

Louis Riel Institute Exhibit



Archer Martin Collection of Métis Land Claim Broadsides Catalogue and Descriptive Essay

Public notices in the matter of the grant of 1,400,000 acres of land to the children of Half-Breed heads of families under Sec. 31 of the Manitoba Act 33 Vic., cap 3, and the orders in council, dated severally the 25th April, 1871, and the 7th September 1876.

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Introduction to the exhibit

The original posters and broadsides were scanned for the Louis Riel Institute as digital (tiff) images by the staff of Library and Archives Canada. The broadsides range in size from 42 cm. x 15 cm. (16.5 inch. x 5.9 inch.) to 144 cm. x 69 cm. (56.16 inch. x 27.1 inch.).

The broadside notice for St. Norbert parish is incomplete. However, two separate fragments of this broadside are included in the collection. No broadside for the St. François Xavier and Baie St. Paul claims has survived. However, twenty-three allotment sheets remain; a great number of these are barely legible and useful scans could not be produced. A number are quite legible and have been reproduced in this exhibit. These may be handwritten copies from a broadside that no longer exists.



PUBLIC NOTICE.

In the matter of the Grant of the 1,400,000 Acres of Land to the Children of Half-Breed Heads of Families, pursuant to Section 31 of the Act 23 Vic., Cap. 3, and the Orders in Council dated annually the 25th April, 1871, and the 7th September, 1876, the following Claims have been approved for the Parish of ST. PETERS:

