Princeton Coal is high in Carbon ; almost smokeless.

SIMILKAMEEN

STAR

The language of a man is a fair criterion of his character.

Railways now pointing toward the Similkameen are expected to reach here with tracklaying in less than eighteen months ; now is the time to buy. Coal, and agricultural lands will advance rapidly in value with the increased demand following railway transportation : Acquire some land today.

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DALY REDUCTION CO'Y.

Smelter will be Second to None in the Country—Large Expenditure.

Unlimited capital, great mineral wealth and enterprise, these three things have made the Daly Reduction Co. of Hedley the foremost industry in the Similkameen and one of the first in rank of commercial importance in the whole province. Since the now celebrated Nickel Plate mine has undergone thorough exploration and test by the Daly Co. it is rated by competent authorities as one of the greatest gold producing mines in America. The possessions of this company at Hedley and their coal property near Princeton, together with the outlay for labor, tramway and stamp mill will total at a careful estimate not less than $3,000,000.

The beginning of work on the projected smelter to be erected for the Daly Reduction Co. settles many idle rumors regarding the final disposition of the Indian reserve acquired for that purpose. Excavation work has been commenced for the foundations and a survey made eight miles up the Similkameen river for a ditch to tap that never failing source of water supply. The water from this ditch is for smelter purposes solely and will involve a large expenditure for conduit and intake dam. The smelter will be planned for twelve furnaces and will blow in with nine, complete in every detail with all the labor saving devices, including automatic feed, for the profitable and scientific treatment of all kinds of ore.

An up-to-date water system is also to be installed for the service of the town which will necessitate the construction of a dam on Twenty-mile creek. The Daly company owns the water franchise for this creek, but the townspeople will not want for this necessary of life even if the creek is diverted for milling purposes.

The Daly Reduction Co. has been the backbone of the Similkameen through past years of depression and vicissitude. By its large expenditures many a man has won sufficient stake to enable him to prospect or to develop his mineral claim into an embryo mine. Indeed, every phase of industrial life has felt the jingle of Daly capital distributed broadcast in the Similkameen ; thus has the disbursement and employment of this wealth proved to be the truest socialism and benefactor of mankind

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Railroad construction on both the V.,V. & E. and the C.P.R. is progressing more rapidly now that laborers are more plentiful. At Midway men are arriving at the rate of 50 a day and are being sent out at once on the right-of-way. Harvest hands are turning up now and by the first of November enough men are expected to be on hand to put the line under construction as far as Keremeos.

MINES AND MINING.

Active Inquiry for Mineral Properties in and About Princeton—Coal Baron Buying Claims.

Agents of millionaire Dunsmuir, the Victoria coal magnate, have been in Princeton and at Nicola negotiating for the acquisition of coal lands. Terms of purchase and price were submitted to the agents who will reply thereto in thirty days when options expire. At Nicola, in some instances, the coal title of farmers was bought at $25 per acre for cultivated farm lands, other parcels bringing $10 and $5 according to surface value. Mr. Dunsmuir owns collieries and thousands of acres of coal land on Vancouver island but he evidently appreciates the superiority of the coal in these parts ; hence his purchases.

W. Bosse has returned to the Similkameen from Spokane where he had been in connection with mining matters. He is thoroughly convinced of the great natural possibilities of this country and will take an active interest in the discovery and development of mining properties. He represents strong financial parties who are willing to make investment on his recommendation. Mr. Bosse will winter in Princeton.

J. F. Leland, mining expert from Colorado, was in town Wednesday. He has been looking over the mineral resources of this district during the summer and is much impressed with the great extent and variety of ore and coal deposits.

W. Yolen Williams was in Hedley last Monday accompanied by Mr. Hewitt. It is understood that they are examining mineral properties in the Ashnola and Fifteen Mile sections for the Granby Co.

C. Croteau, a mining expert from Spokane, was in town this week investigating the mineral possibilities of this district.

C. H. Williams, of Spokane, arrived in Princeton last Saturday and spent a few days at Copper mountain and other points inspecting some mineral properties. He took away with him a lot of specimens and expects to return here shortly.

