

July 26—Dominion Government's communication to Manitoba Government,

"Expressing the most earnest hope that the Legislature of Manitoba may take into consideration at the earliest possible moment, the complaints which are set forth in this petition, and which are said to create dissatisfaction among the Roman Catholics, not only in Manitoba, but likewise throughout Canada, and may take speedy measures to give redress in all the matters in relation to which any well founded complaint or grievance be ascertained to exist."

Oct. 20—Manitoba Government's communication to Dominion Government;

"The Executive of the Province see no reason for recommending the Legislature to alter the principle of the Legislation complained of."

1895.

Jan. 20—Privy Council's second decision.

Feb. 14—Manitoba Legislature met. *The Dominion Government's communication was never laid before the Legislature.*

Lieutenant-Governor's speech at opening of Legislature :

"Whether or not a demand will be made by the Federal Government that that Act shall be modified . . . it is not the intention of my government in any way to recede from its determination to uphold the present system."

Resolution carried in the Legislature :

"That this House will, by all constitutional means, and to the utmost extent of its power, resist any steps which may be taken to attack the School system established by the Public School Act of 1890."

March 4-7—Argument at Ottawa before the Governor-General-in-Council, between Mr. McCarthy, Q.C., and Mr. Ewart, Q.C.

March 21—Remedial Order; accompanied by a minute of Council which respectfully, and courteously, urged upon the Legislature that it should not, by refusing to deal with the question, run the risk of

"permanently divesting itself, in a very large measure, of its authority, and so establish in the Province an educational system which cannot be altered or repealed by any legislative body in Canada."

No reply was ever made by the Manitoba Government to this minute of Council.