthwith upon Judgments including interest and costs which shall be made returnable ten days after the date thereof and the Sheriff shall give public notice of the time and place of sale of all property levied upon by him which shall be by written advertisement posted in three public places in the District at least six days before the sale thereof and such property shall be sold to the highest bidder at public outcry to satisfy execution and accruing costs but if the said property cannot be sold for want of bidders unless at great sacrifice or if the Plaintiff order him so to do the officer having charge of the sale may adjourn said sale any length of time not exceeding ten days. In all cases of real estate sold upon execution the defendant shall have the privilege of paying the principal interest and costs with ten per cent per annum thereon and said property shall revert to said Defendant or his legal representatives the same as if such sale had not been made and the officer selling any real estate as afore said shall not execute a deed to the purchaser thereof until after the expiration of thirty days. Common wearing apparel bedding twenty dollars worth of tools and three months provision shall be exempt from execution

Probate The Judge and Recorder shall have power to choose a third person and have probate jurisdiction of a deceased person if said deceased had no relatives within the knowledge of said officers but if the deceased had relatives or creditors in the District they may apply and take out letters of administration by complying with such rules as the President may adopt and property shall be disposed of by the Court or administrator to the best advantage to the creditors and heirs of the deceased and the proceeds paid over to the proper person entitled thereto according to direction of the President

Lawyers No practicing lawyer or any other person having been admitted as such in any state or territory shall be permitted to appear in any cause pending in this District as attorney or agent of any person except he himself is a legal party to said suit and if a lawyer should be a legal party to any suit the opposite party may also employ counsel in his if chooses so to do but in all other cases lawyers shall not be admitted

Outside Debts No debts or demand of any kind shall be collected by suit in this District which has not originated either in coming to this mining region or since the arrival of such debtor therein

Duties of Recorder &c It shall be the duty of the Recorder safly to keep the books and records of the District and to file and record all proper papers upon payment of his fees and to act as secretary at all public meetings of the District The Books of Records shall be always open to the inspection of all persons never to be taken from the possession of the Recorder. All persons shall be entitled to copy any record at any time and the Recorder shall deliver over all books and records to his successor in office. In case of absence interst or inability to of the Present the said Recorder may act in all cases in his stead. He shall be entitled to fifty cents for each deed mortgage or bill of sale or other writing necessary to be recorded containing one hundred and fifty or less number of words or fraction thereafter in addition twenty five cents

In all cases fees must be paid in advance. Each Deed Mortgage or bill of sale must be witnessed by two witnesses. No transfer of any claim of any kind shall be valid unless the fees are paid for all original records heretofore made in regard to said Claim.

All certificates of claims of any description remaining in the Recorders office upon which the fees are not paid on or before the first day of July next shall be advertised to be sold stating the time and place of sale the number and kind of claim which shall be sold by said Recorder at public sale to the highest bidder after giving ten days notice and if said claim shall be sold for a greater sum than will pay the Recorders fees all overplus shall go into the District Treasury for the use of the District. The purchases at said sale shall acquire a valid title therefor by the Recorder certifying on the back of said certificate a transfer by said sale for which the Recorder may receive twenty five cents from the purchaser in addition to the amount bid for said claim

Writs of Attachment Upon the application of any person holding a legal claim against a non-resident debtor about to abscond or move out of the jurisdiction of the Court or about conveying or concealing his property to the injury of his creditors or secreting himself within the District so that legal service cannot be had or fraudulently conveying or concealing his property to defraud his creditors upon filing and affidavit setting forth any of the aforesaid facts and the amount and nature of his claim and paying or securing the costs as the Court direct the Judge shall issue a writ of attachment to attach all the good and chattels lands and tenements moneys credits and effects of the Debtor within the District. Notice of the issue of said writ shall be given by the Plaintiff by posting up written advertisements in five conspicuous places in said District within twenty four hours after the issue of said writ stating the time and place where said cause will be tried which shall be not less than six nor more than ten days from the issue of said writ and if the Defendant or his legal agent appears he shall have a fair trial and if he fails to appear the Court shall proceed to hear and determine the case according to the law and the equity of the case and render judgment and award execution as in other cases and the property attached by the officer shall remain in possession of said officer until the final determination of said suit and be sold as other property of the same nature upon the execution issued upon such judgment. But if the Defendant is a resident he shall be served with a personal notice

Garnishee Garnishee process may issue as part of the original writ to be served on both Defendant and Garnishee where the Defendant is a resident or separately as the nature of the case may require or it may issue after execution is returned unsatisfied and in either case if the Garnishee shall pay the demand over to the Defendant after legal notice he shall be still held liable to the amount of the Plaintiffs Judgment and costs if he was indebted to that amount when service was made and if in a smaller sum the amount he was indebted at the time notice was served

Writ of replevin Any person being possession of personal property of another the opposite party may file with the Judge an affidavit setting forth the name of the Defendant or Defendants with a description of the property claimed and that he is justly entitled to the possession thereof and that said Defendant or Defendants refuse upon demand thereof to give it up and upon said Plaintiff paying or securing costs to the Satisfaction of the Court the Court shall issue a writ of replevin for said property and a Summons for the Defendant or Defendants to appear before him at a time and place in said summons mentioned to answer unto said Plaintiff for the unlawful detention of said property and the officer to whom said writ is delivered shall take possession of the same and notify the Defendant or Defendants to appear before the Court at the time and place mentioned in said writ to answer unto said Plaintiff for the unlawful detention thereof and if the Plaintiff file a bond with security to the satisfaction of the Defendant or Defendants or the Court within twenty four hours from the service of said writ said property shall be delivered to the Plaintiff and if he shall fail so to do the property shall be returned to the Defendant or Defendants and the Plaintiff and his securities shall be liable on their bond for all costs and damages to be assessed forthwith by the Court or a jury as the parties may elect and if it appear upon the trial of the cause which may be had as in other

civil cases that the right of possession is in the Plaintiff then the Court shall render Judgment against the Defendant for damages and costs of suit accruing to the award of Judgment or verdict as the case may require and issue execution as in other civil cases

Ejectment Any person being in possession of Real property claimed by another the claimant may institute his suit of ejectment which shall be proceeded in as in other civil cases and decided according to the law and the equity of the case and if the claimant shall sustain his action the Defendant shall be removed by order of Court within five days from the trial of the cause and pay all costs and in Default thereof the Judge thereof shall issue a writ of possession or execution as the nature of the case may require. If the Plaintiff fail to establish his case he shall be liable to the Defendant for all costs and damages to be determined as in other civil cases

Liens Any person performing labor or furnishing material for any building claim or other kind of work at the request of the owner or agent thereof shall be entitled to a lien upon the same for the amount of such labor performed or material furnished provided said lien is filed and recorded within thirty days from the time such labor was performed or material furnished and all conflicting liens shall have priority according to their respective origin if filed and recorded as aforesaid

Sunday The officers of this District shall not be compelled to perform any civil business on Sunday

Public Highways Any person obstructing any public road or highway to the hinderment or inconvenience of the public shall be liable to any fine that may be assessed against him or them by the Court or jury together with all costs of suit and moreover be liable to a like fine for every twenty four hours that said obstruction shall remain

Tunnel Claims If any person shall locate a tunnel claim for the purpose of working the same he shall first file a specification of the same with the recorder whose duty it shall be to record the same upon payment of fees.

Said specification shall state the commencement and termination of said tunnel together with the names of the parties interested therein

A square stake shall be placed at its mouth having written thereon the same things hereby made necessary to record. Any person or persons working a tunnel provided he or they shall comply with the requirements of this law shall be entitled to two hundred and fifty feet on each side of the center of said tunnel on all lodes that they are the original discovery of and also fifty feet on each side of the center line of all lodes discovered by other person after the commencement of said tunnel said hundred feet last mentioned shall belong to the owners of said tunnel Claim so soon as said tunnel shall be worked to intersect said lodes and such part of lodes as said tunnel owners are entitled to by this law shall be held as discovery claims The line of all tunnel claims shall be surveyed and plainly staked or marked from the commencement to the termination thereof prior to the commencement of the work every tunnel company shall be required to commence work within thirty days from the time their claim was recorded and shall do at least three months labor for one laborer in each six months or they shall forfeit their claim to said tunnel but not to the claims they have discovered and hold by virtue of such discovery before the time of said forfeiture. Tunnel claims shall have only the right of way across all lodes that may be in the course of said tunnel that is recorded according to law

Towns and villages Any person or persons laying out any village town or city in this District he or they shall be entitled to every tenth lot and shall erect some permanent monument as a starting point and file with the Recorder a plat of said village town or city within fifteen days giving a full description of the starting point the course and width of streets size of block and lots and numbers of each and all things necessary for the location of said village town or city and the Recorder shall record the same upon the payment of his fees

Claims All claims made on lodes by Discovery shall be two hundred feet by fifty wide Measurement in all cases to be horizontal. Gulch claims shall be one hundred feet up and down the Gulch extending from bank to bank. Patch claims shall be one hundred feet square Discovery claims shall be staked and marked as such All legal claims shall be held as vested rights by representing once a year in person by signing their names upon a book kept by the recorder for that purpose in the months of August September and October. Any person shall be entitled to hold one mill site one gulch claim on each gulch one patch claim one building lot and one village town or city lot one lode claim on each lode and one tunnel claim by preemption. Filing claims shall be free and hold for ten days

No claims shall be valid unless taken by a person residing in the vicinity of the Rocky Mountains

No lode or crevice shall be recorded unless the same is exposed by actual work. The discoverer may have sixty days to open & prove the lode and file for recording and no lode claim shall be valid as a preemption until the discovery claim is filed and a name give to said lode

Mill claims shall be two hundred and fifty feet up and down the gulch and from bank to bank and fifty feet up each bank all timber on said mill claims shall belong to said mill claims

Timber All timber on Quartz claims shall belong to the owners of the claims and where lodes run near each other the timber shall be equally divided between the respective owners and timber on all other claims shall belong to the owners thereof

Water companies When water companies are engaged in bringing water into any portion of the mines they shall have the right of way secured to them and may pass over any claim road or ditch but shall so guard themselves in passing as not to injure the party over which ground they pass

Sheriff's fees The sheriff shall receive for his service the following fees towit

Serving summons for each person therein named.	.25	Talesmen .....	.07½
Writ of Mandamus .....	.50	Service in criminal cases	50
Subpena for each person therein named .....	.12½	For each mile travel computed each way .....	.05
Serving writs of Attachment .....	.75	Appraisement of property .....	.75
“ “ “ Replevin .....	.75	Advertising property besides actual expenses .....	.75
“ Order or Notice of Court .....	.25	Levying execution	50
Executing order of Arrest .....	.25	Selling property on execution or order of sale	50
Taking each bond .....	.25	Making deed for property sold on execution	1.50
All copies necessary to the service for each one		Attending Court per day	1.00
hundred words or fraction over or less number		Bringing up prisoners on a writ of Habeas Corpus	
of words .....	.10	beside actual expenses .....	.75
Summoning each Juror .....	.25		

For all sums made by sale on execution or order of sale not exceeding five hundred dollars 2½ per cent

If made without sale on all sums under five hundred dollars 1½ per cent and over five hundred dollars ½ per cent

All fees not enumerated to be in proportion to those enumerated

Witness and jurors fees per day

2.50

New lodes Owners of newly discovered lodes running parallel and within twenty-five feet of some previously discovered lode shall be entitled to work the same and occupy one half of the surface between the two crevices for waste dirt quartz etc Hereafter no lode

shall be recognized as crossing a gulch and whoever shall discover the course and prove up the lode on the opposite side of the gulch shall have the right of discovery as the law provides and shall also have the right to name the lodes but the lodes staked and claimed across a gulch or an extension of one already discovered on the opposite side shall be legal provided they do not interfere with lodes or claims already recorded or being discovered.

Cross Lodes Owners of cross lodes shall have the right to work their crevice up to the previously discovered lode and one half of the surface for waste dirt Quartz &c

Murder Any person found guilty of wilful murder shall be hanged by the neck until dead and then given to his friends if called for and if not to be decently buried and all other crimes not enumerated in these laws shall be punished as the Court or Jury of men shall decide

Perjury or Theft Any person found guilty of perjury or theft shall receive not more than twenty five nor less than ten lashes on the bare back and banished from the District and their property confiscated to pay cost of prosecuted and damage

Setting out Fire Any person who shall willfully maliciously or through neglect set out any fire in this District or so that it comes into this District and destroy any timber or other property shall be guilty of a misdemeanor and on conviction thereof shall be punished as the Court or Jury may direct and be liable to all parties injured thereby

Nuisances Every act of commission or omission which may affect the health or convenience shall be regarded as a nuisance and the person or persons causing the same shall be liable to a fine of not more than one hundred nor less than five dollars and remain so liable for every twenty four hours the same may continue to be determined by the Court or jury according to the aggravated nature of the offence and it shall be the duty of the officer of the District to see that this section of the law is put in force

These laws shall take effect from and after their adopting and shall not be altered changed or amended without the authority and sanction of a majority of the legal voters of the District at some public meeting legally called for that purpose

D A K O T A .

CUSTER COUNTY.—CHEYENNE MINING DISTRICT.

In June, 1875, there then being 30 to 40 miners on French Creek in and about Custer, a meeting was held and the Cheyenne Mining District formed. A few laws were passed, and a recorder elected.

On January 5th 1876, the miners again came together. D. K. Snively was elected Chairman, and G. E. Thornton Secretary.

J. P. Harlow offered the following resolution:

Resolved, That all claims on French Creek, held or pretended to be held by persons not now in the Black Hills, are hereby declared to be vacant and open to re-location by citizens of the United States, and those who have declared their intentions to become such.

This was adopted.

Mr. S. R. Shankland moved that claim No. 42 above discovery, belonging to James Saunders, should be reserved, as Saunders was then on his way into the Hills, with a saw-mill. This also was adopted, and then the meeting adjourned until the following Saturday.

According to agreement, the miners came together January 8th 1876, and the following laws were adopted, all previous regulations being declared null and void.

LAWS OF THE CHEYENNE MINING DISTRICT.

SECTION I The Cheyenne Mining District shall extend from discovery, at a point called the Bear Hole, down French Creek as far as White's Rock, where it intersects the Energetic Mining District, and up the Creek from discovery to the source of the creek.

(At a meeting held April 26 1879, at which Cyrus Cole was elected Chairman, and S. R. Shankland, Secretary, Sections I, IV, XV, and others were amended. I give the amendments under each section.)

SECTION 1—Amended April 26th 1879.

The Cheyenne Mining District shall extend from the extreme head of French Creek to a point called White's rocks on said French Creek about one and a half miles below Custer, and 5 miles in width on each side of said creek.

SECTION II—There shall be two kinds of placer claims: gulch claims and hill claims. Gulch claims shall include all banks and bars not more than thirty (30) feet above the surface of the Creek. Hill claims shall include all elevations above the height of gulch claims.

At a meeting held January 15th 1876, with P. J. Keefer in the chair, and S. R. Shankland, Secretary, this section was amended as follows:

SECTION 2—Amended Jan. 15th 1876.

"There shall be two kinds of placer claims, gulch claims and hill claims. Gulch claims shall include all banks and bars not more than 30 feet above the surface of the creek, and 300 feet in length. Hill claims shall include all elevations above the height of gulch claims".

At a meeting held April 30th 1876—D. K. Snively, chairman, S. R. Shankland, secretary—this was again amended, as follows:

SECTION 2—Amended April 30th 1876.

There shall be two kinds of placer claims, gulch claims and hill claims. Gulch claims shall include all ground lying between the first outside rim of adjoining bars on each side of the main channel of the gulch.

Section 2—Amended April 26th 1879.

"There shall be four kinds of claims, to wit: Gulch or Creek Claims, Bar Claims, Hill Claims, and Dry Sag Claims. Gulch or Creek claims embrace all the ground lying between the two rims of the gulch. Bar claims embrace 150 feet in width from the rim of Gulch or Creek claims. Hill claims, Gulch claims, Bar claims and Dry Sag claims shall be 300 feet in length and 150 feet in width, except gulch or Creek claims which shall be confined to the space lying between the two rims".

SECTION III—Gulch claims shall extend 300 feet parallel with the creek and 100 feet back on each side.

(This section was stricken out at the meeting held Jan. 15th 1876.)

SECTION IV—All citizens of the United States, or who have declared their intention to become such, may locate a claim in this district; but no one shall be entitled to hold more than one gulch claim, nor more than one hill claim by location.

Section 4—Amended April 26th 1879.

“Any citizen of the United States, or who has declared his intention to become such, may locate a claim of each character as described in Section 2 of these laws, but no person shall be entitled to hold more than one claim of each kind by location in the same gulch, but in case of sale or abandonment of a claim, a claim can be located in any other gulch”.

SECTION V—Location of a claim must be made in person.

SECTION VI—Notice of a claim must be conspicuously staked at each end of the claim, with name of locator, date of location, and nature of the claim plainly written on the stakes.

SECTION VII—Claims must be recorded in 5 days after their location, or continually worked. All recorded claims must be represented by one day's labor every 10 days. Working of one of a company's claims shall be proper representation of all their joint claims. Failure to comply with this section subjects the claim to relocation.

Section 7—Amended April 30th 1876.

“Claims must be recorded in five days after their location or continually worked. All recorded claims must be represented by four days labor in every week.”

Amended April 25th 1879.

“All claims must be recorded in 5 days after location or continually worked, and all recorded claims must be worked one day in each week or the same shall be subject to relocation. Work upon any one of a Company's adjoining claims shall be considered proper representation for all claims held by the company adjoining”.

SECTION VIII—Claim owners shall have the right to run ditches, canals or tunnels through claims above or below their own, but must leave a sluice head of water in the creek for the working of claims above, and must return the water turned from the creek to its natural channel at the lower end of their claims, unless otherwise arranged between parties interested.

Section 8—Amended April 30th 1876.

“Claim owners shall have the right to run ditches, canals or tunnels through claims above their own, but must leave a sluice head of water in the creek for the working of claims above, and must return the water turned from the creek to its natural channel at the lower end of their claims, unless otherwise arranged between parties interested”.

SECTION IX—No person shall be allowed to dump tailings on claims not their own, except by consent of owners.

Section 9—Amended April 30th 1876.

“No person shall be allowed to dump tailings or back water on claims not their own, except by consent of owners”.

SECTION X—Pulling up, destroying, or defacing of claim stakes works forfeiture of right to hold claims in this district.

SECTION XI—A recorder of the district shall be elected by ballot on the 8th day of January of each year. His term of office shall be one year, unless sooner removed. It shall be his duty to stake off all claims in the district and number the same. He shall keep a proper book of record, which shall be open to public inspection at any time, in which he shall make a correct entry of all claims presented for record, with name of locator, date of location, and number and nature of claim. He shall issue a certificate for each claim recorded, and shall be entitled to a fee of \$1⁰⁰ for recording each placer claim.

SECTION XII—The recorder of this district may be removed from office by a two-third vote of a meeting of not less than 75 miners holding claims in this district, for malfeasance in office, or incompetency.

SECTION XIII—Adverse claims, or grievances may be brought before and decided by a meeting of miners of this district sitting as a court of arbitration, or may be decided by a committee of an even number of miners of which number either party in contest chooses one-half.

SECTION XIV—A miners' meeting in this district shall be called by the recorder upon the written application of not less than 10 miners holding claims in the district, and written notice of such meeting shall be posted at least 5 days before such meeting is to take place, in 2 different places in the district.

SECTION XV—The foregoing laws and regulations cannot be altered, changed or annulled, except by a two-third vote of a meeting of not less than 40 miners holding claims in this district.

Section 15—Amended April 26th 1879.

“The foregoing laws cannot be altered, changed or annulled, except by a two-thirds vote of not less than 12 miners holding claims in this district”.

SECTION XVI—These laws and regulations shall take effect and be in force from and after their passage.

SECTION XVII—(Adopted April 26th 1879) Any discoverer of a new gulch or channel shall be entitled to an additional claim by right of discovery.

LAWRENCE COUNTY.—WHITEWOOD QUARTZ MINING DISTRICT.

LAWS OF THE WHITEWOOD QUARTZ DISTRICT.

In accordance with a notice published in the Black Hills Pioneer, on the 9th day of December 1876, and with other notices posted in conspicuous places before and after advertising above, of which notice, the following is a copy:

Notice is hereby given that a meeting of the Quartz Miners of Whitewood District, will be held at Gayville, on the 29th day of December, A. D. 1876, at 2 o'clock, P. M., at the house of Thomas Campbell, for the purpose of making local and adopting general laws. It is of vital importance that all those who have any interest in that respect should be present. “Whitewood District” is that portion of the Black Hills which embraces Whitewood Creek and all its tributaries.

T. H. CARR, “Recorder”

The meeting convened in pursuance to call of notice at 2 o'clock P. M., at the house of Thomas Campbell, at Gayville, in the Black Hills, D. T.

On motion of T. H. Carr, Mr. D. E. Costigan was elected temporary president of the meeting.

On motion of John M. Murphy, Mr. T. H. Carr was elected temporary secretary of said meeting.

On motion of S. P. Romans, Mr. D. E. Costigan was chosen permanent president and T. H. Carr permanent secretary.

On motion, the president appointed John M. Murphy, S. P. Romans, John Bell, Henry Spruce, and George L. Houghton as a committee of five, with the first named as chairman, "to draft local, and to adopt general laws for this district," and they were instructed to report at an adjourned meeting to be held December 30th 1876. Upon this, the meeting adjourned.

On December 30, the miners again came together, and the committee presented their report in writing, which upon being read, was adopted section by section. It was as follows:

Be it enacted by the Quartz Miners of Whitewood Mining District in mass meeting assembled December 30th 1876. The following laws rules and regulations governing the locations of quartz claims in said district, to-wit:

SEC. 1. Whitewood District shall consist of all that section of country drained by Whitewood Creek and tributaries. The officers of Whitewood District shall consist of a Recorder and Secretary. The Recorder to be *ex-officio* Secretary and shall keep the records of all meetings.

SEC. 2. We hereby adopt the United States mining laws of May 10th 1872, with acts, amendments, thereto, with the following local rules and requirements.

SEC. 3. From and after the approval of these laws, all citizens of the United States of lawful age and those who have declared their intentions to become such, under the regulations specified by law shall have the right to locate claims in Whitewood mining district upon veins or lodes of quartz or other rock in place bearing gold, silver, cinnabar, lead, tin, copper or other valuable deposits.

SEC. 4. A mining claim located after the adoption of these laws, whether located by one or more persons, may equal but shall not exceed 1,500 feet in length along the vein or lode; no claim shall extend more than 150 feet on each side of the middle of the vein at the surface. The end lines of each claim shall be parallel to each other.

SEC. 5. In order to entitle any person or persons to record any lead, lode or leads of quartz claim either of gold, silver, cinnabar, lead, tin, copper or other valuable deposits, there shall first be discovered a vein, lode or mineral deposit, lying in place, upon the ground claimed, the said claimant or claimants shall place a post or monument at each corner of the land claimed; also a post or monument at each end of the land claimed, marking the centre of the land claimed; also a post or monument at the centre of each side line; also at discovery shaft, a stake or board upon which shall be designated the name of the lode or claim, the name or names of the locators, the number of feet of ground claimed and in what direction from the point of discovery, and the number of feet claimed on each side of the vein or crevice, and such a description of the claim by reference to some natural object or permanent mound as will identify the claim, such as prominent buttes, the confluence of streams and other land marks in the vicinity of the mines.

SEC. 6. A copy of a location notice of a mining claim tunnel site or mill site, shall be handed to the Recorder of this district within 20 days from the posting of said notice on the claim or the location shall be held as abandoned.

SEC. 7. In order to hold a possessory right to a claim, there shall be not less than one hundred dollars (\$100) worth of work done thereon during each year, and in performing such labor, 500 cubic feet in picking ground, and 125 cubic feet in blasting rock shall be estimated at one hundred dollars.

SEC. 8. It shall be the duty of the Recorder to call meetings of the quartz miners of this district, whenever a petition is handed him signed by ten or more persons owning quartz claims in this district or the legal representatives of such quartz claim owners, requesting him to give notice of such meeting for the purpose of altering or amending the laws of this district or for the election of a quartz recorder, and such notices shall be posted in at least five conspicuous places in the district for at least ten days previous to the meeting, and it shall be the duty of the recorder to record all location notices upon the payment of his fees. He shall have the right to appoint one or more deputies and shall be entitled to the following fees: For recording quartz claims, mill sites, and tunnel rights, each two dollars, and for deeds, bonds, mortgages and other instruments of writing, one dollar for each folio and fifty cents for each additional folio, and certified copies of location notices shall be furnished for one dollar each.

(To this, the following amendment was offered, carried and incorporated in the section:—"That any meeting hereafter called, it shall require a two-thirds majority of the quartz miners present to decide any measure before said meeting.")

SEC. 9. The District Recorder is hereby authorized to administer oaths or affirmations when the mining laws of the United States require the same, relative to mining purposes.

SEC. 10. The present Recorder, T. H. Carr, is hereby declared elected recorder for the year ending December 31st 1877.

SEC. 11. The records are hereby declared to be the property of the district. The Recorder shall turn over to his successor in office all books, records, papers and documents belonging to his office, and in the event of the organization of a county in this district, he shall turn over to the recorder of the county all the records of his office when such county organization is completed.

On the 6th day of March, 1877, the miners again met and passed this resolution:

SEC. 12—"Resolved, That we the quartz miners of Whitewood Quartz Mining District, in mass meeting assembled, re-enact and legalize the laws heretofore passed and adopted in this district and that Thomas H. Carr, the present recorder be elected and is hereby declared recorder of this district for one year from this date".

S. P. Romans was in the Chair, and Geo. S. Houghton acted as secretary.

On the 10th day of May, 1877, the miners again came together, and passed the following:

SEC. 13. "Be it Enacted by the quartz miners of Whitewood Quartz Mining District, in mass meeting assembled, That the quartz recorder of said district is hereby authorized to turn over all records, laws, papers and documents, belonging to said office to the Recorder of Deeds of Lawrence county, D. T., within thirty days from date, and the recorder is requested to take receipts for the same when delivered".

S. P. Romans also presided at this meeting, and T. H. Carr performed the duties of secretary.

On April 30th, 1877, Carr received the following:

"T. H. Carr, Esq.

"Sir: Your petitioners would respectfully ask that a meeting of the quartz miners of Whitewood Quartz District, be called in conformity with section (9) of the laws of said district for the purpose of changing a portion of section twelve (12) of said laws, and for the transaction of such business as may legally come before the meeting".

This was signed by W. M. Bull, James Ryan, John Sinclair, H. H. Reed, E. F. Gallaher, M. Goldman, L. P. Elliott, and D. Jones, and in accordance with the petition, the following notice was given:

MAY 25th, A. D. 1877.

To all whom it may concern:

Notice is hereby given that a meeting of the quartz miners of Whitewood District will be held at the house of Thomas Hanley, in Gayville, on the 8th day of June, A. D., 1877, at 7 o'clock, P. M., to transact important business relative to the records of Whitewood District.

The meeting duly convened and J. H. S. Coleman was elected president and Wm Lardner secretary.

On motion, and by a unanimous vote the following portion of Sec. 12, to-wit: "And in the event of the organization of a county in this district, he shall turn over to the recorder of the county all the records of this office when such organization is completed," and the whole of section 14 be repealed.

(NOTE—It will be noticed that there is a great discrepancy in numbers concerning the sections acted upon. As I am simply copying the originals, I do not pretend to reconcile or explain these differences, being concerned only in facts and accurate *fac similes* of papers. Grayson P. Mac Arthur, Special Expert.)

In the latter end of August, about the 28th, the following notice was posted:

"Notice is hereby given that a meeting of the miners of Whitewood Quartz Mining District, will be held in the house of Thomas Campbell, of Gayville, on the 7th day of September, 1877, at 7 o'clock, P. M., for the purpose of electing a recorder to fill the vacancy caused by the death of the late recorder, Thomas H. Carr, who was killed by the Indians, August 27th A. D. 1877.

"J. B. CARR."

The meeting convened, and then adjourned to the office of the deputy recorder, on placer claim No. 4 of Deadwood Gulch above discovery.

On motion, J. B. Carr, was elected for the year ending March 6th 1879. Wm H. Brown was chairman, and J. B. Carr, secretary.

IDAHO TERRITORY.

IDAHO COUNTY.—MEADOW CREEK MINING DISTRICT.

MINING LAWS OF MEADOW CREEK DISTRICT AS PASSED AT A MASS MEETING OF THE MINERS OCT. 11TH 1862.

This District shall be known as the Meadow Creek district and the limits of said district shall be as follows:—

Commencing at the cañon on Meadow creek, and running up said creek to Warren's creek including all the tributaries of Meadow and Warren Creek to the line of Summit Flat District.

ART. 1. Each person mining in this District shall be entitled to four claims, a hill claim a creek claim a gulch claim and a quartz claim or a side claim a hill claim a gulch claim and a quartz claim.

ART. 2. The limits of each creek side and gulch claim shall be one hundred and fifty feet in length running up and down the creek flat or gulch and two hundred feet wide—Hill claims shall be two hundred feet in front and extend back to the center of the hill.

ART. 3 No claim shall be considered a gulch claim that can be worked with sluices during the Summer months.

ART. 4. Claims shall be distinctly marked by notices at the end of the bounds thereof in the name of the claimant and no more ground shall be deemed claimed than is included in such notices.

ART. 5. Any person who shall by proof pull down remove or destroy any notice on any mining claim or the laws of this District shall be fined in any sum that the miners court of enquiry may direct.

ART. 6. The creek shall be entitled to all the water running in their natural channel from and after the first day of Aug. 1862.

ART. 7.—Art. 7 refers to quartz claims and is therefore not embodied in the laws

ART. 8. Every person shall have the privilege of digging a drain race through any claim

ART. 9 All claims shall be considered forfeited if not worked within fifteen days from the date of their location.

ART. 10. Any party or parties holding claims who may be incapable by accident or sickness from working the same all their rights shall be respected.

ART. 11. When a partner or partners may have to absent themselves from their claims or business the remaining partner or his or their agent shall be sufficient to hold or represent his or their interests until his or their return.

SEC. 12 All persons having difficulties shall settle them by arbitration at a miners meeting.

