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### STATE OF IOWA.

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ORGANIZATION OF SCHOOL DISTRICTS.

Section 1. Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Iowa, That each civil township in the sev-Each civil towneral counties of this State is hereby declared a School ship to be a school dist., and District for all the purposes of this act, the boundaries be sub-dis'ts to be sub-dis'ts. of said township being the boundaries of said School District, and every township hereafter laid out and organized, a school district, and such district as at present organized, shall become a sub-district for the purpose hereinafter provided. Provided, That each incorporated city or town including the territory annexed thereto for school purposes, and which contains not less than cities within civone thousand inhabitants, shall be and is hereby created be distinct disa separate school district, which shall elect its officers in the same manner that officers are elected in other school districts, and the electors and officers of said district, shall possess and exercise the same powers, and perform the same duties as are by this act required of like officers in other school districts, and said district shall be

in all respects subject to the provisions of this act so tar as the same are applicable, and the remaining part of such township or townships shall each be considered as a separate township as provided in this act.

SEC. 2. In each sub-district there shall be taught one or more schools for the instruction of the youth between Schools to be taught in every five and twenty-one years of age, residing therein for at sub-district. least sixteen weeks of five school days each, in each year, and in case of failure so to keep up such school unless the County Superintendent shall be satisfied that there was good and sufficient cause for such failure, or in case of failure or neglect to make the proper returns to the County Superintendent, as provided in this act, such district shall receive no part of the school money which shall be apportioned among the other districts of the same county for that year.

Sec. 3. Whenever persons can be better accommo-Persons residing dated at the school of an adjoining district township, be transferred the board of Directors of the one in which such persons to another. reside, with the concurrence of the board of the district to which it is proposed to attach them, shall transfer them for educational purposes to such adjoining district township, and when persons have been so transferred, the board of Directors of the district in which they reside, shall pay to the Treasurer of the district township to which they have been transferred, the proportional of the public school money to which they may be entitled for their use.

Sec. 4. In case any township shall become organized in a county not organized, it shall be attached to the Townships in unorganized count county which lies contiguous to it, and whose county
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the may be attached to organtached to the as a part of said county, and be subject to taxation for school purposes, and shall receive its proportion of school money, in the same manner as if it formed a part of said county, until the county in which said township is situated shall become organized under the laws of this State, at which time it shall, for all school purposes, form a district in the county in which it is situated.

Sec. 5. Every school district now or which may be

hereafter organized in this State, is hereby made a body A Dist, to be a corporate by the name of District Township ofin the county of-, and State of Iowa, and in that name may hold property, become a party to suits and contracts and do other corporate acts.

DISTRICT MEETINGS AND THE ELECTION OF OFFICERS.

SEC. 6. It shall be the duty of the trustees of the several townships in the State to give ten days previous Trustees of Tp.
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notice of the first meeting of their respective district the first district
meeting under townships herein authorized, to be held on the first Monday of May next, by posting a written notice specifying the time and place of meeting, in five different conspicuous places therein, and when a new township is organized, or in case a district should at any time be left withour officers, it shall be the duty of the trustees thereof, immediately to give the like notice of the first meeting of the school district.

SEC. 7. The electors of the district township, when Organization of assembled in accordance with the notice required in the foregoing section, for the purpose of electing district officers shall organize by appointing a President and Secretary, who shall act as judges of the election.

SEC. 8. The qualified voters at such meeting, and Election of Dist. annually thereafter at the regular meeting on the second board of Directors. Monday of March, shall elect by ballot one President, one Vice President, and one Secretary of the District, who together with one Director from each sub-district, to be elected as hereinafter provided, shall constitute a board of Directors for the District, and shall hold their offices for one year and until their successors are elected and qualified; they shall also at the same time and place elect one Treasurer of the district, who shall hold his office for the term above provided, and shall perform the duties hereinafter specified.

SEC. 9. The regular meetings of each district shall Regular district be held on the second Monday in March in each year. meetings to be held on 2d Monday of March. POWERS OF DISTRICTS.

SEC. 10. The electors of the district, when legally powers of disassembled at a district school meeting, shall have the trict meetings. following powers, viz:

First: To appoint a Chairman and Secretary in the absence of the regular officers.

Second: To adjourn from time to time as occasion may require.

Third: To levy such tax, not exceeding one per cent in any one year, on the taxable property of the district as the meetings shall deem sufficient to purchase or lease a suitable site, for a school house or school houses, and to build, rent or purchase a school house or school houses, and to keep in repair and furnish the same with the necessary fuel and appendages, and for compensation of teachers, and for procuring district libraries and apparatus for the schools, books and stationery for the board and district meetings, and defray all other contingent expenses of the district. Provided, no tax shall be levied for building school houses, excepting at the regular meetings in March, and the first Monday in September.

Fourth: To direct the sale or other disposition to be made of any school house or the site thereof, and of such other property, personal and real, as may belong to the district, and to direct the manner in which the proceeds

arising therefrom shall be applied.

Fifth: To authorize the board of Directors to borrow money for procuring sites and erecting school houses, to be re-paid in such installments as may tend to apportion such re-payments among those who enjoy the benefits of the loan, and it shall be the duty of the County Judge in loaning the school fund to give preference to the application of school districts, and in case any school districts shall borrow any portion of the school fund it shall be the duty of the County Judge each and every year to determine the per centum of taxation on the taxable property of such school district, that will produce in money the amount of ten per cent. on the amount of such loan, and certify such per centum to the County Treasurer, who shall enter the same on the tax list for such township and collect the same as other taxes, and the same shall be part of the annual school fund.

Sixth: To determine whether a school or schools of a higher grade shall be established in the district.

Seventh: To delegate any or all of the powers contained in the foregoing specifications to the district board of Directors, or to any committee whom the meet-

ing may choose to appoint.

Eighth: They may adopt rules of order not inconsistent with the provisions of this act and the instructions of the Superintendent of Public Instruction for the government of the district meetings, and may alter and change the same from time to time as occasion may require and may prescribe the manner of taking the sense of the meeting upon any question: Provided, however, the district board of Directors shall be elected by ballot.

MEETINGS OF SUB-DISTRICTS.

SEC. 11. It shall be the duty of the Secretaries of Secretaries of the several districts as now organized, to call a meet-sub-districts to call meetings ing of the electors of their respective districts on the thereof. first Saturday after the first Monday of May next, at the usual place of holding school meetings, for the purpose of electing one member of the district board of directors, notice of which meeting shall be given as now required by law.

