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THE NOR-WESTER.

CALGARY, THURSDAY, May 14, 1885.

The necessity for the establishment of a suitable force of Mounted Rifles in the Northwest brings the question of a supply of suitable horses prominently forward. Where are they to be obtained? the difficulty of transport as exemplified in the present march of our troops to the north shows plainly that the horses to be used by the Force of the future must be native—for this reason the native horse can rustle for himself. The eastern horse has been accustomed to have his food brought to him three times a day and until he is acclimatized has a hard time of it generally, in short would starve where the western horse would pick a good living, so much for the difference in horses, then as to supply—were the Government to establish a Breeding Farm they would not only greatly benefit the country by the introduction of well bred horses which would improve the native horse, but they would also be enabled to get all the horses they would require at rates one half cheaper than they could purchase, such good horses as would be necessary, from private individuals, besides which once they had the stock farm established they could get all the horses they would require, which is simply impossible at present unless they accept inferior animals. A Township fenced in and devoted to a Government Horse Ranch would not only be a great boon to this country but would also if properly managed be a source of profit and convenience to the Government.

THE HALF-BREED COMMISSION.

The Commissioners, Messrs. W. P. R. Street, R. Gould and A. E. Forget, arrived here on Thursday's train and sat at the land office during Friday and Saturday. Large numbers of half-breeds were in attendance, and from what we learn the Commissioners gave general satisfaction both by their earnestness and fairness, certificates as follows were issued to a large number of persons,

"This is to certify that _____, a half-breed, has proved to the satisfaction of the Commission that he was residing in the Northwest Territories previous to the 15th day of July, 1870, and under sub-clause E of clause 81 of the Dominion Lands Act of 1883, and the Order-in-Council of 30th March, 1885, is entitled at this date to scrip to the amount of \$24."

The scrip called for by this certificate, amounting to \$240, will be payable to bearer, will specify the name of the person in whose favor it is granted, and will be delivered to the person producing this certificate; said scrip will be accepted at par in payment of Dominion lands.

So far so well, and we have no doubt the recipients were better pleased than if even that great panacea for all Northwest grievances, the right to elect a member of the Dominion Parliament, had been given them. Our neighbor, the Herald, in its last issue we see still points to representation as absolutely necessary in order to satisfy the people of these Territories. We trust and believe that in due time Representation will be given us; but surely even the Herald must see that before it is granted the localities and numbers must be ascertained, the proper course to obtain such information, has been adopted by the Government, and no doubt by the time the next general election comes off all details will be arranged, and that

representation to which we think ourselves entitled will be accorded to us.

We will, however, say this, that the assertion that the troubles in the Northwest would have been averted or prevented had we had Representation, is simply, the declaration of the desire of the parties who influence the editor of the Herald in his utterances. The question of Representation having no more effect on Northwest troubles than it has upon the Egyptian war.

GOVERNMENT LAND REGULATIONS.

It is in order at present to abuse the Government, in the land matters, but when we compare the regulations of our own Government with those of the United States we find that after all our settlers are most liberally dealt with, far more so than under the much vaunted American system.

We find the Canadian Rule to be:

1. That Homesteads of 160 acres may be obtained.
2. That within the mile belt, that is within a mile on either side of the C.P.R., the settler must commence to reside within six months and perform certain not very onerous duties, but must live on the land and do a certain amount of breaking within a limited time.
3. On lands other than within the mile belt the homesteader commences work within six months, and lives six months of the year on his homestead, breaking a certain number of acres.
4. The settler may reside anywhere within two miles of his land for the three years of his entry. This is a great concession, enabling settlers to club together and live more comfortably.
5. The settler may purchase his Homestead outright if he so desires after living a year on it and cultivating thirty acres.
6. The settler can pre-empt 160 acres at the same time as he takes up his Homestead at \$2.50 or \$2, according to locality, per acre.
7. By paying fifty cents the settler can get a permit to cut 30 cords of wood, 1,800 lineal feet of logs, 2,000 cubic feet of rails, and 400 rafter poles.
8. The settler can make his payments in cash, scrip, or bounty (military) warrants.

Under the system adopted in the United States a homestead and pre-emption may not adjoin each other and cannot be held at the same time. In Canada pre-emption is the right to purchase 160 acres adjoining the homestead as soon as the settler is entitled to his patent.

In Canada a settler can get two Homesteads and pre-emption. In the States he may not get more than one.

With us three years entitles to Homestead and pre-emption. In the States five years.

In Canada a youth of 18 has the right to a Homestead and pre-emption. In the States he must be 21 years of age.

With us any one who will reside on his land can get a Homestead and pre-emption, in the States none who owns 320 acres in any State or Territory can get a Homestead.

There is no comparison between the two systems as far as liberality goes, and yet the Government which offers such terms as these is assailed for its illiberality by its opponents and the Minister of the Interior accused of hindering and obstructing settlers. This line of argument may please certain partisans but the great body of the people see the animus and are prepared to give the Government credit for good and liberal management which is justly its due.

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Calgary, March 2nd, '85.

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Canadian Pacific

RAILWAY.

WESTERN DIVISION.

Winter Time Table.

On and after Dec. 7th, 1884, trains will

more as follows—

Going West. Going East.

a.m. a.m.

8.30 Leave. Winnipeg. Arrive. 4.30

11.05 Portage la Prairie. 4.30

p.m. a.m.

3.00 Brandon. 12.30

11.00 Broadview. p.m. 3.00

a.m. a.m.

5.25 Regina. 8.00

8.00 Moose Jaw. 8.30

p.m. a.m.

3.40 Swift Current. 7.15

p.m. a.m.

9.40 Maple Creek. 1.15

2.15 Medicine Hat. 8.15

a.m. a.m.

1.30 Arrive. Calgary. Leave. 8.15

1.10 a.m. Lacombe. 8.45 a.m.

Trains between Winnipeg and Brandon

daily, except Sundays. Three trains a

week between Winnipeg and Moose Jaw,

leaving Winnipeg on Tuesdays, Thursdays

and Saturdays; returning, leave Moose

Jaw Sundays, Wednesdays and Fridays.

Once a week between Winnipeg and Laggan

leaving Winnipeg Tuesday; returning, leave

Laggan on Friday. Train between Calgary

and Laggan subject to cancellation at any

time without notice.

Going East. Going West.

a.m. a.m.

7.30 Leave. Winnipeg. Arrive. 7.27

3.05 p.m. Rat Portage. a.m. 10.45

2.00 a.m. Ignace. p.m. 11.30

p.m. a.m.

1.00 Arrive. Fort Arthur. Leave. 1.30

Train for Port Arthur leaves Winnipeg on

Tuesdays, Thursdays and Saturdays, returning

leaves Port Arthur Sundays, Tuesdays,

and Thursdays.

Going South. Going North.

Leave. Arrive.

a.m. a.m.

8.05 Winnipeg. 7.00

10.50 Emerson. 4.15

a.m. p.m.

8.30 Winnipeg. 7.00

9.15 Morris. 7.00

10.30 Morris. 1.30

11.55 Gretna. 8.05

11.40 Gretna. 4.00

5 p.m. Manitoba. a.m. 8.30

Daily except Saturday.

Daily except Monday.

Trains run daily between Winnipeg and

Gretna.

Train leaves for Manitow Monday, Wed-

nesdays, and Fridays only, returning