

and shall be deemed to be a mine within the meaning of the said Act, and the provisions of the said Act shall apply to such mine as if it were a mine of gold.

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Hon. Mr. Larnach.

GOLD-MINING DISTRICTS ACT 1873 AMENDMENT.

ANALYSIS.

<p>Title.</p> <p>1. Short Title. Act incorporated.</p> <p>2. Mining to include other minerals than gold.</p>	<p>3. Owners of mines to contribute towards expense of raising water by machinery.</p> <p>4. Proceedings at hearing.</p> <p>5. Repeal.</p>
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A BILL INTITULED

AN ACT to amend "The Gold-Mining Districts Act, 1873." Title.

BE IT ENACTED by the General Assembly of New Zealand in Parliament assembled, and by the authority of the same, as follows:—

- 5 1. The Short Title of this Act is "The Gold-Mining Districts Act 1873 Amendment Act, 1885." Short Title.
- This Act shall be read and construed with "The Gold-Mining Districts Act, 1873" (herein referred to as "the said Act)," and shall be deemed and taken to be part thereof. Act incorporated.
- 10 2. Section three of the said Act is hereby amended as follows, for the purpose of extending the provisions of the said Act to the object of mining for other minerals than gold; that is to say,—
- In the definitions of the verb "mine," and the substantive "mine," and the terms "mining purposes" and "Crown land" respectively in the said section, after the word "gold," where the same appears in the aforesaid definitions, there shall be inserted the words "or any metal or other mineral other than gold."
- 15 3. The owner of any efficient machine or appliance which is employed in raising, lifting, or draining water from any mine shall be entitled to receive contribution for the expense of raising or draining water from such mine from the holders of, or persons working adjacent mines benefited by such machine, or which adjacent mines, from the mode of working the same, shall have added to the volume
- 20 or quantity of water to be raised. Owners of mines to contribute towards expense of raising water by machinery.
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Proceedings at hearing.

4. On hearing the case the Warden's Court, if satisfied that the plaintiff's machinery is efficient, shall first determine whether the mine of the defendant is benefited by the machinery of the plaintiff, or whether such mine has contributed to the volume of water raised or to be raised by the machinery of the plaintiff, and, if the Court determine that the mine of the defendant is so benefited or has so contributed, the Court shall proceed to determine the amount of contribution which it would be reasonable under all the circumstances of the case for the defendant to pay to the plaintiff, and the time, mode, and conditions of payment, and the period, not exceeding 5
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12 twelve months, during which such contribution shall be continued.

Repeal.

5. Sections sixty-eight and seventy-two of the said Act are hereby repealed.