

The Committee appointed) at a Meeting of the Miners held in this District on ^{Monday} Monday last at the House of Post Lord) for the purpose of revising the mining Laws of this District do respectfully submit the following as their report. That in the opinion of your Committee it is necessary that this District shall have a name and boundary therefore 1st Resolved that this District be called the Empire Mining District and be bounded on the North by Monkey Jims East by Balsana District South by Middle Park and West by Todds Valley District

We further offer as a substitute for the second resolution previously adopted. the following.

Resolved " that a Miner may hold his Claim by appropriating five days Labour in each Month to the prospecting of said Claim and be it further

Resolved that ^{no} Miners Claim shall be jumpable while the owner is sick or otherwise unable to Labour. We further as an amendment to resolution 3^d offer that the latter part of the resolution be stricken out after the words two Hundred feet and the word one be substituted for two

It would then ~~read~~ be and that in such
Diggings a man shall be entitled to hold one
Hundred feet

And as your Committee are aware that
there are many of the Miners of this district who
are opposed to the rule establishing a Standing
Executive committee and we believe the rule
not likely to give general or at least universal
Satisfaction and as we think the following
Resolution embraces a rule which no fair and
reasonable man can object to we therefore offer
the following resolution

Resolved that all dispute which may arise
in relation to Mining claims shall be referred
to two or more of the Miners of this district
for decision and settlement said Arbitrators
shall be disinterested and be it further
resolved that the 5th and 9th Resolutions
heretofore adopted be and ^{are} ~~hereby~~ ^{are} repealed

We further offer as an amendment to art 6th
that the word (not) and all after the word
(at the same time) be stricken out it would
then read that a man may hold a hill
claim and a Gulch Claim at the same
time

Saturday March 19th 1853

John B Louske

B J Mills