Johnson and Haining have made another strike of rich ore on Bear creek and they believe that great surprises are yet in store for them as prospecting goes on. Bear creek is looked upon with eager eyes by prospectors and mining men generally.

The Transvaal group, near Ashcroft, owned by Novak and Hacking of Rossland and Billy Knight of Princeton, has been bonded for $150,000.

Judge Murphy and Charlie DeBarro are gold-digging on Granite creek.

HERE AND THERE.

Industrial, Personal and Social Notes Swept up by the Star's "Galley-Slave" for Perusal.

Fred Keffer, manager for the B. C. Copper Co., arrived in Princeton last Saturday from Greenwood and went to Copper mountain to inspect the Sunset. The diamond drill to be used for further explorations of this property has arrived from Coutlee in charge of W. J. Stewart. Mr. Keffer and Mr. Morrison will visit other properties in this section and at Keremeos.

"Thoughts of a Visitor" will be the subject of a long letter in next week's Star. For want of space it and other interesting matter has been left over.

Rev. E. P. Flewelling, Church of England, will hold religious services in the court house, tomorrow, at 11 a.m. and 7:30 p.m.

Geo. McCoskery, wine and spirit dispenser of the hotel Commercial at Hedley, was in town this week renewing old acquaintanceship. He is one of the old timers of Princeton and still preserves a kindly feeling for the old town.

A. R. Adams, of the Mutual Life Insurance Co. is soliciting in Princeton and district and is much encouraged with the outlook.

F. W. Groves, P.L.S., returned this week from surveying four mineral claims for A. E. Howse at Aspen Grove.

Emil Sterz, of the Kamloops brewery, was in Princeton last week, going out by way of Nicola and Spence's Bridge.

Charlie Willerson and Pete Johnson are working on the Knob Hill.

C. J Wilson of Toronto and P. Y. Smith of Granite creek are at the Freddie Burns mineral claim.

E. Roche, mine superintendent, is a visitor to Princeton.

J. A. Irvine, of Kendall, Mont., is a guest at the Jackson.

A. D. Worgan, representing the Lancashire Life passed through yesterday.

Rev. A. J. Fowlie states that he will sever his relations with the missionary work here and return to Ontario in about a couple of weeks. He expects that a missionary will be sent in his stead. Mr. Fowlie has many friends here and is deservedly popular.

Owing to absence of President Groves on Thursday next the meeting of the board of trade intended for that day is hereby postponed by order for one week.

J. O. Coulthard has gone to the provincial exhibition, New Westminster.

Tom Hunter arrived from Nicola and says that crops are good and everybody is looking for a railroad boom.

PENTICTON POST OFFICE.

Surreptitious Removal of P.O. Cause of Whole Trouble.

EDITOR STAR—Sir: I notice the Star and Gazette have had their available space pretty well taken up lately over the Penticton postoffice controversy.

Now that the S. O. Land Co's guns have been silenced by a superior force of argument and facts yon can, no doubt, afford me sufficient space to reply to what has been designated W. T. Shatford's nightmare, but could more aptly be termed a pipe-dream—see his two columns of "silent contempt" for Ajax in the Hedley Gazette. Mr. Shatford says that they have more important matters to attend to in the S. O. Land Co's office than to compile the literary garbage that appeared in the Gazette headed "Axe Still Falling." Well, perhaps ; but I notice they had sufficient time between land sales to write me a 2-column reply. It is evident Mr. Shatford has an Encyclopedia Brittanica near at hand to which he referred for the knowledge of mythology displayed in his reply to my former letter. No doubt an acquaintance with the myths of ancient Greece and Israel may be of service to him in the land business.

Mr. Shatford seems to be so inflated over the Liberal influence centering in the S.O. Land Co. and his own importance, that he concluded matters must have been misrepresented to Mr. Ross or no change could have been made in the P.O. Plain, truthful protests were all that were necessary from the old town residents to have their rights protected by an impartial representative, and not by the method of "stealth and silence" before and the "big howl" after. It seems the S.O. Land Co's "silence before" was due to their absolute reliance in a certain pilot to navigate the P.O to the new townsite. This was accomplished, but alas and alack the ship came back—to her home port. They had ignored the rules by sailing without the proper clearance papers.

