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plication to the Crown for rights of the applicants. The rights of the suppliants are to have their licenses renewed according to the conditions which at the time of renewal have been generally imposed upon license-holders, and so long as renewals are offered them, which the Crown has the power to impose, no breach of their rights is committed. The suppliants also contended that the Act 61 Vict., ch. 9, was ultra vires of the Provincial Legislature, as being an encroachment upon the legislative authority reserved to the Dominion by the British North America Act, that the Act and regulations of which the suppliants were complaining were in contravention of that part of the B.N.A. Act, which reserved to the Dominion Legislature the exclusive right of making laws for the regulation of trade and commerce. Held, that the Provincial Legislature in passing this Act were dealing with property belonging to the province, over which they have the full power of control, they are entitled to sell it or to refuse to sell it; and if they sell they have the right to impose upon the purchaser such conditions as they deem proper, with regard to the destination of the timber after it is cut, including the state in which it shall be exported, just as they have the right in selling cattle from the farm at their agricultural college to stipulate that the purchaser shall not export them alive. The condition that the timber shall be sawn into lumber before exportation in the one case reduces the quantity of logs exported, just as the supposed stipulation in the other case reduces the quantity of live cattle exported, but in each case the matter is one purely of internal regulation and management by the province of its own property for the benefit of its own inhabitants. It could not be contended that the Dominion Legislature, under their power of passing acts for the regulation of trade and commerce, could enact that every license to cut timber upon the lands owned by the province of Ontario should contain a condition that the timber should be sawn into boards before being exported; and the power to so legislate must therefore be in the Province Citizens' Insurance Co. v. Parsons, 7 App. Cas. 96, 113, referred to. For these reasons the suppliants are not entitled to have their licenses renewed except upon the conditions offered by the Commissioner of Crown Lands, as set forth in the order in Council in force on the 30th of April, 1898. Petition dismissed with costs.

CORRESPONDENTS of the Dauphin, Man., Press, report that the area of land made ready for crop next year in every section of the district is much greater than that which was prepared last year.

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