

## Draft of a Supplemental Charter for The Hudson's Bay Company.

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VICTORIA, by the grace of God of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland Queen, Defender of the Faith, Empress of India, to all to whom these presents shall come, greeting.

*Whereas by a Royal charter granted on the 2nd day of May in the two-and-twentieth year of the reign of his late Majesty King Charles the Second (in this our charter called "the original charter"), a company was incorporated by the name of "The Governor and Company of Adventurers of England, trading into Hudson's Bay" with a common seal, for the purpose of trading within the territories mentioned in the said original charter :*

*And whereas by the said original charter, after declaring that one of the Company should be elected in manner thereafter mentioned, to be called the Governor of the Company, and that the said Governor and Company should or might elect seven of their members in such form as thereafter mentioned, to be called the Committee of the Company, which Committee of seven or any three of them, together with the Governor or the Deputy-Governor for the time being, should have the general management of the affairs of the Company, it was declared that the Governor and Company and their successors should from thenceforth for ever be ruled, ordered, and governed according to such manner and form as was thereafter expressed, and not otherwise :*