Creek discovery claims shall extend 1,000 feet on each side of the centre of the creek, or as far as the summit.

## LEAVE OF ABSENCE.

On discovery of new lode or vein containing minerals, six months.

On proving expenditure, in cash, labor, or machinery, of \$1,000 on each full interest (without reasonable return), one year.

Under other conditions Gold Commissioner has option.

## MINERAL CLAIMS.

"Mineral claims,"—that is, claims containing, or supposed to contain, minerals, precious or base (other than coal), in lodes or veins, or rock in place—shall be 1,500 feet long and 600 feet wide, and, as nearly as nearly as possible, in rectangular form. Must have three posts (or tree posts) at equal distance along centre line, with a notice on each. Only one claim on the same lode or vein can be held, except by purchase. Quartz claims are deemed to be mineral claims.

In order to get a Crown grant for a mineral claim lawfully held, it must be surveyed by a surveyor approved by the Land Office; notice af application for the grant must be posted conspicuously on the land on the Government office of the district, also inserted for sixty days in the Government Gazette and a newspaper, if any, circulating in the district, and proof must be given to the satisfaction of the Government

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