

family to each alternate quarter section, or not less than sixty-four families in any one township, under the Homestead provisions of the Act hereby amended, the Governor in Council may withdraw any such township from public sale and general settlement, and may, if he thinks proper, having reference to the settlement so affected and to the expenses incurred by such person or persons in procuring the same, order the sale of any other and additional lands in such township to such person or persons, at a reduced price, and may make all necessary conditions and agreements for carrying the same into effect.

The expenses, or any part thereof, incurred by any person or persons, for the passage money or subsistence in bringing out an Immigrant, or for aid in erecting buildings on the homestead or in providing farm implements or seed for such Immigrants, may, if so agreed upon by the parties, be made a charge on the homestead of such Immigrant; and in case of such Immigrant attempting to evade such liability by obtaining a Homestead entry outside of the land withdrawn under the provisions of the next preceding section, then and in such case the expense incurred on behalf of such Immigrant as above shall become a charge on the Homestead so entered, which, with interest thereon, must be satisfied before patent shall issue for the land; provided as follows—

(a) That the sum or sums charged for the passage money and subsistence of such Immigrant shall not be in excess of the actual cost of the same as proved to the satisfaction of the Minister of the Interior;

(b) That an acknowledgment by such Immigrant of the debt so incurred shall have been filed in the Dominion Lands office;

(c) That in no case shall the charge for principal moneys advanced against such Homestead exceed in amount the sum of two hundred dollars;

(d) That no greater rate of interest than six per cent. per annum shall be charged on the debt so incurred by such Immigrant.

### FOREST TREE CULTURE.

Any person, male or female being a subject of Her Majesty by birth or naturalization, and having attained the age of eighteen years, shall be entered for one quarter section or less quantity of unappropriated Dominion lands as a claim for forest tree planting.

Application for such entry shall be made (Form F.) for the purpose of cultivating forest trees thereon, and the applicant shall make an affidavit (Form G) that he or she is over eighteen years of age, that he or she has not previously obtained an entry of land for forest tree culture the extent of which, added to that now applied for, will exceed in all one hundred and sixty acres; that the land is open prairie and without timber, and is unoccupied and unclaimed and belongs to the class open for entry for tree culture; and that the application is made for his or her exclusive use and benefit.

The applicant shall pay at the time of applying an office fee of ten dollars, for which he or she shall receive a receipt and also a certificate of entry, and shall thereupon be entitled to enter into possession of the land.

No patent shall issue for the land so entered until the expiration of six years from the date of entering into possession thereof, and any assignment of such land shall be null and void unless permission to make the same shall have been previously obtained from the Minister of the Interior.

At the expiration of six years the person who obtained the entry, or if