



Settlers' Guide



This booklet is intended solely for the use of those who have purchased lands within the Canadian Pacific Railway Company's Irrigation Block with the intention of making their homes there. As a rule, when a corporation has sold a new settler a farm, its interest in the transaction immediately ceases except in so far as deferred payments are concerned. The Canadian Pacific Railway Company being essentially neither a "water selling" nor a "land selling" concern is, however, in an entirely different position. With the sale of the land, the Company's real interest in the land practically only commences. This Company sells its lands at a low figure and supplies water for irrigation at the barest cost. It is not, by any means, actuated by philanthropic motives in so doing. The Company has undertaken the colonization and development of the Three Million Acre Irrigation Block almost solely with a view to creating the greatest possible amount of railway traffic on this area, which, it is a well known fact is invariably the result of colonization on irrigated land.

The Company's handbook dealing with the Irrigation Block, bears on the front page the following sentence:—

"The future home of the most closely settled and prosperous
"mixed farming, stock raising, and dairying community in Western
"Canada."

Unless these conditions are actually brought about, the Company's aim will not be fulfilled. The mere sale of the land is only a means to the end—the successful settler is the end the Company strives to attain.

The object of this booklet is to extend to new settlers, unacquainted with our institutions and our climatic and soil conditions, a few hints which, if followed, may probably save them considerable disappointment, and may be the means of leading them into successful farming earlier than would otherwise be the case.

Customs and Quarantine Regulations.

Settlers from the United States are interested in the conditions upon which they are able to enter their farm outfits and household furniture into Canada free of duty. A settler is allowed to bring in, duty free, wearing apparel, also household goods and farm machinery that has been in use at least six months, one head each of horses or cattle for each 10 acres of land purchased or otherwise secured up to 160 acres, and one head of sheep for