

Township 18, Range 25, both west 2. I would be much obliged if you would do whatever is possible to hurry the issue of these patents, for the reasons stated in my letter above quoted.

I have the honor to be, sir, your obedient servant,

C. DRINKWATER, *Secretary.*

JOHN R. HALL, Esq., Secretary Department of the Interior, Ottawa.

THE CANADIAN PACIFIC RAILWAY COMPANY,

OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY, MONTREAL, 16th January, 1888.

Section 7, Township 21, Range 13 west 2nd, Qu'Appelle.

SIR,—I have the honor to call your attention to my letter of 28th April, 1887, in which I made application for the issue of letters patent covering the undisposed portion of the above section, in favor of this company, and to request that the same may be forwarded to me at as early a date as convenient.

I am, sir, your obedient servant,

C. DRINKWATER, *Secretary.*

JOHN R. HALL, Esq., Secretary Department of the Interior, Ottawa.

WINNIPEG, 17th January, 1888.

SIR,—I am directed by the Registrar General to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 13th January (reference No. 82030 [No. 4]), and to say in reply that a memo. of cancellation has been made in our record.

I have the honor to be, sir, your obedient servant,

E. R. COLEMAN, *Chief Clerk and Accountant.*

The Secretary Department of the Interior, Ottawa.

THE CANADIAN PACIFIC RAILWAY COMPANY,

OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY, MONTREAL, 21st January, 1888.

SIR.—Referring to your letter of 31st December, letter No. 164591, reference No. 82030, No. 4, on the subject of our application for a patent covering the east $\frac{1}{2}$ and south-west $\frac{1}{4}$ Section 31, Township 13, Range 6, the company's land commissioner reports:—"Our books show that three quarters remain undisposed of by the Government, and according to our notes we would have no difficulty in getting at least our minimum price for the whole 480 acres. For the south-west $\frac{1}{4}$ alone, however, I think it is very doubtful if we could obtain our minimum per acre, if we are required to take it as full 155 acres, that being the area shown by the Government township plot. It is not quite clear, however, from the plot, whether deduction is to be made for the land covered by marsh. Underneath the figures showing the full area of the quarter section are others, which would appear to indicate that there are only 53 acres of dry land. If we are only required to accept the quarter section as 53 acres, there would be no objection to having a patent issued, otherwise, we should decline to take it except with the east half."

I shall be glad if you can give me further information on the points suggested in the above quotation, and in the meantime delay the issue of the patent for south-west $\frac{1}{4}$ of Section 31.

I have the honor to be, sir, your obedient servant,

C. DRINKWATER, *Secretary.*

THE CANADIAN PACIFIC RAILWAY COMPANY,

OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY, MONTREAL, 21st January, 1888.

SIR,—With reference to my letter of 9th instant, I have now to inform you that in accordance with the request contained in your letter of 21st April, 1886, the deed of surrender, in triplicate, has been forwarded to the registrar at Regina, and