

office, and discharge their duties as heretofore, until provisions shall be made for the appointment of County Inspectors, under the authority of this Act.

13. It shall also be the duty of the Council of Public Instruction, by the training of teachers, the programme of studies, the selection of text books, and special regulations, to provide for teaching in the public schools, the Elements of Natural History, of Agricultural Chemistry, of Mechanics, and of Agriculture.

14. The municipal council of any township may, in case a majority of the resident householders and freeholders in two-thirds at least of the several school sections, at public meeting called in each section of the township, shall so desire it, form the township into one school municipality, as is each city and town, and establish a Township Board of Public School Trustees, as provided by the thirty-second section of the Consolidated School Act.

15. No school section shall be formed after the year one thousand eight hundred and seventy-one, which shall contain less than fifty resident children, between the ages of five and sixteen years, unless the area of such section shall contain more than four square miles.

16. The majority of the Trustees, or any five rate-payers of a school section, shall have the right of appeal or complaint to their county council against any by-law or resolution which has been passed, or may be passed, by their township council for the formation or alteration of their school section; and it may and shall be lawful for such county council to appoint a committee of not more than five, or less than three competent persons (two of whom shall be the County Judge and a County Inspector, and a majority of whom shall form a quorum), to investigate the matter of such appeal or complaint, and confirm or disallow the by-law or resolution complained of; and on the representation and petition of the majority of the Trustees, or rate-payers, of two or more school sections in a township, present at special meetings called for that purpose, the county council shall have authority to appoint a committee of not less than five competent persons (two of whom shall be the County Judge and a County Inspector, and a majority of whom shall form a quorum), to revise and alter the boundaries of the school sections of such township, so far as to settle the matters complained of; Provided always, that no person shall be competent to act on either of the committees mentioned in this clause of this Act, who was a member of the township council that passed the by-law or resolution complained of; And provided also, that the alterations made in the boundaries of any school section by such committee, shall not take effect before the end of the year during which they shall be made, and of which alterations due notice shall be given by the Inspector to the clerk of the township and to the trustees of the school sections concerned; Provided furthermore, that the school boundaries of a village, existing at the time of its incorporation, shall continue in force, notwithstanding its incorporation, until altered under the authority of the school laws.

17. On the selection of land, as provided by law, for a school site, for the erection of a school house and necessary buildings, or for enlarging school premises, if the owner of such land shall refuse to sell the same, or shall demand therefor a price deemed unreasonable by the Trustees of any section or Board of Trustees in cities, towns or incorporated villages, the proprietor of such land, and the Trustees, or Boards of Trustees, shall each forthwith select an arbitrator; and the arbitrators thus chosen and the County Inspector, or any two of them, shall appraise the damages to the owner of such land, and upon the tender of payment of the amount of such damages to the owner by the School Trustees, the land shall be taken and used for the purpose aforesaid; Provide nothing herein contained, shall authorize the selection in a township of a site within a hundred yards of a garden, orchard, pleasure ground or dwelling house, without the consent of the owner of such site; And provided further, that in cities, towns and incorporated villages, vacant land only shall be taken without the consent of the owner or owners.

18. On the formation or alteration of a union school section or division under the authority of the fifth section of the school Law Amendment

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