

With P. U. No. 1180—1897; Ref. 47,478 on 146,591 T & M.

REGULATIONS GOVERNING PLACER MINING ALONG THE
YUKON RIVER AND ITS TRIBUTARIES IN THE
NORTH-WEST TERRITORIES.

(Approved by Order in Council No. 1189, of 21st May, 1897, as amended.)

INTERPRETATION.

“Bar diggings” shall mean any part of a river over which the water extends when the water is in its flooded state, and which is not covered at low water.

Mines on benches shall be known as “bench diggings” and shall for the purpose of defining the size of such claims be excepted from dry diggings.

“Dry diggings” shall mean any mine over which a river never extends.

“Miner” shall mean a male or female over the age of eighteen but not under that age.

“Claim” shall mean the personal right of property in a placer mine or diggings during the time for which the grant of such mine or diggings is made.

“Legal post” shall mean a stake standing not less than four feet above the ground and squared on four sides for at least one foot from the top. Both sides so squared shall measure at least four inches across the face. It shall also mean any stump or tree cut off and squared or faced to the above height and size.

“Close season” shall mean the period of the year during which placer mining is generally suspended. The period to be fixed by the Gold Commissioner in whose district the claim is situated.

“Locality” shall mean the territory along a river (tributary of the Yukon River) and its affluents.

“Mineral” shall include all minerals whatsoever other than coal.

NATURE AND SIZE OF CLAIMS.

1. “Bar diggings,” a strip of land 100 feet wide at high-water mark, and thence extending into the river to its lowest water level.

2. The sides of a claim for bar digging shall be two parallel lines run as nearly as possible at right angles to the stream and shall be marked by four legal posts, one at each end of the claim at or about high-water mark, also one at each end of the claim at or about the edge of the water. One of the posts at high-water mark shall be legibly marked with the name of the miner and the date upon which the claim was staked.

3. Dry diggings shall be 100 feet square and shall have placed at each of its four corners a legal post upon one of which shall be legibly marked the name of the miner and the date upon which the claim was staked.