

and of having made permanent improvements on the land to the value of two dollars and fifty cents per acre, the settler, on producing the pre-emption certificate, obtains a certificate of improvement.

After obtaining the certificate of improvement and paying for the land, the settler is entitled to a Crown grant in fee simple. He pays five dollars therefor.

#### PAYMENT FOR LAND AND CROWN GRANT.

The price of Crown lands pre-empted, is *one dollar* per acre, which must be paid in *four equal instalments*, as follows: First instalment two years from date of record or pre-emption, and each other instalment is not payable till after the survey.

The Crown grant excludes gold and silver ore, and reserves to the Crown a royalty of five cents per ton on every ton of merchantable coal raised or gotten from the land, not including dross or fine slack.

No Crown grant can be issued to an alien who may have recorded or pre-empted by virtue of his declaring his intention to become a British subject, unless he has become naturalized.

The heirs or devisees of the homestead settler are, if resident in the province, entitled to the Crown grant on his decease.

#### SALE OF SURVEYED LANDS.

Vacant surveyed lands, which are not the sites of towns or the suburbs thereof, and not Indian settlements, may be purchased at the rate of two dollars and fifty cents per acre. Surveyed lands purchased under the provisions of this section must be paid for in full at the time of the purchase thereof.

#### SALE OF UNSURVEYED LANDS.

The applicant to purchase unsurveyed Crown lands, after staking, posting, etc., must give two months' notice of his intended application in the "Government Gazette," and in any newspaper circulating in the district where the land is situated.

He must also have the land surveyed at his own expense, by a surveyor approved of and acting under the instructions of the Chief Commissioner.

The price is *two dollars and fifty cents*, per acre, to be paid as follows:—Ten per cent. at the time of application, and ninety per cent. on completion and acceptance of survey.

The quantity of land must not be less than 160 acres, nor more than 640 acres. The purchase must be completed within six months from date of application.

#### WATER RIGHTS.

Landlords may divert, for agricultural or other purposes, the required quantity of unrecorded and unappropriated water from the natural channel of any stream, lake, etc., adjacent to or passing through their land, upon obtaining a written authority of the Commissioner.

#### HOMESTEAD ACT.

The farm and buildings, when registered, cannot be taken for debt incurred after the registration; it is free from seizure up to a value not greater than \$2,500 (£500 English); goods and chattels are also free up to \$500 (£100 English); cattle "farmed on shares" are also protected by an Exemption Act.