

EXPLANATORY NOTES.

Section 1.

Sections **12**, **17**, **46** and **47** of the Yukon Quartz Mining Act impose certain restrictions on the number of claims that may be located and recorded by any one person and also restrict the locating of claims by an attorney. Representations have been made that these provisions do not allow the discoverer of mineral claims to protect adequately the Strike and Dip extensions of a mineral occurrence and permit encroachment by others. The provisions further prevent the staking of a sufficient area to justify the outlay required to finance a mining development under present conditions.

Section **12** presently reads:

"**12.** Every person eighteen years of age, or over, shall have the right personally, but not through another except as provided in section forty-seven of this Act, to enter, locate, prospect, and mine upon any vacant Dominion lands in Yukon Territory, for the minerals defined in this Act, and upon all lands the right whereon so to enter, prospect and mine such minerals has been, or hereafter shall be reserved to the Crown."

Section 2.

Sections **17**, **46** and **47** presently read as follows:—

"**17.** Any person having located and recorded a mineral claim under the provisions of this Act shall not have the right to locate another claim in the same mining district, either in his own name or in the name of any other person, for his benefit, for a period of twenty days from the date of such location."

"**46.** Any person upon satisfying a mining recorder that he is about to undertake a *bona fide* prospecting trip to a distant part of the district, may receive written permission from the mining recorder to record a claim within said mining district at any time within a period not exceeding six months from the date upon which such written permission was given: Provided said claim has been located by the applicant in accordance with the provisions of this Act."

"**47.** No record shall be granted for a claim which has not been staked by the applicant in person in the manner specified in this Act.

2. Except that if any person satisfies the mining recorder that he is about to undertake a *bona fide* prospecting trip to a distant part of the district and files with the mining recorder in advance a power of attorney from not more than two persons, authorizing him to stake claims for them in consideration of their having enabled him to undertake the trip, he may stake one claim in the name of each such person."