

"3rdly. Because the teachers, generally too badly paid, perform their duty in return with disgust, with the hope of abandoning it as soon as they see a chance of obtaining a more lucrative situation. The majority become teachers for want of better employment."

Rev. Mr. *Sylvestre*, (St. Dominique.) Yes; the want of money, which prevents the teachers from being sufficiently paid, as the schools are often obliged to be suspended. The Municipal School of the Village is this moment closed.

Rev. Mr. *Boucher*, (St. David.) The school system does not work yet in our Municipality.

Rev. Mr. *Payment*, (Charlesbourg.) "I am far from being able to tell the Committee over which you preside, that the education imparted here is calculated to promote the industrial interests of the country. Apart from reading and writing, the education which the children receive is almost null. I do not pretend to throw all the blame upon the teachers.

"If the statistics in my possession do not deceive me, I find that the sums considered as Superintendent's and Inspectors' emoluments amount to £3250. With this sum, what has been done? Absolutely nothing in the interests of education. You have had reports, circulars, but all these do not make education advance the least in the world. Let the same sum be given to a minister with well paid deputies, who will do nothing else but the work they are put to, and I think that matters will go on better.

24. Education proceeds slowly for the causes above mentioned; and so long as nothing better is adopted, you will never see the schools turn out any children but such as read badly and write but little.

Rev. Mr. *Télu*, (St. Roch des Aulnais.) I do not think so.

Rev. Mr. *Larouche*, (Little River.) The want of educated teachers.

Rev. Mr. *Duhault*, (St. Hypolite de Walton.) No.

Rev. Mr. *Craig*, (Contrecoeur.) Although the school system works sufficiently well in our Municipality, there is still much to be desired.

Rev. Mr. *Primeau*, (Varennnes.) Our schools are sufficient for the society in which we live. There never was in this parish any opposition to the law, but serious difficulties have very often arisen at the election of the commissioners. At these elections the parish was separated into two parties,—one consisting of educated persons and their friends, and the other of the uneducated mass. I could never account for the aversion of good and honest parishioners on this subject against their friends in the village; but with a little more time, our inhabitants will become accustomed to carry on their elections and other school matters with more coolness, and things will go on well.

Rev. Mr. *Cusson*, (St. Antoine.) It grieves me to say that I cannot answer.

Rev. Mr. *Archambault*, (Vaudreuil.) It grieves me to say that I cannot answer.

Rev. Mr. *Beauregard*, (La Présentation.) The results are weak from the want of surveillance. The teachers are left too much to themselves.

Rev. Mr. *LeBrun*, (St. Michel d'Yamaska.) No.

Rev. Mr. *Champeau*, (St. Augustin.) It is not within his province to answer.

Rev. Mr. *Plinguet*, (St. Scolastique.) Very little up to the present time, but we are in hopes.

Rev. Mr. *Dallaire*, (Lacolle.) Yes, but there is a want of uniformity in the system.

Rev. Mr. *Doucet*, (St. André.) Although the present school system produces some good, it cannot be said that it works in such a manner as to afford youth a sufficient education; suitable to the industrial interests of the country. From the too great number of schools arise the too paltry remuneration and the