

Licenses
to cut
timber for
domestic
use.

653. Homestead settlers, whose land is destitute of timber, may, upon payment of an office fee of 50 cents, procure from the Crown timber agent a permit to cut the following quantities of timber free of dues: 30 cords of dry wood, 1,800 lineal feet of building timber, 2,000 poplar fence rails and 400 roof poles.

Or pur-
chase a
wood lot.

In cases where there is timbered land in the vicinity available for the purpose, the homestead settler, whose land is without timber, may purchase a wood lot, not exceeding in area twenty acres, at the price of \$5 per acre cash.

Timber
licenses

654. Licenses to cut timber on surveyed or unsurveyed lands are granted after competition to the highest tenderer.

Coal dis-
tricts.

655. Coal districts have been set apart as follows:—

1. On the Souris River, south of Moose Mountain.
2. On the South Saskatchewan River, near Medicine Hat.
3. On the North Saskatchewan River, near Edmonton.
4. On the Bow River.
5. On the Belly River.
6. On the Cascade River.
7. Wood Mountain.

The price per acre is, for land containing lignite or bituminous coal, \$10, and for anthracite coal, \$20.

When two or more parties apply to purchase the same land, tenders will be invited.

Leases of
grazing
lands.

656. Leases of grazing lands in Manitoba and the North-West Territories can be granted only after public competition, except in the case of actual settlers, to whom may be leased, without public competition, tracts of land not to exceed four sections and to be contiguous to the settler's homestead. Leases shall be for a period of not exceeding twenty-one years, and no single lease shall cover a greater area than 100,000 acres.

The lessee is obliged, within each of the three years from the date of granting the lease, to place upon his lease-hold