

Act contained shall extend to authorize or empower the said Company to obtain or in any manner whatsoever to deal with Gold, Silver or any other precious metals, the right of property in or control over which may be vested in the Crown, without a Licence or Licences for such purpose or purposes first had and obtained. 5

Company empowered to enter lands and to search for minerals or other substances.

II. And be it enacted, in furtherance of the objects and purposes of the said Company, that it shall be lawful for the said Company, their deputies, servants, agents and workmen to enter into and upon any lands situate or being in the aforesaid several Counties or any of them, or in any other part or parts of this Province, whether of or belonging to the Queen's Most Excellent Majesty or any other person or persons, bodies politic, corporate or collegiate, or communities whatsoever, and there to seek and search for metallic, mineral or other natural substances of any kind or description, the said Company, nevertheless, doing as little damage as may be, and making to the owners and occupiers of, and all other parties interested in any lands, to be entered into as aforesaid full compensation for all damage sustained by such owners, occupiers and other parties, by reason of the exercise as regards such lands of the powers by this Act vested in the said Company. 10 15

Company empowered to purchase lands or contract for privilege of getting out minerals.

III. And be it enacted, That it shall be lawful for the said Company to agree with the owners of any lands situate or being in this Province or any part thereof, and with all parties having any estate or interest in such lands or by this Act, enabling to sell and convey the same for the lease or absolute purchase of any such lands and of all or any estates or interests of what kind soever in the same lands, or for the grant of the right or privilege of digging, delving or boring for and working or consuming or otherwise dealing with metallic or mineral or natural substances thereunder. 20 25

Power granted to corporate bodies and persons having limited interests to convey to Company.

IV. And be it enacted, That it shall be lawful for all parties being seized, possessed of or entitled to any such lands or any estate or interest therein, to lease, sell and convey or release the same, or grant any right or interest therein or thereover to the said Company, and to enter into all necessary agreements for that purpose; and particularly it shall be lawful for all tenants for life or any greater estate not only for and on behalf of themselves and all other persons entitled in reversion, remainder or expectancy, after them, and for all bodies politic, corporate or collegiate, corporations aggregate and sole, communities, guardians *grèves de substitution*, curators, executors, administrators and all other trustees or persons whosoever not only for or on behalf of themselves, their heirs and successors, but also for and on behalf of those whom they represent, whether infants, issue unborn, lunatics, idiots, *femes covert* or other person or persons who are or shall be seized, possessed of or entitled to or interested in any such lands, to contract with, lease and sell and convey or grant unto the said Company, their successors or assigns, the same lands or any right or interest therein or thereover, whether the same be held in mortmain or not freed and discharged from all other or adverse estates, rights, titles and interests whatsoever, and all contracts, agreements, leases, sales, conveyances, grants and assurances so to be made, shall be valid and effectual in law, to all intents and purposes whatsoever, any law, statute, usage or custom to the contrary thereof in anywise notwithstanding; and all tenants for life or 30 35 40 45 50