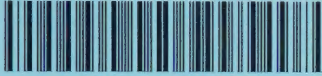
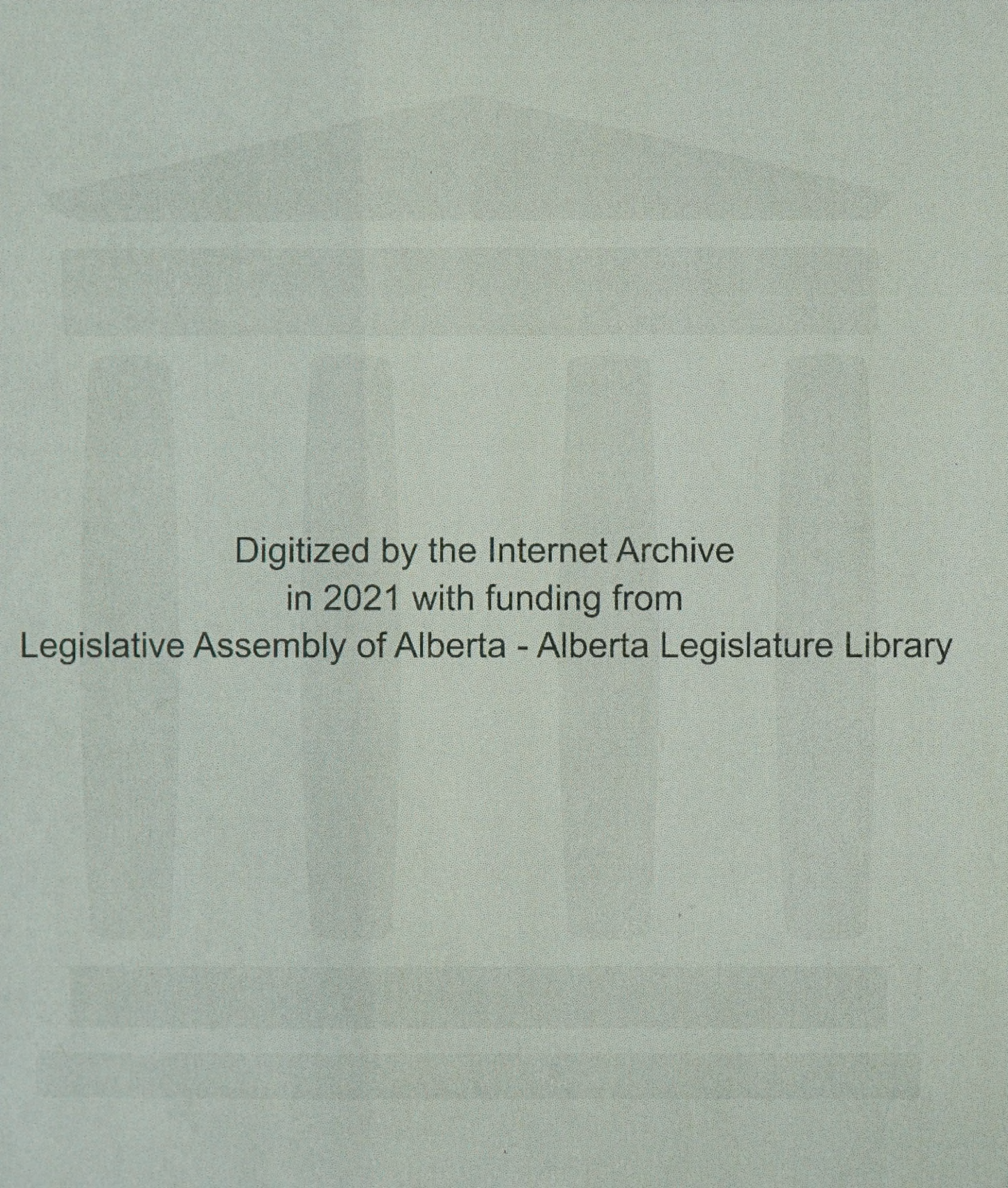


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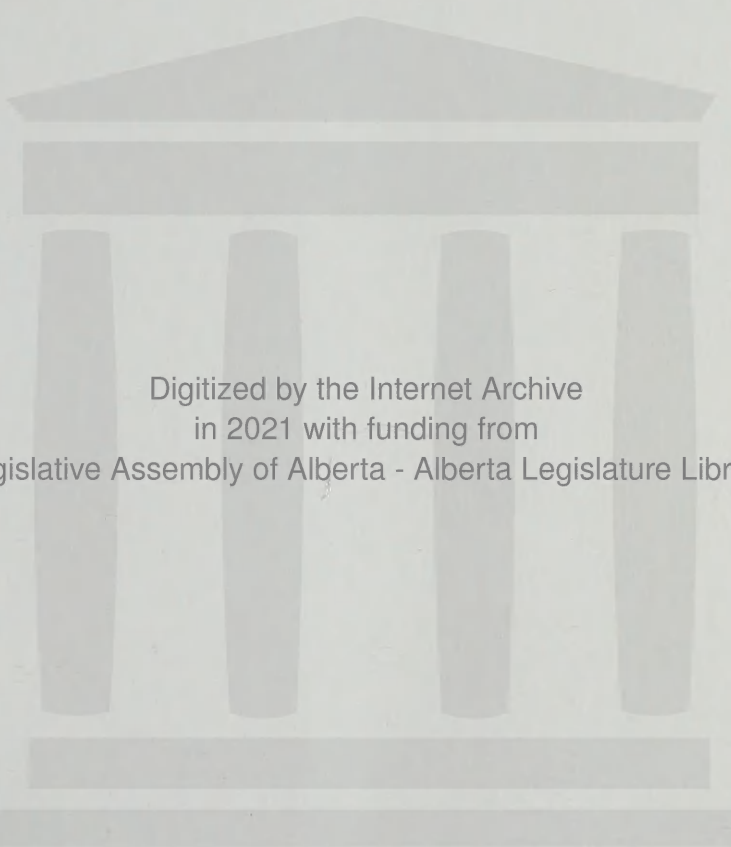
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PROCLAMATION.

CANADA, NORTH-WEST TERRITORIES.

VICTORIA, by the Grace of God, of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland, QUEEN, Defender of the Faith, &c., &c., &c.

JOSEPH ROYAL,

[SEAL.]

Lieutenant-Governor.

To our Faithful, the Members elected to serve in the Legislative Assembly of Our North-West Territories, and to each and every one of you :

GREETING :

Whereas it is expedient for divers causes and considerations to convene the Legislative Assembly of Our said Territories, We do will that you and each of you and all others in this behalf interested, on Wednesday, the Sixteenth day of the month of October next, at Our Town of Regina, personally be and appear for the Despatch of Business in Our said Legislative Assembly, there to take into consideration the state and welfare of Our said Territories and therein to do as may seem necessary. Herein fail not.

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, We have caused the Seal of the North-West Territories to be hereunto affixed. Witness, His Honor the Honorable JOSEPH ROYAL, Lieutenant-Governor of the North-West Territories, at Government House, Regina, in the said Territories, this tenth day of September, in the year of Our Lord one thousand eight hundred and eighty-nine, and in the fifty-third year of Her Majesty's Reign.

By Command,

R. B. GORDON,

Secretary.

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NORTH-WEST TERRITORIES.

SESSION, 1889.

WEDNESDAY, 16th October, 1889.

Half-past Two o'clock p.m.

This being the first day of the second Session of the First Legislative Assembly of the North-West Territories, for the Despatch of Business, pursuant to a Proclamation of His Honor the Honorable JOSEPH ROYAL, Lieutenant-Governor of the said Territories, dated the 10th day of September, 1889, and the House having met, His Honor entered the House and having taken his seat on the Throne, was pleased to open the Session by the following gracious Speech:—

Gentlemen of the Legislative Assembly,

It affords me much pleasure to meet you at the opening of the second Session of the first Legislative Assembly of the Territories.

Almost immediately after the cessation of your labors of last year, I commenced a series of visits to various parts of

the Country, which were only interrupted by a pressure of business, rendering my presence necessary at the seat of Government. I was thereby enabled to make the personal acquaintance of a large number of the people of the Territories, which was the object I had specially in view, and while doing so the resources and requirements of the Country became more apparent than ever.

The opening of the several Fall Exhibitions, that I attended last year, furnished me with a favourable opportunity of meeting the thrifty and comparatively populous communities of Eastern Assiniboia. Later on in the winter, I visited the beautiful district of Macleod, with its coal mines and its prosperous horse and cattle ranches. I drove along the foot-hills of the majestic Rockies to the pushing town of Calgary and was able fully to concur in the opinion that this district is as well adapted for agricultural as for pastoral pursuits.

In May last I started for Edmonton, Battleford and Prince Albert, and of the wonderful resources of the Battle and Saskatchewan Rivers I can only say that he who pretends to know the Canadian North-West, without having extended his travels into that marvellous country, has yet much to learn. Everywhere I was received with the most marked loyalty, kindness and true Canadian hospitality.

The opening of the railway to the Northern districts, which is now in course of construction, will effect an astonishing revolution; and the energetic pioneers of the Saskatchewan will, before many months elapse, find themselves brought, as if by magic, within a few hours easy ride of the markets of the World. The progress of this portion of the Territories, which will, in the near future, be also reached by another line of railway from Brandon, is thus assured, beyond all doubt, and, as these railways throw out their busy spurs on every side, settlement will follow and this magnificent country be rapidly developed. Railways are the best pioneers of settlement, and the North-West Territories is the railway ground of the future. I therefore heartily congratulate you upon an event, which will mark a new era of activity and prosperity in the history of our Country.

The harvest of this year has not yielded quite as abundant a return as in 1888; the farmer has had to contend with difficulties of an exceptional character, but upon the whole it may be said that the crop has been satisfactory.

In the ranching districts the year has been most favourable, and shipments of cattle to the markets of the East and Europe have proved remunerative and encouraging.

The immigration during the season has not been as large as we had hoped for, but you may well be congratulated upon the class of settlers, who are coming from Eastern Canada and the European Continent to plant their homes in the North-West.

And here I would desire to express our thanks to the Canadian Pacific Railway Company for the kind manner in which they responded to the Resolution passed last Session in reference to the granting of free passes for Immigration Agents.

Thirty-seven of such passes were issued by the Company, and Agents from almost all the Electoral Districts were sent to the East.

I have no doubt that the importance of the interests entrusted to these gentlemen was fully realized by them and that their mission will be attended with the best possible results.

The unprecedented drought, which has prevailed this year all over the Territories, has caused prairie and forest fires to be more extensive and disastrous than ever. The Ordinance, which you passed last Session, has proved beneficial, and many parties guilty of criminal carelessness have been brought to justice. I cannot here too strongly express my acknowledgment of the services rendered to the settlers by the North-West Mounted Police in their zealous and active endeavours to enforce the provisions of this Ordinance.

Peace, order and contentment seem to reign supreme at the present day in these vast possessions; criminal offences

are few in number, the Laws are cheerfully obeyed, while the ambition of everyone seems centered in promoting the welfare of himself or family and in making the Country as attractive as possible to the over crowded populations of the East.

The visit of His Excellency the Governor-General of Canada to our Territories has afforded the people a happy opportunity of assuring the noble representative of Her Majesty of their strong sense of loyalty to the British Crown and their deep attachment to the Laws and free institutions of Canada. The Governor General's journey across this vast extent of country will, I am sure, convince him of its unbounded resources, while the cordiality, with which His Excellency has been welcomed everywhere, will certainly result in permanently securing for Canada one more illustrious and devoted friend.

I am happy to state that the two most important items of public expenditure, that of Schools and Public Works, have been applied with the most satisfactory results.

I shall submit to you the report of the Board of Education addressed to me by the Chairman, His Lordship the Bishop of Saskatchewan and Calgary, giving a summary of the transactions of that body for the last twelve months. This report has been prepared with care and accurately describes the present condition of our school system. Owing to the liberal and enlightened policy of the Dominion Parliament, in providing for the education of the youth of the Territories, I am enabled to state that there are to-day in existence 164 schools, attended by 4574 children, and taught by a staff of 183 properly qualified teachers. The increase in 1888, over the preceding year, was 20 schools, 240 children; the increase in 1889 is 33 schools, 1121 children.

The provisions of the Ordinance for the establishment of a higher grade of schools have been put into force and Union Schools are now in operation at Regina and Calgary. If the ample educational facilities, which we now enjoy and which are not to be found in any other Country, were more widely known, I am sure it would prove an additional and powerful attraction to intending emigrants.

Although not quite in accord with the principles of constitutional Government, the system, adopted by the Legislative Assembly, of appropriating, equally among the different Electoral Districts, the whole of the sum set apart for roads and bridges, to be expended under the supervision of the Member, has been found in practice to work to the best advantage. Under regulations carefully framed by the Lieutenant-Governor in Council, the public moneys have been spent in a manner productive of the greatest amount of work at the smallest possible cost, and in no instance have I heard of any complaint either as to the mode of letting the works or the method of payment. I have caused a report to be made of all the works carried out in each district during the past twelve months, which will be forthwith placed in your hands and will prove, I have no doubt, full of interest.

Two well-boring machines have recently been purchased, in addition to the two which were lately transferred to the North-West Government by the Department of the Interior. We shall thus be enabled to assist the settlers in procuring a steady and sufficient supply of water in those districts, which are chiefly and more seriously affected by the absence of lakes or rivers. The regulations adopted for the management of these machines will be communicated to you, and I need hardly say that any suggestions made by you in regard to this, or any other subject, will receive my earnest and favorable consideration.

In opening the Second Session of this Legislature, I believe it to be my duty to call your attention to the necessity of strictly adhering to the Rules, which you have so wisely adopted for the regulations of your proceedings. These Rules are based upon the experience of the House of Commons of Canada, which closely follows the practice of the British Parliament, and I venture to assert that, where little or no regard is paid to such Rules, the existence of constitutional Government is rendered well nigh impossible.

A statement of the receipts and expenditure of the General Revenue Fund will be submitted to you with the Auditor's Report. I will also cause to be laid before you, on an early day, the Territorial estimates for the year

1889-90, which will be prepared with the assistance of my Advisory Council, due regard being had to economy and the requirements of the Public Service.

Gentlemen of the Legislative Assembly,

In your consideration of the various measures, which will be submitted to you, I sincerely trust that you will be guided by a spirit of broad patriotism, sound judgment and practical wisdom, worthy of the solemn trust reposed in you by the Electorate of the Territories, and of which this Legislature has already given proof on many occasions. You are framing the future of a large and wealthy Country: May the Divine Providence guide your deliberations in the discharge of the most noble and important functions, that a man can, by the confidence of his fellow men, be called upon to perform.

His Honor the Lieutenant-Governor was then pleased to retire.

MR. SPEAKER informed the House, that to prevent mistakes he had obtained a copy of His Honor's Speech, which was read.

On motion of Mr. HAULTAIN, seconded by Mr. SUTHERLAND, a Bill was introduced to amend Chapter 41 of the Revised Ordinances of the North-West Territories, intituled "An Ordinance respecting the Legal Profession," and the same was read the first time and ordered to be read the second time to-morrow.

On motion of Mr. JELLY, seconded by Mr. SUTHERLAND,

Ordered that the Speech of His Honor the Lieutenant-Governor to this House be taken into consideration to-morrow.

On motion of Mr. HAULTAIN, seconded by Mr. MITCHELL,

Resolved that Select Standing Committees of the House for the present Session be appointed for the following purposes:—

1. Civil Justice ;
2. Agriculture and Immigration ;
3. Education ;
4. Public Accounts and Printing ;
5. Standing Orders and Library ;

Which said several Committees shall severally be empowered to examine and enquire into all such matters and things as shall be referred to them, and to report from time to time their operations and opinions thereon, with power to send for persons, papers and records.

On motion of Mr. HAULTAIN, seconded by Mr. JELLY,

Resolved that a Special Committee, consisting of Messrs. CAYLEY, ROSS, SUTHERLAND, JELLY, BETTS and HAULTAIN, be appointed to prepare and report, with all convenient speed, lists of Members to compose the Select Standing Committees ordered by this House.

On motion of Mr. CAYLEY, seconded by Mr. BETTS,

Resolved that the Sitting of this House be suspended for one half-hour.

Mr. SPEAKER resumed the Chair.

On motion of Mr. CAYLEY, seconded by Mr. LINEHAM,

Ordered that the Honorable Mr. Justice ROULEAU be excused from attendance at this House until Tuesday next.

On motion of Mr. ROSS, seconded by Mr. CLINKSKILL,

Ordered that Mr. TURRIFF be excused from attendance at this House until Monday next.

The House then adjourned.

2:30 o'clock p.m.

Journal read and approved.

Mr. HAULTAIN from the Special Committee appointed to prepare and report, with all convenient speed, lists of Members to compose the Select Standing Committees, ordered by the House, reported as follows:—

That the Order of yesterday regarding Standing Committees be re-considered and that the Standing Committees for the Session be as follows:—

1. Civil Justice ;
2. Education ;
3. Standing Orders and Library ;
4. Immigration ;
5. Municipal ;
6. Agriculture ;
7. Public Accounts and Printing.

That the Standing Committees as recommended be composed as follows:—

1. Civil Justice:—

Messrs. CAYLEY,
SECORD,
HAULTAIN.

2. Education:—

Messrs. TWEED,
BRETT,
OLIVER,
RICHARDSON,
LINEHAM,
MITCHELL,
CLINKSKILL,
SECORD,
NEFF.

3. Standing Orders and Library :—

MR. SPEAKER,
Messrs. HAULTAIN,
CAYLEY,
THORBURN,
PLAXTON,
JELLY,
HOEY.

4. Immigration :—

Messrs. THORBURN,
ROSS,
PLAXTON,
SUTHERLAND,
LINEHAM,
CLINKSKILL,
BRETT,
REAMAN,
JELLY.

5. Municipal :—

Messrs. BETTS,
SECORD,
CAYLEY,
DAVIDSON,
RICHARDSON,
ROSS,
LINEHAM.

6. Agriculture :—

Messrs. JELLY,
MITCHELL,
PLAXTON,
REAMAN,
NEFF,
HOEY,
TURRIFF.

7. Public Accounts and Printing :--

Messrs. ROSS,
 HAULTAIN,
 OLIVER,
 TWEED,
 SUTHERLAND,
 BETTS,
 DAVIDSON,
 TURRIFF,
 REAMAN.

Resolved that the said report be concurred in and that the said Committees so composed be the Standing Committees for the Session.

Ordered that Mr. Cayley have leave to introduce a Bill to amend "The Mechanics' Lien Ordinance."

He accordingly presented the said Bill and the same was read the first time and ordered to be read the second time on Monday next.

Ordered that Mr. CAYLEY have leave to introduce a Bill to amend "The Municipal Ordinance."

He accordingly presented the said Bill and the same was read the first time and ordered to be read the second time on Monday next.

Mr. CAYLEY asked the Advisory Council if the Estimates for the year 1889-90 have been made up and if so what is the amount, and have the same been forwarded yet to the Government.

Mr. HAULTAIN replied that the Advisory Council have no information upon the subject.

On motion of Mr. BETTS, seconded by Mr. RICHARDSON,

Resolved that an humble address be presented to His Honor the Lieutenant Governor praying that he will cause to be laid on the Table of this House all papers, petitions or

other documents relating to the Incorporation of the St. Patrick Roman Catholic Separate School District No. 11 of the North-West Territories received by him either before or since the said District was set apart as a Separate School District.

On motion of Mr. HAULTAIN, seconded by Mr. MITCHELL,

Resolved that Messrs. SUTHERLAND, CAYLEY, ROSS, the mover and seconder be a Committee to prepare and report a draft reply to His Honor the Lieutenant Governor's Speech to this House.

The House then adjourned.

FRIDAY, 18th OCTOBER, 1889.

2:30 o'clock p.m.

Journal read and approved.

On motion of Mr. CAYLEY, seconded by Mr. OLIVER,

Resolved that this House learns with regret of the untimely death, by accident, of the late Honorable Senator Hardisty, of Alberta, one of the foremost and most esteemed residents of the North-West Territories, and desires to express to the bereaved widow and family its utmost sympathy with them in their affliction, and that a copy of this resolution be forwarded to the late Senator's widow.

Mr. SECORD presented a petition signed by Mr. W. D. Cowan and seven others praying that an Ordinance may be passed to regulate the practice of Dentistry in the Territories.

Ordered that said Petition be received and referred to a Special Committee consisting of Messrs. OLIVER, CAYLEY, ROSS, SECORD and BRETT.

On motion of Mr. CAYLEY, seconded by Mr. TWEED,

Resolved that the following be a Special Committee to

draft a Petition to the Dominion Parliament praying that Section one hundred and ten of "The North-West Territories Act" be repealed, namely, Messrs. CLINKSKILL, HAULTAIN, NEFF, the mover and seconder.

On motion of Mr. BETTS, seconded by Mr. RICHARDSON,

Resolved that an humble address be presented to His Honor the Lieutenant-Governor praying that he cause to be laid on the Table of this House a detailed statement showing the cost of each School Inspector within the Territories.

On motion of Mr. THORBURN, seconded by Mr. REAMAN,

Resolved that a Special Committee be appointed to which may be referred matters concerning any special disadvantages or evils under which the farmers of the Territories are suffering, and that the said Committee consist of Messrs. JELLY, NEFF, DAVIDSON, the mover and seconder, with power to send for persons and papers.

Ordered that Mr. BRETT have leave to introduce a Bill to amend "The North-West Territories Medical Ordinance 1888."

He accordingly presented the said Bill and the same was read the first time and ordered to be read the second time at the next sitting of the House.

Ordered that Mr. HAULTAIN have leave to introduce a Bill to regulate Public Aid to Charitable Institutions.

He accordingly presented the said Bill and the same was read the first time and ordered to be read the second time at the next sitting of the House.

MR. SPEAKER informed the House that he had received from His Honor the Lieutenant-Governor, for communication to the House, the Report of the Board of Education for the past year, a Report upon the state of the Library and the Report of the Registrar-General.

The said Reports were then laid on the Table.

On motion of Mr. CAYLEY seconded by Mr. LINEHAM,

Resolved that when this House adjourns it do stand adjourned until 2:30 o'clock p.m. to-morrow.

The House then adjourned:

SATURDAY, 19th OCTOBER, 1889.

2:30 o'clock p.m.

Journal read and approved.

Ordered that Mr. MITCHELL have leave to introduce a Bill to amend "The Poisons Ordinance."

He accordingly presented the said Bill and the same was read the first time and ordered to be read the second time on Monday next.

The Order of the day being read for the second reading of the Bill to amend "The North-West Territories Medical Ordinance 1888,"

The said Bill was accordingly read the second time and ordered to be referred to a Committee of the Whole House on Wednesday next.

The Order of the day being read for the second reading of the Bill to regulate Public Aid to charitable Institutions,

The said Bill was accordingly read the second time and ordered to be referred to a Committee of the Whole House on Wednesday next.

The House then adjourned.

2:30 o'clock p.m.

Journal read and approved.

Mr. SPEAKER informed the House that he had received from His Honor the Lieutenant-Governor, for communication to the House, papers containing replies to the various Resolutions passed by the Legislative Assembly at the last Session.

Also papers relating to the Incorporation of St. Patrick Roman Catholic Separate School District No. 11.

The said papers were then laid on the Table.

Mr. SUTHERLAND presented a Report from the Special Committee appointed to prepare and report a draft reply to His Honor the Lieutenant-Governor's Speech to this House.

Ordered that the said Report be received and referred to a Committee of the Whole House for to-morrow.

On motion of Mr. TWEED seconded by Mr. CAYLEY.

Resolved that a Special Committee be appointed to consider the question of Irrigation for certain portions of the North-West Territories, consisting of Messrs. SECORD, RICHARDSON, ROSS, the mover and seconder.

Ordered that Mr. DAVIDSON have leave to introduce a Bill to amend Chapter 37 of the Revised Ordinances entitled "An Ordinance respecting Auctioneers, Hawkers and Pedlars."

