An Act Respecting the Department of the Provincial Secretary.

His Majesty by and with the advice and consent of the Legislative Assembly of the Pro-

SHORT TITLE

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1. This Act may be cited as The Provincial Secretary's Act ".

ORGANISATION AND FUNCTIONS OF DEPARTMENT.

Organisation.

2. There shall be a department of the public service of the Province to be called the department of the Provincial Secretary over which the member of the Executive Council appointed by the Lieutenant Governor under the seal of the Province to discharge the functions of the Provincial Secretary for the time being shall preside.

Duties.

- 3. The powers, duties and functions of the Provincial Secretary are as follows:
 - (a) He has all the powers, duties and functions which are assigned by law or custom to Provincial Secretaries and Registrars of the differ-Provinces of the Dominion of Canada in single far as they or any of them may be applicable to the Province.;
 - (b) He is the keeper of the seal of the Province; and shall issue all letters patent, commissions and other documents under the said seal and countersign the same with the exception of those which shall be countersigned by the

by the Clerk of the Executive Council; and all commissions under the seal shall run in His Majesty's name;

- (c) He is the keeper of all registers and archives of the Province.
- To be Registrar.
- The Provincial Secretary shall be the Registrar of the Province; and as such shall register all instruments of summons, commissions, letters, patent, writs, and other instruments and documents issued under the seal of the Province; and his signature shall be proof of the fact that such registers, archives, instruments of summons, commissions, letters patent, writs and other instruments and documents exist and are lawfully in his possession; and any copy (signed by him) of any document shall be equivalent to the original instrument itself in any court in the Worth West Territories or of the Province; and every document or cory of a document purporting to bear his signature shall be deemed to to do until proof of the contrary.

Officers and Clerks.

5. The Lieutenant Governor may at any time appoint such other officers, clerks and servants as are requisite for the proper conduct of the business of the department, all of whom shall hold office during pleasure.

Fees.

FETTS.

6. The Lieutenant Governor in Council may from time to time make a tariff of fees which shall be paid for the issuing and registering of commissions. letters patent, licenses and other instruments and documents and for the delivery of certified copies thereof or of certified extracts from

From the registers and archives in the Provincial Secretary's Deaprtment as hereinbefore mentioned; and the said Provincial Secretary shall account to the Provincial Treasurer for all moneys received in virtue of such tariff, or of any of the Ordinances of the North West Territories or of any Act in force in the Province in such manner as may be prescribed by law or by the Lieutenant Governor in Council as the case may be.

Repeal -

7. All enactments and provisions of law inconsistent with or repugnant to this Act are hereby repealed.