

been assessed and shall have paid school taxes in the district for the preceding year. The district trustees are invested with large powers and responsibilities. Among other things it is their duty, as a body corporate, to acquire and hold any real or personal property for school purposes, to borrow money for school purposes, to determine the sites of the school-houses to be erected, to furnish books to the children of indigent parents, to regulate the attendance of pupils in the different grades of schools, to employ teachers, to dismiss teachers for neglect of duty or immorality, to expel or suspend any pupil for persistent disobedience to his teacher, to see that no unauthorized books are used in schools, to appoint a secretary from or outside of themselves to collect school taxes and hold and disburse moneys for school purposes, and to call all school meetings. With regard to Superior Schools, Libraries, and Grammar Schools, the Act is similar to the law at present in force. St. John and Fredericton are to be separate districts, with boards of trustees, consisting of seven members each. Four of these trustees are appointed by the Governor, and three by the Common Council, to hold office during pleasure. The board will have a salaried secretary, who shall perform all duties prescribed for him. This board is to be intrusted with all the powers of the district trustees, and shall notify the Council of the amounts required to carry out their arrangements for school purposes, when it shall be the duty of the Council to order an assessment for the amount. The following paragraph, the meaning of which will probably be made apparent when the Bill comes up for discussion in the House, we quote:—The Board of Trustees is hereby authorized with the sanction of the Council, to co-operate with the governing body of any school on such terms as to the Board shall seem right, but any such arrangement shall be annual in its nature, and shall be determinable by effluxion of time or on branch conditions, and in such case the Board may make allowance to such school of the funds under its control, but no public funds shall be granted in support of any school unless the same be a free school, and conducted in every respect in conformity with this Act and the regulations of the Board of Education.—*St. John Telegraph.*

VII. Departmental Notices.

SECOND CLASS PROVINCIAL CERTIFICATES.

The Council of Public Instruction have made the following modifications in the requirements for a *Second Class Certificate*, viz.:—That in Euclid Books I. and II. with problems will be required, instead of Books I., II. and III., as hitherto published.

NEW SCHOOL REGISTERS.

In reply to numerous applications for Public School Registers, &c., we desire to say that a new edition (including the modifications in the courses of study required by the new School Act) is now ready. They will be sent to the County Clerks this month for distribution through the Inspectors, but none will be sent out direct to individual schools from the Education Department. Trustees will, therefore, please apply to the Inspector for them.

NO PENSIONS TO PUBLIC SCHOOL TEACHERS UNLESS THEY SUBSCRIBE TO THE FUND.

Public notice is hereby given to all Teachers of Public Schools, or Teachers of the English branches in High Schools, who are legally qualified Public School Teachers in Ontario, who may wish to avail themselves at any future time of the advantages of the Superannuated Teachers' Fund, that it will be necessary for them to transmit to the Chief Superintendent or Inspector, if they have not already done so, their subscriptions, at the rate of \$5 per annum for each preceding year, commencing with 1854, and at the rate of \$4 per annum for the current year's subscription. The law authorizing the establishment of this fund provides, "That no teacher shall be

entitled to share in the said fund who shall not contribute to such fund at least at the rate of four dollars per annum." No pension will be granted to any teacher who has not subscribed to the fund, in accordance to the preceding regulations of the Council of Public Instruction; nor can one be granted for any year of teaching for which the subscription has not been paid.

THE CONSOLIDATED SCHOOL ACT,

Embracing the School Acts of 1850, 1860 and 1871, was published in this *Journal* for May and June. These Journals were mailed to each School Trustee Corporation and Inspector in Ontario. Extra copies will be sent from the Depository free of postage, on receipt of twenty-five cents.

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EXAMINATION PAPERS IN SETS.

In the next *Journal* we hope to publish the Examination Papers used at the recent County Board Examinations for Second and Third Class Certificates. In the meantime, we may state that the entire set of Examination Papers for First, Second, and Third Class Teachers, neatly bound, can be sent free of postage, on receipt of sixty cents. Those used in the Normal School during the last and previous Sessions, and those used at the County Examination for Second and Third Class Teachers, can also be sent, neatly bound, free of postage, on receipt of fifty cents.

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