He accordingly presented the said Bill and the same was read the first time and ordered to be read the second time to-morrow.

Ordered that Mr. JELLY have leave to introduce a Bill to provide for the Incorporation of Cheese and Butter Manufacturing Associations.

He accordingly presented the said Bill and the same was

read the first time and ordered to be read the second time to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read for the second reading of the Bill to amend "The Municipal Ordinance,"

The said Bill was accordingly read the second time and ordered to be referred to the Municipal Committee.

The Order of the day being read for the second reading of the Bill to amend "The Poisons Ordinance,"

The said Bill was accordingly read the second time and committed to a Committee of the Whole House for Wednesday next.

The House then adjourned.

TUESDAY, 22nd OCTOBER, 1889.

2:30 o'clock p.m.

Journal read and approved.

Ordered that Mr. CAYLEY have leave to introduce a Bill entitled "An Ordinance respecting the property of Married Women."

He accordingly presented the said Bill and the same was read the first time and ordered to be read the second time on Thursday next.

On motion of Mr. NEFF, seconded by Mr. RICHARDSON,

Resolved that a Special Committee consisting of Messrs. HAULTAIN, OLIVER, BETTS, the mover and seconder be appointed to take into consideration the Bill introduced into the House of Commons by the Honorable E. Dewdney relating to North-West Affairs (and afterwards withdrawn) and to report to the Assembly how (if such a Bill became Law) it would affect this Country and to recommend

changes and amendments and any other suggestion thought necessary in the interest of the North-West Territories.

On motion of Mr. MITCHELL, seconded by Mr. REAMAN,

Resolved that Mr. THORBURN'S name be added to the Committee on Agriculture.

Ordered that Mr. CAYLEY have leave to introduce a Bill to amend Ordinance No. 6 of 1888 entitled "An Ordinance respecting the registration of Births, Marriages and Deaths."

He accordingly presented the said Bill and the same was read the first time and ordered to be read the second time to-morrow.

Ordered that Mr. CAYLEY have leave to introduce a Bill entitled "An Ordinance respecting Mills."

He accordingly presented the said Bill and the same was read the first time and ordered to be read the second time on Thursday next.

Ordered that Mr. Haultain have leave to introduce a Bill to amend Chapter 7 of the Revised Ordinances entitled "An Ordinance respecting Insane Persons."

He accordingly presented the said Bill and the same was read the first time and ordered to be read the second time to-morrow.

The House, according to order, resolved itself into Committee of the Whole to consider draft reply to the Speech of His Honor the Lieutenant-Governor to this House and after some time spent therein Mr. SPEAKER resumed the Chair and Mr. SUTHERLAND reported the draft agreed to without amendment. The said Reply was then twice read and concurred in and is as follows:—

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY, Regina, 22nd October, 1889.

To His Honor, the Honorable Joseph Royal, Lieutenant-Governor of the North-West Territories.

The Legislative Assembly begs to thank Your Honor for Your Honor's Speech on the opening of this Session and for the sentiments contained therein.

We have no doubt that Your Honor's recent tour through the Country will be of value in acquainting the Executive with the needs and wishes of the Territories.

The granting of passes by the Canadian Pacific Railway Company was, in our opinion, of signal benefit to the immigration interest of the Country and was attended with significant results: We join with Your Honor in thanking the Canadian Pacific Railway management for their courtesy in granting passes and hope in the interests of immigration that the policy will be continued.

We join heartily in thanking the North-West Mounted Police for their services in many parts of the Country in enforcing the provisions of "The Prairie Fire Ordinance" and sincerely hope that in every part of the North-West their efforts will be equally commendable: It is a matter of regret that, while the majority of the posts are everything that can be desired in this respect, there are a few where the enforcement of the provisions of this Ordinance does not seem to be recognized as a Police duty. We feel confident that the Commissioner needs only to be informed of this, to make the success of the Police service completely satisfactory in this respect, as well by calling the attention of the various detachments to the matter as by strengthening such posts as are peculiarly situated, with regard to the recurrence of this evil.

In the matter of Schools, we think the progress shown is an exceedingly gratifying and healthy one and we are convinced that no country in the world with conditions in any way similar to the North-West offers better Educational facilities to its people: The establishment of Union Schools, where a higher grade prevails, has met with wide-spread approval, and has been attended with satisfactory results.

The system of appropriating equally among the different

Electoral Districts the whole of the monies set apart for "Roads and Bridges," when it is expended under the supervision of the Member, seems to us to be the only practicable one at present and we are glad to be assured that it has been found in practice to work to the best advantage.

We recognize with Your Honor the importance of strictly adhering to the rules of Parliamentary practice.

Our thanks are due to Your Honor for informing us that the Accounts for the past, and the Estimates for the present year, will be laid before us and we will respectfully consider these Estimates, which will, we trust, be found to have been prepared with a due regard to economy and the efficiency of the Public Service;

Your Honor may rest assured that these several subjects, and any others that may be brought before us, will receive our earnest consideration, and with you we trust that the result of our deliberations may under the Divine blessing tend to promote the well-being and prosperity of the Territories.

On motion of Mr. CAYLEY, seconded by Mr. BETTS,

Resolved that the Reply be engrossed and communicated to His Honor the Lieutenant-Governor by the Advisory Council.

Ordered that the Bill to amend "The Mechanics' Lien Ordinance" be placed on the Orders of the day for the second reading on Monday next.

The Order of the day being read for the second reading of the Bill to provide for the Incorporation of Cheese and Butter Manufacturing Associations,

The said Bill was accordingly read the second time and ordered to be referred to the Committee on Agriculture.

The House then adjourned.

2:30 o'clock p.m.

Journal read and approved.

Mr. TWEED presented a petition from the residents of Medicine Hat and vicinity with reference to the manufacture of beer in the Territories.

Ordered that the petition be received.

Ordered that Mr. THORBURN have leave to introduce a Bill to amend the Ordinance respecting Bulls.

He accordingly presented the said Bill and the same was read the first time and ordered to be read the second time to-morrow.

On motion of Mr. NEFF, seconded by Mr. RICHARDSON,

Resolved that the answers to Memorials sent to the Dominion Government last Session be referred to the Agricultural Committee for consideration and report to this House.

On motion of Mr. ROSS, seconded by Mr. SECORD,

Resolved that a Special Committee consisting of Messrs. JELLY, TWEED, RICHARDSON, DAVIDSON, the mover and seconder be appointed for the purpose of considering the subject of Prairie and Forest Fires and that they have power to send for persons and papers.

Mr. CAYLEY asked the Advisory Council if they have signified to His Honor the Lieutenant-Governor their wish to be allowed, as his advisors in matters of finance, to prepare in conjunction with him, as the Advisory Council, the Estimates for the year 1889-90 to be submitted to the Government and to submit the same to the Assembly before being submitted to the Government.

Mr. HAULTAIN replied that the Council had not expressed any such wish to His Honor, but that His Honor was in the habit of asking the assistance of the Council in the prepar-

ation of the Estimates, that the Estimates being purely a departmental affair, His Honor could not consent to their publication to the Assembly, or otherwise, pending their transmission to the Minister of the Interior.

The Order of the day being read for the second reading of the Bill to amend Chapter 37 of the Revised Ordinances of the North-West Territories entitled "An Ordinance respecting Auctioneers, Hawkers and Peddlers."

The said Bill was accordingly read the second time and ordered to be referred to the Municipal Committee.

The Order of the day being read for the second reading of the Bill to amend Chapter 7 of the Revised Ordinances of the North-West Territories entitled "An Ordinance respecting Insane Persons,"

The said Bill was accordingly read the second time and ordered to be committed to a Committee of the Whole House.

Resolved that the House do immediately resolve itself into the said Committee.

The House accordingly resolved itself into the said Committee, and, after some time spent therein Mr. SPEAKER resumed the Chair and Mr. HAULTAIN reported the Bill without amendment.

Ordered that the Bill be now read the third time.

The said Bill was accordingly read the third time.

Ordered that this Bill do now pass and be entitled "An Ordinance to amend Chapter 7 of the Revised Ordinances of the North-West Territories intituled "An Ordinance respecting Insane Persons."

The House according to Order resolved itself into Committee of the Whole on the Bill to regulate Public Aid to Charitable Institutions and after some time spent therein

Mr. SPEAKER resumed the Chair and Mr. TWEED reported that the Committee had made some progress and directed him to move for leave to sit again.

Ordered that the Committee have leave to sit again at the next sitting of the House.

The House according to Order resolved itself into Committee of the Whole on the Bill to amend "The Poisons Ordinance," and after some time spent therein Mr. SPEAKER resumed the Chair and Mr. MITCHELL reported the Bill without amendment.

Ordered that the Bill be read the third time to-morrow.

The House then adjourned.

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 24th, 1889.

2:30 o'clock p.m.

Journal read and approved.

Mr. CAYLEY from the Standing Committee on Standing Orders and Library presented the following Report:—

The Standing Committee on Standing Orders and Library begs leave to report that they have examined the petition of Peter Anthony Prince and others praying that they be incorporated as a Joint Stock Company under the name of "The Calgary Water Power Company, Limited" and find that all the rules regulating the introduction of private Bills have been complied with, with the exception of Rule 57 regarding the sufficiency of notice, and they recommend that said Rule 57 be suspended and that leave be granted to introduce the Bill.

The said Report was adopted.

Ordered that Rule number 57 be suspended and that Mr.

CAYLEY have leave to introduce a Bill to incorporate "The Calgary Water Power Company, Limited."

He accordingly presented the said Bill and the same was read the first time and ordered to be read the second time on Tuesday next.

Ordered that Mr. CAYLEY have leave to introduce a Bill to amend "The Agricultural Societies Ordinance."

He accordingly presented the said Bill and the same was read the first time and ordered to be read the second time to-morrow.

Ordered that Mr. REAMAN have leave to introduce a Bill to amend "The Statute Labor and Fire Ordinance."

He accordingly presented the said Bill and the same was read the first time and ordered to be read the second time on Monday next.

Ordered that Mr. NEFF have leave to introduce a Bill to amend the Ordinance incorporating the Municipality of the Town of Moosomin.

He accordingly presented the said Bill and the same was read the first time and ordered to be read the second time to-morrow.

Ordered that Mr. BETTS have leave to introduce a Bill to amend "The School Ordinance."

He accordingly presented the said Bill and the same was read the first time and ordered to be read the second time on Monday next.

On motion of Mr. JELLY, seconded by Mr. PLAXTON,

Resolved that Mr. LINEHAM'S name be added to the Standing Committee on Agriculture.

The Order of the day being read for the second reading of the Bill entitled An Ordinance to amend No. 6 of 1888.

intituled "An Ordinance respecting the Registration of Births, Marriages and Deaths," it was moved by Mr. CAYLEY that the said Bill be now read the second time, and a point of order being raised that this Bill dealt with the appropriation of a part of the Public Revenue and had not been first recommended to this Assembly by Message of the Lieutenant-Governor, Mr. SPEAKER ruled the motion out of order.

The Order of the day being read for the second reading of the Bill entitled "An Ordinance respecting Mills,"

Mr. CAYLEY moved that this Bill be now read the second time.

A debate ensued thereon, which was adjourned.

The Order of the day being read for the second reading of the Bill entitled An Ordinance to amend Chapter 14 of the Revised Ordinances of the North-West Territories intituled "An Ordinance respecting Bulls."

Mr. THORBURN moved that the Bill be now read the second time.

A debate ensued thereon, which was adjourned.

The Order of the day being read for the third reading of the Bill entitled An Ordinance to amend "The Poisons Ordinance,"

The said Bill was accordingly read the third time.

Ordered that this Bill do now pass and be entitled "An Ordinance to amend "The Poisons Ordinance."

The House according to order resolved itself into Committee of the Whole on the Bill to amend "The North-West Territories Medical Ordinance 1888," and after some time spent therein, Mr. SPEAKER resumed the Chair and Mr. BRETT reported the Bill without amendment.

Ordered that the Bill be now read the third time.

The said Bill was accordingly read the third time.

Ordered that this Bill do now pass and be entitled "An Ordinance to amend the North-West Territories Medical Ordinance 1888."

The House according to order again resolved itself into Committee of the Whole on the Bill to regulate Public Aid to Charitable Institutions and after some time spent therein Mr. SPEAKER resumed the Chair and Mr. TWEED reported that the Committee had directed him to move for leave to sit again.

Ordered that the Committee have leave to sit again on Monday next.

The House then adjourned.

FRIDAY, 25th OCTOBER, 1889.

2:30 o'clock p.m.

Journal read and approved.

Mr. SPEAKER informed the House that he had received from His Honor the Lieutenant-Governor, for communication to the House, certain papers relating to University and other School purposes.

Mr. TWEED presented a Petition from residents in Medicine Hat and vicinity praying for the passing of an Ordinance to incorporate "The Medicine Hat General Hospital."

Mr. JELLY from the Agricultural Committee reported the Bill for the Incorporation of Cheese and Butter Manufacturing Associations with amendments.

Resolved that the House do immediately resolve itself into Committee of the Whole upon the said Bill.

The House accordingly resolved itself into the said Com-

mittee and after some time spent therein Mr. SPEAKER resumed the Chair and Mr. JELLY reported the Bill with amendments.

The said amendments were then twice read and agreed to.

Ordered that the said Bill be read the third time on Tuesday next.

On motion of Mr. TWEED seconded by Mr. CAYLEY,

Resolved that the Petition of the residents of Medicine Hat and vicinity respecting the manufacture of Beer in the Territories be referred to the following Special Committee, namely: Messrs. MITCHELL, HOEY, BETTS, TWEED and CAYLEY.

On motion of Mr. SECORD, seconded by Mr. LINEHAM,

Resolved that all answers given by the Advisory Council to questions put by Members of this Assembly shall be in writing, when so requested by two Members of this Assembly.

The Order of the day being read for the second reading of the Bill entitled "An Ordinance respecting the Personal Property of Married Women,"

The said Bill was accordingly read the second time and ordered to be referred to the Civil Justice Committee.

On motion of Mr. CAYLEY,

Resolved that the Order of the day for the second reading of the Bill entitled "An Ordinance respecting Mills" be discharged and that the said Bill be withdrawn.

Pursuant to order, the adjourned Debate on motion for the second reading of the Bill to amend Chapter 14 of the Revised Ordinances of the North-West Territories entitled "An Ordinance respecting Bulls" was resumed.

The said Bill was read the second time and ordered to be referred to the Agricultural Committee.

The Order of the day being read for the second reading of the Bill to amend "The Agricultural Societies Ordinance,"

The said Bill was accordingly read the second time and committed to a Committee of the Whole House at the next sitting of the House.

The Order of the day being read for the second reading of the Bill to amend the Ordinance incorporating the Municipality of Moosomin.

The said Bill was accordingly read the second time and committed to a Committee of the Whole House.

Resolved that the House do immediately resolve itself into the said Committee.

The House accordingly resolved itself into the said Committee and after some time spent therein Mr. SPEAKER resumed the Chair and Mr. NEFF reported that the Committee had directed him to move for leave to sit again.

Ordered that the Committee have leave to sit again at the next sitting of the House.

The House then adjourned.

MONDAY, 28th OCTOBER, 1889.

2:30 o'clock p.m.

Journal read and approved.

Mr. BETTS from the Municipal Committee presented the following report :

The Municipal Committee beg leave to report that the following questions be referred to the Legal Experts :—

Is the following amendment, contained in Section 12 of the Bill to amend the Municipal Ordinance, legal and within the powers of the House, viz :—

“ No action shall be brought in any Court having jurisdiction in the North-West Territories to impeach, set aside or invalidate any sale of any lands for arrears of taxes heretofore or hereafter made under the provisions of any Ordinance of the North-West Territories, on the ground that a rate of percentage, whether by way of increase, or interest, or otherwise was added to the original amount of taxes, and formed part of the claim for arrears, for which the said land was sold.”

The Municipal Committee also report the Bill to amend “ The Ordinance Respecting Auctioneers, Hawkers and Peddlers ” without amendment.

Ordered that the said Report be received, and that the House do immediately resolve itself into Committee of the Whole upon the said last-mentioned Bill.

The House accordingly resolved itself into the said Committee, and, after some time spent therein, Mr. SPEAKER resumed the Chair, and Mr. BETTS reported that the Committee had made some progress and directed him to move for leave to sit again.

Ordered that the Committee have leave to sit again tomorrow.

Mr. CAYLEY, from the Standing Committee on Standing Orders and Library, presented the following report :—

The Standing Committee on Standing Orders and Library begs leave to report as follows :

That they have examined the petition of George McCuaig and others, of Medicine Hat, praying that a Private Bill be passed incorporating them as “ The Medicine Hat General Hospital,” and they find that the rules governing the introduction of Private Bills have not been complied with. They report that, in view of the nature of the object of the in-

corporation, the rules governing the introduction of Private Bills be suspended as regards "The Medicine Hat General Hospital," and that Mr. TWEED have leave to introduce a Bill incorporating the same.

The said Report was adopted.

Ordered that the rules respecting Private Bills be suspended, and that Mr. TWEED have leave to introduce a Bill to incorporate "The Medicine Hat General Hospital."

He accordingly presented the said Bill, and the same was read the first time and ordered to be read the second time on Wednesday next.

Mr. CAYLEY, from the Special Committee appointed to draft a Petition to the Dominion Parliament, praying that Section 110 of "The North-West Territories Act" be repealed, reported the following draft address for presentation to His Excellency the Governor-General, the Senate and the House of Commons:—

The Petition of the Legislative Assembly of the North-West Territories, in Session assembled, humbly sheweth:—

Whereas, by Section 110 of "The North-West Territories Act" it is enacted that:—"Either the English or the French language may be used by any person in the debates of the Legislative Assembly of the Territories and in the proceedings before the Courts; and both these languages shall be used in the records and journals of the Assembly, and all Ordinances made under this Act shall be printed in both these languages;"

And whereas, this Assembly is of the opinion that the sentiment of the people of the North-West Territories is against the continuance of the Section recited, on the grounds that the needs of the Territories do not demand the official recognition of a dual language in the North-West or the expenditure necessitated by the same;

And whereas, this Assembly is also of the opinion that

sound public policy demands the discontinuance of two official languages in the North-West;

Therefore, your Petitioners humbly pray that Your Excellency (or your Honorable House, as the case may be) may be pleased to pass an Act repealing said Section 110 of the said Act, and, as in duty bound, your Petitioners will ever pray.

Ordered that the said draft be committed to a Committee of the Whole House.

Resolved that the House do immediately resolve itself into the said Committee.

The House accordingly resolved itself into the said Committee, and, after some time spent therein, Mr. SPEAKER resumed the Chair, and Mr. CAYLEY reported the Draft agreed to without amendment.

On the question being proposed, "Shall the Report of the Committee be now received?", it was moved by the Honorable Mr. Justice ROULEAU, seconded by Mr. MITCHELL, that the Report be not now received, but that it be received this day six months.

And the question being put on the amendment, the House divided and the names being called for were taken down as follows:

Yeas,—Messrs. MITCHELL,
HOBY, 2.

Nays,—Messrs. HAULTAIN,
SUTHERLAND,
JELLY,
REAMAN,
PLAXTON,
THORBURN,
RICHARDSON,
NEFF,
TWEED

CAYLEY,
LINEHAM
BETTS,
DAVIDSON,
OLIVER,
SECORD,
TURRIFF,
ROSS. 17.

So it passed in the negative.

And the main question being again put, it was resolved in the affirmative.

The said Report was then received and concurred in.

On motion of Mr. CAYLEY, seconded by Mr. TWEED,

Resolved that an humble address be presented to His Honor the Lieutenant-Governor, praying that he may be pleased to transmit the Address of the Assembly, praying that an Act be passed repealing Section 110 of "The North-West Territories Act," to His Excellency the Governor-General of Canada, to the Honorable the Senate of Canada, and to the Honorable the House of Commons of Canada.

On motion of Mr. BETTS, seconded by Mr. MITCHELL,

Resolved that an humble address be presented to His Honor the Lieutenant-Governor, praying that he may cause to be laid on the Table of this House copies of all accounts, letters, or other documents between the Lieutenant-Governor, the Minister of Justice, Dr. Porter or other parties, relating to a claim of Dr. A. E. Porter for medical attendance at Magistrate's enquiry *re* death of Reverend Mr. Skinner at Carleton in 1878.

On motion of Mr. HAULTAIN, seconded by Mr. HOEY,

Resolved that the thanks of this House are due to the President and Directors of the Canadian Pacific Railway Company for their prompt and generous response to the

request of the Assembly for free passes for Immigration Agents.

On motion of Mr. TWEED, seconded by Mr. CAYLEY,

Resolved that an humble petition be presented to His Honor the Lieutenant-Governor, praying that he cause to be brought before this House copy of Teacher's agreement with Trustees of Bellerose Catholic Public School No. 6, copy of Report sent in under the provisions of Section 60 of "The School Ordinance," also copies of all correspondence connected therewith.

On motion of Mr. CAYLEY, seconded by Mr. TWEED,

Resolved that the following be a Special Committee to draw up a Memorial to the Dominion Government on matters affecting the Territories, particularly with regard to legislation affecting the same:—Messrs. OLIVER, ROSS, HAULTAIN, the mover and seconder.

Ordered that Mr. HAULTAIN have leave to introduce a Bill entitled "An Ordinance respecting the Personal Property of Married Women."

He accordingly presented the said Bill and the same was read the first time and ordered to be read the second time on Wednesday next.

The Order of the day being read for the second reading of the Bill to amend "The Mechanics' Lien Ordinance,"

The said Bill was accordingly read the second time and ordered to be committed to a Committee of the Whole House for to-morrow.

The House according to order again resolved itself into Committee of the Whole on the Bill to amend the Ordinance incorporating the Municipality of the Town of Moosomin, and, after some time spent therein, Mr. SPEAKER resumed the Chair, and Mr. NEFF reported the Bill agreed to without amendment.

Ordered that the Bill be read the third time to-morrow.

The House according to order again resolved itself into Committee of the Whole on the Bill to regulate Public Aid to Charitable Institutions, and, after some time spent therein, Mr. SPEAKER resumed the Chair, and Mr. TWEED reported that the Committee had directed him to move for leave to sit again.

Ordered that the Committee have leave to sit again to-morrow.

The House according to order again resolved itself into Committee of the Whole on the Bill to amend "The Agricultural Societies Ordinance," and, after some time spent therein, Mr. SPEAKER resumed the Chair, and Mr. CAYLEY reported the Bill agreed to with amendments.

The amendments were then twice read and agreed to.

Ordered that the Bill be read the third time to-morrow.

The House then adjourned.

TUESDAY, 29th OCTOBER, 1889.

2:30 o'clock p.m.

Journal read and approved.

Mr. SPEAKER informed the House that he had received from His Honor the Lieutenant-Governor, for communication to the House, papers giving a detailed statement showing the cost of each School Inspector within the Territories.

The said Papers were then laid on the Table.

Mr. CAYLEY presented a Petition signed by Mr. T. A. McLean, Agent for the Calgary and Medicine Hat Land Company Limited, praying that the prayer of the Petition

of the Calgary Water Power Company for power to compulsorily expropriate Lands be not granted.

Ordered that the said Petition be received.

Mr. DAVIDSON presented a Petition signed by the Chairman and Clerk of the Municipality of Indian Head, praying for the passing of an Ordinance to legalize a Bye-law and the Debentures issued thereunder.

Ordered that the said Petition be received.

The Honorable Mr. Justice RICHARDSON from the Legal Experts to whom had been referred the question:

“Is the amendment contained in Section 12 of the Bill to amend the Municipal Ordinance legally within the powers of this House,”

Presented the following report:—

The proposed Section 13, if enacted, assumes to prohibit any Court from impeaching, setting aside or invalidating sales of Lands for arrears of taxes, heretofore or hereafter made, on the ground that a rate of percentage, either as increase or interest, or otherwise was added to the original amount of taxes and formed part of the claim for arrears, for which the Lands were sold.

