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proper legal form, and, having filed and served the various copies required, proceeded to Bathurst on the opening of the Commission at that place.

His Honor Judge Fraser presided at the hearing, the Board of Education being represented by the Hon. Solicitor General White, the Trustees of Bathurst Town and Village by R. A. Lawlor, Esq., and N. Landry, Esq., and the complainant by Hon. Mr. Skinner and myself.

Briefly we charged in our complaint that the Roman Catholic Bishop of Chatham entered into an agreement and understanding with certain Catholic members of said school districts of Bathurst Town and Village to bring the schools of said districts under the control of the religious teaching orders of his church, and under and by virtue of such agreement and understanding conventional schools were established contrary to law.

That the Board of Education had granted undue privileges to the said religious teaching orders of the Catholic Church in allowing them to be licensed as teachers without attendance at Normal School.

That Roman Catholic priests interfered with the schools in said districts in their capacity as priests of the church.

That Roman Catholic holy days not school holidays were observed in the schools.

That a certain report dealing with the schools of these districts had been suppressed by the Board of Education.

That the Board of Education had unduly favored the Roman Catholics in not acting upon complaints submitted by Protestants.

That the grading of said schools was so conducted as to make it necessary for Protestant children to attend the conventual schools.

That in consequence of the foregoing the efficiency of the schools had been greatly impaired.

That the cost of running the schools had by these means been greatly increased.

That the conventual schools had been established for the benefit of the Roman Catholic church and to injure the Protestant churches.

That a regulation of the Board of Education (No. 10) had been materially altered in order to enable the trustees to interfere with Protestant rights.