

ST. JOHN, N.B.

From Our Own Correspondent.

GENERAL REMARKS.—As usual at this season of the year, we have very little for special remark in regard to the progress of our lumber trade. Under those circumstances a few observations with reference to the character of our wood trade generally may not be altogether out of place.

As will be soon by reference to our periodical report of shipments, Europe (and especially Great Britain) is the principal wood market of this port; indeed the same may be said of the Province generally; our wood exports thence consisting very largely of spruce deals.

The lumber trade between this port and the United States is not altogether Canadian. It is almost exclusively in the hands of people from the States, who procure their logs from that portion of the State of Maine watered by the River St. John and tributaries, float them to St. John, where the lumber is manufactured and shipped to the United States as American lumber, and, consequently, free of duty, thus possessing a decided advantage over Canadian lumber, tending to the exclusion of the latter from the American market. There are some ten saw mills in this city and vicinity engaged in this business. The lumber is mostly pine, cut into boards and plank from one to two inches in thickness.

Our shipments to the West Indies, consisting of pine boards chiefly, are comparatively small, and mostly in the winter season.

FRIGHTS.—The freight market is extremely dull and rates very low. For Liverpool the latest quotation is 52/6.

SHIPMENTS.—The shipments of deals and other sawn lumber are as follows:—

For Europe.....	12,607,000 Sup. ft.
" United States ..	2,875,000 "
" West Indies	180,000 "

VESSELS IN PORT.—The following is a list of square-rigged vessels in port with their tonnage and destination:—

Nettle Murphy, 1,373, Liverpool.
William, 993, waiting.
Douglas Campbell, 815, Marseilles.
Granite City, 776, United Kingdom.
Effort, 578, United Kingdom or Continent.
Africa, 1,130, Cardiff.
Wanderer, 438, Ireland.
Huano, 843, Belfast.
Blanco, 343, —
Josie Troop, 1,100, Gibraltar, orders.
Venus, 734, United Kingdom.
Cecilia, 334, Continent.
Nyghau, 1,254, Liverpool.
Lifey, 845, Liverpool.
Charles, 1,500, Liverpool.
L. H. DeVeber, 615, Londonderry.
John Murphy, 1,475, Liverpool.
Bonito, 599, Galway.
Broderine, 453, Marseilles.
Taganrog, 514, Marseilles.
Loining, 547, St. Nazaire.
E. W. Gale, 320, Drogheda.
Revolving Light, 1,317, Liverpool.
Rebus, 845, Marseilles.
Mark Twain, 674, Bristol Channel.
Moss Glen, 593, —
Varhug, 401, —
Acton, S.S., 1,000, W.C. England.
New City, 1,411, Liverpool.
Finbury, S.S., 1,229, W.C. England.
Astrakana, 1,135, Liverpool.
Arkic, 748, —
Wacasa, 509, —
Zebina Goudy, 1,100, Liverpool.
Cid, S.S., 976, W.C. England.
Hawthorne, 621, —
Dusty Miller, 595, Carnarvon.
Fidella, 450, —
Nellie Moody, 740, —
Endrick, 324, —
Navigator, 539, —
Wearmouth, S.S., 1,101, W.C. England.
Charles H. Kenney, 1,123, Adelaide, orders.
Stirlingshire, 549, —
Habor, 300, —
Jennie Parker, 998, —

St. John, N.B., July 2nd, 1881.

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Department of the Interior,

OTTAWA, 25th May, 1881.

WHEREAS circumstances have rendered it expedient to effect certain changes in the policy of the Government respecting the administration of Dominion lands, public notice is hereby given:

1. The Regulations of the 14th October, 1879, were rescinded by order of His Excellency the Governor General in Council, on the 20th day of May, instant, and the following Regulations for the disposal of agricultural lands substituted therefor:

2. The even-numbered sections within the Canadian Pacific Railway Belt, that is to say, lying within 24 miles on each side of the line of the said Railway, excepting those which may be required for wood lots in connection with settlers on prairie lands within the said belt, or which may be otherwise specially dealt with by the Governor in Council, shall be held exclusively for homesteads and pre-emptions. The odd-numbered sections within the said belt are Canadian Pacific Railway Lands, and can only be acquired from the Company.