The use of the word “heretofore” proposes giving a retroactive effect, and as such interferes with existing rights, an unusual expedient.

The Section, as a whole, is aimed at excluding from the jurisdiction of any Court the power of impeaching and setting aside sales of Lands for taxes in certain specified events.

By reference to Section 58 of “The North-West Territories Act” it will be observed that the Parliament of Canada, when constituting the Supreme Court of North-West Territories, enacted:—

That “The Court shall within the Territories and for the administration of the Laws for the time being in force within the Territories possess all such powers and authori-

“ties as by the law of England are incident to a Court of Civil and Criminal Jurisdiction, and shall have, use and exercise all the rights, incidents and privileges as Her Majesty’s Supreme Court in England had on 15th July, 1870, and shall hold pleas in all and all manner of actions, causes and suits * * * in as full and ample a manner as, on 15th July, 1870, might be done in those Courts.”

The Supreme Court being thus established by Dominion Law and invested with all the powers and jurisdiction, which on 15th July, 1870, Her Majesty’s Courts in England, as regards “all and all manner of actions, causes and suits,” had,

It does not, in the opinion of the Legal Experts, admit of doubt,

That, when reference is had to the Order in Council of 26th June, 1883, under which the Assembly attains the power, *inter alia*, of legislating on property and civil rights, subject to any Legislation by the Parliament of Canada on these subjects, (the Parliament of Canada having as above noted legislated) this Assembly cannot legally enact in the way proposed in the said Section of this Bill.

Mr. SECORD from the Special Committee, to whom was referred the Petition of Mr. W. D. Cowan and others praying that an Ordinance may be passed to regulate the practice of Dentistry in the Territories, reported as follows:—

The Special Committee, to whom was referred the Petition of W. D. Cowan and others, beg to report that they have examined the same and think that an Ordinance to regulate the practice of Dentistry and Dental Surgery should be passed by this House. The Committee submit herewith a proposed Ordinance, which they recommend to this House.

Ordered that Mr. SECORD have leave to introduce a Bill to regulate the practice of Dentistry in the North-West Territories.

He accordingly presented the said Bill and the same was read the first time and ordered to be read the second time to-morrow.

Mr. SECORD from the Special Committee, to whom was referred the question of Irrigation for certain portions of the North-West Territories, presented the following Report:—

The Special Committee, to whom was referred the question of Irrigation, begs to report that in their opinion it is desirable that a resolution of this House be forwarded to the Dominion Government asking for an appropriation for the purpose of making necessary surveys and of boring experimental Artesian Wells so as to determine the feasibility and practicability of Artesian Irrigation, preparatory to the establishment of a system of Irrigation in the Territories.

The Committee also ask leave to make a further report with reference to a system of Irrigation by ditches.

Ordered that the said Report be received and concurred in.

On motion of Mr. RICHARDSON, seconded by Mr. BRETT,

Resolved that an humble address be presented to His Excellency the Governor General in Council, the Senate and the House of Commons praying that an Act be passed amending "The North-West Territories Act" by repealing sub-section 1 of Section 14 after the word "Education" in the second line.

On motion of Mr. RICHARDSON, seconded by Mr. NEFF,

Resolved that a Special Committee consisting of Messrs. SECORD, BETTS, THORBURN, the mover and seconder be appointed to draft an address in accordance with the resolution relating to sub-section 1 of Section 14 of "The North-West Territories Act."

On motion of Mr. TWEED, seconded by Mr. LINEHAM,

Resolved that an humble Petition be presented to His Honor, the Lieutenant-Governor, praying that he cause to be brought before this House copies of such agreements between Teachers and Trustees, as may be required for the

information of the Educational Committee, also that the Secretary of the Board of Education be instructed to furnish to the Educational Committee such information regarding the working of the School Ordinance, as they may require.

Ordered that the names of Messrs. ROSS and CAYLEY be added to the Special Committee appointed to take into consideration the Bill introduced into the House of Commons last Session by the Honorable E. Dewdney relating to North-West Affairs.

Ordered that Mr. SECORD have leave to introduce a Bill to amend "The Herd Ordinance."

He accordingly presented the said Bill and the same was read the first time and ordered to be read the second time to-morrow.

On motion of Mr. HAULTAIN, seconded by Mr. HOEY,

Resolved that a copy of the resolution of thanks to the Canadian Pacific Railway Company passed yesterday be forwarded by the Clerk of the Assembly to the President of the Canadian Pacific Railway Company.

The Order of the day being read for the third reading of the Bill to amend Ordinance No. 25 of 1887 entitled "An Ordinance to Incorporate the Town of Moosomin,"

The said Bill was accordingly read the third time.

Ordered that this Bill do now pass and be entitled An Ordinance to amend Ordinance No. 25 of 1887 intituled "An Ordinance to Incorporate the Town of Moosomin."

The Order of the day being read for the third reading of the Bill to amend "The Agricultural Societies Ordinance,"

The said Bill was accordingly read the third time.

Ordered that this Bill do now pass and be entitled An Ordinance to amend Chapter 23 of the Revised Ordinances

of the North-West Territories intituled "The Agricultural Societies Ordinance."

Mr. HAULTAIN from the Advisory Council made the following statement:—

"I have to announce to the House on behalf of the Advisory Council that we have tendered our resignation to His Honor, the Lieutenant Governor, and I am authorized to state that His Honor has been pleased to accept it."

The Order of the day being read for the third reading of the Bill to provide for the Incorporation of Cheese and Butter Manufacturing Associations.

The said Bill was accordingly read the third time.

Ordered that this Bill do now pass and be entitled "An Ordinance to provide for the Incorporation of Cheese and Butter Manufacturing Associations."

The House according to order again resolved itself into Committee of the Whole on the Bill to amend Chapter 37 of the Revised Ordinances of the North-West Territories intituled "An Ordinance respecting Auctioneers, Hawkers and Pedlers", and, after some time spent therein, Mr. SPEAKER resumed the Chair and Mr. BETTS reported that the Committee had directed him to move for leave to sit again.

Ordered that the Committee have leave to sit again on Thursday next.

The House according to order again resolved itself into Committee of the Whole on the Bill to amend "The Mechanics' Lien Ordinance," and, after some time spent therein, Mr. SPEAKER resumed the Chair and Mr. CAYLEY reported that the Committee had directed him to move for leave to sit again.

Ordered that the Committee have leave to sit again tomorrow.

The House according to order again resolved itself into

Committee of the Whole on the Bill to regulate Public Aid to Charitable Institutions and, after some time spent therein, Mr. SPEAKER resumed the Chair and Mr. TWEED reported that the Committee had directed him to move for leave to sit again.

Ordered that the Committee have leave to sit again on Monday next.

The House then adjourned.

WEDNESDAY, 30th OCTOBER, 1889.

2:30 o'clock p.m.

Journal read and approved.

Mr. SPEAKER informed the House that he had received from His Honor the Lieutenant-Governor, for communication to the House, papers relating to Bellerose Catholic Public School District No 6 of the North-West Territories; also papers relating to claim made by Dr. A. E. Porter, of Prince Albert, for medical attendance at a Magistrate's enquiry held at Carlton in 1878.

The said Papers were respectively laid on the Table.

Ordered that Mr. LINEHAM have leave to introduce a Bill to amend Chapter 47 of the Revised Ordinances of the North-West Territories, intituled "An Ordinance Respecting Mortgages and Sales of Personal Property."

He accordingly presented the said Bill, and the same was read the first time and ordered to be read the second time to-morrow.

On motion of Mr. TURRIFF, seconded by Mr. DAVIDSON,

Resolved that Messrs. LINEHAM, OLIVER, SECORD, the mover and seconder be a Special Committee to prepare and introduce an Ordinance respecting Elections.

On motion of Mr. HAULTAIN,

Resolved that the Order of the day for the second reading of the Bill to amend Chapter 41 of the Revised Ordinances, intituled "An Ordinance Respecting the Legal Profession," be discharged and the Bill withdrawn.

The Order of the day being read for the second reading of the Bill to amend "The Statute Labor and Fire Ordinance,"

The said Bill was accordingly read the second time and referred to the Agricultural Committee.

The Order of the day being read for the second reading of the Bill to amend "The School Ordinance,"

Mr. BETTS moved that this Bill be now read the second time, and, the question being put, the House divided, and the names being called for were taken down as follows:—

Yeas,—Messrs. PLAXTON,
BETTS,
DAVIDSON. 3.

Nays,—Messrs. HAULTAIN,
MITCHELL,
SUTHERLAND,
JELLY,
REAMAN,
HOEY,
THORBURN,
RICHARDSON,
NEFF,
BRETT,
TWEED,
CAYLEY,
LINEHAM,
OLIVER,
SECORD,
TURRIFF,
ROSS,
CLINKSKILL. 18

So it passed in the negative.

The Order of the day being read for the second reading of the Bill (No. 20) respecting the Property of Married Women,

The said Bill was accordingly read the second time, and ordered to be referred to the Civil Justice Committee.

The House, according to order, again resolved itself into Committee of the Whole on the Bill to amend "The Mechanics' Lien Ordinance," and, after some time spent therein, Mr. SPEAKER resumed the Chair, and Mr. CAYLEY reported the Bill with amendments.

The said amendments were then twice read and agreed to.

Ordered that the Bill be read the third time to-morrow.

The House then adjourned.

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 31st, 1889.

2:30 o'clock p.m.

Journal read and approved.

Mr. SPEAKER informed the House that His Honor the Lieutenant Governor had been pleased to agree to the request contained in the Resolution adopted by the House on the 29th instant with reference to School matters.

Mr. CAYLEY, from the Standing Committee on Standing Orders and Library, presented the following Report:—

The Standing Committee on Standing Orders and Library begs leave to report that after due consideration of the method in which Petitions are now presented to the Assembly, they recommend that all Petitions in the future be examined and reported upon by the Committee on Standing Orders and Library before being presented to the House, and that the rules be amended accordingly.

The said Report was adopted.

Ordered that Mr. BRETT have leave to introduce a Bill to amend "The Ordinance respecting the registration of Births, Marriages and Deaths."

He accordingly presented the said Bill, and the same was read the first time and ordered to be read the second time to-morrow.

Ordered that Mr. HAULTAIN have leave to introduce a Bill entitled "An Ordinance respecting the Expropriation of Lands."

He accordingly presented the said Bill, and the same was read the first time and ordered to be read the second time on Tuesday next.

On motion of Mr. HAULTAIN, seconded by Mr. SUTHERLAND,

Resolved that the rule be suspended, and that Messrs. OLIVER, TWEED, ROSS, CAYLEY, JELLY, the mover and seconder be a Select Committee to consider and report on:—

1. The position of the Advisory Council and the Assembly with regard to the Dominion grant.
2. The mode in which the said grant is now made.
3. What recommendation (if any) should be made by the Assembly to the Lieutenant-Governor, the Minister of the Interior and the Governor-General-in-Council, as to the North-West vote for next Session.

The Order of the day being read for the second reading of the Bill to incorporate "The Medicine Hat General Hospital"

The said Bill was accordingly read the second time and committed to a Committee of the Whole House for to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read for the second reading of the Bill to amend Chapter 47 of the Revised Ordinances of

the North-West Territories, intituled "An Ordinance respecting Mortgages and Sales of Personal Property,"

The said Bill was accordingly read the second time and committed to a Committee of the Whole House for tomorrow.

The Order of the day being read for the third reading of the Bill to amend "The Mechanics' Lien Ordinance,"

The said Bill was accordingly read the third time.

Ordered that this Bill do now pass and be entitled An Ordinance to amend Chapter 48 of the Revised Ordinances of the North-West Territories, intituled "The Mechanics' Lien Ordinance."

The House, according to order, again resolved itself into Committee of the Whole on the Bill to amend Chapter 37 of the Revised Ordinances of the North-West Territories intituled "An Ordinance Respecting Auctioneers, Hawkers and Pedlers," and, after some time spent therein, Mr. SPEAKER resumed the Chair, and Mr. BETTS reported the Bill without amendment.

Ordered that the Bill be now read the third time.

The said Bill was accordingly read the third time.

Ordered that this Bill do now pass and be entitled An Ordinance to amend Chapter 37 of the Revised Ordinances of the North-West Territories, intituled "An Ordinance Respecting Auctioneers, Hawkers and Pedlers."

The House then adjourned.

FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 1st, 1889.

2:30 o'clock p.m.

Journal read and approved.

Mr. CAYLEY, from the Standing Committee on Standing Orders and Library, presented the following Report:—

The Standing Committee on Standing Orders and Library recommend that a resolution be introduced that a cyclostyled copy of the proceedings of the day be distributed daily to the Assembly.

The said Report was adopted.

On motion of Mr. CAYLEY, seconded by Mr. HAULTAIN,

Resolved that Rule 55 of the rules and forms of proceedings in the Legislative Assembly of the North-West Territories be repealed and the following substituted therefor:—

The Assembly will receive no Petition unless the same be recommended to the Assembly by the Standing Committee on Standing Orders and Library, nor will it receive any Petition for any grant of money or charge upon the Revenue, unless the same be first recommended to the Assembly by a message from the Lieutenant-Governor.

On motion of Mr. TWEED, seconded by Mr. CAYLEY,

Resolved that an humble address be presented to His Honor the Lieutenant-Governor, praying that he may be pleased to cause the papers now before the House, concerning Bellerose Catholic Public School District No. 6 of the North-West Territories, to be submitted to the Legal Adviser of the North-West Government for the purpose of obtaining his opinion as to whether the state of affairs thereby revealed would afford legal grounds for proceeding against any individual, or individuals, connected with said School District.

On motion of Mr. ROSS, seconded by Mr. CLINKSKILL,

Resolved that an humble address be presented to His Honor the Lieutenant-Governor praying for a Return showing all papers, documents, correspondence and reports relating to Prairie and Forest Fires.

On motion of Mr. ROSS, seconded by Mr. CLINKSKILL,

Resolved that an humble address be presented to His Honor the Lieutenant-Governor, praying for a Return showing all advertisements or requests for tenders for printing Forms, the Territorial Gazette, Ordinances, Reports, Sessional Printing and any other agreements regarding Printing for the Government of the North-West Territories; also all contracts, letters and documents relating to the same.

The Order of the day being read for the second reading of the Bill to incorporate "The Calgary Water Power Company, Limited,"

The said Bill was accordingly read the second time and ordered to be referred to a Special Committee, consisting of Messrs. HAULTAIN, OLIVER, BRETT, CAYLEY and LINEHAM, with the Honorable Mr. Justice ROULEAU added as legal expert.

The Order of the day being read for the second reading of the Bill to amend the Ordinance respecting the Registration of Births, Marriages and Deaths,

The said Bill was accordingly read the second time and ordered to be committed to a Committee of the Whole House.

Ordered that the House do immediately resolve itself into the said Committee.

The House accordingly resolved itself into the said Committee, and, after some time spent therein, Mr. SPEAKER resumed the Chair, and Mr. BRETT reported that the Committee had made some progress and had directed him to move for leave to sit again.

Ordered that the Committee have leave to sit again at the next sitting of the House.

The House, according to order, again resolved itself into Committee of the Whole on the Bill to incorporate "The Medicine Hat General Hospital," and, after some time spent therein, Mr. SPEAKER resumed the Chair, and Mr. TWEED reported the Bill with amendments.

The said amendments were then twice read and agreed to.

Ordered that the Bill be read the third time at the next sitting of the House.

The House, according to order, again resolved itself into Committee of the Whole on the Bill to amend Chapter 47 of the Revised Ordinances of the North-West Territories, intituled "An Ordinance Respecting Mortgages and Sales of Personal Property," and, after some time spent therein, Mr. SPEAKER resumed the Chair, and Mr. LINEHAM reported that the Committee had made some progress and had directed him to move for leave to sit again.

Ordered that the Committee have leave to sit again at the next sitting of the House.

Resolved that when this House adjourns it do stand adjourned until half-past two o'clock to-morrow.

The House then adjourned.

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 2nd, 1889.

2:30 o'clock p.m.

Journal read and approved.

Mr. Thorburn from the Standing Committee on Immigration presented the following Report:—

The Standing Committee on Immigration begs to report:—

That they have had under consideration a proposal made by Mr. C. E. Cullen, of Qu'Appelle, that he be appointed to act as Emigration Agent in Great Britain in the interests of the North-West Territories from the 1st December next to the end of May, 1890—a period of six months.

His proposal further is to the effect that, during that period, he will devote his energies to infusing and impressing a knowledge of the advantages and capabilities of these

Territories, as a field for immigrants on the minds of the people of Great Britain by means of lectures, the spread of literature and by direct personal communication. That he will endeavour to bring his winter's work to a successful conclusion, by bringing out with him, in May, 1890, as large a number of desirable emigrants as he can gather together, personally seeing to their journey to and safe arrival in the Territories.

For this work he asks no further remuneration than that his expenses, during the period he is thus actively engaged, be provided for at the rate of five dollars per day.

He proposes to take advice, in regard to the more desirable points at which to carry on the work, from the office of the High Commissioner for Canada in London: he desires also to have information from each Member of the Assembly regarding special features of the various districts of the Country.

He proposes to keep himself in touch with the Assembly and the people by having newspaper reports of his proceedings sent to some of the leading Territorial papers for republication.

Mr. Cullen has in view a much more extended and comprehensive scheme of Emigration, for the carrying out of which he hopes that his success, in the working out of his present proposal, may prove a stepping stone. He is prepared to enter on this work with a thorough confidence in his ability to make it a success, based upon a certain amount of past success, from a good deal of study on the subject and because he finds the work congenial and takes delight in it. He has strong confidence in the great capabilities and firm faith in the great future of these Territories, which require above all things a more abundant population of workers to carve out its destiny.

The Committee have examined Mr. Cullen's credentials, of which they have copies, have enquired into his previous emigration work and his labors in this Country during the past four years, during which time he has more or less been connected with immigration work. They have found all to be satisfactory.

Further, Mr. Cullen is ready to appear before the Assembly to state his views and objects so that the Assembly may

judge for themselves as to the wisdom of entering into this project.

The Committee, having looked into this matter and considered it as fully as possible, beg to recommend:—

That the proposal of Mr. C. E. Cullen, to act as Emigration Agent in Great Britain in the interests of these Territories on the condition that his expenses only to the amount of five dollars per day be provided, for such time as may be agreed upon, be favorably considered by the Assembly.

The Committee also recommend that arrangements be made for the purpose of preparing and printing pamphlets specially descriptive of the advantages of the North-West Territories to be used for emigration purposes.

The Committee also recommend that a memorial to the Dominion Government be prepared, setting forth fully the benefits to be derived from a comprehensive scheme of emigration, such as the Assembly may be ready to consider and carry out, asking that the sum of twenty-five thousand dollars (\$25,000) be placed in the estimates, to be used under the direction of the North-West Legislative Assembly, for the purposes of emigration.

The Committee would further recommend that, should the Assembly see fit to take up Mr. Cullen's proposal, the Minister of Agriculture be requested to secure return passes for Mr. Cullen over the Canadian Pacific Railway and from one of the Atlantic Steamship Companies, and also that he be pleased to aid the Territories in the carrying out of this project to the extent of five hundred dollars.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

The said Report was received and concurred in.

Mr. JELLY from the Standing Committee on Agriculture presented the following Report:—

The Standing Committee on Agriculture, to whom was referred the Bill to amend Chapter 14 of the Revised Ordinances of the North-West Territories intituled "An Ordinance respecting Bulls," begs leave to report that, in their opinion, the legislation proposed in this Bill is not desirable.

Ordered that the said Report be received and concurred in.

Mr. BETTS, from the Standing Municipal Committee, reported the Bill to amend "The Municipal Ordinance" with amendments.

Ordered that the House do immediately resolve itself into Committee of the Whole on the said Bill.

The House accordingly resolved itself into the said Committee, and, after some time spent therein, Mr. SPEAKER resumed the Chair and Mr. BETTS reported that the Committee had made some progress and had directed him to move for leave to sit again.

Ordered that the Committee have leave to sit again on Monday next.

Ordered that Mr. TWEED, from the Standing Committee on Education, have leave to introduce a Bill entitled An Ordinance to amend Chapter 59 of the Revised Ordinances of the North-West Territories, intituled "The School Ordinance,"

He accordingly presented the said Bill and the same was read the first time and ordered to be read the second time on Monday next.

Ordered that Mr. TWEED have leave to introduce a Bill entitled "An Ordinance to empower certain Boards of School Trustees to compromise for the payment of arrears of taxes."

He accordingly presented the said Bill and the same was read the first time and ordered to be read the second time on Monday next.

Ordered that Mr. HAULTAIN have leave to introduce a Bill entitled "An Ordinance respecting Receipt Notes, Hire Receipts and Orders for Chattels."

He accordingly presented the said Bill and the same was

read the first time and ordered to be read the second time on Monday next.

On motion of Mr. Cayley, seconded by Mr. TWEED,

Resolved, that henceforth a cyclostyled copy of the new business in the proceedings for the day be distributed daily to the Assembly before the reading of the minutes.

Ordered that Mr. CAYLEY have leave to introduce a Bill entitled An Ordinance to amend Chapter 19 of the Revised Ordinances of the North-West Territories, intituled "The Brand Ordinance,"

He accordingly presented the said Bill and the same was read the first time and ordered to be read the second time on Monday next.

On motion of Mr. CAYLEY, seconded by Mr. LINEHAM,

Resolved that an humble Petition be presented to His Honor, the Lieutenant-Governor, praying that he will be pleased to lay before the House all papers, documents, contracts, assignments, correspondence and reports respecting the construction of a Bridge over Blind Man River in the district of Alberta.

On motion of Mr. BETTS, seconded by Mr. HOEY,

Resolved that all papers before this House, relating to a claim of Dr. A. E. Porter, be referred to His Honor the Lieutenant Governor's Advisory Council.

The Order of the day being read for the second reading of the Bill to regulate the practice of Dentistry in the North-West Territories,

The said Bill was accordingly read the second time.

Ordered that the House do immediately resolve itself into Committee of the Whole on the said Bill.

The House accordingly resolved itself into the said Committee and, after some time spent therein, Mr. SPEAKER resumed the Chair and Mr. SECORD reported that the Committee had made some progress and had directed him to move for leave to sit again.

Ordered that the Committee have leave to sit again on Monday next.

The Order of the day being read for the second reading of the Bill to amend "The Herd Ordinance."

The said Bill was accordingly read the second time.

Ordered that the House do immediately resolve itself into Committee of the Whole on the said Bill.

The House accordingly resolved itself into the said Committee and, after some time spent therein, Mr. SPEAKER resumed the Chair and Mr. SECORD reported that the Committee had directed him to move for leave to sit again.

Ordered that the Committee have leave to sit again on Monday next.

The Order of the day being read for the third reading of the Bill to incorporate the Medicine Hat General Hospital,

The said Bill was accordingly read the third time.

Ordered that this Bill do now pass and be intituled "An Ordinance to incorporate the Medicine Hat General Hospital."

The House according to Order again resolved itself into Committee of the Whole on the Bill to amend Chapter 47 of the Revised Ordinances of the North-West Territories, intituled "An Ordinance respecting Mortgages and sales of Personal Property," and, after some time spent therein, Mr. SPEAKER resumed the Chair and Mr. LINEHAM reported that the Committee had made some progress and had directed him to move for leave to sit again.

Ordered that the Committee have leave to sit again on Monday next.

The House then adjourned.

MONDAY, NOVEMBER 4th, 1889.

2:30 o'clock p.m.

Journal read and approved.

Mr. SPEAKER informed the House that he had received from His Honor the Lieutenant-Governor, for communication to the House, various papers relating to Prairie and Forest Fires :

Also a Report on Public Works in the North-West Territories from 26th October, 1888, to 30th September, 1889.

The said documents were then laid on the Table.

Ordered that Mr. MITCHELL have leave to introduce a Bill to amend Chapter 25 of the Revised Ordinances of the North-West Territories, intituled "The Game Ordinance."

