

7.—Land Sales by Railway Companies having Government Land Grants, and by the Hudson's Bay Company, in the Fiscal Years 1917-1919.

Companies.	1917.		1918.		1919.	
	Acres.	Amount.	Acres.	Amount.	Acres.	Amount.
Hudson's Bay Company.....	254,941	\$ 4,234,244	386,394	\$ 6,914,947	285,561	\$ 4,978,950
Canadian Pacific Railway....	405,764	6,612,040	545,285	11,044,883	602,555	10,530,669
Manitoba Southwestern Colonization Railway.....	12,470	165,245	25,933	321,005	5,289	67,214
Qu'Appelle, Long Lake, and Saskatchewan Railway and Steamboat Co.....	21,533	331,596	49,723	783,062	33,838	527,670
Calgary and Edmonton Railway Company.....	33,821	573,875	53,335	815,628	31,774	479,496
Canadian Northern Ry. Co....	17,796	298,938	39,546	732,351	65,110	1,261,963
Great Northwest Central Railway Company.....	8,829	141,439	16,021	275,724	14,530	252,774
Total.....	755,154	12,357,377	1,116,237	20,887,600	1,038,657	18,148,736

Homestead Entries.—In 1918, the total number of ordinary homestead entries for lands of the Dominion Government was 4,378 as compared with 8,768 in 1917, 12,568 in 1916, 17,532 in 1915 and 25,623 in 1914. In 1918, 873 entries were made in Manitoba against 1,618 in 1917, 2,616 in 1916, 4,113 in 1915 and 4,252 in 1914; 1,273 in Saskatchewan against 2,957 in 1917, 4,519 in 1916, 6,349 in 1915 and 9,752 in 1914; 2,163 in Alberta against 3,982 in 1917, 5,169 in 1916, 6,584 in 1915 and 10,722 in 1914; and 69 in British Columbia against 211 in 1917, 264 in 1916, 486 in 1915 and 847 in 1914. The number of pre-emptions under the Dominion Lands Act was 69 in 1918 (55 in Saskatchewan and 14 in Alberta) against 870 in 1917 (612 in Saskatchewan and 258 in Alberta). The number of purchased homesteads under the Act was 21 in 1918 (15 in Saskatchewan and 6 in Alberta) against 207 in 1917 (121 in Saskatchewan and 86 in Alberta).

Provincial Public Lands.—In the Maritime Provinces, in Quebec, Ontario and British Columbia, 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 prescribed. The total area of the Crown lands in Nova Scotia as of 1918 is approximately 876,974 acres.

¹ 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 and Forests, Toronto; British Columbia, to the Deputy Minister of Lands, Victoria.