

In northern Ontario the townships which are open for sale are subdivided into lots of 160 acres each, with the exception of Cochrane and Timiskaming districts, where the area to which an individual is entitled is 80 acres.

Conditions under which sale lands throughout the province may be obtained involve personal residence for at least 6 months in each year; payment of one-quarter of the purchase price, which is 50 cents per acre, with the application, the remainder being spread over three years with interest at 6 p.c.; and the clearing and cultivation of a prescribed acreage in addition to the construction of the necessary habitations. Proxy regulations enable an individual to purchase a lot of 160 acres and place an agent in residence, but the duties in such case to be performed before the issue of patent are double those required in ordinary purchases. When a purchaser has completed his duties, made payment in full, and obtained his patent, he may make application for an additional parcel in some cases, for which a further patent may be obtained, for pasture purposes, and there is no necessity to construct additional buildings on the additional parcel provided the applicant is in residence on and cultivating the parcel already patented.

Free grant land is available in certain sections of the province. These lots consist also of 160 acres for the most part. No purchase money is required, but the following duties must be completed: 15 acres to be cleared and under cultivation; house to be erected with dimensions of at least 16 ft. x 20 ft.; actual and continuous residence on the land from time of location to issue of patent; mines and minerals and timber other than pine go with patent. Returned soldiers, on production of discharge certificates, may make application and sale lands can be allowed to them under free grant conditions.

Public lands may also be leased or the use of the same be obtained under licence of occupation for specific terms at nominal rates for sheep raising, ranching and other purposes.

Many fine sites are available for the erection of summer homes and for the enjoyment of summer pastimes. The Department issues a booklet entitled "Summer Homes in Ontario" dealing with this subject. Copies may be obtained on application to the provincial authorities.

To assist settlers in the northern part of the province, the Department of Northern Development, through the Settlers' Loan Commissioner, makes advances up to \$500 to settlers to enable them to purchase stock and seed and to improve the property. Information with respect to these loans may be obtained direct from the Settlers' Loan Commissioner at Toronto.

The Department of Northern Development, which comes under the Minister of Lands and Forests, administers the roads in northern Ontario, which now total approximately 15,000 miles. Inquiries with respect to these roads should be directed to the Deputy Minister of Northern Development at Toronto. Each year this Department constructs new roads at the average rate of one mile per day, and in the sections served by these roads there are still available, in addition to the free grant lands already mentioned, millions of acres of suitable land which can be purchased by *bona fide* settlers at 50 cents per acre.

**Manitoba.**—The Provincial Government of the province of Manitoba has control of approximately ten million acres of unsold land, of which one million consists of school lands. The greater portion of these lands was recently transferred to the province by the Dominion Government; a considerable part of them is situated in the eastern section, the inter-lake area, and west and northwest of lake Manitoba.