

of the French Crown, confirmed by Your Majesty in 1841, administered by an Ecclesiastical Corporation known as the Seminary of St. Sulpice; and that there is reason to believe that the said administration has been oppressive and unjust in the extreme to the Indians; that they have been deprived of the means of comfortable subsistence, and of educating their children, and worshipping God according to their conscientious convictions; and that considerable portions of the property in question have been alienated to settlers of European origin.

Further, there is reason to believe that the said Seminary has taken advantage of its position of trustee to inflict these injuries on the Indians, with the intention of obliging them to leave the land in question, and in order that it may remain the exclusive property of the Seminary.

Further, your memorialists have found that, owing to the wealth and influence of the Seminary, and the poverty and ignorance of the Indians, and the technical points of law raised in the courts, the sufferers have been unable to obtain any adequate redress from the legal tribunals of this Province.

Your memorialists would, therefore, pray Your Most Gracious Majesty to take the premises into your favourable consideration, and to appoint Commissioners who may investigate the titles of the Seminary, and the policy which it has pursued to the poor people under its charge; and should it be found that the trust has been improvidently or unjustly exercised, that it should be transferred to some public and impartial body capable of administering the property for the benefit of those for whom in the wise liberality of the Governments of France and Great Britain it was originally set apart.

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#### COMMITTEE ON NEWSPAPER.

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On motion, the President nominated the Committee on the Establishment of a Newspaper for the Montreal Conference, as follows; the President and Secretary of Confer-