

The area of the Crown lands in New Brunswick is about 7,250,000 acres. Probably not more than one-quarter of this area is suitable for agriculture. Under the provisions of Acts of the New Brunswick Legislative Assembly, lots of 100 acres each may be granted to settlers of 18 years of age or over, subject to conditions which include the clearance and cultivation of ten acres, the building of a house, three years' residence on the lot and payments or labour in aid of the construction of roads and bridges. The Government of New Brunswick has commenced a survey with a view to the separation of agricultural lands from those suitable only for timber and to the opening up of homestead lands through which roads will be built, assisted by the province. Some special facilities are offered for the taking up of Crown land in New Brunswick for settlement purposes only by those who have served either in the army or navy during the European War. An application for 100 acres of land under those conditions may be sent either to the Soldier Settlement Board of Canada at St. John, N.B., or to the Deputy Minister of Lands and Mines at Fredericton, N.B.

In Quebec the area of public lands subdivided and unsold on June 30, 1917, was 7,297,471 acres. During the year ended June 30, 1918, 128,720 acres were surveyed; 75,646 acres reverted to the Crown; 297,468 acres were sold, the receipts, including arrears, being \$151,350. Adding to the acreage available at June 30, 1916, the areas surveyed and the areas that reverted and deducting sales and grants, there remained subdivided and unsold on June 30, 1918, 7,204,369 acres. Agricultural lands in 100 acre lots are available for settlement upon prescribed conditions at the price of 60 cents per acre.

In Ontario the public lands which are open for disposal are chiefly situated in the districts of Muskoka, Parry Sound, Nipissing, Sudbury, Algoma, Timiskaming, Thunder Bay, Kenora and Rainy River, and in the counties of Haliburton, Peterborough, Hastings, Frontenac, Lennox and Addington and Renfrew. In northern Ontario which comprises the territory lying north and west of the Ottawa and French rivers, the townships open for sale are subdivided into lots of 320 acres, or sections of 640 acres, and a half lot or quarter section of 160 acres is allowed to each applicant at the price of 50 cents per acre, payable one-fourth cash and the balance in three annual instalments with interest at 6 p.c. The applicant must be a male (or sole female) head of a family, or a single man over 18 years of age. The conditions of purchase include occupation by the purchaser within six months from date of purchase, the erection of a house, the clearance and cultivation of at least 10 p.c. of the area and three years' residence. Proxy regulations enable an individual to purchase a half lot of 160 acres and place an agent in residence, but the duties to be performed before issue of patent are double those required in ordinary purchases. Free grants and homesteads are available on lands within the districts of Algoma, Nipissing, Thunder Bay, Sudbury, Rainy River and Kenora, and between the Ottawa river and the