ART. 13. There shall be a recorder of this mining district chosen who shall be paid a fee of one dollar for recording each mining claims, the recorder shall have custody of the books and laws of this mining district and shall hold his office at the option of the miners.

ART. 14. It shall be the duty of the recorder to convene a miner's meeting by notice at the call of all disputants and preside at the same, and for such services he shall be Paid the sum of six dollars, all all arbitrators and witnesses called to arbitrate or testify in a mining suit shall be allowed the sum of three dollars for such services said sum in connection with the recorders fee shall be paid by the parties litigant.

SEC. 15. Every person holding a mining claim shall have it recorded within fifteen days from the date of location.

ART. 16 No transfer or sale of claims shall be considered valid unless it appears on the record and the recorder shall receive one dollar for the transfer

ART. 17. When two or more claims join together and are worked by companies such companies can work any portion of such claims as they may deem expedient and not forfeit the rest.

ART. 18. No claims shall be considered workable from the first of October to the 1st of June and one member of a company or their agent shall be deemed sufficient to represent the companies interest during that time.

ART. 19. Any person or persons locating water privileges for the purpose of conveying water from one point to another within the limits of this district shall declare their intention of doing so by a notice posted in a conspicuous place and have the line of said ditch surveyed and recorded within two weeks from the location thereof or it shall be considered forfeited if actual work is not commenced and prosecuted there on within four months from date of its location.

ART. 20. These laws are to take effect and be in full force from and after their adoption.

ART. 21. Any person who turns the water from its natural channel shall confine the same in a ditch dug sufficiently large for that purpose and those who have already turned the water without digging a ditch as mentioned will be required to do so within five days after the passage of this article or if they fail to do so they will be required to turn the water back into the natural channel of Meadow and Warren's Creeks.

ART. 22. Each and every claim holder will be required to confine his tailings upon his own ground and not encumber the ground of another person with such tailings provided that this article shall not be construed to prevent persons from dumping his tailings upon vacant ground or claims located subsequently to his using the same.

ART. 23. The said claims shall be entitled to all the surplus water running in Meadow and Warrens Creeks at all seasons of the year.

ART. 24. Creek, side, hill or gulch claims shall be considered forfeited unless faithfully worked at least one full day in each fifteen from 1st of June to Oct. 1st.

ART. 25. Hill and gulch claims shall not be considered forfeited if after due diligence on the part of the claimant sufficient water cannot be obtained to work such claims to advantage, twelve inches shall entitle the claimant to the benefit of this article

ART. 26. All mining claims on the Meadows from Strattons Creek down to the termination of this district shall be entitled to the full width of said Meadows from rim rock to rim rock.

At a regular meeting held Oct. 1st it was passed that the recorder be elected by ballot.

At a miners' meeting convened at Manuel's saloon on Friday 21st Aug. 1868 the following article having been read and voted on was added by a majority vote to the existing laws.

ART. 27. No person or persons shall be allowed to use water of Warren's or Meadow Creeks for purpose of ground sluicing either upon hill, gulch, side or creek Claims after the first day of August of each year, and any person or persons who shall use the water of said creeks for said ground sluicing purposes after said date and at any time of the year except during the months of April, May, June and July shall be deemed guilty of committing a nuisance which the miners may lawfully abate.

Dated Oct. 11th 1862 and Aug. 21 1868.

OWYHEE COUNTY.—CARSON MINING DISTRICT.

LAWS AND RESOLUTIONS.

At a called meeting of the miners of Jordan Creek, Idaho Territory May 28th 1863 the following Preamble, Laws and Resolutions were adopted to govern hereafter this mining district.

PREAMBLE.

Whereas:—We the undersigned a Prospecting Party of twenty-nine men in the Mountains of Snake River and Humboldt River on the Head waters of the Owyhee and Middle or Bannock Rivers having discovered gold in paying quantities, do hereby, enact and adopt for our own protection, and those who may follow us, the following Mining Laws and Resolutions.

ARTICLE 1. This creek shall hereafter be known and called "Jordan Creek".

2. This District shall be called "Carson District" bounded as follows, to wit:—Beginning at Discovery Camp" and running up the Creek to its head including all its tributaries and the ground drained thereby.

3. All *White* persons are entitled to hold by location, One Creek, One gulch, One hill, One placer or surface, One gold bearing quartz and One Silver claim of the following dimensions—

4. Creek claims shall be three hundred feet in length, running with the general course of the creek, extending from bluff to bluff on the base of the hill.

Gulch claims shall be three hundred feet in length, running with the gulch and two hundred feet wide.

Hill claims shall be two hundred feet front extending back three hundred feet. Quartz and silver shall be three hundred feet each running with the ledge including all its dips spurs and angles and the waters flowing from the same.

Placer or surface claims shall be three hundred feet long and two hundred feet wide.

5. Any person or persons discovering new diggings of either gold or silver, shall each be intitled to one extra claim by right of discovery

6. All streams having fifty inches of water during the month of September shall be considered as Creeks. There shall be left in Jordan Creek at all times two hundred inches of water for mining purposes.

7. All water rights shall be subject to the same rules and restrictions as mining claims—any person or persons taking up a water right shall within the time hereinafter specified relating to mining claims, dig four (4) rods of the intended size of the ditch, race or channel at the head or place of beginning and turn the water through the same.

8. All claims shall be recorded within seven (7) days after location for which purpose there shall be a Recorder elected, whose duty shall be to enter upon a book kept for that purpose a record of all claims located and transferred describing minutely the boundaries of the same, giving to each claim holder a copy of the record counter signed by the recorder to be posted in a sightly place on the N. E. corner of the claim described there in. It shall be the further duty of the Recorder to survey and furnish a Plat of all town sites within this District receiving two dollars and fifty cents for each record and transfer, whether for lots or claims

9. Any person or persons maliciously defacing or removing any legal notice or removing any legal notice from any claim or lot shall upon conviction be expelled from this District forthwith.

10. All workable claims shall be represented by one day's actual labor in every six, except claims of like character lying adjacent to each other in such cases one day's labor on either shall represent the whole.

11. All creek claim holders shall have the right of a drain race through the claim or claims, below to be used as such and for no other purpose, also they shall have the right of depositing the tailings of ground sluicing, except rocks and gravel incapable of floating.—all other tailings shall be left up on the claim being worked. The tailings of all other claims shall not be deposited upon creek claims to the detriment of the owners there of.

12. All disputes among miners relating to their interests as such shall be settled by three arbitrators who shall be chosen from the owners of claims and practical miners of this District, one of whom to be chosen by each party the third chosen by the other two, the third shall have power to administer an oath or affirmation to all witnesses and the other two arbitrators, one of whom to swear the third an appeal may be taken from the decision of the arbitrators, to a Justice Court if notice to the opposite party within twenty four hours after said decision.

RESOLUTIONS.

1. That each member of this party of twenty nine shall have given him ninety (90) days from the adoption of these laws to return and remain absent from this District for the purpose of obtaining supplies or attend to any necessary business, during which time his claims may remain unrepresented and not be subject to forfeiture.

2. That each member of the party of twenty nine be entitled to one claim by right of discovery.

3. That Mess. Skinner Coogan, Duval and each member of the party of twenty nine be entitled to one claim for their partners, which shall be respected in like manner as our own.

4. That we each and all of us pledge ourselves to sustain the foregoing Laws and Resolutions against violation.

D. P. BARNES, *Chairman*

O. H. PURDY, *Secrty.*

W. Jordan, A. J. Miner, H. R. Wade, J. Reynolds, J. C. Boom, J. Carroll, P. H. Gorden, W. Duncan, P. J. Flint, A. F. Rudd, L. H. Gohn, F. Height, G. W. Chadwick, W. S. Wade Cy. Ibee, Jno Cannon, Wm. Phipps, M. Conner, Jos. Dorsey, W. T. Carson, Juan Francisca, Stephen Riffle, Jno. Moore C. Wade, J. R. Cain, R. W. Pindell, W. Churchill.

ARTICLE 3d. The present Law regulating the Fee for recording claims is hereby repealed and hereafter the Fee shall be two dollar and a half (\$2.50) for a single claim and one dollar (\$1) for each additional claim belonging to a Company and one dollar (1) for each "Bill of Sale"

4th. All Creek claims may be laid over from the First of October 1863 to the First of June 1864.

At a called meeting of the Miners of Jordan Creek July 19 1863 the following Resolutions were adopted.

On motion of Cy. Ibee the meeting was called to order and D. P. Barnes was elected chairman and E. F. Pierce Sect'y.

ART. 1. *Resolved* that a committee of three be appointed to draw up resolutions to be acted upon by the meeting.

Mr. Carter, chairman Mr. Boom and Mr Ibee were appointed.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE.

ART. 1. All persons holding Gulch or Hill claims may lay over said claims until the First of June 1864 and all persons wishing to lay over said claims shall notify the Recorder of their intent whose duty it shall be so to state on the record and his certificate of record.

2. That part of the present law allowing persons to hold partner's claims for ninety (90) days without representing the same is hereby repealed and all claims shall hereafter be represented by one day's actual labor in each week. And no person shall be recognized as a partner who has never been within this District or is not present now to represent his claim and all claims so held are hereby declared vacant.

Persuant to due notice given that a miner's meeting, the miners of Carson District met at Boonville Sept. 3d 1864. After the meeting was called to order J. M. Shackelford was appointed Chairman and D. McKee Sect'y.

The first business before the meeting was the election of a Recorder.

The names of D. McKee and E. Hickman were put in nomination and the meeting proceeded to ballot for choise E. Hickman receiving the largest number of votes was declared duly elected after which the following resolution was adopted

Resolved that all those wishing to lay their mining claims over, either Creek, Gulch or Bank shall have the privilege of doing so by going to the District Recorder and placing the same on record.

Dated Boonville Sept. 3d 1864

D. MCKEE, *Secrty.*

These are the only laws which remain preserved.

BOISE COUNTY.—ELK CREEK MINING DISTRICT.

MINING LAWS.

At a meeting of the Miners on Main Elk Creek, Boise Co; Idaho Ter., held at the mouth of Lincoln Gulch on Thursday Dec. 3d. 1863, The meeting was called to order by appointing J. R. Chapman, as chairman of the meeting, and elected G. E. Timmerman, Secty

On motion D. W. Cummings, I. T. Maxson, and A. T. Winn were appointed a committee to draft a set of Laws for a Mining District, they reported the following, which were upon motion, adopted to wit:—

SEC. I. This District shall be known as Elk Creek District.

SEC. II. The District shall commence at the Lower boundaries of El Dorado and Deer creeks thence running down Elk creek to Bear Run, embracing all the gulches and ravines running into Elk Creek between those boundaries that are not now embraced in the north fork of Elk Creek District.

SEC. III. "Creek claims" shall consist of 200 feet each running up and down the creek and extending on either side to three and one half feet rise of the "bed rock".

SEC. IV. "Bar claims" shall be 200 feet front running back to the hill.

SEC. V. "Hill claims" shall have 100 feet front, running with the creek, bar, gulch or ravine on which it may front, and shall extend to the summit of the hill.

SEC. VI. "Gulch and Ravine Claims" shall be measured one hundred feet each side from the present or visible surface channel of said gulch or ravine, and running 200 feet up and down said gulch or ravine.

SEC. VII. Any citizen may hold one creek claim, one gulch or ravine claim one hill and one bar claim by location.

SEC. VIII. All claims recorded in this District shall be laid over from the third day of December until the first day of April of each and every year, and no claim shall be considered forfeited or abandoned for any reason whatsoever between the said dates.

SEC. IX. There shall be a Recorder chosen for this Mining District, who shall be paid one dollar for recording each claim, he shall have custody of the books and laws of the District and shall hold his office at the will of the miners.

SEC. X. Any person taking up a claim and recording it under a wrong designation shall not there by forfeit his ground, if rectified within seven days by going to the recorder and amending his record and paying the Recorder one half of the usual recording fee for his extra trouble.

SEC. XI. All claims lying in this District and recorder in District No. 3, shall be recorded in the District within fifteen days of this date if said claims are unworkable they will be considered abandoned unless recorded.

SEC. XII. All claims shall be considered forfeited if not worked one day in seven after the first day of April until the third day of December following.

SEC. XIII. Any person locating a mining claim in this district shall record it within ten days from the date of his notice.

SEC. XIV. All transfers of claims shall be recorded with in ten days of such transfer, and unless recorded, shall be paid (\$2) two dollars for each transfer.

SEC. XV. Representation or working shall consist of the following, first by working with sluice, tom, or rocker or with pick pan or shovel in the claim; second, digging a drain race through claims below; third digging or working in a water ditch, intended to bring water to said claim or claims; fourth, sawing timber for mining purposes for such claim or claims; fifth, building a house on or near such claim, for the dwelling of the owners of said claim or claims, or their employers to work in said claim or claims, work done in any part of said claims when joining shall be considered as representing the whole.

SEC. XVI. Claims belonging to a sick man shall not be deemed abandoned by said sick man in case of a failure to represent, if he has been in the habit of working said claims in person but if he has been in the habit of employing hands to work the same, the usual work shall be required.

SEC. XVII. A man to be sick shall be under the treatment of a physician and if necessary to prove his sickness shall obtain a certificate from his physician.

SEC. XVIII. Every miner or company of miners shall be entitled to a drain race through any adjoining claim or claims, whenever the same is necessary for the working of any claim.

SEC. XIX. No miner or company of miners shall be allowed to sluice tailings on the adjoining claim below.

SEC. XX. When parties disagree as to the right of mining ground, it may be settled by arbitration by the miners of this District

SEC. XXI. Any miner shall have the privilege of the necessary amount of water in this creek or any of its tributaries to work his claim and no more.

SEC. XXII. These laws shall go into full force and effect from and after their passage.

SEC. XXIII. After the passing of these Laws they shall remain in full force and effect until two thirds of the miners of this district vote for an amendment.

SEC. XXIV. The Recorder shall not call a meeting of the miners unless ordered by a majority of the miners of this district.

On motion the meeting proceeded to the election of a recorder of said District.

Where upon D. W. Cummings, was put in nomination, and there being no other nominations Mr. Cummings was elected.

On motion it was resolved that the proceedings of this meeting be published in the "Boise News".

On motion, adjourned, *sine die*.

At a meeting pursuant to a public notice, organized by electing Dr. Zimmerman chairman and G. A. Dunn as Secretary.

On motion Mr. A. P. Turner was elected Recorder of the Elk Creek District

On motion the mining Laws of Elk Creek were so amended as to strike out sections 12 and 23 and the following section adopted

SEC. XXIII. That all bar gulch and hill claims shall be deemed "laid over" and not require representation for all time to come when ever water cannot be procured for the sum of twenty five cents per inch every twelve hours and under six inches pressure. For hill and gulch claims not less than thirty inches of water shall constitute a sluice head. For bar and creek claims not less than forty inches shall constitute a sluice head.

On motion that a copy of the proceeding of this be published in the "Boise News"

On motion this meeting adjourned *sine die*.

G. A. DUNN, *Secretary*.

ELK CREEK June 28th 1864.

IDAHO COUNTY.—WASHINGTON GOLD AND SILVER QUARTZ MINING DISTRICT.

THE LAWS OF THE WASHINGTON QUARTZ MINING DISTRICT, WARRENS, IDAHO CO. I. T.

SEC. 1. This district shall be known by the name of the "Washington Gold and Silver Quartz District," and shall be bounded as follows; Commencing at the south-west corner of Meadow Creek District; thence running easterly along the line of Meadow Creek District to its south-east corner, thence down the eastern line of said district to the mouth of Elk Creek, thence up Salmon river to the junction

of the north and south forks of said river, thence up the south fork to the dividing waters of said south fork and the Payette country and from thence to the place of beginning.

SEC. 2. The locators of quartz claims in this District shall record the same with the Recorder of their respective county, within ten days after location, unless located more than thirty miles from the place of recording, in which case twenty days shall be allowed; and the County Recorder shall be allowed one dollar for recording each quartz claim and making the necessary filings and indexing; but in no case shall said fees exceed the sum of five dollars upon any set of claims.

SEC. 3. Transfers of quartz claims shall be duly acknowledged by a proper officer, and recorded by the County Recorder.

SEC. 4. That any person or persons who may hereafter discover any quartz lead or lode, shall be entitled to one claim thereon by right of discovery, and one claim each by right of location. *Provided*, That no person shall be entitled to hold more than one claim by right of location on any one lead or lode, and that no person shall be entitled, or have the right to locate or to hold by location, or to have recorded any claim or claims on any lead or lode unless he be a resident or inhabitant of this Territory.

SEC. 5. Each claimant shall be entitled to hold by location, two hundred feet on any lead or lode in the District, with all its dips, angles, and spurs, off-shoots, out-crops, depths, widths, variations, and all the minerals and other valuables there in contained.

SEC. 6. The locators of any lead, lode or ledge in the District, shall be entitled to hold, on each side of the lead, ledge, or lode, located by him or them, fifty feet. Any lateral veins, lodes or leads bearing minerals, within the space of the said fifty feet on each side of the main ledge, shall be considered as claimed by, and entirely belonging to the locator or locators of a lead, and his or their assigns, and part and parcel of the same.

SEC. 7. The locators of any quartz claim or claims, on any lead or lode, shall at the time of locating said claim or claims, place a substantial stake, not less than three inches in diameter at each end of the claim so located provided, that where two or more claims are located together, and recorded in one notice, then the aforesaid stakes shall be placed at each end of the claims so located in one notice. On said stake, on each end of said claim or claims, shall be placed a notice in writing, and said notice shall contain the date of the location of said claim or claims, the name or names of the locator or locators, the name of the lead or lode on which said claim or claims are located the number of feet so claimed by each of said locators, the distance to the nearest end of said claim or claims, shall be placed a notice in writing, and said notice shall contain the date of the location of said claim or claims, the name or names of the locator or locators, the name of the lead or lode on which said claim or claims are located, the number of feet so claimed by each of said locators, the distance to the nearest end of said claim or claims from the discovery stake, the direction as nearly as possible from the discovery stake, and the direction said claim or claims extend, as nearly as may be from the point designated as it or their commencement. And when more than one person joins in one notice in locating said claims, shall state the actual number of feet claimed, and the portion of the ground so claimed by each person so locating

SEC. 8. Two or more persons may locate or take claims together in a body by joining in a notice specifying the number of claims so located, and the name of each person so joining in such location being written under the notice; but the claims so located shall not exceed two hundred feet for each person so locating and said claims shall, on said notice, be numbered and designated as segregated claims, and shall designate the position of the said segregated ground in said claims so located in one notice, including, when necessary, a discovery claim; except when it may be necessary to include a claim by right of discovery; and the notice shall then state in whose name or names said discovery claim is located. The persons so joining in one notice shall be considered as tenants in common so soon as the work hereinafter required to be done shall be fully finished and performed. The work hereinafter required to be performed on a quartz claim to entitle the locator, or his assigns, to hold the same as real estate, may be performed on any one of the claims so held under one notice; *Provided*, it be equal in value to twenty dollars for each and every two hundred feet held under one notice including the discovery claim; but when any claims have been located by two or more persons in one notice, so soon as the work required by this section has been performed on said claim or claims, to wit: Twenty dollars worth of work for each and every two hundred feet included in the notice locating said claims, the said claimants shall be deemed tenants in common, and shall be subject to all the rights, privileges, and benefits, responsibilities and liabilities of tenants in common.

SEC. 9. Quartz claims located and recorded in accordance with this law, shall entitle the person or person so locating and recording to hold the same as real estate to the use of himself, his heirs and assigns. *Provided*—That within one year from and after the date of recording, he or they shall cause to be performed twenty dollars worth of work for each and every claim of two hundred feet of said lead or lode; said work to consist of the following; The stripping of the lead or lode, sinking shafts, excavating of tunnels, obtaining machinery and preparing material for working said lead or lode in good faith.

SEC. 10. Any person or persons who shall willfully and maliciously tear down or destroy any notice, posted on quartz claims or tear up or destroy any stakes marking quartz claims shall, upon conviction thereof be deemed guilty of a misdemeanor, and shall be fined in any sum not less than twenty-five dollars, or not exceeding one hundred dollars, or by not less than thirty days, nor more than six months imprisonment in the County jail, or by both such fine and imprisonment; and any justice of the peace in this District shall have jurisdiction of such offenses.

SEC. 11. Any person or persons desiring to preserve or perpetuate testimony as to the sufficiency of the amount of work done on any claim or claims to entitle him or them to hold them as real estate according to the provisions of of section nine of these laws; may take two disinterested persons to view such work, who shall carefully examine the same, immediately after which they shall go before the County Recorder or other officer by law authorized to administer oaths in the County, and take and subscribe an affidavit containing first, a description of the location of the claim or claims on which the work is performed, the character and value of such work, and the date when they viewed the same; which affidavit shall be filed by the County Recorder and carefully preserved. Such affidavit or certified copies of the same under the certificate and seal of the County Recorder, who has custody of the original affidavit or affidavits shall in any Court in the Territory be prima facie evidence of the character and amount of labor performed on the claim or claims which are described in such affidavit or affidavits. The Recorder shall receive a fee of fifty cents for filing and preserving the affidavits required by this section.

SEC. 12. Any person or persons who may desire to run a tunnel into any hill or mountain for the purpose of discovering or working mineral bearing quartz leads or lodes, shall be entitled to hold one hundred feet each way from the line of the tunnel on every lead or lode so discovered. *Provided*, the said lode has not been previously claimed and held according to law, and said person or persons shall also be entitled to hold two hundred feet square at the entrance of the said tunnel or tunnels, for building, dumping or other necessary purpose; provided, further, that nothing in this section shall be so construed as to invalidate the vested rights of other persons.

SEC. 13. There shall be a Recorder of this District chosen, whose duty it shall be to take charge of the laws of this District; keep a correct record of all the claims located on all leads, or lodes discovered or located in this district; and immediately after making a record of any quartz claim or claims upon the record of this District, it shall be the duty of the Recorder to send a copy of the notice of the claim or claims recorded to the County Recorder, and have it recorded by him, in accordance with the Territorial law; and for the recording of each claim in the records of this District, and the transmission of the notice to the County Recorder, the Recorder of this District shall have a fee of one and a half dollars (\$1.50), for each claim so recorded, which includes the fee of the County Recorder.

SEC. 14. All claims located prior to the passage of these laws, shall be recorded in the records of this District within ten days after their adoption; and all claims located subsequent shall be recorded within five days from the date of location, in the records of the District.

SEC. 15. These laws are to take effect, and be in full force from the date of their passage.

C. A. SEARS, *District Recorder.*

Dated, July. 1866.

AMENDMENT TO THE LAWS OF THE WASHINGTON QUARTZ MINING DISTRICT, WARRENS, IDAHO CO., IDAHO TER.

At a meeting of the quartz miners of this district held at Warrens September 5th, 1870 the following amendment was adopted.

Sec. 9, Amended so as to read as follows:—Quartz claims located and recorded in accordance with this law shall entitle the person or persons so locating and recording to hold the same for the period of one year from the date of such location and record: Provided, he or they shall cause to be performed twenty dollars' worth of work for each and every claim of two hundred feet on said lead or lode within one year from the date of said location and fifty dollars annually there after. Said work to consist of the following: The stripping of the lead or lode, sinking shafts, excavating of tunnels obtaining machinery and preparing material for working said lead or lode in good faith. And as evidence of such work each and every present claim holder shall, in person or by their agent, within one year from the date of this amendment, appear before the recorder and make affidavit to the effect that the said twenty dollars' worth of work has been performed, specifying first a description of the location of the claim or claims on which the work is performed, the character and value of such work, and the date when the same was performed; which affidavit shall be filed by the county recorder and carefully preserved. Such affidavit or certified copy of the same, under the certificate and seal of the county recorder who has custody of the original affidavit or affidavits, shall, in any court in the Territory be *prima facie* evidence of the amount and character of labor performed on the claim or claims which are described in such affidavits. And there after they shall appear annually and make affidavit that the requisite fifty dollars worth of work has been performed as aforesaid. And all persons locating claims subsequent to the passage of this amendment shall appear and make affidavits as aforesaid. And the recorder shall receive a fee of one dollar for filling and preserving the affidavits required by this section. And any person or persons failing to comply with the provisions of this section shall forfeit his or their possession or right to any quartz claim upon which such failure is made and the same shall be thereafter subject to relocation.

P. F. MORRIS, *Chairman.*

N. B. WILLEY, *Secty.*

QUARTZ LAWS.

ARTICLE 1. It shall be the duty of all claim owners, after they shall have performed the requisite amount of work to entitle them to a certificate of representation, to go to the district recorder and have him place on the margin of his book a note, specifying that such a claim or claims has been represented according to law, and the recorder shall have a fee of twenty five cents for each entry there made.

ART. 2. All persons discovering quartz veins in this district from and after the adoption of this article, shall not be allowed to locate for them selves and others more than two thousand two hundred feet on any lead or lode and any person or persons who shall again find the same lead outside of the said two thousand two hundred feet located by the discovering party, shall have the right to give the ledge a new name, and be entitled to all the benefits of a new discovery.

A. H. SANDERSON *Chairman*

J. W. POE, *Secty.*

Dated. July. 1868.

ALTURAS COUNTY.—WOOD RIVER MINING DISTRICT.

[From *Yankee Fork Herald* October 2, 1879.]

At a meeting of miners held at Galena City, Alturas county, Idaho, on Sept. 15th 1879, for the purpose of organizing a new mining district, Hiram Hunter was chosen President, and W. G. Seamands Secretary.

On motion, Messrs. Arnold, O'Leary and Swarncoat were appointed a committee to define boundaries of a new mining district and give the same a name.

On motion, Jas. E. Fulton, H. Bowman, and W. G. Seamands were selected as a committee to draft by-laws to govern all mining locations in the proposed district.

After an hour's adjournment, the meeting was called to order and the report of the committee on boundaries was read and adopted. The district shall be known as Wood River District.

The following report of the committee on by-laws was read and adopted unanimously:

1st. We, the undersigned miners of Alturas county, I. T., do hereby adopt the mining laws of the United States to govern all mining locations made within this district.

2. The boundaries of Wood River Mining District shall be as follows, to wit: Commencing at the east end of Red-fish Lake and running south to the divide between the Salmon and Boise waters, keeping the same course to Wood River divide; thence east 20 miles; thence north 30 miles; thence west to place of beginning.

3rd. There shall be a mining recorder elected who shall hold his office for the period of one year, or until his successor shall have been duly elected and qualified; and he shall keep his books and office in Galena city, I. T.

4th. When his successor shall have been duly elected and qualified, then it shall be his duty to turn over to him all books and papers pertaining to his office.

5th. He shall keep the book of record at his office in a safe place and always open for inspection in his presence.

6th. When at any time the district shall be abandoned on account of snow or other reasonable causes, then it shall be his duty to turn all the books and papers pertaining to his office over to the County Recorder of Alturas county and take his receipt for the same.

7th. It shall be the duty of the Recorder at any time on the written application or petition of any twelve resident miners of the district, to call a miner's meeting for the transaction of any business that may come before it.

8th. The Recorder of this (Wood River) district shall receive the same fees for recording a claim as is allowed, by Territorial law, the County Recorder of Alturas county.

9th. From the 20th day of October to the 20th day of April of each succeeding year, the Recorder of Wood River District shall not absent himself at any one time for more than seven days, or in any manner neglect his official duties; but in case he should neglect his duties as recorder, then it shall be the duty of the miners to call a meeting and elect a new Recorder, who shall take possession of all the books and papers and he shall hold his office until the 15th day of September, the time appointed for the annual election.

10th. Resolved, That a copy of the minutes of this meeting be sent to the "Yankee Fork Herald" for publication.

HIRAM HUNTER, *Pres't.*

W. G. SEAMANDS, *Sec'y.*

BOISE COUNTY.—PLACERVILLE MINING DISTRICT.

(Special Agent's note.)

All of the old laws and records of miners' meetings were lost in the fire of 1874.

I have learned how ever from persons residing here that the laws of location were the same as those of Idaho City, (See report on Elk Creek District). also that in 1862 there were two laws passed one keeping the Chinese out of the camp and not allowing them the right of location, another was one denying women the right of locating mining property.

In the winter of 1862 there was a law passed to the effect that, the claims of prospectors who went to fight the Indians were not jumpable though they were not represented.

MONTANA.

DEER LODGE COUNTY.—SUMMIT VALLEY MINING DISTRICT.

LAWS.

As near as can be ascertained the first business meeting of the miners of Summit Valley was held in the Summer of 1864 at Eden & Carter's store which was situated not far from the site of Butte City. At this time no quartz mining was done in the district and the meeting was composed of the placer miners then working in the Valley. George Marshall was chairman and J. F. Beck was secretary.

The following copy is made from the original records which are still in existence:

The following laws were adopted:

- 1st. *Resolved*, That we organize a mining district to be known as Summit Valley District.
- 2d. The boundaries of Summit Valley District shall be as follows: Beginning on a point on Silver Bow due south of the Big Butte; then running north to said butte; thence following the divide to the summit; thence following Silver Bow Creek to starting point.
- 3d. The officers of this District shall consist of a President and a Recorder.
- 4th. All gulch claims shall be two hundred feet up and down the gulch and one hundred feet on each side.
- 5th. All bar claims shall be two hundred feet square and marked by * on each corner.
- 6th. Each miner who resides within the district shall be entitled to hold one gulch and one bar claim by location.
- 7th. There shall be one actual day's work done on each claim every week.
- 8th. Where ground is held by companies work done on any portion of the ground shall represent the company's ground.
- 9th. All ground shall be recorded within thirty days after it is located.
- 10th. There shall be a recorder elected who shall be entitled to One Dollar for each claim recorded.
- 11th. All locations shall be recorded in person.
- 12th. All bills of sale and transfers shall be recorded, for which the recorder shall receive five dollars.
- 13th. A miners' meeting to be legal shall be called by the President on the application of ten claim-holders of said district the party or parties calling the same shall pay the President in advance the sum of \$6. The President shall post notices in three public places three days previous to the meeting.

This concludes the first or original laws, the following records being of meetings at which amendments were made.

A meeting was held August 20th 1866 at which the following temporary law was adopted:

That all claims shall be exempt from work and hold good until the 1st of May, 1867.

At a meeting of the miners of Summit Valley District held at the Post office in Butte City in said district on the evening of the 11th of April, 1870, Wm. Allison, the President of the district, called the meeting to order, and C. E. Irvine was chosen Secretary.