He accordingly presented the said Bill, and the same was read the first time and ordered to be read the second time to-morrow.

Ordered that Mr. THORBURN have leave to introduce a Bill to amend Ordinance No. 2 of 1888, intituled "The Unincorporated Towns' Ordinance."

He accordingly presented the said Bill, and the same was read the first time and ordered to be read the second time to-morrow.

On motion of Mr. CLINKSKILL, seconded by Mr. OLIVER,

Resolved that the House do immediately resolve itself into Committee of the Whole upon the question of granting scrip to the Battleford Home Guards.

The House accordingly resolved itself into the said Committee, and, after some time spent therein, Mr. SPEAKER resumed the Chair, and Mr. CLINKSKILL reported that the Committee had come to a Resolution, which was read as follows :—

Whereas the Company of "Battleford Home Guards," who did active duty for two months during the rebellion of 1885, have not received Scrip in recognition of their services :

Whereas, this Company received pay and rations same as Militia, but were not enrolled under the Militia Act, because the men forming this Company, gathered together for the purpose of defence, both of their own lives and for the assistance of the North-West Mounted Police, in protecting Government property, which force was greatly reduced by drafts being made to send to Carlton to the scene of the first outbreak :

Whereas, on the arrival of Otter's column, the refusal of the Officer Commanding to allow several of the members to be discharged, in order to go on their farms, clearly shows that they were to all intents and purposes then recognized as part of the active force :

Whereas, on application of those working on the construction of the Battle River Bridge, the refusal to allow them any pay as artisans, because they were under Militia pay and rule, is sufficient grounds to demand the recognition of the force in all particulars as part of the Militia, as well as in that particular in which it suited the Minister to consider them as such :

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED :—

That this Assembly pass, and His Honor the Lieutenant-Governor be requested to transmit, a Memorial to His Excellency the Governor-General, asking that he will be pleased to direct that Scrip be granted to the "Battleford Home Guards" on same basis as granted to the Militia.

The said Resolution was then read the second time and agreed to.

The Order of the day being read for the second reading of the Bill entitled An Ordinance Respecting Receipt Notes, Hire Receipts and Orders for Chattels,

The said Bill was accordingly read the second time and committed to a Committee of the Whole House for to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read for the second reading of the Bill entitled An Ordinance to Amend Chapter 19 of the Revised Ordinances of the North-West Territories, intituled "The Brand Ordinance,"

The said Bill was accordingly read the second time and committed to a Committee of the Whole House for to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read for the second reading of the Bill to amend Chapter 59 of the Revised Ordinances of the North-West Territories, intituled "The School Ordinance,"

The said Bill was accordingly read the second time and committed to a Committee of the Whole House for to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read for the second reading of the Bill entitled "An Ordinance to empower certain Boards of School Trustees to compromise for arrears of taxes,"

The said Bill was accordingly read the second time and committed to a Committee of the Whole House for to-morrow.

The House, according to order, again resolved itself into Committee of the Whole on the Bill to amend "The Municipal Ordinance," and, after some time spent therein, Mr. SPEAKER resumed the Chair, and Mr. BETTS reported the Committee had made some progress and had directed him to move for leave to sit again.

Ordered that the Committee have leave to sit again to-morrow.

The House, according to order, again resolved itself into Committee of the Whole on the Bill to regulate the practice of Dentistry in the Territories, and, after some time spent therein, Mr. SPEAKER resumed the Chair, and Mr. SECORD reported the Bill with amendments.

The said amendments were then twice read and agreed to.

Ordered that the said Bill be read the third time to-morrow.

The House, according to order, again resolved itself into Committee of the Whole on the Bill to amend "The Herd Ordinance," and, after some time spent therein, Mr. SPEAKER resumed the Chair, and Mr. SECORD reported that the Committee had made some progress and had directed him to move for leave to sit again.

Ordered that the Committee have leave to sit again to-morrow.

The House, according to order, again resolved itself into Committee of the Whole on the Bill to amend Chapter 47 of the Revised Ordinances of the North-West Territories, intituled "An Ordinance Respecting Mortgages and Sales of Personal Property," and, after some time spent therein, Mr. SPEAKER resumed the Chair, and Mr. LINEHAM reported that the Committee had made some progress and had directed him to move for leave to sit again.

Ordered that the Committee have leave to sit again to-morrow.

The House, according to order, again resolved itself into Committee of the Whole on the Bill to amend the Ordinance respecting the Registration of Births, Marriages and Deaths, and, after some time spent therein, Mr. SPEAKER resumed the Chair, and Mr. BRETT reported the Bill with amendments.

The said amendments were then read the first time.

On motion that the said amendments be now read the second time, it was moved by Mr. OLIVER, seconded by Mr. SUTHERLAND, that they be not now read the second time, but that the report be referred back to the Committee for the purpose of striking out the words "and fix his salary," in Section 2 of said Ordinance, and, on the question being put, the same was decided in the negative.

The said amendments were then read the second time and agreed to.

Ordered that the said Bill be read the third time tomorrow.

The House then adjourned.

TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 5th, 1889.

2:30 o'clock p.m.

Journal read and approved.

Mr. SPEAKER informed the House that he had received a message from His Honor the Lieutenant-Governor, signed by his Honor, which was read as follows:—

J. ROYAL.

His Honor the Lieutenant-Governor informs the Legislative Assembly that, the previously selected Members of his Advisory Council having resigned, he has, under the provisions of Section 13 of Chapter 19, Vic. 51, selected from among the elected Members of the Legislative Assembly the under-named four gentlemen to act as an Advisory Council on matters of finance, namely:—

ROBERT GEORGE BRETT,
Member for Red Deer.
JOHN FELTON BETTS,
Member for Prince Albert.
DAVID FINLAY JELLY,
Member for North Regina.
BENJAMIN PARKYN RICHARDSON,
Member for Wolseley.

Government House, Regina,
5th November, 1889.

Mr. BRETT, from the Advisory Council, then made the following statement:—

The Council of His Honor's Advisers, formed under the Law, will exercise the functions of an Executive in matters affecting the Territorial Finances *only*, as well as in the discharge of the duties assigned by the Ordinances to the Lieutenant-Governor in Council ;

On the other hand, and in order that the requirements of the Country, as made known by the Members of this Legislature, may be met as fully as possible, I am authorized to state that it is the intention of His Honor to continue in consulting and seeking the advice of the Council upon all matters of the administration of public affairs, and to comply, as in the past, with the recommendations of the House in a liberal and constitutional spirit.

Ordered that Mr. HAULTAIN have leave to introduce a Bill to amend Chapter 41 of the Revised Ordinances of the North-West Territories, intituled "An Ordinance Respecting the Legal Profession."

He accordingly presented the said Bill, and the same was read the first time and ordered to be read the second time to-morrow.

On motion of Mr. HAULTAIN, seconded by Mr. CLINKSKILL,

Resolved that the granting of Magisterial powers to Police

Officers is wrong in principle and productive of evil in practice ;

That a Memorial be adopted by this House to the Governor-General in Council, praying for the repeal of Section 9, from the beginning thereof to the word "peace," of an Act respecting the North-West Mounted Police Force ;

That an humble address be presented to His Honor the Lieutenant-Governor, praying that he will not hereafter grant Commissions, as Justices of the Peace for the North-West Territories, to Police Officers.

The Order of the day being read for the second reading of the Bill intituled "An Ordinance respecting the Expropriation of Lands,"

The said Bill was accordingly read the second time and committed to a Committee of the Whole House for tomorrow.

The Order of the day being read for the third readings of the Bills intituled "An Ordinance to regulate the practice of Dentistry in the Territories" and An Ordinance to amend Ordinance No. 6 of 1888, intituled "An Ordinance Respecting the Registration of Births, Marriages and Deaths,"

The said Bills were respectively read the third time.

The House, according to order, again resolved itself into Committee of the Whole on the Bill intituled "An Ordinance respecting Receipt Notes, Hire Receipts, and Orders for Chattels," and, after some time spent therein, Mr. SPEAKER resumed the Chair, and Mr. HAULTAIN reported the Bill with amendments.

The said amendments were then twice read and agreed to.

Ordered that the said Bill be read the third time tomorrow.

The House, according to order, again resolved itself into Committee of the Whole on the Bill to amend Chapter 19 of

the Revised Ordinances of the North-West Territories intituled "The Brand Ordinance," and, after some time spent therein, Mr. SPEAKER resumed the Chair, and Mr. CAYLEY reported that the Committee had made some progress and had directed him to move for leave to sit again.

Ordered that the Committee have leave to sit again to-morrow.

The House, according to order, again resolved itself into Committee of the Whole on the Bill entitled An Ordinance to amend Chapter 59 of the Revised Ordinances of the North-West Territories, intituled "The School Ordinance," and, after some time spent therein, Mr. SPEAKER resumed the Chair, and Mr. TWEED reported that the Committee had made some progress and had directed him to move for leave to sit again.

Ordered that the Committee have leave to sit again to-morrow.

Mr. SPEAKER left the Chair at half-past five o'clock.

WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 6th, 1889.

2:30 o'clock p.m.

Journal read and approved.

Mr. RICHARDSON, from the Special Committee appointed to draft a Memorial to His Excellency the Governor General in Council, the Senate and House of Commons in accordance with the Resolution passed by this House on the 29th day of October, 1889, praying for the amendment of subsection 1 of Section 14 of "The North-West Territories Act" reported that they had prepared such draft.

Ordered that the House do immediately resolve itself into Committee of the Whole House for the consideration of same

The House accordingly resolved itself into the said Committee and, after some time spent therein, Mr. SPEAKER resumed the Chair and Mr. RICHARDSON reported the Draft agreed to without amendment.

The same was then read and is as follows :—

To His Excellency, the Right Honorable Lord Stanley of Preston, Governor-General of Canada, etc., etc., in Council:

The Honorable the Senate of Canada in Parliament assembled: and

The Honorable the House of Commons in Parliament assembled (as the case may be):—

The Petition of the Legislative Assembly of the North-West Territories, in Session assembled, humbly sheweth:—

Whereas this Assembly did, on the 29th day of October 1889, adopt the following Resolution:—

“That an humble address be presented to His Excellency the Governor-General in Council, the Senate and the House of Commons praying for the amendment of “The North-West Territories Act” by repealing that portion of “Sub-section one (1) of Section fourteen (14) after the word “Education” in the second line;”

Therefore, your Petitioners humbly pray that Your Excellency (or Your Honorable House, as the case may be) may be pleased to sanction the passing of an Act to repeal said Sub-section of said Section.

And as in duty bound your Petitioners will ever pray.

The said Memorial was then read the second time and agreed to.

On motion of Mr. BRETT, seconded by Mr. RICHARDSON,

Resolved that an humble address be presented to His Honor the Lieutenant-Governor, praying that he will be pleased to transmit the Memorial just read to the proper authorities for submission to His Excellency the Governor-General in Council, the Senate and House of Commons of Canada.

On motion of Mr. MITCHELL, seconded by Mr. SUTHERLAND,

Resolved that a Special Committee be appointed for the purpose of taking into consideration several questions relating to the Half-Breeds of the Territories, consisting of the following, namely: Messrs. ROSS, OLIVER, HAULTAIN, CLINKSKILL, HOEY the mover and seconder, and to report upon same to this House.

On motion of Mr. HAULTAIN, seconded by Mr. CLINKSKILL,

Resolved that the Resolution passed yesterday with regard to the granting of Magisterial powers to Police Officers be referred to the Memorial Committee for the purpose of having a Memorial prepared thereon.

The Order of the day being read for the second reading of the Bill to amend the Ordinance respecting the Legal Profession,

The said Bill was accordingly read the second time and committed to a Committee of the Whole House for the next sitting of the House.

The Order of the day being read for the third reading of the Bill intituled "An Ordinance Respecting Receipt Notes, Hire Receipts and Orders for Chattels,"

The said Bill was accordingly read the third time.

Ordered that this Bill do now pass and be intituled "An Ordinance concerning Receipt Notes, Hire Receipts and Orders for Chattels."

The House, according to order, again resolved itself into Committee of the Whole on the Bill intituled "An Ordinance to regulate public aid to Charitable Institutions," and, after some time spent therein, Mr. SPEAKER resumed the Chair.

Mr. SPEAKER informed the House that he had received from His Honor the Lieutenant-Governor, for communi-

cation to the House, certain papers relating to a bridge over Blind Man River.

The said papers were then laid on the Table.

The House, according to order, again resolved itself into Committee of the Whole on the Bill entitled "An Ordinance respecting the Expropriation of Lands," and, after some time spent therein, Mr. SPEAKER resumed the Chair, and Mr. HAULTAIN reported that the Committee had made some progress and had directed him to move for leave to sit again.

Ordered that the Committee have leave to sit again at the next sitting of the House.

The House, according to order, again resolved itself into Committee of the Whole on the Bill entitled "An Ordinance to amend Chapter 19 of the Revised Ordinances of the North-West Territories," intituled "The Brand Ordinance," and, after some time spent therein, Mr. SPEAKER resumed the Chair, and Mr. CAYLEY reported that the Committee had made some progress and had directed him to move for leave to sit again.

Ordered that the Committee have leave to sit again at the next sitting of the House.

The House, according to order, again resolved itself into Committee of the Whole on the Bill to amend Chapter 59 of the Revised Ordinances of the North-West Territories, intituled "The School Ordinance," and, after some time spent therein, Mr. SPEAKER resumed the Chair, and Mr. TWEED reported that the Committee had made some progress and had directed him to move for leave to sit again.

Ordered that the Committee have leave to sit again at the next sitting of the House.

Resolved that when this House adjourns it do stand adjourned until eight o'clock p.m.

The House then adjourned.

Eight o'clock p.m.

Mr. SPEAKER took the Chair.

The House, according to order, again resolved itself into Committee of the Whole on the Bill intituled "An Ordinance to empower certain Boards of School Trustees to compromise for arrears of taxes," and, after some time spent therein, Mr. SPEAKER resumed the Chair, and Mr. TWEED reported the Bill with amendments.

The said amendments were then read twice and agreed to.

Ordered that the Bill be read the third time at the next sitting of the House.

The House, according to order, again resolved itself into Committee of the Whole on the Bill to amend "The Herd Ordinance," and, after some time spent therein, Mr. SPEAKER resumed the Chair, and Mr. SECORD reported that the Committee had made some progress and had directed him to move for leave to sit again.

Ordered that the Committee have leave to sit again at the next sitting of the House.

The House, according to order, again resolved itself into Committee of the Whole on the Bill to amend Chapter 47 of the Revised Ordinances of the North-West Territories, intituled "An Ordinance respecting Mortgages and Sales of Personal Property," and, after some time spent therein, Mr. SPEAKER resumed the Chair, and Mr. LINEHAM reported that the Committee had made some progress and had directed him to move for leave to sit again.

Ordered that the Committee have leave to sit again at the next sitting of the House.

On motion of Mr. TWEED, seconded by Mr. CAYLEY,

Resolved that the House do immediately resolve itself into Committee of the Whole for the purpose of considering the

advisability of a grant being made to the Medicine Hat General Hospital.

The House accordingly resolved itself into the said Committee, and, after some time spent therein, Mr. SPEAKER resumed the Chair, and Mr. TWEED reported that the Committee had come to a Resolution.

The said Resolution was then read, and is as follows :—

Resolved that, in the opinion of this House, it is expedient that aid be given to the Medicine Hat General Hospital from the General Revenue Fund of the Territories ; also to the Hospital of St. Albert, in the District of Edmonton.

The same was then read the second time and concurred in.

Ordered that the House do again resolve itself into Committee of the Whole on the Bill to amend "The School Ordinance," and, after some time spent therein, Mr. SPEAKER resumed the Chair, and Mr. TWEED reported that the Committee had made some progress and had directed him to move for leave to sit again.

Ordered that the Committee have leave to sit again at the next sitting of the House.

The House then adjourned to Friday next.

FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 8th, 1889.

2:30 o'clock p.m.

Journal read and approved.

Mr. SPEAKER informed the House that he had received from His Honor the Lieutenant-Governor, for communication to the House, certain papers relating to Public Printing; also a statement of Public Accounts for the ten months ending June 30th, 1889.

The said documents were then laid on the Table.

Ordered that the statement of Public Accounts be referred to the Standing Committee on Public Accounts and Printing.

Mr. CAYLEY, from the Special Committee to whom was referred the Bill to Incorporate the Calgary Water Power Company, reported the Bill with amendments.

Ordered that the House do immediately resolve itself into Committee of the Whole on the said Bill.

The House accordingly resolved itself into the said Committee, and, after some time spent therein, Mr. SPEAKER resumed the Chair, and Mr. CAYLEY reported the Bill with amendments.

The said amendments were then twice read and agreed to.

Ordered that the said Bill be read the third time at the next sitting of the House.

Mr. THORBURN presented a report from the Special Committee appointed to consider the disadvantages or evils from which farmers suffer.

Ordered that the Report be received and committed to a Committee of the Whole House.

The House accordingly resolved itself into the said Committee, and, after some time spent therein, Mr. SPEAKER resumed the Chair, and Mr. THORBURN reported that the Committee had come to a Resolution.

The said Resolution was then read the first time, and is as follows:—

This Committee recommends that a Petition be forwarded to the Dominion Parliament, praying that suitable arrangements be made, whereby farmers, who require seed grain, may have it distributed to them on such condition, as may be considered necessary,

And that this Report be referred to the Memorial Committee for their action thereon.

The same was then read the second time and concurred in.

Mr. THORBURN presented a Report from the Standing Committee on Immigration.

Ordered that the said Report be received and committed to a Committee of the Whole House.

The House accordingly resolved itself into the said Committee, and, after some time spent therein, Mr. SPEAKER resumed the Chair, and Mr THORBURN reported that the Committee had come to a Resolution.

The said Resolution was then read the first time, and is as follows :—

The Standing Committee on Immigration begs to report :—

That it recommends that the Canadian Pacific Railway Company be requested to grant return passes from the Territories to any points on their lines of Railway to such persons as shall be named, to the number of three, by each Elected Member of this Assembly, for the purpose of aiding and encouraging Immigration to the Territories ;

And that such passes be granted under similar conditions to those issued last spring ;

That each Elected Member endeavor to arrange for the expenses of such Immigration Agents, as he obtains passes for, through the Agricultural Societies of his District, and by local subscriptions or other means, and that each Member of the Assembly may allow a sum not exceeding one hundred dollars from the sum granted for his District by the "Aid to Districts" vote :

And that this Report be referred to the Memorial Committee for their action thereon.

The same was then read the second time and concurred in.

On motion of Mr. ROSS, seconded by Mr. CLINKSKILL,

Resolved that when this House adjourns it do stand adjourned until 2.30 o'clock p.m. to-morrow.

Ordered that Mr. HAULTAIN have leave to introduce a Bill entitled "An Ordinance Respecting Hides."

He accordingly presented the said Bill, and the same was read the first time and ordered to be read the second time on Monday next.

On motion of Mr. SECORD, seconded by Mr. ROSS,

Resolved that an humble address be presented to His Honor the Lieutenant-Governor, praying that he may be pleased to lay before the House the reports of the parties, to whom passes were granted by the Canadian Pacific Railway Company for Immigration purposes.

On motion of Mr. ROSS, seconded by Mr. SECORD,

Resolved that, whereas certain very serious statements have been made on the floor of this House, reflecting upon the conduct of the Commissioner of the North-West Mounted Police, an humble address be presented through His Honor the Lieutenant-Governor to His Excellency the Governor-General, praying that the matter be enquired into.

On motion of Mr. BRETT, seconded by Mr. TWEED,

Resolved that the following Members be a Committee to draft a Memorial to be transmitted to the Dominion Government, praying that a grant of land be made for University purposes in the North-West Territories, namely:—

Messrs. THORBURN, NEFF, SECORD, and the mover and seconder.

Ordered that Mr. LINEHAM have leave to introduce a Bill entitled "An Ordinance respecting Mortgages and Sales of Personal Property."

He accordingly presented the said Bill, and the same was read the first time and ordered to be read the second time at the next sitting of the House.

The Order of the day being read for the second reading of the Bill entitled An Ordinance to amend Chapter 25 of the Revised Ordinances of the North-West Territories, intituled "The Game Ordinance,"

The said Bill was accordingly read the second time and committed to a Committee of the Whole House for the next sitting of the House.

The Order of the day being read for the second reading of the Bill entitled An Ordinance to amend Ordinance No. 2 of 1888, intituled "The Unincorporated Towns' Ordinance,"

The said Bill was accordingly read the second time and committed to a Committee of the Whole House for the next sitting of the House.

The Order of the day being read for the third reading of the Bill intituled "An Ordinance to empower certain Boards of School Trustees to compromise for arrears of taxes."

The said Bill was accordingly read the third time

Ordered that this Bill do now pass, and be intituled "An Ordinance to empower certain Boards of School Trustees to compromise for the payment of arrears of taxes."

The House, according to order, again resolved itself into Committee of the Whole on the Bill to amend the Ordinance respecting the Legal Profession, and, after some time spent therein, Mr. SPEAKER resumed the Chair, and Mr. HAULTAIN reported the Bill with amendments.

The said amendments were then twice read and agreed to.

Ordered that the said Bill be read the third time at the next sitting of the House.

The House, according to order, again resolved itself into Committee of the Whole on the Bill intituled "An Ordinance respecting the Expropriation of Lands," and, after some time spent therein, Mr. SPEAKER resumed the Chair, and Mr. HAULTAIN reported the Bill with amendments.

The said amendments were then twice read and agreed to.

Ordered that the said Bill be read the third time at the next sitting of the House.

The House then adjourned.

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 9th, 1889.

2:30 o'clock p.m.

Journal read and approved.

Moved by Mr. CLINKSKILL, seconded by Mr. THORBURN,

That the position assumed by the Advisory Council, as set out in the statement of their leader, when announcing the same, was assumed contrary to the wishes of this Assembly, and the Advisory Council do not possess the confidence of this Assembly.

And the question being put on the said motion, Mr. REAMAN moved, seconded by Mr. PLAXTON, that all the words after the word "same" be struck out and the following substituted therefor: "appears to be a step not in the direction of responsible government, as formerly held; therefore, this Assembly views with regret the position necessarily taken by the Advisory Council."

A debate having ensued thereon, it was resolved that when this House adjourns it do stand adjourned until eight o'clock p.m.

The House then adjourned.

Eight o'clock p.m.

Mr. SPEAKER took the Chair.

The debate was resumed, and the question being put upon

the amendment, the House divided, and the names being called for were taken down as follows :—

Yeas,—Messrs. BRETT,
 RICHARDSON,
 BETTS,
 JELLY,
 REAMAN,
 PLAXTON,
 HOEY,
 SECORD. 8.

Nays,—Messrs. THORBURN,
 NEFF,
 SUTHERLAND,
 TWEED,
 CAYLEY,
 LINEHAM,
 HAULTAIN,
 DAVIDSON,
 OLIVER,
 TURRIFF,
 CLINKSKILL,
 ROSS,
 MITCHELL. 13.

So it passed in the negative.

And the question being put on the original motion, the House divided, and the names being called for were taken down as follows :—

Yeas,—Messrs. THORBURN,
 NEFF,
 SUTHERLAND,
 TWEED,
 CAYLEY,
 LINEHAM,
 HAULTAIN,
 DAVIDSON,
 OLIVER,
 TURRIFF,
 CLINKSKILL,
 ROSS,
 MITCHELL. 13.

Nays,—Messrs. BRETT,
 RICHARDSON,
 BETTS,
 JELLY,
 REAMAN,
 PLAXTON,
 HOEY,
 SECORD. 8.

So it passed in the affirmative.

The House then adjourned.

MONDAY, 11th NOVEMBER, 1889.

2:30 o'clock p.m.

Journal read and approved.

