

School District No. 8 of the Parish of Bathurst have been contravening the non-sectarian principle of the New Brunswick School Law, 1st, in that they have constrained their teacher to teach the Catholic catechism during school hours; 2ndly, in that they have refused to engage a teacher on the sole ground that such teacher was a Protestant, and 3rdly, in that they compel their teacher to keep the Catholic holy days, therefore we the undersigned trustees and ratepayers of said District No. 8 respectfully request that you make the above recited complaint and any others that may be formulated in connection with said district the subject matter of investigation when you come to Bathurst on 30 inst. to hold your court of inquiry *in re* the Bathurst school difficulty.

We remain,

Your obedient servants,

(s'g'd) PATRICK MALONEY,  
 PATRICK HOWARD, (trustee)  
 JAMES T. CARTER,  
 JOHN CALNAN,  
 DAVID MURPHY,  
 JOHN MURPHY,  
 DANIEL HAGGERTY,  
 JOHN ALEXANDER, (trustee)



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