and the making of which rules and regulations was duly notified in the *Government Gazette* of the Province of Marlborough, and published on the 15th day of June, 1864: And whereas it is expedient to revoke the aforesaid rules and regulations.

Now, therefore I, Arthur Penrose Seymour, Superintendent of the Province of Marlborough, by virtue and in exercise of the powers delegated to and invested in me in this behalf, do hereby revoke and cancel the said rules and regulations, and in lieu thereof do make the rules and regulations following, the same to be in force from and after the 10th day of November next ensuing.

Given under my hand this 30th day of September, one thousand eight hundred and sixty-four.

ARTHUR PENROSE SEYMOUR,
Superintendent

RULES AND REGULATIONS OF THE MARLBOROUGH GOLD FIELD

I.—PRELIMINARY REGULATIONS.

1.—*Interpretation Clause.*

In the construction, and for the purposes of these regulations, the following terms shall, if not inconsistent with the context or subject matter, have the respective meanings hereby assigned to them, that is to say—

The word 'Warden' shall mean Warden, Commissioner, Resident Magistrate, Justice of the Peace, or any other Officer entrusted with the superintendence of the gold fields, or any portion thereof, and holding a Commission duly empowering him to have charge thereof, and shall include 'Warden and Assessors' except where it is otherwise specially provided.

The word 'person' shall mean the holder of a miner's right

The words 'New Gold Workings' shall mean ground previously unworked, or which has been worked and abandoned.

The words 'worked and abandoned ground' shall mean any ground, the whole or greater portion of which has been mined upon for gold, and abandoned.

Words importing the singular number shall include the plural number; and words importing the masculine gender shall include the feminine gender.

2. *The Miners' Right.*

Every person residing on a gold field and engaged in mining for gold, shall take out a miner's right, such miner's right to be carried on the person, and produced for inspection when demanded by the Warden or other officer, or by any person duly authorised in that behalf in writing by the Warden.

II. CLAIMS.

1.—*Classification of Claims.*

Ordinary claims shall mean alluvial claims worked without the aid of appliances for drainage.

Wet claims shall mean alluvial claims in flooded ground, which cannot be wrought without the aid of appliances for drainage.

Creek and river claims shall mean alluvial claims in the beds of creeks or rivers (including beaches), the course whereof may have been or shall be wholly diverted for the purpose of mining therein.

Quartz claims shall mean claims in quartz reefs or lodes.

2.—*Size of Claims.*

Ordinary claims shall not exceed 30 feet by 30 feet for each person, unless the depth of sinking exceeds 50 feet, in which case such claim may be extended to 40 feet by 40 feet.

Wet claims shall not exceed 40 feet by 40 feet for each person, unless the depth of sinking exceeds 50 feet, in which case such claims may be extended to 50 feet by 50 feet.

Creek or river claims shall not exceed 40 feet for each man employed thereon, nor be more than 240 feet in length in the whole, to be measured in the direction of the course of the stream, by a width not exceeding the boundaries of the bed of creek or river, as defined by the Warden or other officer duly authorised in that behalf.

Quartz claims shall not exceed 30 feet in length along the course of the lode or vein, by a width not exceeding 200 feet upon each side of the course, for each person; and no claim shall exceed in the whole 120 feet in length by 200 feet in width.

Nothing herein contained shall apply to the size of claims taken up under previous regulations.

3.—*Number of Claims in a Block.*

The maximum number of claims that may be occupied in one block by any party of miners shall be as follows:—

1. In ordinary claims, four single claims
2. In wet claims, six single claims
3. In creek or river claims, six single claims
4. In quartz claims, four single claims