

906. The clergy of any denomination, or their authorized representatives, shall have the right to give religious instruction to the pupils of their own church, in each school house, at least once a week, after the hour of closing the school in the afternoon; and if the clergy of more than one denomination apply to give religious instruction in the same school house, the Board of Trustees shall decide on what day of the week the school house shall be at the disposal of the clergymen of each denomination, at the time above stated. But it shall be lawful for the Board of Trustees and clergymen of any denomination to agree upon any hour of the day at which a clergyman, or his authorized representative, may give religious instruction to the pupils of his own church, provided it be not during the regular hours of the school. *

I confidently expect that trustees and teachers will faithfully carry out these instructions. It will give me much pleasure to render you all the assistance in my power to promote the efficiency of your schools, in order that every pupil under your care may acquire such a liberal and practical education as would fit him for the duties of citizenship in the highest sense of the term.

GEO. W. ROSS,

Minister of Education.

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