No.	NAME OF ALLOTTEE.	DATE OF BIRTH.	No. OF TOWNSHIP.	No. OF RANGE.	DESCRIPTION OF THE LAND ALLOTTED IN LEGAL SUB-DIVISIONS.
1	Anderson, Charles.....	16th Sept., 1864	14	4 E	S. W. 1/4 of 20 and the N. 1/4 of the N. W. 1/4 of 17.
2	" Gustavus.....	12th December, 1865	14	4 E	S. W. 1/4 of 30 and the S. 1/4 of the N. W. 1/4 of 30
3	" Alfred.....	18th February, 1867	14	3 E	S. E. 1/4 of 12 and the N. 1/4 of the N. E. 1/4 of 1.
4	" Oliver.....	20th Sept., 1868	14	4 E	S. W. 1/4 of 24 and the S. 1/4 of the N. W. 1/4 of 24.
5	" Susan.....	6th February, 1877	14	4 E	S. W. 1/4 of 9 and the S. 1/4 of the N. W. 1/4 of 9.
6	Bird, Sophia.....	20th February, 1856	14	3 E	S. W. 1/4 of 25 and the N. 1/4 of the N. W. 1/4 of 24.
7	Bird, Charles.....	25th April, 1860	14	4 E	N. 1/4 of S. 1/4 of 22 and the S. 1/4 of the N. W. 1/4 of 22.
8	Budd, Alice H. M.....	19th Sept., 1862	14	4 E	S. W. 1/4 of 28 and the S. 1/4 of the N. W. 1/4 of 28.
9	Cochrane, Mary (Monkman)	14th June, 1853	14	4 E	N. 1/4 of S. 1/4 of 22 and the S. 1/4 of N. W. 1/4 of 22.
10	Campbell, Malcolm.....	24th November, 1864	14	4 E	S. E. 1/4 of 7 and the S. 1/4 of the N. E. 1/4 of 7.
11	" Roderick.....	22nd December, 1867	14	4 E	S. W. 1/4 of 15 and the N. 1/4 of the N. W. 1/4 of 10.
12	{ The legal representatives of the late Campbell, Jessie.....	26th October, 1869	14	4 E	S. W. 1/4 of 18 and the N. 1/4 of the N. W. 1/4 of 7.
13	Chatelain, David.....	About 1858	14	4 E	S. W. 1/4 of 7 and the S. 1/4 of the N. W. 1/4 of 7.
14	{ The legal representatives of the late Cochrane, Arthur H.....	.....	14	4 E	N. W. 1/4 of 16 and the S. 1/4 of the S. W. 1/4 of 21.
15	Chatelain, Flora.....	About 1862	14	4 E	S. E. 1/4 of 34 and the N. 1/4 of the N. E. 1/4 of 27.
16	" Elizabeth.....	About 1867	14	4 E	N. E. 1/4 of 9 and the S. 1/4 of the S. E. 1/4 of 16.
17	" Margaret.....	.....	14	3 E	N. W. 1/4 of 13 and the N. 1/4 of the S. W. 1/4 of 13.
18	Clemens, Esther.....	18th January, 1867	14	3 E	N. W. 1/4 of 36 and the E. 1/4 of the N. E. 1/4 of 35.
19	" Leonard.....	27th November, 1869	14	4 E	N. E. 1/4 of 28 and the S. 1/4 of the S. E. 1/4 of 33.
20	Crowley, Daniel.....	15th July, 1869	14	4 E	N. E. 1/4 of 16 and the N. 1/4 of the S. E. 1/4 of 16.
21	Cumming, Alex. T.....	15th May, 1869	14	3 E	N. E. 1/4 of 25 and the E. 1/4 of the N. W. 1/4 of 25.
22	Donald, John.....	18th October, 1859	15	4 E	S. E. 1/4 of 5 and the N. 1/4 of N. E. 1/4 of 32.
23	Donald, Annabella.....	26th March, 1861	14	4 E	N. W. 1/4 of 21 and the N. 1/4 of the S. W. 1/4 of 21.
24	" Sarah.....	27th March, 1864	14	4 E	N. W. 1/4 of 15 and the S. 1/4 of the S. W. 1/4 of 22.
25	" Charlotte.....	11th November, 1865	14	3 E	N. W. 1/4 of 12 and the S. 1/4 of the S. W. 1/4 of 13.
26	" William R.....	13th February, 1869	14	4 E	N. E. 1/4 of 15 and the S. 1/4 of the S. E. 1/4 of 22.
27	Fields, Isabella (Norguay)	24th January, 1853	14	3 E	S. W. 1/4 of 1 and the S. 1/4 of the N. W. 1/4 of 1.
28	{ The legal representatives of the late Garrioch, Gilbert Herber.....	.....	14	4 E	S. W. 1/4 of 31 and the N. 1/4 of the N. W. 1/4 of 30.
29	Harper, Jane.....	14th May, 1859	14	4 E	N. E. 1/4 of 30 and the S. 1/4 of the S. E. 1/4 of 31.
30	" Joseph.....	20th Sept., 1862	14	4 E	S. W. 1/4 of 10 and the S. 1/4 of the N. W. 1/4 of 10.
31	" William T.....	20th May, 1867	14	4 E	S. W. 1/4 of 14 and the W. 1/4 of the S. E. 1/4 of 14.
32	{ The legal representatives of the late Harper, Mary Ann.....	.....	14	4 E	E. 1/4 of N. E. 1/4 of 19.
33	Kennedy, John George.....	Over 18 years.	14	4 E	W. 1/4 of N. W. 1/4 of 20.
34	Kennedy, Sarah.....	Over 18 years.	14	4 E	N. 1/4 of S. E. 1/4 of 19.
35	Leash, Sophia.....	25th November, 1858	14	3 E	S. W. 1/4 of 16 and the N. 1/4 of the N. W. 1/4 of 9.
36	" William.....	28th April, 1860	14	4 E	N. W. 1/4 of 14 and the W. 1/4 of the N. E. 1/4 of 14.
37	" Caroline.....	23rd January, 1862	14	4 E	N. W. 1/4 of 35 and the W. 1/4 of the N. E. 1/4 of 35.
38	" Mary.....	24th July, 1863	14	3 E	N. W. 1/4 of 27 and the S. 1/4 of the S. W. 1/4 of 34.
39	" Alfred.....	9th August, 1865	14	3 E	N. W. 1/4 of 19 and the N. 1/4 of the S. W. 1/4 of 19.
40	" Eliza.....	9th August, 1867	14	3 E	S. W. 1/4 of 12 and the N. 1/4 of the N. W. 1/4 of 1.
41	" Alice.....	28th March, 1869	14	3 E	S. E. 1/4 of 25 and the N. 1/4 of the N. E. 1/4 of 24.
42	Monkman, Andrew.....	6th June, 1851	14	4 E	N. E. 1/4 of 22 and the N. 1/4 of the N. W. 1/4 of 23.
43	" John.....	August 1840	14	4 E	S. E. 1/4 of 24 and the S. 1/4 of the N. E. 1/4 of 24.
44	" Nancy.....	16th October, 1856	14	4 E	S. E. 1/4 of 15 and the N. 1/4 of the N. E. 1/4 of 10.
45	" Albert.....	1st March, 1854	14	4 E	S. E. 1/4 of 28 and the N. 1/4 of the N. E. 1/4 of 21.
46	" Anabella.....	26th January, 1860	14	4 E	S. E. 1/4 of 21 and the S. 1/4 of the N. E. 1/4 of 21.
47	" John J.....	March, 1863	14	4 E	S. E. 1/4 of 20 and the N. 1/4 of the N. E. 1/4 of 17.
48	" William.....	1st October, 1861	14	4 E	S. E. 1/4 of 32 and the S. 1/4 of the N. E. 1/4 of 32.
49	" Alexander.....	4th August, 1863	14	4 E	N. E. 1/4 of 33 and the N. 1/4 of the S. E. 1/4 of 33.
50	" Nancy.....	Over 18 years.	14	4 E	S. E. 1/4 of 18 and the N. 1/4 of the N. E. 1/4 of 7.
51	" Isabella.....	9th August, 1865	14	4 E	S. W. 1/4 of 22 and the N. 1/4 of the S. E. 1/4 of 31.
52	" David.....	9th Sept., 1869	14	4 E	S. W. 1/4 of 17 and the S. 1/4 of the N. W. 1/4 of 17.
53	Moore, Clementina.....	24th February, 1859	14	4 E	N. E. 1/4 of 35 and the W. 1/4 of the N. E. 1/4 of 26.
54	" John R.....	19th December, 1860	14	4 E	N. E. 1/4 of 18 and the E. 1/4 of the N. W. 1/4 of 19.
55	" Donald.....	11th July, 1862	14	4 E	N. W. 1/4 of 15 and the S. 1/4 of the S. W. 1/4 of 19.
56	" Maggie.....	5th August, 1864	14	3 E	N. W. 1/4 of 31 and the W. 1/4 of the N. E. 1/4 of 31.
57	Norguay, Henry, jr.....	31st August, 1850	14	3 E	N. E. 1/4 of 13 and the N. 1/4 of the S. E. 1/4 of 13.
58	" George.....	16th June, 1852	14	3 E	S. W. 1/4 of 36 and the W. 1/4 of the N. W. 1/4 of 25.
59	" Robert H.....	28th May, 1867	14	4 E	S. E. 1/4 of 17 and the S. 1/4 of the N. E. 1/4 of 17.
60	" Mary J.....	21st December, 1869	14	3 E	S. E. 1/4 of 27 and the S. 1/4 of the N. E. 1/4 of 27.
61	" Thos.....	1st September, 1857	14	4 E	N. E. 1/4 of 12 and the S. 1/4 of the S. E. 1/4 of 13.
62	" David.....	4th March, 1860	14	4 E	N. W. 1/4 of 34 and the N. 1/4 of the S. W. 1/4 of 34.
63	Reid, Catharine.....	18th November, 1866	14	4 E	S. W. 1/4 of 38 and the N. 1/4 of the N. W. 1/4 of 28.
64	" John.....	8th October, 1869	14	4 E	S. W. 1/4 of 25 and the S. 1/4 of the N. W. 1/4 of 23.
65	Thomas, Jessie J.....	21st July, 1868	14	4 E	W. 1/4 of E. 1/4 of 23 and the W. 1/4 of S. E. 1/4 of 26.
66	Whiteford, Ellen.....	Over 18 years.	14	3 E	S. E. 1/4 of 10 and the S. 1/4 of the N. E. 1/4 of 10.
67	Williamson, Henry.....	10th June, 1866	14	4 E	S. E. 1/4 of 1 and the S. 1/4 of the N. E. 1/4 of 1.
68	" Joseph Thos.....	4th February, 1868	14	4 E	S. W. 1/4 of 27 and the N. 1/4 of the N. W. 1/4 of 22.
					S. E. 1/4 of 30 and the W. 1/4 of the N. E. 1/4 of 19.

