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INTRODUCTORY NOTICE.

In attempting to convey to the general reader a practical or really useful knowledge of the Minerals and Geology of Canada, it is advisable to consider the subject under the following heads:

1. How minerals are distinguished from one another.
2. The minerals and metallic ores met with in Canada.
3. How rocks are classified and distinguished.
4. Organic Remains: their use and teachings.
5. Subdivisions and distribution of Canadian rocks.

The term "Geology" comprises, strictly, a knowledge of the physical history of the Earth, as revealed to us by the study of the rock-

* The object of the series of papers to be published under this title, is twofold: First, to enable our surveyors, farmers, and others, to determine the Canadian minerals that may come under their observation; and, secondly, to serve as an introduction to the valuable reports and other publications issued by our Geological Survey.