

CURE OF A SCHOOL-TEACHER, MISS MARIE COTÉ

the undersigned, pastor of St. Jean-Baptiste de l'Isle Verte, willingly certify to the following facts : Miss Marie Côté, a school-teacher of this parish, suffered from a serious and very painful illness, from

the beginning of May of this year, and from then to the 21^m June she was able to teach class only during about two weeks and even this was considered by the physician and myself as due to excess of zeal for there was no perceptible improvement in her condition during that time. We even represented to her that by her extraordinary efforts to fight against the disease, she seriously endangered her chances of future recovery. I advanced the examinations of her school to remove the temptation to prolong her efforts.

During all that time to the 24th July last, I visited Miss Côté nearly every day and always found her very weak and nearly always in pain; she complained especially of dreadful pains in the renal region. At the same time she suffered, as she had for a long time previously, from chronic dyspepsia which prevented her from taking solid food.

The patients residence is about sixty yards from the schoolhouse and from the church; she could not walk that distance.

It seemed to me that during the last month, that is from the 21^{ret} June to the 24th July, her condition became worse. On the latter date; by the physician's advice she consented to allow herself to be conveyed to Quebec that she might consult the specialists on the necessity and utility of a surgical operation which the local physician looked upon as the only means of improving her condition.

She postponed her departure to the 24th July because, as she said to me; she wished in any case to be carried to Ste Anne