

for school purposes in Montreal, contemplated a grant from the Provincial Government of a like sum, but the money was not forth-coming until the following year. The amount received from the City Council was invested at interest, the Board having no use to which to apply it.

In 1848,

Dr. Falloon,
chairman,
Dr. McGill his
successor.

The Rev. Dr. Falloon was appointed Chairman, in the room of Mr. Bancroft, who had removed from Montreal, and held office from February to October. The Rev. Dr. McGill succeeded Dr. Falloon. During this year the Board made grants, amounting in all to \$340, to four private schools, having first carefully inquired into the character of their Teachers, and the kind of instruction communicated.* For the greater part of the year it was found impossible to secure the attendance of a quorum of members.

In 1849,

The only work undertaken was the visitation and examination of the schools receiving aid from the Board. This seems to have been done often and faithfully.

Three Board meetings were held in December of this year, at which there were conversations by the members present, leading to resolves of activity in the future. Accordingly,

In 1850,

Ann Street
School
established.

The Board gave signs of life. A school was established in Ann street, Griffintown. Mr. Allen was appointed Master at a salary of 300 dollars a year. The school fees, "not to exceed in any case five cents a week," he was allowed to hold as his perquisite. Gratuitous instruction was required to be given to the children of poor parents, nominees of the Board, without restriction as to number. The building in Ann street was rented from the Baptist Denomination at \$100 a year. In 1853 the Board purchased the property.

In April of this year a house in Papineau Square, Quebec Suburbs, was leased at \$100 a year, and in May a School was

* Not one efficient teacher was at this time procurable in Lower Canada.