

2. To use their best exertions to give effect to the Parish School Act, and the Regulations made by and under the authority of the Provincial Board of Education.

3. To visit each School in their Districts, at least twice in each year, that is, once between the 1st April and 30th September, and once between the 1st October and 31st March, as near as may be, at the most distant intervals; and at these visits, (adopting the course of examination agreed on at their recent convention) to enquire as to, and note the qualifications and standing of the Teachers, the number and progress of the Pupils, the discipline, system, and effect of Instruction imparted, the state of the School Registers, supply of Books, Maps, and Apparatus, the condition of the School Houses, their fitness, furniture, and external conveniences, and such other points as may be necessary to the complete filling up of the prescribed statistical and other educational returns.

4. To make careful enquiry, and collect such statistical and other information as may be freely communicated to them, in regard to all private Schools and other establishments under the rank of Grammar Schools, which receive pecuniary aid from the provincial chest.

5. To advise the Teachers in all that may tend to promote their efficiency, and the character and usefulness of their Schools.

6. To assist and advise the Trustees and School Committees, whenever opportunity may occur, and encourage them to the full discharge of the duties confided to them; and especially to notify them of their visits, in order that these officers may, when practicable, be present at the visitation of the Schools.

7. To give full attention to the establishment and efficiency of superior Schools.

8. To deliver in the most populous Districts, once a year if possible, a public Lecture on the objects and principles of practical Education, and to animate Parents, Guardians, Trustees, and Teachers, to improve the character of the common Schools, and secure the universal and sound education of the young, and as a means to promote the establishment of District School Libraries.

9. To meet and confer with the chief superintendent, at such times and places as he may appoint, when making an official visit, and to impart to him such local and other information respecting the schools, the teachers, and the pupils, as he may require and they may possess.

10. To fill up the appropriate blanks in the several returns forwarded to them by the teachers; in particular with the number of scholars present on the day of inspection, and any special matter touching the state of the school, and qualification and standing of the teachers. To make a semi-annual abstract in such form as may be prescribed, of the information collected, and as soon after 1st October and 1st April, as may be practicable, transmit the same together with the teacher's returns connected therewith, to the Chief Superintendent, noting the schools for keeping which teachers claim compensation, but which were not inspected for cause to be shown.