



THE CANADIAN NORTH-WEST
HOMESTEAD
REGULATIONS.

Any even numbered section of Dominion Lands in Manitoba or the North-West Territories, excepting 8 and 26, which has not been homesteaded, or reserved to provide wool lots for settlers, or for other purposes, may be homesteaded upon by any person who is the sole head of a family, or any male over 18 years of age, to the extent of one quarter section, of 160 acres, more or less.

ENTRY.
Entry may be made personally at the local land office or the district in which the land is situated.

HOMESTEAD DUTIES.
A settler who has been granted an entry for a homestead is required by the provisions of the Dominion Lands Act and the amendments thereto to perform the conditions connected therewith, under one of the following plans:—

(1) At least six months' residence upon and cultivation of the land in each year during the term of three years.

(2) If the father (or mother, if the father is deceased) of any person who is eligible to make a homestead entry under the provisions of this Act, resides upon a farm in the vicinity of the land entered for by such person as a homestead, the requirements of this Act as to residence prior to obtaining patent may be satisfied by such person residing with the father or mother.

(3) If a settler was entitled to and has obtained entry for a second homestead, the requirements of this Act as to residence prior to obtaining patent may be satisfied by residence upon the first homestead, if the second homestead is in the vicinity of the first homestead.

(4) If the settler has his permanent residence upon farming land owned by him in the vicinity of his homestead, the requirements of this Act as to residence may be satisfied by residence upon the said land.

The term "vicinity" used above is meant to indicate the same town, township or an adjoining or cornering township.

A settler who avails himself of the provisions of Clauses (2), (3) or (4) must cultivate 30 acres of his homestead, or substitute 20 head of stock, with buildings for their accommodation, and have besides 8 acres substantially fenced.

The privilege of a second entry is restricted by law to those settlers only who completed the duties upon their first homesteads to entitle them to patent on or before the 2nd June, 1889.

Every homesteader who fails to comply with the requirements of the homestead law is liable to have his entry cancelled, and the land may be again thrown open for entry.

APPLICATION FOR PATENT
should be made at the end of three years, before the Local Agent, Sub-Agent, or the Homestead Inspector. Before making application for patent, the settler must give six months' notice in writing to the Commissioner of Dominion Lands, at Ottawa, of his intention to do so.

INFORMATION.
Newly arrived immigrants will receive at the Immigration Office in Winnipeg or at any Dominion Lands Office in Manitoba or the North-West Territories information as to the lands that are open for entry and from the officers in charge, free of expense, advice and assistance in securing land to suit them. Full information respecting the land, timber, coal and mineral laws, as well as respecting Dominion Lands in the Railway Belt in British Columbia, may be obtained upon application to the Secretary of the Department of the Interior, Ottawa, the Commissioner of Immigration, Winnipeg, Manitoba, or to any of the Dominion Land Agents in Manitoba or the North-West Territories.

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"It is lovely, and mamma's own work—but I wonder why she chose that verse for me!"

"Because you need it," suggested brother Rob, teasingly.

"Oh, no!" was the confident response. "I'm always careful, or almost always," as a dart of conscience touched her memory. "One o'clock! No time to talk! Papa's going to bring a friend to dinner, and I must be ready"; and away danced Kitty, with her gift.

It was nearly tea-time before Kitty found opportunity to speak of the guest who had departed, quietly, soon after dessert.

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"What a horrid, cross old man!" she announced, decidedly. "He scarcely spoke at dinner, and barely touched his food."

"My daughter," said her mother, naively, "Mr. Hope was a friend of your grandfather, and is consequently dear to papa."

Mr. Blair entered as these last words were spoken.

"Are you talking of Mr. Hope?" he asked. "I left him at the station a few moments ago. He goes back to Meadville to-night. Poor, lonely man! He has no relatives and few friends left. He wished me to thank you, and to say that his silence was a poor return for your kindness; but the sight of the children overcame him. He said, 'I had five, once, Robert; but I buried the last one forty years since. And I've never sat at table with a child from that time until to-day.'"

Papa ceased talking, and the room was still. Rob looked up, half inclined to whisper, "Set a watch"—but he did not; for tears shone in Kitty's eyes. Her lesson was well learned.

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