Published by order of the Honorable the Minister of the Interior.

J. S. DENNIS,

Surveyor General.

DOMINION LANDS OFFICE,
OTTAWA, 19th June, 1877.



Map developed by Audreen Hourie

Historical Background

Section 31 of the *Manitoba Act* provided:

And whereas, it is expedient, towards the extinguishment of the Indian Title to the lands in the Province, to appropriate a portion of such ungranted lands, to the extent of one million four hundred thousand acres thereof, for the benefit of the families of the half-breed residents, it is hereby enacted, that, under regulations to be from time to time made by the Governor General in such parts of the Province as he may deem expedient, to the extent aforesaid, and divide the same among the children of the half-breed heads of families residing in the Province at the time of the said transfer to Canada, and the same shall be granted to the said children respectively, in such mode and on such conditions as to settlement and otherwise, as the Governor General in Council may from time to time determine.

This provision entailed a land grant of 1.4 million acres for the Métis. Originally, the grant was destined for Métis “children of heads of family,” however, an “Act respecting the appropriation of certain Dominion Lands in Manitoba,” passed on 26 May 1874, allowed that Métis “heads-of-family” were also entitled to a land grant of 160 acres or dollars in scrip. The 1.4 million acre grant was calculated based on a census of the province that estimated the population of the Manitoba Métis to be equal to or less than 10,000. Therefore, according to this number, every participant in the grant would theoretically be allotted 140 acres – an allocation slightly smaller than that offered to homesteaders under the *Dominion Lands Act*. However, based on a “report of the Half-Breed Commissioners on their investigation of the claims of half-breed children to an allotment of land, and the claims of the heads of families to an issue of scrip,” the amount of the grants, per person, was raised to 160 dollars per head of family and 240 acres per child of head of family.

Although the *Manitoba Act* was passed in 1870, months of discussion and debate occurred within the government about how to carry out the distribution of land to the Métis. In the spring of 1875, John M. Machar and Matthew Ryan, barristers from Kingston and Montreal respectively, were appointed by Canada as Commissioners to investigate claims of “children of half-breed heads of families to participate in the grant of land, and the claims of the heads of families to a grant of scrip.”¹

Through federal Order-in-Council P.C. 128 1/2 on 23 March 1876 the recommendations and methods used by Machar and Ryan to distribute scrip were formally adopted and approved, thereby formulating a process of carrying-out Section 31 of the *Manitoba Act* of 1870.² Manitoba Métis “children-of-heads-of-family” were issued 240 acres of land, and “heads-of-family” were issued \$160 in the form of scrip. After the 1.4 million acre land grant had been allocated, Métis

