

XLIV. All children over five years of age residing in any school district in this Island, shall be entitled to attend the school therein, the teacher whereof shall receive pay under this Act, and the said teacher shall be bound to receive and instruct all such children.

All children over five years of age entitled to attend district schools.

XLV. In all cases, the vacations of each school constituted or regulated under this Act, excepting always the schools in Charlottetown and Georgetown, shall be two in number in each year; that is to say, a spring vacation extending from the fifteenth day of May to the first day of June, and an autumn vacation of two weeks, to take place in the month of October, and which shall be fixed by the respective trustees of the several school districts; and no deduction shall be made from the salary of the teacher, nor any time added to the period of his service on account of such vacations being allowed; and every alternate Saturday shall be allowed as a holiday to the teacher in each district school.

Number of vacations in each year.

No deduction to be made from teacher's salary on account of such vacations.

XLVI. The inhabitants of any school district within this Island, who shall have provided a schoolhouse therein, in conformity, nevertheless, with all the provisions of this Act, shall, and they are hereby required, to nominate and appoint five trustees, such nomination and appointment to take place at a meeting of the inhabitants of such district, called by a written or printed notice, signed by at least three resident householders within said school district, and posted in at least three of the most public places within the same, seven days prior to such meeting, which notice may be in the form of the schedule to this Act annexed, marked (D); and a majority of the resident householders present at such meeting shall be competent to appoint such trustees; and it shall be the duty of such trustees, three of whom shall be a quorum, to examine the school of said district quarterly in each year; and at all times, in conjunction with the visitor of schools, to inquire into the order, and direct the discipline and regulation of such school; and also to give any licensed teacher who has had the management thereof, the necessary certificates required by this Act; and it shall be the further duty of such trustees so appointed as aforesaid, immediately thereafter, to forward a notice of their appointment to the Board of Education; provided always, that where the appointment of the trustees of the school in any school district shall have taken place and been made under or by virtue of the laws heretofore in force relating to education, and such trustees shall be in office at the passing hereof, they shall be held to be the trustees of such school under and for the purposes of this Act.

Inhabitants of school districts to appoint five trustees.

Duties of trustees, &c.

Appointment of trustees in office at passing hereof, confirmed.

XLVII. In order to obviate the necessity and consequent expense of a more formal proof of the calling of any meeting

Proof of calling a meeting for