

2. Single applications may be made for not more than 200 acres of Crown lands without conditions of settlement. These are put up at public auction at an upset price of \$1 per acre. Purchase money to be paid with application. Cost of survey to be paid by purchaser. The above sections apply only to land fit for agricultural purposes. Lands well timbered are not sold outright.

Any person being the head of a family, a widow or a single man over eighteen years of age, and a British subject, or an alien purposing to become a British subject, can pre-empt 160 acres of land belonging to British Columbia, west of Cascade Mountains, or 320 acres east of these mountains, at \$1 per acre. Two months' leave of absence under the Land Act, and an additional four months for sufficient cause, when applied for to the Commissioner, can be had in each year till the Crown deed is obtained. A certificate of improvement showing that the claim has been improved to the extent of \$2.50 per acre is necessary before a Crown deed can be issued. Timber and hay lands may be leased from the Government. Timber lands pay a yearly rental and a royalty of 50 cents per 1,000 feet of all logs cut. Leases of land for other purposes may also be granted by the Chief Commissioner.

There are about 30,000 acres of vacant Government lands available in Prince Edward Island, consisting of lands of medium or poor quality, and averaging in price from 25 cents to \$1 an acre.

RAILWAY LANDS.

The Canadian Pacific Railway lands consist of the odd-numbered sections along the main line and branches and in the Lake Dauphin district in Manitoba and in Northern Alberta. These lands are for sale at the agencies of the company in Manitoba and the North-west Territories at the following prices :

Lands in the Province of Manitoba and in Assiniboia east of the 3rd Meridian average \$3 to \$6 an acre.

Lands west of the 3rd Meridian generally \$3 per acre, in special locations \$3.50 to \$5 per acre.

If full payment is made at the time of purchase a discount of ten per cent on five-sixths of the purchase money is allowed. Lands for immediate settlement may be purchased with a cash instalment of a little more than one-tenth and nine equal annual instalments, including interest at the rate of six per cent. The payments for 160 acres at \$3 per acre on the settlement plan are cash \$71.90 and nine equal annual instalments of \$60 each, including interest.

Purchasers who do not undertake to settle upon the land within one year are required to pay one-sixth of the purchase money down, the balance in five equal annual instalments with interest at six per cent.

Liberal rates for settlers and their effects are granted by the company over their railway.