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LOCAL COURT REGULATIONS.  
MOUNT BLACKWOOD.

REGULATIONS made by the Local Court of the District of Mount Blackwood:—

The following regulations are hereby enacted to supersede all previous regulations of the Local Court of Mount Blackwood:—

i. *Extent of claims.*—The extent of claims which each Miner's Right shall entitle the holder to shall be—

For 1 miner, 12 feet by 12 feet		
" 2 "	12 "	24 "
" 3 "	18 "	24 "
" 4 "	24 "	24 "

In cases where it can be satisfactorily proved that two or more parties of miners taking up claims on worked or flooded ground can, by combining, overcome any natural difficulties which may exist by means not detrimental to the interests of the public or other authorised miners, every such party must have the sanction of the Warden, and the ground must be worked by the same number of miners as would be required were it divided into smaller claims.

ii. *Working or clearing beds of creeks.*—When the working or clearing of beds of creeks or water holes would be no injury to the public, permission may be granted to parties of miners to undertake the same; the portions of such beds of creeks or water holes allowed to each miner will be ten (10) yards in length irrespective of the breadth, but no party shall be entitled to hold more than eighty (80) yards. Parties having cut races to enable them to work the bed of the creeks or water holes shall be entitled to work the length and breadth of the race, provided it does not exceed the length of the claim. Such conditions relative to the working of such beds of creeks and water holes as the interests of the public may require, will be imposed, and if deemed expedient, a sum of money, as a deposit, may be taken from each miner to ensure the due performance of the same.

iii. *Claims to be marked by pegs.*—All alluvial and creek claims must be marked out by four (4) pegs at least two (2) feet out of the ground, which pegs must be kept visible during the working of the claim, and a two (2) feet wall left between each claim.

Quartz claims must be marked out by two (2) pegs at least two (2) feet out of the ground, one (1) to be placed on the north and one (1) on the south side of the claim, and the boundaries of such claim shall be a line running east and west through each such peg, and no wall shall be required to be left.

iv. *Night and day workings in wet sinkings.*—In wet sinkings, when a party have sunk their shaft to the water, the party, and all parties having claims within three (3) of the same, must work every and all day, or day and night, as may be found necessary; but this rule only shall take effect after the application of three (3) interested parties to the Warden of the district.

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v. *Claims not to remain unworked.*—No claim shall be kept unworked, or in reserve (shepherded), for longer than twenty-four (24) hours, unless satisfactory reasons, such as sickness, or some other urgent cause, can be shown on the claim becoming the subject of dispute.

vi. *Forcible seizure of claims not allowed.*—No party shall be allowed to take forcible possession of (jump) another party's claim, but when a claim may be disputed on any of the grounds mentioned in these rules, the party wishing to take possession of it must first make an application to the Warden of the district to inquire into and decide the case.

vii. *Extent of alluvial claim.*—The extent of claim on alluvial lands, where the sinking is over fifty (50) feet, or where slabbing is required, shall be a double claim for each miner, provided not more than eight (8) men form each party.

Application to hold such claim must be made to the Warden of the district.

viii. *Double claims in old ground.*—It shall be lawful for the Warden to grant a double or treble claim on ground previously worked or abandoned.

ix. *Sluicing and puddling claims.*—It shall be lawful for the Warden to grant to parties having erected sluices or puddling machines claims of twelve (12) feet by twenty-four (24) feet on unworked ground, and twenty-four (24) feet by twenty-four (24) feet on worked ground, for each man, irrespective of numbers.

x. *Sluice washing.*—Sluice washing, or other water privileges, will be allowed only by special sanction, in order that care may be taken to guard against conferring the privileges in places where the permanent supply of water may be injured by the operation.

When a party of miners have received permission for sluice washing or other privileges, they must obtain a written sanction from the officer authorizing it.

xi. *Reservation of races.*—It shall be lawful for the Warden to give a written sanction to hold a race in reserve for a party of miners, when there is not sufficient water to work with, provided such party resume possession of such race immediately on the return of the water.

xii. *Claims on quartz reefs.*—The extent of claims on quartz reefs which each Miner's Right shall entitle the holder to, shall be—Twenty (20) feet per man along the vein, with all dips and angles, provided each party do not exceed twelve (12) men in number.

xiii. *Business Licenses; extent of claim; undermining of stores.*—Each Business License shall entitle the holder to occupy an area not exceeding thirty-five (35) feet by seventy (70) feet, the first mentioned measurement to be deemed the frontage, and for an area or portion thereof occupied in addition a similar license must be taken out.

A space of not less than six (6) feet must be left between each place of business. Stores and business premises may be undermined with the sanction of the Warden.

