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HISTORY OF MANITOBA

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THE HUDSON BAY CHARTER GIVEN BY CHARLES SECOND
IN 1670.

This charter gave the full use of the country "lying within the entrance of the straits commonly known as Hudson Straits, together with all the lands, countries and territories, upon the coast and confines of the seas, straits, bays, lakes, rivers, creeks and sounds aforesaid, which are now actually possessed by any of our subjects, or by the subjects of any other Christian prince or state, to use and enjoy the whole, entire and only trade and traffic, and the whole, entire and only liberty, use and privilege of trading to and from the territories, limits aforesaid, and to and with all the natives and people inhabiting or who shall inhabit, within the territories, limits or places aforesaid which are to be known as Rupert's Land".

This charter was not legally revoked until the Government of Canada had purchased the country and its privileges from the Hudson Bay Company in 1869.

THE MANITOBA ACT

This Act contained thirty-two clauses providing for the creation of the Province of Manitoba out of that portion of Rupert's Land bounded 96 degrees West longitude, by 50 degrees 30 minutes North latitude, 99 degrees East longitude and the boundary of the

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