

the former Opposition became Govt. supporters, and all the French members went into opposition under the leadership of Mr. Royal. Bills were passed to abolish all the French printing but the Statutes, and to redistribute the electoral divisions. The Lieut.-Governor reserved the former. In Oct. the House was dissolved, and a g.e. was held 16 Dec. 1879. Messrs. Norquay, Brown and Walker were re-elected—the two former by acclamation. Senator Girard, who had been sworn in as Provincial Secretary, Mr. Brown having succeeded Mr. Biggs,—who resigned,—in the Public Works Department, was also elected by acclamation. Mr. Taylor was defeated, and was succeeded as Minister of Agriculture by Mr. Goulet, who was re-elected by acclamation after taking office. Mr. Royal was not a candidate, having decided to contest Provencher for the Commons, in which he was successful.

Legislative Assembly

(Elected 16 Dec. 1879; term expires 1883.)

Speaker—HON. GILBERT McMICKEN.

Clerk—THOMAS SPENCE. Apptd. 1878. (*Salary*, \$700.)

AIKINS, JOHN SOMERSET. (*Rockwood*.)

S. of Hon. J. C. Aikins, Secy. of State for Canada. B. in Co. Peel, Ont., 1850. First visited Manitoba in 1871; took up permanent residence there, March 1879. First returned to Parlt. at last g.e. A Liberal Conservative.—*Winnipeg, Man.*

BRÉLAND, PATRICE. (*St. François-Xavier*.)

S. of the Hon. Paschal Bréland, a mem. of the Ex. Council of the N.-W. Territories, whose father was a native of La Bord à Plouffe, P.Q.; by Maria Grant. B. at St. François-Xavier, 17 March 1837. Ed. there. An extensive trader at Cypress Hills and several other points in the N.-W. Territories. M. Hélène Dease, Sept. 1863. Is a J.P. for the N.-W. Territories. Elected by acclamation at last g.e. A Conservative.—*St. François-Xavier*.