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A SYNOPSIS OF THE MORE IMPORTANT IMPERIAL
ACTS, &c., RELATING TO MANITOBA AND
THE NORTH WEST TERRITORIES.

2ND MAY, 1670. — *Royal Charter for Incorporating The
Hudson's Bay Company.*

This charter was granted by Charles II. It recites that Prince Rupert and others had undertaken an expedition for Hudson's Bay, for the discovery of a new passage into the South Sea, and for the finding some trade for furs and other commodities. It gives, grants, ratifies and confirms unto Prince Rupert *et al.*, and such others as shall be admitted into said Society thereafter expressed, that they shall be one body corporate in deed and in name, by the name of The Governor and Company of Adventurers of England, trading into Hudson's Bay, and by such name have perpetual succession, and capable in law to have, purchase, receive, possess, enjoy and retain, lands, rents, privileges, liberties, jurisdictions, franchises and hereditaments, and also to give, grant, demise, alien, assign, and dispose of, lands, tenements and hereditaments. It gives, grants and confirms unto the said governor and company, and their successors, the sole trade and commerce of all those seas, "streights," bays, rivers, lakes, creeks and sounds, in whatsoever latitude they shall be, that lie within the entrance of the