SEC. 12. The several sub-districts shall annually thereafter on the first Saturday after the second Monday in Meetings of sub-districts to be March, hold a meeting for the election of their member beld on the Satof the district board of Directors, five days notice of March. which meeting shall be given by the resident Director, or if from any cause there be no resident Director, by some other elector of said sub-district, posting a written notice in three public places therein.

Sec. 13. At all meetings of sub-districts they shall appoint a President and Secretary who shall act as Judges of elecjudges of the election, and who shall give a certificate tions of sub-disof election to the Directors elect.

#### OATH OF DIRECTORS.

SEC. 14. Each member elect of the district board of Directors shall, within ten days after his election, appear Directors to take the oath of ofbefore some Justice of the Peace or other officer qualified to administer oaths, and take an oath to support

the Constitution of the United States and that of the State of Iowa, and that he will faithfully discharge the duties of his office, and in case of failure to do so shall forfeit ten dollars, to be recovered against him for the use of the district.

#### DUTIES OF PRESIDENT AND SECRETARY.

Duties of Pres't.

SEC. 15. The President, or in his absence the Vice President, shall preside at all meetings of the board and of the district, sign all orders on the Treasury for the payment of money, and shall draw all drafts on the County Treasurer for money apportioned to his district, and all drafts and orders drawn on the district Treasurer as herein required, shall specify the fund on which they are drawn, and the use for which the money is designed.

Same.

SEC. 16. The President shall appear in behalf of his district in all suits brought by or against the same, but when he is individually a party, this duty shall be performed by the Vice President or Secretary. And in all cases where suits may be instituted by or against any of the school officers, contemplated or created by this act to enforce any of the provisions herein contained, counsel may be employed by the board of Directors of the district, and the expense of suit shall be borne by the district, county or State in whose name or against whom the same may be instituted.

Duties of Sec'y

SEC. 17. The Secretary shall record all the proceedings of the board and of the district meetings in separate books to be kept for that purpose, and shall preserve copies of all reports made to the County Superintendent, and shall file all papers transmitted to him by other school officers pertaining to the business of the district, and shall countersign all drafts, warrants and orders drawn by the President.

Same

SEC. 18. He shall between the first day of August and the fifteenth day of September of each year, take and keep on record a list of the names of all heads of families in the district, with the number of children in each family between the ages of five and twenty-one years.

SEC. 19. He shall keep an accurate account of all same. the expenses incurred by the district, and shall present the same to the board of Directors to be audited and paid as herein provided.

SEC. 20. He shall give ten days previous notice of regular and special meetings of the district as herein authorized, by posting up a written notice in five different conspicuous places therein, one of which shall be at or near where the last meeting was held, and shall turnish a copy of the same to the teacher of the school in each district, to be read at least once in the presence of the pupils thereof, provided any school be at the time in session, and such notice shall in all cases state the hour of meeting.

SEC. 21. Whenever tax has been voted by any district for any of the purposes in this act specified, the Secretary shall immediately certify the amount to the Same. County Judge, who shall at the time of levying the tax for county purposes, levy a tax of the amount thus certified to him, upon the assessed value of all the real and personal property in the district, which shall be collected by the county Collector at the same time and in the same manner as State and county taxes are collected, provided it shall be receivable only in cash.

#### COUNTY COLLECTOR TO COLLECT TAX.

SEC. 22. The Collector shall on the first Monday of March and September, in each year, pay over to the Treasurer of the district, the amount of said tax which shall have been collected, and shall render him a statement of the amount uncollected; and the amount unpaid shall be collected at any subsequent time as delinquent county taxes are collected, and shall be paid over when collected, to the Treasurer aforesaid.

#### REPORT OF SECRETARY.

SEC. 23. On or before the fifteenth day of September, in each year, the Secretary of each school district sec'y to report shall file in the office of the County Superintendent, a report of the affairs of the district, which shall contain the following items, viz:

First: The number of males and females each, in his district between the ages of five and twenty-one years.

Second: The number of schools and the branches taught in each.

Third: The number of pupils in each school, and the average attendance of the sance.

Fourth: The number of teachers employed in each school, distinguishing male teachers from female, and the average compensation paid to males and to females per week.

Fifth: The length of each school in weeks and days. distinguishing summer from winter schools.

Sixth: The average cost of tuition per week for each school, distinguishing summer from winter schools.

Seventh: The aggregate amount paid teachers during the year, and the amount of teachers fund in the hands of the Treasurer.

Eighth: The text books used in the schools.

Ninth: The number of volumes in the district Library, and the value of apparatus belonging to the district.

Tenth: The number of school houses in the district, and the estimated value of each.

Eleventh: The amount raised within the year in the district by tax, for the erection of school houses; the amount raised for tuition, for school libraries and apparatus, for fuel and other purposes of this act, stating separately the amount of each.

Twelfth: The amount of public money received from the county Treasury, and the amount, if any, received from other sources, stating what, and how much from each, and such other information as he may deem useful.

Sec. 24. Should the Secretary fail to file his report Penalty for neg- as above directed, he shall forfeit the sum of twenty-five dollars, and shall be also liable to make good all losses resulting to the district from such failure. Suit shall be brought in both cases by the President, in the name of the district, on his official bond.

#### DUTIES OF TREASURER.

Sec. 25. The Treasurer shall have the custody of all moneys belonging to the district, and shall pay out the Duties of Treas'r same upon the order of the President, countersigned by the Secretary, and shall keep an account of the receipts and expenses thereof, in a book provided for the purpose.

Sec. 26. The moneys collected by district tax for school house purposes, shall be called the "School same. House Fund," and those received from the county Treasury, whether apportioned to the district from the School Fund, or raised by county or district tax for the support of schools shall be called the "Teachers' Fund;" and the Treasurer shall keep with each a separate account, and no warrant for money shall be paid by the Treasurer which does not specify the fund on which it is drawn and the specific use to which it is to be applied.

Sec. 27. The Treasurer shall apply for and receive same. all money apportioned to the district by the County Judge, when notified of said apportionment, and also money in the County Treasury collected on the district tax for his district.

SEC. 28. He shall render a statement of the finances of the district, as shown by the records of his office, at same. any time when required by the District Board, and his books shall be always open for the inspection of said Board.

### MEETINGS OF DIRECTORS AND THEIR DUTIES.

SEC. 29. The regular meetings of the District Board Meetings of the of Directors shall be held on the third Saturday in April Directors. and October in each year, and they may hold such special or adjourned meetings as they may from time to time determine.

