

(d) Any party of miners, not exceeding four, whose claims are adjoining, and each of which has been entered within three months of the other, may, for the better development of their locations, and upon being authorized to do so by the Agent, make upon any one of such locations, during the first and second years after entry, but not subsequently, the expenditure required by these Regulations to be made upon each of the said locations. The authority herein provided for shall be in the form D in the schedule hereto, and shall be granted by the Agent upon application made in writing to that effect by each of the claimants interested, and payment of a fee of five dollars, upon which payment the Agent shall also grant a receipt in the form E in the schedule hereto: Provided, however, that the expenditure made upon any one location shall not be applicable in any manner or for any purpose to any other location.

5. At any time before the expiry of five years from the date of his entry for his mining location, the claimant shall be entitled to purchase the said location upon filing with the Agent proof that he has expended not less than five hundred dollars in actual mining operations on the same, and that he has in every other respect complied with the requirements of these Regulations.

6. The price to be paid for a mining location shall be at the rate of five dollars per acre, cash.

7. On making the application to purchase a mining location, and paying the price therefor, as hereinbefore provided, the claimant shall also deposit with the Agent the sum of fifty dollars, which shall be deemed payment by him to the Government for the survey of his location: and upon the receipt of the plans and field notes, and the approval thereof by the Surveyor-General, a patent shall issue to the claimant in the form F in the schedule hereto. If on account of its remoteness or other cause, a mining location cannot at the time of the deposit of fifty dollars by the applicant for the purpose, be surveyed by the Government for that sum, he shall be subject to the alternative of waiting until the employment of a surveyor by the Government on other work in the vicinity of the claim renders it convenient to have the survey made at a cost not exceeding fifty dollars, or of sooner procuring, at his own cost, its survey by a duly commissioned surveyor of Dominion Lands, under instructions from the Surveyor-General; in the latter case, on receipt of the plans and field notes of the survey and approval thereof by the Surveyor-General, as hereinbefore provided, the claimant shall be entitled to receive his patent, and to have returned to him the fifty dollars deposited by him to defray the cost of survey.

8. Should the claimant, or his legal representatives as aforesaid, fail to prove within each year the expenditure prescribed, or having proved such expenditure, fail within the prescribed time to pay in full, and in cash, to the Agent, the price hereinbefore fixed for such mining location, and also to pay the sum of fifty dollars hereinbefore prescribed for the survey of his location,—then any right on the part of the claimant or of his legal representatives in the location, or claim on his or their part to acquire it, shall lapse, and the location shall thereupon revert to the Crown, and shall be held, along with any immoveable improvements thereon, for disposal, under these Regulations, to any other person, or as the Minister of the Interior may direct.