

INTRODUCTION.

In submitting to the people of Manitoba and of the other Provinces of Canada the statements contained in the series of "Letters on the Anomalous Position of Manitoba as a Province of the Dominion," the author has no other ambition than that of serving his country and of enabling the public men of Canada, by a careful perusal of the facts cited therein, to arrive at a just and favorable solution of a difficulty which can only lead to grave and serious complications if left longer in abeyance. Appreciating the many calls upon the time of public men the author has at considerable self-sacrifice collected the facts as they appear, and presents them to the public in as condensed a form as possible, in the hope that they may be carefully perused and be instrumental in drawing that attention to Manitoba's situation which justice demands. The author would also draw attention to the unanimity with which the Press of the Province endorses the claim: "That the time has now arrived when the balance of the public lands within the Province should be handed over to the Local Government." Should these letters lead to a careful consideration of our financial status and awaken an interest in our condition as a community, and ultimately result in dealing out evenhanded justice to us, none will be better pleased than

Your humble servant,

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