

3. The term *Agent* or *Officer* means any person or Officer, employed in connection with the administration and management, sale or settlement of Dominion lands; and the term *Local Agent* means the Agent for Dominion lands employed as aforesaid, with respect to the lands in question; and the term *Land Office* means the office of any such Agent.

4. The term *Deputy Surveyor* means a Surveyor duly authorized under the provisions of this Act to survey Dominion lands.

5. The term *Crown Timber Agent* means the local officer appointed to collect dues and to perform such other duties as may be assigned to such officer, in respect to the timber on Dominion lands.

6. The term *Island*, as used in connection with timber, means an isolated grove or clump of timber in Prairie.

7. The term *Belt*, as used in connection with timber, means a strip of timber along the shore of a lake, river or water course.

8. The term *Clause* means a section of this Act distinguished by a separate number, and the term *Sub-Clause*, means a division of any clause distinguished by a separate number in smaller type.

9. The term *Canada Gazette* means the official Gazette of the Government, published at Ottawa.

#### DOMINION LANDS OFFICE.

2. The Department of the Secretary of State of Canada, shall be charged with the administration and management of the Dominion lands.

1. Such administration and management shall be effected through a Branch of the said Department, to be known and designated as "*The Dominion Lands Office*."

2. Copies of any records, documents, plans, books, or papers, belonging to or deposited in the said office, attested under the signature of the Secretary of State or of the Surveyor General, shall be competent evidence in all cases in which the original records, documents, books, plans, or papers, could be evidence.

3. No person employed in or under the Dominion Lands Office shall purchase any of such lands, except under authority of an Order in Council.

#### SYSTEM OF SURVEY.

3. Subject always to the provisions hereinafter made with respect to special cases,—

1. The Dominion lands shall be laid off in quadrilateral Townships, containing thirty-six sections of one mile square in each, (except in the case of those sections rendered irregular by the convergence or divergence of meridians as hereinafter mentioned) together