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Synopsis of Canadian Northwest HOMESTEAD REGULATIONS.

Any even numbered section of Dominion lands in Manitoba or the North-West Provinces, excepting 8 and 26, not reserved, may be homesteaded by any person the sole head of a family, or male over 18 years of age, to the extent of one-quarter section, of 160 acres, more or less.

Application for homestead entry must be made in person by the applicant at the office of the local Agent or Sub-Agent. Entry by proxy may, however, be made on certain conditions by the father, mother, son, daughter, brother or sister of an intending homesteader.

An application for entry or inspection made personally at any Sub-Agent's office may be wired to the local Agent by the Sub-Agent, at the expense of the applicant, and if the land applied for is vacant on receipt of the telegram such application is to have priority, and the land will be held until the necessary papers to complete the transaction are received by mail.

In case of "personation" the entry will be summarily cancelled and the applicant forfeit all priority of claim.

An application for inspection must be made in person. The applicant must be prepared for homestead entry, and only one application for inspection will be received from an individual until that application has been disposed of.

A homesteader whose entry is in good standing and not liable to cancellation, may, subject to approval of Department, relinquish in favor of father, mother, son, daughter, brother or sister, if eligible, but to no other else, on filing declaration of abandonment.

Where an entry is summarily cancelled or voluntarily abandoned, subsequent to notice of cancellation proceedings, the applicant for inspection will be entitled to priority of entry.

Applicants for inspection must state what particulars the homesteader is in default, and if subsequently the statement is found to be incorrect in material particulars, the applicant will lose any prior rights, and should the land become vacant, no entry has been granted it may be summarily cancelled.

Duties.—A settler is required to perform the conditions under one of the following:

(1) At least six months' residence and cultivation of the land in each year during the term of three years.

(2) If the father (or mother, if the father is deceased) of a homesteader resides upon a farm in the vicinity of the land entered for by such homesteader the requirements as to residence may be satisfied by residence upon such farm with the father or mother.

(3) If the settler has his permanent residence upon farming land owned by him in the vicinity of his homestead the requirements may be satisfied by residence upon such land.

Before making application for patent a settler must give six months' notice in writing to the Commissioner of Dominion Lands at Ottawa, of his intention to apply for patent.

SYNOPSIS OF CANADIAN NORTH-WEST MINING REGULATIONS.

Coal.—Coal mining rights may be leased for a period of twenty-one years, at an annual rental of $1 per acre. Not more than 2,560 acres shall be leased to one company. A royalty at the rate of five cents per ton shall be collected on the coal mined.

Quartz.—A prospector may, on any unoccupied Crown land, staking out a claim, locate a claim, 1500 feet by 1500 feet.

The fee for recording a claim is $5.

At least $100 must be expended on each claim each year, or payment made in lieu thereof. When the claim has been worked or paid upon to the value of $500 a survey may be made, and a patent for the land granted, if the requirements have been complied with. Price, $1 per acre.

The royalty on quartz is 2½ per cent.

Placer mining claims are 100 feet square.

An annual license to prospect for placer deposits, costing $10, is required. Upon discovery of a placer deposit a miner may locate a claim 100 feet square. The fee for recording a placer claim is $5.

The miner must work his claim 10 days within the year after the date of location, or pay $100 for each 10 days' neglect, unless he has a license to prospect, when he may work his claim 30 days without payment. Upon the claim being worked to the value of $500 a survey may be made, and a patent for the land granted, if the requirements have been complied with. Price, $1 per acre.

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