3. The pre-emptions entered within the said belt of 24 miles on each side of the Canadian Pacific Railway, up to and including the 31st day of December next, shall be disposed of at the rate of \$2.50 per acre, four-tenths of the purchase money, with interest on the latter at the rate of six per cent. per annum, to be paid at the end of three years from the date of entry, the remainder to be paid in six equal instalments annually from and after the said date, with interest at the rate above mentioned on such portions of the purchase money as may from time to time remain unpaid, to be paid with each instalment.

4. From and after the 31st day of December next, the price shall remain the same—that is \$2.50 per acre—for pre-emptions within the said belt, or within the corresponding belt of any branch line of the said Railway, but shall be paid in one sum at the end of three years, or at such earlier period as the claimant may have acquired a title to his homestead quarter-section.

5. Dominion Lands, the property of the Government, within 24 miles of any projected line of railway recognized by the Minister of Railways, and of which he has given notice in the Official Gazette, as being a projected line of Railway, shall be dealt with as to price and terms, as follows:—The pre-emptions shall be sold at the same price and on the same terms as fixed in the next preceding paragraph, and the odd-numbered sections shall be sold at \$2.50 per acre, payable in cash.

6. In all townships open for sale and settlement within Manitoba or the North-West Territories, outside of the said Canadian Pacific Railway Belt, the even-numbered sections, except in the cases provided for in clause two of these Regulations, shall be held exclusively for homestead and pre-emption, and the odd-numbered sections for sale as public lands.

7. The lands described as public lands shall be sold at the uniform price of \$2 per acre, cash, excepting in special cases where the Minister of the Interior, under the provisions of section 4 of the amendment to the Dominion Lands Act passed at the last session of Parliament, may deem it expedient to withdraw certain farming lands from ordinary sale and settlement, and put them up for sale at public auction to the highest bidder, in which event such lands shall be put up at upset price of \$2 per acre.

8. Pre-emptions outside of the Canadian Pacific Railway Belt shall be sold at the uniform price of \$2 per acre, to be paid in one sum at the end of three years from the date of entry, or at such earlier period as the claimant may acquire a title to his homestead quarter-section.

9. Exceptions shall be made to the provisions of clause 7, in so far as relates to lands in the Province of Manitoba or the North-West Territories, lying to the north of the belt containing the Pacific Railway lands, wherein a person being an actual settler on an odd-numbered section shall have the privilege of purchasing the same at the price of \$1.25 per acre, cash; but no Patent shall be issued for such land until after three years of actual residence upon the same.

10. The price and terms of payment of odd-numbered sections and pre-emptions, above set forth, shall not apply to persons who have settled in any one of the several belts described in the said Regulations of the 14th October, 1879, hereby rescinded, but who have obtained entries for their lands, and who may establish a right to purchase such odd-numbered sections or pre-emptions, as the case may be, at the price and on the terms respectively fixed for the same by the said Regulations.

Timber for Settlers.

11. The system of wood lots in prairie townships shall be continued—that is to say, homestead settlers having no timber on their own lands, shall be permitted to purchase wood lots in areas not exceeding 20 acres each, at a uniform rate of \$5 per acre, to be paid in cash.

12. The provision in the next preceding paragraph shall apply also to settlers on prairie sections bought from the Canadian Pacific Railway Company, in cases where the only wood lands available have been laid out on even-numbered sections, provided the Railway Company agree to reciprocate where the only timber in the locality may be found on their lands.

13. With a view to encouraging settlement by cheapening the cost of building material, the Government reserves the right to grant licenses from time to time, under and in accordance with the provisions of the "Dominion Lands Act" to cut merchantable timber on any lands owned by it within surveyed townships; and settlement upon, or sale of any lands covered by such license, shall, for the time being, be subject to the operation of the same.

Sales of lands to Individuals or Corporations for Colonization.

