

*Sue non-residents defaulting.*

(14.) To sue for and recover by their name of office, the amounts of school-rates or subscriptions due from persons residing without the limits of their school section, who make default in payment.

*Make return of uncollected rates to Township Clerk.*

(15.) To make a return to the Clerk of the Municipality of the amount of any rate imposed by them for school purposes whenever so imposed, and also, before the end of the then current year, to make a return of the rates on the property of non-residents of their section, (as provided in the *one hundred and twenty-seventh* section of this Act) and which they have been unable to collect.

*Admit to school, residents between ages of 5 and 21.*

(16.) To permit all residents in such section between the ages of five and twenty-one years, to attend the school, so long as they conduct themselves in conformity with the rules of such school, and the fees or rates required to be paid on their behalf are fully discharged, but such permission shall not extend to the children for persons in whose behalf a separate school has been established, according to the Act respecting the establishment of separate schools.

*Visit Schools—and for what.*

(17.) To visit from time to time, each school under their charge and see that it is conducted according to the authorized regulations, and that each such school is, at all times, duly provided with a Register and Visitors' Book, in the form prepared according to law.

*Proper text-books to be used in Schools.*

(18.) To see that no unauthorized books are used in the school, and that the pupils are duly supplied with an uniform series of authorized text books, sanctioned and recommended by the Council of Public Instruction, and to procure annually, for the benefit of their school section, some periodical devoted to education.

*Establish School Section Library.*

(19.) To appoint a Librarian, and to take such steps authorized by law as they may judge expedient, for the establishment, safe-keeping, and proper management of a school library in their section, whenever provision has been made and carried into effect for the establishment of school libraries.

*Personal responsibility in case of neglect to exercise corporate powers.*

(20.) To exercise all the corporate powers vested in them by this Act, for the fulfilment of any contract or agreement made by them; and in case they or any of them wilfully neglect or refuse to exercise such powers, the trustee or trustees so neglecting or refusing shall be personally responsible for the fulfilment of such contract or agreement.

*Prepare and read report at annual meeting.*

(21.) To cause to be prepared and read at the annual meeting of their section, their annual school report for the year then terminating, which report shall include, among other things, a full and detailed account of the receipt and expenditure of all school money received and expended in behalf of such section, for any purpose whatever, during such year, and in case of dispute the matter shall be referred to arbitration in the manner provided in the *twenty-ninth* section of this Act.

*Make half-yearly report to Local Superintendent.*

(22.) To transmit to the local superintendent, on or before the *thirtieth day of June*, and the *thirty-first day of December* in each year, a correct return of the average attendance of pupils in each of the schools under their charge during the six months then immediately preceding.

*Penalty for neglect to do so.*

And in case such trustees neglect to transmit a verified statement of such average attendance, then such school section shall not be entitled to the apportionment from the school fund for the said six months.

*Make yearly report to Local Superintendent.*

(23.) To ascertain the number of children between the ages of five and sixteen years residing in their section on the *thirty-first day of December* in each year; and to prepare and submit annually, on or before the *fifteenth day of January*, a report to the local superintendent, signed by a majority of the trustees, and made according to a form provided by the Chief Superintendent of Education, and shall specify therein:

(1.) The whole time the school in their section was kept by a qualified teacher during the year ending the thirty-first day of the previous *December*.

(2.) The amount of moneys received for the school fund, from local rates or contributions, and from other sources, distinguishing the same; and the manner in which all such moneys were expended.

(3.) The whole number of children residing in the school section, over the age of *five* years, and under the age of *sixteen*; the number of children and young persons taught in the school in winter and summer, distinguishing the sexes, and those who were over and under *sixteen* years of age; and the average attendance of pupils in both winter and summer; but the trustees of the common school sections within the limits of which one or more separate school sections are established as hereinafter provided, shall not in their return of children of school age residing in their school sections, include the children attending such separate school or schools.

(4.) The branches of education taught in the school; the numbers of pupils in each branch; the text-books used; the numbers of public school examinations, visits and lectures and by whom made or delivered, and such other information respecting the school premises and library as may be required.

*Penalty for delaying Yearly Report.*

28. In case the trustees of any school section neglect to prepare and forward the aforesaid annual report to their Local Superintendent by the thirty-first day of January in each year, each of them shall, for each week after such thirty-first day of January, and until such report has been prepared and presented, forfeit the sum of *five dollars*, to be sued for by such Local Superintendent, and collected and applied in the manner provided by the *twenty-first* section of this Act.

[Section 29 superseded by section 8 of the new School Act.]

*New School Sites to be authorized by Special Meeting.*

30. No steps shall be taken by the trustees of any school section for procuring a school site\* on which to erect a new school house, or for changing the site of an established school house, without calling a special meeting of the freeholders and householders of their section to consider the matter.

*Difference between trustees and people to be referred to arbitration.*

And in case of a difference as to the site of a school house between the majority of the trustees and a majority of the freeholders and householders at such special meeting, each party shall choose an arbitrator, and the local superintendent, or in case of his inability to attend, any person appointed by him to act on his behalf, shall be a third arbitrator, and such *three* arbitrators, or a majority of them, shall finally decide the matter.†

*Trustees personally responsible for moneys lost.*

31. The trustees of each school section shall be personally responsible for the amount of any school moneys forfeited by or lost to such school section in consequence of their neglect of duty during their continuance in office; and the amount thus forfeited or lost shall be collected and applied in the manner provided by the *twenty-first* section of this Act.

*All the Sections of a Township may be united and a Township Board elected.*

32. In case a majority of the resident freeholders and householders of each section at a public meeting for that purpose separately called by the trustees of each such section, express a desire that local school sections should be abolished, and that

\* See Section 6 of the new School Act.

† See Section 15 of the new school Act.