

at least 16 feet by 20 feet in size ; and to reside on the land at least six months in each year.

In the Rainy River districts to the west of Lake Superior, consisting of well-watered, uncleared land, free grants are made of 160 acres to a head of a family having children under 18 years of age residing with him (or her) ; and 120 acres to a single man over 18, or to a married man not having children under 18 residing with him ; each person obtaining a free grant to have the privilege of purchasing 40 acres additional, at the rate of one dollar per acre, payable in four annual instalments. The soil of this district is a deep loam, and for an area of nearly a million acres is very fertile.

QUEBEC.

Commissioner of Crown Lands, Quebec, P.Q.

About 6,000,000 acres of land have been surveyed by the Provincial Government, for sale.

Lands purchased from the Government are to be paid for in the following manner :—One-fifth of the purchase money is required to be paid the day of the sale, and the remainder in four equal yearly instalments, bearing interest at 6 per cent. But the price at which the lands are sold is so low—from 20c. to 60c. per acre (15d. to 2s. 5½d. stg.) that these conditions are not very burdensome.

The purchaser is required to take possession of the land sold within six months of the date of the sale, and to occupy it within two years. He must clear, in the course of ten years, ten acres for every hundred held by him, and erect a habitable house of the dimensions of at least 16 ft. by 20 ft. The letters patent are issued free of charge.

The parts of the Province of Quebec now inviting colonization are the Lake St. John district ; the valleys of the Saguenay, St. Maurice, and the Ottawa Rivers ; the Eastern Townships ; the Lower St. Lawrence ; Lake Temiscamingue, and Gaspé.

NOVA SCOTIA.

Commissioner of Crown Lands, Halifax, N.S.

There are now in Nova Scotia about two millions of acres of ungranted lands, a considerable quantity of which is barren and almost totally unfit for cultivation, but there is some land in blocks of 200 to 500 acres which is really valuable and some of it the best in the province, and quite accessible, being very near present settlements. The price of Crown lands is \$40 (£8 stg.) per 100 acres.

The grants of lands to the early settlers in this province contained no systematic reservation of minerals. In some instances gold, silver and precious stones only were reserved ; in other cases the gold, silver,