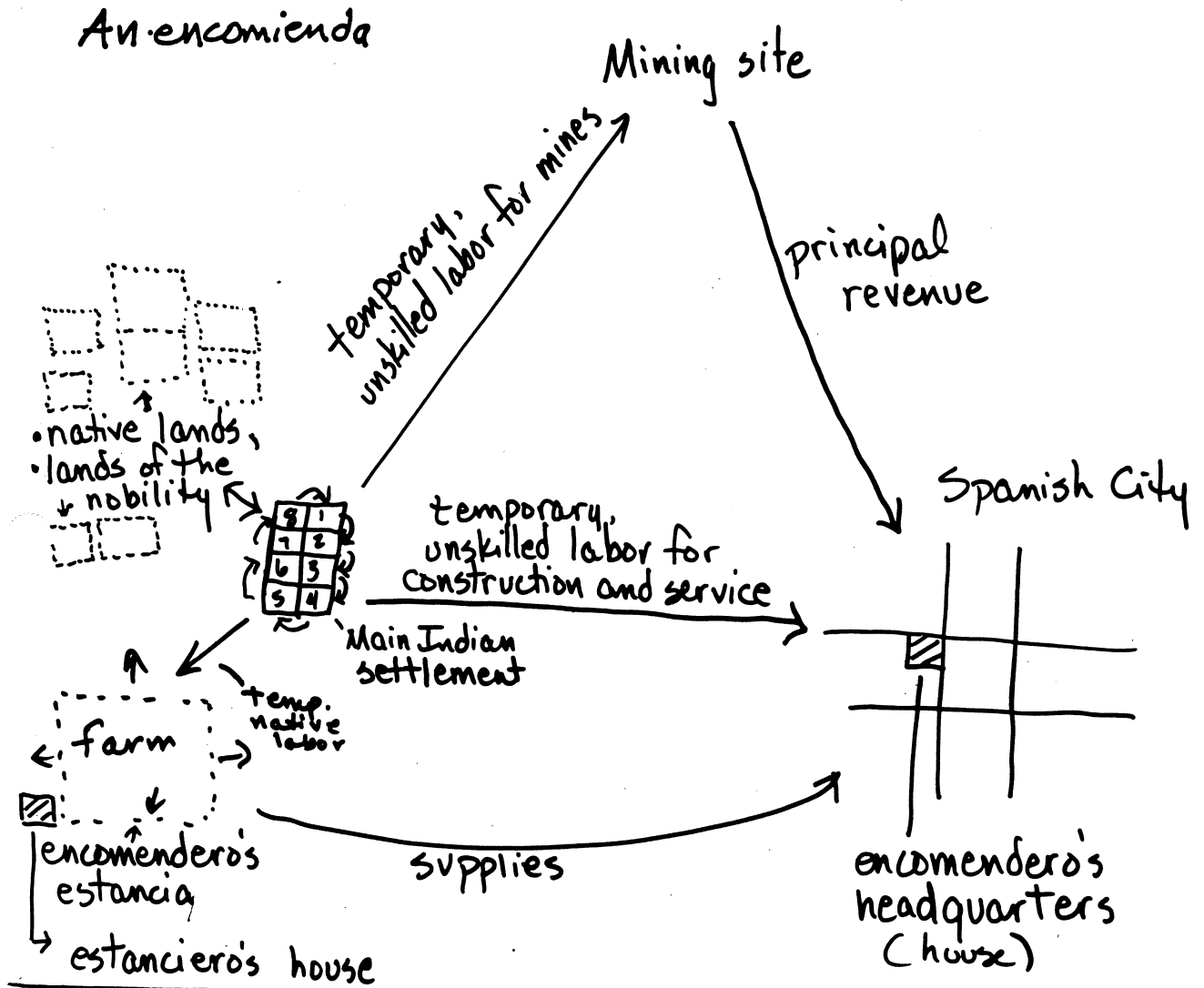


# Schema of an encomienda



Encomendero: holder of the "encomienda" grant.  
 estanciero - served the encomendero as labor boss  
 estancias - land (farm) - later become known as  
 'Ranchos' if serving mainly the domestic market, or  
 'Haciendas' if large, consolidated estates that export.  
 In the tropics, the latter are called "plantations"