

7. Section 22 of the Manitoba Act, 1870, provides as follows :—

“ In and for the Province, the said Legislature may exclusively make Laws in relation to education, subject and according to the following provisions :—

“ (1) Nothing in any such Law shall prejudicially affect any right or privilege with respect to Denominational Schools which any class of persons have by Law or practice in the Province at the Union.

“ (2) An Appeal shall lie to the Governor-General in Council from any Act or decision of the Legislature of the Province, or of any Provincial Authority, affecting any right or privilege of the Protestant or Roman Catholic minority of the Queen’s subjects in relation to Education.

“ (3) In case any such Provincial Law, as from time to time seems to the Governor-General in Council requisite for the due execution of the provisions of this section is not made, or in case any decision of the Governor-General in Council on any appeal under this section is not duly executed by the proper Provincial Authority in that behalf then, and in every such case and as far only as the circumstances of each case require, the Parliament of Canada may make remedial laws for the due execution of the provisions of this section, and of any decision of the Governor-General in Council under this section.”

8. Memorials and Petitions were presented to the Governor-General of Canada in Council and among the rest one by the Appellants and by many other Roman Catholic inhabitants of the Province and on behalf of the Roman Catholic Minority of the Queen’s subjects in the Province by way of appeal from the two Acts of Manitoba of 1890 before referred to, which petition prayed as follows :—

“ (1) That Your Excellency the Governor-General in Council may entertain the said Appeal and may consider the same, and may make such provision and give such directions for the hearing and consi-