Mr. Shatford says it is "one Penticton" because they own the unsold property on both townsites. If they have the interests of the old town at heart perhaps he can explain why the two managing directors refused to sign a petition asking the McBride government for a promised $200 to build a much needed bridge on the old townsite, which the citizens are now building, as the government refused to assist. Who pulled the strings that caused that promise to be broken ?

I am no knocker ; I have every faith in the future of Penticton, but I do contend that we were within our rights to hold the P.O. even though Mr. Shatford might consider we were knocking by thus opposing the Co. and protecting our own interests.

Mr. Shatford criticizes the P.O. depart-

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Our imitative and apt neighbors across the Pacific in their heathen religious worship are discarding wood and stone for the more supple copper in the making of gods or joss and for the ornamentation of their temples. The amount of copper required for renewing the gods, many of which are very large and weigh tons, besides the coinage of some four hundred millions of these devout, hoarding heathens, will be enormous. Happily, the relations between Canada and the Oriental countries are most friendly and the exportation of copper or any other product to them is not subject to boycott as with our southern neighbors. The Similkameen will thus have a free market for its copper product. With the completion of the railroad to the coast it is the nearest great copper field to a seaport, which is a decided advantage for the shipper.

The very noticeable activity in the copper market recently by which it has rapidly advanced to 17 cents leads the New York Journal of Commerce to say that the facts upon which the present abnormally high prices for the metal have been based are of the greatest interest both in America and Europe. Industrial activity and the war in the Far East caused a large and legitimate increase in the smelting of copper and the remunerative prices received by producers stimulated production enormously until now American mines, including those in Canada and Mexico, as well as those in the United States, are pouring out the metal at the rate of over 45,000 tons per month. Exports have been unprecedented, and American consumption has risen to almost record tonnage. Of the large exports, 45,000 tons were shipped to China. At the same time that China has been taking copper from America, she has drawn from Australia and Japan about 25,000 tons, so that a country which heretofore has been of minor importance in the copper trade has suddenly loomed the biggest for trade. There are also fully 17,000 tons of copper under contract in this country for export to China during the next four or five months.

Large consumers of copper, both in America and in Europe, especially the latter, early learned of the contemplated movement in the metal, and of course being convinced of the upward trend of the market, purchased heavily for three or four months in advance. With producers well sold and the surplus well disposed of to second hands, the supplementary buying by speculators and small consumers naturally put the market higher and higher, and a combination of interests who have engineered the present movement have caused to be taken up the small amount of copper available for quick shipment within the last week or ten days, until the market stands almost at seventeen cents and the tendency is still upward. A record price of 20 cents has been reached, but that is an extreme price.

NOTES AND COMMENTS.

The fact that B. C. produced 18,000 tons of copper last year is a certain index of the possibilities and probabilities of the young and growing copper-producing industry in this province. Is it not about time that a copper refinery was established at the coast and thus have the finished product turned out at home instead of in the eastern states.

The removal of W. S. Gore, deputy commissioner of lands and works has been announced. His successor has not been named as yet by the government.

The Toronto Globe sagely remarks that no man should be allowed to acquire a town lot who does not build on it, or own farm land who does not cultivate it. What about mining claims?

NOTICE.

Sixty days after date I intend to apply to the Chief Commissioner of Lands and Works for permission to purchase 640 acres, more or less, of pasture land in the Nicola division of Yale district and described as follows: Commencing at a post at S.W. corner of lot 1234 thence east 80 chains, north 80 chains, west 80 chains, south 80 chains to point of commencement.
A. E. HOWSE.
Sept. 23, 1905.

Also 320 acres more or less of pasture land in the Nicola division of Yale district, described as follows: Commencing at a post at the S.E. corner of lot 1232 thence north 40 chains east 80 chains, south 40 chains west 80 chains to point of commencement.
FRED. A. HOWSE.
Sept. 23, 1905.

NOTICE.

Roberta, Robert Bryant, Garden City, Mary V. Victor, Falum, No. 28, No. 31, No. 32, No. 50 Fr., No. 51 Fr., No. 52, No. 53, No. 66 Fr, No. 67, No. 68, No. 69, No. 70, No. 71 and No. 73 Fr. mineral claims, situate in the Similkameen mining division of Yale district. Where located: In Voigt's camp.

