

to be carried out by contract. A quarter quarter section is made a legal subdivision. In fractional townships the H. B. Co.'s claim shall be satisfied out of sections Nos. 8 and 26,—the matter to be settled by the M. of I. and the Co. So long as the timber land remains unsurveyed the Co. is to receive one-twentieth of the revenue from timber derived therefrom diminishing as surveys progress; and if on survey its sections are found denuded of one half of the timber or more, the allotment is to be changed. The heirs or representatives of a soldier or officer entitled to grant may be determined on reference by the M. of I. under 36 V., c. 6. Lands may be paid for in scrip. A person may enter for a free grant when 18 years of age. He may have an interim entry for any adjoining quarter section to that for which he applies (but not for a wood lot at a distance), with power to hold and cultivate (not cutting wood for sale or barter) for 3 years, and then (or previously on obtaining the free grant patent) to buy it. But this is not to apply to persons settling large grants. The applicant may, however, buy an adjacent wood lot or receive his patent with that of his homestead of which it will form part. The settlement does on unsurveyed lands may be performed during the 3 years next preceding issue of patent without reference to date of filing application. The M. of I. may order an inspection of any homestead lot, and if conditions of settlement are not being carried out may rescind entry. Assignment of a homestead is valid if made for money advanced to enable the party to immigrate, to build or to obtain seed grain or implements, and such debt may be made a charge upon the land. But it must not exceed \$200 nor bear more than 6 p. c. int. and a memo. of it must be filed in the land office. The grants for coal mining on unsurveyed lands are to be made subject to the right of the H. B. Co. to Nos. 8 and 26, and the survey must be made within 5 years unless the Co. consent. It is left in the discretion of the M. of I. to order the survey of wood lots of 10 and 20 acres under 35 V., c. 23, s. 46. Timber limits in unsurveyed territory may be leased for a bonus; and the condition of erecting mills may be dispensed with. The provisions in O. in C. of 25th April and 26th May, 1871, relating to pre-emption rights are revoked. If any person undertakes the settlement of a township free of expense to the government at the rate of a family on each alternate quarter section or 64 to a township, the government may withdraw said township from sale, and transfer the remaining quarter sections to such person at a reduced rate. The Surveyor-General is to keep a register in which assignments of Dominion Lands are to be registered—and certificate of registry granted. Registered assignments are to hold good against unregistered although previously made. Maps and plans of surveyed lands are to be sent by the Surveyor-General to Registrars in Manitoba and the N. W. Territories with a list of patents issued, and a supplementary list of those patent each year. Authority is given to the G. in C. to issue scrip in satisfaction of claims for land, redeemable by its receipt in payment for such land—the claims in commutation of hay cutting rights, and rights of common being specially mentioned. The G. in C. may establish a tariff of fees for copies of plans, documents &c., from the Surveyor-General's Office. "Deputy Surveyors of Dominion Lands"

are hereafter to be styled "Dominion Land Surveyors."

LAND GRANTS IN MANITOBA.

Chap. 20.—Each half breed head of a family resident in the Province on 15th July, 1870, may receive 160 acres of land or scrip for \$160 receivable in purchase of such lands. This right extends to the mothers as well as the fathers or both—to the former under conditions to be prescribed by the G. in C. In case of death of either between the above date and the grant, his or her share to be distributed as directed by the G. in C.

Every person resident in the Province being an original white settler, who came into the Red River country between 1813 and 1835 inclusive, or their children, not being half breeds, are entitled to land scrip for \$160.

INDIANS IN MANITOBA, N. W. TERRITORIES, & BRITISH COLUMBIA.

Chap. 21.—Makes more stringent regulations to prevent the sale of intoxicating liquor to Indians and for its seizure and destruction. Any Indian found drunk may be arrested by a constable without warrant and confined till he is sober and may then be tried and imprisoned for 1 mo. and, if he refuses to do so where he procured his liquor for 14 days more. Presents or property acquired by means of annuities to the Indians may not be sold to or bought by any other than an Indian without the written consent of the Indian agent under a penalty of \$200 or two mos. imprisonment. Indians may give evidence though not having a knowledge of God, after being informed of the punishment to which they are liable for swearing false y. Their affidavits must be signed by a mark and witnessed by the interpreter and justice. 31 V., c. 42 ss. 6 to 25 inc., 23, 29, 30, 37, 38, 39, and 42; 32 & 33 V., c. 6, ss. 1 to 2 inc. & 24 & 36 V., c. 4, ss. 1, 3, 6, 7, 8, 9, & 16, are extended to the Indians of B. C. & Man.; but by proclamation of the G. in C. they or any of them may be exempted from any portions of these enactments, or these Acts or any part of them may be extended to the Indians in or generally to the N. W. Territories.

N. W. MOUNTED POLICE.

Chap. 22.—Amends 36 V., c. 35. In place of a Superintendent, Inspectors and Sub-Inspectors are authorized as well as more than one Surgeon. The Commissioner may authorize other officers to enlist or appoint constables or sub-constables. The Commissioner has the authority of a Stipendiary Magistrate, the Inspectors and Sub-Inspectors that of a J. P. The service of Constables and Sub Constables must be for 3 years. The right to retire after 6 mos. notice is taken away. Similar duties are imposed on the force as by 36 V., c. 35, and penalties imposed for breach of discipline.

MARINE AND FISHERIES DEPARTMENT.

Chap. 23.—The Deputy is substituted for the Secretary in the duties prescribed by 31 V., c. 57, and his acts as such Secretary confirmed.