

West Coast District.—E. C. Kingswell, Big River Gold-mining Company.

Otago District.—The Glenrock Consolidated.

The following regulations have been gazetted under the Act:—

Regulations under "The Cyanide Process Gold-extraction Act, 1897."

RANFURLY, Governor.

In pursuance and exercise of the powers and authorities conferred upon me by section seventeen of "The Cyanide Process Gold-extraction Act, 1897" (hereinafter called "the said Act"), and of all other powers enabling me in that behalf, I, Uchter John Mark, Earl of Ranfurly, the Governor of the Colony of New Zealand, do hereby, for the purposes of the said Act, make the regulations following, that is to say,—

REGULATIONS.

1. Every application for a license under the said Act shall be made, in the form numbered 1 in the Schedule hereto, or to that effect, to the Warden of the district wherein or nearest whereto is situate the mine wherein the licensee proposes to use or employ the patent rights referred to in the said Act.

2. Such application shall be lodged in the Warden's office either personally, or by a barrister or solicitor of the Supreme Court, or a registered mining agent.

3. As soon as practicable after receipt of such application the Warden shall issue to the applicant a license in the form numbered 2 in the Schedule hereto, or to that effect, and shall also forward a duplicate original of such license to the nearest Inspector of Mines, who shall retain and file the same.

4. Before the license is issued it shall be recorded in the Warden's Court by the Mining Registrar, in a book to be kept for the purpose, and the Mining Registrar shall certify on the face of the license that such record has been made.

5. Every license shall be deemed to be issued, and shall be held, subject to the terms and conditions following, that is to say:—

(1.) That the licensee duly and punctually pays the royalty hereinafter prescribed, and faithfully observes and complies with the provisions of the said Act, and the regulations from time to time in force thereunder.

(2.) That on breach of any of the terms and conditions subject to which the license is held, any Warden may, in his discretion, cancel the license.

6. The royalty shall be payable on the following graduated scale according to the value of all gold and silver produced from each ton of quartz or other ore in the mine wherein the said patent rights are used or employed, that is to say,—

- (1.) One per cent. of such value where the same does not exceed £2 per ton;
- (2.) One and a half per cent. where such value exceeds £2 but not exceed £3 per ton;
- (3.) Two per cent. where such value exceeds £3 but does not exceed £4 per ton; and
- (4.) Two and a half per cent. where such value exceeds £4 per ton.

7. The royalty on all gold and silver produced between the 20th day of August, 1897, and the date of the license shall be payable by the licensee when making the first payment, as hereinafter prescribed, in respect of the gold or silver produced subsequent to such date.

8. The royalty on all gold and silver produced subsequent to the date of the license shall be payable by the licensee on or before the seventh day of each calendar month after such date, each such payment being in respect of the gold and silver so produced during the then last-preceding calendar month.

9. For the purpose of enabling the amount of the royalty to be ascertained and computed, each licensee shall, on or before the due date of each periodical payment in respect of royalty, furnish to the Receiver of Gold Revenue for the mining district wherein the license is issued a return in the form numbered 3 in the Schedule hereto, or to that effect, showing for each such period the total number of tons of quartz or other ore treated, the total number of ounces of gold and silver respectively produced, the value thereof, and the amount of royalty payable in respect thereof.

10. Such return shall be verified by the statutory declaration of the licensee, or some responsible person competent to speak to the facts.

11. All royalty shall be payable to the Receiver of Gold Revenue for the mining district wherein the license is issued.

12. If any person commits any breach of any of the foregoing regulations, then, in addition to any other penalty or punishment to which he thereby exposes himself, he, and in the case of a company the manager and every director thereof, are severally liable to a penalty not exceeding £5.

13. The Receiver of Gold Revenue for the district wherein any license is issued shall, not later than the 10th day of January, April, July, and October in each year, transmit to the Minister of Mines at Wellington a statement, in the form numbered 4 in the Schedule hereto, or to that effect, of all royalties, penalties, and other moneys received by him under the said Act during the previous three months.

As witness the hand of His Excellency the Governor, this twenty-sixth day of January, one thousand eight hundred and ninety-eight.

W. C. WALKER,
For Minister of Mines.

Amended Regulations under "The Cyanide Process Gold-extraction Act, 1897."

RANFURLY, Governor.

In pursuance and exercise of the powers and authorities conferred upon me by "The Cyanide Process Gold-extraction Act, 1897," I, Uchter John Mark, Earl of Ranfurly, the Governor of the Colony of New Zealand, do hereby amend the regulations made by me under the aforesaid Act on