

of appointed members, Roman Catholic and Protestant. It is divided, however, into the two committees. The Catholic Committee makes the Regulations for the Catholic schools and the Protestant Committee makes the Regulations for the Protestant schools. These are the regulations for the organisation and the discipline of the three kinds of public school—the elementary, model and academic. Each committee makes its own regulations regarding the courses of study (including the languages), the holidays, the text-books, the inspection boundaries, the examinations for inspectors, teacher-training, etc.

*Dr. Waugh:* You have no county inspectors?

*Mr. Sutherland:* No. The Catholic Inspectors have just about a county; some of them have as many as two counties; there are forty-six Catholic inspectors. Inspector Honeyman has the Counties of Pontiac, Labelle and Ottawa, but in all three counties he has only 126 schools, nearly all single-teacher schools. Consolidation is making progress. We are doing just what Dr. McKay spoke of. We speak of that smaller kind of consolidation as partial, and the complete consolidation is where we gather in five or six schools, and they are all under one board, which makes it easier, and we call that complete consolidation because they can be raised to model rank. In regard to the grants for consolidation, the Government gives us carte blanche to say how much we shall give. I go to the Boards, hold public meetings, find out how much it is going to cost them, and if the rate is low, 40 cents, I say to them: "Come up 10 cents and we will give you so much towards your transportation." When Sir Lomer Gouin first proposed this grant at the request of my old friend, the late Hon. Mr. Mackenzie, the Provincial Treasurer, he asked how much we would need; I said I could not tell; we would want perhaps a couple of thousand dollars the first year. He said: "Take what you need, but we will put you a limit for the time being of \$6,000." Well, we have not come up to that yet; I think this year will be a little over \$4,000. Let me tell you that that is to the Protestants, and that the Catholics are not getting a cent for consolidation because they are not asking for it; but whatever is needed for Protestant education is cheerfully given. Let me tell you a little secret. For 51 years they did not increase the number of the normal schools, until about four years ago. We were receiving one-third of the grants for normal schools. The Government of that day, before Confederation, said: "You Protestants pay more attention to normal school training than we do; we are going to give you more." The grant was \$50,000 and the Protestant share was \$16,000 when we were only entitled to \$6,000 or \$7,000.