Mr. SPEAKER informed the House that he had received from His Honor the Lieutenant Governor, for communication to the House, reports from persons, to whom passes were issued by the Canadian Pacific Railway Company for Immigration purposes ;

Also the opinion of the Legal Adviser to the North-West Government on papers submitted to him in connection with Bellerose Catholic Public School District No. 6 of the North-West Territories.

The said documents were then laid on the Table.

Mr. THORBURN, from the Standing Committee on Standing Orders and Library, presented a Petition from residents of Broadview and vicinity praying for the amendment of the Ordinance respecting Fences.

Ordered that the said Petition be received and referred to the Standing Committee on Agriculture.

Mr. MITCHELL presented a Report from the Special Com-

mittee appointed for the purpose of considering several questions relating to the Half-breeds of the Territories.

Ordered that the House do immediately resolve itself into Committee of the Whole on the said Report.

The House accordingly resolved itself into the said Committee, and, after some time spent therein, Mr. SPEAKER resumed the Chair, and Mr. MITCHELL reported that the Committee had come to a Resolution.

The said Resolution was then read the first time and is as follows :-

Whereas, by resolution of the North-West Council, passed on the 15th day of November, 1887, the consideration and adjustment of certain claims of Half-breeds in the Territories was pressed upon the attention of the Dominion Government :

And whereas a similar resolution was adopted by this House on the 28th November, 1888, and whereas, so far as this Assembly is aware, no action has been taken thereon, and the subject being of very grave importance to the welfare of the Territories ;

BE IT RESOLVED :

That this Assembly impress upon the Government of Canada the importance of putting an end finally to all Half-breed claims, with as little delay as possible.

The same was then read the second time and concurred in.

On motion of Mr. MITCHELL, seconded by Mr. ROSS,

Resolved that an humble address be presented to His Honor the Lieutenant Governor, praying that he may be pleased to transmit the resolution just read, relating to Half-breeds, for consideration of His Excellency the Governor-General in Council.

On motion of Mr. THORBURN, seconded by Mr. NEFF,

Resolved that the Report of the Immigration Committee, concurred in by the House on the 2nd November, be referred to the Advisory Council.

On motion of Mr. MITCHELL, seconded by Mr. CLINKSKILL,

Resolved that the House do immediately resolve itself into Committee of the Whole upon the question of the protection of Fish in the waters of the Territories,

The House accordingly resolved itself into the said Committee, and, after some time spent therein, Mr. SPEAKER resumed the Chair, and Mr. MITCHELL reported that the Committee had come to a Resolution ;

The said Resolution was then read the first time and is as follows :—

That, as the waters of the Territories are being rapidly depleted of Fish, His Honor the Lieutenant-Governor be requested to bring under the notice of His Excellency the Governor-General in Council the necessity, which exists for rigidly enforcing the fishery regulations and prohibiting the destruction of Fish in improper seasons in the waters of the Territories, and would recommend the appointment of an Inspector or Inspectors in the Territories, where they do not now exist.

The same was then read the second time and concurred in.

Ordered that Mr. HADLAIN have leave to introduce a Bill entitled An Ordinance to amend Chapter 58 of the Revised Ordinances of the North-West Territories, intituled " The Judicature Ordinance."

He accordingly presented the said Bill and the same was read the first time and ordered to be read the second time to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read for the second reading

of the Bill entitled "An Ordinance respecting Mortgages and Sales of Personal Property,"

The said Bill was accordingly read the second time and committed to a Committee of the Whole House for to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read for the third reading of the Bill to incorporate the Calgary Water Power Company, Limited,

On motion of Mr. LINEHAM, seconded by Mr. TWEED,

Resolved that the said Order be discharged and the Bill re-committed to a Committee of the Whole House for the purpose of striking out all the words after the word "purpose" in the amendment and substituting the following therefor:—

"Of confining the operation of Section 8 to Sections 17, 21 and 22 in Township 24, Range 1, West of the 5th Meridian and to amend Section 13 to make it conform to Sub-section 2 of Section 10."

Ordered that the House do immediately resolve itself into the said Committee.

The House accordingly resolved itself into the said Committee, and, after some time spent therein, Mr. SPEAKER resumed the Chair, and Mr. LINEHAM reported the Bill amended, as directed.

The amendment was then twice read and agreed to.

Ordered that the Bill be now read the third time,

The said Bill was accordingly read the third time.

Ordered that the Bill do now pass and be intituled "An Ordinance to incorporate the Calgary Water Power Company, Limited."

The Order of the day being read for the third readings of the Bill to amend the Ordinance respecting the Legal

Profession and of the Bill intituled "An Ordinance respecting the Expropriation of Lands."

The said Bills were severally read the third time.

Ordered that these Bills do now pass and be respectively intituled "An Ordinance to amend Chapter 41 of the Revised Ordinances of the North-West Territories," and

"An Ordinance respecting the Expropriation of Lands,"

The House, according to order, again resolved itself into Committee of the Whole on the Bill to amend "The Game Ordinance," and, after some time spent therein, Mr. SPEAKER resumed the Chair, and Mr. MITCHELL reported the Bill with amendments.

The said amendments were then twice read and agreed to.

Ordered that the Bill be read the third time to-morrow.

The House, according to order, again resolved itself into Committee of the Whole on the Bill to amend "The Unincorporated Towns Ordinance," and, after some time spent therein, Mr. SPEAKER resumed the Chair, and Mr. THORBURN reported that the Committee had made some progress and had directed him to move for leave to sit again.

Ordered that the Committee have leave to sit again to-morrow.

The House then adjourned.

TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 12th, 1889.

2:30 o'clock p.m.

Journal read and approved.

Mr. JELLY, from the Standing Committee on Agriculture, to whom was referred the Petition of R. Hillhouse and

others, praying for the amendment of the Ordinance respecting Fences, reported:—

That the Committee do not consider it advisable to reconsider Section 6 of Chapter 12 of the Revised Ordinances of the North-West Territories, intituled "An Ordinance Respecting Fences."

The said Report was received and concurred in.

Mr. CAYLEY, from the Standing Committee on Standing Orders and Library, presented the following Report:

The Standing Committee on Standing Orders and Library beg to report in favor of the suspension of rules and allowing Bills to be introduced legalizing By-Law No. 41 of the Municipality of Indian Head and School Debenture No. 1 of the Kenlis Protestant Public School District, but, while recommending that the rules be suspended in these two cases, the Committee wish to say that they are not in favor of any longer remitting the fees prescribed by the regulations for Private Bills, and will make no further recommendations to that effect.

The said Report was received and concurred in.

Mr. JELLY, from the Standing Committee on Agriculture, reported the Bill to amend "The Statute Labor and Fire Ordinance" with amendments.

Ordered that the same be committed to a Committee of the Whole House for to-morrow.

Mr. THORBURN presented a Report, with reference to Gophers, from the Special Committee appointed to consider disadvantages or evils from which farmers suffer.

Ordered that the same be received and committed to a Committee of the Whole House for to-morrow.

Ordered that Mr. SUTHERLAND have leave to introduce a Bill intituled "An Ordinance to legalize a certain Debenture

of the School District of Kenlis, Protestant Public School District No. 6 of the North-West Territories.

He accordingly presented the said Bill, and the same was read the first time and ordered to be read the second time to-morrow.

Mr. BRETT, from the Advisory Council, by permission of His Honor the Lieutenant-Governor, then read the following documents:—

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY,
REGINA, N.W.T., Nov. 11th, 1889.

To His Honor the Lieutenant-Governor of the North-West Territories:

SIR,—In consequence of the House having adopted at its last sitting the following Resolution, viz.:

“That the position assumed by the Advisory Council, as set out in the statement of their leader, when announcing the same, was assumed contrary to the wishes of this Assembly, and the Advisory Council do not possess the confidence of the Assembly,”

I beg leave to tender Your Honor my resignation and that of my colleagues.

While believing that the position we have taken on this question is in strict accordance with law and the interests of the Territories, at the same time we feel you are entitled to this action on our part.

I have the honor to be,

Your obedient servant,

R. G. BRETT.

GOVERNMENT HOUSE,
REGINA, November 12th, 1889.
10 o'clock a.m.

Dr. R. G. Brett, M.L.A., Regina:

MY DEAR SIR,—I am in receipt of your letter received yesterday forenoon, tendering your resignation and that of

your colleagues, as Members of the Advisory Council, in consequence of the Legislative Assembly having adopted at its last meeting a resolution expressing its want of confidence in you and your colleagues for having assumed the position contrary to the wishes of the majority of the Assembly.

The question is one of law, and having after due consideration requested you to assist me in carrying on the affairs of the country according to the statute, I must decline to accept your resignation in the absence of any act showing that you have proved yourselves unworthy of the trust reposed in you.

If the regime, as established by law, seems capable of amelioration, constitutional means may effectually be resorted to.

Territorial matters alone are intended by the statute to be placed under the control of the Assembly, and it is only in the event of you administering such affairs in opposition to the wishes of a majority of the House that your resignation, as Members of the Executive, can be entertained.

I have selected you in the terms of the law, and this prerogative would be very seriously impaired if you were to be denounced without waiting to see your acts.

At the last Session of this Assembly, I invited the representatives of the people to work cordially with the Council, in order to make the best possible form of government, with the temporary and necessarily imperfect elements placed by Parliament at our disposal.

It is my sincere belief that the unmistakable signs of confidence and satisfaction, expressed by the Country, have gone far to prove that our efforts were crowned with success. Nevertheless, the very liberal concessions made seemed of late to have failed in satisfying the Assembly, and impossibilities, with the present machinery, appear to have been imperatively insisted upon both by the House and the first Advisory Council, finally settling the latter to resign before their action had been constitutionally dealt with by the Assembly.

Under these circumstances no other course was left open to me but to enter within the safe lines of the law, and with

the assistance of another Council, formed by another method, to administer the public affairs in full accord with the requirements of the Country and in strict agreement with the law, as I find it on the Statute Book.

Having fully weighed all these facts and considerations, and keeping the public interest steadily in view, I regret not being able to relieve you from the grave duty which you, as loyal citizens, owe to the law and to your Country.

I have the honor to remain, my dear sir,

Your very obedient servant,

J. ROYAL,

Lieutenant-Governor North-West Territories.

The said documents were then laid on the Table.

The Order of the day being read for the second reading of the Bill to amend "The Judicature Ordinance,"

The said Bill was accordingly read the second time and committed to a Committee of the Whole House for tomorrow.

The Order of the day being read for the second reading of the Bill respecting Hides,

The said Bill was accordingly read the second time and committed to a Committee of the Whole House for tomorrow.

The Order of the day being read for the third reading of the Bill to amend "The Game Ordinance,"

The said Bill was accordingly read the third time.

Ordered that this Bill do now pass and be entitled An Ordinance to Amend Chapter 25 of the Revised Ordinances of the North-West Territories, intituled "The Game Ordinance."

The House, according to order, again resolved itself into Committee of the Whole on the Bill entitled "An Ordinance respecting Mortgages and Sales of Personal Property," and

after some time spent therein, Mr. SPEAKER resumed the Chair, and Mr. LINEHAM reported that the Committee had made some progress and had directed him to move for leave to sit again.

Ordered that the Committee have leave to sit again to-morrow.

The House, according to order, again resolved itself into Committee of the Whole on the Bill to amend "The Unincorporated Towns' Ordinance," and, after some time spent therein, Mr. SPEAKER resumed the Chair, and Mr. THORBURN reported the Bill with amendments.

The said amendments were then twice read and agreed to

Ordered that the Bill be read the third time to-morrow.

The House, according to order, again resolved itself into Committee of the Whole on the Bill to amend "The Brand Ordinance," and, after some time spent therein, Mr. SPEAKER resumed the Chair, and Mr. CAYLEY reported that the Committee had made some progress and had directed him to move for leave to sit again.

Ordered that the Committee have leave to sit again to-morrow.

The House, according to order, again resolved itself into Committee of the Whole on the Bill to amend "The School Ordinance," and, after some time spent therein, Mr. SPEAKER resumed the Chair, and Mr. TWEED reported that the Committee had made some progress and had directed him to move for leave to sit again.

Ordered that the Committee have leave to sit again to-morrow.

The House, according to order, again resolved itself into Committee of the Whole on the Bill to amend "The Municipal Ordinance," and, after some time spent therein, Mr. SPEAKER resumed the Chair, and Mr. BETTS reported that

the Committee had made some progress and had directed him to move for leave to sit again.

Ordered that the Committee have leave to sit again to-morrow.

Mr. SPEAKER left the Chair at half-past five o'clock.

WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 13th, 1889.

2:30 o'clock p.m.

Journal read and approved.

Mr. SPEAKER informed the House that he had received a message from His Honor the Lieutenant-Governor, signed by His Honor.

The said message was then read, and is as follows:—

J. ROYAL.

The Lieutenant-Governor transmits the estimated receipts and estimates of certain sums required for the service of the North-West Territories for the fiscal year ending the 30th June, 1890, and recommends the same to the Legislative Assembly.

Government House, 13th November, 1889.

ESTIMATES OF CERTAIN SEWS DEDUCTED FOR THE SERVICE OF THE NORTH-WEST TERRITORIES FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDING 30TH JUNE, 1890

	1888-89.	1889-90.	Increase.	Decrease.
Clerical Assistance	\$ 550 00	\$ 780 00	\$ 230 00	
Registration of Marriage Certificates	87 00			87 00
Veterinary Surgeons	400 00	500 00	100 00	
Books for Court	200 00	100 00		100 00
Sherriff's Fees for Making Jury Lists	200 00	200 00		
Salary of Queen's Printer	900 00	240 00		660 00
Security Bonds for Public Officers	50 00			50 00
Crown Prosecutors in Liquor Cases	800 00	1,000 00	200 00	
Legal Services under Ordinance	500 00	500 00		
Auditor's Salary	100 00	100 00		
Vital Statistics (Books, \$350; Salary Registrar-General, \$100)	500 00	450 00		150 00
Postage	100 00	100 00		
Contingencies	100 00	100 00		
Insurance on Library Books	45 00	100 00	100 00	
Exchange	20 00	20 00		
Immigration	2,300 00	2,300 00		
Destruction of Clophens	400 00	400 00		
Medicine Hat General Hospital	500 00	500 00		
St. Albert Hospital	100 00	100 00		
Outstanding Accounts	160 00	160 00		
Assiniboia Rifle Association	50 00	50 00		
Ferry across Saskatchewan River at Battleford	500 00	500 00		
Balance of Vote Aid to Districts, 1888-9	2,461 77	2,461 77		
Aid to Districts	8,250 00	14,219 20	5,969 20	

\$12,337 00 \$24,825 97 \$13,385 97 \$ 897 00

ESTIMATED RECEIPTS FOR YEAR 1888-90, AS COMPARED WITH THOSE
OF YEAR 1888-89.

	Estimated Receipts Year 1889-90.	Receipts Year 1888-89.
Auctioneer Licenses.....	\$ 250 00	\$ 262 50
Subscription and Advertising in Gazette.....	60 00	50 98
Billard Licenses.....	400 00	337 50
Commissioners to Take Affidavits.....	25 00	15 00
Ferry Licenses.....	50 00	90 00
Fines under Ordinances.....	750 00	606 60
Fines for breach of Liquor Law.....	1,200 00	1,708 50
Fee for Enrollment Under Legal Ordinance.....	100 00	302 00
Fee for Registration Under Medical Ordinance.....	100 00	250 00
Fees Under Chapter 30 Revised Ordinance, In- corporation Joint Stock Companies.....	250 00	220 25
Liquor Permits.....	4,800 00	5,352 70
Canadian Pacific Railway Permits.....	200 00	125 75
Sale of 4 Per Cent. Beer.....	7,000 00	5,714 50
Marriage Licenses.....	450 00	316 00
Notaries Public.....	80 00	80 00
Private Bills.....	200 00	200 00
Pedler Licenses.....	300 00	237 50
Returned Dead Letters.....		3 50
Refunded by School Districts.....	65 85	37 00
Refund.....		25 00
Sale of Ordinances.....	75 00	174 60
Well Boring Machines.....	100 00	
	\$16,455 85	\$16,109 88
Balance in Bank July 1, 1889.....	8,370 12	
	\$24,825 97	

The said Estimates were then laid on the Table.

Mr. JELLY presented a Report from the Standing Committee on Agriculture with reference to Pre-emption:

The said Report was received and committed to a Committee of the Whole House for to-morrow.

On motion of Mr. BRETT, seconded by Mr. RICHARDSON,

Resolved that this House do, on the next Sitting day, re-

solve itself into a Committee to consider of the supply to be granted to Her Majesty.

On motion of Mr. ROSS, seconded by Mr. CLINKSKILL,

Resolved that Mr. TURRIFF be excused from attendance at this day's sitting of the House.

Ordered that Mr. DAVIDSON have leave to introduce a Bill entitled "An Ordinance to legalize By-law No. 41 of the Municipality of Indian Head."

He accordingly presented the said Bill and the same was read the first time and ordered to be read the second time to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read for the second reading of the Bill entitled "An Ordinance to legalize a certain De-benture of the School District of Kenlis Protestant Public School District No. 6 of the North-West Territories."

The said Bill was accordingly read the second time and committed to a Committee of the Whole House for to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read for the third reading of the Bill to amend "The Unincorporated Towns Ordinance,"

The said Bill was accordingly read the third time.

Ordered that this Bill do now pass and be entitled An Ordinance to amend Ordinance No. 2 of 1888, intituled "The Unincorporated Towns' Ordinance."

The House, according to order, again resolved itself into Committee of the Whole on the Bill to amend "The Statute Labor and Fire Ordinance," and, after some time spent therein, Mr. SPEAKER resumed the Chair, and Mr. JELLY reported that the Committee had made some progress and had directed him to move for leave to sit again.

Ordered that the Committee have leave to sit again to-morrow.

Pursuant to order, the House resolved itself into Committee of the Whole on the Report from the Special Committee appointed to consider the disadvantages and evils from which farmers suffer, and, after some time spent therein, Mr. SPEAKER resumed the Chair, and Mr. THORBURN reported that the Committee had come to a Resolution,

The said Resolution was then read the first time and is as follows :—

1. Whereas very serious losses have been suffered by farmers from the ravages of gophers in the growing grain, reaching, according to various returns from districts extending from range one to Range twenty-two West of the Second Initial Meridian, to an average of 52 per cent. of the acreage sown during the season of 1889;

2. And whereas gophers breed not only on the lands occupied by settlers, but also on the vacant lands held by the Dominion Government, the Canadian Pacific Railway Company, and other parties; and, in dry seasons especially, gather in from surrounding vacant lands to the growing crops of settlers, doing immense damage, and in such numbers that it has been found impossible for individual settlers, by their unaided efforts and at their own expense, to contend successfully in preventing the ravages thus committed:

Be it resolved to present an humble petition to His Honor the Lieutenant Governor, praying him to arrange means, whereby settlers in districts suffering from the ravages of gophers may be provided with poison and traps for the destruction of the gophers, either without cost to them or by their paying not more than the cost price thereof;

Further, to present an humble address to the Governor General in Council praying that funds may be provided and arrangements be made for the purpose of paying a bonus of two cents per head, severed from the bodies of gophers, that shall be destroyed during the month of April, 1890, and one cent per head, severed from the bodies of gophers, that

shall be destroyed during the month of May, 1890, in the North-West Territories :

And that this Report be referred to the Memorial Committee for their action thereon.

The same was then read the second time and concurred in.

The House, according to order, again resolved itself into Committee of the Whole on the Bill to amend "The Judicature Ordinance," and, after some time spent therein, Mr. SPEAKER resumed the Chair, and Mr. HAULTAIN reported that the Committee had made some progress and had directed him to move for leave to sit again.

Ordered that the Committee have leave to sit again tomorrow.

The House, according to order, again resolved itself into Committee of the Whole on the Bill respecting Mortgages and Sales of Personal Property, and, after some time spent therein, Mr. SPEAKER resumed the Chair, and Mr. LINEHAM reported that the Committee had directed him to move for leave to sit again.

Ordered that the Committee have leave to sit again tomorrow.

The House, according to order, again resolved itself into Committee of the Whole on the Bill to amend "The Municipal Ordinance," and, after some time spent therein, Mr. SPEAKER resumed the Chair, and Mr. BETTS reported that the Committee had made some progress and had directed him to move for leave to sit again.

Ordered that the Committee have leave to sit again tomorrow.

The House, according to order, again resolved itself into Committee of the Whole on the Bill to amend "The Herd Ordinance," and, after some time spent therein, Mr. SPEAKER resumed the Chair, and Mr. CLINKSKILL reported

that the Committee had made some progress and had directed him to move for leave to sit again.

Ordered that the Committee have leave to sit again to-morrow.

The House then adjourned.

THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 14th, 1889.

2:30 o'clock p.m.

Journal read and approved.

On motion of Mr. Turritt, the House resolved itself into Committee of the Whole to consider the question of compensation to owners of glandered horses destroyed by the Government Veterinary Surgeon, and, after some time spent therein, Mr. SPEAKER resumed the Chair, and Mr. TURRIF reported that the Committee had come to a Resolution.

The said Resolution was then read the first time and is as follows:—

That the member for Souris be authorized to render such compensation, as he may deem proper, to owners of glandered horses destroyed by the Government Veterinary Surgeon out of the "Aid to Districts Vote" for Souris District.

The same was then read the second time and concurred in.

Ordered that Mr. REAMAN have leave to introduce a Bill entitled "An Ordinance respecting Justices of the Peace."

He accordingly presented the said Bill and the same was read the first time and ordered to be read the second time to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read for the House to go into Committee of Supply.

On motion that Mr. SPEAKER do now leave the Chair, Mr. SECORD moved in amendment, seconded by Mr. REAMAN,

That the Assembly recommend to His Excellency the Governor-General in Council that full responsible Government should be given to the Territories with the other powers, in addition to those already possessed by the Assembly, granted by the British North America Act to the Province of Canada, with the exception of the power to raise money on the public credit.

A debate having ensued thereon, it was resolved on motion of Mr. SUTHERLAND that, when this House adjourns, it do stand adjourned until 4:15 o'clock p.m.

The House then adjourned.

THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 14th, 1889.

4:15 o'clock p.m.

Mr. SPEAKER took the Chair.

The Order of the day being read for the House to go into Committee of Supply,

On motion that Mr. SPEAKER do now leave the Chair, Mr. Haultain moved in amendment, seconded by Mr. SUTHERLAND,

That all the words after "That" to the end of the question be struck out and the following substituted: "the House do not consider of any further supply to be granted to Her Majesty, until the supply voted last year has been properly accounted for."

A debate having ensued thereon, it was resolved on motion of Mr. SUTHERLAND that, when the House adjourns, it do stand adjourned until eight o'clock p.m.

Ordered that the debate be now adjourned.

The House then adjourned.

THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 14th, 1889.

8 o'clock p.m.

Mr. SPEAKER took the Chair.

Pursuant to order, the debate on the amendment to the motion that Mr. SPEAKER do now leave the Chair was resumed.

And the House having continued to sit until twelve of the clock, mid-night,

FRIDAY, 15th NOVEMBER, 1889.

The question being put on the amendment, the House divided and the names being called for were taken down as follows:—

Yeas,—Messrs. THORBURN,
NEFF,
SUTHERLAND,
TWEED,
CAYLEY,
LINEHAM,
HAULTAIN,
DAVIDSON,
OLIVER,
ROSS,
CLINKSKILL,
MITCHELL,—12.

Nays,—Messrs. BRETT,
RICHARDSON,
BETTS,
JELLY,
REAMAN,
HOEY,
SECORD.—7.

So it passed in the affirmative.

Moved by Mr. BRETT, seconded by Mr. RICHARDSON,

That the House do on the next Sitting day resolve itself into Committee of Supply,

And the question being put, the House divided and the names being called for were taken down as follows :—

Nays,—Messrs. THORBURN,
NEFF,
SUTHERLAND,
TWEED,
CAYLEY,
LINEHAM,
HAULTAIN,
DAVIDSON,
OLIVER,
ROSS,
CLINKSKILL,
MITCHELL.—12

Yeas,—Messrs. BRETT,
RICHARDSON,
BETTS,
JELLY,
REAMAN,
HOEY,
SECORD.—7.

