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SYNOPSIS OF COAL MINING REGULATIONS.

Coal mining rights of the Dominion, in Manitoba, Saskatchewan and Alberta, the Yukon Territory, the North-West Territories and in a portion of the Province of British Columbia, may be leased for a term of twenty-one years at an annual rental of \$1 an acre. Not more than 2,560 acres will be leased to one applicant.

Application for a lease must be made by the applicant in person to the Agent or Sub-Agent of the district in which the rights applied for are situated.

In surveyed territory the land must be described by sections, or legal sub-divisions of sections, and in unsurveyed territory the tract applied for shall be staked out by the applicant himself.

Each application must be accompanied by a fee of \$5, which will be refunded if the rights applied for are not available, but not otherwise. A royalty shall be paid on the merchantable output of the mine at the rate of five cents per ton.

The person operating the mine shall furnish the Agent with sworn returns accounting for the full quantity of merchantable coal mined and pay the royalty thereon. If the coal mining rights are not being operated, such returns should be furnished at least once a year.

The lease will include the coal mining rights only, but the lessee may be permitted to purchase whatever available surface rights may be considered necessary for the working of the mine at the rate of \$10.00 an acre.

For full information application should be made to the Secretary of the Department of the Interior, Ottawa, or to any Agent or Sub-Agent of Dominion Lands.

W. W. CORY, Deputy Minister of Interior. N.B.—Unauthorized publication of this advertisement will not be paid for.-58782.

MINING POLICY FOR BRITISH COLUMBIA.

The Mining Record gives the following pronouncement of policy adopted by the Vancouver Chamber of Mines as calculated to promote the development of the mineral resources of British Columbia:

(1) In view of the fact that mining is the basal industry of British Columbia, it is desirable that the portfolio of mines be separated from, and uncombined with, any other office in the cabinet in order that the Minister may be able to devote his whole attention to the promotion of the interests of this industry:

(2) That, with a view to encouraging the development of the mineral resources of British Columbia, the following policy may be adopted with advantage:

That steps be taken to have geological investigations made, and maps prepared, of new localities in which mineral discoveries are reported; and that this work be carried out either by geologists attached to the staff of the Department of Mines or by members of the faculty of the University of British Columbia qualified to undertake the work;

That reports of such investigations be promptly published, together with maps, for the information of prospectors and investors;

That technical education be arranged for in the mining camps of the Province;

That a complete survey be made of the iron ore resources of the Province to secure data on which estimates may be made of the probable quantities of ores available and the character thereof with a view to promoting the establishment of the iron and steel industry on the Coast and developing an export trade in such ores as may be found suitable to the demands of the British and other markets;

That Government investigations into mine accidents be made promptly, and by technical men specially qualified to deal with the problems involved in an intelligent and effective manner;

That an efficient policy of trail construction be adopted to give convenient access to prospectors operating in new sections;

That a special effort be made to promote the placer and lode gold production of the Province with a view to improving business and financial conditions;

That steps be taken to prevent the fraudulent promotion of mining companies;

That the capitalization of mining companies be placed on the same basis as that of other commercial and financial companies;

That the possibility of the occurrence of deposits of economic minerals, other than those now exploited, be investigated;

That steps be taken to encourage prospecting for new fields and new mineral deposits;

That aid be given to the work of local chambers of mines on the same principle as the aid now given by the Government to agricultural societies;

That an effort be made to develop the marble and building stone deposits of the Province by providing in the specifications for public buildings and works for the use of such material as can be produced here;

That steps be taken to prevent mineral lands being closed indefinitely to development and operation;

That taxation on mines be revised to confine such taxation to net profits of operating companies.