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BRITISH MINING REGULATIONS.

The laws which govern mining claims in British North America—and these apply to the Klondike and Stewart River regions—may be summarized as follows:

A *Bar Digging* consists of a strip of land, 100 feet wide from high water mark, and extending along the river to low water mark. The side lines of such a digging are to be at right angles with the stream and parallel with each other, and marked by four mere-stones or legal posts. One of these posts must bear the name of the owner and date when he staked the claim. *Dry Diggings* are 100 feet square, and must be marked with posts as above indicated. *River Claims* are 500 feet along the river, and extending from base to base of hill on either side. Where the distance between such bases is less than 100 feet, the width may be extended to a full hundred. The ends of the claim are de-limited by lines running at right angles to the course of the stream. The claim must be marked by legal posts, one of which shall bear the name of the claimant and the date of staking. A *Bench Claim* is 100 feet square, measured horizontally, irrespective of the unevenness of the ground. A *New Mine*, if discovered, entitles the discoverer to a bar digging claim of 750 feet. A new stratum of gold-bearing "dirt," even if found in a locality where claims have been abandoned, is accounted a new mine. *Forms of Applications* for a grant, and *Forms for Grants* of the same, must conform with the standard prescribed by the Gold Commissioner. *Claims must be recorded* with the Gold Com-