

to do and execute all things in due manner that shall belong to my said command and the trust reposed in me, according to the several powers and instructions granted or appointed me by that, Her Majesty's Commission, and of the Act of Parliament passed in the thirty-second year of Her Majesty's Reign, intituled, "An Act for the Temporary Government of Rupert's Land and the North-Western Territory when united with Canada," and the instructions given me with such Commission, or by such further instructions as may hereafter be given me in respect of the North-West Territories and the Government thereof, by *Her Majesty's Governor General* in Council, under his sign manual, or through one of *Her Majesty's Privy Council of Canada*, and according to such laws as are now, and shall hereafter be in force in the said *North-West Territories*.

*And Whereas, Her Majesty* has declared and named the *first day of December* instant, as the day for the admission of *Rupert's Land* and the *North-Western Territory* into the *Union* and *Dominion of Canada*; *And Whereas*, by virtue and in pursuance of "The *British North America Act, 1867*"; "The *Rupert's Land Act, 1868*," the said "Act for the Temporary Government of *Rupert's Land* and the *North-Western Territory*, when united with *Canada*," and the said Declaration and Order of *Her Majesty*, *Rupert's Land* and the *North-Western Territory* have been admitted into *Union* with, and have become and are now part of the *Dominion of Canada*, and are henceforth to be styled and known as "*The North-West Territories*."

*Now Know Ye*, that I have thought fit to issue this *Proclamation*, to make known *Her Majesty's said appointment* to all officers, magistrates, subjects of *Her Majesty*, and others within the said "*The North-West Territories*";—*and I do hereby require and command* that all and singular, the public officers and functionaries, holding office in *Rupert's Land*, and the *North-Western Territory*, at the time of their admission into the *Union* as aforesaid, excepting the public officer or functionary at the head of the *Administration of affairs*, do continue in the execution of their several and respective offices, duties, places and employments, *until otherwise ordered by me*, under the authority of the said last mentioned Act; *and I do hereby further require and command* that all *Her Majesty's* loving subjects, and all others whom it may concern, do take notice and govern themselves accordingly.

*Given under my hand and Seal-at-arms, at Red River, in the said Territories, this Second day of December, in the year of Our Lord, One thousand eight hundred and sixty-nine, and in the Thirty-third year of Her Majesty's Reign.*

WM. McDUGALL.

*By Command.*

J. A. N. PROVENCHER,  
Secretary.

(I have asked Mr. Provencher to sign as Secretary, his formal appointment depending upon the course of events, and the requirements of the Act.)

WM. McDUGALL.

*Extracts from St. Paul "Daily Press," November 21st, referred to in Mr. McDougall's letter of 2nd December.*

(1) (*Letter from Fort Garry*).

WINNIPEG, November 6th, 1869.

Stirring events are in progress here. This settlement is resolved to be independent of the Canadian Dominion, and the Revolution has begun. The French settlers took the initiative; but are in full accord, in this respect, with the rest of the settlers. On October 20th and 21st, about two hundred armed men were sworn in to liberate, as their expression is, the country. At present there are six hundred men in arms and sworn in, which number will not be increased till next spring, when they will muster in about three