

He shall collect information on Education, and hold public meetings in different parts of the Province, to which he shall invite the attendance of the Inspector, Teachers, and Inhabitants, and address such meetings on the subject of Education, using all legitimate means to excite an interest therein.

He shall cause copies of this Act, with the Regulations of the Board of Education, together with all necessary forms and instructions, to be printed and furnished to the Inspectors, Trustees, School Committees, and Teachers.

He shall adopt the necessary measures to promote the establishment of School Libraries.

He shall provide the necessary plans for the construction of School Houses, and recommend the proper furniture and appendages for the same, and the improvement and embellishment of the grounds on which they are situate.

He shall have power to sue for books, maps and apparatus, purchased for the use of Parish Schools, and for all moneys due on the sale thereof; and every such action shall be brought and prosecuted by him in his name of office, and shall not abate by reason of any vacancy or change of officer.

He shall annually prepare a Report upon the condition of the Schools and School Libraries, with such other information upon the system and state of Education generally, and the amount expended in promoting it, with such suggestions as he may deem necessary, accompanied with a return of the moneys received from the sale of books and apparatus, which shall be laid before the Legislature within ten days after the opening thereof.

TRUSTEES.

6. Three Trustees of Schools shall be annually elected in each Town and Parish, at the time and in the same manner as other Town or Parish officers, who shall be subject to the same pains and penalties for neglect or refusal to act, or the non-performance of their duties, as other Town and Parish officers; and when any Town or Parish fails to elect, the Sessions shall appoint as in other cases: in incorporated Towns, Cities, or Counties, the Council shall appoint the Trustees; but the Trustees in office at the time of the passing of this Act shall, continue to act until others are appointed in their stead.

It shall be the duty of Trustees to divide their respective Parishes into convenient School Districts, and from time to time to reconstruct them, and to define in writing the boundaries of each District, and file a description thereof with the Clerk of the Peace, and in incorporated Counties with the Secretary-Treasurer, and a copy thereof with the Town Clerk.

They shall give any licensed Teacher authority in writing to open a School in a District where the inhabitants have provided a sufficient School House, secured the necessary salary, and with their assent agree with such Teacher.