

grades and a kindergarten. It gives all children opportunities in manual training, sewing and cooking. It furnishes acres of playing fields; gives physical instruction and none of these are included in the cost of the school. The children from Ste. Anne's are not a positive necessity for the success of the school, because a sufficient number could be obtained elsewhere. We have endeavoured to carry out all suggestions made by the School Trustees and these suggestions have always resulted in heavy expense to the College.

You say the tax payers of Ste. Anne's are expected to bear 90% of the cost of operation. As a matter of fact it is far from 90%, being only 36%. The actual cost of the school last year was \$13,867. of which the tax payers of Ste. Anne's were asked to contribute \$5,000.

The difficulty which arises from the number of children who come from homes owned by Roman Catholics is unfortunate, but is entirely beyond our control. Furthermore, there are a number of children of employees of the College who live in Ste. Anne's. These we educate without cost to Ste. Anne's rate payers.

We are doing everything possible to keep the cost of operation of the school low, but we support an academy when grades 1-7 would be sufficient for teaching purposes. We support a kindergarten, and for this we ask no contribution from the rate payers of Ste. Anne's.

It seems to me that the taxes which you are called upon to pay, high as they are, mean a less amount than you would be called upon to contribute for school purposes were you to build, staff, equip and