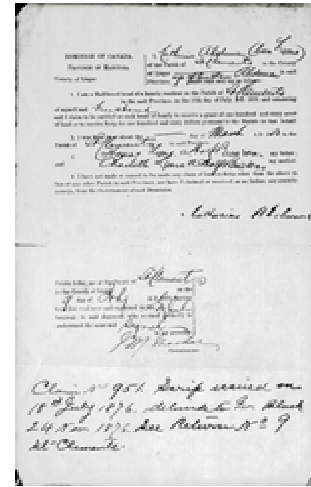
¹ LAC, RG 15, vol. 38, file 2, N.O. Cote, “Administration and Sale of Dominion Lands,” Department of the Interior, 1931. See also Jeffrey Murray, “A Guide to the Records of the Metis Scrip Commissions in the National Archives of Canada,” National Archives of Canada, nd, p. 24 [unpublished].

² Murray, “A Guide,” p. 24. See also Thomas Flanagan, *Metis Lands In Manitoba* (Calgary: University of Calgary Press, 1991) pp. 139-140.

individuals who had not been included in the original allocation, but who had a claim, were issued supplemental scrip (ca. 1885).³

The actual process of granting the 1.4 million acres of Section 31 land required Métis individuals to make an application, in the form of an affidavit, with the Commissioners who were appointed by the government. These Affidavits contained information about the applicant's family, occupation, marital status, children, and residence. We now refer to these documents as the Section 31 *Manitoba Act* Affidavits (or "Manitoba Affidavits").

The federal Department of the Interior presided over and kept records of the process of Manitoba Act grants. These records, including the original Affidavits used for Section 31 grants, still exist today and are held by Library and Archives Canada, Ottawa. The Affidavits were microfilmed by the National Archives.



EXAMPLES OF AFFIDAVITS

The stage was now set for the final act and by an order in Council of September 7, 1876, the Department issued regulations for the distribution of the half-breed grant. The Half-Breed Grant Commission had reported 5088 persons as entitled, but the rights of an additional 226 persons had been verified subsequent to the commission sittings. To provide for future claims which might be verified the total number of claimants was placed at 5,883 which, when divided into the grant area of 1,400,000 acres, allowed 240 acres for each claimant. The 240-acre allotment, in contrast to the previous allotments of 140 and 190 acres, was easy of description under the survey subdivision system and therefore presented no obstacle to distribution. All previous allotments were cancelled and Lieutenant-Governor Morris was requested to proceed with the new allotment.⁴

The drawings and allotment of the lands began on October 30, 1876, under Morris' supervision. In a letter to Ottawa reporting the beginning of the drawing, the Lieutenant-Governor reopened the discussion as to the advisability of publishing lists containing a description of the allotment and the names of the allottees as soon as possible after the distribution had been approved by the Privy Council, and recommended again that the lands so allotted should vest in the allottees pending the issue of patents.⁵ The Department of the Interior, in this instance, either viewed the suggestions with favour, or had already decided upon some such practice, because lists began to issue early in 1877, which described the allotments, designated the allottees, and stated that the claims of such allottees had been approved.⁶

All but seven of the parish allotments were completed in 1877 under Lieutenant-Governor Morris' supervision and 1,115 patents were issued in that year.⁷ Joseph Cauchon succeeded Morris as Lieutenant-Governor of Manitoba on December 2, 1877, and although he was asked to proceed at once with the allotments in the remaining parishes, he declined to do so because of representations that were made to him concerning disputed claims which existed in some of the

³ This claims process was associated with the Northwest "Half-breed" scrip that dealt with Métis scrip claims outside of the original postage-stamp province of Manitoba.

⁴ Department of Interior (D.I.), Orders-in-Council, No. 2, p. 473, 7 September, 1876.

⁵ P.A.M. (LG), Letter Book M, Morris to Secretary of State, 2 November, 1876.

⁶ P.A.M. Folio of these parish lists is on deposit.

⁷ C.S.P., 1878, No. 10, Part III, p. 5.

parishes.⁸ The Department of the Interior was forced to investigate these claims and as a result allotments in two parishes only were made during 1878.⁹ In that year, however, the Minister in order to facilitate the final disposal of the Halfbreed grant received authority to issue patents to all claimants irrespective of age or sex.¹⁰ Allotments were made during 1879 and the early months of 1880 in the five remaining parishes. Patent issue was practically completed in 1880, and it may be said that in that year the half-breed land grant in Manitoba was settled.

Although the Manitoba Act of 1870 set out the way in which the Metis were to receive their land subsequent amendments led to complicated procedures that in turn led to inordinate delays.

Children's Grants

1877: First patent issued.
1881: Half of patents issued.
1890: Last patent issued.
1919: Last supplementary scrip issued.

Parents Scrip

1876: First scrip issued.
1876: Half of scrip issued.
1907: Last scrip issued.

River Lot Titles Confirmed

1874: First patent issued
1881: Half of patents issued.
1929: Last patent issued.

