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HOMESTEAD REGULATIONS

Any area numbered section of Dominion Lands in Manitoba or the Northwest Territories, excepting 8 and 26, which has not been homesteaded or reserved to provide wood lots for settlers, or for other purposes, may be homesteaded upon by any person who is the sole head of a family, or any male over 18 years of age, to the extent of one quarter section of 160 acres, more or less.

ENTRY.
Entry may be made personally at the local land office for the district in which the land to be taken is situated, or if the homesteader desires he may, on application to the Minister of the Interior, Ottawa, the Commissioner of Immigration, Winnipeg, or the local agent for the district in which the land is situated, receive authority for some one to make entry for him. A fee of \$10.00 is charged for a homesteaded entry.

HOMESTEAD DUTIES.
A settler who has been granted an entry for a homestead is required by the provisions of the Dominion Lands Act and the amendments thereto to perform the conditions connected therewith, under one of the following plants:

(1) At least six months' residence upon and cultivation of the land in each year during the term of three years.
(2) If the father (or mother, if the father is deceased) of any person who is eligible to make a homestead entry under the provisions of this Act, resides upon a farm in the vicinity of the land entered for by such person as a homestead, the requirements of this Act as to residence prior to obtaining patent may be satisfied by such person residing with the father or mother.

(3) If a settler has obtained a patent for his homestead, or a certificate for the issue of such patent, counter-signed in the manner prescribed by this Act, and has obtained entry for a second homestead, the requirements of this Act as to residence prior to obtaining patent may be satisfied by residence upon the first homestead, if the second homestead is in the vicinity of the first homestead.

(4) If the settler has his permanent residence upon farming land owned by him in the vicinity of his homestead, the requirements of this Act as to residence may be satisfied by residence upon the said land. The term "vicinity" used above is meant to indicate the same township, or an adjoining or cornering township.

A settler who avails himself of the provisions of clauses (3) or (4) must cultivate thirty acres of his homestead, or substitute twenty head of stock, with buildings for their accommodation, and have besides 30 acres substantially fenced.

Every homesteader who fails to comply with the requirements of the homestead law is liable to have his entry cancelled and the land may be again thrown open for entry.

APPLICATION FOR PATENT
should be made at the end of the three years before the Local Agent, Sub-Agent, or the Homestead Inspector. Before making application for patent, the settler must give six months' notice in writing to the Commissioner of Dominion Lands at Ottawa, of his intention to do so.

INFORMATION.
Newly arrived immigrants will receive at the Immigration Office in Winnipeg or at any Dominion Lands Office in Manitoba or the Northwest Territories, information as to the lands that are open for entry, and from the officers in charge, free of expense, advice and assistance in securing land to suit them. Full information respecting the land, timber, coal and mineral laws, as well as respecting Dominion lands in the Railway Belt in British Columbia may be obtained upon application to the Secretary of the Department of the Interior, Ottawa, the Commissioner of Immigration, Winnipeg, Manitoba, or to any of the Dominion Lands Agents in Manitoba or the Northwest Territories.

JAMES A. SMART,
Deputy Minister of the Interior,
N. B.—in addition to Free Grant Lands to which the regulations above stated refer, thousands of acres of most desirable lands are available for lease or purchase from railroad and other corporations and private firms in Western Canada.

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NEWS SUMMARY.

There is a serious outbreak of smallpox in Ontario County.

A dental corps is to be added to the army medical service.

Sir Frederick Borden has gone to Boston for medical treatment.

The biggest wheat field in the world is in Argentina and is owned by an Italian. It covers over 100 square miles.

Applications from China for more missionaries have been shelved by the Presbyterian foreign mission committee owing to the low state of the general fund.

A proclamation declaring the railway commission act to come into force from and after the first day of February has been issued.

A Madrid despatch states that seven hundred inmates of the insane asylum at Ciempozuelos will be set at liberty, as the General Consulta has refused to vote the funds necessary for their maintenance.

Announcement was made on Monday at nearly every playhouse in Chicago that under the new ordinance there is no hope of continuing in business. The retroactive provisions of the measure put the older theatres beyond hope of again opening their doors.

The large parish church of St. Cunegonde, Montreal (Catholic) was burned to the ground on Tuesday afternoon, together with the adjoining presbytery. Total loss, \$140,000; insurance, \$80,000.

Hon. W. S. Fielding who has been working under high pressure for some time past having had a couple of important departments to look after, has gone to New York for a rest. He will go as far south as Washington.

At Peterboro, Ont., fire on Tuesday destroyed half a dozen stores and business places, including the offices of the Dominion Express Co., MacMillan & Maguire, stock-brokers, etc. The loss is \$30,000; insurance about \$12,000.

One of the officials of the Hungarian State Railways, a lawyer, has startled his colleagues by resigning his appointment and becoming a shoemaker's apprentice. He is a follower of Tolstoy.

At Woodstock Monday the vote in the town election resulted in the choice of Lindsay for mayor with 365 to 187 for Carr. The councillors elected are: Jones, Burt, Dibble, I. W. Fisher, Stevens and Gallagher.

L. H. Kauffmann, who is supposed to have represented a New York tobacco house, was found dead in bed at the Windsor Hotel, Montreal, on Wednesday evening. A towel was wound tightly around his neck, with which he had strangled himself.