Take notice that I, C. Æ. Shaw, acting as agent for M. A. Voigt, free miner's certificate No. B79944, intend, sixty days from the date hereof, to apply to the mining recorder for certificates of improvements, for the purpose of obtaining crown grants of the above claims.

And further take notice that action, under section 37, must be commenced before the issuance of such Certificates of Improvements.

Dated this 23rd day of August, A.D. 1905.
11-4 C. Æ. SHAW, P.L.S.

NOTICE.

Two Brothers Victoria and Orlando Marguerite mineral claims. Situate in the Similkameen mining division of Yale district. Where located: On Sixteen-Mile creek.

Take notice that I, F. W. Groves, acting as agent for A. Scrapelli, free miner's certificate No. B86157, intend sixty days from date hereof, to apply to the mining recorder for certificates of improvements, for the purpose of obtaining crown grants of the above claims.

And further take notice that action, under section 37 must be commenced before the issuance of such certificates of improvements.

Dated this 26th day of July, 1905.

NOTICE.

International and Constitution mineral claims, situate in the Similkameen mining division of Yale district. Where located: On Boulder creek.

Take notice that I, F. W. Groves, acting as agent for Albert Klockmann, free miner's certificate No. B86564 intend sixty days from date hereof to apply to the mining recorder for certificates of improvements, for the purpose of obtaining crown grants of the above claims.

And further take notice that action, under section 37, must be commenced before the issuance of such certificate of improvements.

Dated this 6th day of July, 1905.

NOTICE.

Sixty days after date I intend to apply to the Chief Commissioner of Lands and Works for permission to purchase 160 acres of mountain pasture land situate on Five-Mile creek, about 5 miles from Princeton, described as follows: Commencing at post S.W. corner of Gordon E Corbould's purchase and running 40 chains north 40 chains east, 40 chains south, 40 chains west to point of commencement and adjoining R. L. Reid's purchase on the north.
GORDON E. CORBOULD.
June, 23, 1905. C. M. Snowden, agent.

Also, commencing at post S.W. corner of Thos. R. Pearson's purchase and running 40 chains north, 40 chains east, 40 chains south, 40 chains west to point of commencement, in all 160 acres and adjoining Gordon E. Corbould's purchase on the north.
THOS. R. PEARSON.
June 27, 1905. C. M, Snowden, agent.

NOTICE.

THIRTY days from date I intend to apply to the Chief Commissioner of Lands and Works for a license to prospect for coal on the following described lands situated in the Similkameen district:

Commencing at N.W. corner of lot 43 and running 80 chains east, 80 chains north, 80 chains west, 80 chains south, in all 640 acres.
W. H. HARVEY,
Located 9th Aug. 1905. S. Spencer, agt.

And, commencing at S.W. corner of Harvey's claim and running north 80 chains, west 80 chains, south 80 chains, east 80 chains, in all 640 acres.
J. S. LOUGHNAN,
Located 9th Aug. 1905. S. Spencer, agt.

And, commencing at S.E. corner of Loughnan's claim and running south 80 chains, west 80 chains, north 80 chains, east 80 chains, in all 640 acres.
W. G. BREEZE,
Located 9th Aug. 1905. S. Spencer, agt.

And, commencing at N.W. corner of Harvey's claim and running 80 chains north, 80 chains east, 80 chains south, 80 chains west, in all 640 acres
W. H. FULTON,
Located 9th Aug. 1905. S. Spencer, agt.

NOTICE.

Valley Hill mineral claim. Situate in the Similkameen mining division of Vale district. Where located: Adjoining the townsite of Allison, on south side of river.

Take notice that I, W. C. McDougall, acting as agent for M. L. McDougall, free miner's certificate No. 78878, intend, sixty days from the date hereof, to apply to the mining recorder for certificates of improvements, for the purpose of obtaining a crown grant of the above claim

And further take notice that action, under section 37, must be commenced before the issuance of such Certificate of Improvements.

Dated this 10th day of July, A.D. 1905.

TENDERS WANTED.