The President stated the object of the meeting to be the election of Recorder.

Whereupon the following resolution as a substitute for article 12 was adopted, to-wit:

Resolved, That from and after this date the fee for recording Bills of Sale for Placer mining in this District shall be two dollars for each Bill of Sale and the Recorder shall not be required to record any bill of sale before the fee is paid.

Anson Ford was then elected Recorder by acclamation.

Resolved, That article 7 be so construed as to require each of the owners of mining ground to do one day's work on any portion of his ground each week, which shall represent all the ground he owns in the district.

The following resolution to construe article 7 to cover an original defect, was also adopted, namely:

Resolved, That the by-laws of the District be re-adopted. Dated and signed by the President of the District and Secretary of this meeting.

Moved and seconded that article 2 be so amended as to read—"from the Big Butte to the head of Silver Bow Creek"—lost. Whereupon the meeting adjourned *sine die*.

WM. ALLISON, *President*.

JULY 30, 1870.

At a meeting of the miners of Summit Valley District held at the Post office pursuant to previous notice the following action was had:

A motion was made to lay mining claims over until May 1st, 1871.

Motion adopted and meeting adjourned.

Pursuant to previous notice a miners' meeting was held July 11th, 1871 of which Peter Hume was elected President, and on motion,

Resolved that all mining claims located and represented this season be laid over until May 15, 1872.

ANSON FORD, *Secretary*.

At a legal meeting of the miners of Summit Valley held July 29th, 1872 it was

Resolved: That all mining ground in the District be laid over until July 29th, 1873.

PETER HUME, *President*.

ANSON FORD, *Secretary*.

[The occasional mention of quartz mining in the following regulations will serve to show the inception of this industry at Butte.]

At an adjourned special meeting of the miners and citizens of Summit Valley District for the purpose of establishing some regulations in regard to Quartz operations under "Act of Congress, approved May 10th, 1872, entitled An Act to Promote the Development of the Mining Resources of the United States," J. D. Allport was made president and Anson Ford Secretary:

On motion it was ordered that the maximum of wages on lodes be six dollars per day.

On motion Anson Ford was elected special Recorder, and as Notary Public to administer an oath to quartz operators, verifying the report they may make to him of labor and expense incurred by them on lodes.

On motion the fee for making such record and administering the oath was fixed at one dollar.

On motion it was ordered that these proceedings be published in the County papers.

J. D. ALLPORT, *President*.

ANSON FORD, *Secretary*.

At a regular meeting of the miners of Summit Valley District at Butte City, Aug. 1, 1873, Richard S. Jones was elected President, and Anson Ford was re-elected Recorder.

Mining ground was laid over one year from date.

At a regular meeting held Aug 11th, 1875, mining ground was laid over one year.

At a regular meeting held Sept. 22, 1876 mining ground was laid over one year.

At a regular meeting held Aug. 22, 1877, Placer Mining ground was laid over one year.

At a regular meeting held Aug. 31, 1878, mining ground was laid over until the first of September, 1879.

At a meeting held in Butte City, Jan. 20th, 1879, S. E. Hirbour was elected Secretary *pro tem*. W. P. Emery was elected Recorder for two years.

[No meetings have since been held to this date, November 1880.]

MADISON COUNTY.—BROWNS MINING DISTRICT.

MINERS MEETING AT BIVINS GULCH

At a miners meeting held Nov 13, 1864 at Neng's saloon in Bagdad Browns district Bivin's gulch Madison County M. T. specially called to take into consideration the most effective means to compel Caleb Perry and J B Smith to pay W P Allen & Co \$100⁰⁰ the following preamble and resolution were offered and unanimously adopted.

Whereas at a meeting held on the 6th inst Perry and Smith were found to be justly indebted to W P Allen & C in the sum of \$100⁰⁰ and whereas after the miners having put Allen & Co in possession of the claims of Perry and Smith they gave their word of

honor if Allen & Co would let them—Perry & Smith—work the claims that Allen & Co should have the first money taken out to the amount of \$100⁰⁰ and guaranteed that the said amount should be paid within 10 days and whereas Perry & Smith have failed to comply with said agreement, and have paid other debts to the amounts of \$500⁰⁰ and upwards and paid after Allen & Co's claim was due thereby forfeiting their word and attempting to defraud their creditors which is characteristic of the firm—Perry & Smith—therefore

Resolved that the miners of the district put Allen & Co in possession of the claims of Perry and Smith and protect them in holding and working the same with their lives and property if necessary.

Perry and Smith not being present motion was made and carried that a committee be appointed to notify Perry and Smith to appear before this committee within 10 minutes.

The committee returned with Perry and reported that Smith had left the gulch.

On motion of J Hunter the above resolution was read to the great disgust of Caleb.

On motion the chair appointed the following committee to place Allen & Co in possession of mining claims Nos. 24 & 25 Browns district Bivins gulch: C. Farnham J Woodward S M Ferris J Hunter S McGee and J Febis.

On motion the meeting adjourned *Sine die*.

W. HUFFAKER, *Chairman*.

S. J. PERKINS, *Secretary*.

MINERS MEETING

At a Miners Meeting held at the store of E E Thomas in Browns Disct Bivens Gulch Madison Co. M T. on Sunday March 5th J Harper was chosen Chairman and H N Elliott Secretary.

On Motion of Mr Huffaker it was moved and carried that the section of the law restricting the number of claims be repealed

On motion of Mr Stanley it was

Resolved that any company or companies shall have the right to purchase and hold all purchase mining claims on Bivens Gulch in Browns Disct by representing the same according to the laws thereof

On motion of Mr. Rumsey it was

Resolved that the laws of this Dist requiring two days work for each claim per week be changed so as to read one day.

It was moved and carried that we proceed to elect a new Recorder and on motion Mr E E Thomas was elected A committee consisting of Mr Stanley and Mr Huffaker were appointed to wait on the former Recorder (Mr Perkins) and request him to deliver over to Mr Thomas all books and papers belonging to the Disct.

On motion is was carried that the proceedings of this meeting be signed by the Chairman and secretary and recorded in the records of this Disct.

The meeting then adjourned.

MADISON COUNTY.—FAIRWEATHER MINING DISTRICT.

LAWS OF FAIRWEATHER DISTRICT ENACTED BY THE MINERS OF SAID DISTRICT IN PUBLIC MEETING SEPTEMBER 16, 1864:

At a miners meeting of Fairweather District Madison County Territory of Montana held at the "Miners Retreat" Sept the 16th 1864 in pursuance of notice posted up in three of the most public places in said district James Fergus presiding.

On motion E A. Brown was elected Secretary.

The report of the committee appointed at a previous meeting to revise the laws of said district was read and on motion accepted and the committee discharged. The laws and regulations so reported were then read and adopted by sections.

A motion was then made and carried that a committee of five be appointed to have the new law together with the old laws still in force drawn up together and printed in phamplet form Lewis W Borton B R Martin G. W Weeks J O Otto and James McGuire were appointed as such committee.

On motion Jas McGuire was elected president and Lewis W Borton Secretary of said Fairweather district

The report of said committee as well as the preamble and laws so enacted are as follows:

PREAMBLE.

Whereas the laws now in force in Fairweather district Madison County Montana Territory have proved insufficient to protect the rights of the miners of said district and whereas the rights and interests of the miners of the district are of such a nature as not to admit of a resort to the tedious remedy by the ordinary process of law for every violation of the rights.

Now therefore we the miners of said district in public meeting assembled in pursuance of legal notice for the purpose of defining our rights and duties and the protection of our several interests do hereby resolve and declare that the rules and provisions following shall be the laws of Fairweather district.

ARTICLE 1. SECT. 1. Hereafter the offices of the district shall consist of a President and Secretary who shall hold their offices for a term of six months and until their successors are duly elected and enter upon the discharge of the duties of their office

SECT. 2. It shall be the duty of the president to call a meeting of the miners of the district at any time on the written application of five claim holders of the district of which he shall give 3 days notice previous to the day of meeting by 3 written or printed advertisements, put up at 3 of the most public places in the district and he shall preside at such meeting.

SECT. 3. It shall be the duty of the secretary to attend all meetings called by the president, to keep a true record of the proceedings thereof and file the same with the County Recorder and he shall preside at all meetings when the President is absent.

SECT. 4. After suit commenced in any case wherein a title to a claim is called in question neither party shall be held liable to represent said claim during the pending litigation but the same shall be deemed to be represented in favor of the real owner by operation of law.

SECT. 5. Every person shall be entitled to hold by preemption, one creek bar or hill claim and as many of either kind by purchase as he shall represent according to the laws of the district

SECT. 6. Any copartnership or company of persons shall be entitled to hold the same number of claims by preemption. And purchase as the same number of persons composing such copartnership or company would be entitled to hold in their individual capacity.

SECT. 7. The lessee of a claim—if he shall have agreed to completely work out the same and his lease be recorded—shall be entitled to hold his claim by preemption and his work done on one leased claim shall represent the claim preempted by him.

SECT. 8. No person who having preempted a claim by recording thereon has forfeited the same or who has failed to secure good title thereto or who shall in good faith sell and convey the same shall he thereby be debarred from holding another claim by preemption.

SECT. 9. Every claim shall be considered as represented upon which the preemptor or purchaser shall by himself his agent or hired hand perform three full days work in each week and such representation of one claim shall be deemed a good and sufficient representation of each and every claim that such preemptor or purchaser holds in the district, provided that each and all of said claims have been duly recorded, and if any person shall represent a claim by working thereon without having his bill of sale or conveyance thereof duly recorded then in that case he shall not be entitled to hold any other claim in this district either by preemption or purchase but shall be confined and limited to the claim upon which he so works until it be recorded.

SECT. 10. Copartners or any company or companies working one claim in the district shall be considered as representing thereby all the claims held by them in the district

SECT. 11. Any claim to which a drained ditch is commenced or being dug if the holder of the same shall compose one of the ditch company or shall put and continue hands at work in the same shall be considered as duly represented until the drained ditch be completed to such claim.

SECT. 12. The absence of any person from the district shall not impair or invalidate his rights therein, provided his interests are represented by his partner or agent or men in their employ.

SECT. 13. The rights of a sick miner shall be respected during his illness, and the certificate of a physician shall be sufficient evidence of such illness

SECT. 14. Any miner who shall have expended six hundred dollars on his claim and who for want of money to finish opening the same is unable to represent according to law shall have the privilege of working on any other claim in the district in order to raise money to enable him fully to open his own claim provided he shall put up notices on his own claim stating where he is at work and his rights shall be respected during the time he is so at work for others.

SECT. 15. It shall and may be lawful for any person or company to dig a drain ditch through the claim or claims of any person or company for the purpose of drainage and any person or company making such ditch shall have a lien upon any and all of the claims throughly drained thereby, for a just and equal proportion of the costs thereof, but no lien shall be enforced until the holder of the claim affected thereby shall avail himself of the benefit of the ditch.

SECT. 16. The water in any creek or gulch shall belong exclusively to the miners of the creek or gulch.

SECT. 17. Each gulch claim shall be entitled to one sluice head of water of not less than 20 inches to be measured subject to a pressure of 6 inches and such an additional quantity as may be necessary for mining purposes if such additional quantity be not used to the injury of the rights of others

SECT. 18. The interests of the holder or holders of any creek or gulch claim is hereby declared to be a chattel interest consisting of the right to the possession of the land and the water thereupon inseparable and indivisible except by the consent of the party or parties in interest made in due form of law and then only to such an extent as shall not impair or infringe the right of others.

SECT. 19. No person or persons or company shall have the right by preemption or otherwise to claim and hold an exclusive right or privilege in or to any portion of the water in any creek or gulch in the District except as herein provided and any ditch pipe channel flume or other means of conveyance heretofore made or which may hereafter be made by which the water in any creek or gulch in the District shall be diverted from its original channel and carried beyond any creek or gulch claim without leaving in the creek or gulch the quantity of water belonging to each claim is hereby declared to be a public nuisance and may be abated immediately in such a way and manner as shall be in accordance with the laws of this Territory and the common law of the land

SECT. 20. All dams flumes embankments or other obstructions which shall cause tailings to accumulate or a diversion of the water to the damage of miners above and below, the same shall be deemed public nuisances and may be abated in the manner hereinbefore provided for other cases and all persons injured thereby shall be entitled to recover damages of the person or persons who has created or may create authorize or permit upon his or their own claim all or any of said nuisances.

SECT. 21. No miner shall so run his tailings or shovel or pile up the same as to damage any claim either above or below him.

SECT. 22. Any miner of a creek or gulch claim who shall suffer injury by the escape of water from any side ditch shall be entitled to recover damages therefor by the ordinary process of law.

SECT. 23. It shall not be lawful for any person to place or run tailings into a side ditch made for the protection of a pit or a drain ditch

SECT. 24. Every claim not duly represented according to the laws of the district until the day upon which the claims in this district may at any time hereafter be laid by shall be forfeited and it shall be lawful for another person to record and preempt such forfeited claim at any time after the day on which the claims in the district shall be laid by and before the first day of May next following

SECT. 25. Hereafter all claims shall be deemed to be laid by during the interval between the last day of October and the first day May of each year

SECT. 26. At no time hereafter shall any miner of a bar claim ground sluice tailings into any gulch creek or drain ditch but such miner shall securely crib the tailings on his own claim.

SECT. 27. All laws rules and regulations hereintofore in force in this district not conflicting with the laws rules and regulations herein enacted are hereby continued in force and all laws rules and regulations heretofore in force conflicting in the least in whole or in part with any of the laws rules and regulations herein adopted or any portion thereof are hereby repealed.

SECT. 28. The laws shall take effect and be in force from and after the 16th day of September, A D 1864

LEWIS W. BORTEN, *Secretary.*

JAMES McGUIRE, *President.*

We the undersigned committee appointed at a miners meeting held at the miners retreat in Fairweather district Madison county Montana Territory Sept 16 1864 in performance of appointment and request of said meeting do hereby in the sections following give and report the following laws of said district, as laws not conflicting with the general laws of said district as hereinbefore provided which are enacted and in force in said district.

- SECT. 1. Bar mining claims shall consist of 100 feet up and down the creek or gulch running back the with of the bar.
 SECT. 2. Creek claims shall be 100 feet in length and including the flat or creek bottom and bed of the stream.
 SECT. 3. All discovery claims shall be held safely whether worked or not
 SECT. 4. The centre of the creek shall be the line.

LEWIS W BORTON
 G B WEEKS
 J C OTTO
 B R MARTIN
 J. McGUIRE

LEWIS & CLARK COUNTY.—VAUGHAN MINING DISTRICT.

In the summer and fall of 1875 the miners and prospectors in the Red Mountain or Vaughan district held one or two preliminary meetings, which were not recorded, and in August of that year (exact date unknown) held an important meeting of which the following is a copy :

LEWIS & CLARK COUNTY, MONTANA TERRITORY.

A meeting held by the miners of Lewis & Clark and Jefferson counties, Montana Territory, At the residence of C. B. Vaughan for the purpose of organizing a mining district.

Mr. C. B. Vaughan addressed the meeting, Stated the object, which was to establish a Mining District.

Mr. Horst was chose chairman Mr C B Vaughan was chose Secretary

The meeting proceeded to adopt the following Articles

ARR. I. All that portion of country contained within the following boundaries to wit commencing at the head of the East Fork of Cataract Gulch, near the Basin trail to Helena, and following said Fork to the main Gulch: thence up the west fork to the head thereof; thence westerly along the Southerly base of Bald Mountain to the center of the divide at the head of Basin Gulch; thence northeastly along the center of the divide between Banner and Ruby Gulches, past the south line of the Try again placer mines, to the west end of the Wanderer lode, which the said lode is situated on the summit of the range Sout of Red Mountain; thence Northwestly along the sunset of Red Mountain to the head of the Cheesmans Ditch on Bever Creek; thence Southly along said Wagon road to the Walfolk reservoir thence along the Basin trail to the place of beginning, shall constitute the Vaughan Mining District.

ARR. II. The officers of Vaughan Mining District shall consist of a President, a Vice President, an Arbitrator, and a Recorder, who shall hold office for one year; or until successor are duly elected and qualified

ARR. III. It shall be the duty of the President to preside at all Meetings held under these articles, and sign all Laws passed, and read all proceedings of such meetings, as also to give due notice of the regular annual Meeting for the selection of officers.

ARR. IV. It shall be the duty of the Vice President to discharge the duties of the President in the absence of that officer.

ARR. V. It shall be the duty of the Arbitrator to preside at all arbitrations held by virtue of these articles, and to keep a correct record of all cases arbitrated, said Record to clearly show the questions involved and the decision thereupon.

ARR. VI. It shall be the duty of the Recorder to keep a correct record of all proceedings had by authority of this organization, and to record in a well bound and substantial Book, all documents pertaining to Mines in such manner and under such regulations as may be hereafter provided by laws of the District.

ARR. VII. All persons residing or owning mining property within the District shall be entitled to vote at all District meetings.

ARR. VIII. Whenever ten miners, legal Voters of this District, shall petition the President to call a special meeting, setting forth in their petition the necessity for such meeting, it shall be the duty of the President to do so, taking care to give due notice in all parts of the District: and the object of said meeting shall be stated in the call

ARR. IX. These articles may be altered or remanded by a majority of the Voters at the regular anual meeting called for that purpose, the notice whercof shall state that it is the object of said meeting to alter or amend these articles.

These articles were read, Voted upon and adopted.

Moved & seconded that the chair appoint a committee of three to draw up additional by laws to be presented to an adjourned meeting. Carried.

Committee W. F. Chillum, A. J. Arnold and J. Bell.

Moved and seconded that the chair appoint a committee of three to consult with the miners of the McDaniels camp for the purpose of ascertaining if they wanted there lodes included in the Vaughan District. (Carried.)

Committee: Bell, Arnold & Wolff.

A. J. Arnold was nominated for President it was moved & seconded the word Arnold be stricken out & Vaughan be inserted

B. C. Vaughan was duly elected as President

Moved and seconded that A. J. Arnold be Secretary & Recorder of Vaughan district was duly elected

Moved and seconded that the Meeting adjourned until the 21th February 1875 at 3 oclock P. M.

[This ends the minutes of that meeting. Following will be found the minutes of the "February" meeting.]

MEETING OF FEBRUARY 21TH 1875 AT 3 O'CLOCK P. M.

Meeting was called to order by President B. C. Vaughan J. Horst was nominated for Vice President Carried
 C. M. McDaniels nominated for Arbitrator Carried

Voted that the annual meeting be held on the first Saturday in September of each year.
 The officers for the ensuing year elected
 President C. B. Vaughan
 Vice President Julius Horst
 Recorder Andrew J. Arnold
 Arbitrator C. M. McDaniel.

BY LAWS OF THE VAUGHAN DISTRICT.

Voted That any person here after discovering a Quartz Lode in this District shall be intitled to fifteen hundred, (1500), feet along the line of the Lode together with Three hundred, 300, feet of surface ground, on each side of the middle there of as provided by the mining Law of the United States.

Voted that no Lode shall be recorded until a mineral vein lode, or Lodge is fairly exposed.

Voted That the recorder of the district shall be entitled to charge the following fees to wit: for recording any doucement not exceeding one page of legal cap paper, one Dollar for each additional page, Fifty centz,

Voted That whenever any dispute shall arise in the District involving any question pertaining to mines or mining, it shall be the privilege of the parties to such dispute to submit the case to arbitration, to which end either party may proceed as follows, to wit, Any person thinking himself aggrieved may furnish to the arbitrator a written complaint, setting forth wherein and by whom he considers his rights invaded or disregarded and stating that he desires to submit the case to arbitration; whereupon it shall be the duty of the Arbitrator to furnish the party complained against with a copy of said complaint, and to appoint without delay, a time and place for holding such Arbitration, wherefore the party shall be duly notified at least one week before such arbitration is to take place, the Arbitrator shall also notify the plaintiff and defendent that it is the privilege of the parties to choose two persons as Arbitrators, each party choose one, and that such persons shall in connection with the District Arbitrator constute a Bord of Arbitrators for the hearing and adjustment of the case between said plaintiffs.

Moved that the Helena Herald be requested to Publish the Constitution and Laws of the Vaughan District carried

Meeting Adjourned *Sine Die*.

[NOTE.—These were all the regular meetings ever held in the district and the affairs of the organization went smoothly on, the *spirit* of the roughly-drawn laws and regulations being sacredly observed by the illiterate prospectors, who, although they might not know how to frame laws, knew how to observe them. In later years it has become the general custom to make all records with the respective county recorders and to refer all litigation to the courts. The necessity for the old regulations of the mining district organizations is therefore rapidly dying out.]

NEVADA.

STORBY COUNTY.—GOLD HILL MINING DISTRICT.

MINERS' MEETING AT GOLD HILL

At a meeting of the miners of Gold Hill, held on Saturday, June 11th, 1859, A. G. Hammaek was appointed Chairman, and V. A. Houseworth, Secretary.

The Chairman briefly explained the object of the meeting, after which, Judge Crane, in a brief and cogent speech, gave an account of his labors and exertions as Delegate of Nevada to Congress.

On motion of V. A. Houseworth, it was unanimously

resolved, that we fully endorse the citizens' proceedings of Carson City, of June 6th.

On motion of B. F. Little, it was unanimously

resolved, that the Chair appoint five Delegates to meet at Carson City, Eagle Valley, on June 20th, to appoint Delegates of this District to be elected by the people, to the Convention to be held at Genoa, Carson Valley, on the 18th day of July ensuing, to consider the public good.

The Chair appointed V. A. Houseworth, J. A. Osborn, Jas. F. Rogers, L. S. Bowers and Capt A. A. Parker said Delegates

It was unanimously

resolved, that we, the miners of Gold Hill, in demonstration of respect to Judge Crane, for his manly and distinguished services as Delegate to Congress, entitles him to our highest considerations.

The following preamble, rules and regulations were unanimously adopted:

Whereas, The isolated position we occupy—far from all legal tribunals, and cut off from those fountains of justice which every American citizen should enjoy, renders it necessary that we organize, in body politic, for our mutual protection against the lawless and for meteing out justice between man and man. Therefore, we the citizens of Gold Hill and vicinity do hereby agree to adopt the following rules and laws for our government:

ARTICLE 1st. There shall be elected one Justice of the Peace, one Constable, and one Recorder of this District, for the term of six months.

ARTICLE 2d. The duty of the Justice shall be to issue all subpoenas, summons', warrants, attachments, etc., as may be required, to try all civil and criminal cases, and award such judgments as the evidence of the case or the decision of the jury may require.

ARR. 3d. The duty of the Constable shall be to serve all precepts emanating from the Court, keep in Custody all prisoners for crimes or misdemeanors until convicted or acquitted, act as a conservator of the peace and inflict all penalties that may be awarded against offenders.

ARR. 4th. The duty of the Recorder shall be to keep in a well bound book a record of all mining claims, that may be presented for record, with the names of the parties locating or purchasing, the number of feet, where situated, and the date of location or purchase; also, return a certificate for said claim or claims.

RULES AND REGULATIONS

SECTION 1st. Any person who shall wilfully and with malice aforethought take the life of any person, shall, upon being duly convicted thereof, suffer the penalty of death by hanging.

SEC. 2d. Any person who shall wilfully wound or maim another, shall, upon conviction thereof, suffer such penalty as the Jury may determine.

SEC. 3d. Any person found guilty of robbery or theft, shall, upon conviction, be punished with stripes or banished, as the Jury may determine.

SEC. 4th. Any person found guilty of assault and battery, or exhibiting deadly weapons in a threatening manner, shall, upon conviction, be fined or banished, as the Jury may determine.

SEC. 5th. No banking games, under any consideration, shall be allowed in this district, under the penalty of final banishment from the district.

SEC. 6th. The same fees shall be allowed in the Justice and Constable as those allowed in California, the fees to be paid by the parties litigant, and the Court by the laws as laid down in the California Statutes, so far as applicable.

SEC. 7th. Evidence of record of claims shall be considered title in preference to claims that are not recorded, nor shall the Recorder record more than one hill, dry gulch or ravine claim in the name of an individual, unless the same has been purchased.

SEC. 8th. All claims shall be carefully defined by a stake at each end of the claim, with the number of members forming said company and the number of feet owned,

SEC. 9th. All claims shall be worked or the notice renewed in sixty days from the day of record, and no claim shall exceed two hundred feet square, hill claims excepted, which may be reduced to fifty feet front.

SEC. 10th. The Recorder shall be allowed the sum of twenty-five cents for recording the claim of each individual or member of a company.

SEC. 11th. No Chinaman shall be allowed to hold a claim in this district.

SEC. 12th. This district shall include all the territory from the meridian of John Town to Steamboat Valley.

SEC. 13th. All quartz claims shall not exceed three hundred feet in length, including the depths and spurs.

SEC. 14th. Any person or persons discovering a quartz vein shall be entitled to an extra claim, on all veins he or they may discover.

SEC. 15th. All persons holding quartz claims shall actually work to the amount of \$15 to the share, within ninety days from the time of locating.

SEC. 16th. All persons holding quartz claims and complying with Section 15th, shall hold the same for the term of 18 months as actual property.

SEC. 17th. All quartz claims shall be duly recorded within thirty days from the time of locating.

SEC. 18th. No person shall locate more than one claim on a vein discovered.

SEC. 19th. Any and all persons locating for mining purposes shall have the same duly recorded within ten days from the time of locating.

SEC. 20th. *Resolved*, that the above rules and regulations shall be signed by the citizens of this district, and all who may locate hereafter.

On motion, it was unanimously

resolved, that the proceedings of this meeting be published in the "Territorial Enterprise," in Carson Valley.

J. A. Osborn was duly elected Justice of the Peace; Jas. F. Rogers, Constable; V. A. Houseworth, Recorder.

On motion, the meeting adjourned.

A. G. HAMMACK, *Chairman*.

V. A. HOUSEWORTH, *Secretary*.

GOLD HILL MINING DISTRICT, SUNDAY, *February 26th*, 1860.

At a meeting of the Miners of Gold Hill District, on motion, Mr. J. H. Mills was called to the Chair, and S. A. West appointed Secretary.

The Chairman briefly stated the object of the meeting.

On motion, that a committee of five be appointed to draft a revised code of laws.

The following persons were appointed said committee: J. H. Mills, Dr. Witter, Edw. C. Morce, H. Clark and S. A. West.

On motion, that the committee be allowed one week to report.

On motion, the meeting adjourned until Sunday, March 4th.

SUNDAY, *March 4th*, 1860.

Meeting met pursuant to adjournment.

The committee appointed to revise the Mining Laws of Gold Hill District would respectfully submit the following:

This District shall be bounded as follows, to wit: On the east by the Devil's Gate District; on the north by Virginia District; on the west by Washoe District, and on the south by Carson District. The lines to be established by the several Districts by mutual agreement.

SECTION 1. No person shall be entitled to hold more than one claim on any one quartz lead by location.

SEC. 2. All quartz claims hereafter located, shall not exceed two hundred feet in length, including all dips, spurs and angles.

SEC. 3. Any person or persons discovering a quartz lead, shall be entitled to one claim in addition for such discovery.

SEC. 4. All quartz claims shall be duly recorded within five days from the time of location.

SEC. 5. All persons locating quartz claims shall define by a stake at each end of the claims where the ledge is visible, giving the names forming said company and the number of feet claimed.

SEC. 6. Any person or persons locating quartz claims where the ledge is not visible, shall be required to set his or their notice as near as possible to said claim or claims until the ledge shall be defined, giving the names forming said company, as in section 5th.

SEC. 7. All persons holding quartz claims shall work to the amount of three days for each claim, in each and every month on said claim or claims, or work to the amount of fifty dollars, which shall hold said claim for the term of six months.

SEC. 8. No person shall be allowed more than one claim in any one gulch, ravine or hill, unless by purchase.

SEC. 9. All ravine or gulch claims shall not exceed one hundred feet square each, hill claims excepted, which may be reduced to fifty feet front.

SEC. 10. All hill, ravine or gulch claims shall be recorded within five days from the time of location. Each claim or claims shall be defined by a stake at each corner, with the names of the person or persons forming said company.

SEC. 11. All surface claims shall be worked within ten days after there is sufficient water to successfully work said claims.

SEC. 12. There shall be a Recorder elected, to hold his office during the pleasure of the miners.

SEC. 13. The duty of the Recorder shall be to keep in a well bound book a record of all mining claims that may be presented for record, with the names of the parties locating or purchasing, with the number of feet claimed, where situated, and the date of location or purchase; also, returns a certificate of record of said claim or claims, giving the book and page of said record.

SEC. 14. The Recorder shall be required to go upon the ground and place the stakes and notices on the claims, as in section 5th and 6th, and for such services shall be paid 75 cents per claim.

SEC. 15. The Recorder shall not record any claim or claims that is already recorded and unforfeited, according to the laws of this District.

SEC. 16. No Chinaman shall be allowed to hold a claim in this District.

SEC. 17. All claims located under the old law shall become subject to the revised law after the expiration of three months from this date, as to the working of said claim or claims.

SEC. 18. It shall be the duty of the Recorder to keep the books of record in a safe place, and allow the public to examine them in his presence.

SEC. 19. That the laws as adopted shall go into effect from this 4th day of March, A. D. 1860.

On motion, that the proceedings of this meeting be published in the TERRITORIAL ENTERPRISE.

J. H. MILLS, *President.*

S. A. WEST, *Secretary.*

MINERS' MEETING, 1873.

Pursuant to a call, published in the Gold Hill NEWS, a meeting of the Miners of this District was held at Theater Hall, Gold Hill, Wednesday evening, October 8th, 1873. The meeting was called to order by H. G. Maynard, Esq., and, upon motion, Judge S. H. Robinson was duly elected Chairman, and John R. White appointed Secretary.

The Chair stated the object of the meeting to be to revise and amend the District Mining Laws so as to accord with the Act of Congress in relation to the location of Mining Claims, and in a few appropriate remarks, showed the points of difference and the advisability of a change.

After some little discussion between members of the meeting, the following amendments to the District Mining Laws were offered and unanimously adopted:

Amendments to the Gold Hill District Mining Laws.

First—Section 9 of the Gold Hill District Mining Laws is hereby amended to read as follows: All surface or placer claims located may be in extent but shall not exceed the maximum amount allowed by Act of Congress, entitled "An Act to promote the development of the mining resources of the United States, approved May 10, 1872."

