SPEECH

OF

Mr. D'Alton McCarthy, M.P.

DELIVERED ON THURSDAY, DEC. 12, 1889,

AT OTTAWA,

Under the auspices of the Ottawa Branch of the

EQUAL RIGHTS ASSOCIATION.

The following is a verbatim report of the speech delivered by Mr. McCarthy, Q.C., M.P., on Thursday evening, December 12th, under the auspices of the Ottawa Branch of the Equal Rights Association. Previous to Mr. McCarthy rising, the following Tesolution, on the motion of Mr. P. D. Ross, seconded by Mr. Geo. Hay, was unanimously carried:

That this meeting desires:

- 1. To express its hearty approval of the course pursued by Mr. D'ALTON McCarthy, Q.C., M.P., on the question of the disallowance of the Jesuits' Estates Act.
- 2. And to record its sympathy and approval of the policy promoted by him of abolishing the dual language system prevailing in Manitoba and the North-West Territories.
- 3. And this meeting avails itself of this opportunity of expressing the opinion that in our own Province the use of the French language as the language of instruction in the Public Schools should be abolished and for ever prohibited, and that no undecided measure for obtaining this end will be satisfactory to the people of Ontario.

MR. McCarhy, who was received with prolonged cheering, said, Mr. Chairman, ladies and gentlemen, I have to thank you, in the first place, for the cordial manner in which you have received the resolution which has been moved and seconded so