

"An Act for the temporary Government of Rupert's Land and of the North West Territory when united with Canada;" and of the Act 33 Vic., intituled "An Act to amend and continue the Act 32 and 33 Vic., Chap. 3, and to establish and provide for the Government of the Province of Manitoba."

I also enclose a Commission under the Privy Seal, of even date with your Commission as Lieutenant-Governor, appointing you His Excellency's Deputy for signing Marriage Licences in the said Territories.

You will receive in the course, probably, of next week, special instructions in reference to your duties as Lieutenant-Governor of the Territories in question, &c.

I have, &c.,

(Signed),

E. A. MEREDITH,

Under Secretary of State for the Provinces.

The Honorable Adams G. Archibald,

Lieut.-Governor of the North West Territories.

*Copy of a Report of a Committee of The Honorable the Privy Council, approved by His Excellency the Governor General in Council on the 2nd August, 1870.*

The Committee have had under consideration the annexed draft of a letter proposed to be addressed by the Secretary of State for the Provinces to His Honor the Honorable Adams G. Archibald, Lieutenant-Governor of the Province of Manitoba, as his preliminary instructions on proceeding to that Province; and on the recommendation of the Honorable Sir George Et. Cartier, acting for the Honorable the Minister of Justice, advise that the same be approved by Your Excellency.

Certified.

(Signed),

WM. H. LEE,

Clerk of the Privy Council for Canada.

To the Honorable

The Secretary of State for the Provinces.

(No. 371.)

OFFICE OF SECRETARY OF STATE OF THE PROVINCES,

OTTAWA, 4th August, 1870.

SIR,—In reference to my letter of the 30th July last, transmitting to you a Commission from the Governor General appointing you Lieutenant-Governor of the Province No. 342. of Manitoba, under the provisions of the Act passed during the last Session of the Parliament of the Dominion of Canada, intituled "An Act to amend and continue the Act 32 and 33 Vic., Chap. 3, and to provide for and establish the Government of the Province of Manitoba," I have the honor, by command of His Excellency, to forward to you the following instructions for your guidance in the Government of that Province.

1. In the Government of Manitoba you will be guided by the Constitutional principles and precedents which obtain in the older Provinces, and with which it is assumed you are sufficiently familiar.

2. You will select, with as little delay as possible, some suitable persons to serve as Members of your Executive Council, and to perform such official duties as may be indispensable before the election of Members; but you may, if you see fit, leave vacancies open until the Writs are returned.

3. When your Executive Council is complete and the Heads of Departments have been selected, you will appoint the Members of the Legislative Council as provided by the 10th Section of the Act.