Second—All sections of the Gold Hill Mining District Laws in conflict with the provisions of the Act of Congress above recited are hereby repealed.

On motion, a committee of five, consisting of John H. Mills, H. G. Maynard, H. Fitzsimmon, A. Fleming and S. H. Robinson were appointed to fully examine the District Laws, and determine the necessity of any further amendments, with discretionary power to call a meeting at any time within a period of thirty days.

Resolved, That the proceedings of this meeting be published in the Gold Hill News.

Resolved, That a copy of the amendments to the District Laws be filed with the County Recorder of Storey County, Nevada.

The meeting then adjourned, subject to the call of the Committee.

S. H. ROBINSON, *President.*

J. R. WHITE, *Secretary.*

[This district was first organized during the year 1859, but whatever rules and regulations were adopted at that time were abolished at the meeting of March 4, 1860. No record whatever is obtainable referring to the first set of laws and regulations.]

STOREY COUNTY.—VIRGINIA MINING DISTRICT.

"DIVISIONS AND SECTIONS OF VIRGINIA DISTRICT.

SECTION first, Nevada Hill Shall extend from the divide between Gold Hill and Virginia districts to the point of rocks on a line with the north boundary of the claims of McFadden & Co.

SECTION No. 2. Granite Hill shall extend from Nevada Hill north to the ravine running east nearly on a line with the lot of Ross & Co.

SECTION No. 3. Virginia Hill Extends from Granite Hill north to the south fork of California Ravine.

- SECTION No. 4. Cedar Hill Extends from Virginia Hill north to the north fork of California ravine.
 SECTION No. 5 California Hill Follows the line of California ravine to its intersection with Six Mile Canyon.
 SECTION No. 6. Carson Hill. Includes the North Side of the divide between Six Mile and Gold Canyons
 SECTION No. 7. Quartz Hill. Includes the hill lying between Cedar ravine and California ravine".

These boundaries were established by the miners of the Virginia Mining District in September 1859.

VIRGINIA MINING DISTRICT.

At a meeting of the Miners of Virginia District, held at Virginia City, September 14th, 1859, the following laws were adopted for the government of the Miners of said District :

- ARTICLE 1. All quartz claims hereafter located shall be two hundred feet on the lead, including all its dips and angles.
 ART. 2. All discoverers of new quartz veins shall be entitled to an additional claim for discovery.
 ART. 3. All claims shall be designated by stakes and notices at each corner.
 ART. 4. All quartz claims shall be worked to the amount of ten dollars or three days' work per month to each claim, and the owner can work to the amount of forty dollars as soon after the location of the claim as he may elect, which amount being worked shall exempt him from working on said claim for six months thereafter.
 ART. 5. All quartz claims shall be designated and known by a name, and in sections.
 ART. 6. All claims shall be properly recorded within ten days from the time of location.
 ART. 7. All claims recorded in the Gold Hill record and lying in Virginia District shall be recorded free of charge in the record of Virginia District upon the presentation of a certificate from the Recorder of Gold Hill District, certifying that said claims have been duly recorded in said district, and said claims shall be recorded within thirty days after the passage of this article.
 ART. 9. Surface and hill claims shall be one hundred feet square, and designated by stakes and notices at each corner.
 ART. 10. All ravine and gulch claims shall be one hundred feet in length, and in width extend from bank to bank, and be designated by a stake and notice at each end.
 ART. 11. All claims shall be worked within ten days after water can be had sufficient to to work said claims.
 ART. 12. All ravine, gulch and surface claims shall be recorded within ten days after location.
 ART. 13. All claims not worked according to the laws of this district shall be forfeited and subject to re-location.
 ART. 14. There shall be a Recorder elected, to hold his office for the term of twelve months, who shall be entitled to the sum of fifty cents for each claim located and recorded.
 ART. 15. The Recorder shall keep a book, with all the laws of this district written therein, which shall at all times be subject to the inspection of the miners of said district, and he is furthermore required to post, in two conspicuous places, a copy of the laws of said district

On motion, it was

resolved that these laws be published in the TERRITORIAL ENTERPRISE for one month.
Resolved, That W. C. Campbell be declared the Recorder of this District.

W. C. CAMPBELL, *Chairman.*
 S. M. FADDEN, *Secretary.*

VIRGINIA, *Sept.* 14th, 1859.

LYON COUNTY.—DEVIL'S GATE AND CHINATOWN MINING DISTRICT.

MINING LAWS OF DEVIL'S GATE & CHINA TOWN DIST.

At a meeting of the Miners of Devil's Gate and China Town District held at the Devil's Gate on Sunday evening November 19th 1859 the following by-laws were adopted,

ARTICLE 1st This District shall be known as the Devil's Gate and China Town Mining District, and shall be bounded as follows, to wit; Commencing at the Devil's Gate and running in a westerly direction to the foot of the American Flat; thence on a straight line to the eastern boundary of Eagle Valley and Washo District; thence following said line in a southeasterly direction to Rose's Dam, on Carson River, thence down said river to China Town thence up the divide and along the western line of Virginia District to the head of Negro Ravine; thence in a straight line to the place of beginning.

ARTICLE 2nd All Quartz Veins of Gold or Silver, hereafter, located shall be two hundred feet on the lead including all its dips angles and spurs,

ARTICLE 3d, All discoverers of New Veins shall be entitled to One additional Claim for discovery,

ARTICLE 4th All Claims Shall be designated by Stakes and Notices at each end

ARTICLE 5th All Claims shall be worked to the Amount of ten dollars or three days work per Month to each claim, but the owner can work to the Amount of forty dollars as soon after location as he may see proper, which amount shall exempt him from working said Claim for Six months thereafter,

ARTICLE 6th All Claims shall be designated by a name and its locality particularly described,

ARTICLE 7 All Claims shall be properly recorded within five days after location.

ARTICLE 8. All Claims not worked according to the laws of the district shall be forfeited and subject to re-location

ARTICLE 9 There shall be a *Recorder* elected to hold his Office for the term of twelve months, who shall be entitled to fifty cents for each claim recorded.

ARTICLE 10, The Recorder shall keep in his own possession a well-bound book with all the laws of this District written therein, which shall at all times be subject to the inspection of the Mines of the district

ARTICLE 11 It shall be the duty of the Recorder to be on the ground located before recording the same

ARTICLE 12 All notices of Claims recorded under the Gold Hill laws,—shall be transferred within twenty days—after the adoption of the foregoing laws into this district, and shall be recorded free of charge.

ARTICLE 13 When a gold or silver vein is discovered and cannot be traced out at the time of its location, the owners of said ledge shall be entitled to all its dips and angles when found

ARTICLE 14 Surface and hill Claims shall be one hundred feet square, and be designated by Stakes and notices at each corner,

ARTICLE 15 All ravine and gulch claims shall be one hundred feet in length, and in width, extending from bank to bank, and be designated by a stake and notice at each end

ARTICLE 16 All placer and Gulch claims shall be worked within ten days after water can be had to work them,

ARTICLE 17 All disputes in regard to Mining Claims shall be decided by a Miners Court, which shall consist of a Justice whose duty it shall be to administer an oath or affirmation to witnesses and Jurymen, the Jury to consist of six or twelve persons, as the parties may agree and the Majority of said Jury shall decide the case,

On Motion it was ordered that the foregoing laws be published in the Territorial Enterprise

B. B. BROWN *Prest*

P. C. VANHORN *Secretary*

LAW OF POSPONEMENT PASSED ON MAY 13TH. 1860 AT SILVER CITY

Whereas hostile Indians threaten the Safety of the Inhabitants of this District, and many are absent & will be in Consequence thereof it is Resolved that the laws requiring Mining Claims to be Worked, be Suspended for Thirty days & that No claims shall be Subject to re-location for that time. Filed May 13th 1860 the day of its passage & Recorded May 14th 1860

B. T. BROWN *Recorder*
per WM II. DALLY *Dep*

I Certify this is a true Copy taken from Book C Page 142 of the Records

B. T. BROWN *Recorder*
per GRIER *Dep*

NEW MINING LAW.

Pursuant to a Notice one Week in advance a Miners Meeting Met on June 30th at the Recorders office in the Devil's Gate District.

Thos J. Tennant nominated and Elected president and T. W. Penney Secretary

The following resolutions were voted upon and adopted viz

Whereas, there being within the Devils Gate District a Number of Quartz Ledges upon which Companies have expended their labor and money in opening or prospecting

And WHEREAS there are no means within the District whereby they can crush or work the quartz; That more work done upon many Ledges would be useless labor and injurious to the Companies and as a protection to those who have toiled and Expended their labor and money in developing the resources of the Country Therefore be it resolved

1st That any Quartz Ledge taken up and worked upon by any Company and prospected Shall Not be Subject to re-Location for less than Six Months from the date of the record provided for in the next resolution.

2d That when a Company have prospected their ledge they shall call upon the Recorder of the District and require him to visit their ground and if he considers it prospected he shall be required to record the same among the mining records of the District and demand from the Company Two Dollars before recording the Same.

3rd That no ledge shall be Considered prospected whereless than a Shaft of Fifteen feet has been sunk or a Tunnel less than Twenty feet run and in no case shall a claim be considered prospected unless the ledge has been struck and three ton of Quartz taken therefrom,

4th That any person purchasing *bono-fide* any Interest in any Quartz ledge in this District shall not lose the same by any subsequent re-location upon the same and any such Interest being Jumped upon proof before the recorder and that such interest was purchased in good faith and the money paid for it—the recorder Shall Notify the jumper or Jumpers and Should he or they refuse after three days to restore the ground to the owners the recorder shall be required to Summons Sufficient Number of Miners and residents of the District to Expell them therefrom the ground. The same power shall be given the Recorder to carry out and enforce the provisions of resolution No. 3 (three) The parties for whose benefit the recorder performs the above services shall pay to Said Recorder the Sum of Five Dollars (5\$)—

On Motion The foregoing resolutions were ordered to be published in the Territorial Enterprise San Francisco Bulletin and Sacramento Union

THOS. J TENNANT *Prest.*

T. W. PENNY, *Sect,y*

Recorded June 30th, 1860

B. T. BROWN *Recorder*
per GRIER *Dep*

REVISED MINING LAWS OF THE DEVIL'S GATE AND CHINATOWN MINING DISTRICT

ARTICLE 1. This District shall be known as the Devil's Gate and Chinatown Mining District, and shall be bounded as follows, to wit: Commencing at the Devil's Gate and running in a westerly direction to the foot of American Flat; thence on a straight line to the eastern boundary of Eagle Valley and Washoe Districts; thence following said line in a southerly direction to Rose's Dam, on the Carson river; thence down said river to Chinatown; thence up the divide and along the western line of Virginia District to the head of Negro Ravine; thence in a straight line to the place of beginning.

ART. 2. All quartz veins of gold and silver, or other metals, hereafter located, shall be two hundred feet on the lead, including all the dips, angles and spurs.

ART. 3. All discoverers of new veins shall be entitled to one additional claim for discovery.

ART. 4. All claims shall be worked to the amount of ten dollars, or three day's work per month to each claim.

ART. 5. That any quartz ledge taken up and worked or prospected by any person or company shall not be subject to re-location for the space of six months following the date of the record provided for in the next article.

ART. 6. That when a company have prospected their ledge, they may call upon the Recorder of the District, and require him to visit their ground, and if, on examination, he considers it duly prospected, it shall be his duty to record the same among the mining records of the District; for which service he shall be entitled to demand and receive the sum of two dollars prior to making the required record.

ART. 7. That no ledge shall be considered prospected unless a shaft at least fifteen feet deep has been sunk, or a tunnel of at least twenty feet has been run; and in no case shall a claim be considered prospected unless the ledge has been struck, and at least three tons of quartz taken therefrom.

ART. 8. All claims shall be designated by a name, and its locality described, as near as possible, by a notice posted on the same.

ART. 9. All claims shall be properly recorded within five days after location.

ART. 10. All claims not worked according to the laws of the District, shall be forfeited, and subject to re-location.

ART. 11. There shall be a Recorder elected to hold his office for the term of one year; who shall be entitled to fifty cents for each claim recorded.

ART. 12. The Recorder shall keep in his own possession a well bound book, with all the laws of this District written therein; which shall at all times be subject to the inspection of the miners of this District.

ART. 13.—When a vein of gold or silver or other metals is discovered, and cannot be traced at the time of its location, the owners of said ledge shall be entitled to it, and all its dips and angles, when found.

ART. 14. Surface and hill claims shall be one hundred feet square, and be designated by stakes and notices at each corner.

ART. 15. All ravine and gulch claims shall be one hundred feet in length, and in width extending from bank to bank, and be designated by stakes and notices at each end.

ART. 16. All placer and gulch claims shall be worked within ten days after water can be had to work them.

ART. 17. All laws heretofore passed by the miners of this District, are hereby repealed

SAM. T. CURTIS *Chairman*

J. J. MILLS, *Secretary*

The meeting, at which the foregoing laws were adopted, was held on or about the 1st of Nov. 1861.

On motion the by-laws submitted by the committee were read and voted on section by section. Following are the laws unanimously adopted:

LOCAL REGULATIONS OF THE DEVIL'S GATE AND CHINATOWN MINING DISTRICT.

ARTICLE I. This District shall be known as the Devil's Gate and Chinatown Mining District, and shall be bounded as follows, to wit: Commencing at the Devil's Gate and running in a westerly direction to the foot of American Flat, thence on a straight line to the eastern boundary of Eagle Valley and Washoe Districts; thence following said line in a southerly direction to Rose's Dam, on the Carson river; down said river to Chinatown; thence up the divide and along the western line of Virginia District to the head of Negro Ravine; thence in a straight line to the place of beginning.

ARTICLE II. All claims located shall be designated by a name, and its locality described by a notice posted on the same, and shall also have monuments or posts not less than four by four inches square and three feet high at each corner of mine.

ARTICLE III. All locations of mines shall be properly recorded within twenty days after location.

ARTICLE IV. Not less than one hundred dollars' worth of labor shall be performed, or improvements made each year, upon each and every location in this district; and any party or parties doing such work, shall, within ten days, file with the District Mining Recorder a sworn statement that such labor has been performed, and the same shall be recorded, for which the Recorder shall receive a fee of one dollar.

ARTICLE V.—There shall be a Recorder elected to hold his office for one year or until his successor is elected and qualified, who shall be entitled to and receive, for recording each notice of location, two dollars and fifty cents.

ARTICLE VI. The recorder shall keep in his own possession a well-bound book, with all the laws of the district written therein, which shall at all times be open to the inspection of the public. The Recorder shall not allow the book to be taken out of the office unless by competent authority.

ARTICLE VII. All surface or placer claims located may be in extent, but shall not exceed the maximum amount allowed by Act of Congress entitled 'An Act to promote the development of the mining resources of the United States,' approved May 10, 1872.

ARTICLE VIII. All placer and gulch claims shall be worked within ten days after water can be had to work them.

ARTICLE IX. All sections of the Devil's Gate and Chinatown Mining District laws in conflict with the provisions of the Act of Congress above cited in Article VII are hereby repealed.

ARTICLE X. All laws heretofore passed by the miners of this district are hereby repealed.

The foregoing laws were adopted at a meeting of the miners of Devil's Gate and Chinatown Mining District held at Silver City, Feby 24. 1879

WASHOE COUNTY.—ARGENTINE MINING DISTRICT.

MINERS MEETING

SPRING RAVINE, UTAH TERRITORY *March 19th 1860.*

Pursuant to notice the Miners of this Locality met at the Tunnel of Algiers Company, Edward Holske was called to preside and Samuel Hart was chosen as Secretary. After a few remarks the following Resolutions were unanimously passed.

Resolved 1st That the Miners of this Locality having a large extent of mining Country not yet formed into a District and seeing day by day the inconvenience of travelling far so as to Record their different Claims, have this day, Monday this 19th March 1860 formed and do form a new district with rules and regulations attached to the same forming a Code of Laws hereinafter described, this said new district to go under the name and Appellation of the Argentine District.

Resolved 2nd That We do hereby appoint R. C. McKenzie as Recorder of said Argentine District and have elected him to said office unanimously.

LAWS OF THE MINES OF ARGENTINE DISTRICT, U. T.

ARTICLE 1st The Boundaries of said district shall be as follows: commencing North or North Easterly at Toll Gate, thence Easterly following the Western Boundaries of Virginia District and Gold Hill District, thence striking off South from the lower part of American Flatt in Gold Hill district at a post, marked *Argentine District* to the Northern shore of Washoe Lake, opposite the Dick Side Mill, thence

running northerly following up the Northern shore and striking the Boundaries of the Galena District up to Steamboat Springs, thence to the Toll Gate the place of beginning

ARTICLE 2nd All quartz claims located in this district shall be two hundred (200) feet on the lead, including all its dips, spurs and angles.

ARTICLE 3rd All Discoverers of New quartz veins shall and will be entitled to an additional claim of (200) two hundred feet for Discovery.

ARTICLE 4th All claims shall be designated by Stakes and Notices at each end of any Company's Claims, provided, the ledge can be easily traced; but in case the Ledge cannot be readily traced, may at any time drive their stakes where the Lead is known to Run. And any Claim located after any claim so located, and found not to be on the ledge, shall not conflict with the claims so located. The Ledge upon which any claim or claims are located shall be designated by name.

ARTICLE 5th All quartz claims shall be worked to the amount of four days or \$12.00 twelve dollars per, month to each claim, And the owner can work to the amount of \$50.00 fifty dollars as soon after the Location of the claim as he may choose, Which Amount being worked shall exempt him from working on said claim for six months thereafter.

ARTICLE 6th All claims shall be properly recorded within ten days from the time of location.

ARTICLE 7th Any Claim recorded in any other district until date 19th March 1860 and lying in Argentine district, may be recorded free of charge in the Record at Argentine district, upon a presentation of a Certificate from the Recorder of the district in which they are recorded, certifying that said claim has been duly recorded.

ARTICLE 8th All placer or Surface diggings or claims shall be one hundred feet square and be designated by Stakes and notices at each Corner.

ARTICLE 9th All Surface and Ravine Claims or Gulch Claims shall be one hundred feet square and be designated by stakes and notices at each corner.

ARTICLE 10th All Surface and Ravine claims or Gulch claims shall be worked within ten days after sufficient Water can be had to work such claims.

ARTICLE 11th All Claims not worked according to the Laws of this district shall be forfeited and subjected to relocation.

ARTICLE 12th There shall be a Recorder elected to hold his Office for the term of twelve months. The Recorder shall be required to go upon the ground and place the stakes and notices on the Claims and for such Services shall be paid \$1.00 one dollar per claim

ARTICLE 13th No Chinaman shall be allowed to hold a claim in this district.

On Motion it was

Resolved that these Resolutions and Laws be published in the Territorial Enterprise for one month.

EDWARD HOLSKE *Chairman*

S. HOYT *Secretary*

ARGENTINE MINING DISTRICT *June 1st, 1863.*—

Pursuant to call made by posted notices, the miners of Argentine Mining District met at the Summit House, Ophir grade, for the purpose of adopting a set of by-laws for the government of the District, and to elect a Recorder.

The meeting organized by electing R. E. Williams, President, and Erastus Bond Secretary.

On motion, Erastus Bond, S. C. Rowe, and Joseph Bretz were appointed a committee to draft by-laws, and to define the boundary of the District.

The committee present the following report, which, on motion, was unanimously adopted:

The boundary of the District shall be as follows, to wit:

On the east by Sulphur Springs, Gold Hill and Virginia District; on the north by the Geiger road; on the west by Pleasant Valley and Washoe Lake, and on the south by Rose's Range.

BY-LAWS.

SEC. 1. No person shall be entitled to hold more than one claim on any one quartz ledge by location.

SEC. 2. All quartz claims hereafter located shall not exceed two hundred feet in length, including all dips, spurs and angles.

SEC. 3. Any person or persons discovering a quartz lead shall be entitled to one claim additional for such discovery.

SEC. 4. All quartz claims shall be duly recorded within ten days from time of location.

SEC. 5. All persons locating quartz claims shall define the same by a stake at each end of the claim where the ledge is visible, giving the names of the locators, and the number of feet claimed.

SEC. 6. Any person or persons locating quartz claims where the ledge is not visible shall be required to set his or their stake and notice as near as possible to said claim or claims until the ledge shall be defined: Provided, that the locator shall have but one hundred and fifty feet on each side of his or their stake or notice to make said discovery, giving the names of the locators, and number of feet located as in Sec. 5.

SEC. 7. All persons holding quartz claims shall work the same to the amount of three days for each claim in each and every month on said claim or claims, or work to the amount of fifty dollars on each claim, which shall hold said claim for the term of six months.

SEC. 8. There shall be a Recorder elected, to hold office during the pleasure of the miners.

SEC. 9. The duty of the Recorder shall be to keep in a well bound book, a record of all mining claims that may be presented for record, with the names of the parties purchasing or locating, with the number of feet claimed, where situated, and the date of location or purchase, return a certificate of record of said claim or claims, giving the book and page of said record.

SEC. 10. The Recorder shall receive for his services fifty cents for each claim or name recorded: Provided, that if the locator requires the Recorder to go upon the ground and set the stakes, he shall then receive one dollar for each claim located.

SEC. 11. It shall be the duty of the recorder to keep the book of records in a safe place, and allow the public to examine them in his presence.

Resolved, That the laws as adopted shall go into effect from this, first day of June, A. D. 1863.

Erastus Bond was then elected Recorder, after which the meeting adjourned.

ERASTUS BOND, *Sec'y.*

R. E. WILLIAMS, *Pres't.*

ESMERALDA COUNTY.—ESMERALDA MINING DISTRICT.

At a meeting of the miners of Esmeralda District held at Braly Cory & Hicks camp August 30th 1860— Dr E. F. Mitchell was chosen President & James M. Braly Sect'y—

The following laws were then adopted for this Dist—

SEC 1—This Dist shall be called the Esmeralda Dist & shall be bounded as follows—a line commencing at a point five miles south of the discovery claim on the Esmeralda lode running East five miles thence north ten miles thence west ten miles thence south ten miles thence five miles east to the place of beginning—

SEC 2—No person shall be entitled to hold more than one claim on any one quartz lead by location—

SEC 3—All quartz claims hereafter located shall not exceed two hundred feet in length including all dips, spurs & angles Spurs to extend fifty feet each side of the ledge

SEC 4 Any person or persons discovering a quartz ledge shall be entitled to one claim in addition for such discovery—

SEC 5 All quartz claims shall be duly recorded within ten days from the time of location—

SEC 6—All persons locating quartz claims shall designate by name the ledge claimed, the course as near as may be, in which it runs & define the same by stakes or other land-marks giving the names of all persons composing said company by notice placed thereon and number of feet claimed—Any person or company locating for a blind ledge shall not be allowed more than one hundred feet in width, which distance shall be computed by an equal number of feet on either side the stake or landmarks first set—

SEC 7—All persons holding quartz claims shall work to the amount of two days for each claim in each & every month after the recording of said claim or claims Provided that work to the amount of ten dollars shall hold each claim until the first day of June (1861) eighteen hundred & sixty one—

SEC 8—No person shall be allowed more than one Claim on any one gulch, ravine or hill unless by purchase—

SEC 9—All ravine or gulch claims shall not exceed one hundred feet square each, hill claims excepted which may be reduced to fifty feet front—

SEC 10—All hill gulch or ravine claims shall be recorded within ten days from the time of location—Each claim or claims shall be defined by a stake at each corner with the name or names of the person or persons forming said company—

SEC 11—All surface claims shall be worked within ten days after there is sufficient water to successfully work said claims, Provided that work to the amount of ten dollars shall hold each claim until the first day of June (1861)—

SEC 12—There shall be a Recorder elected who shall hold his office during the pleasure of a majority of the miners of the District—

SEC 13—The duty of the Recorder shall be to keep in a well bound book a record of all notices of mining claims that may be presented for record, with the name of the party locating or purchasing, with the number of feet claimed, where situated & the date of location or purchase, also return a certificate of record of said claim or claims giving the book, page & date of said record—

SEC 14—The Recorder shall be required to go upon the ground, measure it & place the stakes & notices upon the claims as specified & for such services shall be paid one dollar per claim—

SEC 15—The Recorder shall not record any claims that are already recorded & unforfeited—

SEC 16—It shall be the duty of the Recorder to keep a well bound book for recording all deeds & transfers of mining claims in this District—It shall also be the duty of the Recorder to keep all books of record in a safe place & allow the public to examine them at any time in his presence—

SEC 17—The Recorder shall be allowed the sum of two dollars & fifty cents for recording & certifying such record of each deed or bill of sale of mining claims & no greater sum—

SEC 18—The Recorder shall not allow any person to take any notes or extracts from his records with pen & ink but only with pencil so as to avoid erasures & inter lincations of the records—

SEC 19—These laws shall go into effect from and after this date, the thirtieth day of august Eighteen hundred & sixty—

SEC 20—In the election of a new Recorder ten days notice shall be given by public posters & the new Recorder shall not enter upon the duties of his office for twenty days after his election—

It was then resolved that these laws be sent to the "Territorial Enterprise" for publication

James M Braly was then duly elected Recorder for the Esmeralda District—

The meeting then adjourned—

E. F. MITCHELL *President*

JAMES M BRALY *Secretary*—

At a meeting of the miners of Esmeralda Mining District, Esmeralda County State of Nevada duly called & held on Monday Evening Nov 5th A D 1877 for the purpose of revising the local mining laws of said Dis't the following proceeding were had towit— Upon motion J. M. Meredith was elected Chairman of the meeting & E. McFadden Secretary— Upon motion the Sect'y read the mining laws of the District as heretofore passed from time to time with the revisions thereto—

Thereupon the following named persons were elected by the meeting as a committee to revise the laws of the Dis't towit M. A. Murphy—J. M. Meredith—& J. M. Fairwell & that said committee report to this meeting on Friday Nov 9th A D 1877 at 7 o'clock P. M.

J. M. MEREDITH *President*

Attest

E MCFADDEN *Secty*—

FRIDAY Nov 9th 1877 7 o'clock P. M.

Pursuant to adjournment the miners of Esmeralda Mining Dist. Esmeralda Co Nevada met at the court room in the Town of Aurora in said District—

The meeting was called to order by J. M. Meredith chairman & upon motion the minutes of the last meeting were read & approved Whereupon the committee appointed at the last meeting to revise the mining laws of said Dis't reported the following towit—

REPORT OF COMMITTEE

Your committee appointed to draft rules & laws to govern the location & working of mining claims in Esmeralda Mining Dist, Esmeralda County Nevada would respectfully report the following—

First That we have carefully considered the Mining laws as passed by the congress of the United States on May 10th 1872 & the amendment made subsequent to that date and after such consideration would recommend the adoption of said laws with as little change or addition thereto as may be, for the reason that all laws should be made plain, Laws should be made for the enforcement or protection of private rights, & redress or prevention of private wrongs— Laws should be made to protect the poorest & most humble citizen in the land as well as the rich who are better able to protect themselves—

In consideration of these things we would recommend the adoption for the government of this District the mining laws as passed by the Congress of the United States May 10th 1872 with the amendments thereto with the provisions hereinafter named to wit:

MINING LAWS OF ESMERALDA MINING DISTRICT AS ADOPTED BY THE MINERS AT A MEETING HELD NOV 9TH 1877—

ARTICLE 1—SEC 1—It is hereby resolved by the miners of Esmeralda Mining Dis't Esmeralda County Nevada that we adopt for the location working & regulation of mining claims and laws of the United States as passed by the Congress on May 10th 1872 with the amendments thereto—Provided, That any person or persons locating a Quartz ledge, vein or lode shall not be allowed to locate & claim any more than one hundred feet on each side of the line of the Lode instead of three hundred feet as allowed by the said U. S. Mining laws—

SECTION 2—All claims located in this District shall be duly recorded by the Mining District Recorder within ten days from the date of such location—

SECTION 3—Upon the application of any person locating a mining claim it shall be the duty of the Mining Recorder to go upon the ground and measure off such claim in accordance with the notice of location & shall see that posts & monuments are placed at each corner of the claim said posts to be not less than three (3) feet in height by not less than 2 x 4 inches, to be secured by monuments of rock or earth not less than 18 inches high a like post & monument shall be placed at each end of the claim upon the ledge or lode line of the claim on which shall be written by the Recorder in large plain letters the name of the claim, the direction in which it runs, the number of feet claimed & the date of the location—And the Recorder shall write on each corner post & indicate thereby the corner of the claim, after which the locator or locators shall be entitled to a certificate from the Recorder certifying of such location & such certificate shall be the evidence of such location—

SECTION 4—For measuring off & recording each claim of 1500 feet or less, & to include the making of the Certificate & fulfilling the requirements named in Sec 3 he shall be entitled to the sum of seven dollars & fifty cents (7⁵⁰/₁₀₀) to be paid by the locator or locators—

SECTION 5—Any person having performed \$100 worth of work or improvements upon his claim of 1500 feet or less within one year from the date of location thereof, and for each ensuing year thereafter as required by the laws of Congress as passed May 10th 1872, May require the Recorder to go upon the claim & measure said work, & if the Recorder shall be satisfied that said work has been done, as required by law, he shall issue to such person or persons a certificate which certificate shall be placed upon record by the Recorder in a book, provided for that purpose setting forth the same, & for such service including the certificate & recording, the Recorder shall be entitled to the sum of five (\$5.00) dollars Provided, That if the Recorder & parties applying for such certificate cannot agree as to the amount of work performed as aforesaid, then it shall be lawful for the Recorder to select one disinterested person & the party performing the labor to select one other disinterested person, they to decide upon the amount of labor performed, provided that if such person so chosen fail to agree, then to choose a third disinterested person & a decision of the majority of the three persons so chosen to be final—

SECTION 6—The Recorder shall not record any claim which has already been recorded & unforfeited—All laws heretofore passed by the miners of this District in Conflict with these laws are here by repealed—

Where upon by a unanimous vote of the meeting the report of the Committee was duly approved and the laws as revised, & reported by said Committee were unanimously adopted and declared to be the local mining laws of Esmeralda Mining District Esmeralda County, State of Nevada—

And no other business coming before the meeting, the meeting adjourned Sine Die

J. M. MEREDITH *Chairman*

Attest

E MCFADDEN *Secretary*—

LYON COUNTY.—INDIAN SPRINGS MINING DISTRICT.*

Pursuant to publick notice the miners of Indian Springs assembled at the Camp of Col. G. W. Whitman on monday Sept 24th 1860 for the purpose of setting apart a new Mining District and passing laws for the government of the same.