SEC. 30. The duties of the District Board of Direct-Duties of Direct-tors. ors shall be as follows:

1. In each organized district to act as judges of all district elections.

2. To make all contracts, purchases, payments and controt for builsales necessary to carry out any vote of the District for ding school

procuring any site for a school house, for building any school house, for renting, repairing or furnishing the same, or disposing thereof, or for keeping a school therein, and to perform all such other duties as may be delegated to them by the District meeting: Provided, That it shall be the duty of said Board before erecting any school house, to consult with the County Superintendent, as to the most approved plan for such building.

3. To employ all teachers necessary for the schools 間はなど Employ teachers of the District, specifying the term of time for which they are employed, and the amount of compensation, the contract to be reduced to writing and signed by the parties thereto.

4. They may admit pupils not belonging to the Dis-Provide for the trict and not provided for in section three, to the privieducation of leges of their schools on such terms of taition as may be agreed upon. And they shall provide for the education of the colored youth, in separate schools, except in cases where by the unanimous consent of the persons sending to the school in the sub-District, they may be permitted to attend with the white youth.

5. To determine the number of schools which shall number and be established in the District, and the length of time leng'h of schools that each shall be taught, subject to the provisions of section two of this act.

6. To fix the site for each school house, taking into Fix the site of consideration in doing so, the wants and necessities of school house. the people of each portion of the District.

7. To determine what branches of learning shall be Determine the branches of learning to be taught in the schools of their Districts.

8. They shall require the Secretary and Treasurer Require Secreta each to give bond to the District in such penalty and with such sureties as in their opinion will secure the District against any loss, conditioned for the faithful performance of his duties under this Act, and the correct application of all moneys that may come into his hands by virtue of his office. Said penalty may be increased from time to time, as the interests of the District may require. The bond shall be filed with the President of the Board, and in case of a breach of the condition thereof, he shall bring suit thereon in the name of the District.

9. They shall from time to time examine the books Examine the acand accounts of the Treasurer, and make settlements wer. with him, and shall at each regular meeting of the District, present to the same a full statement of the receipts and expenditures of the District, and all such other matters as may be deemed important, or which the District may require them to present, and of all matters which may have been delegated to them by the District to perform, they shall render at such meeting a full and perfect account.

10. The said board shall be charged with the duty visit schools. of visiting the schools in their district. One member of the board, together with a committee whom the board shall appoint for that purpose, shall visit each school monthly, and shall aid the teachers in establishing and enforcing rules for the government of the schools, and shall see that the teachers keep a correct list of the pupils, embracing the periods of time during which they attend school, the branches of learning which each pupil pursues, and all such other matters as may be required by the County Superintendent, and which, in the opinion of the board, tend to promote the welfare of the school.

11. The board shall employ no teacher to teach in Employ any school of the district, unless he shall first present to not a certificate them a certificate of his qualification to teach all the branches required to be taught in such school, which certificate shall be duly signed by the County Superintendent of the county in which he seeks to be employed, which shall have been given him not more than one year previous to the commencement of his school; and in case any teacher is employed and commences teaching school without such certificate, he shall forfeit all claim for wages for instructing, for the time thus employed without such certificate.

12. The said board shall andit and allow all just Audit claims aclaims against the district, and the President may draw gainst the dist. orders on the district Treasurer for all demands thus audited.

to give bond.

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13. The said board may whenever they deem it ex-Call special meet- pedient, and shall upon the written request of one-fifth of the legal voters of the District, call special meetings thereof, but in all such cases the notice for such meeting shall clearly state the precise object for which it is called, and the time and place at which it is to be held, and no other business shall be transacted at such meeting, except what shall have been specified in said notice.

Fill vacancies.

14. All vacancies that may occur in the board shall be filled by an appointment made by the remaining member or members, which appointment shall remain good until the next regular meeting of the district, or sub-district, and until a new election to the office so vacant shall be had. Nothing herein contained shall be construed to prevent the other member or members of the board from calling a special meeting of the district or sub-district to fill such vacancy, or for any other purpose.

15. The members of the board shall conform to all Conform to the instructions of the County and State Superintendents within the limits of their powers respectively.

16. It shall be the duty of the director in each subdistrict to see that the school house is kept in repair and Directors of sub- supplied with fuel and to have the general supervision charge of sub; of the school and school house, under the board of Directors, and with the approbation of the board, he may employ a teacher. He shall also settle the business of the sub-district remaining unfinished at the time of the organization under this act, and shall apply all funds belonging thereto, to the specific purpose for which the same were raised or received.

17. The board of Directors may suspend during Direct'rs may ex- pleasure, or expel during the school term all pupils found pel unruly puguilty of incorrigibly bad conduct, or violation of the school regulations, and re-admit them on satisfactory evidence of amendment.

18. They shall cause the Secretary to transcribe into See'y to tran. 18. They shall cause the seribe records of a book to be kept for that purpose so much of the records of a book to be kept for that purpose so much of the county as apof the School Fund Commissioner of the county as applies to the boundaries of the sub-districts in their district township.

19. They shall within twenty days after the first May change the election under this act, hold a meeting of the board, to sub-districts. be called by the President and Secretary, at which they shall provide for the preparation of a map or plat of the district, on which shall be designated the sub-districts, and their boundaries, and in case no such sub-districts exist, shall establish the same, and shall have power at any regular meeting to change the boundaries of said sub-districts, as circumstances may require, notice of the same having been given at the previous meeting; they shall cause all such changes or establishment of boundaries to be marked upon said map or plat, and recorded in the proper book, and may from time to time, as occasion may require, cause new maps to be made.

the district meeting for school house purposes, when tax for building school houses. justice and equity require, making such discrimination as they shall deem just. They may if necessary, appoint three disinterested householders of the county to examine and report to them the amount, value and condition of the property and reliable funds belonging and coming to each district, organized under the law now in force, in its corporate capacity, and appropriated to school house purposes, which report shall be sworn to and entered by the Secretary upon the records of the board, and such report together with the total amount of taxable property in, and the necessities of each subdistrict in the township in regard to school house accom-

20. They shall vary the per centum of tax voted by May equalize the

21. They shall, at their regular meeting in April of May raise additional year, estimate the per centum of tax on the taxable these taxable the taxable taxable the taxable taxable the taxable ta property in the district, necessary to raise a fund which, schools. with the addition of the amount of Teachers Fund due from the county Treasurer as shown by notice from the county Judge, shall be sufficient to pay the entire tuition of the several schools of the district for at least the time

modations for the pupils therein, shall constitute the ba-

sis of action of the board in determining the per centum

of tax to be levied upon each sub district.

required by this act, for the current year, which per contum they shall certify to the county Judge, who shall, at the time of levying the taxes for county purposes. levy the per centum of tax thus certified to him, upon the property of said district, which shall be collected and paid over in the same manner in all respects as other school district taxes.

