

Resolved, That the established limits and boundaries of Shaw's Flat Mining District have been, and are, as follows, to wit: beginning at Peppermint Falls, near Mr. Dick's Garden, thence across Table Mountain in a nearly northerly line, to a point on Mormon Creek one hundred feet below the Illinois House; thence up Mormon Creek to the mouth of Stony Gulch; thence up said Gulch to Saw Pit Gulch; thence up Saw Pit Gulch to the centre of the Sullivan Ditch Reservoir, called the big Reservoir; thence south-east by east to the head of Tennessee Gulch; thence in a south-east and southerly direction, following the ridge of high land west of Wood's Creek, and embracing a portion of Sidney Gulch, to a point near and above the Saratoga Restaurant; thence in a south-westerly course, crossing Dragoon Gulch at the point of intersection of the road from Sonora to the Race Track, to Sonora Hill; thence following the ridge between the Race Track and Sonora Hill District, to place of beginning.

In relation to deep diggings, it was

Resolved, ART. 1. That bona fide claims in deep diggings, where the pay dirt is twenty-five feet or more below the surface, may be laid over without work from the 1st of December, annually, to the 1st of May following; provided such claims shall have their limits well defined by marks and notices, and that they shall be recorded, as hereinafter provided.

ART. 2. That a recorder of claims be elected, who shall register, when required by the claimants, in a substantial book, to be kept for that purpose, all claims in deep diggings laid over, under, and in pursuance of Art. 1, and that the record shall clearly declare the area of the claim or claims registered, its or the boundaries, with the name or names of the claimant or claimants, and the time when the ground embraced in the claim or claims was taken up, and that the register shall be open to inspection at all seasonable hours; for which service the said recorder shall receive fifty cents per company, or one dollar where the number of associated claimants shall exceed six.

ART. 3. That where companies are, or may be, formed to work claims in deep diggings by shafting, tunnelling, or otherwise, the amount of work required to be done on such associated claims to hold them, need not exceed that which can be advantageously employed; provided such associated claims shall be worked one day in three, as required by the law of August 5, 1854, except when laid over, pursuant to articles first and second.

ART. 4. That any provisions of the law of August 5, 1854, conflicting with these regulations as to deep diggings, be, and they are hereby repealed: provided that nothing herein contained shall be so construed or interpreted as to impair or affect the full force and validity of said law in respect to surface claims and mining.

ART. 5. That Henry Wellington be elected Recorder, pursuant to article second.

Law of August 5, 1854, as amended in Article 1.

ART. 1. No claim shall contain more than 100 feet square. The claim shall be laid off in a square, and can be held only in one lot.

ART. 2. No person shall hold a claim, either by purchase or otherwise, unless he works it; but this law protects claims that are purchased in good faith, and worked according to the rules and regulations herein prescribed.

ART. 3. Each and every man holding a claim within the bounds of this district shall work on it one day in three, or employ a substitute; otherwise such claim shall be forfeited, unless such claims can only be worked conveniently by water from the water companies; in which case (in the absence of water) they may be held good by stakes at each corner, with notices on the same with the names of the persons holding the same thereon, until ten days after the return of water in sufficient quantities to work the same.

ART. 4. No person shall hold but one claim by right of possession; and if any person is found holding two claims by right of possession, he shall forfeit both. But these laws recognize the privilege, and will protect the rights of those who hold one claim by right of possession, and hold more by the right of purchase; provided they keep men at work on them, according to the laws of the Flat.

ART. 5. When companies are formed, and every member is at work on one of the claims belonging to the company, the remainder of the claims shall be held good. But this law shall not be considered as to allow a part of a company to hold the claims of a whole company during the absence of a part of its members.

ART. 6. All laws heretofore passed, for the regulation of Shaw's Flats, are hereby repealed.

We certify the above to be a true and correct copy of the declaration of the limits and boundaries of the district—the regulations adopted at the meeting of November 9, 1855, and of the law of August 5, 1855, as amended in article 1. HARVEY W. SAMPSON, Chairman.

JAMES B. STETSON, Secretary.

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