

Section 3.

Section **53** as it presently reads does not cover the case of one owner who has eight adjoining claims. The wording of the section has also been clarified.

Section **53** presently reads as follows:—

“**53.** Adjoining claims not exceeding eight in number, may be worked by the owners thereof in partnership upon filing a notice of their intention to so work the same with the mining recorder and upon obtaining a certificate according to form “E” of this Act.

2. This certificate will allow the holders thereof to perform on any one or more of such claims all or any part of the work required to entitle them to a certificate of work for each claim so held by them.

3. If such work shall not be done, or if payment shall not be made in lieu thereof as prescribed in section fifty-five of this Act, the claims shall be deemed to be vacant and abandoned without any declaration of cancellation or forfeiture on the part of the Crown.

4. Claims in respect of which such certificates of partnership in form “E” have been issued and claims owned by one person, within a mining district, may, on application by the owners thereof, be made renewable on any one date.

5. For this the mining recorder shall charge, for each claim, one dollar and a quarter for each three months or portion thereof that it is necessary to extend the record to make all such claims renewable on the same date, and the work or payment in lieu thereof, required for the fractional part of the year for which each claim is extended shall be allowed at the rate of twenty-five dollars for each three months or fraction thereof, and such payment or work shall be made or performed prior to the date upon which all are so made renewable.”

Section 4.

This section is proposed to be added to the Act in order to give the Governor in Council power to make regulations under this Act instead of having to rely on the authority of the War Measures Act under which P.C. 3136 of October 18, 1939, was passed. If this proposal and a similar amendment to the Yukon Placer Mining Act are passed, Order in Council P.C. 3136 may be revoked upon the making of appropriate regulations under this section.