

pletely isolated, and so many precautions taken against fire, that the wardens are disposed to regard the insuring of them as a needless expenditure of money.

With respect to Sunday Schools it is gratifying to state that in every parish and mission there is such a school—in five, two; and in two, three.

As regards Day Schools there are only as yet six strictly speaking under the control of the church.

I may state in conclusion that having acquainted the meeting with my resignation of the office of Rural Dean, previous to my departure for England, and your Lordship's acceptance of the same, with the wish that I would continue to act in this capacity until a successor could be appointed, the members of the Deanery present were unanimous in the desire that I would continue in office as long as my health would permit, and a resolution to that effect was passed. I would only add that should my health improve, and my missionary labours be somewhat lightened, as they would be by the formation of the mission just proposed, I shall be most ready and willing to do all in my power for the promotion of those important objects which your Lordship had in view by the division of the Diocese into Rural Deaneries and the appointment of Rural Deans.

I have the honour to be,

My Lord,

Your faithful and obedient servant,

EDWARD DUVERNET,

Rural Dean of Iberville.

The Most Rev.
The Lord Bishop of Montreal.

APPENDIX I.

HOCHELAGA.

MY LORD,—On Monday evening, June 20th, the Ruri-decanal meeting for the present year, of this Deanery, was held in the school room of St. George's church, and followed by Divine service, at which the Rev. J. Irwin preached before the Deanery. At that meeting this report was presented in accordance with the Canon.