Hay Land Confirmation and Compensation

1876: First scrip issued.
1882: Half of scrip issued.
1918: Last scrip issued.
1877: First patent issued.
1881: Half of patents issued.
1927: Last patent issued.

On April 14, 1872, the *Dominion Lands Act* was proclaimed. Under this act many other entities and individuals were entitled to land in Manitoba.

*In this Act land reserved for the **Hudson's Bay Co.** is remembered in Sections 17 to 21:*

Whereas by article five of the terms and conditions in the surrender from the Hudson's Bay Company to the Crown, the said Company is entitled to one-twentieth of the lands

⁸ Debates (HC), 1878, p. 693; Mills remarks re Cauchon.

⁹ C.S.P., 1879, Part II, p. 4.

¹⁰ D.I., No. 2, p. 733, Order-in-Council, 4 July, 1878; this Order rescinded Sections 6 and 7 of the Order-in-Council of April 25, 1871, which provided that patents should issue only to claimants 18 years or over.

surveyed into townships in a certain portion of the territory surrendered, described and designated as the “Fertile Belt”:

And whereas it is found by computation that the said one-twentieth will be exactly met, by allotting in every fifth township two whole sections of six hundred and forty acres each, and in all other townships one section and three quarters of a section each...

One twentieth of total in the “postage stamp” Province for HBC = 416, 000 acres

Section 22 of the *Dominion Lands Act* set aside land for **public schools**:

And whereas it is expedient to make provision in aid of education in Manitoba and the North-West Territories, therefore sections eleven and twenty-nine in each and every surveyed township throughout the extent of the Dominion Lands, shall be and are hereby set apart as an endowment for purposes of education.

Sections 23 to 28 of the *Dominion Lands Act* made provision for the British and Canadian **soldiers** sent to Manitoba on February 11, 1870 as the **Red River Expeditionary Force**.

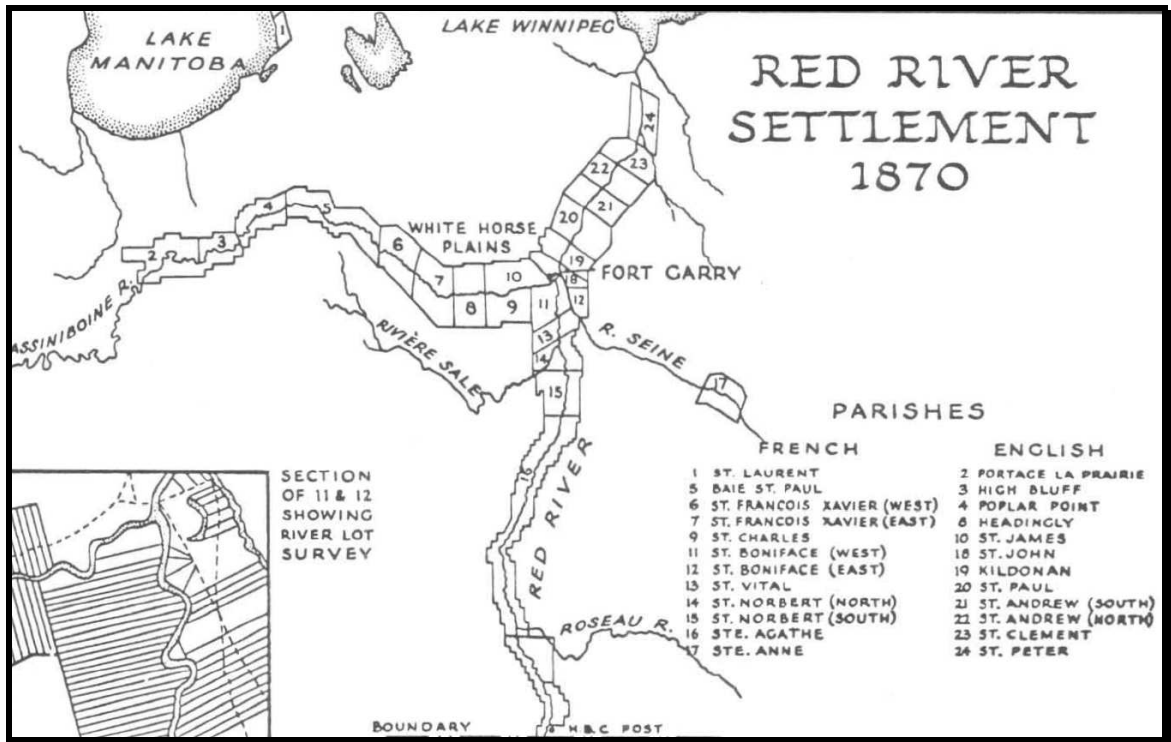
Section 27 reads:

And whereas by order to the Governor-in-Council, dated 25 April, 1871, it is declared that, — The officers and soldiers of the 1st or Ontario and 2nd or Quebec Battalion of Rifles, then stationed in Manitoba, whether in the service or depôt companies, and not having been dismissed therefrom, should be entitled to a free grant of land without actual residence, of one quarter section, — such grant is hereby confirmed, and the Minister of Militia and Defence is hereby authorized and required to issue the necessary warrants therefore accordingly: ...

