

Lots in alluvial digging—how laid off, &c.

Rents.

Rents of lots 1000 feet square.

Rents—how payable.

Royalty.

Only to be paid if it exceeds rent.

Leases of alluvial lots.

How renewable, &c.

Other leases.

How forfeited, &c.

Terms of leases.

Discoverer entitled to free lease.

New mines, definition of.

in lots of one thousand square feet, shall be laid out as far as local peculiarities will allow, as directed in case of quartz mines, east and west lines being substituted for length along a lead, and the rents and royalties shall be the same as those of quartz mines.

23. The rents of lots of one thousand square feet in alluvial diggings, shall hereafter be five dollars per year, payable in advance. The rents of lots in quartz already granted, of one thousand square feet, shall hereafter be two dollars per year, payable in advance.

24. All rents except those of lots of one thousand square feet, shall be payable, quarterly, in advance.

25. On all grants or leases of gold mines, there shall be reserved a royalty of three per cent. upon the gross amount of the gold mined. If the royalty exceeds the rent, the royalty only shall be paid. If it does not exceed the rent, the rent only shall be paid.

26. Leases of alluvial lots containing one thousand square feet, shall be for the term of one year only, but shall be renewable, from year to year, at the option of the lessee or his assigns, on payment in advance, at or before the termination of the existing year, of the rent of a succeeding year.

27. All other leases shall be for the term of twenty-one years, renewable, (subject to such reservations and modifications as the Legislature may impose), at the option of the lessee or his assigns. Such leases shall contain all the ordinary provisions of mining leases, and shall be forfeited on failure to pay the stipulated rents and royalties, or to keep employed annually, on the premises demised, the amount of days' labor specified herein, that is to say: On area number one, one hundred days; on area number two, two hundred days; on area number three, four hundred days; and on area number four, six hundred days; or, on failure to perform any other condition, stipulation, covenant or agreement, or to make any return or returns, or do any other act or thing contained in or required by such lease; and such lease shall also be subject to forfeiture, in case of any return of royalties required thereby, being falsely and fraudulently made.

28. Leases for terms of one year shall be in the form Schedule D., and leases for a longer period in the form of Schedule E., hereto annexed, or to that effect.

29. The discoverer of any new mine shall be entitled, according to the nature of the mine discovered, to a lease for twenty-one years, free from rent or royalty, of a lot of one thousand square feet, or of an area of class number one, as prescribed by section fifteen of this Act.

30. No person shall be considered the discoverer of a new quartz mine, unless the place of the alleged discovery shall be distant, if on a lead, at least three miles from the nearest