22. They shall make such classification of the pupils Fix the compen- in the high school or schools as they may deem necestary and Trea'r. sarv, fix the compensation of the Secretary and Treasurer of the district, and transact generally such business as may tend to promote the cause of education in accordance with the provisions of this act, and shall exercise all powers contemplated therein.

DUTIES OF COUNTY JUDGE.

SEC. 31. The County Judge of each county, shall at County Judge to the time of levying the tax for county purposes, levy a levy a tax for the support of schools within the county, of not less than one mill, nor more than two and a half mills on the dollar, on the assessed value of all real and personal property within the county, which shall be collected by the county Collector at the time and in the same manner as State and County taxes are collected, except that it shall be receivable only in cash.

SEC. 32. On the first Monday of April annually, the county Judge of each county shall divide one half of the County Judge to apporti'n school money. proceeds of said tax among the several school districts of his county, and apportion the same sum to each district. And at the same time he shall apportion the remainder of said tax, together with the interest of the permanent school fund to which his county is entitled, and all other money in the hands of the county Treasurer belonging in common to the schools of his county, among the several school districts therein, in proportion to the number of persons between five and twenty-one years of age, subject to the provisions of section two of this act. And in order to enable him to make such apportionment, it is hereby made the duty of the several County Superintendents to report to their respective county Judges on the first day of November annually,

the number of such persons in each school district in his county.

SEC. 33. The county Judge shall immediately notify Judge to give no the President of each school district of the sum to which President of the his district is entitled by said apportionment, and shall issue his warrant for the same to accompany said notice, which warrant shall be also signed by the President and countersigned by the Secretary of the district in whose favor the same is drawn, and shall authorize the district Treasurer to draw the amount due said district from the county Treasurer, and the Secretary shall charge the Treasurer of the district with all warrants drawn in his favor, and credit him with all warrants drawn on the funds in his hand, keeping separate accounts for each fund.

SCHOLARSHIPS ESTABLISHED.

Sec. 34. For training and educating young men to become teachers in the common schools of the State, there tablished shall be established in every county of the State, having a high school established therein, as many scholarships as there are school districts therein, and one scholarship shall be assigned to each district.

SEC. 35. It shall be the duty of the board of directors in each school district in such county, with the prin- to be selected, cipal teachers in each school, sometime in the month of January next after the passage of this act, to select the best scholar in the district, not less than fifteen years of age, for ability, attainments, and capacity for teaching, for the scholarship of said district; and the board shall grant the scholar so selected a certificate of scholarship.

Sec. 36. Any scholar so selected shall be educated free of charge in the High School of the county, and shall be entitled to receive from the county Treasury, Scholars to be at the end of each year, for a period not exceeding three educated free of charge for tulyears, fifty dollars, upon his producing from the principal professor of such High School, a certificate that he has been during the year faithful in his studies, exemplary in his deportment, and that he ranks in scholarship among the first half of his class. Provided, that any such scholar may receive his education, with the consent

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of the County Superintendent, at any other literary institution established in this State, and receive the same sum from the county Treasury on his producing a like certificate from the principal professor of said institution.

Sec. 37. Every person, who shall have enjoyed a Scholars required scholarship in the manner provided in section 36, shall teach in such common school in the county as shall be assigned to him by the County Superintendent, a term of time equal to that for which he shall have enjoyed such scholarship; and there shall be deducted from his compensation fifty dollars each year for the same term, and the money thus deducted shall be paid into the county Treasury; and in case he shall refuse so to teach. if in competent health, he shall pay into the county Treasury at the rate of fifty dollars each year, for the time he shall refuse to teach, with interest from the time he received the money, by virtue of his scholarship,which may be recovered by the Treasurer in an action at law.

SEC. 38. When any scholarship shall become vacant during the term for which its scholar was elected, or by Vacant scholar the expiration of the term, the vacancy may be filled in the manner provided in section 32, for the original selection, and the board of directors of the district where such vacancy occurs, shall take all necessary measures for filling such vacancy in the manner therein provided. Sec. 39. The scholarships herein established shall

Scholarships to be filled by males and fer be filled by males and females alternately.

ELECTION OF COUNTY SUPERINTENDENT, AND HIS DUTIES.

County Superinelected.

Sec. 40. On the first Monday of April next, and biennially thereafter, on the second Monday of March, in each organized county in this State there shall be elected one County Superintendent of Common Schools, who shall hold his office for two years, and until his successor is elected and qualified.

Sec. 41. Within twenty days after his election, he shall take and subscribe an oath as prescribed by the To take the oath of office. Coun-Constitution of the State of Iowa. Should he fail to be ty Judge te fill vacancy. qualified as required, or if for any cause there he a vaqualified as required, or if for any cause there be a vacancy in the office, the County Judge shall appoint said

officer, who shall qualify in like manner, but whose term of office shall expire at the next election thereafter, or when his successor shall be elected and qualified. But the County Superintendent so selected shall only be such for the unexpired term of the vacancy, which he was selected to fill.

SEC. 42. It shall be the duty of the County Super-Examination of intendent, with two competent Assistants, whom he shall select, to examine all such persons as shall present themselves, at the proper time and place, as to their ability to teach Orthography, Reading, Writing, Arithmetic, Geography, and English Grammar, and such other branches as may in special cases be required, and if the examination be satisfactory, and if he is satisfied that the applicant is of good moral character, he shall issue a certificate in duplicate that the bearer of the same is qualified to teach the branches above specified, and such others as the case may require, one copy of which shall be filed with the Secretary of the district in which he is employed to teach. The County Superintendent shall enter upon a register to be kept for that purpose, the names of the teachers receiving the certificates, and the date of the same. He shall also give public notice of the time and place of holding such examinations. A certificate from the Professor of the Normal Department of the State University shall give to its possessor all the legal rights, powers, and privileges of a certificate from any school officer providing the person receiving such certificate has completed a course in the State University, satisfactory to the Professor of the Normal Department of the State University.

