at public auction and sold to the highest bidder, at the place most convenient and mentioned in the advertisements, for cash, or on credit, as may have been directed, by the order in Council.

5 L. The sale shall remain open at each place for one week, Duration of and no longer, and the Land Agents shall observe such rules sale, and regulations as may have been made by the Commissioner, for their guidance in the performance of their duties.

LI. All lands remaining unsold at the close of either of Private sale 10 the public sales, may be disposed of by private sale in the of residue. manner prescribed by the regulations made for the purpose.

LII. Such public sales shall be advertised for a period of Advertisenot less than two months immediately preceding.

LIII. If any person or persons shall, before or at the time of Penalty for 15 the public sale of any of the lands of the Province, by intimida- combining to tion, combination, or unfair management, hinder or prevent, or hinder sale or to buy lands attempt to hinder or prevent, any person from bidding upon or cheap. purchasing any lands so offered for sale, every such offender, his, her, or their aiders and abetters, shall for every such offence

20 be fined not exceeding *four hundred* dollars, or imprisoned for not exceeding two years, or both, in the discretion of the Court, upon a prosecuting to be instituted in any Court of competent jurisdiction at the instance of any party having his domicile in the Agency wherein such land lies or at the instance 25 of the Commissioner of Public Works.

LIV. If any person shall, before or at the time of the public Bargains for sale of any of the lands of the Province, enter into any contract, payment of bargain or agreement, or secret understanding with any other purchase moperson proposing to purchase such land, to pay or give to such ney to be void:

30 purchaser, for such lands, a sum of money or other article of Penalty. property, over and above the price at which land may be or shall be bid off by such purchaser, every such contract, bargain, agreement or secret understanding, and every bond, obligation or writing, founded or growing out of the same, shall

- 35 be null and void, and any person who shall pay to such purchaser any sum of money or other article of property, as aforesaid, over and above the purchase money of such land, may sue for and recover such excess from such purchaser in any Court having jurisdiction to the amount, and he may compel such
- 40 purchaser to make discovery thereof. Every such suit shall be Limitation of commenced within six years next after the sale of the land by actions. the Land Department.

LV. The persons who have purchased lands under the re- Purchasers on gulations of the quit rent system, shall be allowed to ac- quit-rent may 45 quire the same in Fee simple, at a valuation to be ap- acquire the proved by the Governor in Council, under such conditions as luation.