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6.—Land Sales by Railway Companies having Government Land Grants, and by the Hudson's Bay Company, in the fiscal years 1914-1916.

Companies.	1914.		1915.		1916.	
	Acres.	Amount.	Acres.	Amount.	Acres.	Amount.
_		\$		*		\$
Hudson's Bay Co.	26,292	572,837	16,400	306,550	79.310	1,273,144
Canadian Pacific Ry	263,962	4,242,089	151.262	2,496,872	242,215	3,670,421
Manitoba Southwestern		' ' '	,	, ,	,	0,000,242
Colonization Ry	7,626	91,948	489	5,508	4,780	58,808
Qu'Appelle, Long Lake and Saskatchewan Ry.				,,,,,,	2,707	00,000
& Steamboat Co.	1.629	21,546	1,292	19,118	12,246	180,361
Calgary and Edmonton	-,	,	-,-02	,	,-10	100,001
Ry, Co	19,575	460,129	23,042	444,018	11,689	172,033
Canadian Northern Ry.	-0,000	100,220	20,02	112,010	11,000	112,000
Co.	182,491	2,009,642	_	_	_ !	_
Great Northwest Central	102,101	2,000,012		_ +	_ :	_
Ry. Co.	_	_ ]	316	6.965	4,646	81,182
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Total.	501,575	7,398,191	192,801	3,279,031	354,886	5.435.949

Homestead Entries.—In 1916, the total number of ordinary homestead entries for lands of the Dominion Government was 12,568, as compared with 17,532 in 1915, 25,623 in 1914 and 31,499 in 1913. In 1916, 2,616 entries were made in Manitoba against 4,113 in 1915, 4,252 in 1914 and 2,998 in 1913; 4,519 in Saskatchewan against 6,349 in 1915, 9,752 in 1914 and 14,524 in 1913; 5,169 in Alberta against 6,584 in 1915, 10,722 in 1914, 12,122 in 1913; and 264 in British Columbia against 486 in 1915, 847 in 1914 and 1,855 in 1913. The number of pre-emptions under the Dominion Lands Act was 1,566 in 1916 (1,082 in Saskatchewan and 484 in Alberta) against 2,210 in 1915 (1,648 in Saskatchewan and 562 in Alberta). The number of purchased homesteads under the Act was 271 in 1916 (169 in Saskatchewan and 102 in Alberta) against 285 in 1915 (197 in Saskatchewan and 88 in Alberta).

Provincial Public Lands.—In the Maritime Provinces, in Quebec and in Ontario the public lands are administered by the Provincial Governments.¹ In Prince Edward Island all the land is settled. In Nova Scotia there are now no free grants of land; but under conditions prescribed by the Crown Lands Act of the Provincial Assembly (10 Edw. VII, 1910, c. 4, s. 26) and an amending Act of May 3, 1912, Crown lands, not exceeding in each case 150 acres, may be granted for agricultural or grazing purposes to applicants of not less than 18 years of age at the price of \$1 per acre, in addition to the expenses of survey. Leases and grants of Crown lands may also be obtained upon conditions

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup>For copies of the detailed regulations governing the disposal of provincial crown lands, application should be made as follows: Nova Scotia, to the Secretary for Industries and Immigration, Halifax; New Brunswick, to the Deputy Minister of Lands and Mines, Fredericton; Quebec, to the Deputy Minister of Lands and Forests, Quebec; Ontario, to the Deputy Minister of Lands, Forests and Mines, Toronto.