SEC. 43. The County Superintendent of Common County Superin-Schools is hereby declared to be a body corporate, by tendent a body corporate. the name and style of "The County Superintendent of Common Schools of the County of \_\_\_\_\_, State of Iowa," and in said corporate name the books shall be kept, investments made, property held, and all actions at law or equity in his official character shall be brought and defended.

SEC. 44. The County Superintendent may remove

Objects of the meeting.

Remov'lofteach- any teacher from his school for immorality or incompetency, and annul his certificate, provided that such teacher may be entitled to receive his wages for the time he has taught.

> MEETINGS OF PRESIDENTS OF SCHOOL DISTRICTS AND COUNTY SUPERINTENDENT.

SEC. 45. The County Superintendent and the Pres-Meeting of President of the Board of Directors of each district in the county shall meet together at some convenient place at the County Seat, to be designated by the County Superintendent, on the second Monday of April of each year, or at such other time or place as the Superintendent of Public Instruction shall direct: Provided, he shall give at least fifteen days previous notice thereof to said County Superintendent, and the latter shall give at least eight days previous notice to the Presidents of the different districts. The County Superintendent shall preside at such meeting, and a Secretary shall be appointed, who shall keep a faithful record of the proceedings in a book to be provided for that purpose, which book shall be kept in the office of the County Superintendent.

> SEC. 46. The said meeting, when organized, shall constitute a board, that shall take into consideration and recommend the various branches of instruction that should be introduced and taught in the different schools, the process and methods of teaching the same, the qualifications of teachers, the various kinds of school government, the kind of books that should be purchased to make up the district libraries, and also what kinds of apparatus are desirable, and what kinds of seats and desks are the most eligible, and all other such matters and things as are of general interest and importance in the common school system. The Presidents of the several boards of Directors of the districts are to receive no compensation for their services, but their actual expenses in attending these meetings are to be paid from the county Treasury.

VISITATION OF SCHOOLS BY COUNTY SUPERINTENDENT.

SEC. 47. The County Superintendent shall, at least twice in each year, visit personally and inspect each school in his county, and examine into the branches taught therein, the mode of instruction pursued, the text books used, the competency of the teachers to instruct, County Superintendent to visit their general system of discipline, their compensation, schools. the books contained in the district Library and the regulations adopted and in force relating to the same. It shall be also his duty in case a new school house is to be built in any district, to examine the site and plan thereof, and if they are satisfactory, to give them his approbation, and to make such suggestions to the Board of Directors, teachers and schools, as may seem to him to be improvements in relation to any of the particulars just enumerated, and also as to any and all other matters connected with the general school system. He may also, at any and at all times, make such personal inspection of the different schools as he may deem proper, and he may also, at any time he thinks necessary, appoint a special committee to make such inspection as he may require, and report to him such facts and results as said committee have arrived at, and he shall entertain and decide all appeals taken from the District Boards of Directors-no such appeal to embrace any adjudication relative to the payment of money.

TO CONFORM TO THE INSTRUCTIONS OF SUPERINTENDENT OF PUBLIC INSTRUCTION AND REPORT TO HIM.

SEC. 48. The County Superintendent shall at all conform to the times conform to the instructions and directions of the instructions of Superintendent of Public Instruction, as to all matters within his jurisdiction, and shall see that in the several districts in the county both teachers and district boards of Directors also conform to all such orders and directions as shall be transmitted to them, the said County Superintendents being hereby made and constituted the several organs of communication between the Superintendent of Public Instruction and the several District Boards of Directors, teachers and schools.

SEC. 49. Every County Superintendent shall annu-Report to State ally on the fifteenth day of October, forward to the Superintendent of Public Instruction an extended report of the condition of the schools under his charge, sugges-

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ting such improvements in the school system as he may deem useful, and giving such other information in regard to the practical operation of common schools and the laws relating thereto as may be deemed of Public interest, to be accompanied by an abstract containing the items of the several particulars contained in the reports of the district Secretaries.

Sec. 50. Should he fail to make his report as requir-Penalty for neg- ed in the foregoing section, he shall forfeit the sum of fifty dollars, and shall besides be subjected to pay all the damages which shall be occasioned thereby, and suit shall be brought for the collection of the same by the District Attorney.

TO TRANSMIT BLANKS TO DISTRICTS.

Sec. 51. He shall transmit to the President of each To transmit doc-um'nts to Direc-school district in his county, on the requisition of the Superintendent of Public Instruction, all such blank forms, circulars and other communications, as the latter may transmit to him for that purpose, and also all such as he may himself deem necessary and proper, to advance the general interest of education.

SALARY OF COUNTY SUPERINTENDENT.

Sec. 52. The County Superintendent shall receive from the county Treasury as a compensation for his services, to be paid quarterly, a sum equal to one half the amount paid the Clerk of the District Court, and such further sum as shall be allowed him by the meeting of the district Presidents, provided for in section forty-five, to be paid at the end of the year; but in no case shall his salary be more than one-eighth greater tha the salary of said Clerk, nor less than fifty dollars, and it is hereby made the duty of the Secretary of said meeting to certify the amount of such further allowance to the County Judge, who shall issue a county warrant in favor of the County Superintendent for such sum.

ELECTION OF SUPERINTENDENT OF PUBLIC INSTRUCTION AND HIS DUTIES.

Sec. 53. On the first Monday of April, A. D., 1860, Election of Supt. and triennially thereafter, there shall be elected a Superintendent of Public Instruction, who before entering

upon his duties shall take and subscribe the usual oath of office, which shall be deposited with the Secretary of State, and shall hold his office for three years, and until his successor is elected and qualified. Provided, that the board of education may at any time abolish the office of Superintendent of Public Instruction, and transfer all the duties required by law of that office to the Secretary of the board of education.

SEO. 54. An office shall be provided for him at the To keep an office seat of government, in which he shall file all papers, at the Capitol. reports and public documents transmitted to him by the County Superintendents of the several counties each year, separately, and hold the same in readiness to be exhibited to the Governor, or to any committee of either House of the General Assembly, or to the State Board of Education, at any time when required, and shall keep a fair record of all matters pertaining to the business of his office.