14. In any case where a company or individual applies for lands to colonize, and is willing to expend capital to contribute towards the construction of facilities for communication between such lands and existing settlements, and the Government is satisfied of the good faith and ability of such company or individual to carry out such undertaking, the odd-numbered sections in the case of lands outside of the Canadian Pacific Railway Belt, or of the Belt of any branch line or lines of the same, may be sold to such company or individual at half price, or \$1 per acre, in cash. In case the lands applied for be situated within the Canadian Pacific Railway Belt, the same principle shall apply so far as one half of each even-numbered section is concerned—that is to say, the one-half of each even-numbered section may be sold to the

company or individual at the price of \$1.25 per acre to be paid in cash. The company or individual will further be protected up to the extent of \$500, with six per cent. interest thereon till paid, in the case of advances made to place families on homesteads, under the provisions of section 10 of the amendments to the Dominion Lands Act hereinbefore mentioned.

15. In every such transaction, it shall be absolutely conditional:

(a) That the company or individual, as the case may be, shall, in case of lands outside of the said Canadian Pacific Railway Belt, within three years of the date of the agreement with the Government, place two settlers on each of the odd-numbered sections, and also two on homesteads on each of the even-numbered sections embraced in the scheme of colonization.

(b) That should the land applied for be situated within the Canadian Pacific Railway Belt, the company or individual shall, within three years of the date of the agreement with the Government, place two settlers on the half of each even-numbered section purchased under the provision contained in paragraph 14, also, and also one settler upon each of the two quarter sections remaining available for homesteads in such section.

(c) That on the promoters failing within the period fixed, to place the prescribed number of settlers, the Governor in Council may cancel the sale and the privilege of colonization, and resume possession of the lands not settled, or change the full price of \$1 per acre, or \$2.50 per acre, as the case may be, for such lands, as may be deemed expedient.

(d) That it be distinctly understood that this policy shall not only apply to schemes for colonization of the public lands by emigrants from Great Britain or the European Continent.

Pasture Lands.

16. The policy set forth as follows shall govern applications for lands for grazing purposes, and previous to entertaining any application, the Minister of the Interior shall satisfy himself of the good faith and ability of the applicant to carry out the undertaking involved in such application.

17. From time to time, as may be deemed expedient, leases of such Townships, or portions of Townships, as may be available for grazing purposes, shall be put up at auction at an upset price to be fixed by the Minister of the Interior and sold to the highest bidder the premium for such leases to be paid in cash at the time of the sale.

18. Such leases shall be for a period of twenty-one years, and in accordance otherwise with the provisions of section eight of the Amendment to the Dominion Lands Act passed at the last session of Parliament, hereinbefore mentioned.

19. In all cases the area included in a lease shall be in proportion to the quantity of the live stock kept thereon, at the rate of ten acres of land to one head of stock; and the failure in any case of the lessee to place the requisite stock upon the land within three years from the granting of the lease, or in subsequently maintaining the proper ratio of stock to the area of the leasehold, shall justify the Governor in Council in cancelling such lease, or in diminishing proportionately the area contained therein.

20. On placing the required proportion of stock within the limits of the leasehold, the lessee shall have the privilege of purchasing, and receiving a patent for, a quantity of land covered by such lease, on which to construct the buildings necessary in connection therewith, not to exceed five per cent. of the area of the leasehold, which latter shall in no single case exceed 100,000 acres.

21. The rental for a leasehold shall in all cases be at the rate of \$10 per annum for each thousand acres included therein, and the price of the land which may be purchased for the cattle station referred to in the next preceding paragraph, shall be \$1.25 per acre, payable in cash.

Payments for Lands.

22. Payments for public lands and also for pre-emptions made in cash, or in scrip, or in police or military bounty warrants, at the option of the purchaser.

23. The above provisions shall not apply to lands valuable for town plots, or to coal or other mineral lands, or to stone or marble quarries, or to lands having water power thereon; and further shall not, of course, affect Sections 11 and 20 in each Township, which are Hudson's Bay Company's lands.

J. S. DENNIS,

Deputy Minister of the Interior.

LINDSAY RUSSELL,
Surveyor-General.

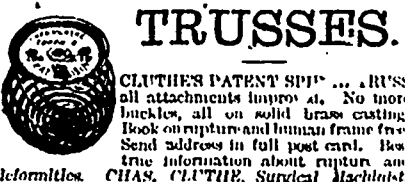
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