

(d.) The Gold Commissioner and the Mining Recorders shall have all the powers of a Justice of the Peace with reference to the issue of summonses requiring the attendance of witnesses, also to the issue of such warrants as may be necessary to compel the attendance of witnesses who disobey any such summonses.

(e.) All matters, applications and disputes in any way relating to entries for mining claims under regulations or in any way relating to mining rights upon Dominion Lands, shall whether arising before or after the coming into effect of this regulation, be decided by the Gold Commissioner or the Mining Recorders, subject to appeal to the Minister of the Interior, as above set forth.

Forms of  
procedure.

70. No particular forms of procedure shall be necessary, but the matter complained of must be properly expressed in writing, and a copy of the complaint shall be served on the opposite party not less than seven days before the hearing of the said complaint.

Complaint  
amended.

71. The complaint may, by leave of the Mining Recorder or Gold Commissioner, be amended at any time before or during the proceedings.

Bond fee.

72. The complainant shall, at the time of filing his complaint, deposit therewith a bond-fee of \$20, which shall be returned to him if the complaint proves to have been well founded, and not otherwise, except for special cause, by direction of the Minister of the Interior.

Bond fee on  
appeal

73. In the event of the decision of the Gold Commissioner being made the subject of an appeal to the Minister of the Interior, the appellant, shall, at the time of lodging the appeal, deposit with the agent a bond-fee of \$20, which shall be returned to the said appellant if his appeal proves to have been well founded, and not otherwise, except for special cause, by direction of the Minister of the Interior.

Form of  
appeal.

74. An appeal from the decision of the Mining Recorder or the Gold Commissioner must be in writing, and must be lodged with the Gold Commissioner not more than twenty days after a decision has been communicated in writing to all the parties interested, and must state the grounds upon which the said decision is appealed from.

Investigation  
on the ground.

75. If the Mining Recorder or Gold Commissioner decides that it is necessary to a proper decision of the matter in issue, to have an investigation on the ground, or, in cases of disputed boundaries or measurements, to employ a Dominion Land Surveyor to measure or survey the land in question, the expense of the inspection or re-measurement or re-survey, as the case may be, shall be borne by the litigants, who shall pay into the hands of the Mining Recorder or Gold Commissioner in equal parts, such sum as he may think sufficient for the same before it takes place; otherwise it shall not proceed, and the party who refuses to pay such sum shall be adjudged in default. The said Mining Recorder or Gold Commissioner shall subsequently decide in what proportion the said expense should be