Sec. 55. The Superintendent of Public Instruction Duties .- 1-To shall be charged with the general supervision of all the and place for County Superintendents, and all the common schools of meeting of Co., the State, and he shall see that the school system is as early as practicable carried fully into effect and put into uniform operation. With a special view to these general duties, he shall, during each year of his term, appoint some suitable time and place, at which he will meet the several County Superintendents, of which time and place he shall give due and sufficient notice to each County Superintendent, and it is hereby made the duty of the several County Superintendents, to attend such meeting, the object of which shall be to accumulate valuable facts relative to common schools, to compare views, discuss principles, and in general to listen to all communications and suggestions, and enter into all discussions relative to compensation and qualifications of teachers, branches taught, methods of instruction, text books, district libraries, apparatus, and all other matters and things embraced in the common school system.

2. To be present each year at as many of the meetings in the counties at which the several district Presi-

2-To be present dents meet together, as is practicable for him to attend. at meetings of And with that view he may direct the times and places dents. of said meetings to suit his convenience; provided he gives sufficient previous notice to the County Superintendents to enable them to give notice to the respective Presidents of the district boards of directors in their counties.

3. To appoint such and so many persons as he shall 3-To appoint from time to time deem necessary to visit and examine Committees to into the condition of the common schools in the county where such persons may reside, and report to him on all such matters relating to the condition of such schools and the means of improving them, as he shall prescribe, but no allowance or compensation shall be made to the said visitors for such services.

4. To visit personally such schools as he may have 4-To visit schools it in his power to do, and witness the manner in which they are conducted.

5. To entertain and decide all appeals relative to 5-To decide ap- district schools that are taken before him from the decisions of the County Superintendents. dist, schools,

6. After examination, to recommend to the several 6-To recommend text books. County Superintendents a uniform series of text books.

7. To recommend from time to time to the County Su-7-To recommend To recommend books for libra- perintendents such books as he shall think advisable to be purchased for the district school libraries, a list of which the said County Superintendents shall immediately transmit to the respective Presidents of the district boards of directors in their respective counties.

8. To prepare and cause to be printed suitable forms 8—To prepare for all reports required by this act, and all other school forms and in laws in force at the time, to be made by the district school officers. board of directors to the County Superintendents, and by the latter to the State Superintendent of Public Instruction, and to transmit the same, with such instructions as he may deem proper in reference to filling up the same, and accompanied also, with such remarks and suggestions relative to the organization and government of the common schools, the courses of study to be pursned therein, and such other matters and things as he

may deem advisable, to the several County Superintendents.

9. To make all further rules and regulations not in-9-to make rules consistent with any herein contained, that may be nec- and regulations. essary to carry this act into full effect, according to its spirit and intent, which shall have the same force and effect as though the same were contained herein.

19. He shall cause so many copies of this act, and all other school acts in force, with the forms, regulations be printed and and instructions herein contemplated, thereto annexed, les of the school to be from time to time printed and distributed among the County Superintendents, as he shall deem expedient, directing the latter to distribute the same among the several district boards of directors in each county. He shall annually, on the first day of January, report to the Auditor of State the number of persons in each county of the State between the ages of five and twentyone years.

11. He shall annuall, on the first day of January, 11-Report to the report to the Auditor of of State the number of persons Anditor the No. in each county of the State between the ages of five and twenty-one years.

TEACHERS INSTITUTES.

Sec. 56. Whenever reasonable assurance shall be Teachers' Instigiven to the Superintendent of Public Instruction, that tute. a number of not less than thirty teachers desire to assemble for the purpose of holding a teachers' institute and to remain in session for a period of not less than six working days, the said Superintendent shall appoint such time and place for said meeting as the said teachers shall suggest and give due notice thereof, and for the purpose of defraying the charges for procuring teachers and lecturers for said institute, the said Superintendent may receive from the State Treasury a sum not exceeding one hundred dollars for any one institute, which he shall immediately transmit to the County Superintendent in whose county the institute may be held, who shall pay out the same as the institute may direct, and for meeting the expense of teachers' institutes, one thousand dollars per annum is hereby appropriated.

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The Superintendent of Public Instruction, shall, if practicable, attend these institutes.

REPORT OF SUPERINTENDENT OF PUBLIC INSTRUCTION.

Sec. 57. He shall make a report to the General As-To report to the sembly and the Board of Education at each session thereof, which shall embrace:-

1. A statement of the condition of the Common Schools of the State, and shall contain the number of school districts therein, the number of schools in the the common State, the number of scholars between five and twenty-schools. one years of age, as returned by the several County Superintendents, the number of books in the District Libraries, and the value of all apparatus in the schools.

2. Such plans as he may have matured for the man-2-Plansfortheir agement and improvement of the common school fund, and for the better and more perfect organization and efficiency of the common schools.

3. All such matters and things relating to his office, Anything he may think exper and to the common schools, as he shall deem expedient to communicate. dient to commu SALARY.

Sec. 58. He shall receive annually the sum of one thousand five hundred dollars as a salary for the services required under the provisions of this Act, and also all necessary contingent expenses for traveling, postage, books and stationery, pertaining to his office, to be audited and paid as the salaries and contingent expenses of other State officers are audited and paid. Provided, That the salary and traveling expenses shall not exceed seventeen hundred and fifty dollars.

HIGH SCHOOLS TO BE ESTABLISHED.

Sec. 59. The Board of Presidents of School Districts Board of Presi in any county may, at any regular meeting immediately schools and e-following their election, determine whether a High lect Trustees for School shall be established in such county, and in case they shall determine to establish such High School they shall elect by ballot nine trustees, residents of the county, who shall be divided into classes numbered one, two, three; class numbered "one" shall hold their office for one year; class numbered "two" for two years; class

numbered "three" for three years, from the time of their election; the terms of service of those first elected to be determined by lot, and thereafter, at every annual meeting of said Board of Presidents, there shall be elected three Trustees for the term of three years from such election.

SEC. 60. The persons so elected, together with the superintendent County Superintendent, shall be Trustees of the High body corporate. School of said county, and shall be and constitute a body corporate under the name and style of "The High School of the County of ----, State of Iowa," and as such shall have power to take, hold and dispose of property, make contracts, and do other corporate acts.

SEC. 61. The said Trustees, upon receiving notice shall elect Presof their election, shall immediately organize themselves ident, Scoretainto a Board, electing a President, Secretary and Treasurer; the President to preside at its meetings, the Secretary to keep a record of its proceedings, and the Treasurer to have charge of its funds and investments, and to give a bond for the faithful performance of his duties, and to invest, account for, and when required to pay over, all moneys he may receive for such corporation—the same to be in such form, with such penalties and such sureties as the Board shall direct.

SEC. 62. The said Board of Trustees shall be charged Duties of Truswith the following duties:

1. To lease, or erect or furnish a suitable building or 1—To provide building for a high school. buildings for a High School.