So it passed in the negative.

The House then adjourned.

FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 15th, 1889.

2:30 o'clock p.m.

Journal read and approved.

Mr. CLINKSKILL moved, seconded by Mr. THORBURN,

That an humble address be presented to His Honor the Lieutenant-Governor, praying that he will be pleased to accept the resignation of the present Advisory Council and to select an Advisory Council which will possess the confidence of the Assembly:

And the question being put, the House divided, and the names being called for were taken down as follows:—

Yeas.—Messrs. THORBURN,
 NEFF,
 SUTHERLAND,
 TWEED,
 CAYLEY,
 HAULTAIN,
 DAVIDSON,
 OLIVER,
 TURRIFF,
 ROSS,
 CLINKSKILL,
 MITCHELL. 12.

Nays.—Messrs. PLAXTON,
 HOEY,
 SECORD. 3.

So it passed in the affirmative.

On motion of Mr. HOEY, seconded by Mr. PLAXTON,

Resolved that an humble address be presented to His Honor the Lieutenant-Governor, praying that he will cause to be laid on the Table of this House all papers, letters, and any other documents relating to the resignation of the late Advisory Council.

The Order of the day being read for the second reading of the Bill intituled "An Ordinance respecting Justices of the Peace,"

The said Bill was accordingly read the second time and committed to a Committee of the Whole House for tomorrow

The Order of the day being read for the second reading of the Bill intituled "An Ordinance to legalize By-Law No. 41 of the Municipality of Indian Head."

The said Bill was accordingly read the second time and committed to a Committee of the Whole House for tomorrow.

The House, according to order, resolved itself into Committee of the Whole on the Report from the Standing Committee on Agriculture with reference to pre-emptions, and, after some time spent therein, Mr. SPEAKER resumed the Chair, and Mr. JELLY reported that the Committee had come to a Resolution.

The said Resolution was then read the first time, and is as follows:—

The Committee, while acknowledging the justice accorded the settler in granting him the right to add the eighty acre pre-emption to his homestead, thus making 160 acres for homestead,

Consider that this right has been coupled with a condition that is unfair. That is, forcing the settler, in order to have the advantage of the concessions made above, to buy for a pre-emption not less than eighty acres nor not more than 130, at \$2.50 per acre, to be paid in full before the settler can get his patent.

The Committee would recommend that a Memorial be sent to the Minister of the Interior asking that these settlers be placed in same position as settlers on other lands, and not be forced to purchase a pre-emption.

The same was then read the second time and concurred in.

The House, according to order, resolved itself into Committee of the Whole on the Bill to legalize a certain Debenture of the School District of Kenlis Protestant Public School District No. 6 of the North-West Territories, and, after some time spent therein, Mr. SPEAKER resumed the

Chair, and Mr. SUTHERLAND reported the Bill agreed to without amendment.

Ordered that the said Bill be read the third time to-morrow.

The House, according to order, again resolved itself into Committee of the Whole on the Bill to amend "The Statute Labor and Fire Ordinance," and, after some time spent therein, Mr. SPEAKER resumed the Chair.

The House, according to order, again resolved itself into Committee of the Whole on the Bill to amend "The Judicature Ordinance," and, after some time spent therein, Mr. SPEAKER resumed the Chair, and Mr. HAULTAIN reported that the Committee had made some progress and had directed him to move for leave to sit again.

Ordered that the Committee have leave to sit again to-morrow.

The House, according to order, again resolved itself into Committee of the Whole on the Bill respecting Hides, and, after some time spent therein, Mr. SPEAKER resumed the Chair, and Mr. HAULTAIN reported that the Committee had made some progress and had directed him to move for leave to sit again.

Ordered that the Committee have leave to sit again to-morrow.

The House, according to order, again resolved itself into Committee of the Whole on the Bill to amend "The School Ordinance," and, after some time spent therein, Mr. SPEAKER resumed the Chair, and Mr. TWEED reported that the Committee had made some progress and had directed him to move for leave to sit again.

Ordered that the Committee have leave to sit again to-morrow.

Ordered that, when this House, adjourns it do stand adjourned until 2:30 o'clock p.m. to-morrow.

The House, according to order, again resolved itself into Committee of the Whole on the Bill to amend "The Herd Ordinance, and, after some time spent therein, Mr. SPEAKER resumed the Chair and Mr. SECORD reported that the Committee had made some progress and had directed him to move for leave to sit again.

Ordered that the Committee have leave to sit again to-morrow.

The House, according to order, again resolved itself into Committee of the Whole on the Bill to amend the Ordinance respecting Mortgages and Sales of Personal Property, and, after some time spent therein, Mr. SPEAKER resumed the Chair.

The House then adjourned.

SATURDAY, 16th NOVEMBER, 1889.

2:30 o'clock p.m.

Journal read and approved.

Mr. SPEAKER informed the House that he had received from His Honor the Lieutenant Governor, for communication to the House, papers relating to the resignation of the late Advisory Council.

The said papers were then laid on the Table.

Ordered that Mr. HAULTAIN have leave to introduce a Bill intituled "An Ordinance to provide for the incorporation of Butter and Cheese Manufacturing Associations."

He accordingly presented the said Bill and the same was read the first time.

Ordered that this Bill be now read the second time.

The same was accordingly read the second time and committed to a Committee of the Whole House.

Ordered that the House do immediately resolve itself into the said Committee.

The House accordingly resolved itself into the said Committee, and, after some time spent therein, Mr. SPEAKER resumed the Chair, and Mr. HAULTAIN reported the Bill agreed to without amendment.

Ordered that this Bill be now read the third time.

The said Bill was accordingly read the third time.

Ordered that this Bill do now pass and be intituled "An Ordinance to provide for the incorporation of Butter and Cheese Manufacturing Associations."

On motion of Mr. HAULTAIN, seconded by Mr. DAVIDSON,

Resolved that hereafter until the close of the Session, if the business of the day be not concluded at half-past five o'clock, Mr. SPEAKER shall leave the Chair until eight o'clock.

The Order of the day being read for the third reading of the Bill intituled "An Ordinance to legalize a certain Debenture of the School District of Kenlis Protestant Public School District No. 6 of the North-West Territories,"

The said Bill was accordingly read the third time.

Ordered that this Bill do now pass and be intituled "An Ordinance to legalize a certain Debenture of the School District of Kenlis Protestant Public School District No. 6 of the North-West Territories."

The House, according to order, again resolved itself into Committee of the Whole on the Bill respecting Justices of the Peace, and, after some time spent therein, Mr. SPEAKER resumed the Chair, and Mr. REAMAN reported the Bill agreed to without amendment.

Ordered that the Bill be read the third time on Monday next.

The House, according to order, again resolved itself into Committee of the Whole on the Bill to legalize a By-law of the Municipality of Indian Head, and, after some time spent therein, Mr. SPEAKER resumed the Chair, and Mr. DAVIDSON reported the Bill agreed to without amendment.

Ordered that the Bill be read the third time on Monday next.

The House, according to order, again resolved itself into Committee of the Whole on the Bill to amend "The Judicature Ordinance," and, after some time spent therein, Mr. SPEAKER resumed the Chair, and Mr. HAULTAIN reported that the Committee had made some progress and had directed him to move for leave to sit again.

Ordered that the Committee have leave to sit again at the next sitting of the House.

The House, according to order, again resolved itself into Committee of the Whole on the Bill to amend "The Brand Ordinance," and, after some time spent therein, Mr. SPEAKER resumed the Chair, and Mr. CAYLEY reported that the Committee had made some progress and had directed him to move for leave to sit again.

Ordered that the Committee have leave to sit again at the next sitting of the House.

The House, according to order, again resolved itself into Committee of the Whole on the Bill to amend "The School Ordinance," and, after some time spent therein, Mr. SPEAKER resumed the Chair, and Mr. TWEED reported that the Committee had made some progress and had directed him to move for leave to sit again.

Ordered that the Committee have leave to sit again at the next sitting of the House.

The House, according to order, again resolved itself into Committee of the Whole on the Bill to amend "The Municipal Ordinance," and, after some time spent therein, Mr. SPEAKER resumed the Chair, and Mr. BETTS reported that

the Committee had made some progress and had directed him to move for leave to sit again.

Ordered that the Committee have leave to sit again at the next sitting of the House.

The House, according to order, again resolved itself into Committee of the Whole on the Bill to amend "The Herd Ordinance," and, after some time spent therein, Mr. SPEAKER resumed the Chair, and Mr. SECOND reported the Bill with amendments.

The said amendments were then twice read and agreed to.

Ordered that this Bill be read the third time on Monday next.

The House then adjourned.

MONDAY, 18th NOVEMBER, 1889.

2:30 o'clock p.m.

Journal read and approved.

Mr. BRETT, from the Advisory Council, by permission of His Honor the Lieutenant-Governor, read the following documents:—

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY,
REGINA, 15th November, 1889

To His Honor the Lieutenant Governor of the North-West Territories.

SIR,—In consequence of a majority of the Assembly refusing to consider the Estimates for the year 1889-90, as prepared by your Honor's Advisory Council and submitted to the House on the 14th instant, I must press upon your Honor the acceptance of the resignation of myself and colleagues.

Upon general questions we fully adhere to the views expressed by me when accepting office, and are still of opinion

that, while in Territorial matters the Advisory Council should possess the confidence of the House, the Council cannot according to the true construction of the Law be held in any way responsible for the expenditure of the Dominion Funds. Upon this point a difference of opinion prevails amongst the members of the Assembly and an adverse vote has consequently been given upon our first executive act.

In taking this step, we hope it may tend to further the work of the Session and if possible remove the obstruction placed by the Assembly by refusing to vote the Territorial funds necessary for the carrying on of the affairs of the Country.

In thus expressing ourselves, we also desire to convey to your Honor our thanks for the consideration you have always given to our suggestions and to assure your Honor that our highest aim shall be to assist in every way possible towards carrying on the Territorial Government to the fullest possible extent under the powers granted us.

I have the honor to be, Sir,

Your obedient servant.

R. G. BRETT.

GOVERNMENT HOUSE,
REGINA, 16th November, 1889.

MY DEAR SIR,—I have received your letter of the 15th instant, in which you press upon me the acceptance of your resignation and that of your colleagues, as Members of the Advisory Council, in consequence of a majority of the Assembly refusing to consider the Territorial Estimates for the current year submitted by you to the Legislature. Your first executive act having failed to secure the support of the Assembly, I deem it my duty to accept your resignation.

I trust the course now adopted by you will tend to convince your friends of the constitutional propriety of the position, which, under our existing circumstances, you and your colleagues had assumed.

Believe me,

Your very obedient servant,

J. ROYAL,

Lieutenant-Governor.

Dr. R. G. Brett, M.L.A., Regina.

The said documents were then laid on the Table.

MR HAULTAIN, from the Standing Committee on Civil Justice, reported the Bill respecting the personal property of Married Women.

Ordered that the House do immediately resolve itself into Committee of the Whole on said Bill.

The House accordingly resolved itself into the said Committee, and, after some time spent therein, Mr. SPEAKER resumed the Chair, and Mr. HAULTAIN reported that the Committee had made some progress and had directed him to move for leave to sit again.

Ordered that the Committee have leave to sit again at the next sitting of the House.

The Order of the day being read for the third reading of the Bill respecting Justices of the Peace.

The said Bill was accordingly read the third time.

Ordered that this Bill do now pass and be intituled "An Ordinance respecting Justices of the Peace."

The Order of the day being read for the third reading of the Bill to legalize a By-Law of the Municipality of Indian Head.

The said Bill was accordingly read the third time.

Ordered that this Bill do now pass and be intituled "An Ordinance to legalize By-Law No. 41 of the Municipality of Indian Head."

The Order of the day being read for the third reading of the Bill to amend "The Herd Ordinance."

The said Bill was accordingly read the third time.

Ordered that this Bill do now pass and be entitled An

Ordinance to amend Chapter 11 of the Revised Ordinances of the North-West Territories, intituled "The Herd Ordinance."

The House, according to order, again resolved itself into Committee of the Whole on the Bill to amend "The Judicature Ordinance," and, after some time spent therein, Mr. SPEAKER resumed the Chair, and Mr. HAULTAIN reported that the Committee had made some progress and had directed him to move for leave to sit again.

Ordered that the Committee have leave to sit again at the next sitting of the House.

The House, according to order, again resolved itself into Committee of the Whole on the Bill respecting Hides, and, after some time spent therein, Mr. SPEAKER resumed the Chair, and Mr. HAULTAIN reported that the Committee had made some progress and had directed him to move for leave to sit again.

Ordered that the Committee have leave to sit again at the next sitting of the House.

The House, according to order, again resolved itself into Committee of the Whole on the Bill intituled "An Ordinance respecting Mortgages and Sales of Personal Property," and, after some time spent therein, Mr. SPEAKER resumed the Chair, and Mr. LINEHAM reported that the Committee had made some progress and had directed him to move for leave to sit again.

Ordered that the Committee have leave to sit again at the next sitting of the House.

The House, according to order, again resolved itself into Committee of the Whole on the Bill to amend "The Municipal Ordinance," and, after some time spent therein, Mr. SPEAKER resumed the Chair, and Mr. BETTS reported that the Committee had made some progress and directed him to move for leave to sit again.

Ordered that the Committee have leave to sit again at the next sitting of the House.

The House then adjourned.

TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 19th, 1889.

2:30 o'clock p.m.

Journal read and approved.

Mr. TWEED, from the Special Committee appointed to consider the question of Irrigation in the North-West Territories, presented the following Report:—

The Committee appointed to consider the question of Irrigation in the North-West Territories beg to submit the following report:—

1. That the question of introducing a system of irrigation into the North-West Territories is one of vast importance to the Territories at large:

2. That the portion of the North-West, West of the Eastern limit of the Missouri coteau and South of Township 30, being an area of 66,960 square miles, seems especially available for an economic and profitable system of irrigation.

3. That a paper read before the Association of Dominion Lands Surveyors, at its annual meeting held at Ottawa, in February of the present year, and to be found at page 150 of the report of the proceedings of the Association, and which was written by William Pearce, D. L. S., of Calgary, Alta., contains suggestions in regard to the irrigation of this district, which seem to be of the highest value.

4. That the subject is of sufficient importance to warrant the Assembly in laying the matter before the Dominion Government and drawing the attention of the Government to the paper in question, with the request that they will confer with the North-West Members of Parliament upon the subject at the next Session of Parliament.

5. That a copy of this report be sent to the Secretary of State and to the Members of Parliament for the Territories.

Ordered that the said report be received and referred to the Memorial Committee.

Mr. HAULTAIN, from the Special Committee appointed to consider Bill No. 136 of the last Session of the House of Commons, introduced by the Minister of the Interior, for the purpose of consolidating and amending the Acts respecting the North-West Territories, and withdrawn, presented the following Report:—

The Special Committee appointed to consider Bill No. 136 of the last Session of the House of Commons of Canada, introduced by the Minister of the Interior, for the purpose of consolidating and amending the Acts respecting the North-West Territories, and withdrawn, report as follows:—

1. With the exception of Section 110 of the Bill, which deals with the Prohibitory Law and other subjects, the Bill does not propose to deal with any matters affecting the Territories in a line with the often expressed wishes of the North-West Council and the North-West Legislature, but is distinctly retrogressive.

2. As many matters proposed to be dealt with by the Bill have been considered by other Committees appointed by the Assembly, the Committee have not attempted to discuss them.

3. Section 10 of the Bill should be amended so as to dispense with the sitting of Legal Experts with the Assembly.

4. Section 11 of the Bill should be amended so as to make the term of the Assembly four years instead of three, and to place the power of dissolution, on the advice of his responsible advisers, in the hands of the Lieutenant-Governor.

5. Sections 15 and 16 of the Bill, relating to the fran-

chise, should be dealt with by the Assembly in the same way as is proposed for the prohibitory clauses.

6. Section 21 of the Bill relating to the Advisory Council refers to ground already covered by the Memorial Committee, as does Section 25, which deals with the powers of the Assembly.

7. Section 26, the Separate School Clause, has been made the subject matter of an Address to the Governor-General in Council.

8. Section 59 should be so amended as to give the appointment of Sheriffs and Clerks of Court to the Local Government.

9. Section 63 proposes to give the Lieutenant-Governor alone the power to regulate the fees of Clerks of Court, and should be changed so as to leave that power under the control of the Assembly.

10. Section 66 of the Bill proposes to take away the power of appointing Justices of the Peace from the Lieutenant-Governor, and to give that power to the Governor-General in Council; there is no reason why this power, which belongs to all Provincial establishments, should be taken from the Territories.

11. Section 68 should be repealed; and Section 69 so amended as to give every person charged with a criminal offence the right to a jury, if he so desires it.

12. Section 98 of the Bill proposes to continue a law, which is unnecessary and a direct insult to the people of the Territories.

13. The property in all road allowances, trails, non-navigable rivers and streams and their road-beds, as well as the power of control, should be vested in the Government of the Territories.

14. An address has already been adopted by the Assembly

with regard to the use of the French language, which Section 106 of the Bill proposes to continue.

15. The provisions with regard to the prohibitory and other clauses contained in Section 110 of the Bill are satisfactory to the Assembly, except that the Law should not be amended by any Dominion Legislation, but should remain the same until the power conferred by Section 110 is exercised by the Assembly.

Ordered that the said Report be received, and referred to the Memorial Committee.

The House then adjourned.

WEDNESDAY, 20th NOVEMBER, 1889.

2:30 o'clock p.m.

Journal read and approved.

Mr. JELLY from the Committee on Agriculture presented the following Report:—

SECOND HOMESTEADS.

That it would be only just to those, who entered for lands in the Territories during the operation of the Act permitting second homesteading, that the right to second homesteading should in all cases be extended to them, provided they have continuously cultivated their first homestead.

RIGHT TO PRE-EMPT EXTENDED AFTER 1ST JANUARY, 1890.

Whereas it has been proved that, for the success of the settler, it is necessary for him to engage in both grain and stock raising, and it has been demonstrated that for this purpose the settler requires not less than three hundred and twenty acres of land:

Therefore be it *Resolved* that the right of pre-emption should be extended beyond the first of January, eighteen hundred and ninety.

TREE CULTURE.

Whereas, we believe that extensive tree culture would prove of great assistance in promoting the agricultural prosperity of the North-West Territories;

And whereas, it has been proved that trees grow rapidly and surely in the Territories, if properly managed;

Therefore be it *Resolved* that we urge the Dominion Government to adopt some plan, having in view the encouragement of tree planting.

Ordered that the said Report be received, and referred to the Memorial Committee.

Mr. CAYLEY from the Special Committee, appointed to draw up a Memorial to the Dominion Government on matters affecting the Territories, reported that the Committee had prepared a draft Memorial.

Ordered that the House do immediately resolve itself into Committee of the Whole House upon the said draft.

The House accordingly resolved itself into the said Committee, and, after some time spent therein, Mr. SPEAKER resumed the Chair, and Mr. CAYLEY reported that the Committee had made some progress and had directed him to move for leave to sit again.

Ordered that the Committee have leave to sit again at the next sitting of the House.

Ordered that Mr. CAYLEY have leave to introduce a Bill to amend "The Interpretation Ordinance."

He accordingly presented the said Bill and the same was read the first time.

On motion that this Bill be now read the second time, the House divided, and the names being called for were taken down as follows:—

Yeas,—Messrs. THORBURN,
 NEFF,
 SUTHERLAND
 TWEED,
 CAYLEY,
 LINEHAM,
 HAULTAIN,
 DAVIDSON,
 OLIVER,
 ROSS,
 CLINKSKILL,
 MITCHELL. 12.

Nays,—Messrs. BRETT,
 RICHARDSON,
 BETTS,
 JELLY,
 REAMAN,
 PLANTON,
 HOEY,
 SECORD. 8

So it passed in the affirmative.

The said Bill was accordingly read the second time and committed to a Committee of the Whole House for to-morrow.

Moved by Mr. THORBURN, seconded by Mr. NEFF,

1. That whereas, on Saturday, November 9th, a vote of want of confidence in the Advisory Council was passed by this House on a division of 13 to 8;

2. And whereas, in consequence of such vote, the Advisory Council tendered their resignation to His Honor the Lieutenant-Governor;

3. And whereas, His Honor the Lieutenant-Governor re-

fused to accept the resignation of his Council, and the Council have persisted in retaining office :

4. And whereas, a full account of the moneys voted to Her Majesty by this Assembly at its last Session, for the public uses of the Territories, has not as yet been rendered to this Assembly by the Advisory Council selected by His Honor the Lieutenant-Governor to assist him in matters of finance ;

5. And whereas, at the last Session of this Assembly \$105,484.90 was voted (see Ordinance No. 8 of 1888), and the statement of expenditure brought before the Assembly only accounts for \$18,078.74 ;

6. And whereas, on Thursday, November 16th, on motion made by the leader of the Advisory Council to consider of the supply for the current year, an amendment was moved to the effect that this House do not consider of any further supply, until an account has been rendered of the sums voted last Session ;

7. And whereas, this amendment was opposed by the Members of the Advisory Council, and was carried by a vote of twelve to seven ;

8. And whereas, the result of this vote proved that the advice tendered by the Advisory Council to His Honor the Lieutenant-Governor was not in accordance with the wish of this Assembly :

9. And whereas, the Estimates laid on the Table of this House do not meet with the approval of the House, inasmuch as they do not include the amounts voted by the Parliament of Canada at its last Session for expenses of Government, etc., in the North-West Territories ;

10. And whereas, on Friday, November the 15th, an humble address was adopted by the Assembly, requesting that His Honor the Lieutenant-Governor be pleased to accept the resignation of the present Advisory Council and select another Council :

11. And whereas, His Honor has paid no attention to this humble address, but, in opposition to the wishes of the Assembly, retains his present Council in office; and as the Assembly cannot accept the financial propositions of a Council in whom it has no confidence, the public business is being delayed;

12. And whereas, the continuance in office of a Council not possessing the confidence of the Assembly was a gross violation of the rights and privileges of the Assembly;

13. Therefore be it *Resolved* that an humble address be presented to His Honor the Lieutenant-Governor, praying that he will cause this Resolution to be transmitted by telegram to-day to the Right Honorable the President of the Privy Council of Canada.

And the question being put, it was moved in amendment by Mr. HAULTAIN, seconded by Mr. CAYLEY, that all the words after the word "That" to the end of the question be struck out and the following substituted therefor:—

1. That whereas, on Saturday, November 9th, a vote of want of confidence in the Advisory Council was passed by this House on a division of 13 to 8;

2. And whereas, in consequence of such vote, the Advisory Council tendered their resignation to His Honor the Lieutenant Governor;

3. And whereas, His Honor the Lieutenant Governor refused to accept the resignation of his Council and the Council persisted in retaining office;

4. And whereas, a full account of the moneys voted to Her Majesty by this Assembly, at its last Session, for the public uses of the Territories, has not as yet been rendered to this Assembly by the Advisory Council selected by His Honor the Lieutenant Governor to assist him in matters of finance;

5. And whereas, at the last Session of this Assembly \$105,484.90 was voted (see Ordinance number 8 of

1888) and the statement of Public Accounts brought before the Assembly only accounts for \$18,078.74 ;

6. And whereas, on Thursday, November 16th, on motion made by the leader of the Advisory Council to consider of the supply for the current year, an amendment was moved to the effect that this House do not consider of any further supply, until an account has been rendered of the sums voted last Session ;

7. And whereas, this amendment was opposed by the Members of the Advisory Council and was carried by a vote of twelve to seven ;

8. And whereas, the result of this vote proved that the advice tendered by the Advisory Council to His Honor the Lieutenant Governor was not in accordance with the wish of this Assembly ;

9. And whereas, the Estimates laid on the Table of this House do not meet with the approval of the House, inasmuch as they do not include the amounts voted by the Parliament of Canada at its last Session for expenses of Government, etc., in the North-West Territories ;

10. And whereas, on Friday, November the 15th, an humble address was adopted by the Assembly requesting that His Honor the Lieutenant Governor be pleased to accept the resignation of the present Advisory Council and select another Council ;

11. And whereas, the continuance in office of a Council not possessing the confidence of the Assembly was a gross violation of the rights and privileges of the Assembly ;

12. And whereas, the Advisory Council have since then resigned and His Honor the Lieutenant Governor has been pleased to accept their resignation ;

13. And whereas, no new Advisory Council can be formed, which will have the confidence of the Assembly, until His Honor has signified his intention to accede to the just demands of the Assembly ;

14. And whereas, in consequence of the position taken up by His Honor the Lieutenant Governor, no Estimates can be laid before the Assembly, and the business of the Territories is seriously impeded;

15. Therefore be it *Resolved* that an humble address be presented to His Honor the Lieutenant-Governor, praying that he will cause this Resolution to be transmitted by telegram to-day to the Right Honorable the President of the Privy Council of Canada.

