

acre per annum for subsequent years in the lands situated in Algoma and that part of Nipissing district north of the French River and the River Mattawa, and 60 cents the first year and thereafter 15 cents per annum for land situated elsewhere. These leases are all renewable after the second term by further terms of 20 years.

Miners' licenses in territories which may be set apart as Mining Divisions are granted for one year on payment of \$10, renewable for another year on payment of a like fee.

The Legislature of Ontario created a Bureau of Mines in 1891. Mr. Archibald Blue was made director, and he has issued several valuable reports, the latest to hand being that for 1894.

#### DOMINION.

767. The Dominion Government have provided regulations for the disposal of coal lands, the property of the Dominion in Manitoba, the North-west Territories and British Columbia.

Lands containing anthracite coal may be sold at an upset price of \$20 per acre cash, and coal other than anthracite at an upset price of \$10 per acre cash. Not more than 320 acres can be sold to one applicant. The Minister of the Interior has power to grant permission to prospect for coal for a period of 60 days, such permission to cover an area of 320 acres.

The regulations governing the disposal of mineral lands other than coal apply to Manitoba and the North-west Territories, and relate to Dominion lands containing gold, silver, cinnabar, lead, tin, copper, iron, or other mineral deposit of economic value.

No mining location or mining claim is granted until actual discovery of the deposit within the limits of the location or claim.

A location for mining, except for iron and mica on veins, lodes or ledges of quartz or other rock in place, must not be of larger dimensions than 1,500 feet in length and 600 in breadth. After marking out the ground in the manner prescribed, the claimant must, within 60 days thereafter, file with the agent of the Dominion Lands office for the district a sworn declaration setting forth the circumstances of his discovery and describing the locality and dimensions of his claim, paying in the sum of \$5 as an entry fee. He obtains from the agent a receipt, which is his authority to enter into possession on the location for the next five years, and to take and dispose of any mineral deposit contained therein, provided that during each of the five years he expends in actual mining operations at least \$100; which fact being sufficiently proved to the agent of Dominion Lands, and a fee of \$5 in each year being paid, shall entitle the miner to work the location for another year. At any time before the expiry of the five years the claimant is entitled, on proof of having expended at least \$500 in operations, to purchase the location at the rate of \$5 per acre cash, and the further deposit with the agent of \$50 to cover the cost of survey. Forfeiture is evoked by non-compliance during the five years with the regulations respecting annual expenditure.

A location for the mining of iron or mica must not be more than 160 acres in extent.