

[6.] To appoint a convenient place in each district within his county where all school returns shall be lodged, and to give sufficient publicity to any such arrangement.

[7.] To keep on hand, and distribute as directed by the Superintendent, all necessary blank forms and returns.

[8.] To diffuse such information as shall promote the improvement of school houses and grounds, and the appurtenances thereto.

[9.] To report annually to the Superintendent all fines received by him under this Chapter.

[10.] To promote the advancement of education by holding public meetings as frequently as possible; and especially to encourage the establishment of schools in sections where none exist.

[11.] To aid the Superintendent in carrying out a uniform system of education, and generally in giving effect to this Chapter and the Regulations of the Council of Public Instruction.

[12.] To transmit to the Superintendent, on or before the first days of December and June in each year, a statement of the half-yearly distribution, and also by the first day of December in each year, a general report of his labors, noting the condition of the schools in his county, and the means of improvement, stating the sections visited where schools did not exist, and the results of such visitations; and furnishing therewith such statistical information as the Superintendent may solicit. [76 am., 1880, Ch. 8, S. 14, [1], [2].

2. The certificate of any Inspector shall be received in courts of law as evidence of the boundaries of school sections. [77].

TEACHERS.

1. No person shall be deemed qualified to receive, under this Chapter, any portion of the moneys granted towards the support of county academies, or common schools, unless holding a license from the Council of Public Instruction. It shall be the duty of every Teacher:

[1.] Not to attempt to establish a school in any section without first making an agreement with its Trustees.

[2.] To teach diligently and faithfully all the branches required to be taught in the school, and to maintain proper order and discipline therein, according to the engagements entered into with the Trustees and the provisions of this Chapter.

[3.] To call the roll morning and afternoon, and otherwise keep an accurate register in the manner prescribed by the Council of Public Instruction, on pain of liability to forfeiture of the public grants; the register to be at all times open to the inspection of the Trustees, Visitors, Examiners, Commissioners, Inspectors, and Superintendent.

[4.] To render, when necessary, the Trustees all possible assistance in classifying the pupils of the section, according to their attainments; and, when requested by the Trustees, to institute quarterly examinations, for the purpose of transferring any pupils, who may be prepared, to another department.

[5.] To inculcate, by precept and example, a respect for religion and the principles of Christian morality, and the highest regard to truth, justice, love of country, loyalty, humanity, benevolence, sobriety, industry, frugality, chastity, temperance, and all other virtues.

[6.] To give assiduous attention to the cleanliness, health, and comfort of the pupils; and to report to the trustees the appearance of any infectious or contagious disease in the school.

[7.] To have a special care to the usage of school books and apparatus, the neatness and order of the desks, and the cleanliness and ventilation of the school-room.

[8.] To reimburse the Trustees for any destruction of school property by the pupils which is clearly chargeable to gross neglect or failure to enforce proper discipline on the part of the teacher.

[9.] To have during, or at the end of each half-year, a public examination of the school, of which notice shall be given to the parents and trustees, and to school visitors resident in the section.

[10.] To give notice, through the pupils, of school meetings advertised by the Inspector or Trustees.

[11.] To furnish the Trustees, Examiners, Commissioners, Inspector and Superintendent any information that may be in his power respecting anything connected with the school, or affecting its interest or character.

12. To certify the correctness of the semi-annual returns of his school by the oath as given in the subjoined

SCHEDULE.

I—, a duly licensed teacher of Grade—, of the Province of Nova Scotia, do swear that I have taught and conducted the school in — School Section, No. —, in accordance with law, for the period —, authorized teaching days during the term ended —th —, 18—, that the prescribed register has been faithfully and correctly kept by me, and that: the best of my knowledge and belief, the grand total days' attendance made by the enrolled pupils in the said term, was —, that my agreement with the Trustees is in accordance with the law and regulations, and that there is no collusive understanding by which any portion of the agreement is to be made of no effect.

—Teacher.

Sworn at—, this—day of—, A. D. 18—
before me, —, J. P. [78 am., 1879, Ch. 6, S. 9.]

MISCELLANEOUS.

1. Both County Fund apportionment made to Trustees and Provincial Grants to Teachers shall be withheld from sections making a false return, and from sections whose school, or any of whose schools, have been conducted in buildings condemned by the Board of School Commissioners. [1880, Ch. 8, S. 17.]

2. Members of the Legislature, Ministers of Religion, and Magistrates shall be visitors of schools. [79.]

3. The Superintendent, Inspectors, Teachers of the Normal and Model Schools, and licensed Teachers while employed as such, shall be exempt from serving in any town office, or on juries. [80 am., 1881, Ch. 7, S. 3.]

4. The school year shall consist of a Winter and a Summer Term. The Winter Term shall begin on the first day of November, and end on the thirtieth day of April; and the Summer Term shall begin on the first day of May and end on the 31st day of October. [81.]

5. No section employing a teacher holding a license higher than that of Grade D, so called, shall be entitled to receive the special aid provided for poor sections in respect either to provincial grant to Teachers, or county fund apportionments to Trustees. No county shall be entitled to receive as special provincial aid to Teachers employed in poor sections, more than \$300 annually, and in case the special grant to such Teachers in any county shall for any term exceed one-half of the above sum, viz., \$150, they shall be reduced pro rata of the amount of such excess. [1879, Ch. 6, S. 6.]

6. Should the Council of Public Instruction think proper at any time to modify or change the provisions of Chapter 32 of the Revised Statutes, 4th series, which require that there should be an Inspector for each county, the word "County" in all the sections of said chapter referring to Inspectors shall read "Inspectorial District." [1879, Ch. 6, S. 8.]

7. Whenever any person has obtained a judgment in the Supreme or County Court against the Trustees of any School Section in their corporate capacity, the Trustees of such section shall, during the year following the date of such judgment, and they are hereby authorized to, assess on the rate-payers of said section, a sufficient sum to pay such judgment, which sum shall be collected by said Trustees and paid over to such judgment creditor. (1882, Ch. 8.)

8. The following terms used in this Chapter shall mean as herein defined, except where the context shall preclude such definition:

"Section": That portion of territory the school or schools of which may be presided over by a Board of Trustees.

"Border Section": A section embracing portions of two or more districts.

"District": That portion of territory, the schools of which may be under the general supervision of a Board of Commissioners.

"Rate-payer": Any resident of a section rated in the county rate-roll in respect of real or personal property. [83.]