And the question being put on the amendment, it was moved by Mr. RICHARDSON, seconded by Mr. BETTS, in amendment to the amendment, that Clause 3 of the amendment be amended by striking out the words "and the Council persisted in retaining office."

And the question being put upon the amendment to the amendment, it passed in the negative.

And the question being put upon the amendment, it passed in the affirmative.

The question was then put upon the main motion as amended, and it passed in the affirmative.

The House, according to order, again resolved itself into Committee of the Whole on the Bill to amend "The Judicature Ordinance," and, after some time spent therein, Mr. SPEAKER resumed the Chair, and Mr. HAULTAIN reported the Bill with amendments.

The said amendments were then twice read and agreed to.

Ordered that this Bill be read the third time to-morrow.

The House, according to order, again resolved itself into Committee of the Whole on the Bill respecting Hides, and, after some time spent therein, Mr. SPEAKER resumed the Chair, and Mr. HAULTAIN reported the Bill with amendments.

The said amendments were then twice read and agreed to.

Ordered that this Bill be read the third time to-morrow.

The House, according to order, again resolved itself into Committee of the Whole on the Bill entitled "An Ordinance respecting Mortgages and Sales of Personal Property," and, after some time spent therein, Mr. SPEAKER resumed the Chair, and Mr. LINEHAM reported the Bill with amendments.

The said amendments were then twice read and agreed to.

Ordered that this Bill be read the third time to-morrow.

The House, according to order, again resolved itself into Committee of the Whole on the Bill to amend "The Brand Ordinance," and, after some time spent therein, Mr. SPEAKER resumed the Chair, and Mr. CAYLEY reported that the Committee had made some progress and had directed him to move for leave to sit again.

Ordered that the Committee have leave to sit again to-morrow.

The House, according to order, again resolved itself into Committee of the Whole on the Bill to amend "The School Ordinance," and, after some time spent therein, Mr. SPEAKER resumed the Chair, and Mr. TWEED reported the Bill with amendments.

The said amendments were then twice read and agreed to.

Ordered that this Bill be read the third time to-morrow.

The House, according to order, again resolved itself into Committee of the Whole on the Bill to amend "The Municipal Ordinance," and, after some time spent therein, Mr. SPEAKER resumed the Chair, and Mr. BETTS reported the Bill with amendments.

The said amendments were then twice read and agreed to.

Ordered that this Bill be read the third time to-morrow.

The House, according to order, again resolved itself into Committee of the Whole on the Bill respecting the personal property of married women, and, after some time spent therein, Mr. SPEAKER resumed the Chair, and Mr. HAULTAIN reported the Bill without amendment.

Ordered that this Bill be read the third time to-morrow.

Ordered that, when the House adjourns, it do stand adjourned until eight o'clock p.m.

The House then adjourned.

WEDNESDAY, 20th NOVEMBER, 1889.

8 o'clock p.m.

Mr. SPEAKER took the Chair.

Ordered that the following Bills do now severally pass and be respectively entitled An Ordinance to amend Ordinance No. 6 of 1888, intituled "An Ordinance respecting the Registration of Births, Marriages and Deaths," and "An Ordinance to Regulate the Practice of Dentistry in the North-West Territories."

Mr. BRETT, from the Special Committee appointed to draft a Memorial to the House of Commons of Canada regarding the granting of Lands for University purposes to the North-West Territories, presented the following Report:—

The Special Committee, appointed to draft a Memorial to the House of Commons of Canada regarding the granting of Lands for University purposes to the North-West Territories, begs leave to report as follows:—

To the Honorable the House of Commons of Canada in Parliament Assembled:

The Petition of the Legislative Assembly of the North-West Territories, in Session assembled, humbly sheweth:—

That whereas, the very rapid growth of educational matters in the Territories leads to the belief that in a very few years it will be necessary, in order to complete our educational system, to establish a University ;

And whereas, several years ago, the Government of Canada gave a grant of one hundred and fifty thousand acres of land to endow a University for the Province of Manitoba ;

And whereas, such land was not selected at the time, and now, owing to the settled state of the Country, great difficulty is experienced in obtaining suitable lands available for the purpose ;

And whereas, each of the three Provisional Districts of the Territories is of larger area than Manitoba and each is, therefore, entitled to a grant for University purposes in proportion to that given to said Province ;

And whereas, this Assembly feels that it is most desirable that such grant should be obtained as soon as possible, and that the land should be selected and set apart for University purposes before any more lands are selected by railway or other large corporations, and while large quantities of land are available for selection :

Therefore this Assembly would respectfully suggest the advisability of selecting and setting apart lands for University purposes in the Provisional Districts of Assiniboia, Alberta and Saskatchewan, so that the same may be available to be granted, when the Country is divided, and erected into separate Provinces ; otherwise, when that time arrives, no lands may be available for that purpose, or, if available, may be of comparatively little value.

That a copy of this Petition be forwarded to His Honor the Lieutenant-Governor in Council, praying that he may be pleased to transmit the same for the consideration of His Excellency the Governor-General in Council.

Ordered that the said Report be received and concurred in.

Ordered that Mr. HAULTAIN have leave to introduce a Bill to amend An Ordinance to amend Chapter 41 of the Revised Ordinances of the North-West Territories.

He accordingly presented the said Bill, and the same was read the first time.

Ordered that this Bill be now read the second time.

The said Bill was accordingly read the second time, and committed to a Committee of the Whole House for to-morrow.

The House, according to order, resolved itself into Committee of the Whole on the Bill to amend "The Interpretation Ordinance," and, after some time spent therein, Mr. SPEAKER resumed the Chair, and Mr. CAYLEY reported the Bill with amendments.

The said amendments were then twice read and agreed to.

Ordered that this Bill be read the third time to-morrow.

Pursuant to order, the House again resolved itself into Committee of the Whole on draft Memorial of the Special Committee, appointed to draw up a Memorial to the Dominion Government on matters affecting the Territories, and, after some time spent therein, Mr. SPEAKER resumed the Chair, and Mr. Cayley reported that the Committee had made some progress and had directed him to move for leave to sit again.

Ordered that the Committee have leave to sit again at the next sitting of the House.

Ordered that, when this House adjourns, it do stand adjourned until 10 o'clock a.m. to-morrow.

The House then adjourned.

10 o'clock a.m.

Journal read and approved.

The Orders of the day being read for the third readings of the following Bills, the same were severally read the third time, passed, and respectively entitled:—

An Ordinance to amend Chapter 58 of the Revised Ordinances of the North-West Territories intituled "The Judicature Ordinance."

"An Ordinance respecting Hides."

"An Ordinance respecting Mortgages and Sales of Personal Property."

"An Ordinance to amend Chapter 59 of the Revised Ordinances of the North-West Territories intituled "The School Ordinance."

An Ordinance to amend Chapter 8 of the Revised Ordinances of the North-West Territories intituled "The Municipal Ordinance."

"An Ordinance respecting the Personal Property of Married Women."

The Order of the day being read for the third reading of the Bill entitled An Ordinance to amend Chapter 1 of the Revised Ordinances of the North-West Territories, intituled "The Interpretation Ordinance."

It was moved in amendment by Mr. SECORD, seconded by Mr. RICHARDSON,

That this Bill be not now read the third time, but be read the third time this day six months,

And the question being put, the House divided and the names being called for were taken down as follows:—

Yeas,—Messrs. BRETT,
RICHARDSON,
BETTS,
JELLY,
PLAXTON,
HOEY,
SECORD. 7.

Nays,—Messrs. REAMAN,
THORBURN,
NEFF,
SUTHERLAND,
TWEED,
CAYLEY,
LINEHAM,
HAULTAIN,
DAVIDSON,
OLIVER,
ROSS,
CLINKSKILL,
MITCHELL. 13.

So it passed in the negative.

Ordered that this Bill be now read the third time.

The said Bill was accordingly read the third time.

Ordered that this Bill do now pass and be entitled An Ordinance to amend Chapter 1 of the Revised Ordinances of the North-West Territories, intituled "The Interpretation Ordinance."

The House, according to order, resolved itself into Committee of the Whole on the Bill to amend the Ordinance to amend Chapter 41 of the Revised Ordinances of the North-West Territories, and, after some time spent therein, Mr. SPEAKER resumed the Chair, and Mr. HAULTAIN reported the Bill with amendments.

The said amendments were then twice read and agreed to.

Ordered that this Bill be now read the third time.

The said Bill was accordingly read the third time.

Ordered that this Bill do now pass, and be entitled An Ordinance to amend Ordinance No. 25 of 1889, intituled "An Ordinance to amend Chapter 41 of the Revised Ordinances of the North-West Territories."

The House, according to order, again resolved itself into Committee of the Whole on the draft Memorial of the Committee, appointed to draw up a Memorial to the Dominion Government on matters affecting the Territories, and, after some time spent therein, Mr. SPEAKER resumed the Chair, and Mr. CAYLEY reported that the Committee had made some progress and had directed him to move for leave to sit again.

Ordered that the Committee have leave to sit again at the next sitting of the House.

The House then adjourned.

THURSDAY, 21ST NOVEMBER, 1889.

2.30 o'clock p.m.

Mr. SPEAKER took the Chair.

Mr. SECORD, from the Special Committee appointed to consider the subject of Prairie and Forest Fires, presented the following Report:—

Report of Select Committee to whom was referred the question of prairie fires:—

Whereas, the Territories have this year suffered incalculable damage from prairie fires, started in many well authenticated cases from locomotives;

And whereas, the prairie fire evil is distinctly the most grievous that the Country now suffers under, and many settlers during the past year have been reduced to starvation and ruin by it;

Therefore this Assembly prays that the Railway Act be amended to enable railway companies in the Territories to enter upon uncultivated lands 200 feet on each side of their tracks, and that such railway companies be compelled at proper times in each year to plough, as a fire guard, a continuous strip of not less than 6 feet in width on the outer part of such 200 feet and parallel with the line of railroad, and burn the prairie grass between such ploughing and their tracks; provided such fire-guard need not be constructed within the limits of any town or city, nor along the line of railroad running through the mountains or over lands where ploughing would be impossible or unnecessary;

And that any railroad corporation operating its line of road, or any part thereof, shall be liable for all damages by fire that is set out or caused by operating any such line of road, or any part thereof, where such railroad company has failed to plough a fire guard as above provided, and any such damages may be recovered by the party damaged in any Court of competent jurisdiction.

Ordered that the said Report be received and concurred in.

On motion of Mr. SECORD, seconded by Mr. ROSS,

Resolved that an humble address be presented to His Honor the Lieutenant-Governor praying, that he will be pleased to transmit to the President of the Privy Council and the Members of the Railway Committee of the Privy Council, the Members of the Senate and House of Commons for the Territories, copies of the resolution adopted by this House with reference to preventing Prairie Fires caused by Railway Companies.

The House, according to order, again resolved itself into Committee of the Whole on the Bill to amend "The Brand Ordinance," and, after some time spent therein, Mr. SPEAKER resumed the Chair, and Mr. CAYLEY reported the Bill with amendments.

The said amendments were then twice read and agreed to.

Ordered that this Bill be now read the third time.

The said Bill was accordingly read the third time.

Ordered that this Bill do now pass and be entitled An Ordinance to amend Chapter 19 of the Revised Ordinances of the North-West Territories intituled "The Brand Ordinance."

On motion of Mr. SECORD, seconded by Mr. TWEED,

Resolved that the Reports of the Special Committee, to whom was referred the question of Artesian Wells and Irrigation, be forwarded to the Dominion Government with a request that they will take action thereon,

And that copies thereof be also forwarded to each of the Members of the Senate and House of Commons for the North-West Territories, with a request that they will use their best endeavours to have the same practically carried out.

On motion of Mr. CAYLEY, seconded by Mr. TWEED,

Resolved that an humble address be presented to His Honor the Lieutenant-Governor, praying that he may be pleased to cause the Journals of this Session to be printed and distributed by the First of February, 1890.

The House, according to order, again resolved itself into Committee of the Whole upon the draft Memorial of the Committee appointed to prepare a Memorial to the Dominion Government on matters affecting the Territories and, after some time spent therein, Mr. SPEAKER resumed the Chair, and Mr. CAYLEY reported that the Committee had agreed to certain draft Memorials.

The same were then respectively read the first time, and are as follows:—

NORTH-WEST LEGISLATURE,
REGINA, NOV. 21st, 1889.

To the Honorable the Minister of the Interior.

SIR,—The Legislative Assembly of the North-West Territories, now in its second Session at Regina, desires to lay before you, both as Minister and as one of the Territorial Members, a memorandum concerning the present form of the Government in the Territories, and the finances of the Territories, with the request that you will lay it before the Privy Council for their action, and that, in the event of it being the intention of your Department to re-introduce Bill No. 136 of last Session of Parliament, it may form the basis of some change therein.

MEMORANDUM.

At the first Session of this Assembly, held in 1888, a Memorial was transmitted to His Excellency the Governor-General in Council, setting forth, amongst other things, the following :—

“That although this Assembly has been granted control of all expenditure for the current year, yet the North-West Territories Act does not clearly give the Assembly that control of the moneys voted by the Dominion Government for the expenses of Government in the Territories, which, in the opinion of the Assembly, they are undoubtedly entitled to.

That there is no permanent responsible body, whose business it is to prepare legislation for the consideration of this Assembly, and in consequence its legislative functions cannot be satisfactorily performed ; for instance, the Assembly has had to present an humble address to His Honor the Lieutenant-Governor, praying that he may be pleased to appoint a Commission to draft, during the recess, certain measures deemed advisable by the Assembly ; measures which it should be the duty of a Legislative Government to submit.

Therefore the Assembly recommends to His Excellency the Governor-General in Council, that full responsible Government should be given to the Territories with the other powers, in addition to those already possessed by the Assembly, granted by the British North America Act to the

Provinces of Canada, with the exception of the power to raise money on the public credit."

The Assembly now finds that the experience of the past year and of the present Session fully justifies the representations and the recommendation then made, but that, although a Session of the Dominion Parliament has been held since the same were made, neither by Bill No. 136, nor in any other manner, has the Government sought either to remedy the existing state of affairs or to carry into effect the recommendation above contained.

During the present Session, the first Advisory Council appointed by the Lieutenant-Governor resigned, because the Executive did not always find itself bound by the advice of the Council in cases where the advice of the Council was invited. In their letter of resignation the Council used the following language: "The constant discussion at Council meetings on the general theory of our constitution showed us plainly that Your Honor only conceded what we claimed as a right," and "In so important a matter as the construction of the Act, under which we have our existence, as a Council, such a grave difference of opinion can only lead to friction, which must inevitably destroy our usefulness."

The next Council, on assuming office, had a serious difference with the Assembly on the "powers" or "concessions" withheld from it by the Lieutenant-Governor, and although a vote of want of confidence was passed upon it, and they resigned, their resignation was not accepted until the Assembly refused to vote the Estimates.

The radical difference of opinion between the Lieutenant-Governor and the Assembly arose with regard to the question of the extent of the powers and responsibility of the Advisory Council.

The Lieutenant-Governor holds that the Assembly is not entitled to have a statement of Public Accounts laid before them, showing what disposition has been made of moneys voted last Session by the Assembly, on the ground that the moneys unaccounted for were part of the Dominion vote to the Territories for 1888-89.

The Assembly considers that these moneys, having been voted on Estimates sent down by message of the Lieutenant-Governor, and by an Ordinance of the Assembly assented to by the Lieutenant-Governor, should be duly accounted for to the Assembly.

It is held by the Lieutenant-Governor that the Advisory Council has control and is responsible to the Assembly with respect to the Territorial Revenue only, and that the words "matters of finance" in Section 13 of the North-West Territories Act of 1888 are restricted in their application to Territorial Revenue exclusively.

A majority of the Assembly, on the contrary, holds that the Section means *all* matters of finance, including in consequence the Dominion grant.

The Lieutenant-Governor refusing to modify his view on this matter, the majority in the Assembly protested by refusing to vote the Territorial Estimates, and by withdrawing the powers previously granted to the Advisory Council under the Ordinances.

This Assembly therefore, after a trial reaching well into its second year, is forced to the conviction that the present system of government in the Territories is defective, and desires to repeat its recommendation of last year, and the recommendation of the North-West Council of previous years, in favor of full control of the finances of the Territories, that is, that the money voted yearly by the Dominion Government for governmental purposes in the North-West be given to the representatives of the people of the Territories.

The Assembly does not ask for the abolition of the Advisory Council, although if the number of Councillors were reduced to three, it thinks that would be sufficient, but it asks that the Advisory Council should be paid, that the Lieutenant-Governor should not be a Member of it, and that it should be definitely declared that the Dominion grant is to be expended only on a vote of the Assembly.

If these things are done, the Assembly feels assured that economy in administration would be the result and that the

people of the Territories would be fully satisfied with the form of government.

FINANCES.

That the necessities of local government in the North-West Territories demand that there should be substituted for the annual vote by the Parliament of Canada of an indefinite sum, for expenses of government in the North-West, a fixed payment in the nature of a provincial subsidy; the amount of which should be determined with a view to the considerations hereinafter recited.

1. That, owing to the rapid increase of the population in the North-West, the amount of subsidy should be fixed for a term of not more than five years.

2. That the population of the Territories is now estimated at 100,000, and that, according to the known rate of increase in the past, and the still greater increase certain to accrue in the near future, as a result of the completion of the railway projects now in hand, the present estimated population may be expected to double in the said term of five years.

3. That in this case an estimated population of 150,000 would be the proper basis of calculation regarding subsidy for the proposed term.

4. That with an estimated population of 150,000 the subsidy at the rate of 80 cents a head, as allowed the Provinces, would amount to \$120,000.

5. That on debt account the Territories are entitled to five per cent. interest on \$27.77 per head on an actual population of 100,000, which would amount to \$138,850.

6. That the specific grant for governmental purposes should be at least as liberal as that made to Manitoba, that is to say, \$50,000.

7. That, as Manitoba has been held to be entitled to a specific grant on account of lack of lands, the Territories

are entitled to a like grant in consideration of their special circumstances, some of which are as follows:—

(1.) Owing to the vast area of the Territories, and the widely scattered nature of the settlement, all the business of the local government is rendered more expensive proportionately to population than in any of the Provinces.

(2.) That as the Parliament of Canada retains the control of the public lands, grass, timber and minerals of the Territories, and derives revenue therefrom, it has a direct financial interest in good government and public improvements in the Territories, as it has not in any of the Provinces, except Manitoba, and, therefore, should pay more proportionately to the support of the local government of the Territories than to that of any of the Provinces, in whose local government or improvements it has no such direct financial interest.

(3.) The more important of these local enterprises or improvements are the improvement of trails in the northern and western parts of the Country; the preservation and increase of the water supply in the eastern and southern part; protection from prairie or forest fires in all parts; and the opening up and improvement of trade routes into the vast and as yet almost unknown northern interior, which comprises about one third of the area of the whole Dominion.

For the foregoing reasons, a specific annual grant for the five years term should be made to the amount of \$100,000.

8. That, as above recited, the Territories are entitled to a total annual subsidy from the Parliament of Canada, for the five years next ensuing, of \$408,850.

9. That the amount voted by the Parliament of Canada for expenses of government in the North-West Territories for the current year is \$145,000, which, with the sums appropriated for registration purposes, Members' indemnity, Clerk's salary and other matters properly chargeable to provincial account, makes a total subsidy of \$176,410 for the

current year, as against a vote of \$20,000 for expenses of government in 1882.

10. That, as the yearly increase in the amount of the vote has been based on the yearly increasing needs of the Country, the fixed amount asked is probably not as great as would be reached during the proposed term of five years under the present system.

11. That at the same time it would be an advantage to the Territories to have the grant made in the manner specified. At the present time, as the grant lapses from year to year, there is not the same inducement to economical expenditure, as would exist, could the savings of one year be carried forward to the next.

Under the present system, public improvements are confined to works of a minor character, partly because the amount of the grant is kept so close to the barest needs of the Country; and partly because it is impossible, owing to uncertainty as to amount of the grant from year to year, to undertake work such as cannot be completed out of the grant of the single year; and, as a consequence, works of the most pressing necessity are left undone, while the funds are being annually expended on works of minor importance.

BILL NO. 136.

The Assembly has had under consideration Bill No. 136 of last Session of Parliament, and, having given the Bill careful consideration, desires to make the following suggestions in regard thereto:—

1. With the exception of Section 110 of the Bill, which deals with the Prohibitory Law and other subjects, the Bill does not propose to deal with any matters affecting the Territories in a line with the often expressed wishes of the North-West Council and the North-West Legislature, but is distinctly retrogressive.

2. Section 10 of the Bill should be amended, so as to dispense with the sitting of Legal Experts with the Assembly.

3. Section 11 of the Bill should be amended, so as to

make the term of the Assembly four years instead of three, and to place the power of dissolution, on the advice of his responsible advisers, in the hands of the Lieutenant-Governor.

4. Power to deal with Sections 15 and 16 of the Bill relating to the franchise should be given to the Assembly in the same way as is proposed for the prohibitory clauses, with the exception that the present Assembly be given power to deal with them.

5. Section 26, the Separate School Clause, has been made the subject matter of an Address to the Governor-General in Council.

6. The powers conferred upon the Governor-General in Council by Section 54 should be conferred upon the Lieutenant-Governor acting by and with the advice and consent of his responsible advisers.

7. Section 59 should be so amended as to give the appointments of Sheriffs and Clerks of Court to the Local Government, together with all regulations in regard to the same.

8. Section 63 proposes to give the Lieutenant-Governor alone the power to regulate the fees of Clerks of Court, and should be changed, so as to leave that power under the control of the Assembly.

9. Section 66 of the Bill proposes to take away the power of appointing Justices of the Peace from the Lieutenant-Governor, and to give that power to the Governor-General in Council; there is no reason why this power, which belongs to all Provincial establishments, should be taken from the Territories.

10. Power also to prescribe qualification and make regulations regarding Justices of the Peace should be given to the Assembly.

11. Section 68 should be repealed, and Section 69 so amended as to give every person charged with a criminal offence the right to a jury, if he so desires it.

12. Section 98 of the Bill proposes to continue a law which under existing circumstances is unnecessary.

13. The property in all road allowances, trails, non-navigable rivers and streams and their road-beds, as well as the power of control, should be vested in the Government of the Territories.

14. Section 106 of the Bill should be expunged.

15. The provisions with regard to the prohibitory and other clauses contained in Section 110 of the Bill are satisfactory to the Assembly, except that the law in regard to liquor should not be amended by any Dominion Legislation, but should remain the same until the power conferred by Section 110 is exercised by the Assembly.

Memorials of the Legislative Assembly of the North-West Territories to the Honorable the Minister of the Interior.

1. Whereas, very serious losses have been suffered by farmers from the ravages of gophers in the growing grain, reaching, according to various returns, from districts extending from range one to range twenty-two west of the second initial Meridian, to an average of 52 of the acreage sown, during the season of 1889.