2. To provide suitable libraries and apparatus for the 2-Library and same.

3. To prescribe the branches of science and learning 3-To prescribe the branches to to be taught therein, subject, however, in this particular, be taught thereto the recommendation of the State Board of Education, in all cases where it may be given.

4. To employ all teachers it shall deem necessary or proper, at the salaries they may agree upon respectively. 4—To employ teachers and The said teacher to recommend the text books to be fix their salaries. used. But the State Board of Education may recommend all such text books.

5. To make such by-laws for the government of the

5-To make by Board as it may deem necessary, and to alter or change the same at pleasure.

6. To make such regulations as it may deem proper in regard to age, grade of attainment, and amount of 6-To make rules knowledge of the students who may be admitted into admisson of pu- such school and instructed therein, provided neither sex be excluded therefrom, and provided the instruction therein be free to all within such regulations as can be accommodated in said school,

7. To be charged with the funds belonging to said of the funds of institution, and to cause all such investments of the same to be made as the good of the institution may require.

8. To do all other acts and things not inconsistent with this Act, which the good of the said school may 8-Five members constitute a require. Five of the Trustees being sufficient to constitute a quorum for all ordinary business,

Sec. 63. The said Board of Trustees, through its

Secretary, shall make its annual report to the County See'y to make an Superintendent at the same time that the Secretaries of the County Su- the several Districts are required to make theirs, which perintendent. report shall specify the sums expended in buildings, libraries and apparatus, respectively, the number of teachers employed, the average expense per month of the instruction given, the branches of learning or science taught, the text books made use of, the number of students attending, and between what ages and what average age, and what portion of males and females, what debts, if any, remain unpaid, what sums are invested, and how, and what is the interest or income from the same, and also all other matters and things which may be required by the County Superintendent, of which said Board may deem proper or expedient to report.-The said High School shall be subject to the visitation of the County Superintendent and the Superintendent of Public Instruction.

SEC. 64. In each county in which a High School Money to be rais-shall be established, there shall be paid from the county ed by county treasury to the said Board of Trustees, for the purpose of High Schools, of erecting buildings for and sustaining such school, the sum of three thousand dollars per year, for the six next

succeeding years, and one thousand dollars annually thereafter, and it shall be the duty of the County Judge to include these sums in levying the tax for ordinary county revenue; no avad Bada od daidw jot tadt of lango

Sec. 65. In order to insure an early completion of buildings necessary for the establishment of said High County Judge Schools, the County Judge of every such county is hereby authorized to borrow a sum of money not exceeding seven thousand dollars, at a rate of interest not exceeding ten per cent., to be paid to said Trustees of the High School; but in case such sum shall be borrowed and paid to the Trustees, the County Judge shall deduct from the sums of three thousand dollars provided to be paid by section 61 to the Trustees, each year, a sum sufficient to pay the annual interest on the loan, and to liquidate the whole debt in five years from the time it was contracted, : Laliyong sangam emas adt ni bellit od

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SEC. 66. For training and educating young men to become Professors in the High Schools herein establish-scholarships in ed, there shall be constituted thirty-six scholarships in the University the State University, and these scholarships shall be distributed by the Superintendent of Public Instruction, to the different High Schools of the State, but not more than four scholarships shall be assigned to any one school.

SEC. 67. It shall be the duty of the Trustees of each High School, together with the Professors thereof, at Selectin of scholsuch times as they may judge expedient, to fill the schol- ars. arships assigned thereto, by selecting the best male to be sent the students therein, of not less than sixteen years of age, for behavior, scholarship, attainments and capacity to teach, and grant to them certificates of scholarship. but

SEC. 68. Any student thus selected shall be educated free of charge for tuition in the State University, and scholars entitled shall be entitled to receive from the State Treasury at to rec've money from the State the end of each year for a period of not exceeding three years, seventy-five dollars, upon his producing from the Chancellor of the University, a certificate that he has been, during the year, faithful in his studies, exemplary in his deportment, and that he ranks in scholarship among the first half of his class.

Sec. 69. Every person who shall have enjoyed a scholars to be scholarship in the manner provided in section 67, shall teach in some high or other school, for a term of time equal to that for which he shall have enjoyed such scholarship, and there shall be deducted from his compensation, seventy-five dollars each year for the same term, and the money thus deducted shall be paid into the State Treasury; and in case he shall refuse so to teach, if in competent health, he shall pay into the State Treasury at the rate of seventy-five dollars each year, for the time he shall refuse to teach, with interest from the time he received the money by virtue of his sholarship, which may be recovered by the Treasurer in action at law.

Sec. 70. When any University scholarship shall bevacancies to be come vacant during the term for which its scholar was
selected, or by the expiration thereof, the vacancy may
be filled in the same manner provided in section 66, for
the original selection, and the board of trustees of the
High School in which such vacancy shall occur, together with the Professors thereof, shall take all necessary
measures for filling such vacancy in the manner therein
provided.

ORGANIZATION OF THE UNIVERSITY.

SEC. 71. The State University established at Iowa City, is hereby constituted a corporation under that name, possessing all the common law corporate powers, and also those conferred upon it by this act.

Sec. 72. The public buildings at Iowa City, together
Buildings and lot with the ten acres of land on which the same are situagranted to the ted, are granted to the "State University of Iowa," to
be used and appropriated only to University purposes,
and to revert to the State whenever the same shall cease
to be used for such purposes.

Sec. 73. The two townships of land granted by act two townships of Congress of July 20th, 1840, for the support of a Uniof land appropriated to the versity, and all proceeds and investments derived from the same are hereby donated to the said State University, to be and constitute a perpetual fund, the interest and income of which shall be applied exclusively to the support of said University.

SEC. 74. The object of the University shall be to objects of the provide the best and most effectual means of acquiring a thorough education, and a perfect knowledge of the different branches of literature, the arts and the sciences, with their various applications.

SEC. 75. The government of the University shall be Its government, vested exclusively in a board of trustees to consist of the Chancellor of the University, who shall be President of the Board, the Governor, the Superintendent of Public Instruction, and twelve trustees, who shall be elected as hereinafter provided.

