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Synopsis of Canadian North-West HOMESTEAD REGULATIONS.

ANY even numbered section of Dominion Lands in Manitoba, Saskatchewan and Alberta, excepting 8 and 26, not reserved, may be homesteaded 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.

Application for entry must be made in person by the applicant at a Dominion Lands Agency or Sub-agency for the district in which the land is situate. Entry by proxy may, however, be made at any Agency on certain conditions by the father, mother, son, daughter, brother or sister of an intending homesteader.

The homesteader is required to perform the homestead duties under one of the following plans:

(1) At least six months' residence upon and cultivation of the land in each year for three years.

(2) A homesteader may, if he so desires, perform the required residence duties by living on farming land owned solely by him, not less than eighty (80) acres in extent, in the vicinity of his homestead. Joint ownership in land will not meet this requirement.

(3) If the father (or mother, if the father is deceased) of a homesteader has permanent residence on farming land owned solely by him, not less than eighty (80) acres in extent, in the vicinity of the homestead, or upon a homestead entered for by him in the vicinity, such homesteader may perform his own residence duties by living with the father (or mother).

(4) The term "vicinity" in the two preceding paragraphs is defined as meaning not more than nine miles in a direct line, exclusive of the width of road allowances crossed in the measurement.

(5) A homesteader intending to perform his residence duties in accordance with the above while living with parents or on farming land owned by himself must notify the Agent for the district or such intention.

Six months' notice in writing must be given to the Commissioner of Dominion Lands at Ottawa of intention to apply for patent.

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An interesting presentation took place in the belfry of Portishead Parish Church, the curate (the Rev. Harold Atchley) and his wife being each presented by the bellringers with miniature gold bells (as pendants). Mr. and Mrs. Atchley, who are both expert campanologists, were instrumental in recently having the bells re-hung and thoroughly overhauled, and their retiring efforts were

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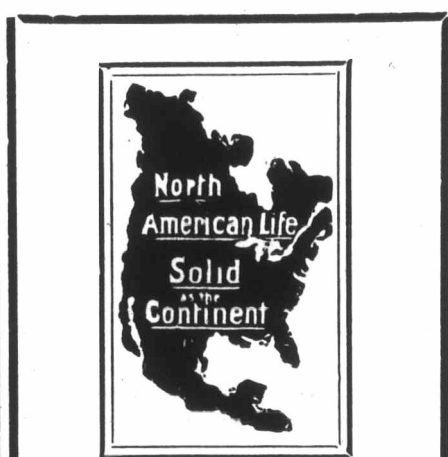
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much appreciated by the grateful ringers.

His Grace the Archbishop of Canterbury lately gave a very interesting and helpful address before a crowded meeting held in the Corn Exchange, at Ashford, in Kent, in defence of the Church. He strongly advocated systematic and painstaking instruction on Church History and Church principles. He pointed out the fallacy believed in by so many people that the clergy of the Church of England were State paid, stating that "not one penny of the money which comes to the English clergy for their parish work and all that belongs to the daily round of their ministry comes from the State." He declared that it was the duty of every Churchman when he heard that statement made to refute it. In speaking of the possible disestablishment and disendowment of the Church he pointed out that though the Church's usefulness might be for a time curtailed yet no act of the State could destroy her life.

The East window at St. Margaret's, Westminster, wandered about for more than two hundred years before reaching its present position and was the subject of a seven years' lawsuit. Henry VII., for whom it was intended, died before the window arrived



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from Dordrecht, and it came into the possession first of the Abbot of Waltham and then of General Monk. Stained glass was anathema in Puritan days so the window was buried until the Restoration, when it was brought to light. Refused by Wadham College, it was bought for fifty guineas and erected in a private house, and years later was bought for 400 guineas by the committee charged with the restoration of St. Margaret's and placed in position in the church. The lawsuit to which we have referred was brought by the Registrar to the Dean and Chapter, on the ground that the window contained superstitious images but after several years legal wrangling the church wardens proved victorious and the beautiful window was suffered to remain undisturbed.

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