License for billiard and other tables	130.00
Ferry license	8.00
Fines under Prairie Fire Ordinances	37.50
Fines under Masters and Servants Ordinances	16.00
Fines under the Ordinance for the Preventation of Gambling	302.00
Fines under the Buffalo Ordinance	12.50
Mescellaneous fines	20.00
	$526.00

Deposited in the Ontario Bank, Winnipeg	$483.50
Balance in hand of Lieutenant-Governor	42.50
	$526.00

On August 1, 1877, the seat of the Government was transferred from Livingstone (Swan River) to Battleford, and there the North West Council assembled for its second session, July 10 to August 2, 1878. Mr. Breland had received his appointment during the recess./page 196

Apart from the repeal of the buffalo legislation, the consideration of ordinances regarding the fencing of property, the promiscuous use of poisons and provision for civil marriages occupied the major portion of the Council's time. The marriage ordinance authorized clergymen of every church, duly ordained and resident in the Territories, to solemize marriage, and simply rendered optional the performance of the ceremony by a civil magistrate. This latter provision was intended to meet a manifest need in the many localities which were rarely visited by a clergyman. This provision, however, provoked the displeasure of St. Boniface, and produced a somewhat lengthy correspondence, and at length in June, 1881, the law was so amended as to cancel the powers of magistrates to perform the ceremony, but at the same time to provide that commissioners, appointed for that purpose by the Lieutenant-Governor, might solemnize marriage. The whole episode throws interesting light upon the great influence exercised in the Territories by the dignitaries of the Catholic Church.

Upon the 2d of August, 1878, we find upon the journals a lengthy resolution with regard to the issue of scrip to halfbreeds in the Territories, a matter that appears and reappears year by year thereafter. Apparently no