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OFFICIAL NOTICES.

No. 1.

It having come to the knowledge of the Board of Education that Trustees and Teachers in certain Districts have disregarded the provisions of Regulation 19 by substituting, either in whole or in part, other days than those specified therein as the Christmas Vacation.— It is ORDERED, That Trustees and Teachers be notified through the EDUCATIONAL CIRCULAR, that (where the permission of the Department has not first been obtained for a departure from the said Regulation, in case of an emergency), no portion of the County Fund will be appropriated to the Trustees, or Provincial Grant to the Teacher, on account of any day or days on which School has been open contrary to the express provisions of the Board of Education as contained in Regulation 19 throughout; and that they be hereby cautioned not to include such days, or the attendance made therein, in their attested Returns to the Education Office.

January 15th, 1876.

No. 2.

ORDERED BY THE BOARD OF EDUCATION, 1st, That Wormell's Modern Geometry, with an Appendix by President Jack of the University, be hereby prescribed as the text-book in Plane Geometry for use in all Schools, in place of Chambers' Euclid. 2nd, That in all classes hereafter formed in Plane Geometry, Wormell's Modern Geometry shall be exclusively used as the text-book.

January 15th, 1876.

No. 3.

The Board of Education has been pleased to cancel the Licenses heretofore held by D. S. Chesnutt, Baie Verte, Westmorland; and John Lynch, Tay Creek, Douglas, York.

June 1st, 1876.

No. 4.

The Chapter of the Consolidated Statute relating to Schools was published in the *Royal Gazette*, June 14th, 1876, and is now in force. The following Sections of the Chapter include those by which amendments of general interest have been made in the Law as published in the *Journal of the Common Schools Act*, 1875. The numbers in brackets [] attached to the Sections, refer to the "Mended"; the new Sections are without brackets:—

9. (D.) [D. (D.)] To furnish the Inspectors with the numbers and boundaries of the Districts within the respective Counties, and from time to time, as new Districts are created, or boundaries altered, to furnish such new boundaries; and the certificate of the Inspector shall be evidence of such boundaries.

13. [D.] From and after the first day of November which will be in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and seventy seven, the Provincial aid to Teachers and Assistants, qualified and employed as aforesaid, shall be regulated in part according to the class of license, and in part according to the quality of instruction given in the School as determined by the semi-annual examination of pupils by an Inspector, as follows: For the School year, or rateably as above, Male Teachers of the first class, one hundred and ten dollars; of the second class, eighty dollars; of the third class, sixty dollars; Female Teachers of the first class, seventy dollars; of the second class, fifty dollars; of the third class, forty dollars; in addition, each Teacher whose School shall be reported by the Inspector, in respect of quality of instruction, as entitled in any half year to the first rank, shall receive for the half year, at the rate of forty dollars per year; the second rank, at the rate of twenty-five dollars; the third rank, at the rate of ten dollars, or rateably as above: each such Assistant shall receive a sum equal to one half the grants to Teachers.

36. [37.] The Inspector may in writing require the Trustees of any District to exempt from District rates, in whole or in part, any person residing more than two miles from the School house, and who may have children between five and twenty years of age, or who may have as an inmate of his household any child between such years who actually attends a School, and who is not an inmate of his household temporarily with a view to such attendance, and the Trustees shall in either of such cases exempt such person accordingly.

42. [42.] If relief be granted by the proper authority for reducing Parish rates to any person by reason of his having been over rated by the Assessors of Rates, he shall, upon request made upon the Trustees, and on producing a certificate from the Clerk of the Peace, be entitled to have his District assessment rectified in accordance therewith, and such excess shall not be collected, or if collected, shall be credited on his rate for the next year, or shall be recoverable in an action of debt against the Board of School Trustees.

52. No person shall be entitled to vote at any School meeting on any question whatsoever unless he shall be a ratepayer, either resident in the District or non-resident in the Parish and owning property in the District, such ratepayers to be hereinafter designated as ratepayers of the District, and unless he shall have paid all District School rates imposed upon him for the then preceding year in case any shall have been imposed.