On motion Col G. W. Whitman was called to the chair and John Platt was chosen Secretary

The Chairman stated the object of the meeting as above set forth.

The Secretary presented and read the following laws, which on motion were unanimously adopted.

This District shall be known as the Indian Springs Mining District and shall be bounded as follows. Commencing at an Indian Spring near the mountain Companys South Stake (Mountain Ledge) and running thence easterly eight miles thence northerly six miles, thence westerly twelve miles thence easterly four miles to the place of beginning.

SECTION 1. No person shall hold more than one claim by location on any quartz Ledge in this District, except the discoverer or discoverers of a new ledge, who shall be entitled to one additional claim for discovery.

SEC. 2d. No claim hereafter located shall exceed 200 feet in length on the ledge, including all dips, spurs and angles.

SEC. 3 All claims shall be duly recorded within 10 days after location.

* The Indian Springs Mining District was consolidated with the Palmyra Mining District May 24, 1869, and was given the name of "Como Mining District," which name was subsequently, on August 18, 1879, changed to "Palmyra and Indian Springs Mining District."

SEC 4 All persons locating quartz claims. Shall define by a stake at each end of the claim, where the ledge is visible, giving the name of the ledge and the Company, and the number of feet claimed.

SEC 5. Any person or persons locating quartz claims where the ledge is not visible shall be required to set his or their stakes as near as possible to said ledge, and shall be allowed one hundred feet on each side thereof in which to define the same.

SEC 6 All persons holding quartz claims shall be required to work two days for each claim evry month. Work to the amount of \$50 to each claim shall hold said claim Six months.

SEC 7 Sufficient Surface ground on each side of a ledge shall be allowed for working privileges.

SEC 8 There shall be a Recorder elected who shall serve for the period of Six months, the first term to commence Sept 24th 1860.

SEC 9 The duty of the Recorder Shall be to keep in a well bound book a record of all mining claims that may be presented for record, with the names of the parties on purchasing also giving a certificate of record giving the Book and page of such record. He shall be required to go upon the ground claimed and place Stakes and notices on claims as in Sec. 4 & 5 and for such services he shall be paid 75 cts for each claim. He shall be allowed \$2.50 for recording a deed and \$1.50 for recording a bill of sale. He shall not record any claim already recorded and not forfeited according to the laws of the District. He shall keep the Book in a safe place and allow the public to examine them in his presence. He shall record free of charge transcripts of records made in other Districts prior to Sept. 24. 1860 but which in consequence of the formation of this District are now embraced within its boundaries. He shall also record free of charge the proceedings of all meetings held. He shall if 'necessary' appoint one or more Deputys and at the end of his term shall deliver over to his successor all books, papers etc belonging his office.

SEC. 10 No person or persons shall be allowed to vote at, or take part in any meeting held in this District except *bone fide* claim holders within the Same.

SEC 11 Any or all of foregoing Sections may be altered amended or repealed by a vote of two thirds of the claim holders of this District in mass meeting assembled, provided ten days notice shall have been given by posted notices in this District and two other conspicuous places in Carson County.*

SEC. 12. All laws or parts of laws heretofore existing governing this District are hereby repealed or declared *null and void*.

SEC 13th The above laws shall take effect from and after Sept 24th 1860.

On motion John Platt was unanimously elected Recorder..

On motion the above proceedings were ordered to be published, in the Sierra Democrat.

On motion the meeting adjourned *Sine Die*

G. W. WHITMAN *Chairman*

JOHN PLATT *Secretary*"

Pursuant to notice the claim-holders of Indian Springs Dist met at the Camp of Col. G. W. Whitman on tuesday Oct. 1860 for the purpose of discussing the propriety of Suspending operations in this District fore the approaching winter.

Col G. W. Whitman was called to the Chair and H. H. Whitman was chosen Secretary.

On motion the following resolutions were adopted.

Resolved that Sec 6 of the laws of this District requiring two days labor to each claim, be, and the same is hereby declared *null and void* until the first day of June 1861

Resolved that the foregoing resolution shall apply only to claims unforfeited at this date, and those which may be located between now and the said 1st of June 1861.

Meeting adjourned *Sine die*

G. W. WHITMAN *Chairman*

H. H. WHITMAN *Secretary*"

Notice, Is hereby given that a miners meeting will be held at the Recorders office in Indian Springs District on Sunday March 24 1861 at 11, A. M. for the purpose of electing a Recorder and amending the laws of Said District

JOHN PLATT *Recorder I. S. D*

INDIAN SPRINGS DISTRICT *March 15" 1861 "*

"MINERS MEETING"

Pursuant to notice the claim holders of Indian Springs Dist met at the Recorders office on the 24th day of March 1861 for the purpose of amending the laws and electing a Recorder for said District.

The meeting was organized electing G. W. Whitman Chairman and John Platt Secretary

On motion the following amendment to the laws of Indian Springs District was adopted.

SECTION 1st Any party running a tunnel for, or sinking a shaft on a located ledge, and discovering a blind ledge shall be entitled to an equal number of feet in the ledge thus discovered that they had in the original ledge or claim without any further location, and if not the original discovery of the ledge being run for or worked on then an additional 200 feet for discovery

On motion John Platt was unanimously elected Recorder for Six months,

Meeting adjourned *Sine die*

G. W. WHITMAN *Chairman*

JOHN PLATT *Secretary*"

"MINERS MEETING"

Pursuant to public notice of the claim holders of Indian Springs District met at the Recorders office on the 7th day of July 1863 for the purpose electing a Recorder of Said District. On motion Jackson Craig was unanimously elected chairman

On motion Abram Lewis was elected Secretary of the meeting.

On Motion that the Recorder be desired to post notices for a public meeting for the purpose of revising the present by laws.

On motion Henry C Millington was elected by ballot two majority to act as Recorder for the ensuing Six months
JACKSON ORAIG *Prest*

ABRAM LEWIS *Secretary*"

"Pursuant to public notice the claim holders of Indian Springs District met at the Recorders Office on the 18th day of July 1863 for the purpose of revising the bye laws of the District.

The bye laws having been read. On motion that they be adopted as they are
Meeting adjourned

G. C. BISHOP *Prest*"

H. MILLINGTON *Secretary*"

LYON COUNTY.—PALMYRA MINING DISTRICT.

At a Miner's Meeting held in Palmyra District on Thursday Sept. 11—1862 the following Laws were adopted for the government of the District—To Wit

1st The boundaries of the District shall be as follows—Viz—Commencing on the high peak of Mountains on the Palmyra Wood Co's Ranch thence running Southerly on the Mountains Six (6) Miles, thence Easterly Six (6) Miles, thence Northerly Six (6) Miles, thence Westerly Six (6) miles to place of beginning Embracing Six Miles Square—

2nd The Claims shall be as follows—Viz—a Quartz Claim for Each person shall be Two hundred (200) feet in length and designated by a post and Notice at Each End Embracing all the dips angles and Spurs—a Surface Claim Two hundred (200) feet square with posts and Notices at Each Corner, and a ravine or gulch claim Two hundred (200) feet in length, and in width from bank to bank, with stakes and Notices at each End.—

3rd All persons locating a blind ledge shall be Entitled to fifty (50)—of ground on Each side of his notice to find the same in—

4th—No person shall be allowed to locate more than one claim on the same ledge, nor more than one surface or ravine Claim in the District Except the discoverer, who shall be entitled to one additional Claim.—

5th All persons after locating claims shall have Ten days to record the same in, and Ten Dollars worth of work to Each share shall hold them for Thirty days, or Twenty Dollars worth work to the Share will hold them for Three Months, Which if not Complied with the Claims shall be relocatable:—

6th—All Claims or ground purchased shall be subject to the same Laws as if only located—

7th There shall be a Recorder Elected to serve for the term of one year from the date of these Laws and until a new recorder is Elected and qualified, when he shall deliver up the Books of record to his successor—said Recorder must be a resident of this District, and it shall be his duty to go on the ground, Measure the Claims, and see that they are properly staked and noticed before Recording them, for which he shall receive the fee of Fifty Cents for Each name recorded and one Dollar for recording Bills of Sales—

8th It will also be the duty of the recorder to ascertain that ground is relocatable before recording a relocation—

9th These Laws shall take effect from this date—

10th The Recorder shall have the Laws of the District published—

T. W. Penny was then Elected Recorder—when the Meeting adjourned

B. ROBERTS *Prest*,

T. W. PENNY *Sec'y*

M. WILLIAMS

J. McNISH

THOS OLIVER

JNO MOORE

D. F. ELMORE

L. FOSS

T. McDONOUGH

JAS KEENAN

N. BOWEN

Palmyra Sept 11th 1862

T. W. PENNEY *Sec'y*—

At a Miners Meeting held at Stubblefields Saloon in Palmyra on Nov. 24—1862 for the purpose of amending the Mining Laws of the District Jno Vandewater was Elected President & F. Tagliabue Secretary.

On Motion the Laws of the District for 1862 were then read by the Secretary.

It was Moved that each Claim of 200 feet shall be compelled to expend in labour 10\$ per Month, Carried unanimously—

Some discussion then occurred as to how any disagreement should be settled—some suggested that the recorder ought to be Judge of the amount of Labour actually done, and others that he ought to appoint arbitrators—

When a Motion to adjourn was carried and the Meeting dispersed. About 50 persons were present.

F. TAGLIABUE *Sec'y*—"

On the 24th of May 1869—the Palmyra and the Indian Springs Mining Districts were consolidated. under the name of "Como Mining District."

LYON COUNTY.—COMO MINING DISTRICT.

"COMO DISTRICT MINING LAWS.

At a Meeting held in a stone cabin in Como on July 26 1879. for the purpose of Amending the Mining Laws of the Palmyra and Indian Spring Mining District.

The Following Officers were elected for the term of one year.

Eben Dole. President pro. tem

Adolph Anderson. Secretary pro. tem.

Walter Crowninshield, Recorder

On Motion the Laws of the District for 1862 to June 16 1866 were then read there by the Secretary.

The following Laws were adopted for the government of the District and ordered to be placed on record. to wit.

ARTICLE 1st By Motion of present Meeting, the Names of Palmyra and indian Spring Mining District.

The question put to Motion and carried in favor of the District to be called 'Como Mining. District' and embracing the same boundries as, Palmyra and indian Spring Mining District

ARTICLE 2nd By Motion and vote of present meeting Article 2nd of the old Bylaws. is declared null and void, and in its place the United States Laws, for Claims and location, Past. May 10th 1872. will govern this District.

ARTICLE 3d. Article 3d 4th 5th 6th of the old laws declared null and void

ARTICLE 4th By vote of present Meeting it was declared that the Recorder should be allowed a fee of four (\$4.00) dollars for each Claim recorded on the Books

ARTICLE 5th It shall be the duty of the recorder to go on the grounds, with the locator to see that all stakes are properly put in their place, and in case said location is in conflict, with any older location, to inform the same Party's of said adverse claim. and Not to record it. untill authorized by Miners Meeting.

ARTICLE 6th It shall be the duty of the Recorder to keep the Books of Records in a safe place, and open for examination during business hours.

ARTICLE 7th By vote, Article 9th of old Bylaws was ordered retained, this law shall take effect from this date

ARTICLE 8th The Recorder shall have these laws published

E DALE *Pres*

ADOLPH ANDERSON, *Sectry*

NIMROD WINTER

HENRY FISCHER

PARKE BARNES

W. CROWNINSHIELD

JAS. L. WEBSTER

JESUS ESTRADA

WM ROSE

CHAS MAHON

PAOLO MESSINI

MARTIN LEON

WM ANNIS

I hereby certify that the above is a true and full copy of the laws passed at a Miners Meeting held in Como July 26th 1879

W. CROWNINSHIELD *District Recorder*

LYON COUNTY.—PALMYRA AND INDIAN SPRINGS MINING DISTRICT.*

"MINERS MEETING Aug" 18th 1879

At a called meeting of Miners held in Como Aug 18th 1879, there were present Hon W. J. Westerfield. Park Barnes. John Scott. Wm Brown. J. H. Casehen. Minnie Leslie. John Lothrop. Walter Crowninshield. Henry Fischer Adolph Anderson Jesus Estrada Nimrod Winter J E Bray Jack Godfrey M. L. Johnson The reporter of the Sutro Independent and about 40 others

John Scott was elected President

Park Barnes was elected Secretary

The minutes of the meeting of July 26th were read. when a Motion was made and carried that the Recorder produce the Record Books of the District.

A motion was made and carried that the old name of Palmyra and Indians Springs be substituted for Como Mining District.

A motion was made and carried that the Recorder be authorized to change the Records in all claims affected by the action of changing the District name at the last meeting,

On motion it was declared that all claims heretofore recorded either by the County or District Recorder be legalized.

A motion was made and carried that the boundaries of the old Districts Palmyra and Indian Springs, be inserted in the by laws.

A motion was made and carried that the by laws be adopted as amended.

A motion was made and carried that the District Recorder produce a certified copy of the Mining Laws signed by the President and Secretary and given to the County Recorder and that the same be published in the Sutro Independent.

A motion was made and carried that the Mining laws be entered in a new set of books.

On motion the proceedings of the Meeting of July 26' were legalized with the exception of the change in the District name.

The boundaries of Palmyra and Indian Springs District are as follows

Palmyra—commencing on the high peak of mountains on the Palmyra Wood company's Ranch, thence running Southerly on the mountains Six miles, thence easterly 6 miles, thence northerly Six miles, thence westerly Six miles to place of beginning.

Boundaries of the Indian Springs District

Commencing at an Indian Spring near the Mountain Cos South Stake—'Mountain Ledge' and running thence easterly eight miles, thence northerly six miles, thence westerly twelve miles thence Southerly Six miles, thence easterly four miles to place of beginning.

I hereby certify that the above is a full and correct copy of by laws passed at a Miners Meeting held in Como August 18th 1879

W. CROWNINSHIELD *District Recorder*"

ORMSBY COUNTY.—EAGLE AND WASHOE VALLEY MINING DISTRICT.

LAWS OF EAGLE AND WASHOE VALLEY MINING DISTRICT.

At an adjourned meeting of the miners of the Eagle and Washoe Valley Mining District to revise the laws of said District, held at Carson City, Saturday, November 9th, 1861, the following laws were unanimously adopted for the government and working of the mines in the District:

ARTICLE 1st. This District shall be known as the 'Eagle and Washoe Valley Mining District,' and shall be bounded as follows, to-wit: Commencing at Rose's Dam on Carson River, thence running northerly along the western line of Gold Hill District to a point directly east of the ridge dividing Washoe and Quick's Valley; thence westerly to the dividing ridge of the main range of mountains; thence southerly to Cleark Creek; thence due east to a point due south of the starting point; thence due north to the place of beginning. And the said Mining District shall not be segregated, or its boundaries interfered with, except by a majority vote at a miners' meeting in the city of Carson; said meeting to be called by the Recorder, after thirty days public notice, at the request of ten or more miners of the district.

ARTICLE 2d. Each claimant shall be entitled to hold, by location, 200 feet on any lead in the District, with all its dips, angles, spurs, offshoots, outcrops, depths, widths, variations, and all the minerals and other valuables therein contained—the discoverer of, and locator on a new lead, being entitled to one claim additional for discovery.

ARTICLE 3d. All claims shall be designated by stakes and notices at each end, and shall be designated by a name, and its locality particularly described.

ARTICLE 4th Surface and hill claims shall be one hundred feet square, and be designated by stakes and notices at each corner.

ARTICLE 5th All ravine and gulch claims shall be one hundred feet in length, and in width extending from bank to bank; and be designated by a stake and notice at each end.

ARTICLE 6th. The locators of any lead, lode or ledge, in the district, shall be entitled to hold on each side of the lead, ledge or lode, located by him or them, two hundred feet. Any lateral veins, lodes or leads, bearing minerals within the space of the said two hundred feet, on each side of the main ledge, shall be considered as claimed by and entirely belonging to the locator or locators of a lead, and his or their assigns, and part and parcel of the same mine

ARTICLE 7th. It shall be the privilege of any person, persons or company, when the vein, ledge or lode of mineral is not distinctly traceable upon the surface, to take up the ground they desire to prospect, stating in their notice the manner in which they intend to prospect the same, whether by running a tunnel, cut or drifts, or shafts and the length or depth of such tunnel, cut or drifts or shafts. If the locator or locators, who claim ground for mining purposes, shall declare their intention to run a tunnel into, through or across the line of their claim, then it shall be understood that the length of the tunnel which their notice declares it to be their intention of running, shall be and is hereby intended to grant and determine the width of claim located, and no person or persons shall be allowed to locate claims coming within the distance and bounds claimed by such notice of record.

ARTICLE 8th. 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, lodes or ledges of mineral deposits found on and within the limits of their location and claim, by the running of tunnel, cut, shafts or drifts on any part of the ground claimed, which shall be considered as work done upon the claim and if such work amounts to that required by these laws, the title of the ground claimed shall be deemed to rest in the locators and their assigns.

ARTICLE 9th. There shall be a Recorder elected to hold his office for the term of twelve months and it shall be his duty to call all necessary meetings of the miners of the District, to preside thereat, and to keep in a suitable book or books a full and truthful record of all public meetings; to place on Record all claims brought to him for that purpose when such claims shall not interfere with or affect the rights and interests of prior locality, recording the same in the order of their date; for which service he shall receive fifty cents for each claim recorded. He shall also at all times keep his books open for 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.

ARTICLE 10th. All examination of the Record 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 Records, 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.

ARTICLE 11th. Every claim, whether by individual or company located, shall be recorded within ten days after date of location.

ARTICLE 12th. 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 equivalent to a record of the same.

ARTICLE 13th. Three days' labor shall be done on each claim or on the company's ground for each claim, in order to hold the same. The work so required must be commenced within thirty days after date of record, and fully performed within ninety days after commencement.

ARTICLE 14th. Whenever work shall have been done within six months from location thereof upon the claims of a company, deemed to be of the value of fifty dollars or upward, to each and every claim, the claims on which such sums shall have been expended, cannot and shall not be subject to a forfeiture and re-location for the term of one year from the date of the last work done.

ARTICLE 15th. Whenever one hundred dollars shall have been expended on each and every claim of a company in this District, the ground so claimed by the company, shall be deemed as belonging in fee 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 an acknowledged abandonment by the company of the ground.

ARTICLE 16th. All claims not worked according to the rules and regulations of the District, shall, be subject to forfeiture and re-location.

ARTICLE 17th. All laws and parts of laws heretofore made in conflict with the spirit and meaning of these laws are hereby repealed.

PARKER H. PIERCE, *Recorder*"

REVISED LAWS OF EAGLE AND WASHOE VALLEY MINING DISTRICT.

CARSON CITY, Nov. 1, 1875.

Pursuant to a call published in the Carson Daily APPEAL for thirty days, by A. Waitz, Mining Recorder, of which the following is a true copy, viz:

OFFICE OF THE MINING RECORDER OF EAGLE AND WASHOE VALLEY MINING DISTRICT,
Carson City, Nev., Sept. 27, 1875.

Notice is hereby given that in accordance with Article First of the laws of Eagle and Washoe Valley Mining District, adopted November 9th, 1861, and upon the request of more than ten miners of said district I hereby call a meeting of the miners of the district to be held at my office in Carson City, Nevada, Monday, the First day of November, 1875, at 1 o'clock p. m., for the purpose of considering the repeal of the aforesaid mining laws and adopting the United States Mining Laws, entitled: "An Act to promote the development of the mining resources of the United States," approved May 10, 1872, and the election of a Mining Recorder and all other matters connected with the district.

A. WAITZ,
Recorder Eagle and Washoe Valley Mining District.

A meeting of the miners of Eagle and Washoe Valley Mining District to revise the laws of said District, was held at the office of said Mining Recorder in Carson City, Nevada, on Monday, November 1st, 1875, at 1 o'clock p. m., and called to order by the Recorder, A. Waitz, who stated the object of the meeting to be to revise and amend the District Mining Laws, so as to accord with the Mining Act of Congress, of May 10, 1872, in relation to the location of mining claims.

J. I. Ayres, on motion, was then elected Chairman and A. Waitz Secretary of the meeting. Messrs. T. D. Edwards, Wirt Hopkins and A. Waitz were appointed to draft a code of laws to govern said district hereafter, who reported the following, which were unanimously adopted:

ARTICLE 1. This District shall be known as the "Eagle and Washoe Valley Mining District," and shall be bounded as follows, to-wit: Commencing at Rose's Dam on Carson River, thence running northerly along the western line of Gold Hill District to a point directly east of the ridge dividing Washoe and Quick's Valley; thence westerly to the dividing ridge of the main range of mountains; thence southerly to Clear Creek; thence due east to a point due south of the starting point; thence due north to the place of beginning. And the said Mining District shall not be segregated, or its boundaries interfered with, except by a majority vote at a miners' meeting in the city of Carson; said meeting to be called by the County Recorder, after thirty days public notice, at the request of ten or more miners of the District.

ARTICLE 2. Any person who is a citizen of the United States or has declared his intention to become a citizen shall be entitled to hold by location a mining claim of *fifteen hundred* (1500) linear feet along the course of any mineral vein or lode subject to location in this district, with all its dips, angles, spurs, offshoots, outcrops, depths, widths, variations and all the minerals and other valuables contained therein, or an association of persons, severally qualified as above may make joint location of such claim of *fifteen hundred* feet, but in no event can a location of a vein or lode made subsequent to this date exceed *fifteen hundred* feet along the course thereof, whatever may be the number of persons composing the association.

ARTICLE 3. The claimant shall, prior to recording his claim, unless the vein can be traced upon the surface, sink a shaft or run a tunnel or drift to a sufficient depth therein to discover and develop a mineral-bearing vein, lode or crevice; shall determine if possible the general course of such vein in either direction from the point of discovery, by which direction he will be governed in making the boundaries of this claim on the surface, and shall give the course and distance as nearly as practicable, from the discovery shaft on the claim, to some permanent, well-known points, or objects, such, for instance, as stone monuments, blazed trees, the confluence of streams, point of intersection of well-known gulches, ravines, or roads, prominent buttes, hills, etc., which may be in the immediate vicinity, and which will serve to perpetuate and fix the *locus* of the claim and render it susceptible of identification from the description thereof given in the record of locations in the District. In addition to the foregoing data the claimant shall state the names of adjoining claims, or if none adjoin, the relative positions of the nearest claims; shall drive a post or erect a monument of stones at each corner of his surface ground, and at the point of discovery or discovery shaft, shall fix a post, stake or board, upon which should be designated the name of the lode, the name or names of the locators, the number of feet claimed and in which direction from the point of discovery; it being essential that the location notice filed for record, in addition to the foregoing description should state whether the entire claim of *fifteen hundred* feet is taken on one side of the point of discovery, or whether it is partly on one and partly on the other side thereof; and in the latter case how many feet are claimed upon each side of said discovery point.

ARTICLE 4. No location of a placer-claim hereafter made shall exceed one hundred and sixty acres for an association of persons consisting of no less a number than eight *bona fide* locators, and all placer-mining claims hereafter located shall conform as near as practicable with the United States system of public-land surveys, and the rectangular subdivisions of such surveys, and no such location shall include more than twenty acres for each individual claimant. All placer or surface claims shall be worked within ten days after there is sufficient water to successfully work the same.

ARTICLE 5. All ravine and gulch claims shall be one hundred feet in length, and in width extending from bank to bank; and be designated by a stake and notice at each end.

ARTICLE 6. The locators of any lead, lode or ledge, in the District, shall be entitled to hold on each side of the middle of the lead, ledge or lode, located by him or them, three hundred feet.

ARTICLE 7. It shall be the privilege of any person, persons or company, when the vein, ledge or lode of mineral is not distinctly traceable upon the surface, to take up the ground they desire to prospect, stating in their notice the manner in which they intend to prospect the same, whether by running a tunnel, cut or drifts, or shafts and the length or depth of such tunnel, cut, shafts or drifts. If the locator or locators, who claim ground for mining purposes, shall declare their intention to run a tunnel into, through or across the line of their claim, then it shall be understood that the length of the tunnel which their notice declares it to be their intention of running, shall be and is hereby intended to grant and determine the width of claim located, and no person or persons shall be allowed to locate claims coming within the distance and bounds claimed by such notice of record.

ARTICLE 8. 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, lodes or ledges of mineral deposits found on and within the limits of their location and claim, not previously known to exist or legally claimed, by the running of tunnel, cut, shafts or drifts on any part of

the ground claimed, which shall be considered as work done upon the claim, and if such work amounts to that required by these laws, the title of the ground claimed shall be deemed to rest in the locators and their assigns.

ARTICLE 9. The distinct office of Mining Recorder in this district is abolished from and after this date and in lieu thereof the County Recorder of Ormsby County shall hereafter be *ex-officio* the Mining Recorder of this district and it shall be his duty to call all necessary meetings of the miners of the District, to preside thereat, and to keep in a suitable book or books a true and faithful record of all public meetings; to place on record all claims brought to him for that purpose, when such claims shall not interfere with or affect the rights and interests of prior locality, recording the same in the order of that date, returning to the locator a certificate of record, of said claim, giving the book and page of said record, for which services he shall receive *Three dollars for each notice recorded*. He shall also at all times keep his books open for 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.

ARTICLE 10. All examination 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 Records, be permitted to use pen and ink; the Recorder shall furnish to such person or persons examining the Records a lead pencil, with which memoranda may be made.

ARTICLE 11. Every claim, whether by individual or company located, shall be recorded within *twenty* days after date of location.

ARTICLE 12. Notice of a claim or location of mining ground by any individual or by company, on file in the County Recorders office shall be equivalent to a record of the same.

ARTICLE 13. Three days labor shall be done on each claim or on the company's ground for each claim of Fifteen hundred feet, in order to hold the same. The work so required must be commenced within thirty days after date of location and fully performed within ninety days after commencement. And provided further: that in order to hold the possessory right to a claim of fifteen hundred feet of a vein or lode located as aforesaid, not less than one hundred dollars worth of work shall be performed or improvements made thereon during each year, in default of which the claim will be subject to re-location by any other party having the necessary qualifications, unless the original locator, his heirs assigns or legal representatives have resumed work thereon after such failure and before such re-location.

ARTICLE 14. All claims not worked according to the rules and regulations of the District shall be subject to forfeiture and re-location.

ARTICLE 15. All laws and parts of laws heretofore made in conflict with the spirit and meaning of these laws are hereby repealed.

J. I. AYRES, *Chairman*.

Attest:

A. WAITZ, *Secretary*.

LANDER COUNTY.—REESE RIVER MINING DISTRICT.

BY-LAWS OF THE REESE RIVER MINING DISTRICT, NEVADA TERR. MADE AND ADOPTED THIS 10TH DAY OF MAY 1862.

SECTION 1st Boundaries of the Reese River Mining District as follows, to wit commencing at the west at Edwards Creek, extending to Dry Creek on the East and embracing a distance of ten miles on each side of the Telegraph Line.

SECTION 2nd That all mining claims shall consist of Two Hundred Feet, the discoverer to be entitled to an extra two hundred feet

SECTION 3 Each claim when located shall have a written notice placed on such claim and within ten days after such claim shall be located said claim shall be recorded by recorder of said district.

SECTION 4th That the said recorder shall be entitled to the sum of two dollars for each claim recorded.

SECTION 5th That all claims shall be represented by two days labor being performed on said claim every month from time of location.

SECTION 6th All persons owning claims and neglecting their claim for two months, shall be considered an abandonment of said claims.

SECTION 7th Any person wishing to substitute a person to attend for them, they shall have the power or right so to do.

SECTION 8th That any person owning claims in said District and wishing to represent the same for two months, they may do so by performing five days labor on the same.

SECTION 9th That water power can be taken up by posting notice on same, specifying for what purpose such water shall be claimed for and by performing two days labor monthly on same to entitle claimants to hold the same.

SECTION 10th That a recorder shall be elected for one year from the time of his election.

At a meeting held by the miners of the Reese River Mining District, at the Reese River station on Saturday May 10th 1862. The above laws were made and adopted

FELIX O'NEIL *President*

AUGUSTUS CLAPP *Secretary*

A meeting of the miners and inhabitants of Reese River Mining District was held at Jacobs Ranch on Thursday July 17th 1862.

Mr G. W. Jacobs called the meeting to order and nominated Mr A. J. Hewitt for president or chairman and Mr J. B. Marshall for secretary—carried.

Mr G. W. Jacobs moved that the chair appoint a committee of three, to draft a set of laws and regulations for the government of the Reese River Mining District and to report the same to the meeting for its consideration Adopted.

The chair appointed Mr J. R. Jacobs, Mr J. B. Marshall and Mr Wm Talcott as the committee, who retired and through their chairman Mr J. B. Marshall reported.

Mr Wilson moved that the Preamble, Laws and Regulations, reported from the Committee be adopted. Carried unanimously.

Mr J. Towne nominated Mr Wm Talcott for Recorder for one year. Carried unanimously

Adjourned.

J. B. MARSHALL *Secretary*,

A. J. HEWITT *chairman*

PREAMBLE.

Whereas. It has been the practise, custom and privilege of miners and those interested in mines, to form Mining Districts, specifying the boundaries of the same, and making laws, rules and regulations for the location, holding and working of mines, and.

Whereas, The miners and others interested in mining in this (Reese River) District, did assemble, in said District, on the 10th day of May 1862, and passed a few laws by which the District should be governed, and,

Whereas. It has been generally conceded that the rules and regulations heretofore existing, are defective in form, and insufficient to secure, in a proper manner, the important interests which may grow up through a thorough development of the mines of this District, and

Whereas. In the absence of laws made by the General Government properly applicable and suitable to encourage and protect the rights and interest of those who search for, discover, locate, hold and work mines, it becomes necessary on the part of miners and those interested in mining,

1st To originate and agree upon such rules and regulations as they desire for their government.

2nd To encourage a full and fair prospecting of the mining grounds in this District

3rd To encourage their due and proper exploration and development, after discovery and location.

4th To obviate disputes and conflict of title between claimants of mining ground and prevent any and all interference therewith

5th To do all things which tend to the security, stability, development, and thorough working and active advancement of the mining interests of this District.

