

5. The Hon. L. O. Taillon, Attorney-General, on legal holidays as affecting Protestant or Mixed Schools in the Province of Quebec.

6. Dr. Heneker, on the withholding of school fees by the McGill Normal School hitherto paid into the Contingent Fund of the Protestant Committee of the Council of Public Instruction.

The Secretary reported that there were no assets, and that the liabilities as per statement filed were \$547.92.

The consideration of Dr. Heneker's letter on withholding of school fees by the McGill Normal School hitherto paid into the Contingent Fund of the Protestant Committee of the Council of Public Instruction, was deferred till next meeting.

On the motion of Dr. Heneker, seconded by Dr. Hemming, it was resolved:

"That with regard to the Bill to repeal Sec. 12, 32 Vic., cap. 16, submitted by the Hon. the Superintendent this day, this Committee feel that in view of the proposed consolidation of the School Laws at an early date, it is in their opinion inexpedient to pass any such measure at the present time, but they recommend that the principle of the measure be taken into consideration with other amendments which may be suggested when the Legislature is prepared to consider the said consolidation of the School Laws."

The consideration of the revision of the authorized text-books for schools was postponed till next meeting.

On the motion of the Hon. James Ferrier, seconded by Dr. Heneker, it was resolved:

"That not less than three Inspectors are necessary for the Districts of St. Francis and Bedford, comprising 543 Protestant schools, in which there are now only two Inspectors; and the Superintendent be requested to bring the necessity of appointing an additional Protestant Inspector before the Government."

Sub-committees on School Law, a central Board of Examiners, and Teachers' Diplomas, and the Powers of the Protestant Committee reported progress, and asked leave to sit again.

On the motion of Dr. Heneker, seconded by the Hon. James Ferrier, it was resolved:

"That the letter of Mr. James McGregor of the 19th March, 1884, be placed in the hands of the Hon. Superintendent of Public Instruction with a request that he will lay it before the Government with a strong recommendation from the Committee that means be furnished to the Department for supplementing the salary of Mr. McGregor, an excellent and worthy officer."