



INDIAN LANDS OFFICE AND OUT-STATIONS.

THE UNSOLD LANDS consist of about 300,000 acres in the Saugeen Peninsula, the prices of which vary according to quality and situation, from 75 cents to \$3.50 per acre. The Department has contributed liberally towards opening a main line of road, with its starting point upon the Owen Sound and Saugeen gravelled road, and running northward up the peninsula towards its northernmost point, opposite the southerly extremity of the Great Manitoulin Island. The agency for these lands is at Toronto, under the superintendence of W. R. Bartlett, Esq., who is provided with maps and with lists of the disposable lands. The conditions of sale are, one-fifth down, and the remainder payable by four annual instalments, with interest on each as it falls due, and actual and early occupation.

The Great Manitoulin Island has been in part surveyed. Seven townships having been laid out, containing about 160,000 acres, and Townplots also surveyed at Little Current, now designated Shaftesbury, and at Sheguendah, where are at least three good mill sites. There are other townships advanced in survey. The agent for the sale of lands upon the Island is C. T. Dupont, Esq. The price of farming is 20 cents per acre, and actual and immediate settlement. Oil and mineral lands are charged \$1.00 per acre, cash down, and patents issue *without reference to occupation or improvement*.

The Indian Department holds also for sale in trust for the Indians, lands in the vicinity of the Sault Ste. Marie, Batchewaung Bay, and Garden River, consisting of about 200,000 acres. The agent is Joseph Wilson, Esq., of Sault Ste. Marie, and the terms correspond with those laid down for the Manitoulin Island. The most direct access to both of those localities is by steamer from Collingwood, the Lake Huron terminus of the Northern Railway.

On Lake Superior, there are Indian lands also for sale, consisting of about 64,000 acres in the vicinity of Fort William on the Kaministagua River. The agent is Mr. McVicar, resident at Fort William, and the terms are the same as those for the lands around the Sault Ste. Marie.

The unsurveyed Indian reserves in Upper Canada, which have not been yielded up for sale, are of considerable extent, and some of them contain timber of value, which can only be cut under official license from the Superintendents, who attend to the local business of the bands under their superintendence.

In Lower Canada, the Indian reserves are of more limited extent, and there are no lands within them at present for sale.