6th To make it safe for capitalists and enterprising men to invest money in mining grounds and mining stocks, in the erection of machinery and in giving extensive employment to labor.

Now therefore be it

Resolved; that the mining rules heretofore existing in this District, be and the same are repealed.

Resolved. That the Rules Regulations and Mining Laws hereto attached and following, be and they are adopted as the Rules, Regulations and mining Laws of this District, and that they are henceforth or until their repeal or alteration, to be relied upon as governing locators and workers of mines and all other persons within the limits of this District.

MINING LAWS OF THE REESE RIVER MINING DISTRICT

SECT 1. The District shall be known as the Reese River Mining District and shall be bounded as follows, On the North by a distance of ten miles from the Overland Telegraph Line, on the East by Dry Creek, on the South by a distance ten miles from the Overland Telegraph Line and on the West by Edwards Creek.

SECT 2nd The Officers of this District shall consist of a President, Secretary and Recorder, elected by those taking part in these proceedings and shall hold their respective offices for the term of one year from the date of the Election

SECT 3rd It shall be the duty of the President to call all necessary meetings of the miners of this District to preside thereat, and to discharge the duties pertaining to said office.

SECT 4th In the absence of the President from the District, or his inability to act, it shall be the duty of the Recorder to act in his stead.

SECT 5th It shall be the duty of the Recorder to keep in a suitable book or books, a full and truthful record of the proceedings of all public meetings, to place on record all claims brought to him for that purpose, when such claim shall not interfere with, or affect the rights and interests of prior locators, recording the same in the order of their date, for which service he shall receive fifty cents for each claim recorded and fifty cents per folio for recording the transfer, bill of sale, or deed of, and to any mining property. It shall also be the duty of the Recorder to keep his books open at all times to the inspection of the public, he shall also have the power to appoint a deputy to act in his stead, for whose official acts, he shall be held responsible.

SECT. 6th All examinations of the record must be made in the full presence of the Recorder or his deputy.

SECT 7th Notice of a claim or location of a 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.

SECT 8th Each claimant shall be entitled to hold by location 200 feet on any lead in the District, with all its dips spurs and angles, offshoots, outcrops, depths widths, variations, and all the minerals and other valuables therein contained, the discoverer of, and locator of a new lead being entitled to one claim extra for discovery.

SECT 9th The locators of any lead ledge or lode in the District shall be entitled to hold, on each side of the lead, ledge or lode located by him or them, two hundred feet, any lateral veins, lodes or leads, bearing minerals, within the space of the said two hundred feet on each side of the main ledge shall be considered as claimed by and entirely belonging to the locator and locators of a lead and his or their assigns, and part or parcel of the same mine

SECT 10th It shall be the privilege of any person, persons, or company, when the vein ledge or lode of mineral is not distinctly traceable upon the surface, to take up the ground they desire to prospect, stating in their notice the manner in which they intend to prospect the same, whether by running a tunnel, cuts and drifts or shafts, and the length or depth of such tunnel cut or shafts and drifts. If the locator or locators who claim ground for mining purposes shall declare their intention to run a tunnel, into, through or across the line of their claim, then it shall be understood that the length of the tunnel which their notice declares it to be their intention of running shall be and is hereby intended to grant, and determine the width of claim located; and no person or persons shall be allowed to locate claims coming within the distance and bounds claimed by such notice of record.

SECT 11th 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 lodes or ledges of mineral deposits, found on and within the limits of their location and claim, by the running of tunnel cut or shafts and drifts, on any part of the ground claimed, which shall be considered as work done upon the claims and if such work amounts to that required by these laws, the title of the ground claimed shall be deemed to vest in the locators and their assigns

SECT 12th Every claim (whether by individual or by company) located, shall be recorded within ten days after the date of location

SECT 13th That all claims heretofore or shall be hereafter recorded in this District shall hold good until the 1st day of June 1863, without further labor being expended on said claims, and if work be not commenced on said claims on the 4th day of June 1863, they shall be considered as abandoned and subject to relocation.

SECT 14th Whenever one thousand dollars shall have been expended on claims of a company, the ground so claimed by the company shall be deemed as belonging in fee to the locators thereof and their assigns and the same shall not be subject to location or relocation by other parties ever after, except by an acknowledged abandonment, by the company, of the ground

SECT 15. The Recorder shall go upon the ground with any and all parties desiring to locate claims, and shall be entitled to receive for such service, say for a company location of ten or more names, five dollars and for each location numbering less than ten names fifty cents each.

SECT 16th Location of claims to mining ground may be made within this District between the dates of May 1862 and the 1st day of June 1863, and any such claims so located and recorded shall not be subject to forfeit or deemed forfeited, and subject to relocation, for not working within these dates.

SECT 17th These laws contemplate and provide for the location of two classes of claims, one to be denominated "Cropping's" claims, being ledges or lodes visible, and the other to be called "Tunnel" claims indicating that the ledge or lode claimed is not distinctly traceable on the surface.

SECT 18th An election of officers shall be held at a place within the District, to be designated by public notice of the President, in one year from the date of the adoption of these rules and laws. A vacancy can be filled by an election on the call of the President at any time by giving ten days notice, all officers to hold office until their successors are duly qualified. 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 an actual owner of a claim or claims in this District.

SECT 19th These Rules or Mining Laws may be altered or amended by a two third vote of those owning claims in this District at any time after twenty days notice of such intention shall have been given in the "Territorial" Enterprise and Sacramento Union" and shall have been posted in three public places in the District.

J. B. MARSHALL. *Secretary.*

G. W. JACOBS *President*

REVISED MINING LAWS OF REESE RIVER.

CLIFTON. *April 20th 1863,*

At a miners meeting held in front of M. Borowsky's saloon in Clifton, in accordance with a notice published in the Territorial Enterprise and Sacramento Union, for the purpose of revising the laws of the District.

Charles Tureman was elected chairman and F. Tagliabue Secretary.

George May was called upon, who stated the purpose of the meeting and on motion a committee of seven was appointed to revise the laws of the District, viz. Col. Williams M. Borowsky. Thos. Waterman G. W. Thomas John Hildreth and Wm Harrington.*

The meeting then adjourned for one hour, at the expiration of which time it was again called to order and the report read by Thos. Waterman.

On motion the report of the Committee was received and the Committee discharged.

It was moved and carried that the report of the committee be read by sections for the action of the meeting.

After a great deal of squabbling and considerable excitement and some wit had been expended, the laws, as subjoined were passed, to take effect on the 4th day of June 1863.

An election for Recorder was agreed upon to take place on the 1st day of June, the present one to hold until the 17th day of June in accordance with the previous mining laws of the District.

On motion a copy of the proceedings was requested to be transmitted to the Territorial Enterprise for publication. Carried Unanimously

On motion the meeting adjourned

CHAS TUREMAN. *President.*

F. TAGLIABUE *Secretary.*

MINING LAWS OF THE REESE RIVER MINING DISTRICT TO TAKE EFFECT JUNE 4TH 1863.

SECTION 1. The District shall be known as the Reese River Mining District and shall be bounded as follows; to wit; On the north by a distance of ten miles from the Overland Telegraph Line, on the East by Dry Creek, on the South by a distance of ten miles from the Overland Telegraph Line and on the West by Edwards Creek, where not conflicting with any new district formed to date.

SECTION 2. There shall be a mining Recorder elected on the first day of June next for this District, who shall hold office for one year from the 17th of July next, unless sooner removed by a new election, which can only be done by a written call, signed by at least fifty claim holders, giving notice of a new election to be held after said notice shall have been posted and published for at least twenty days in some newspaper published in or nearest this District, and the Recorder shall be a resident of the District.

SECTION 3. It shall be the duty of the Recorder to keep in a suitable book or books, a full and truthful record of the proceedings of all public meetings, to place on record all claims brought to him for that purpose, when such claim shall not interfere with or affect the rights and interests of prior locators recording the same in the order of their date, for which service he shall receive fifty cents for each claim recorded.

It shall also be the duty of the Recorder to keep his books open at all times, to the inspection of the public; he shall also have the power to appoint a deputy to act in his stead, for whose official acts he shall be held responsible, It shall also be the duty of the Recorder to deliver to his successor in office, all books records, papers etc. belonging to or appertaining to his office.

SECTION 4. All examination of the records must be made in the full presence of the Recorder or his deputy.

SECTION 5. Notice of a claim of, 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.

SECTION 6th Each claimant shall be entitled to hold by location Two hundred feet on any lead in the District with all the dips, spurs, angles, offshoots, outcrops widths, variations, and all mineral and other valuables therein contained, the discoverer and locator of a new lead being entitled to one claim extra for discovery.

SECTION 7th The locator of any lead, ledge or lode in the District shall be entitled to hold on each side of the lead lode or ledge located by him or them, one hundred feet, but this shall not be construed to mean any distinct or parallel ledge within the two hundred feet other than the one originally located,

SECTION 8th All locations shall be made by a written notice posted upon the ground, and boundaries defined and all claimants names posted on the notice

SECTION 9th Work done, on any tunnel cut or shaft or drift, in good faith, shall be considered as being done upon the claim owned by such person or company.

SECTION 10th Every claim (whether by individual or company) located shall be recorded within 10 days after the date of location.

* The name of the 7th person is omitted in the record book

SECTION 11th There shall be done for each and every claim of two hundred feet held by any person or persons or company, one days work for each and every month, which shall hold said claims for thirty days thereafter; but nothing in this section shall be so construed as to prevent said person, persons, or company from doing the requisite amount of work at any one time to hold their claims for three months.

SECTION 12th 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 fee to the locators thereof and their assigns, and the same shall not be subject to location or relocation by other parties forever after, except by an acknowledged abandonment by the company of the ground, which shall be construed to mean, an entire abandonment after laying idle for one year, except in cases where claims are in litigation

SECTION 13th The Recorder shall go upon the ground with any and all parties desiring to locate claims and shall be entitled to receive for such service, say for a company location of six or more names, three dollars and for each location numbering less than six names, fifty cents each, and it shall be his further duty to measure any claim or claims and make or cause to be made, good and sufficient land-marks defining said claim or claims, and he is prohibited from making any location for any person, persons or company without complying with this section and seeing their boundaries fully defined

SECTION 14th These Rules or Mining Laws may be altered or amended by a two thirds vote of those present at any meeting in the District, at any time after twenty days notice of such intention shall have been given in the manner prescribed above for calling a new election for recorder.

SECTION 15th These Laws shall take effect on and after the fourth day of June A. D 1863.

CHAS. TUREMAN, *President.*

F. TAGLIABUE *Secretary.*

CLIFTON *April 20th 1863.*

AMENDMENTS AND ALTERATIONS TO MINING LAWS OF REESE RIVER DISTRICT MADE JUNE 4TH 1864.

SECTION 3th The fee of recorder to be \$1⁰⁰

SECTION 11th All miners locating a mining claim in this district shall place and maintain thereon a good and substantial monument with a notice thereon of the name of the claim, with the names of the locators, date of location, record and extent of claim, It is hereby, requested that owners in claims already located do comply with the requirements of this section.

SECTION 12th The Recorder shall go upon the ground with any and all parties desiring to locate claims and shall be entitled to receive for such service, one dollar for each and every name in a location of two hundred feet each

SECTION 13th It is hereby made the duty of the mining Recorder upon the written application of 25 miners, to call a meeting of the miners of the district by giving a notice of twenty days through some newspaper published in the Reese River District, which shall state the object of the meeting, place and time of holding the same.

SECTION 14th Moved that the laws of this district passed July 17th 1862 are hereby repealed.

SECTION 15th These laws shall take effect on and after the 4th day of June 1864

COL. WILLIAMS *President*

J. H. SCHERMIER *Secretary.*

AUSTIN *June 4th 1864.*

Pursuant to notice a large number of miners assembled in front of Jack Holmes' St Charles Saloon.

The meeting was called to order by E. P. Jones, the Recorder who moved that H. J. Bidleman preside and J. H. Schermier act as Secretary.

The meeting took a recess of twenty minutes for the purpose of getting the miners together.

The meeting was again called to order.

A motion was made to strike out Section 11 of the new law and reinstate same section of the old law which is as follows :

SECTION 11. There shall be done for each and every claim of two hundred feet held by any person, persons or company, one days work for each and every month which shall hold said claims for thirty days; but nothing in this section shall be construed so as to prevent said person or persons or company from doing the requisite amount of work at any one time to hold their claims for three months

This was debated at length by Judge Rankin in favor of the new law and Messrs Keown, Kallmes McHardy and Churchman against it, and on the question of the adoption of the motion, it was carried in the affirmative :

The following amendment to Section 12 was also adopted.

It shall be the duty of the Recorder to place on his books as near as possible the locality of each claim, located by him.

After which the meeting adjourned.

MINERS MEETING.

Pursuant to call a meeting of the miners of the district was held last evening at the Magnolia saloon.

The meeting was called to order by John H. Dennis District Recorder, who in the absence of Mr Hobart acted as President of the meeting, and Richard Brown was appointed Secretary.

The President stated the object of the meeting, after which the following amendments to the District Mining Laws were submitted and unanimously adopted.

No mining claim hereafter recorded, until the second Saturday in July 1866, shall be subject to relocation for the period of one year, from the date of record, provided that a stake, post, or other substantial monument, at least two feet high, with the name of the company and ledge and date of record inscribed thereon, shall be firmly fixed to the point of location.

All mining claims heretofore recorded and not subject to relocation, may be exempt from relocation for a period of one year from the present date by complying with the provisions of this section and filing with the District Recorder a notice that the locators of said claim intend to hold the same under the provisions of this section, and in case where the location of such claim is not defined upon the records by filing a description thereof so the claim may be readily found at any time before the claim would become relocatable under the laws existing at the time such claim was recorded.

All laws in conflict with the above two sections are hereby repealed.

The following resolutions were then introduced and unanimously adopted.

Whereas; since the discovery of gold in California it has been the policy of the General Government and of the different state and Territorial legislatures upon the Pacific slope (except the last legislature of this State) not to interfere with the laws and regulations of the miners in the different districts, but to permit them to enact such laws as to them seemed proper and just in regard to the government of the mines, such laws having always when tested been sanctioned and approved by the highest judicial tribunals and,

Whereas; under this liberal policy the development of mineral wealth upon the Pacific slope has been unparalleled in the history of the world, and possessing the utmost confidence in the intelligence in the mining population of this state, and their capacity for creditably continuing the time honored custom of enacting their own laws for the government of the mines free from legislative interference and,

Whereas; believing as we do that no general mining laws could be enacted that would meet the requirements of the different districts, as the varied character size and location of the ledges in the different districts require different laws and believing that the action of the last legislature of this state, will have a tendency to bring about what we are so anxious to avoid viz; Congressional interference by still more general legislation; and,

Whereas; many of the provisions of the state mining law are utterly impracticable in the Reese River Mining District besides placing upon us additional burthens in increased expenses and trouble in locating and recording our claims, therefore

Resolved, That the state mining law is utterly impracticable in many of its provisions, obnoxious and burthensome to the mining population generally, and, especially so to the miners of Reese River District, where the peculiar formation and close proximity of the ledges render many of its provisions totally impracticable

Resolved. That the last legislature of this state, in taking from us the right so long considered sacred, viz: that of enacting our own laws for the government of our mines, was guilty of a gross usurpation; or at least, abuse of power, unparalleled in the legislative, executive, or judicial history of the Pacific Slope

Resolved. That we are in favor of the unconditional repeal of said law, and will vote for no person for either branch of the Legislature not pledged to vote and work for its repeal.

The meeting then adjourned with three cheers for the five members of the legislature that voted against the State Mining Laws.

JOHN H DENNIS. *President.*

RICHARD BROWN *Secretary.*

AUSTIN *March 30th 1866.*

MINING LAWS OF REESE RIVER MINING DISTRICT. ADOPTED DECEMBER 28, 1874.

J. H. Craycroft, the duly elected and qualified Mining Recorder, upon the written application of twenty-five miners of said district to call a meeting of the miners of said district, gave notice of twenty days through the REESE RIVER REVEILLE, a newspaper published in said district, of which notice the following is a true copy, to wit:

NOTICE:

A meeting of the miners of Reese River District will be held at the Court-house on the 28th day of December, 1874, at 7 o'clock, in the evening, for the purpose of revising the mining laws of the district, to make them conform to the mining laws of the United States.

AUSTIN, *Nov. 27, 1874.*

J. H. CRAYCROFT, *Recorder.*

Now, in pursuance of said notice, and at the time and place therein stated, a meeting of the miners of said district was convened and held and, by an unanimous vote of all the miners present, made, passed and enacted, the following as the laws of said Reese River Mining District:

SECTION 1. This District shall be known as the Reese River Mining District, and shall be bounded as follows, to wit: On the north by a distance of ten miles from the old Overland Road in said county, on the east by Dry Creek, on the south by a distance of ten miles from the said old Overland Road, and on the west by Edward's Creek.

SEC. 2. There shall be a Mining Recorder elected on the first day of June next, for this District, who shall hold his office for two years from the first day of July next and until his successor is duly elected and qualified. It shall be his duty to keep in proper books a full record of the proceedings of all public miners' meetings, to record all notices of claims required of him, in the order of their date. He shall keep his books open at all times for inspection. He shall have power to appoint a Deputy to act in his stead for whose official acts he shall be responsible and he shall deliver to his successor in office all books, records and papers belonging to or pertaining to his office. All examinations of the records must be made in the presence of the Recorder or his Deputy. The Mining Recorder of this district shall keep his office and all the records, books and papers belonging to or pertaining to his office in the County Recorder's Office of said County of Lander.

SEC. 3. A mining claim, lode or ledge may be located by one or more persons, which claim may equal but shall not exceed fifteen hundred feet in length along the vein or lode; but no location of a mining claim shall be made until the discovery of the vein or lode within the limits of the claim located.

SEC. 4. The locator or locators of a claim shall have and hold three hundred feet on each side of the middle of the vein at the surface. The end lines of each claim shall be parallel to each other.

SEC. 5. The locators of all mining locations, heretofore made, or which shall hereafter be made, on any mineral vein, lode or ledge, situated on the public domain, their heirs and assigns, where no adverse claim exists, on the passage of these laws and regulations, so long as they comply with the laws of the United States, and the State of Nevada, and these laws and regulations, shall have the exclusive right of possession and enjoyment of all the surface included within the lines of their locations, and of all veins, lodes and ledges throughout their entire depth, the top or apex of which lies inside of such surface lines extended downward vertically, although such veins, lodes or ledges may so far depart from a perpendicular in their course downward as to extend outside the vertical side-lines of said surface locations: Provided, that their right of possession to such outside parts of such veins or ledges shall be confined to such portions thereof as lie between vertical planes drawn downward, as aforesaid, through the end lines of their locations, so continued in their own direction that such planes will intersect such exterior parts of said veins or ledges; and provided, further, that nothing in

this section shall authorize the locator or possessor of a vein or lode which extends in its downward course beyond the vertical lines of his claim to enter upon the surface of a claim owned or possessed by another.

SEC. 6. Where a tunnel is run for the development of a vein or lode, or for the discovery of mines, the owners of such tunnel shall have the right of possession of all veins or lodes within three thousand feet from the face of such tunnel on the line thereof, not previously known to exist, discovered in such tunnel, to the same extent as if discovered from the surface; and the locations on the line of such tunnel of veins or lodes not appearing on the surface, made by other parties after the commencement of the tunnel, and while the same is being prosecuted with reasonable diligence, shall be invalid; but failure to prosecute the work on the tunnel for six months shall be considered as an abandonment of the right to all undiscovered veins on the line of said tunnel.

SEC. 7. On each claim located after the passage of the Act of Congress of the United States, entitled "An Act to promote the development of the mining resources of the United States," approved May 10th, 1872, and until a patent shall have been issued therefor, not less than one hundred dollars' worth of labor shall be performed or improvements made during each year. On all claims located prior to the passage of said act, ten dollars' worth of labor shall be performed or improvements made each year for each one hundred feet in length along the vein until a patent shall have been issued therefor; but where such claims are held in common such expenditure may be made upon any one claim; and upon a failure to comply with these conditions, the claim or mine upon which such failure occurred shall be open to relocation in the same manner as if no location had ever been made; provided, that the original locators, their heirs and assigns, or legal representatives, have not resumed work upon the claim after such failure and before such location, and provided further, that such labor may be performed or improvements made on any tunnel, cut, shaft or drift, for the purpose, in good faith, to develop such vein or claim, and such labor and improvements shall be considered as being done on the vein or claim itself. Upon the failure of any one of several co-owners to contribute his proportion of the expenditures required as aforesaid, the co-owners who have performed the labor or made the improvements may, at the expiration of the year, give such delinquent co-owner personal notice in writing or notice by publication in the newspaper published nearest the claim, for at least once a week for ninety days, and if at the expiration of ninety days after such notice in writing or by publication such delinquent should fail or refuse to contribute his proportion to comply with these laws and regulations, his interest in the claim shall become the property of his co-owners who have made the required expenditures.

SEC. 8. All locations of mining claims, lodes or ledges, must be made as follows, to wit: "The location must be distinctly marked on the ground, so that its boundaries can be readily traced, and a notice in writing or printing shall be posted on the location, which said notice shall contain the name or names of the locators, the date of the location, and such description of the claim or claims located, by reference to some natural object or permanent monument as will identify the claim.

SEC. 9. The location of a mining tunnel must be made as follows, to wit: The location must be marked by erecting a substantial post, board or monument, at the face or point of the commencement of the tunnel, upon which must be posted a notice giving the names of the parties or company claiming the tunnel right, the actual or proposed course or direction of the tunnel, the height and width thereof, and the course and distance from such face or point of commencement to some permanent, well-known object in the vicinity, by which to fix and determine the location in manner hereinbefore set forth, applicable to locations of veins or lodes; and at the time of posting such notice the boundary lines of the tunnel must be established by stakes or monuments placed along the lines of the tunnel claim at proper intervals to the terminus of the three thousand feet from the face of the tunnel. At the time of posting the notice and marking out the lines of the tunnel claim, a full and correct copy of such notice of location, defining the tunnel claim, must be filed for record with the Mining Recorder of this District, to which notice must be attached the sworn statement of the owners, setting forth the facts in the case, stating the amount expended by themselves and their predecessors in interest in prosecuting work thereon, the extent of the work performed, and that it is their bona fide intention to prosecute work on the tunnel so located with reasonable diligence for the development of veins or lodes, or for the discovery of mines, or both. This notice of location must be duly recorded by said Recorder, and with the said sworn statement attached kept on the Recorder's files for future reference.

SEC. 10. Every claim of veins, lodes, mining claims or tunnel rights, must be recorded within fifteen days after the date of location.

SEC. 11. The Recorder shall go on the ground with any person desiring to locate claims, and shall record the notice of location thereof as hereinbefore stated, upon the payment to him of one dollar for each two hundred feet in a location of claims on veins or lodes, and ten dollars for each tunnel location.

SEC. 12. The Mining Recorder upon the written application of twenty-five miners of the District, shall call a meeting of the miners of this District by giving notice of twenty days in a newspaper published in said District, which notice shall state the object of such meeting, the place and the time of holding the same.

SEC. 13. All laws, regulations and customs adopted, enacted, or in force in this district before the adoption and enactment of the laws and regulations at this miners' meeting, are hereby repealed and annulled.

We, the undersigned, hereby certify that the foregoing mining laws and regulations were duly adopted at a meeting of the miners of Reese River Mining District, Lander County, State of Nevada, held in the City of Austin on Monday, December 28, 1874.

FRED H. HART, *Secretary.*

JOHN FROST, *Chairman.*

HUMBOLDT COUNTY.—SIERRA MINING DISTRICT.

DISTRICT LAWS.—MEETINGS ETC.

A meeting of miners and claim holders held this 2nd day of January A. D. 1863 at Ragan & Dunhouse Humboldt Co. Nevada Ter. for the purpose of organizing a mining disct. and to enact laws to govern the same, the following persons being present, viz:—S Green, B. Smith, W A Chamberlain, A Lambert, S B Cutter, Jas. Narfield, A B. Cutter, S. N. Nelson, C C. Strabaugh, Chas. Swan & Frank Dorman.

On motion Mr. S Green was elected Chairman & W. A. Chamberlain appointed Secty.

ART. 1. This disct. shall be known as and styled Sierra Disct.

ART. 2. The boundaries of this disct, are as follows, commencing at the N. W. corner of Columbia Dst. thence running S. E. on to line of said Columbia Dst. thence down to center of Grass Valley in a Northern direction to the Humboldt river, thence down the Humboldt river to the center of the Valley lying between Humboldt river and the East range of Mts. Thence in a southerly direction to the place of beginning.

BY-LAWS.

SEC. 1. A recorder shall be elected after this meeting by ballot on the first Monday in each January by a majority of male resident claim holders over the age of 18 years being in the disct 30 days before the election.

SEC. 2. A meeting of the miners of the disct. shall be held at some suitable place in this disct. on the evening of the Saturday preceding the first Monday in each January at which an inspector and two judges shall be chosen for conducting the election on the following Monday. The inspector and judges shall choose two suitable persons to act as clerks of said election and also select a place for holding the same. The judges and clerks for holding the same shall give a certificate to the persons who shall receive the largest number of votes for the office of Recorder, which certificate shall be entered on the minutes of the disct.

SEC. 3. The recorder hereafter chosen shall receive the books of the retiring recorder and enter upon the duties of his office on the second monday succeeding his election, and shall hold his office until the third monday in each January of the following year or until his successor is elected and entered upon the duties of his office.

SEC. 4. It shall be the duty of the recorder to furnish at his own cost, suitable books, including index to keep the record in good order, make all the entries in a plain and legible manner, to keep a copy of all the laws of the disct and the proceedings of all miners meetings in a book kept for that purpose, and to copy verbatim all instruments in writing pertaining to mining claims, also when called upon to go upon the ground and measure all claims taken up, setting stakes or monuments of stones at least 18 inches in height at the boundaries thereof and to place upon each stake or monument a written statement, signed by the Recorder containing name of Co. number of claims and date of location, and to enter said claims upon the books kept for the recording of mining. Also when called upon to go upon the ground and measure off assessment work to enter it upon record and give a certificate. The recorder shall be entitled to receive for each entry of less than two folios of one hundred each \$1.—and for each additional folio 25 cts for measuring off claims and entering copy of notice for each claim of 300 ft. 75 cts for filing notices of location, 25 cts for measuring assessment work and making entry of the same together with a certificate 2. And for each additional certificate 25 cts

SEC. 5. No person shall hereafter be elected to the office of Recorder except he be a claim-holder in, and has been a resident of, this disct. 90 days preceding his election

SEC. 6. The recorder shall at all times keep his books open for inspection and also appoint a deputy who in his absence shall attend to the duties of his office

SEC. 7. No person shall be entitled to hold more than three hundred feet superficial measurement of any one ledge by location, except by discovery for which he shall be entitled to hold more. than three hundred feet superficial measurement of any one ore ledge by location except by discovery for which he shall be entitled to hold an additional claim of 300 ft.

SEC. 8. The location or locations of any mineral or q'tz. leads, lode or ledge in this disct. shall be entitled to fifty feet on each side of such leads or lode located by him or them. All spurs lateral veins, leads on ledges bearing mineral within the space of the said fifty feet on each side of any lode or ledge located shall be considered as claimed and entirely belonging to the locator or locators of the same and a part and parcel of the said ledge.

SEC. 9. All copies of notice of locating must be filed with the recorder within 6 days after the date of such locating together with a description as near as possible of the situation of said ledge. The recorder must be notified with 30 days after such location to measure off and record the same.

SEC. 10. Within 60 days after locations, labor amounting to the excavating of 60 cubic feet of earth or of loose material, or 6 cubic ft. of solid rock for each claim of 300 feet, must be done on the ground claimed, or at a place designated by a written notice at the spot from which a tunnel is to be run for such ground; non-compliance with any of the provisions of this article shall subject the claim or claims of delinquents to re-locations.

SEC. 11. If the party performing the work, omit notifying the recorder of the claim for which such labor was intended to cover, such work shall be considered as done for the whole Co. and only hold a share of the claim in proportion to the labor performed.

SEC. 12. When the amount of labor specified in sec. 10. shall have been performed, the claim or claims for the benefit of which the same shall have been done, shall not be subject to re-locations for the term of one year from the expiration of the 60 days allowed for the performance of the same.

SEC. 13. Any person or persons having done work upon any ledge or tunnelling right, may have the recorder go upon the grounds and measure off the same, and if it be the full amount required, to hold the said ledge or tunnelling right for the term of one year the recorder shall be conclusive evidence of the due performance of the labor therein certified to have been done.

SEC. 14. The recorder shall upon the written request of any five or more miners of the disct., post up notices calling a miners meeting in three conspicuous places in the Disct., one of the notices being placed on the door of the recorders office, stating the object of the meeting, the place, the day and the hour of holding the same.

SEC. 15. Tunnelling claim running in any given direction across the supposed range of any ledge or lode may be located in the Dst., but all such claims shall be subject to the rights of previous locations within the bounds of said claims, but no locator of such tunnelling right shall be entitled to more than one claim of 300 ft. on each ledge that may be within the boundary of said right. All tunnelling claims shall hold all blind ledges within their boundaries and also all that are not well defined upon the surface; but all well defined must be named and be recorded with the tunnelling right, otherwise they shall be subject to location irrespective of tunnelling right.

SEC. 16. The whole arrear within the boundary of a tunnelling right shall be divided into claims of 300 ft. square each, and the parties locating such tunnelling right shall locate the whole of said claim, which claim shall be subj. to the same rules of location assts, recorders fees, as other claims in the Dst., but nothing in this Section shall be so construed as to prohibit the locations of said tunnelling right from the locations of more than one claim of 300 ft. sqr. where to superficial area within the boundary of said tunnelling right shall admit of more than one such claim to each locator of the same.

SEC. 17. The recorder shall be required to place at each corner of the ground claimed for a tunnelling right, a stake or monument as specified in Sec. § 4., measure off and ascertain the length and general direction of each boundary line and superficial area of the ground claimed, and place a statement on record with the claim.

