

## Canadian Pacific Railway Company.

Land Grant of 25,000,000 acres from the Government of the Dominion of Canada.

See the Company's advertisement which will be transmitted with next issue of the PHILATELIC COURIER.

The Company offers lands in the Fertile Belt of Manitoba and the North-West Territory, for sale, on certain conditions as to cultivation, at the price of \$2.50 (10s. stg.) per acre, one-sixth payable in cash, and the balance in five annual instalments, with interest at six per cent., a rebate of fifty per cent., for actual cultivation being made as hereinafter described.

The ordinary conditions of sale are:

1. That all improvements placed upon land purchased shall remain thereon until final payment for the land has been made.
2. That all taxes and assessments lawfully imposed upon the land or improvements shall be paid by the purchaser.
3. The Company reserves from selection at the above price all mineral, coal, or wood-lands, stone, slate, and marble quarries, lands with water power thereon, and tracts for town sites and railway purposes; and, as regards lands having some standing wood, but not hereby excluded from selection, the purchaser will only be permitted to cut a sufficient quantity for fuel, fencing, and for the erection of buildings on his land until he shall have received the final conveyance thereof.
4. The mineral and coal lands and quarries, and the lands controlling water power, will be disposed of on very liberal terms to persons giving satisfactory evidence of their intention to utilize them.
5. The purchaser will be required, within four years from the date of the contract for the purchase of the land, to bring under cultivation, and sow and reap, a crop on one-half of the said land, except when otherwise expressly agreed and declared in the contract by reason of any special obstacle to such cultivation. Dairy farming, or mixed grain and dairy farming, to an extent to be agreed upon, will be accepted as the equivalent of cultivation, entitling the settler to the rebate.
6. A credit of \$1.25 (5s. stg.) per acre will be allowed for all land so cultivated during four years.
7. A reservation of 200 ft. in width for right of way, or other railroad purposes, will be made in all cases.
8. If the purchaser of a section, or part of a section, being a *bona fide* settler resident upon the land purchased, or upon an adjoining section, fails to carry out in their entirety the conditions of his contract with respect to cultivation and cropping, within the specified time, the Company reserve the right, in their own option, to diminish the quantity to be conveyed to him, under his contract, to such extent that he shall not be entitled to demand a conveyance of more than double the quantity cultivated and cropped, the quantity which he may so demand not to exceed one-half of the quantity mentioned in his contract, and, if not exceeding 160 acres, to be taken in the quarter section; in which the greater part of such cultivation and cropping has been done; or, if in excess of 160 acres, then such excess to be taken from an adjoining quarter section; and as to the portion of the land contracted for, which the Company shall decide not to convey to such purchaser, his claim to the same shall be forfeited, and such portion shall not be conveyed to him by the Company; and thereupon the price shall be adjusted as if the contract of sale had originally been made for the portion actually conveyed to the purchaser.

The object of the foregoing clauses is to prevent the Company's land from falling into the hands of speculators to the disadvantage of the actual settler; but, as respects *bona fide* settlers, the purpose and aim of the Company is to afford them every possible consideration and facility.

Special contracts will be made for tracts exceeding one section, for settlement purposes or for cattle raising.

Liberal rates for settlers and their effects will be granted by the company over its railway.

The land grant bonds of the Company will be received at 10 per cent. premium on their par, value with accrued interest, in payment for lands, thus further reducing the price of the land to the purchaser.

For further information, apply at the office of the Company, Bartholemew Place, London, England; to John H. McTavish, Land Commissioner, Winnipeg, Manitoba, or to the Secretary of the Company, at Montreal, Canada.

GEORGE STEPHEN, *President.*

CHARLES DRINKWATER, *Secretary.*

Canadian Pacific Railway Co., Montreal, Canada.

The office of Queen Victoria adorned September 1st ult., by actual count according to the new Imperial Album, 906 stamps as follows: 741 adhesives, 83 envelopes and wrappers, and 82 postal cards. The number has since been increased somewhat by new issues.

The 1869 and 1875 issues of Russian envelopes are easily distinguished, the inscription on the former having 19 and that on the latter 15 letters.

Sandwich Islands joined Postal Union Jan. 1st. New stamps may be expected, corresponding to altered rates.

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