Before the Metis children or adults received patents for their land several other groups received land grants in Manitoba:

- East Mennonite Reserve created in Manitoba on July 31, 1874 = 184,320 acres
- Mennonite financial grant of \$100,000.00 established.
- New Iceland Reserve created just north of Manitoba in 1875 = 207,360 acres
- West Mennonite Reserve created in 1876 (move started in 1875) = 391,680 acres

Exhibit broadsides



1. Claims approved for the parishes of St. Vital and St. Boniface.

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Archer Martin collection of Métis land claim broadsides

PUBLISHER: [Ottawa : s.n., 1880]

DESCRIPTION: 1 sheet ([1] p.) ; 139 x 68 cm.

NOTES: Very large broadside. Signed and dated at end: Department of the Interior, Dominion Lands Office, Ottawa, 14th June, 1880, Lindsay Russell, surveyor general. "Letters patent will not be prepared for any of the foregoing allotments until application is made for the issue thereof. If there is any error in the spelling of the name give the necessary correction in the application for the patent. If any of the above-named allottees are dead, their legal representatives must furnish a certificate of his or her burial, and proof of their heirship, at the time of making application for the patent."

2. Claims approved for the parish of St. Norbert.

Public notice in the matter of the grant of 1,400,000 acres of land to the children of half-breed heads of families, pursuant to section 31 of the Act 33 Vic., cap. 3, and the orders in council dated severally the 25th April, 1871, and the 7th September, 1876, the following claims have been admitted for the parish of St. Norbert.

Archer Martin collection of Métis land claim broadsides

PUBLISHER: [Ottawa : s.n., 1877?]

DESCRIPTION: 1 sheet ([1] p.) ; 22 x 45 cm.

NOTES: Portion of a larger broadside. The head of the sheet, with the name of the parish, is wanting. But the name "St. Norbert" is written in the margin. The portion preserved contains

claim #141 (Bélanger, Hélène) through #195 (Courchène, Marie Julienne), and #336 (?, Patrice) [#334 (Parisien, Elzéar)] through #386 (Roy, Jean Baptiste).

3. Claims approved for the parish of St. John.

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Archer Martin collection of Métis land claim broadsides

PUBLISHER: [Ottawa : s.n., 1877?]

DESCRIPTION: 1 sheet ([1] p.) ; 34 x 42 cm.

NOTES: Broadside. Signed and dated at end: Dominion Lands Office, April 12th, 1877, J.S. Dennis, surveyor general. "Published by order of the Honorable the Minister of the Interior".

4. Claims approved for the parish of St. Peters.

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5. Claims approved for the parish of Headingly.

Public notice in the matter of the grant of 1,400,000 acres of land to the children of half-breed heads of families, pursuant to section 31 of the Act 33 Vic., cap. 3, and the orders in council dated severally the 25th April, 1871, and the 7th September, 1876, the following claims have been admitted for the parish of Headingly.

Archer Martin collection of Métis land claim broadsides

PUBLISHER: [Ottawa : s.n., 1877?]

DESCRIPTION: 1 sheet ([1] p.) ; 45 x 50 cm.

NOTES: Broadside. Signed and dated at end: Dominion Lands Office, April 12th, 1877, J.S. Dennis, surveyor general. "Published by order of the Honorable the Minister of the Interior".

6. Claims approved for the parish of St. James.

Public notice in the matter of the grant of 1,400,000 acres of land to the children of half-breed heads of families, pursuant to section 31 of the Act 33 Vic., cap. 3, and the orders in council dated severally the 25th April, 1871, and the 7th September, 1876, the following claims have been admitted for the parish of Saint James.

Archer Martin collection of Métis land claim broadsides

PUBLISHER: [Ottawa : s.n., 1878]

DESCRIPTION: 1 sheet ([1] p.) ; 50 x 46 cm.

NOTES: Broadside. Signed and dated at end: Dominion Lands Office, April 12th, 1877, J.S. Dennis, surveyor general. "Published by order of the Honorable the Minister of the Interior".

7. Claims approved for the parish of Saint Charles.

Public notice in the matter of the grant of 1,400,000 acres of land to the children of half-breed heads of families, pursuant to section 31 of the Act 33 Vic., cap. 3, and the orders in council dated severally the 25th April, 1871, and the 7th September, 1876, the following claims have been admitted for the parish of Saint James.

Archer Martin collection of Métis land claim broadsides

PUBLISHER: [Ottawa : s.n., 1878]

DESCRIPTION: 1 sheet ([1] p.) ; 50 x 46 cm.

NOTES: Broadside. Signed and dated at end: Dominion Lands Office, April 12th, 1877, J.S. Dennis, surveyor general. "Published by order of the Honorable the Minister of the Interior".

8. Claims approved for the parish of St. Agathe.

Public notice in the matter of the grant of 1,400,000 acres of land to the children of half-breed heads of families, pursuant to section 31 of the Act 33 Vic., cap. 3, and the orders in council dated severally the 25th April, 1871, and the 7th September, 1876, the following claims have been admitted for the parish of St. Agathe.