2. And whereas, gophers breed not only on the lands occupied by settlers, but also on the vacant lands held by the Dominion Government, the Canadian Pacific Railway Company, and other parties; and, in dry seasons especially, gather in from surrounding vacant lands on to the growing crops of settlers doing immense damage, and in such numbers that it has been found impossible for individual settlers, by their unaided efforts and at their own expense, to contend successfully in preventing the ravages thus committed.

3. And whereas, gophers can be more effectually stamped out in the early spring, before the young broods are produced, than later in the season.

4. Therefore the Assembly prays that you will be pleased to have a moderate amount placed in the Estimates, and have arrangements made for the purpose of paying a bonus of two cents per head for gophers, that shall be destroyed during the month of April, 1890, and one cent per head for gophers destroyed during the month of May, 1890, in the Territories, thus enabling farmers to engage in, or hire boys to undertake the destruction of gophers during these months.

5. And whereas, farmers in various districts in the Territories have had their crops destroyed during the past season from the effects of drought, the ravages of gophers, and by prairie fires; and many in such districts are comparatively destitute and are unable of themselves to procure seed grain for the spring of 1890.

6. And whereas, without special aid, large areas of cultivated land will remain uncropped in the districts referred to, during the year 1890, to the great detriment of the settlers and of every interest in the Territories:

7. Therefore the Assembly prays that you will be pleased to have a sufficient sum placed in the Estimates for the purpose of providing farmers, who require it, with seed grain and potatoes for the season of 1890. The seed thus supplied to be distributed on such conditions as may be considered desirable.

8. Whereas, the right of adding the eighty-acre pre-emption to the homestead, thus making one hundred and sixty acres for homestead, has been greatly appreciated by the settlers, but has been covered by the following condition, viz:—

That in order to have the advantage of this provision, a settler must buy a pre-emption of not less than eighty acres and not more than one hundred and sixty acres at two dollars and a half per acre, and that the amount of the pre-emption must be paid in full before a patent can be obtained;

And whereas, this condition has been greatly complained of by settlers:

Therefore the Assembly prays that the condition may be done away with.

9. That, in the opinion of the Assembly, it would be only just to those who entered for lands in the Territories during the operation of the Act permitting second homesteads, that second homesteading should in all cases be extended to them, provided they have continuously cultivated their first homestead.

10. Whereas, it has been proved that for the success of the settler it is necessary for him to engage in both grain and stock raising, and for this purpose he requires not less than three hundred and twenty acres of land ;

Therefore the Assembly prays that the right of pre-emption be extended beyond the 1st January, 1890.

11. Whereas, extensive tree culture would prove of great assistance in promoting the agricultural prosperity of the Territories ;

And whereas, it has been proved that trees grow rapidly and surely in the Territories, if properly managed ;

Therefore the Assembly prays that the Dominion Government may adopt some plan having in view the encouraging of tree planting.

The said Memorials were then respectively read the second time and concurred in.

On motion of Mr. CAYLEY, seconded by Mr. LINEHAM,

Resolved that an humble address be presented to His Honor the Lieutenant-Governor, praying that he may be pleased to transmit the Memorial on Local Government, Finances, and Bill No. 136 to the Governor-General in Council, the Minister of the Interior, and the North-West Members of Parliament.

On motion of Mr. CAYLEY, seconded by Mr. THORBURN,

Resolved that an humble address be presented to His Honor the Lieutenant-Governor, praying that he will be pleased to transmit the Memorial of the Assembly on Gophers and Seed grain to the Honorable the Minister of the Interior.

On motion of Mr. CAYLEY, seconded by Mr. JELLY,

Resolved that an humble address be presented to His Honor the Lieutenant-Governor, praying that he will be pleased to transmit the Memorial on eighty-acre homestead, second homesteading, extension of pre-emption right, and tree culture to the Honorable the Minister of the Interior and the North-West Members of Parliament.

On motion of Mr. HAULTAIN, seconded by Mr. ROSS,

Resolved that an humble address be presented to His Honor the Lieutenant-Governor, praying that he will be pleased to transmit to the President of the Privy Council, and the Minister of Justice, copies of the Resolution adopted by this House with reference to the granting of Magisterial powers to Police Officers.

The House then adjourned.

FRIDAY, 22nd NOVEMBER, 1889.

2.30 o'clock p.m.

Journal read and approved.

On motion of Mr. THORBURN, seconded by Mr. NEFF,

Resolved that an humble address be presented to His Honor the Lieutenant-Governor, praying that he will be pleased to forward to the Manager of the Canadian Pacific Railway Company the Resolution of this House asking that passes be granted on their lines of Railway to individuals named by the Members of the Assembly.

On motion of Mr. THORBURN, seconded by Mr. JELLY,

Resolved that an humble address be presented to His Honor the Lieutenant-Governor, praying that he will be pleased to transmit the following Memorial to His Excellency the Governor-General in Council :—

To His Excellency the Governor-General in Council.

The Legislative Assembly of the North-West Territories humbly prays :—

That the Government take into consideration the advisability of making a grant of \$25,000 for Immigration purposes to the Territories, to be devoted chiefly to Immigration efforts on the border States.

3 o'clock p.m.

This day, at three o'clock in the afternoon, His Honor the Honorable Joseph Royal, the Lieutenant-Governor, proceeded to the Chamber of the Legislative Assembly and took his seat upon the Throne.

The Clerk of the Legislative Assembly then read the titles of the following Bills that had severally passed :—

1. An Ordinance to amend Chapter 7 of the Revised Ordinances of the North-West Territories, intituled "An Ordinance respecting Insane Persons."

2. An Ordinance to amend Chapter 27 of the Revised Ordinances of the North-West Territories, intituled "The Poisons Ordinance."

3. An Ordinance to amend Ordinance No. 5 of 1888, intituled "The North-West Territories Medical Ordinance, 1888."

4. An Ordinance to amend Chapter 23 of the Revised Ordinances of the North-West Territories, intituled "The Agricultural Societies' Ordinance."

5. An Ordinance to amend Chapter 48 of the Revised

Ordinances of the North-West Territories, intituled "The Mechanics' Lien Ordinance."

6. An Ordinance to amend Chapter 37 of the Revised Ordinances of the North-West Territories, intituled "An Ordinance respecting Auctioneers, Hawkers and Peddlers."

7. An Ordinance to amend Ordinance No. 6 of 1888, intituled "An Ordinance respecting the registration of Births, Marriages and Deaths."

8. An Ordinance concerning Receipt Notes, Hire Receipts and Orders for Chattels.

9. An Ordinance to regulate the practice of Dentistry in the North-West Territories.

10. An Ordinance respecting the expropriation of Lands.

11. An Ordinance to amend Chapter 25 of the Revised Ordinances of the North-West Territories, intituled "The Game Ordinance."

12. An Ordinance to amend Ordinance No. 2 of 1888, intituled "The Unincorporated Towns' Ordinance."

13. An Ordinance to provide for the incorporation of Butter and Cheese Manufacturing Associations.

14. An Ordinance respecting Justices of the Peace.

15. An Ordinance to amend Chapter 11 of the Revised Ordinances of the North-West Territories, intituled "The Herd Ordinance."

16. An Ordinance respecting the Personal Property of Married Women.

17. An Ordinance respecting Hides.

18. An Ordinance to amend and consolidate as amended Chapter 47 of the Revised Ordinances of the North-

West Territories, intituled "An Ordinance respecting Mortgages and Sales of Personal Property."

19. An Ordinance to amend Chapter 8 of the Revised Ordinances of the North-West Territories, intituled "The Municipal Ordinance."

20. An Ordinance to amend Chapter 59 of the Revised Ordinances of the North-West Territories, intituled "The School Ordinance."

21. An Ordinance to amend Chapter 58 of the Revised Ordinances of the North-West Territories, intituled "The Judicature Ordinance."

22. An Ordinance to amend Chapter 19 of the Revised Ordinances of the North-West Territories, intituled "The Brand Ordinance."

23. An Ordinance to incorporate "The Calgary Water Power Company Limited."

24. An Ordinance to amend Chapter 1 of the Revised Ordinances of the North-West Territories, intituled "The Interpretation Ordinance."

25. An Ordinance to amend Chapter 41 of the Revised Ordinances of the North-West Territories.

26. An Ordinance to amend Ordinance No. 25 of 1889, intituled "An Ordinance to amend Chapter 41 of the Revised Ordinances of the North-West Territories."

27. An Ordinance to incorporate "The Medicine Hat General Hospital."

28. An Ordinance to amend Ordinance No. 25 of 1887, intituled "An Ordinance to incorporate the Town of Moosomin."

29. An Ordinance to legalize By-law No. 41 of the Municipality of Indian Head.

30. An Ordinance to legalize a certain Debenture of the School District of Kenlis Protestant Public School District No. 6 of the North-West Territories.

31. An Ordinance to empower certain Boards of School Trustees to compromise for the payment of arrears of Taxes.

The Royal Assent to these Bills was announced by the Clerk of the Legislative Assembly in the following words :—

“ In Her Majesty’s name His Honor the Lieutenant-Governor doth assent to these Bills.”

The title of the following Bill was then read :—

“ An Ordinance to provide for the Incorporation of Cheese and Butter Manufacturing Associations.”

To this Bill the Clerk of the Legislative Assembly did say :—

“ His Honor the Lieutenant-Governor doth withhold Her Majesty’s assent to this Bill for the reason that Section 13 thereof transcends the power of the Legislative Assembly.”

His Honor was then pleased to deliver the following Speech :—

Gentlemen of the Legislative Assembly :

In relieving you from further attendance to your duties, I have to congratulate you upon the practical character of your legislation during the present Session.

The various incidents, which followed the resignation of my first Advisory Council, the attitude assumed by a majority of the Members, and the earnest desire of all that the business of the Country should not suffer in consequence, are circumstances, which will tend to mark this Session as an historical one. I earnestly hope that the proceedings of the Assembly may result favorably for the peace, order and prosperity of the North-West Territories.

Gentlemen of the Legislative Assembly :

In the future administration of affairs, it will be my constant aim, with the co-operation of the House, to ensure, if possible, for the people of the Territories an even greater degree of satisfaction than has attended our efforts during the past year.

Occupying as you do the high position of law-givers, permit me at the close of the present Session to remind you of the solemn duty, which more especially devolves upon you, namely, the education of the people in submission to the Law ; in respect for the rights of every one ; and in love to our common Country and loyalty to its institutions.

The Clerk of the Legislative Assembly then said :—

Mr. SPEAKER and Gentlemen of the Legislative Assembly :—

“ It is His Honor the Lieutenant-Governor's will and pleasure that this Legislative Assembly be prorogued ; and the Legislative Assembly is accordingly prorogued.

APPENDIX.

ADVISORY COUNCIL.

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY,

REGINA, N.W.T., 29th October, 1889.

To His Honor the Lieutenant-Governor of the North-West Territories.

SIR,—We have the honor to tender our resignations as Members of your Advisory Council. We have come to this decision reluctantly and only after serious consideration.

While recognizing that your Honor has on the whole carried out the position which was accepted last year, there have been some departures from that position, which we cannot accept responsibility for. These matters do not involve any serious departures from the general principles adopted by us, but they do in our opinion involve the Council and lay us open to censure for at least grave faults of administration.

We fully appreciate the practical difficulties in the way of carrying out an anomalous system like the present and have always been ready to make the best of an imperfect machinery.

The attitude of the Assembly has not helped to lighten the burden imposed upon us. Ever ready to criticise, and always prone to judge us by the standard of the ideal system, which they wished for, they have not given us that liberal support which in the nature of things we might reasonably have hoped for.

Knowing this feeling of the Assembly and being with the rest of our fellow Members jealous of the rights which were

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granted to us, we are naturally more sensitive to criticism than under a more completely responsible system there would be any necessity for.

The constant discussions at Council meetings on the general theory of our constitution showed us plainly that your Honor only conceded what we claimed as a right.

While differing from your Honor on this matter, we are ready to acknowledge the generous spirit in which your Honor yielded control in matters which you believed were entirely within your own personal province.

But in so important a matter as the construction of the Act under which we have our existence as a Council, such a grave difference of opinion can only lead to friction, which must inevitably destroy our usefulness.

We therefore tender our resignations, because we cannot continue to work under a system in which our most important powers are only granted to us in the form of concessions, and because we are unwilling to accept responsibility without a corresponding right of control.

We believe that our withdrawal from the Council will tend to bring about a more definite understanding with regard to the various powers and authorities of the Territories, and we can assure your Honor that our successors, if true to the general policy outlined by yourself last year, will always receive from us a loyal and generous support.

In conclusion, let us assure your Honor of our most grateful appreciation of your Honor's personal kindness to all of us, and of the continuance of loyalty and attachment on our part.

We are,

Your Honor's obedient Servants,

F. W. G. HAULTAIN,
W. SUTHERLAND,
D. F. JELLY,
HILLYARD MITCHELL.

GOVERNMENT HOUSE,

REGINA, 31st October, 1889.

MY DEAR MR. HAULTAIN.—In your letter of the 29th instant, containing the resignations of the Members of the Advisory Board, I notice the following:—“These matters do not involve any serious departures from the general principles adopted by us, but they do in our opinion involve the Council and lay us open to censure for at least grave faults of administration.”

As I fail to remember exactly what are these “departures” which constitute, I suppose, “the grave faults of administration,” would you be so kind as to refer specifically to these “grave faults” and assist me in refreshing my memory.

Believe me,

Dear Mr. HAULTAIN,

Yours very sincerely,

J. ROYAL.

Lieutenant-Governor N.W.T.

*F. W. G. Haultain, Esq., M.L.A.,
Regina.*

MINUTE BY HIS HONOR THE LIEUTENANT-GOVERNOR.

GOVERNMENT HOUSE,

REGINA, N.W.T., Tuesday, 5th November, 1889.

Whereas by Section 13 of Chap. 19, Vic. 51, it is enacted that the Lieutenant-Governor shall select from among the elected Members of the Legislative Assembly four persons to act as an Advisory Council on matters of finance, who shall severally hold office during pleasure, I do hereby under the provisions of the said Act select from the elected Members of the Legislative Assembly in the place of and room of the four Members selected on the 2nd November, 1888, and who have since resigned, the following four persons, to act as such Council, namely:—

Robert George Brett, Esquire, Member for Red Deer ;
 John Felton Betts, Esquire, Member for Prince Albert ;
 David Finlay Jelly, Esquire, Member for North Regina ;
 Benjamin Parkyn Richardson, Esquire, Member for
 Wolseley.

J. ROYAL,

Lieutenant-Governor.

Statement to the Assembly by Mr. BRETT, 5th November,
 1889.

The Council of His Honor's Advisers, formed under the Law, will exercise the functions of an Executive in matters affecting the Territorial Finances *only*, as well as in the discharge of the duties assigned by the Ordinances to the Lieutenant-Governor in Council :

On the other hand, and in order that the requirements of the Country, as made known by the Members of this Legislature, may be met as fully as possible, I am authorized to state that it is the intention of His Honor to continue in consulting and seeking the advice of the Council upon all matters of the administration of public affairs, and to comply, as in the past, with the recommendations of the House in a liberal and constitutional spirit.

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY,
 REGINA, N.W.T., Nov. 11th, 1889.

To His Honor the Lieutenant-Governor of the North-West Territories:

SIR,—In consequence of the House having adopted at its last sitting the following Resolution, viz. :

“That the position assumed by the Advisory Council, as set out in the statement of their leader, when announcing

“the same, was assumed contrary to the wishes of this
“Assembly; and the Advisory Council do not possess the
“confidence of the Assembly.”

I beg leave to tender Your Honor my resignation and that
of my colleagues.

While believing that the position we have taken on this
question is in strict accordance with Law and the interests of
the Territories, at the same time we feel you are entitled to
this action on our part.

I have the honor to be,

Your obedient servant,

R. G. BRETT.

GOVERNMENT HOUSE,
REGINA, November 12th, 1889.
10 o'clock a.m.

Dr. R. G. Brett, M.L.A., Regina :

MY DEAR SIR,—I am in receipt of your letter received
yesterday forenoon, tendering your resignation and that of
your colleagues, as Members of the Advisory Council, in
consequence of the Legislative Assembly having adopted at
its last meeting a resolution expressing its want of confi-
dence in you and your colleagues for having assumed the
position contrary to the wishes of the majority of the
Assembly.

The question is one of Law, and having after due consid-
eration requested you to assist me in carrying on the affairs
of the Country according to the statute, I must decline to
accept your resignation in the absence of any act showing
that you have proved yourselves unworthy of the trust
reposed in you.

If the regime, as established by Law, seems capable of
amelioration, constitutional means may effectually be re-
sorted to.

Territorial matters alone are intended by the statute to be
placed under the control of the Assembly, and it is only in

the event of your administering such affairs in opposition to the wishes of a majority of the House that your resignation, as Members of the Executive, can be entertained.

I have selected you in the terms of the Law, and this prerogative would be very seriously impaired if you were to be denounced without waiting to see your acts.

At the last Session of this Assembly, I invited the representatives of the people to work cordially with the Council, in order to make the best possible form of government, with the temporary and necessarily imperfect elements placed by Parliament at our disposal.

It is my sincere belief that the unmistakable signs of confidence and satisfaction expressed by the Country, have gone far to prove that our efforts were crowned with success. Nevertheless, the very liberal concessions made seemed of late to have failed in satisfying the Assembly, and impossibilities, with the present machinery, appear to have been imperatively insisted upon both by the House and the first Advisory Council, finally leading the latter to resign before their action had been constitutionally dealt with by the Assembly.

Under these circumstances no other course was left open to me but to enter within the safe lines of the Law, and with the assistance of another Council, formed by another method, to administer the public affairs in full accord with the requirements of the Country and in strict agreement with the Law, as I find it on the Statute Book.

Having fully weighed all these facts and considerations, and keeping the public interest steadily in view, I regret not being able to relieve you from the grave duty which you, as loyal citizens, owe to the Law and to your Country.

I have the honor to remain, my dear sir,

Your very obedient servant,

J. ROYAL,

Lieutenant-Governor North-West Territories.

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY,
REGINA, 15th November, 1889.

To His Honor the Lieutenant Governor of the North-West Territories.

SIR,—In consequence of a majority of the Assembly refusing to consider the Estimates for the year 1889-90, as prepared by your Honor's Advisory Council and submitted to the House on the 14th instant, I must press upon your Honor the acceptance of the resignation of myself and colleagues.

Upon general questions we fully adhere to the views expressed by me when accepting office, and are still of opinion that, while in Territorial matters the Advisory Council should possess the confidence of the House, the Council cannot according to the true construction of the Law be held in any way responsible for the expenditure of the Dominion Funds. Upon this point a difference of opinion prevails amongst the members of the Assembly and an adverse vote has consequently been given upon our first executive act.

In taking this step, we hope it may tend to further the work of the Session and if possible remove the obstruction placed by the Assembly by refusing to vote the Territorial funds necessary for the carrying on of the affairs of the Country.

In thus expressing ourselves, we also desire to convey to your Honor our thanks for the consideration you have always given to our suggestions and to assure your Honor that our highest aim shall be to assist in every way possible towards carrying on the Territorial Government to the fullest possible extent under the powers granted us.

I have the honor to be, Sir,

Your obedient servant,

R. G. BRETT.

GOVERNMENT HOUSE,
REGINA, 16th November, 1889.

MY DEAR SIR,—I have received your letter of the 15th instant, in which you press upon me the acceptance of your

resignation and that of your colleagues, as Members of the Advisory Council, in consequence of a majority of the Assembly refusing to consider the Territorial Estimates for the current year submitted by you to the Legislature. Your first executive act having failed to secure the support of the Assembly, I deem it my duty to accept your resignation.

I trust the course now adopted by you will tend to convince your friends of the constitutional propriety of the position, which, under our existing circumstances, you and your colleagues had assumed.

Believe me,

Your very obedient servant,

J. ROYAL,

Lieutenant-Governor of N.W.T.

Dr. R. G. Brett, M.L.A., Regina.

GOVERNMENT HOUSE,
REGINA, 20th NOVEMBER, 1889.

MY DEAR SIR,—I regret that the several interviews had with Mr. CLINKSKILL Tuesday afternoon and with you and Messrs. CLINKSKILL, CAYLEY and NEFF yesterday have failed to bring about what I must suppose to be the object of every one, namely, the formation of an Advisory Council in accord with the majority of the Assembly.

After a consultation with your friends about our last interview, you came back accompanied by the three gentlemen above named and handed me a slip of paper, which you informed me contained the propositions upon which alone a Council might count upon the support of a majority. I must confess that after the exhaustive explanation made during our interviews I did not expect to find ourselves at the point, where we had started at our first meeting in the morning. Be that as it may, the propositions which you communicated to me are as follows:—

1st. "Full accounts of 1888-89 according to vote, as shown by Ordinance No. 8 of 1888,"

If as stated by you, your contention is that you should have the Federal accounts in order to criticize and investigate them, a right that you appear to claim under the Appropriation Ordinance of 1888, in which several Federal items were allowed to be included, I will say, regarding this contention, that, according to my interpretation of the amended North-West Territories Act, the Territorial Accounts are the only accounts, which the Assembly seems to have the right to examine, and investigate and inquire into, and such accounts have been duly laid before the Assembly by order of the Lieutenant-Governor.

While it is correct to assert that certain items already voted by the Dominion Parliament for expenses of the North-West Government were embodied by the Assembly in its Appropriation Ordinance of 1888, the insertion of these items could not, in my view, imply anything more than an expression of the opinion of the Assembly respecting the apportionment of these moneys, by reason of the fact that the Assembly had not in my view any right to control their expenditure, or to alter, or divert any portion from the purposes, for which they were originally voted. As far as the moneys voted by the Dominion Government for expenditure under the head of Roads and Bridges were concerned, I will call your attention to the fact that a plan to have the whole sum both Territorial and Federal voted for that service equally divided amongst the Members elected was recommended by the Assembly. Believing that the interests of the people might be thus better served, I agreed that this course should be pursued and I allowed the Federal Funds under that head to be added to the Territorial Fund appropriated for that purpose, thereby insuring for each district a much larger sum for expenditure under the advice of the various Members of the Assembly.

Permit me to say that I cannot but express my regret at the difficulties which have arisen of late in consequence of the course then adopted. And in order to avoid in the future any misconception, and the giving of any grounds for claiming as rights, what were merely concessions, I took occasion, upon the resignation of the first Advisory Council, to state what appeared to me to be the legal rights and duties of the Council. See my letter to Dr. BRETT of the 12th

instant. It may not be out of place to notice here that my letter to Mr. HAULTAIN, concerning the specific causes of his, and his colleagues' resignation dated the 29th of October last, is as yet without an answer.

2nd. Your second proposition is that "the Estimates to be communicated to the Assembly contain the full amount of the Dominion Vote for Territorial purposes for 1889-90."

On the 13th instant I sent a message to the Assembly with the Territorial Estimates for 1889-90, but I did not include any of the Dominion items of expenditure for the same period, because, as I have before stated, the Assembly is not in my view of the Law entitled to have included in the Territorial Estimates a statement of any of the sums already voted by the Dominion Parliament.

3rd. Your third proposition is that "all the moneys both Federal and Territorial are to be voted by the Assembly and expended by the Advisory Council."

I have upon every occasion shown that I admitted the proposition, and I am still of opinion, that under the present Law all the Territorial moneys should be voted by the Assembly and expended under the authority and responsibility of the Advisory Council.

As far as Federal moneys are concerned, I must hold that the Law requires me to expend them under the direction of the Dominion Government and not under the direction of the Assembly.

I must therefore express my regret that under the Law, as I read it in the Statute Book, I cannot accede to this portion of your last proposition.

I sincerely hope and trust that some way may be found out of the present difficulties, so that the business of the Territories may not suffer in consequence.

I have the honor to be,

Sir,

Your very Obedient Servant,

J. ROYAL,

Lieutenant-Governor, N.W.T.

T. TWEED, Esq.,

M.L.A.,

REGINA.

