

a single settler, who had settled in the heart of one of the finest limits north of Montréal, and who had started a fire one morning in order to clear up a piece of land, an acre wide, by three quarters of an acre deep. It does not always happen, but in a great many cases fires have thus been set by settlers clearing up their lands and being negligent as to how, when and where their fires were set.

Another great advantage for the Limit Holder will be that he will no longer see his lands falling into the hands of petty speculators, as it has so often happened in the past. In fact, what is more aggravating for a Limit Holder who works his limits in good faith, than to see a number of small little mills starting up here and there on the border of his limit, especially when he knows that in nine cases out of ten, this is done in order to rob him, when they can, of a part of his wood. With the present system, and with the law as it reads, once a lot has been classified and the classification sanctioned by an order in council, the Crown Land agent is obliged to sell to any applicant any lot that is fit for cultivation, and