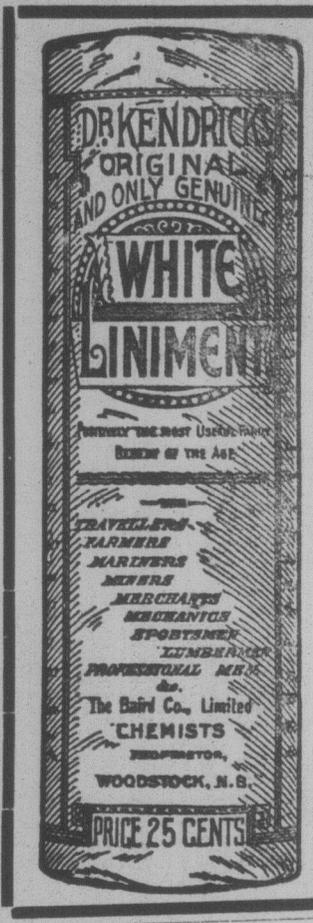
In the Maritime Winter Fair building at Amherst, N. S., there will be offered for sale at public auction on February 5th, at 10 a. m., about forty pure bred animals for breeding purposes, including Shorthorns, Gurnseys, Herefords, Ayrshires, Jerseys and Holsteins. These animals are described as being of good quality and in good breeding condition.

The cheapest postal service in the world is that of Japan, where letters are conveyed all over the empire for two sen—about 7-10 of a penny. This is the more wonderful considering the difficulties of transport over a mountainous and irregular country, which has less than 100 miles of railway, while wagons can only pass over a few of the chief roads and the steamers connect but a small number of coast stations.

Education is obligatory in France, but the law cannot compel children to remain at school after the age of 13. The other day a Paris schoolboy rose in the middle of the lesson, deposited his books on the desk, and moved toward the door. "Where are you going?" demanded the teacher. "Sir," replied the boy imperturbably, "I was 13 4 minutes ago. You have no longer a right to keep me in school." He then disappeared.

Lady Marjory Greville, daughter of the Earl and Countess of Warwick, and Viscount Helmsley, heir apparent of the Earl of Faversham, were married at Warwick on Tuesday. King Edward sent Lady Marjory a diamond and ruby brooch, accompanied by an autograph note reading: "To Queenie on her marriage, with the best wishes for her happiness from Edward R."

At the annual dinner of the Canada Club in London, on Tuesday night, Colonial Secretary Lyttleton ruffled the feelings of the Canadians present by upholding Lord Chief Justice Alverstone's recent ruling in the Alaska boundary case. The Duke of Marlborough smoothed matters out by a tactful speech, in which he recalled his visits to Canada, paid a tribute to Canadians for their love of the late Queen Victoria, and mentioned his personal experiences in South Africa where he said he witnessed the bravery and resourcefulness of the Canadian troops.



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A WORLDLY MIND.

It is easy to fall into the sin of loving the world. The world is constantly with us and makes a deep impression on our minds because of the intimate relation which we sustain to it. Almost unconsciously we fall into the habit of thinking on worldly things talking about worldly interests, fixing the affections on worldly goods, and eagerly seeking after earthly gratifications and possessions. In this state one seldom lifts his eyes above the low rim of the world's horizon.

The next step is to become satisfied with world. There are men who boast that this world is good enough for them, and they have no interest in and no desire for any other. Their talk is about farms and fields and stores and stocks and bonds and fruits and worldly values and eating and drinking and taking ease. Their idea of the best life is to have as large a share as possible of this world's goods and to be filled with its pleasures.

This world is good. It is not to be despised. The Creator made it for a good purpose, and placed us here because it is a good place to begin that long journey through eternity upon which we have entered. But few know how to use the world. Paul says, "Use the world as not abusing John," it says, "Love the world." But what do we see? A mad rush and scramble after the world. We have heard a deal recently about the strenuous life. What is the strenuous life? You will not find out what it is by going to the dictionary. You may learn what this generation thinks the strenuous life is by reading the morning papers, by visiting Wall Street, by going through a mammoth commercial establishment, by witnessing a game at golf or football. It is straining every nerve to win the race. To win the race in athletic sports, in financial operations, in political campaigns, in educational improvement, and in all worldly pursuits, is the aim of ambitious young men.

But there is another strenuous life far more worthy. Straining every nerve to win the Christian race, to reach the goal of a pure heart and a crown of glory, is the highest aspiration. No disappointment there. "Thy that run in a race run well; but one receiveth a prize." In this race all win the prize. Philip Doddridge had the right idea of life when he sang:

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And press with vigor on;
A heavenly race demands thy zeal,
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GETTING EVEN.

The leader of a certain band, who was re-hering one of their publications, stopped the music abruptly and frowned at a stout little fellow who was putting all the other musicians out.

"Say, Heerman," he demanded, "what do you mean by playing a lot of half notes where there should be whole notes?"

Heerman lowered his instrument.

"Veel," he said, "I make explanations by you. You cut down my wages half brace don't you?"

The leader stared in amazement. He had done so, but—

"Ud I continues to make der notes wit my instrument, but dey will be half notes un til der wages is put back to whole brace. What ist fair ist fair, and't id?"

"How did that poem of yours turn out?"
"Oh answered the author, there was the difference of opinion that usually attends the production of a masterpiece. The postmaster insisted that it was first class matter and the editor insisted that it was not."

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