

- (11.) On the day on which the application is filed, or as soon thereafter as is practicable, the applicant shall post on the ground in a conspicuous position a duplicate original of the minuted application, and shall there maintain the same until the day appointed for the hearing.
- (12.) Such duplicate original shall be posted and maintained as aforesaid—
 - (a.) In the case of a water-race, at each point of intake, and also at the terminal point;
 - (b.) In the case of a tail-race, a road, or a tramway, at the starting and terminal points;
 - (c.) In the case of a tunnel, at the starting-point.
- (13.) If any person desires to object to the application he shall, not later than twenty-four hours before the time appointed for the hearing, give notice thereof, by filing in the Warden's office a notice in the form numbered 20 in the First Schedule hereto, and by serving on the applicant a duplicate original of such notice.
- (14.) At any stage of the proceedings the Warden may require the applicant to furnish a sketch-plan of the land to which the application relates.
- (15.) In any case where, in respect of any application or objection, the foregoing provisions relating to the time or mode of giving, posting, or maintaining any notice are not duly complied with, the Warden, if satisfied that such non-compliance is not wilful, may in his discretion waive the same, or extend the time, upon such terms as to costs, postponement, and otherwise as he thinks fit.
- (16.) If in an application to surrender a mining privilege any of the instruments of title have been lost, a declaration of loss, in the form numbered 21 in the First Schedule hereto, shall be made.
- (17.) The declaration referred to in subsection (17) of section 136 of the Mining Act shall be in the form numbered 22 in the First Schedule hereto.
- (18.) All applications shall be numbered consecutively by the Registrar according to the order of time in which they are filed, and he shall record them in the same order and with the same numbers in a book to be called the "Application Record-book."

SURVEYS.

25. Regulations for the time being in force relating to block and section surveys, made under "The Land Act, 1892," shall be deemed to be incorporated herewith, and shall be read and construed, *mutatis mutandis*, as though they formed part of these regulations, but shall be construed subject to these regulations.

26. Before disposing of any application the Warden in his discretion may order the land to which the application relates to be surveyed, notwithstanding that the area does not exceed 20 acres; and in every case where the land to which the application relates is to be surveyed the surveyor appointed to make the survey shall with all practicable despatch proceed as follows:—

- (1.) He shall duly and carefully survey the ground, and, after making all necessary inquiries, shall furnish to the Chief Surveyor for approval, and transmission to the Warden, a plan of the ground, together with a report as to—
 - (a.) Its area, boundaries, description, and character;
 - (b.) The likelihood of any watercourse or artificial reservoir within the boundaries being required for, or the feasibility of the same being applied to, public purposes, or the use of miners generally for gold-mining purposes;
 - (c.) The cases in which and the extent to which any mining privilege lawfully held by any other person than the applicant is likely to be affected by the grant of the application; and
 - (d.) Any other circumstances which, in the opinion of the surveyor, should be reported to the Warden to enable him properly to deal with the application.
 - (2.) With the aforesaid plan and report, the surveyor shall also furnish to the Warden a tracing of so much of the general map of the district as will connect the land with at least one trigonometrical station, or, in the absence of such station, then with some fixed point.
27. The following general rules shall apply with respect to surveys:—
- (1.) If the mining privilege applied for affects or includes any mining privilege, private holding, building, race, or other area, whether held or occupied under the Mining Act or otherwise, the same must be shown on the plan, and full particulars relating thereto must be given in the surveyor's report to the Warden. It is the surveyor's duty to make careful inquiries respecting all claims to prior occupancy, and, if possible, to furnish the names of such occupants or claimants.
 - (2.) Every survey must be connected with a fixed and clearly indicated survey mark already established, such as the corner of a section, the angle of a road, a trigonometrical station, or the corner of a mining claim already surveyed. But whenever, in forest lands, a trigonometrical station is within a quarter of a mile of the mining area under survey, connection with it must be made in preference.
 - (3.) If a former survey is taken as a common boundary, it shall be the surveyor's duty to ascertain that the lines on the ground conform to the recorded bearings and dimensions of that survey. If correct it may be adopted as data for the survey in hand; and, if not, the discrepancy disclosed must be reported to the Chief Surveyor when forwarding plan of survey for his approval.
 - (4.) In the survey of claims every boundary shall be cut throughout, and every corner shall be marked on the ground by trenches, as described in the regulations of the Survey