

# CHAPTER 31.

## INDIAN LAND MINING REGULATIONS

GOVERNMENT HOUSE, OTTAWA,

The 15th day of September, 1888.

On the recommendation of the Superintendent General of Indian Affairs, and under the provisions of Chapter 43 of the Revised Statutes of Canada, intituled "The Indian Act,"

His Excellency in Council has been pleased to make and does hereby make the following regulations to govern the disposal of Indian lands containing minerals other than coal:—

### MINING REGULATIONS TO GOVERN THE DISPOSAL OF MINERAL LANDS OTHER THAN COAL LANDS

Section 1. These regulations shall be applicable to all Indian lands containing gold, silver, cinnabar, lead, tin, copper, petroleum, iron or other mineral deposit of economic value, with the exception of coal.

Lands containing gold, silver, cinnabar, etc.

Section 2. Any person may explore vacant Indian lands that have been surrendered by the Indians and not appropriated or reserved by the Department of Indian Affairs for other purposes, or Indian reserve lands provided the approval of the Superintendent General of Indian Affairs shall have been previously obtained, and may search therein, either by surface or subterranean prospecting, for mineral deposits, with a view to obtaining under these regulations a mining location for the same; but no mining location or mining claim shall be granted until the discovery of the vein, lode or deposit of mineral or metal within the limits of the location or claim.

Vacant lands may be explored with a view to obtaining mining location.

### I.—QUARTZ MINING

Section 3. A location for mining, except for iron, on veins, lodes, or ledges of quartz or other rock in place, shall not exceed 40 acres in area; except in the district of Algoma, where the area of a mining location shall not exceed 160 acres. Its surface boundaries shall be straight due north and south and east and west lines not more than four in number. Its length shall not be more than three times its breadth. Its boundaries beneath the surface shall be the vertical planes in which its surface boundaries lie.

Area and boundaries of mining location in Algoma and elsewhere.

Section 4. Any person having discovered a mineral deposit may obtain a mining location therefor, under these regulations, in the following manner:—