

**Presbytery Meetings.****SYNOD OF BRITISH COLUMBIA.**

Calgary.  
Edmonton, Fort Saskatchewan.  
Kamloops, Vernon, 26 Aug.  
Kootenay, Nelson, B.C., Feb. 17.  
Westminster, Chilliwack, 1 Sept. 8 p.m.  
Victoria, Victoria, Tues. 1 Sept. 2 p.m.

**SYNOD OF MANITOBA AND NORTHWEST**

Portage la Prairie, 8 March.  
Brandon, Brandon.  
Superior, Port Arthur, March.  
Winnipeg, Man. Coll., blmo.  
Rock Lake, Pilot M'd., 2 Tues. Feb.  
Glenboro, Sourie, Dec 1.  
Portage, P. La Prairie, 14 July, 1.30 p.m.  
Minnedosa, Minnedosa, 17 Feb.  
Melita, at call of Moderator.  
Regina, Moosejaw, Tues. 1 Sept.

**SYNOD OF HAMILTON AND LONDON.**

Hamilton, Knox, Hamilton 5 Jan 10 a.m.  
Paris, Paris, 12 Jan. 1904.  
London, Glenoco, 8 Dec. 10.30 a.m.  
Chatham, Chatham, 8 Dec. 10 a.m.  
Stratford, Stratford 12 May.

Huron, Clinton, 10 Nov. 10.30 a.m.  
Sarnia, Sarnia, 15 Dec. 11 a.m.  
Maitland, Wingham, 15 Dec. 10 a.m.  
Bruce, Paisley 6 Dec. 11 a.m.

**SYNOD OF TORONTO AND KINGSTON.**

Kingston, Belleville, 8th Dec. 11 a.m.  
Peterboro, Mill St. Port Hope 15 Dec.  
Whitby, Whitby, 24th Jan.  
Toronto, Toronto, Knox, 2 Tues. monthly.  
Lindsay, Lindsay, 15 Dec. 11 a.m.  
Orangeville, Orangeville, 12 Jan.  
Barrie, Beaton 15th Sept. 9.30 p.m.  
Owen Sound, Owen Sound, Division St., 1 Dec. 10 a.m.  
Algoma, Blind River, March.  
North Bay, Powassan 30 Sept. 9 a.m.  
Saugen, Harrison, 8 Dec. 10 a.m.  
Guelph, Elora, 19 Jan 10.30 a.m.

**SYNOD OF MONTREAL AND OTTAWA.**

Quebec, Sherbrooke, 8 Dec.  
Montreal, Montreal, Knox, 8 Dec. 9.30 a.m.  
Glenagarry, Moose Creek, 15th Dec. 11 a.m.  
Lanark & Renfrew, St. A. church, Carleton Place, 19 Jan., 10.30 a.m.  
Ottawa, Stewarston Church, 3 Nov.  
Brockville, Sp encerville, 6 Oct. 2.30 p.m.

**SYNOD OF THE MARITIME PROVINCES**

Sydney, Sydney, Sept. 2  
Inverness, Baddeck, 17 Nov. 2 p.m.  
P. E. I., Charlottown, 3 Feb.  
Pictou, New Glasgow, 5 May 1 p.m.  
Wallace, Oxford, 6th May, 7.30 p.m.  
Truro, Truro, 10 May 10 a.m.  
Halifax, Charlottown, during meeting of Synod.  
Lunenburg, Lunenburg 5 May 2.30  
St. John, St. John, Oct. 21.  
Miramichi, Bathurst 30 June 10.30

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**THE CANADIAN NORTH-WEST  
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REGULATIONS.**

Any even numbered section of Dominion  
Lands in Manitoba or the North-west  
Territories, excepting 8 and 20, which has not  
been homesteaded, or reserved to provide wood  
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 for the District in which the land  
to be taken in situ, or if the homesteader  
desires he may, on application to the Minister  
of the Interior, Ottawa, the Commissioner of  
Immigration, Winnipeg, or the Local Agent for  
the district in which the land is situated, receive  
authority for some one to make entry for him.  
A fee of \$10 is charged for a homestead entry.

**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 or any person who is eligible to make  
a homestead entry upon the provisions of this  
Act, resides upon a farm in the vicinity of the  
land entered for by such person as a home-  
stead, the requirements of this Act as to re-  
sidence prior to obtaining patent may be  
satisfied by such person residing with the father  
or mother.

(3) If a settler has obtained a patent for his  
homestead, or a certificate for the issue of  
such patent countersigned in the manner pre-  
scribed by this Act, and has obtained entry  
for a second homestead, the requirements of  
this Act as to residence 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 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 30 acres substantially fenced.

Every homesteader who fails to comply with  
the requirements of the homesteader 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 the three years,  
before the Local Agent, Sub-Agent or the  
Homestead Inspector. Before making applica-  
tion 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 lands 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 ap-  
plication to the Secretary of the Department  
of the Interior, Ottawa, the Commissioner of  
Immigration, Winnipeg, Manitoba, or to any of  
the Dominion Lands Agents in Manitoba or  
the North-west Territories.

**JAMES A. SMART,**

Deputy Minister of the Interior.

N.B.—In addition to Free Grant Lands to  
which the regulations above stated refer,  
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