

Protestant on the trustee board, and that important business is transacted, even the hiring of teachers by the Roman Catholic trustees without calling a meeting of the Board, and without consulting the Protestant trustee, and that on several occasions the parish priest has met with the Roman Catholic trustees on public school business after mass in the Roman Catholic church, and that on many occasions the public school in this section has been dismissed in the forenoon to permit the children and teachers to attend masses and funeral services in the Roman Catholic church, and that as a result of having Catholic teachers in our school it is closed on all Roman Catholic holidays, and our children consequently have to stay at home."

Incompetent Teachers.

A public school trustee in the county of Russell swears: "I am a trustee of Section No. —, in the township of C——, in the county of Russell, and acting in conjunction with two other trustees, both of whom are Roman Catholics, we hired an English-speaking teacher for the school year 1909 and 1910, but when she wrote that she would not accept the position, the other trustees, without consulting me, and without my knowledge, on their own initiative, engaged the services of the present teacher, who is a French-Canadian and a Roman Catholic, and that this teacher uses Roman Catholic prayers in the school every day, and frequently teaches the Roman Catholic catechism to the children in school hours, and that my children are compelled to lose valuable time because the school is not held on saints' days, which are regarded as holidays by Roman Catholics, and that my children are not properly instructed, because so much time is consumed by the teacher in hearing classes recite in French, and that her acquaintance with the English language is imperfect."