SEC. 18. Any member or members of any mining Co. in this Dst. having performed his or their full amount of labor required by the rules of the Dst., other members of the Co. delinquent, may abandon his or their claim or claims in the following manner. He or they shall serve upon the recorder of the Dst. a written notice of such abandonment, which said notice shall be duly recorded by the recorder. For the period of 3 days after the abandonment, said party or parties making the same, shall have the exclusive privilege of re-locating one claim each of 300 feet, or any portion of the ledge or tunnelling right originally located. During the period of the 3 days above mentioned, the recorder shall record no notice of relocation of any part of the ledge, ledges, or tunnelling right on which the party or parties abandoning, held his or their claim, and no other notices of relocation shall be recognized, that may be placed upon the ledge, ledges, or tunnelling right, or that may be dated within the term of the 3 days aforesaid. And if the party or parties abandoning his or their claim or claims, shall not within 3 days relocate any portion of ledges or tunnelling right abandoned as above, provided the whole of said ledge or tunnelling right shall be subject to relocation by any party or parties desiring the same.

Sec. 19 The party or parties relocating any portion of the ledge or tunnelling right as before mentioned, shall have the ground so relocated measured off and recorded by the recorder, as in cases of original location.

Sec. 20. One hundred ft. sqr. shall constitute a placer claim, and shall be worked one day every six months, to hold the same.

21 That locators shall at any time work their asst. prior to the 1st day of July 1863.

The foregoing laws were this day and year first above written, adopted.

Isaac B. Cutter was unanimously elected County recorder.

On motion the meeting adjourned *sine die*.

S. GREEN *Chairman*.

W. A. CHAMBERLAIN *Secty*.

MEETING FOR AMENDING AND APPROVING BY-LAWS.

At a meeting of the miners and citizens of Dun Glen, Sierra Disct. Humboldt Co. Nev. Ter. Apl. 30th 1864, D C Bryan was elected chairman. A C. Scranton, Secty.

The following laws were, this day and year first above written, the amendment of Sec. 13, adopted and placed on record. Each person owning 300 feet of mining ground, or 300 ft. on leads, lodds, or ledges, may receive a certificate for his asst. work by paying \$2—to the road overseer, and 50 cts to the Disct recorder for the performance of 1½ days work in working on the road for each 300 ft.

Dun Glen—Apl 30th 1864.

D. C. BRYAN *Chairman*

A. C. SCRANTON *Secty*

PROCEEDINGS OF A MEETING OF THE MINERS OF SIERRA DST. HELD AT CAPT. COMINS S'ALOOON IN DUN GLEN, NEV. TER. JANY. 4TH 1868.

On motion, D P. Crook was called to the chair, and Robt. Ward was appointed secty.,

The secty. being requested to read the by-laws of the Disct., which was complied with.

On motion J A. Blossom was elected inspector of election.

On motion, Joseph Organ was elected Judge of election.

On motion Wm. Reccord was duly elected Judge of election.

On motion of Capt. Comins that the chair would select three men whose duty it should be to examine the by-laws of the Dst. and make such alterations as they should deem necessary, subject to the approval of the miners of the Disct. by ballot at the next election, Monday Jany. 6th 1868. The chair approved G. W. Holt, E. J Elry and Capt. Comins. On motion the proceedings of the meeting shall be placed upon the Disct Record.

On motion the meeting adjourned

D. P. CROOK *Chairman*.

ROBT. WARD *Secty*.

The undersigned having been appointed chairman of committee to revise the laws of Sierra Mining Disct. subj. to ratification at the election to be held on Jany. 6th 1868, beg leave to report that the time given, being insufficient to do justice to the duties imposed, ask further time or a discharge from said duties. Your committee would respectfully suggest that a special meeting be appointed to adopt a code of by-laws for said Disct.

G W HOLT, *Chairman*.

We the undersigned, Judge and Clerk of election held at Thos. Comins' saloon Jany 6th 1868 in the town of Dun Glen Humboldt Co. State Nev. for the purpose of electing a Disct. Recorder, hereby certify that Thos. Comins is duly elected.

J. A Blosson Inspector.

Jas. Organ Judge of election.

Austin T Gibson, Clerk

Michael Levy, “

RECORDER'S OFFICE Jany. 20 '68.

Pursuant to a resolution adopted Jany 6 '68 granting the committee further time to revise by-laws.

Notice is hereby given that the committee will report on the 30th day of Jany. 1868. at the Recorder's office when and where a special meeting is hereby called. For that purpose further notice is hereby given that at the above stated meeting, the miners of Sierra Disct. will be presented with a new code of by-laws for adoption.

THOS. COMINS, *Recorder*.

At a meeting of the miners and claim holders held this 30th day of Jany. A. D. 1868 at the Recorders Office, state for the purpose of revising the Disct. by-laws, the following by-laws were adopted.

Sec 1. A recorder shall be elected on the first monday in Jany. of each year by ballot, polls to be open at 2 o'clock P. M. and keep open until sunset. And on the second monday after his election shall receive all books and materials to the office, and enter upon his duties as Disct. Recorder, and shall hold his office for the term of one year, or until his successor is elected and enters upon the duties of his office. The disct Recorder shall Keep his office in Dun Glen, Sierra Disct. Humboldt. Co. State of Nev. And all elections and meetings shall be held at said office. Four days notice shall be given by posting notices, the same as provided in special meeting.

§2. No person shall be eligible to the office of recorder, except he is a claim holder in, and has been a resident of the Disct. 60 days preceding the election.

§3. All male residents over age of 18 years, being claim holders and having resided in the Disct. 30 days next preceding the election, shall be entitled to vote at all elections and mining meetings.

¶ 4. At all elections for recorder, one inspector and two judges shall be chosen by the electors of the Disct. who shall constitute a board to conduct the election. And they shall choose two suitable persons to act as clerks. The inspector and judges shall be chosen by a majority of the electors present at the opening of the polls. And said board of judges and clerks shall give a certificate of election to the persons receiving the greatest number of votes, and said certificate shall be entered upon the records of the Disct. All special elections shall be governed as above.

5. It shall be the duty of the recorder to furnish at his own cost, books for his office, and keep the same open for inspection at all reasonable business hours. To keep the records in good order with convenient index, to record all laws of the Disct. and the proceedings of all miners' meetings, and copy verbatim all instruments of writing pertaining to mineral claims. Also when called upon to go upon the ground and measure all claims taken up, causing stakes or stone monuments to be erected at least two feet high at the boundaries thereof, and place upon such stake or monument, a written notice signed by the recorder containing the name of Company, the number of claims, the date of location, date of survey, and enter said date of location & survey upon the books kept for recording mining claims. To place on file and keep safely all notices pertaining to mining claims, left with him for such purpose. Also when called upon to go upon the ground and measure all assessment work and enter it upon the records, and give a certificate for the same. The recorder shall appoint a Deputy, which appointment shall be recorded and said Deputy shall have the same power and duties as the principal. The recorder shall have power to revoke such appointment at pleasure.

6. No person shall be entitled to hold by location more than 200 feet lineal measurement, or any ledge or vein except by discovery, for which he may hold one additional claim of 200 ft. And all claims shall include 50 feet on each side of the vein for working purposes, with all dips, spurs not held by prior location.

7. All locations of claims shall be made by placing a stake or monument at least 2 ft. high on some conspicuous place on the claim with a notice thereon, containing date of location, names of locators, name of Co., number of feet claimed and the number of feet each way from said notice, and within 10 days following, a copy of said notice with Recorder, which shall hold said claim 30 days from date of location.

8. Within 30 days after location, labor amounting to the excavating or removing of 60 cubic feet of earth or loose material, or 60 cubic feet of solid rock, for each claim of 200 ft. must be done on the ground claimed as assessment work, which shall hold said claim up to the 1st day of Aug. following said location.

9. After the first assessment work has been performed as required in Sec. 8. and prior to the 1st day of Aug. in each year, a similar amount of assessment work shall be performed, or in lieu thereof, assessments due, paid as hereafter named, to hold such claims for the following assessment year.

Assessment done as above, shall consist of $\frac{1}{4}$ ct. per foot in legal currency which shall be paid to the recorder, and receipt from the recorder, of asst work done or asst. dues pd., shall be sufficient to hold said claim for the ensuing asst. year.

10. One half of all assessment due, received by the recorder, shall be appropriated by the recorder, for the Disct school fund, and one half per cent, for the improvement of public roads within the limits of mining Disct. And the recorder shall on the 1st Saturday of Aug. Nov. & Feby. and May of each year, pay to the order of the School Treasr of the Disct. $\frac{1}{4}$ of all such dues received by him, and $\frac{1}{4}$ such dues to the road commissioner.

11. Any person perfecting the amt. of asst. work, required by Sec. 8. shall notify the recorder, when he shall go upon the ground and measure the same, and give such person a certificate for the amount of work performed,

12. Any claim upon which asst. work shall not have been done or assessment dues paid as required in Sec. 9 shall become delinquent and subject to relocation, but any member of a Co. may perform his or their proportion of asst. work and receive a certificate for the same in their own name or names.

13. The fees of the recorder shall be as follows for measuring each claim of 200 feet and entering copy of notice 75c—for filing notice 25c—for measuring asst. work on a claim and giving certificate \$2.—Fees payable in U S. Cy.

14. In a Co. when any member is delinquent, any or all of the members not delinquent may abandon their claim or claims, by filing a notice of the same with the Recorder and having the same entered on the records.

15. The Recorder shall not be compelled to perform any duties where fees are required, unless such fees are tendered in advance if he refuses it.

16. If the recorder shall fail to perform the duties of his office as required in the Disct. by-laws, he may be removed and his office declared vacant by a two thirds vote at any special miners meeting called for that purpose, after due notice has been given for such meeting.

17. The recorder shall upon the written request of five or more miners, being voters in the Disct. post up notices in the most conspicuous places in the Disct. calling a special miners meeting. One of the said notices shall be placed upon the door of the recorders office, & shall be posted 10 days prior to such a meeting, stating the date and purposes of such meeting. If a vacancy occurs in the recorders office, or if the recorder neglects to post such notices, the miners can post said notice, being signed by five or more as above named. If a vacancy occur in the recorder's office by resignation or otherwise, a special meeting may be called, and a recorder elected to fill the unexpired term.

18. Any Co. shall have the right of way to work their claim through any intervening claim, by giving to the owners of said claim all mineral or rock of value taken therefrom. The Co. claiming such right, shall pay all road damages to the owners of the claim through which they run.

19. The by-laws may be altered or amended at any regular meeting of the miners of the Disct. by a majority vote, or at any special meeting by a two thirds vote.

20. Boundaries of Sierra Mining Disct. are as follows—Commencing at a point in the Valley between the Star range and the first East Range Known as the Jacobs Wells—thence running East through Natchez Pass, down Natchez ravine to center of center of Grass Valley, thence up said Valley to the Humboldt River, thence down the Humboldt River to the above named Valley lying between the Star and the first East range, thence down the center of said Valley to the place of beginning.

21. All former by-laws of this mining Disct. are hereby repealed.

22. Moved and seconded that the Secty. of this meeting, keep in his possession until duly copied, the records of the Disct. and that the same are returned and kept by Disct. recorder.

We the undersigned, hereby certify that the above by-laws are a correct copy of the by-laws adopted by the miners of Sierra Mining Disct.

Jan 30th 1868.

AUSTIN T GILSON Secty.

J. A BLOSSON Chairman.

PROCEEDINGS OF A MINERS MEETING HELD THE 1ST DAY OF JAN. 1872 AT D. P. CROOK'S HOTEL.

On motion C S Osborn was appointed Chairman and L. D Sprague Secty.

On motion of D P. Crook duly seconded, C D Sprague was requested to read over a revision of the by-laws for Sierra Mining Disct. which revision had been requested to be made by an impromptu meeting of claim holders held a few days previous.

Having read the revision of the by-laws,

On motion of Chas, D Sprague to have some accepted, seconded by Jno. Wright, was put to vote and motion was carried unanimously.

C S OSBORN *Chairman.*

C D SPRAGUE *Secty*

At a meeting of claim holders of the Sierra Mining Disct. held in this town of Dun Glen, Humboldt Co. Nev. this 1st day of January 1872., all former by-laws were revoked and the following were accepted by a unanimous vote.

SEC. 1. The annual election for recorder of Sierra Mining Disct., Humboldt Co. State of Nevada, shall take place in the town of Dun Glen in said County, on the first monday in January of each year. Polls to remain open from 2 o'clock P. M. to sun-down. The recorder thus elected by a majority of legal voters, shall receive all books and materials of office, and take his seat of office in said town of Dun Glen and enter upon his duties as recorder of the Disct. immediately after his election. The term of office shall be for one year or until his successor is elected. All elections and meetings shall be held at his office, and five days, previous to said elections and meetings shall be given, by posting notices in public view.

Special meetings shall be called at the written request of not less than ten legal voters, and it will be the duty of the recorder to notify by public notice in three conspicuous places, that said meeting will be held ten days after the request.

2nd No person shall be eligible to the office of Disct. Recorder, unless he is a legal voter, and a citizen of the U. S. and has been a resident in the Disct. 60 days preceding the annual election.

3rd All residents over the age of 18 years, being claim-holders, and having resided in the Disct. 30 days, shall be entitled to vote at all elections and miners meetings.

4th At the election of Disct. Recorder, one inspector and two judges shall be chosen by a majority of electors present at the opening of the polls, who shall constitute a board to conduct the election, and they shall choose two suitable persons to act as clerks. Said board of judges shall give to the person thus elected Dist. recorder, a certificate of his election, which certificate shall be entered upon on the record.

5th It shall be the duty of the Disct. Recorder, to furnish the necessary books & writing material of his office, at his own expense, & shall keep said books open for inspection at all reasonable business hours. To place on record all proceedings of miners meetings, and copy verbatim all written instructions pertaining to mining claims; and when called upon to go upon the ground and measure such claims, and assessment works, causing stakes and stone monuments at least 2 ft. high to be erected, designating the exact boundaries of said claims, with a written notice placed thereon, duly signed by him, specifying the number of claims, names of locations, name of Co., date of location, and date of survey, and entering said locations and asst. works, in the books of records. To place securely on file, all notices pertaining to mining claims, and it shall be his duty to determine whether all asst. work as prescribed by the present Disct. Mining Laws, have been faithfully performed, & shall give a certificate to that effect, if found correct, & shall enter same on record. The recorder shall have the power to appoint a Deputy, who will be endowed with the same power. and duties as the recorder, and the recorder shall have the power to revoke such appointments.

6th No person shall be entitled to hold by location, more than 200 feet, linear measurement, or any ore ledge, except by discovery, for which he may hold one additional claim of 200 ft. And all claims shall include 50 ft. on each side of the vein or ledge, for working purposes, with all dips, spurs, and variations, not held by previous locations. All locations of claims, shall be made by placing a stake or stone monument at least two ft. high on some conspicuous place on the claim, with a written notice therein specifying the number of feet each way from the monument date of location, names of locators, name of Co. number of feet claimed, within 10 days from date of location. A copy of such notice shall be filed with the recorder, the performance of which shall hold said claim 30 days from date of location. Labor must be on the vein &c. within the boundary of his claim, by tunnelling, or shaft to the extent of 100 cubic feet of earth or loose material, or 100 ft. of solid rock for each rock for each claim of 200 ft., which labor having been performed, shall hold said claim up to the 1st day of Aug. following. The same extent of work shall be executed every year, and if not performed prior to the above date, said claims shall be considered delinquent, and subject to relocation.

7th Any one or more members of any Company, who have done their asst. work as per. the by-laws and the remainder have failed to do so, those who have, shall have the right, on the last day of the asst. year, to call upon the recorder, and in his presence they shall proceed to segregate their ground and be entitled to select such portions according to the number of feet they own of the whole location, as they may desire, leaving the balance subject to relocation as per the Mining Laws of the Disct. Such regulations shall be recorded as a segregated location. The recorders fees for so doing shall be the same as for location—viz:—For measuring each claim of 200 ft. & entering copy of notice, 75c. For filing 25c. Asst. work on Co.'s claim & giving certificate thereof, \$2.—payable in gold coin. The recorder shall not be compelled to perform any duties where fees are required, unless such fees are tendered in advance.

8th If the recorder shall fail to perform the duties of his office, as required by the Disct. Mining Laws, he may be removed and his office declared vacant by a two thirds vote at any special miners' meeting called for such purpose. If a vacancy occurs in the recorders office by resignation or otherwise, a special meeting may be called, and a recorder elected to fill the unexpired term.

9th Any claim exceeding the distance of 6 miles from the town of Dun Glen, entitles the recorder to mileage fees, viz:—50 cts for every additional mile exceeding the above distance.

10th The by-laws may be altered and amended at any regular meeting of the claim holders of the Disct. by a majority vote of those present, or at any special meeting duly called, by a two thirds vote.

11th. All former laws of Sierra Mining Disct. are hereby repealed.

At a special meeting called by the miners of Sierra Disct. held at the store of Sprague & Co. at 7 o'clock P. M. in the town of Dun Glen, Mr. Jno. Wentworth was duly elected as Chairman.

After the meeting it was moved by Mr. Jno. Wentworth that C. D Smyth should be Secty., duly seconded & carried.

It was moved by Richard Glann that the chairman should appoint a committee of three to revise the by-laws of the Disct. in conformity with the U S. Mining Laws approved May 12th 1872.

Chas. D Smyth, C S Osborn, & D P Crook were duly appointed as the committee.

It was moved and seconded that the meeting should adjourn until Saturday Aug. 17th 1872

S. D. SMYTH.

DUN GLEN. Aug. 9th 1872.

The miners of the Sierra Disct. assembled Aug. 17th 1872 to hear the report of the committees appointed on the 1st inst. present the new mining laws for the Sierra Mining Disct. to be in conformity with the new U. S. Mining Laws.

The committee not being able to report, asked for more time.

Mr. J W. Norman nominated D P. Crook as chairman of the meeting, and he was elected. C D. Smyth—secty.

Jno. Wentworth moved that the meeting be adjourned until Aug. 31st 1872. at 7. P. M.

C. D. SMYTH, Secty.

DUN GLEN. Aug. 1872.

The committee appointed at the special meeting of the miners of Sierra Disct. of Humboldt Co. State of Nevada, held at the recorder's office at Sprague's & Co's store Aug. 1st 1872 to revise the by-laws of the Disct. in conformity with the U. S. Mining Laws, approved May 11 '72, respectfully report the following Secs.

1st The Disct. shall be known as the Sierra Mining Disct. situated on the North extremity of the 1st East range of the Humboldt. Mts. and bounded as follows. Commencing at the N. corner of Columbia Disct. thence down the center of Grass Valley, in a Northerly direction to the Humboldt river and to the East range of Mts. Thence in a Southerly direction along the middle of said Valley, to the South West cor. of the lately annexed Oro. Fino Mining Disct., thence to the South West cor. of Gold Run Disct. thence along the West boundary of Gold Run Disct. in a Westerly direction to the junction of Harmony Disct. thence along the Southern boundary of Harmony Disct. to place of beginning.

2nd All resident miners in this Disct. shall be entitled to vote at any meeting of the miners of this Disct. provided that all persons owning claims in this Disct. shall be considered miners, and shall be entitled to vote at all meetings.

3rd Any person or any number of persons, may locate Mining claims within this Disct. but no claim or claims hereafter to be located, shall exceed 1500 ft. in length along the vein or lode, and no locations of any mining claim or ledge shall be made until the discovery of the vein or lode within the limit of the claim located.

4th Locations shall be made as follows to wit:—By placing notices in a conspicuous place upon the ledges & filing a copy of said notices with the Disct. recorder. Said notice shall state the number of feet claimed, direction & course of claim as nearly as nearly as can be ascertained, and names of claimants ledges & Co's.

5th The recorder shall measure all claims and cause monuments to be erected within 20 days, on the boundaries thereof, after the filing of any notice, and record said notice within 10 days.

Sec. 6. One each claim located after the passage of this law and until a patent shall have been issued. Therefore not less than \$100 worth of labor shall be performed or improvements made during each year on all claims located prior to the passage of law. \$10 worth of labor shall be performed or improvements made during each year for each one hundred feet in length along the vein, until a patent shall have been issued therefore, but where such claims are held in common such expenditure may be made upon any claim and upon a failure to comply with these conditions the claim or mine upon which such failure occurred, shall be open to relocation in the same manner as if no location of the same had ever been made, provided that the original locators, their heirs or assigns or legal representatives have not resumed work upon the claim after such failure and before such location has been made upon the failure of any one of the several company owners to contribute his portion of the expenditures required by this law the Co. owners that have performed their labor or made the improvement may at the expiration of the year give such delinquent notice in writing or notice by publication in the newspapers published nearest the claim for at least once a week for 90 days after such notice in writing or by publication such delinquent should fail or refuse to contribute his proportion to comply with this law his interest in the claim shall become the property of his Co. owners who have made the required expenditures provided that for the purposes of doing the labor enjoined by these laws and sec. 6 of the act of congress of May 10—1872 the year for which said work shall be done and computed from the 10th day of May. of ea. year from and after the making of any locations until the Tenth of May of the succeeding year and a proportionable amount of such labor may be done upon any claim here after located to hold the same for a fractional part of a year until the succeeding tenth day of may. and thereafter all work shall be done between dates above specified upon all claims the claimants thereof not having performed or caused to be performed the amount of assessment work required by law their title shall be forfeited.

Sec. 7. An election shall be held upon the first monday of January of each year and every year for the election of a district recorder who shall be elected by ballot and shall hold his office for one year or until his successor shall be elected and shall assume the duties of his office. The recorder may appoint a deputy who shall have all all the powers and exercise all the duties of his principal. The appointment of such a Deputy shall be recorded in the Dist. records.

Eight—The recorder shall give a certificate specifying the amount of work done upon any claim when required to do so and shall keep a record of the same specifying the contents of said certificate.

Sec. 9. The fees of the recorder shall be as follows for filing each notice of location 25c. for measuring and recording claims for ea. 100 ft. 50c for certificate of assessment work done 25c. For each mile travelled or for measuring work on each 100. 10c measuring and recording each tunnel claim and right \$10⁰⁰. The fees of the recorder shall be due and payable in advance on demand.

Sec 10 That where a tunnel is run for the development of a mine or lode or the discovery of miners the owner of such tunnel shall have the right of possession of all veins or lodes within 3000 feet from the face of such tunnel on the line there of not previously known to exist, discovered in same extent as if discovered from the surface and locations on the line of such tunnel of veins or lodes not appearing on the surface made, by others after the commencement of the tunnel and while the same is being prosecuted with reasonable diligence shall be invalid but failure to prosecute the work on the tunnel for six months shall be considered as an abandonment of the right to all undiscovered veins on the, east line of said tunnel.

11. In computing the amount of work to be done in any claim according to these laws and the Act of Congress, a days labor shall be held and considered equivalent to the sum of \$5. in coin—And in giving certificates of the amount of work performed upon any claim, the recorder shall estimate the amount according to the number of days labor which shall appear to have been performed.

12th The recorder shall at any time upon the written request of 10 miners, call a meeting of the miners of the Disct. to consider any question which shall be brought before them pertinent to the affairs of the said Disct. Notice of said Meeting shall be given by posting notices in 3 conspicuous places, stating the object thereof, for at least 10 days prior to the holding of said meeting.

13th All laws heretofore in force in this Disct. are hereby repealed.

14th These laws shall take effect upon the 1st day of Sept. 1872., all of which is respectfully submitted for adoption.

CHAS. D SMYTH.

C S OSBORNE

D P. CROOKS.

LANDER COUNTY.—SANTA FEE MINING DISTRICT.

[Reese River Reveille, Vol 1, No 1. May 16th 1863.]

LAWS OF SANTA FEE. MINING DISTRICT

SECTION 1. The district shall be known as Santa Fee Mining District and shall be bounded as follows, to wit: Ten miles south of the creek known as Big Smoky or Santa Fee Creek, and ten miles north from the same point, on the east ten miles and west five miles from the summit of the mountains.

The officers of this District shall consist of, at present, a Recorder elected by those taking part in these proceedings and shall hold his office for the term of one year from the date of election.

SEC 2. It shall be the duty of the Recorder to call all necessary meetings of the miners of the district, to preside thereat and to discharge the duties pertaining to said office.

SEC 3. In the absence of the Recorder or his inability to act, it shall be the duty of his deputy to act in his stead.

SEC 4. It shall be the duty of the Recorder to keep in a suitable book or books, a full and truthful record of the proceedings of all public meetings, to place on record all claims brought to him for that purpose, when such claims shall not interfere with or affect the rights and interests of prior locators. recording the same in the order of their date, for which service he shall receive, fifty cents for each claim recorded and fifty cents per folio for recording the transfer, bill of sale, or deed of and to any mining property. It shall also be the duty of the recorder to keep his books open at all times to the inspection of the public. He shall also have the power to appoint a deputy to act in his stead, for whose official acts he shall be held responsible

SEC 5 All examinations of the records must be made in the full presence of the Recorder or his deputy.

SEC 6. Notice of a claim or location of mining ground, by any individual or company, on file in the Recorders office shall be deemed, sufficient, or equivalent to a record of the same.

SEC 7. Each claimant shall be entitled to hold by location, two hundred feet on any lead in the District, with all its dips, spurs and angles, the discoverer to be entitled to one claim extra for discovery

SEC 8. The locators of any lead or ledge in the district, shall be entitled to hold on each side of the lead, ledge, or lode, located by him or them one hundred feet for working purposes

SEC 9. Any person or persons, company or companies who shall locate ground under these laws, shall be entitled to hold and enjoy, and receive all profits of working any and all leads, lodes, or ledges of mineral deposits found, and within the limits of their location and claim, by the running of tunnel, cut, shaft or or drifts on any part of the ground claimed, which shall be considered as work done upon the claim, and if such work amounts to that required by law, the title of these grounds claimed shall be deemed to vest in the locators and their assigns.

SEC 10. Every claim, whether by individual or company, located, shall be recorded within ten days after the date of location

SEC 11. That all claims heretofore or shall be hereafter recorded in this district, shall hold good until the first day of June 1863, without further labor being expended on said claims, and if work be not commenced on the 4th day of June 1863, they shall be considered abandoned and subject to relocation.

SEC 12. 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 fee, to the locators thereof and their assigns, and the same shall not be subject to location or relocation by other parties, ever, after, except by an acknowledged abandonment by the company of the grounds.

SEC 13. The recorder shall go upon the ground with any and all parties desiring to locate claims, and shall be entitled to receive for such service, say, for a company location of ten or more names, five dollars, and for each location numbering less than ten names, fifty cents each,

SEC 14. Locations of claims to mining grounds may be made within this district between the dates of May 1st 1863. and the 1st day of June 1863, and any such claims so located and recorded, shall not be subject to forfeit or deemed forfeited and subject to relocation for not working within these dates.

SEC 15. An election of officers shall be held at a place within this district, to be designated by public notice of the Recorder, in one year from the adoption of these rules and laws. A vacancy can be filled by an election, on the call of the Recorder at any time, by giving ten days notice. All officers to hold office until their successors are duly qualified. 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 an actual owner of a claim in this district.

SEC 16. These rules or mining laws may be altered or amended by a two-thirds vote of those owning claims in this district at any time after 20 days notice of such intention shall have been published in the Territorial Enterprise and Sacramento Union, or any paper published in this county, and shall have been posted in three public places in the district.

SEC 17. In case of Indian troubles or difficulty of any kind that may prevent the working of claims in this district, such claims are not liable to relocation by other parties, but hold good for the original locators for 20 days after due notice shall have been given by the Recorder or his Deputy and published in the Territorial Enterprise and Sacramento Union.

SEC 18. All persons holding claims in this district shall be entitled to thirty days after recording such claims, before working them, and they will not be liable to relocation by other parties during that period. Work to the amount of \$10 or one days labor is

required for every claim of two hundred feet, each month or such claims will be considered abandoned and liable to relocation by other parties.

THOS. C. HALL, *Dep'ty Recorder.*

WM M. DAVIS *Recorder.*

J. A. McDONALD.
THOS. KAVANAGH.
JOHN DUIAN.
DANIEL CALLAGHAN.
PATRICK BIGLAN.
JOHN D. BOYD.

JAMES KENNEDY
LOUIS LA PAGE.
QUINTO RIBO.
G. GORLERO.
LUCIEN BLANCHARD.
THOS. C. HALL.

JNO A. VEATCH.
THOMAS HEAP.
ROBERT FERRIS.
HENRY BOULEVEUM.
L. CRIMINANT
WM M. DAVIS.

GUADALAXARA. SANTA FEE DISTRICT, *Lander Co April 12th. 63.*

LANDER COUNTY.—CORTEZ MINING DISTRICT.

PROCEEDINGS OF MINERS MEETING.

Notice.

There will be a Miners Meeting held at the assay office Mill Creek Canon Cortez, Lander county Nevada, on Saturday March 9th, 1872, for the purpose of Electing a Recorder for the ensuing year, and transacting any other business that may possibly come before it, By request of many miners,

CORTEZ DISTRICT NEVADA *February 20th, 1872*

In accordance to the above Notice a majority of the miners of the Cortez Mining District met at the assay office at 3 O'clock, P. M. Saturday March 9th, 1872,

On motion Mr. C. A. La Grave was appointed chairman and Mr. S. L. Waters Secretary,

The meeting being called to order and its objects Stated by the chairman, it was moved and seconded that the Election be decided, Mr. James Laraway was then nominated, and the election took place with the following result, James Laraway being unanimously elected,

On motion the chairman was authorized to appoint a committe of three to draft a sett of bylaws to be submitted to the Meeting for its action,—

M, Fitzgerald, Robt. A. Ross & James Laraway being appointed, the following is the report of the committe and after being read—acted on by the Meeting were unanimously adopted,

ARTICLE 1.—The Boundaries of the District to remain unchanged,

ART. 2.—All claims must be presented for record within Fifteen days from date of Discovery,

ART. 3.—Notice of a claim by any individual or Company filed in the Recorders office shall be deemed equivalent to a record of the Same,

ART. 4.—Each claimant shall be entitled to hold by location two hundred feet on any lead with all its dips, spurs, and angles, With all the minerals therein contained, The discoverer or locator of any new lead being entitled to one claim extra for discovery,

ART. 5.—The locators of any lead or load shall be entitled to hold one hundred feet on each Side of the Ledge for working purposes but this Shall not be constrained to mean any parallel ledge within the two hundred feet, other than the one originally located.

