

Proposed by Mr. Lepine, seconded by Mr. D. Tourond, that Mr. Ambroise Jobin replace the commissioner during his absence. Carried unanimously.

24th March, 1885.

Bélanger vs. Vandale. Decision respecting a gun. Mr. Laframboise is permitted to address the Council.

Proposed by Mr. Boucher, seconded by Mr. Delorme, that the first gun available be placed in the hands of Mr. Pierre Vandale.

Proposed by Mr. Ouelette, seconded by Mr. Champagne, that no soldier be permitted to go out without a pass or without the consent of his captain, and the captain himself should come and ask permission of the Council; and that the captain should replace those soldiers who are without arms.

Proposed by Mr. Boucher, seconded by Mr. Lepine, that the members of the Council recognize the perfect frankness of Mr. Laframboise. Carried unanimously.

Proposed by Mr. Boucher, seconded by Mr. Tourond, that a proclamation be circulated, granting protection to any person joining us, and who may have been forced to enter the Mounted Police force.

Proposed by Mr. Damase Carrière, seconded by Mr. Donald Ross, that three men, a Métis, a Cree and a Sioux, be sent to Battle River with a letter. Votes, 8 for, 2 against.

Proposed, in amendment, by Mr. Lepine, seconded by Mr. Boyer, that the Sioux be struck out. Six for, 3 against.

Proposed by Mr. Ouellette, seconded by Mr. Tourond, that a Métis and a Cree be sent to Fort la Corne with a letter. Six for, 3 against.

Proposed by Mr. Ouellette, seconded by Mr. Carrière, that a Métis and a Sioux be sent to Prairie Ronde with a message. Five for, 4 against.

*Minutes of the Council, 25th March, 1885.*

Proposed by Mr. Boucher, seconded by Mr. Pierre Henry, that the Commandments of God be the laws of the Provisional Government. That we recognize the right of Mr. Louis "David" Riel to direct the priests. That the Archbishop Ignace Bourget be recognized, from this day, by the French Canadian people of the Saskatchewan, as the Pope of the new world, and that the members of the Council \* \*

*Minutes of the Council, 1st April, 1885.*

Proposed by Mr. Lepine, seconded by Mr. Tourond, that we take measures to provide a boat to cross the shore ice of the other side of the river. Carried unanimously.

*Session of the Council of the 22nd April, 1885, of the Exovedes of Companies.*

Proposed by Mr. Edward Dumont, seconded by Mr. Vandale, that the lower part of the council house which is now at the disposal of the *Exovedes* of companies, be occupied by them alone, except the employees of the Council, the cooks and the Sioux interpreter, during sessions. Carried unanimously.

Proposed by Mr. Dumont, seconded by Mr. Isidore Dumas, that each soldier take charge of his own horse, and the horses, above all things, be fed at the same time. Carried unanimously.

Proposed by Mr. Short, seconded by Mr. Calixte Lafontaine, that Mr. Joseph Delorme take charge of the grain and hay, when occasion arises. Carried unanimously.

Proposed by Mr. Isidore Dumas, seconded by Calixte Lafontaine, that James Short be selected to examine the horses. Carried unanimously.

Proposed by Antoine Lafontaine, seconded by Daniel Gariépie, that Edouard Dumont be appointed to choose the horses. Adopted unanimously.

Proposed by Joseph Delorme, seconded by William Swaine, that Charles Carrière be appointed to examine the horses and to place them at the disposal of the military exovide. Adopted unanimously.