

HOMESTEAD REGULATIONS.

All even-numbered sections of Dominion lands in Manitoba or the Northwest Territories, excepting 8 and 26, which have not been homesteaded, reserved to provide wood lots for settlers or other purposes, may be homesteaded 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 in which the land to be taken is situated, or, if the homesteader desires, he may, on application to the Minister of the Interior, Ottawa, or the Commissioner of Dominion Lands, Winnipeg, receive authority for someone to make the entry for him. A fee of \$10 is charged for an ordinary homestead entry; but for lands which have been occupied an additional fee of \$10 is chargeable to meet inspection and cancellation expense.

HOMESTEAD DUTIES.

Under the present law homestead duties may be performed under the following conditions .- Three years cultivation and residence, during which period the settler may not be absent for more than six months in any one year without forfeiting the entry.

APPLICATION FOR PATENT.

may be made before the local agent or any homestead inspector. Before making application for patent the settler must give six months notice in writing to the Commissioner of Dominion Lands of his intention to do When for convenience of settlers, application for **SO**. patent is made before a homestead inspector, a fee of \$5 is chargeable.

A SECOND HOMESTEAD

may be taken by anyone who has received a homestead patent or a certificate of recommendation countersigned by the Commissioner of Dominion Lands upon application for patent made by him, or had earned title to his first homestead on, or prior to, the second day of June, 1899.

INFORMATION.

Full information respecting the land, timber, coal and mineral laws, and copies of these regulations, as well as those 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 Dominion Lands, Winnipeg, Manitoba; or to any of the Dominion Land Agents in Manitoba or the Northwest Territories:

> JAMES A. SMART, Deputy Minister of the Interior

STATISTICS OF MANITOBA.

- Population, 230,000; Winnipeg, 45,000: Brandon, 6,000; Portage la Prairie, 4.500.
- Farmers in province, 35,000; number in 1891, 19,000.
- Acres under cultivation, 2,843,000.

Acres under wheat, 1,629,995.

Wood acres, 1,160,000.

- Total grain crop 1898, 47,345.000 bushels.
- Total grain crop 1899, 62,429,335 bushels.

Wheat exported in 1898, 30,000,000 bu. Wheat exported in 1888, 4,000,000 bu. Estimated wheat exported for 1899. 50.000.000 bushels.

Cattle, 219,743.

Horses, 98,303.

Sheep, 29,566.

Pigs. 66,565.

Assessment rural municipalities, \$43,-135.000.

cities. \$31,455,000.

School population, 57,431.

Number of school children registered, 43.825.

Average attendance, 25,000.

Number of school houses, 924.

Number of teachers, 1.301.

- Legislative grant for education, \$201,-557.
- expenditure on consolidated Total revenue account, \$837,887.
- Winnipeg bank clearings 1898. \$90,-674,000: as compared with \$64,146,-000 in 1896, and as compared with Hamilton for 1898, \$35,637,000.

Chartered banks in Winnipeg, 12.

Grain storage capacity, Manitoba and Territories:

Canadian Pacific Ry ... 16,714,500 Man. and N. western Ry 1,284,000 1,295,000 Northern Pacific Ry ... Great N. W. Cen. Ry .. 434,000 230.000 Canadian Northern Ry

Total 19,958,000