ART. 6.—All claims located in this District must have two days work done on them within thirty days from the filing of or record otherwise they will be subject to relocation,

ART. 7.—Two days work for each claim of two hundred feet shall hold a claim for one year from the date of location and five days work for each claim of two hundred feet shall a claim for each succeeding year,

ART. 8.—All locations shall be made by a written Notice posted upon the ledge, With a description of its extent from a given point its boundaries, and directions, and names of locators,

ART. 9.—Tunnel Claims may be located for the purpose of prospecting for veins or lodes and shall entitle the locators to same amount of surface ground as in the location of veins or lodes, but no Tunnel location shall give priority of location on veins or lodes actually discovered, disclosed or recorded either before or after the time of locating such Tunnel and the right to any and all blind Lodes or veins discovered by any means of a Tunnel Shall date from the actual discovery and disclosure.

ART. 10.—There shall be an election held on the 9th day of March every year hereafter for the purpose of electing a Recorder who shall hold the Office for one year unless by death removed or for other Reasons when a notice signed by a majority of the miners shall be posted conspicuously ten day in the District for the purpose of calling a meeting to elect another Recorder, or for the purpose of altering or amending the laws, but these laws shall not be altered or amended in any other manner,

ART. 11.—It shall be the Duty of the Recorder to keep in a suitable set of Books or a Book a full and truthful record of the proceedings of all public meetings, to place on record all claims put on notice, brought to him for record recording the same in the Order of their date, it shall be the duty of the Recorder to keep his Books open at all times to the inspection of the public. He also shall power to appoint a Deputy to act in his Stead it shall be the duty of the Recorder to deliver to his successor in office all Book, records and papers belonging to or pertaining to his Office,

ART. 12.—All examinations of the records must be made in the full presence of the recorder or his Deputy,

ART. 13.—The Recorder shall be allowed one Dollar Coin (payable in advance) for each name to a location and one Dollar for each name to an abstract of his Records,

ART. 14.—These Laws to take effect from this date and that all laws heretofore in oxistence conflicting with them be hereby

declared nul and void, and that a copy of these laws be preserved by the Recorder of the District in the Book of records and that a copy of the same be published three times in the Reese River Revilee,

Cortez District March 9th, 1872,

Signed by

C. A. LA GRAVE,
W. H. DUCOMMUN,
ROBT. A. ROSS,
WILLIAM CALNAN,
JAMES A LA GRAVE,

W. B. BROWN,
FRANCIS FENAND,
M. FITZGERALD,
PHILIP GILL,
JAMES LARAWAY,

JNO WATERS,
ANDREW CASSIDY,
FRANK WILLIAMS
WM MRCCONNLL

The foregoing proceedings recd. for record June 9th 1872 and recorded June 20th, 1872.

SIMEON WENBAN *Dist. Recorder*

LAWS OF THE CORTEZ MINING DISTRICT.

Agreeable to A Notice posted at Veach Camp, on Mill Creek Canon, Lander county, Nevada Territory, on May fifteenth eighteen hundred and Sixty three, calling for A meeting of the miners of this vicinity for the purpose of organizing A Mining District and A code of laws for governing the same, we the undersigned miners met and adopted the following articles to wit:

ARTICLE I.—That this District Shall be known as the Cortez mining District,

ART II.—That we believe other Districts will be formed adjoining the Cortez District; therefore, we will describe no limit for the Cortez District, but will in the event of other Districts being formed, hold claim to ten miles square as the Cortez District, the crest of Bullion Hill, at the Andrew Veach Ledge being the center of said District

ART III.—That A miner's claim in this District shall consist of two hundred feet, running length wise on the ledge, and also two hundred on each side of the Ledge, together with all of the metals or minerals that may be contained within the lines of said, and that said Claim shall follow the course of the Ledge with all of its dips, sprs, and angles,

ART IV.—That any person or Company may hold one claim by location in each and every different Ledge in this District

ART V.—That in case there shall be locations of claim in this District where there is not an extent of two hundred feet on each side of their Ledges without conflicting with eachother, the first location Shall in all such cases hold their claims entire over any and all subsequent locations,

ART VI.—That any person or Company wishing to prospect for an imaginary or blind Ledge Shall be entitled to hold four hundred feet in width by posting a Notice of the same on the ground, and describing lines etc,

ART VII.—That all claims located as pr. Art. VI. shall be held an respected as any other mining Claim in the District,

ART VIII.—That the posting of A notice on a claim and having the same recorded by the Recorder of this District Shall hold any and all claims without any improvements until the first day of October eighteen hundred and sixtythree,

ART IX.—That within thirty days after the First day of October eighteen hundred and sixtythree, there shall be the amount of ten Dollars expended on each companies claims in this Districts, and all claims not so improved shall be open for relocation, to any parties who may choose to locate the same after the expiration of the said thirty days,

ART X.—That any company expended said amount as specified in art. IX. shall hold any and all such claims without further expenditure until the first day of May Eighteen Hundred and Sixty four, and after that time there shall be one days Labor or five dollars valuation of improvements, expended on each and every Company's in this District once in every thirty days and every Company having expended the amount of five hundred dollars on their claim, shall hold them thereafter unto themselves, their heirs or assigns forever,

ART XI.—That any person discovering a Ledge shall be entitled to an extra Claim of two hundred feet on the Ledge as a discovery claim; but in no case shall there be more than one discovery claim on each ledge,

ART XII.—That any Company having expended the amounts of improvements required in these laws whether it be expended on the mine or building or any thing Else that may be directly connected with the working or improving of the Company's claims shall in all such cases be considered the same as if the amount was placed exclusively on the mine itself,

ART XIII.—That there be a Recorder elected for this District whose duty it shall be to record all claims that may be located in said District and presented to him for record, and that he shall receive the sum of fifty cents for each claim recorded and five dollars extra for going on the ground to be recorded, Which duty he shall perform in all cases,

ART XIV That any claim in this District shall not be respected, that is not recorded, or placed on file for the same within ten days after its location,

ART XV,—That a mining Company may hold four hundred feet square for tunneling purposes, dumps, Buildings &c., and also that any Company having ground situated in a way that it is necessary for them to run through any other Company's Ground in order to work their claim, that they shall have the right of way for running the same, provided the said tunnel does not conflict with any other Company's works

ART XVI.—That the Books of the Recorder of this District shall be at all times be open for inspection to any person wishing to examine the same, but in no case shall they be taken from his immediate presence,

ART XVII.—That the Recorder's term of office shall continue so long as he performs the duties satisfactory to the majority of the miners contained in this District.

ART XVIII.—That John F. Cassell be, and is hereby elected Recorder of the Cortez District, to hold said office in accordance with article XVII.

ART XIX.—That a copy of these laws be preserved by the Recorder of this District and another copy posted on some conspicuous place in said District, and also that they be inserted three times in the Columns of the Virginia Daily Union.

We hereunto affix our names and seals, done at Veach Camp, Mill Creek, Canon, Lander County, Nevada Territory, on the twenty-fifth day of May Eighteen Hundred and Sixty-three,

A. A. VEACH,
JAMES WILSON,
THOS. D. McMASTERS,

JOSEPH SCHMADEL,
SIMEON WENBAN,
HENRY FARRELL,

SAMUEL McCURDY,
CHARLES DURNING,
JOHN F. CASSELL.

LANDER COUNTY.—SMOKY VALLEY MINING DISTRICT.

[Reese River Reveille May 30th 1863.]

LAWS OF SMOKY VALLEY DISTRICT.

At a meeting of the miners, duly "called, in Smoky Valley District May 20th 1863. for the purpose of amending and altering the By Laws of said District. R. K. Bruce, the President being called to the chair, the meeting was called to order.

On motion of H. A. Barrows, a committee of five were appointed to revise the laws, consisting of W. E. Harding Wm McBroom. C. O. Wallace Wm Rose. G. King.

The committee having concluded their business the following laws were read and adopted by the unanimous vote of the miners present.

SECTION 1. This district shall be known as the Smoky Valley Mining District and shall be bounded as follows, to wit; On the west side by the dividing ridge between the waters of Smoky Valley and Reese River Valley; on the north by the Overland Stage road; on the east by Smoky Valley; on the south by a distance of ten miles from Birch Creek. The officers of this district shall consist of a President, Secretary and Recorder, elected by those taking part in these proceedings and shall hold their respective offices for six months from the date of their election.

SEC. 2 It shall be the duty of the President to call necessary meetings and in case of his absence or inability to act, the Recorder shall act in his position.

SEC. 3. same as Sections 4 & 5 in Santa Fee Dist. Laws.

SEC. 4. Same as sect, 6. Santa Fee Laws

SEC 5 Same as Sect 7. Santa Fee Laws

SECT 6. Same as Sect 8. Santa Fee Laws.

Any company that shall run a tunnel, ten feet, running measurement, for the purpose of striking their ledge at a greater depth than the surface, or shall sink a shaft on the ledge ten feet, shall be deemed sufficient work to hold the ledge or lode of said company for one year, provided the said shaft, incline or tunnel, shall be completed by the first day of August 1863.

Any location made after the date of these laws, shall be entitled to sixty days to sink said shaft or incline, or to run said tunnel, under the above provisions.

The Recorder when called upon to record claims that are subject to relocation, shall in case of dispute between contending parties withhold his record till said parties choose each of them a person, said two choosing a third party, they to determine whether said location is subject to relocation or not, the Recorder to be guided by their decision, which must be in accordance with the laws of this District

SEC. 8. The Recorder or his deputy shall go upon the ground with any and all parties desiring to locate ledges and shall be entitled to fifty cents for each and every claim that he may record.

SEC. 9. Every location of mining claims made whether by a company or individual, shall have a written notice placed in some conspicuous place thereon, with the number of claims located and the names of the locators.

SEC 10. Same as Sec 10. Santa Fee Laws.

SEC 11. Same as Sec 12 Santa Fee Laws

SEC 12. Same as Sec 9. Santa Fee Laws

SEC 13. An election of officers shall be held at a place within this district, to be designated by public notice of the President or Recorder, in six months from the date of the adoption of these laws. A vacancy shall be filled by an election, on the call of the President or Recorder at any time after 10 days notice, by posting three notices in the District; all officers to hold office until their successors are duly qualified.

SEC 14. These laws may be altered or amended by a two thirds vote of those owning claims in this District, who are present at the meetings, at any time after ten days notice shall have been given on the call of the President or Recorder by posting three notices in the most conspicuous places in the District.

R. K. BRUCE, *President.*

H. A. BARROWS, *Secretary & Recorder.*

NYE COUNTY.—UNION MINING DISTRICT.

MINING LAWS OF UNION DISTRICT

Preamble.

Whereas it has been the custom and practise and privilege of miners and those interested in mines to form mining Districts specifying their Boundaries and making rules and regulations for the creation and holding and working of their mines and whereas the miners and others interested in mining in this Union District did assemble in said District on the 8th day of June 1863 and passed laws by which this District shall be governed.

SECTION 1. This District shall be known as the Union Mining District and be bounded as follows. on the north by a distance of ten miles from Milton on the east, ten miles from Milton, on the south ten miles from Milton, on the west, ten miles from Milton.

SEC 2. The officers shall consist of a President, Secretary, and Recorder elected by those taking part in these proceedings and shall hold their respective offices for the term of one year from the date of their election.

SEC. 3. It shall be the duty of the President to call all necessary meetings of the miners of this District, to preside thereat and to discharge the duties pertaining to said office. In the absence of the President from the District or his inability to attend it shall be the duty of the Recorder to act in his stead.

SECT. 4. It shall be the duty of the Recorder to keep in a suitable book or books a full and truthful record of the proceedings of all public meetings, to place on record all claims brought to him for the purpose, when such claims shall not interfere with or effect the rights and interests of prior locations, recording the same in the order of their date, for which service he shall receive fifty cents for each record and fifty cents per folio for recording all transfers, bills of sale and deeds of and to, any mining property. It shall also be

the duty of the Recorder to keep his books open at all times for 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

SEC. 5. All examinations of the records must be made in the presence of the Recorder or his deputy.

SEC. 6. All notices of claims of mining ground by any individual or company on file in the Recorders office shall be deemed equivalent to a record of the same

SEC. 7. Each claimant shall be entitled to hold by location, two hundred feet on any ledge in this district, with all its dips, spurs and angles, offshoots outcrops, depths, widths and variations, and all mineral ores there valuable, therein contained, the discoverer of any location of a new ledge, being entitled to one claim extra for discovery.

SEC. 8. The locator of any lead ledge or load in this District shall be entitled to hold on each side of the lead, load or ledge located by him or them fifty feet, any lateral or parallel veins leads or ledges bearing mineral within fifty feet on each side of the main ledge shall be considered as claimed by and entirely belonging to the locator, locators of a lead and his or their assigns and part and parcel of the same mine.

SEC. 9. Any person or persons, company or companies who shall locate ground under these laws shall be entitled to hold and receive all the profits of working, any lead ledge or load of mineral depths found within the limits of their location and claimed by the running of any tunnel cut or shaft and drift on any part of the ground claimed, which shall be considered as work done upon their claims. If such work amount to that required by the laws, the title of the ground shall be deemed to rest in the locator or locators and their assignees.

SEC. 10. Every claim whether by individual or companies located shall be recorded within ten days after date of location.

SEC. 11. All claims recorded in this District shall hold good until the 1st day of September 1863 without further labor expended on said claims, if work be commenced by said 1st of September, but if work be not commenced on or before said day they shall be considered as abandoned and subject to relocation.

SEC. 12. When one thousand dollars shall be expended on the claim of a company in this district, the ground so claimed by the company shall be deemed to belong in fee to the owners thereof and their assignees, and the same shall not be subject to relocation by other parties ever afterwards, except by acknowledgment of by the company of the ground.

SEC. 13. Each claim or claims shall make at the time of record, with stakes or stone, monument or dirt mounds at each end of their location.

SEC. 14. The Recorder shall go upon the ground with any and all parties desiring to locate claims and record the same.

SEC— 15. All claims located and recorded before the 1st day of September, 1863 shall not be subject to relocation until after said date

SEC. 16. An election of officers shall be held at a place within this District, to be designated by the President, in one year from the date of the adoption of the rules and laws. A Vacancy may be filled by an election, upon the call of the President, at any time by giving ten days notice.

All officers shall hold their office until their successors are duly elected and qualified.

SEC. 17. Each claim of two hundred feet shall do work to the amount of sinking a shaft cut or tunnel, three feet in dirt or one foot in rock per month, after the 1st day of September 1863, any company sinking a shaft, cut, or tunnel to the depth of twenty feet shall be exempt from further labor until the 1st day of May 1864, claims not complying with the above shall be considered as abandoned.

SEC. 18. These rules or mining laws may be altered or amended by a two third vote of those owning claims in the District, at any time after twenty days notice of said intention shall be given in any newspaper in the territory and shall have been posted in three places in this District.

D. B. RATHBONE, *President*

GEO. F. BLISS *Secretary.*

At a meeting of the miners of Union District held at the Recorder's office in Milton, Lander Co. N. T. October 20th 1863 E. C. Leadbetter President Geo. F. Bliss was nominated Secretary of the meeting and elected.

It was mooved and seconded that Sec. 17 of the by-laws be suspended till the 1st day of June 1864 Carried

It was mooved and seconded to suspend work on all claims and the claims in this District shall not be subject to relocation until the 1st day of June 1864. Carried

It was mooved and seconded that a stake placed on the Original location with the name of ledge and date of location shall be sufficient to designate the location of said ledge till the 1st day of June 1864. Carried

It was mooved and seconded that the proceedings of the meeting be published in the Rees River Revilee for one week. Carried.

It was mooved and seconded that the meeting adjourne Carried.

G. F. BLISS. *Secy.*

IONE CITY *May 30th 64.*

At the annual miners meeting held this day, the following laws were adopted for the ensuing year and officers elected President ——— Southworth Secretary Peter. C. Turner.

SEC 1st This district shall be known as the Union Mining District and to be bounded as follows to wit, commencing at the southwesterly boundary of Barnes Park District, thence south twenty miles thence east to Reese River thence north to the southeasterly boundary of said Barnes Park District, thence westerly along said boundary of Barnes Park District to place of beginning.

SEC. 2. same as Sec 2. laws of '63.

SEC. 3. same as Sec 3. laws of '63.

SEC. 4 same as Sec 4 laws of '63, with this added " and it shall be the duty of the Recorder to deliver to his successor in office all Books, Papers Records, &c. belonging or pertaining to his office

SEC. 5. same as Sec. 5. laws of '63.

SEC. 6. same as Sec. 6. laws of .63

SEC. 7. same as Sec. 7. laws of 63.

SEC. 8. The locator of any lead or lode in this District shall be entitled to hold on each side of the lead or ledge located by him or them, fifty feet, but this shall not be construed to mean any distinct or parallel ledge within the one hundred feet, other than the one originally located.

SEC. 9. All locations shall be made by a written notice posted upon the ground and boundaries defined and all claimants names posted on the notice

SEC. 10. Work done on any tunnel cut, or shaft or drift in good faith shall be considered as being done by such claim or claims owned by such persons or companies.

SEC. 11. Same as Sec. 10 laws of '63.

SEC. 12. There shall be done for every claim of two hundred feet held by any person persons or company, two days work for each and every month which shall hold said claim for thirty days thereafter. But nothing in this Section shall be so construed as to prevent said person persons or company from doing the requisite amount of work, at any one time, to hold their claims for six months.

SEC. 13. All locations upon which work has been done to the amount of one hundred dollars shall not be subject to relocation for the space of three months from the adoption of these laws.

SEC. 14. Same as Sec 12. laws of '63, with this added, "which shall be construed to mean an entire abandonment after laying idle for one year, except in cases where claims are in litigation

SEC. 15. There shall be a mining Recorder elected on the last Monday of May 1865 who shall hold his office for one year from the 1st day of June next following, unless sooner removed by a new election which can onely be done by a written call signed by at least fifty claim holders, giving notice of a new election to be held after said notice shall have been posted and published for at least twenty days in some newspaper nearest this district and the Recorder shall be a resident of the District.

SEC. 16. These Rules or Mining Laws may be altered or amended by a two-third vote of those present at any meeting in the District at any time after twenty days notice of such intention shall have been given in the manner prescribed above for the calling of a new election for Recorder.

SEC. 17. Companies failing to express the full amount requisite to hold a full location, shall indicate the portion forfeited when called upon by the District Recorder so to do.

SEC. 18. These laws shall take effect on and after the 1st day of June A. D. 1864. and all laws passed or conflicting with these are hereby appealed

G. W. MERRILL
B. F. SNYDER
C. M. BAKER.
G. B. HAIGHT
P. COLMAN.

Committee on By-Laws

Regular annual meeting held at Pioneer Saloon. Ione. Monday May 27th 1872, and the following officers were duly elected for the ensuing year. F. R. Hall. President J. H. Williams Secretary. James Duckett Recorder.

On motion and by unanimous vote the following alterations were made in the By laws. viz

SECT. 15. "50 claim-holders etc. etc." amended so as to read "Ten (10) claim-holders may call a meeting to elect a Recorder, by posting three (3) notices in the most conspicuous places in the District for Ten (10) days previous to the election and the Recorder shall be a resident of the District"

GEO. W. VEATCH *Secretary*

UNION MINING DISTRICT *June 17th 74.*

Persuant to a call made by ten (10) claim-holders and notice duly posted as required by law The miners of this district met at Langworthy's store in Ione at 8. P. M. June 17th 1874.

On motion J M. Cammack was chosen temporary chairman and Geo. W. Veatch Secretary.

The meeting being organized proceeded to business

It was unanimously voted that the following persons act in their respective offices for the District for the year President. J. M. Cammack Secretary Geo. W. Veatch. Recorder. Jas. F. Duckett

It was unanimously voted that the U. S. Mining Law be adopted and all Laws now on the Records of the District conflicting with said law, be and are, hereby repealed.

It was unanimously voted that the fees of the Recorder shall be for recording a location—Three dollars and fifty cents \$3⁵⁰ and fifty (50) cents mileage outside of the immediate vicinity.

On motion the meeting adjourned

GEO. W. VEATCH *Secretary*

LANDER COUNTY.—SUMMIT MINING DISTRICT.

[Reese River Reveille June 24th 1863.]

MINING LAWS OF SUMMIT MINING DISTRICT.

Pursuant to public notice the miners of Pleasant Valley met and held a meeting June 19th 1863. for the purpose of forming a new District, and electing a Recorder.

S. J. Davis was called to the chair and R. Y. Anderson elected Secretary.

On motion Dr. M. J. Goodfellow, Thos. H. Hughes and E. Parker were elected a committee to draft rules and laws defining the boundaries of this District, and for the government of the same.

The Committee reported the following rules and laws, which on motion were unanimously adopted.

On motion the Secretary was instructed to collect money and have the same published

On motion the meeting adjourned sine die.

S. J. DAVIS, *President.*

R. Y. ANDERSON. *Secretary.*

PLEASANT VALLEY *June 19th 63,*

This district shall be known as Summit Mining District and shall be bounded as follows to wit; on the north by the ridge dividing the waters of Big Creek and Smoky River; on the east by the summit of the mountain dividing Smoky Valley from Pleasant valley; on the south by the ridge dividing the Waters of Smoky River and Pine Nut creek; on the west by the water of Smoky River and Reese River, including all the country drained by Smoky River

SEC. 2. There shall be a mining recorder elected on this, the 19th day of June, for this district, who shall hold office for one year from the 20th of June 1863. unless sooner removed by a new election which can only be done by a written call signed by at least 20 claim-holders, giving notice of a new election to be held after said notice shall have been posted and published for at least 10 days in some newspaper, published in or nearest to this District; and the Recorder shall be a resident of this District.

SEC 3. It shall be the duty of the Recorder to keep in a suitable book or books a full and truthful record of all public meetings; to place on record all claims brought to him for that purpose, when such claim shall not interfere with or affect the rights and interests of prior locations, recording the same in the order of their date. It shall also be the duty of the Recorder to keep two indexes; one setting forth the names of the ledges and location, the other the names of individuals and the company they own in. It shall also be his duty to place upon the records of this District, without charge, when requested to do so, by the owners of the same, provided such claims are recorded in this district, within 30 days after the passage of these laws, and said claims shall be protected by the laws of this District when so recorded.

SEC 4. Same as Sec. 5. Santa Fee Laws

SEC 5 Same as Sec. 6. Santa Fee Laws

SEC 6. Same as Sec. 7. Santa Fee Laws

SEC. 7. Same as Sec. 8. Santa Fee Laws.

SEC 8. All locations shall be made by a written notice posted upon the ground or within one hundred feet of the claim and all claimants names posted on the notice

SEC. 9. Work done on any tunnel, cut, shafts or drifts, in good faith shall be considered as being done upon the claim owned by such person, persons or company.

SEC 10. Every claim (whether by individual or by company) located shall be recorded within fifteen days after date of location

SEC 11. Any company who shall run a tunnel five feet, running measurement, for the purpose of striking their ledge at a greater depth than the surface, or shall sink a shaft five feet on the claim, it shall be deemed sufficient work to hold the ledge or lode of said company for one year, provided the said shaft, incline or tunnel shall be completed by the 1st day of September 1863. Any location made after the first day of August 1863, shall be entitled to thirty days to sink said shaft or incline, or to run said tunnel, under the above provisions

SEC 12. Same as Sec. 12, in Laws of Santa Fee District with this addition—"which shall be construed to mean an entire abandonment, after laying idle for one year, except in cases where claims are in litigation

SEC 13 The Recorder or his deputy shall go upon the ground with any and any and all parties desiring to locate ledges and shall be entitled to fifty cents for each and every claim that he may record.

SEC 14. All parties holding claims located after the first day of September 1863, in the District, shall be entitled to thirty days after recording such claims before working them; and they will not be liable to relocation by other parties during that period

SEC 15. All persons locating tunnel claims for the purpose of discovering blind ledges, shall be entitled to four hundred feet on each side of their tunnel. The locating and working of such claims shall be governed by the same laws that apply to other mining claims in this District

SEC 16. An election of officers shall be held at a place within this district, to be designated by public notice of the Recorder, in one year from the adoption of these laws and rules. No person shall be allowed to vote after the adoption of these laws, except such person be an actual owner of a claim in this District.

SEC 17. These rules and mining laws may be altered or amended by a two-thirds vote of those present, at any meeting in the District, at any time after twenty days notice of such intention shall have been given in the manner prescribed above for calling a new election for Recorder.

SEC 18. These laws shall take effect on and after the 20th day of June A. D. 1863

S. J. DAVIS *President*

R. Y. ANDERSON. *Secretary*

LANDER COUNTY.—BUNKER HILL MINING DISTRICT.

[Reese River Reveille Aug 19th 1863.]

LAWS OF BUNKER HILL MINING DISTRICT

At a meeting held at Big Smoky Creek August 7th 1863. for the purpose of forming a new district and mining laws, the following articles and resolutions were adopted, to wit;

Resolved. That this be called the Bunker Hill Mining District, the boundaries of which are as follows. Commencing at a point about one mile north of Big Smoky Creek and running westerly adjoining Santa Fee District to the summit or dividing range; thence south along said divide six miles; to a rocky ridge known as the Needles; thence easterly down the ridge to Smoky Valley; thence along said valley to the place of beginning

ART 2. There shall be a mining Recorder elected on the first day of May next for this District, who shall hold office for one year; and until such election is held. Wm. H. Clow is appointed Recording Secretary of said District.

ART 3. It shall be the duty of the Recorder to place on record all claims brought to him for that purpose, when such claims shall not interfere with the rights of others, recording them in the order of their date, for which he shall receive fifty cents for each claim, or if desired to go upon the ground, shall be entitled to fifty cents more for each claim so recorded

ART 4. The Recorder shall have power to appoint a deputy to act in his stead, for whose official acts he shall be held responsible, It shall also be the duty of the Recorder or Secretary to deliver up to his successor in office all the books, records, papers etc, pertaining and belonging to his office.

ART. 5. Same as Sec. 6. Santa Fee Laws

ART. 6. Same as Sec. 7, Santa Fee Laws.

ART 7. All locations shall be made by a written notice posted upon the ground, with boundaries defined and all the claimants names posted upon the notice

ART 8. Every claim located shall be recorded within ten days after the date of location, which shall be deemed sufficient to hold and secure said claim until the first day of May next.

ART 9. These rules or mining laws may be altered or amended by a two-thirds vote of those present at any meeting in the district, after twenty days notice of such intention shall be given by advertisement in some newspaper published in or nearest to said District, or the laws and regulations of said district be more fully and definitely set forth at the election aforesaid, to be held on the 1st of May next, 1864.

G. J. TANNEHILL. *President*

W. H. CLOW, *Secretary.*

LANDER COUNTY Aug 7th 63.

LANDER COUNTY.—MARYSVILLE MINING DISTRICT.

[Reese River Reveille Supplement October 28th 1863.]

BY-LAWS OF MARYSVILLE MINING DISTRICT. ADOPTED OCT 13TH 1863.

MARYSVILLE CAÑON Oct 13th 63.

At a meeting of the miners of Marysville Cañon held pursuant to notice, H. C. Patrick was called to the chair and N. T. Smith duly elected Secretary.

The chairman stated the object of the meeting to be for the purpose of organizing a new mining district.

On motion of H. J. Kingman. A. J. Hewitt was duly elected Recorder of this district to hold office until his successor is elected in accordance with the By-Laws.

On motion Geo. H. Willard. J. B. McDonald and Mr. Murat were appointed a committee to draft By-Laws for the government of the District, they made a report which was adopted as follows.

SEC 1st This district shall be known as the Marysville Mining District and shall be described and as follows to wit: commencing at the south-west corner of Washington district and running thence southerly along the foot hills a distance of about twelve or fifteen miles, to the south fork of the east branch of Reese River, running thence Easterly up said stream to the summit of the mountains thence northerly to the south-easterly corner of Washington District to the place of starting

SEC 2. There shall be a Mining Recorder elected on the first day of July next, who shall hold office for one year after his election, unless sooner removed by a new election which can only be done by a written call signed by at least fifty claim-holders giving notice of a new election to be held after said notice shall have been posted and published for at least twenty days, in some newspaper published in or nearest this district and the Recorder shall be a resident of the District

SEC 3. same as Sec. 4. Santa Fee Laws It shall also be the duty of the Recorder to deliver to his successor in office, all books, records, and papers etc belonging to or pertaining to his office,

SEC 4. Same as Sec. 5. Santa Fee Laws

SEC 5. Same as Sec 6. Santa Fee Laws

SEC 6. Same as Sec 7. Santa Fee Laws.

SEC 7. The locator of any lead, ledge, or lode in the district shall be entitled to hold, on each side of the lead, lode or ledge, located by him or them, one hundred feet; but this shall not be construed to mean any distinct or parallel ledge, within the two hundred feet, other than the one originally located.

SEC 8. All locations shall be made by a written notice posted upon the ground and boundaries defined and all claimants names posted on the notice.

SEC 9th Work done on any tunnel, cut, shaft or drift in good faith, shall be considered as being done upon the claim owned by such person or persons.

SEC 10th Every claim (whether by individual or company) located shall be recorded within ten days after the date of location

SEC 11th There shall be done for each and every claim of two hundred feet, held by any person, persons or company, one days work for each and every month, which shall hold said claims for thirty days thereafter, but nothing in this section shall be construed so as to prevent said person or company from doing the requisite amount of work at any one time to hold their claims for three months

SEC 12. 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 fee simple to the locators thereof and their assigns and the same shall not be subject to location or relocation by other parties forever after except by an acknowledged abandonment after laying idle for one year except in case where claims are in litigation

SEC 13. The Recorder shall go upon the ground with any and all parties desiring to locate claims and shall be entitled to receive for such service say for a company of six or more names three dollars and for each location, numbering less than six names, fifty cents each, and it shall be his further duty to measure any claim or claims and make or cause to be made, sufficient landmarks defining said claim or claims and he is prohibited from making and location for any person, persons or company without complying with this section and seeing their boundaries fully defined.

SEC 14. These rules or mining Laws may be altered or amended by a two-thirds vote of those present at any meeting in the district at any time after twenty days notice of such intention shall have been given in the manner prescribed above, for calling a new election for Recorder.

On motion of A. J. Hewitt it was resolved that working of claims be laid over until the 20th of June next when section 11th regarding the working of claims shall take effect, the balance of the By-Laws to take effect immediately.

N. T. SMITH, *Secretary.*

H. C. PATRICK *Chairman*