

*Newfoundland.*—By the existing law of this island, patents are granted to any inventor or discoverer for a period of fourteen years, irrespective of nationality or residence, and an additional term of seven years may be granted at the option of the Government. The total cost of a patent will ' about *two hundred dollars*, Canada currency. A model is required if the invention is of a mechanical description, or if the discovery is of a chemical nature, samples of ingredients, in sufficient quantities for making an experiment, are required, and also a sample of the compound itself. The patent is assignable in whole, or it may issue direct to an assignee of the inventor.

Patents are void if not in operation within a period of two years from date of issue. All applicants must give notice in *Royal Gazette* and in one other newspaper published in the colony, for four weeks, stating the intention of applying for a Patent. Original patentees may add improvements to Patent by payment of fees. Cost of assignment, including registration fees, twenty dollars. Inventors requiring patents in this Colony will require to forward us the necessary information in a similar manner to that described for other Provinces. *Caveats* are not allowed.

With the foregoing brief synopsis of the laws governing the granting of patents, &c., in the various Provinces, and the necessary steps to be taken for obtaining them, we may be permitted a few words personal to ourselves. We have now been engaged for eight years in the important business of obtaining patents, and number our clients by hundreds, throughout the Dominion, United States, Great Britain and Europe, and have much satisfaction in stating that we have never yet lost a client through any want of skill or attention to his interests. The speed with which we transact our business, at the various Provincial Patent Offices, is due to the correct and beautiful manner in which the various specifications and drawings are prepared; to our personal acquaintance with the Government officials, and to the large number of Patents we are instrumental in obtaining, which give us, so to speak, the right of way.

We do not wish to draw invidious comparisons with other solicitors, but in justice to ourselves state the simple fact, that more patents are obtained through our agency, than through that of all other Canadian solicitors.