Archer Martin collection of Métis land claim broadsides

PUBLISHER: [Ottawa : s.n., 1879]

DESCRIPTION: 1 sheet ([1] p.) ; 83 x 52 cm.

NOTES: Large broadside. Signed and dated at end: Department of the Interior, Dominion Lands Office, 20th January, 1879, Lindsay Russell, surveyor general. "By order of the Honorable the Minister of the Interior".

9. Claims approved for the parish of St. Paul.

Public notice in the matter of the grant of 1,400,000 acres of land to the children of half-breed heads of families, pursuant to section 31 of the Act 33 Vic., cap. 3, and the orders in council dated severally the 25th April, 1871, and the 7th September, 1876, the following claims have been admitted for the parish of St. Paul.

Archer Martin collection of Métis land claim broadsides

PUBLISHER: [Ottawa : s.n., 1877]

DESCRIPTION: 1 sheet ([1] p.) ; 42 x 45 cm.

NOTES: Broadside. Signed and dated at end: Dominion Lands Office, June 19th, 1877, J.S. Dennis, surveyor general. "Published by order of the Honorable the Minister of the Interior"

10. Claims approved for various parishes.

Public notice in the matter of the grant of 1,400,000 acres of land to the children of half-breed heads of families, of various parishes, pursuant to section 31 of the Act 33 Vic., cap. 3, and the orders in council dated severally the 25th April, 1871, and the 7th September, 1876.

Archer Martin collection of Métis land claim broadsides

PUBLISHER: [Ottawa : s.n., 1878]

DESCRIPTION: 1 sheet ([1] p.) ; 44 x 67 cm.

NOTES: Broadside. Signed and dated at end: Dominion Lands Office, 19th October, 1878, J.S. Dennis, surveyor general. "Published by order of the Honorable the Minister of the Interior"

11. Claims approved for the parish of St. Laurent including Oak Point.

Public notice in the matter of the grant of 1,400,000 acres of land to the children of half-breed heads of families, pursuant to section 31 of the Act 33 Vic., cap. 3, and the orders in council dated severally the 25th April, 1871, and the 7th September, 1876, the following claims have been admitted for the parish of St. Laurent (including Oak Point) .

Archer Martin collection of Métis land claim broadsides

PUBLISHER: [Ottawa : s.n., 1877]

DESCRIPTION: 1 sheet ([1] p.) ; 55 x 44 cm.

NOTES: Broadside. Signed and dated at end: Dominion Lands Office, Ottawa, 5th July 1877, 1877, J.S. Dennis, surveyor general. "Published by order of the Honorable the Minister of the Interior".

12. Claims approved for the parish of St. Anne.

Public notice in the matter of the grant of 1,400,000 acres of land to the children of half-breed heads of families, pursuant to section 31 of the Act 33 Vic., cap. 3, and the orders in council

dated severally the 25th April, 1871, and the 7th September, 1876, the following claims have been admitted for the parish of St. Anne .

Archer Martin collection of Métis land claim broadsides

PUBLISHER: [Ottawa : s.n., 1877]

DESCRIPTION: 1 sheet ([1] p.) ; 62 x 44 cm.

NOTES: Broadside. Signed and dated at end: Dominion Lands Office, Ottawa, 16th August, 1877, J.S. Dennis, surveyor general. "Published by order of the Honorable the Minister of the Interior".

13. Claims approved for the parish of Portage la Prairie and White Mud River.

Public notice in the matter of the grant of 1,400,000 acres of land to the children of half-breed heads of families, pursuant to section 31 of the Act 33 Vic., cap. 3, and the orders in council dated severally the 25th April, 1871, and the 7th September, 1876, the following claims have been admitted for the parish of Portage la Prairie and White Mud River.

Archer Martin collection of Métis land claim broadsides

PUBLISHER: [Ottawa : s.n., 1877]

DESCRIPTION: 1 sheet ([1] p.) ; 58 x 46 cm.

OTES: Broadside. Signed and dated at end: Dominion Lands Office, Ottawa, June 25th, 1877, J.S. Dennis, surveyor general. "Published by order of the Honorable the Minister of the Interior".

14. Claims approved for the parish of St. Clements.

Public notice in the matter of the grant of 1,400,000 acres of land to the children of half-breed heads of families, pursuant to section 31 of the Act 33 Vic., cap. 3, and the orders in council dated severally the 25th April, 1871, and the 7th September, 1876, the following claims have been admitted for the parish of Saint Clements.

Archer Martin collection of Métis land claim broadsides

PUBLISHER: [Ottawa : s.n., 1877]

DESCRIPTION: 1 sheet ([1] p.) ; 69 x 53 cm.

NOTES: Broadside. Signed and dated at end: Dominion Lands Office, April 12th, 1877, J.S. Dennis, surveyor general. "Published by order of the Honorable the Minister of the Interior".