Tenders will be received up to September 30th for hauling 500 tons of coal from Princeton to Hedley. The lowest or any tender not necessarily accepted.

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Synopsis of Canadian Northwest Homestead Regulations.

ANY EVEN NUMBERED section of Dominion Lands in Manitoba or the Northwest provinces, excepting 8 and 26, not reserved, may be homesteaded 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 may be made personally at the local land office for the district in which the land is situate, 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, receive authority for some one to make entry for him.

The homesteader is required to perform the conditions connected therewith under one of the following plans:

(1) At least six month's residence upon and cultivation of the land in each year for three years.

(2) If the father (or mother, if the father is deceased) of the homesteader resides upon a farm in the vicinity of the land entered for the requirements as to residence may be satisfied by such person residing with the father or mother.

(3) If the settler has his permanent residence upon farming land owned by him in the vicinity of his homestead, the requirements as to residence may be satisfied by residence upon the said land.

Six months' notice in writing should be given to the Commissioner of Dominion Lands at Ottawa of intention to apply for patent.
W. W. CORY.
Deputy of the Minister of Interior.

N.B.: Newspapers inserting this advertisement without authority will not be paid therefor.

PENTICTON P.O.
[Concluded from page 1.]

ment for sending the inspector to report and acting before hearing from him. The inspector was here after the P.O. had been removed, two weeks before the department took action. Who knows the report was not received and acted upon? A letter takes but five days to Ottawa.

I suppose if the postmaster-general had only known the Shatford Bros. were the managing directors of the S.O. Land Co. and that they could exert such an overpowering influence in Liberal counsels he would have put the postoffice on wheels and said "attach it to Shatfords, Limited, and pull it where you please."

The change in the position of the post office is of very little interest to the people here, except to the S.O. Land Co. who have made all the noise. Why the Gazette should be so deeply interested is easily understood.

In replying to my first letter Mr. Shatford talks about a $5 commission, evidently measuring a man's ability by his pocket book. This is common to men of his type. He speaks of me in connection with certain matters, thinking he has me spotted, but he is barking up the wrong tree.
Yours truly,
Penticton, Sept. 16, 1905.

[The removal of a post office, except for fire or other accident and then only until consent of the department may be had, cannot be lawfully done without permission of the postmaster-general. If no complaint had been lodged the P. O. department probably would have paid no serious attention to its removal. Disobedience of rules caused Mr. Wade's dismissal and the return of the office. In the rapidly developing Similkameen similar cases may arise, but the lesson is plain that a postmaster cannot move an office without the consent of the proper authorities. In passing, it is well to observe that petitions have little weight in deciding the location of a post office as nearly all of them are "stuffed." It ought to be punishable for any person, not a voter and resident, to sign petitions to the government. The attention of D. Ross, M.P., and the Department of Justice is respectfully directed to the abuse of petitions above referred to with a view to remedial legislation.—ED.]

Geo. Kirby, wife and family passed through Princeton on Thursday, going via Hope pass to the New Westminster fair.

Bert Bryant is railroad building at Hope, Alaska.

NOTICE.

Royal Banner mineral claim situate in the Osoyoos mining division of Similkameen district. Where located: A mile and a half south-east of Olalla.

Take notice that I, Reginald H Rogers, agent for Robert Gaede, free miner's certificate No. B72579, intend sixty days from the date hereof, to apply to the Mining Recorder for a certificate of improvements, for the purpose of obtaining a Crown grant of the above claim.

And further take notice that action, under section 37, must be commenced before the issuance of such certificate of improvements.

Dated this 23rd day of September, 1905.
R. H. ROGERS.

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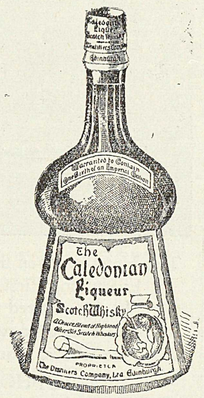

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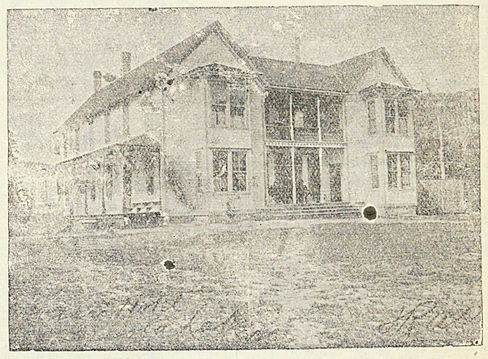

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SMILES.