The frontages of stores and places of business must be kept drained and cleaned by their occupants.

xv. *Private roads.*—It shall be lawful for the Warden to grant a written sanction to machinists and others to make roads, and to keep such roads for their exclusive use, provided such roads do not interfere with the interests of the miners or the public traffic; and provided that in case of any other road being deemed necessary to cross such roads, suitable crossings shall be made at such places required or as may be pointed out by the Warden.

xv. *Leases of quartz reefs.*—Quartz veins may be leased in portions not exceeding two hundred and twenty (220) yards along the vein, with all dips and angles, provided that no lease on quartz reefs shall be granted, except on the recommendation of the Local Court.

xvi. *Prospecting.*—For the encouragement of prospecting, any party, not exceeding four in number, discovering new gold workings not being within two hundred and fifty (250) yards of other workings, or any party discovering a new lead or

recovering a lost one, shall be entitled to a double or treble claim on alluvial lands or quartz reefs under the authority of the Warden, providing such discovery be made public without delay, and provided such rule do not apply to sluicing parties.

xvii. *Day and night water in sluicing parties.*—Sluicing parties shall be entitled to day water only, unless the night water be required to make up the day stream.

*The foregoing Regulations Nos. 1. to xvii., have been assented to by His Excellency the Officer administering the Government, with the advice of the Executive Council.*

*Gazetted on the 12th day of September, 1856, pursuant to 18 Victoria No. 37, sec. 17.*

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By His Excellency's Command,  
WILLIAM C. HAINES.

Chief Secretary's Office, Melbourne,  
12th September, 1856.

#### ELECTION AUDITORS FOR ELECTORAL DISTRICTS.

IT is hereby notified that the several Returning Officers for Electoral Districts have appointed the undermentioned gentlemen to be Election Auditors for the districts specified in connexion with their names respectively in the accompanying schedule, in accordance with the Act of Council 19 Victoria No. 11, sec. 10, viz.:—

District.	Names.	Residence.
Melbourne ... ..	William Hull, Esquire, J.P. ... ..	Richmond.
St. Kilda ... ..	William Sloane, Esquire ... ..	Melbourne.
Collingwood ... ..	Charles Flaxman, Esquire, J.P. ... ..	
South Melbourne ... ..	Henry South Gardner, Esquire ... ..	
Richmond ... ..	James Stirling, Esquire ... ..	
Williamstown ... ..	S. B. Vaughan, Esquires ... ..	
Brighton ... ..	William Greene, Esquire ... ..	Brighton.
Geelong ... ..	James Quinan, Esquire ... ..	Geelong.
Portland ... ..	Philip Scott, Esquire ... ..	Portland.
Belfast... ..	William Edward Wheeler, Esquire ... ..	Belfast.
Warrnambool... ..	G. Bostock, Esquire ... ..	Warrnambool.
Colac ... ..	Henry Edward Nankivell, Esquire ... ..	Colac.
Kilmore ... ..	Michael Fitzpatrick, Esquire ... ..	
Kyneton Boroughs ... ..	William Douglas, Esquire ... ..	
Murray Boroughs ... ..		
Alberton ... ..	Edward Kelsall, Esquire ... ..	
Castlemaine Boroughs ... ..	Henry Christophers, Esquire ... ..	Castlemaine.
Sandhurst Boroughs... ..	William Abbott Emmett, Esquire ... ..	
North Grant ... ..	John Thomas Frederick Bowker, Esquire ... ..	
North Grenville ... ..		
Ovens ... ..	Henry Bowen Augustine Stiles, Esquire ... ..	Beechworth.
Rodney ... ..	Robert Garnsey Meade, Esquire ... ..	
Loddon ... ..		
Talbot... ..	E. W. Bagshawe, Esquire ... ..	Castlemaine.
East Bourke ... ..	James Lynar, Esquire ... ..	Heidelberg.
West Bourke... ..	Andrew Rose Cruikshank, Esquire ... ..	Melbourne.
South Bourke... ..	James Barr, Esquire ... ..	Newfield.
South Grant ... ..	Thomas Hamlet Taylor, Esq. ... ..	Geelong.
Evelyn and Mornington ... ..	William Stevenson, Esquire ... ..	Melbourne.
Anglesey ... ..	Theodotus John Sumner, Esquire ... ..	Melbourne.
Dundas and Follett ... ..		
Normanby ... ..	James Smith, Esquire ... ..	Portland.
Villiers and Heytesbury ... ..	W. E. Wheeler, Esquire ... ..	Belfast.
Polworth, Ripon, Hampden, and South Grenville ... ..	Henry Edward Nankivell, Esquire ... ..	Colac.
Murray ... ..		
Gipps' Land ... ..		
Wimmera ... ..	George Augustus Frederick Baillie, Esquire ... ..	

By His Excellency's Command,  
WILLIAM C. HAINES.

Chief Secretary's Office,  
Melbourne, 12th September, 1856.

#### RETURNING OFFICER, COLLINGWOOD.

HIS Excellency the Officer administering the Government, with the advice of the Executive Council, has been pleased to appoint

JOHN MACKENZIE, Esquire,

to be the Returning Officer for the Electoral District of Collingwood, *vice* T. T. A'Beckett, Esquire, resigned.

By His Excellency's Command,  
WILLIAM C. HAINES.