

JOINT
APPENDIX.

Sec. I.

*Reference to the
Privy Council.*Lieutenant-
Governor,
Ontario,
to Secretary
State (Can.),
12 Jan., 1882.

THE LIEUTENANT-GOVERNOR OF ONTARIO TO THE SECRETARY OF STATE (CANADA).

GOVERNMENT HOUSE, ONTARIO,

TORONTO, 12th January, 1884.

SIR,—I have the honour to request that agreeably to the information given to the Honourable James Miller, and communicated through him to my Government, your Government will be pleased, on the earliest possible day, to advise His Excellency the Governor-General to recommend Her Majesty to request the Judicial Committee of the Privy Council to decide the case which has been agreed to between the two Governments of Ontario and Manitoba with respect to the Western Boundary of this Province. A copy of a Minute in Council of my Government on the subject is herewith transmitted.

I presume that by the time this despatch reaches you, you will have received a despatch from His Honour the Lieutenant-Governor of Manitoba to the same effect.

To avoid any possible occasion for delay of action in regard to the reference to which the two Provincial Governments have agreed, I reserve for a separate despatch all other matters connected with the Boundary Dispute, or its settlement.

I have the honour to be, sir,

Your obedient servant,

JOHN BEVERLEY ROBINSON,

Lieutenant-Governor of Ontario.

Honourable J. A. Chapleau,
Secretary of State, Ottawa.

REPORT OF A COMMITTEE OF THE HONOURABLE THE PRIVY COUNCIL (CANADA), APPROVED BY HIS
EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR-GENERAL IN COUNCIL, ON THE 6TH MAY, 1884.Order in
Council, Can-
ada, 6th May,
1884.

The Committee of the Privy Council have had before them two despatches from the Lieutenant-Governors of Manitoba and Ontario, dated 4th and 12th January, 1884, respectively, enclosing Minutes of Council of their respective Governments on the subject of the case agreed to by the Attorneys-General of the two Provinces with respect to the western boundary of Ontario, and a copy of the case and of the joint agreement relating thereto.

The Minister of Justice, to whom the despatches in question were referred, reports that the Government of Ontario request that Your Excellency may be advised to transmit the case agreed upon to Her Majesty, with a prayer that Her Majesty may be pleased to refer the same to the Judicial Committee of the Most Honourable the Privy Council, in order that their opinion may be had thereon. A despatch to the same effect is sent by the Government of Manitoba, with the additional request that Your Excellency's Government be bound by the opinion so to be given, and that, if necessary, an Act of the Imperial Parliament should be asked for to make the decision obligatory upon the Dominion as well as on the Provinces concerned.

The Minister recommends that copies of the despatches referred to, with the enclosures, be transmitted to the Secretary of State for the Colonies, with the request that he will lay the same before Her Majesty with the humble prayer that Her Majesty may be pleased, under 3 and 4 William IV. chapter 41, section 4 (Imperial Act-), to refer the case agreed upon on behalf of the Governments of Ontario and Manitoba respectively, for the hearing and consideration of the Judicial Committee of 40 Her Most Honourable Privy Council.

That as regards the boundary line, so far as it affects the limits of the two Provinces, the Minister advises that Your Excellency's Government should express their readiness to be bound by the decision of the Judicial Committee.

The Committee concur in the recommendations of the Minister of Justice, and they respectfully advise that Your Excellency be moved to transmit the despatches referred to, to Her Majesty's Principal Secretary of State for the Colonies, in accordance with the recommendation of the Minister of Justice.

JOHN J. MCGEE,

Clerk Privy Council.

To The Honourable the Secretary of State.