

745. The number of entries cancelled has been steadily decreasing; in 1874 63 per cent. of the homestead and 93 per cent. of the pre-emption entries were cancelled; in 1888 and 1889 there were no cancellations. The number of patents issued was 3,282, as compared with 3,275 in the preceding year, and the number cancelled was 30. The decrease in the number of patents issued during the last two years is, as stated last year, owing to the fact that under the Territories Real Property Act, notifications to the proper officials, by the Minister of the Interior, that certain lands have been granted to any railway company or to the Hudson's Bay Company, shall be equivalent to letters patent. Entries cancelled.  
Patents issued.

746. The next table gives the total amount of pre-emption and homestead fees, and proceeds of sales received in each year from 1st July, 1872, to 30th June, 1889:— Receipts from fees and sales, 1873-1889.

PRE-EMPTION AND HOMESTEAD FEES AND PROCEEDS FROM SALES, 1873-1889.

YEAR ENDED 30TH JUNE.	Homestead and Pre-emption Fees.	Ordinary Sales.		Sales to Colonization Companies.	Total.
		Cash.	Scrp.	Cash.	
	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$
1873 .....	6,970	21,616			28,586
1874 .....	8,290	17,697			25,987
1875 .....	11,570	13,591			25,161
1876 .....	4,700	3,704	320		8,724
1877 .....	5,620	1,069	136,955		143,645
1878 .....	15,370	2,682	120,159		138,211
1879 .....	36,026	8,188	210,904		255,119
1880 .....	32,358	41,768	81,685		155,812
1881 .....	30,682	62,940	70,828		164,451
1882 .....	94,228	1,228,424	50,590	354,036	1,727,280
1883 .....	127,740	516,092	33,638	248,492	925,962
1884 .....	70,390	423,113	40,919	253,713	788,136
1885 .....	42,745	198,759	45,875	1,214	288,594
1886 .....	40,481	76,140	204,658		321,279
1887 .....	26,502	48,176	337,640		412,318
1888 .....	28,521	52,238	313,523	10,000*	404,282
1889 .....	50,010	57,513	318,238	16,000*	441,761

\*Scrp.

747. The total net revenue for the year ended 30th June, 1889, including receipts from timber dues, grazing, hay and Total re-venue.