15. Claims approved for the parishes of Poplar Point and High Bluff.

Public notice in the matter of the grant of 1,400,000 acres of land to the children of half-breed heads of families, pursuant to section 31 of the Act 33 Vic., cap. 3, and the orders in council dated severally the 25th April, 1871, and the 7th September, 1876, the following claims have been admitted for the parish of Poplar Point and High Bluff.

Archer Martin collection of Métis land claim broadsides

PUBLISHER: [Ottawa : s.n., 1877]

DESCRIPTION: 1 sheet ([1] p.) ; 85 x 45 cm.

NOTES: Large broadside. Signed and dated at end: Dominion Lands Office, June 25th, 1877, J.S. Dennis, surveyor general. "Published by order of the Honorable the Minister of the Interior".

16. Claims approved for the parish of Saint Andrews.

Public notice in the matter of the grant of 1,400,000 acres of land to the children of half-breed heads of families, pursuant to section 31 of the Act 33 Vic., cap. 3, and the orders in council dated severally the 25th April, 1871, and the 7th September, 1876, the following claims have been admitted for the parish of Saint Andrews.

Archer Martin collection of Métis land claim broadsides

PUBLISHER: [Ottawa : s.n., 1877]

DESCRIPTION: 1 sheet ([1] p.) ; 144 x 69 cm.

NOTES: Very large broadside. Signed and dated at end: Department of the Interior, Dominion Lands Office, Ottawa, 17th November, 1877, J.S. Dennis, surveyor general. "Published by order of the Honorable the Minister of the Interior".

17. Claims approved for the parish of St. Norbert.

Public notice in the matter of the grant of 1,400,000 acres of land to the children of half-breed heads of families, pursuant to section 31 of the Act 33 Vic., cap. 3, and the orders in council dated severally the 25th April, 1871, and the 7th September, 1876, the following claims have been admitted for the parish of St. Norbert.

Archer Martin collection of Métis land claim broadsides

PUBLISHER: [Ottawa : s.n., 1877?]

DESCRIPTION: 1 sheet ([1] p.) ; 81 x 24 cm.

NOTES: Portion of a larger broadside. The head of the sheet, with the name of the parish, is wanting. But the name "St. Norbert" is written in the margin. The portion preserved contains claim #387 (Roy, Joseph) through #583 (Sayis, Roger, legal representatives). Cataloguer's title. These broadsides were issued by the Dept. of the Interior's Dominion Lands Office in Ottawa, between 1877 and 1880, and were signed by the surveyor general, J.S. Dennis.

18. Claims approved for the parish of Kildonan.

Public notice in the matter of the grant of the 1,400,0000 [sic] acres of land to the children of half-breed heads of families, pursuant to section 31 of the Act 33 Vic., cap. 3, and the orders in council dated severally the 25th April, 1871, and the 7th September, 1876, the following claims have been approved for the parish of Kildonan.

Archer Martin collection of Métis land claim broadsides

PUBLISHER: [Ottawa : s.n., 1877]

DESCRIPTION: 1 sheet ([1] p.) ; 42 x 15 cm.

NOTES: Broadside. Signed and dated at end: Dominion Lands Office, Ottawa, 13th April 1877, J.S. Dennis, surveyor general. "By order of the Honorable the Minister of the Interior".

19. St. François Xavier and Baie St. Paul Allotment sheets (23). These may be handwritten copies from a broadside that no longer exists.

TITLE(S): St. François Xavier and Baie St. Paul allotment sheet

Archer Martin collection of Métis land claim broadsides

PUBLISHER: [Ottawa? : s.n., 1877?]

DESCRIPTION: [23] leaves; 61 cm.

NOTES: A number of Métis land claim broadsides were issued by the Dept. of the Interior's Dominion Lands Office in Ottawa, between 1877 and 1880, and were signed by the surveyor general, J.S. Dennis. This set of sheets may be a copy of such a broadside. The text is mimeographed from a handwritten copy. Contains 1183 names.

20. Public notice of railway lands thrown open to be sold for settlement.

TITLE(S): Railway lands, province of Manitoba : public notice! : public notice is hereby given that the lands in the province of Manitoba, withdrawn by the order of the Honorable the Privy Council of the 26th December, 1874, from sale and settlement, have been, by a subsequent order of Council, dated the 9th instand, thrown open to actual settlement, but not for homestead of pre-emption entry, or for entry by military bounty, or police warrant, or for ordinary sale : no single individual will be allowed to acquire more than one half section, or three hundred and twenty acres, and such land will be required to be paid for by the settler at whatever rate and upon such terms and conditions as may be fixed therefor by the government when the remainder of the lands in the province of this class are disposed of

Archer Martin collection of Métis land claim broadsides

Public notice! railway lands, province of Manitoba

PUBLISHER: [Ottawa : s.n., 1877] (Winnipeg : Free Press Print.)

DESCRIPTION: 1 sheet ([1] p.) ; 44 x 31 cm.

NOTES: Broadside. Signed and dated at end: Department of the Interior, Dominion Lands Office, Ottawa, 13th Nov., 1877, J.S. Dennis, surveyor-general. "By order of the Minister of the Interior"