"I—aw—would like," began the customer with the eyeglasses in the cheap restaurant, "some spring lamb; some you know that has gambolled on the green." "Aw, stop joshin'," said the waitress. "We ain't got none o' the kind that gambled on the green. S'pose you'll be wantin' some that played golf next. We jes' got straight lamb."

De Lay—Yes, indeed, I'm quite a baseball player Why, I have quite a record for making home runs! Miss Tiredout—Oh! how much I would like to see you make one.

"What good was my vermiform appendix, anyway, doctor?" "It wasn't any good to you," replied the surgeon, "but it's worth about $500 to me."

"There's just one thing I wanter say to you," began Mrs, Acid as her better half stumbled into the room at 3 a.m. "Just one, M'riar?" queried he solicitously, "ain't you a-feelin' well?"

She—But do you really like me just as I am? He (enthusiastically)—Just as you are! There isn't a single thing about you that I would change except your name.

Squire Woolsey—Well, Sam, I hope you are going to vote for me to morrow! Sam Scrubbin—I hope so, too, sah; I needs two dollahs mighty bad, sah.

F. W. GROVES

A. R. COLL., SC. D.,

Civil and Mining Engineer

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A LICENSE to cut timber can be acquired only at public competition. A rental of $5 per square mile is charged for all timber berths excepting those situated west of Yale for which the rental is at the rate of 5 cents per acre per annum.

In addition to the rental dues at the following rates are charged: Sawn lumber, 50 cents per thousand feet B.M. Railway ties, eight and nine feet long, 1½ and 1¾ cents each. Shingle bolts, 25 cents a cord. All other products, 5 per cent on the sales.

A license is issued so soon as a berth is granted, but in unsurveyed territory no timber can be cut on a berth until the licensee has made a survey thereof.

Permits to cut timber are also granted at public competition, except in the case of actual settlers who require the timber for their own use.

Settlers and others may also obtain permits to cut up to 100 cords of wood for sale without competition.

The dues payable under a permit are $1.50 per thousand feet B.M., for square timber and saw logs of any wood except oak; from ½ to 1½ cents per lineal foot for building logs; from 12½ to 25 cents per cord for wood; 1 cent for fence posts; 3 cents for railway ties; and 50 cents per cord on shingle bolts.

Leases for grazing purposes are issued for a term of twenty one years at a rental of two cents an acre per annum.

Coal lands may be purchased at $10 per acre for soft coal and $20 for anthracite. Not more than 320 acres may be acquired by one individual or company.

Royalty at the rate of 10 cents per ton of 2,000 pounds is collected on the gross output.

Entries for land for agricultural purposes 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 at Ottawa, the commissioner of immigration at Winnipeg, or the local agent for the district within which the land is situated, receive authority for some one to make entry for him.

A fee of $10 is charged for for a homestead entry.

A settler who has received an entry for a homestead is required to perform the conditions connected therewith under one of the following plans:

1. At least six months' residence upon and cultivation of the land in each year during the term of three years. It is the practice of the department to require a settler to bring 15 acres under cultivation, but if he prefers he may substitute stock; and 20 head of cattle, to be actually his own property, with buildings for their occupation, will be accepted instead of the cultivation.

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 the act, resides upon a farm in the vicinity of the land entered for by such person as a homestead, the requirements of the Act as to residence prior to obtaining patent may be satisfied by such person residing with the father or mother.

3. If the settler has his permanent residence upon farming land owned by him in the vicinity of his homestead, the requirements of the Act as to residence may be satisfied by residence upon the said land.

Application for a patent should be made at the end of three years before the local agent, sub agent or a homestead inspector.

Before making an application for a patent the settler must give six months' notice in writing to the commissioner of Dominion lands at Ottawa, of his intention to do so.

W. W. CORY,
Deputy of the Minister of the Interior.
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