SEC. 76. The trustees shall be divided into classes same. numbered "one," "two," and "three." Class numbered "one" shall hold their offices for two years; class numbered "two" for four years, and class numbered "three" for six years, from the first Monday of January, 1858; and every two years thereafter there shall be elected by the General Assembly, four trustees to supply the vacancies made by the provisions of this section, and who shall hold their office for six years respectively -Lauren Dewey, of Henry County; Edgar Wright, of Cedar County; Wm. Burris, of Scott County; W. F. Brannan, of Muscatine County; E. C. Lyon, Morgan Reno, H. D. Downey, W. H. Barris, of Johnson County; Lincoln Clarke, of Dubuque County; J. B. Grinnell, of Powesheik County; Geo. W. Drake, of Mahaska County, and W. P. Davis, of Polk County-be and they are hereby appointed the first twelve trustees under this act, four of whom shall hold their offices for two years, four for four years, and four for six years, their several terms of office to be determined by lot, at the time of the first organization of the board under this act.

SEC. 77. Whenever there shall be a vacancy in the vacancy in the office of trustee of the University, except in that of Govtees to be filled. ernor, Superintendent of Public Instruction and Chancellor of the University, the board shall have the power, at any regular meeting, or at a special meeting called for that purpose, to fill any such vacancy for the unexpired term thereof.

Sec. 78. The trustees of the University shall receive Trustees to re no compensation for their services as such trustees, but but no compen- they shall be entitled to receive from the income of the sation. University fund, mileage at the rate of ten cents per mile for the distance necessarily traveled in attending any general or special meeting of the board.

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SEC. 79. The University shall never be under the exclusive control of any religious denomination whatthe Beard, the Gordmon, the Superintendent of Pullives

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Sec. 80. In all cases where duplicates of specimens of Natural History, and Geological and Mineralogical specimens which are, or may hereafter be collected by the State Geolegist of Iowa, or by any others appointed by the State to investigate its natural history, and physical resources are procured, one shall belong to and be the property of the State University, and shall form a part of its Cabinet of Natural History, and its means of giving instruction in that department.

Librarian,

SEC. 81. The board of trustees shall appoint a Secretary, a Treasurer and Librarian, and Curator of the point Secretary Cabinet of Natural History, who shall hold their respective officers during the pleasure of the board. It shall be the duty of the Secretary to record all the proceedings of the board, and carefully to preserve all its books and papers. It shall be the duty of the Treasurer to keep a true and faithful account of all moneys received and paid out by him, and before entering upon the discharge of any of his duties, he shail take and subscribe an oath that he will faithfully perform the duties of Treasurer, and he shall also give a bond in the penalty of twenty-five thousand dollars, conditioned for the faithful performance of his duties as Treasurer, and that he will at all times keep and render a true account of all moneys received by him as such Treasurer, and of the disposition he has made of the same, and that he will at all times be ready to discharge himself of the trust, and to pay over when required; which bond shall have two good sureties, and shall be approved, as to its form and the sufficiency of its sureties, by the board of trustees, and also by the Governor and Secretary of State, and shall be filed in the office of the latter. The Librarian and Curator shall have charge of the Library and Cabinet of Natural History.

SEC. 82. The board of trustees shall have power and it shall be their duty to enact laws for the government To enactlaws for the government of the University, to elect a Chancellor, and shall also of the University. appoint, on the nomination of the Chancellor, the requisite number of Professors and tutors, and also such other officers as they may deem expedient, also to determine the amount of their respective salaries.

SEC. 83. The University shall consist of such departments as the board of trustees shall determine, sub-Departments. ject to the provisions of this act, and the same may be Faculty. altered or changed, as the board may prescribe. The immediate government of the several departments shall be entrusted to the faculty. The method and manner of instruction in each department shall be provided by the board of trustees, who shall also confer such degrees and grant such diplomas as are usually conferred and granted by other Universities, or such others as it may think right and fitting.

SEC. 84. The board of trustees shall have power to Power of remova remove any officer connected with the institution, when in their judgment the interests of the institution require it.

SEC. 85. The board of trustees shall determine the rees for tuition. amount of fees to be paid for tuition, subject to the provisions of this act.

SEC 86. The board of trustees are authorized to expend such portion of the income of the University fund paratus.; as it may deem expedient in the purchase of apparatus, Library, and Cabinets of Natural History, in providing suitable means to keep and preserve the same, and in the procurement of all other means and facilities for giving instruction.

SEC. 87. Meetings of the board may be called in such Meetings of the manner and at such times as the board shall prescribe, Trustees. and any seven of them, at any meeting regularly called, shall be a quorum for the transaction of business.

Sec. 88. The Treasurer of the University shall keep

a set of books, in which he shall keep an accurate ac-Duties of Treas- count of all transactions relative to the sale and disposition of the University lands and the management of the fund arising therefrom, which said books shall exhibit what parts and portions of land have been sold, and at what prices, and to whom, and how the proceeds have been invested, and on what securities, and what land still remains unsold, and where situated, and of what value, respectively.

SEC. 89. The Secretary shall keep a book or books in which shall be entered all minutes of meetings, and Duties of Sec'y. all proceedings of the Board, which shall always be open for inspection by all the Trustees, at any time.

SEC. 90. No sales of lands belonging to the Univer-Bale of land and sity shall hereafter take place, unless the same shall be funds. decided upon at a regular meeting of the Board, or at one called for that particular purpose, and then only in the manner, upon the notice and on the terms which the Board shall prescribe, and no member of the Board shall be either directly or indirectly interested in any purchase of such lands upon such sale. And it shall be lawful for the Board to invest any surplus income which is not immediately required for the purposes of instruction, in the United States, or other interest paying State Stocks, and to hold the same for the University, either as a perpetual fund, or as an income to defray current expenses, as said Board may deem expedient.

SEC. 91. There shall be a Normal Department to the University, in which shall be taught the theory and practice of teaching, and everything which enters into it as an art, including all the most approved methods and processes now in use in all the varieties of teaching.

Sec. 92. The Board of Trustees shall make a report to the General Assembly, and Board of Education at Trustees to report to the Gen-their sessions, which shall exhibit the State, condition eral Assembly and Board of and progress of the University in its several departeducation the condition of the ments, the different courses of study pursued therein, the branches taught, the means and methods of instruction adopted, the number of Professors and students, the situation and condition of the University fund, the income derived from the same, the amount of expenditures, and such other matters and things as the said Board may deem proper to communicate.

SEC. 93. Each and every officer created by the pro- Penalty for not visions of this Act, who shall receive by virtue of his surrendering office, any books or papers, and shall refuse to deliver the same to his successor in office, or shall wilfully mutilate or destroy the same, or any part thereof, shall be liable to a fine of not less than fifty, nor more than two hundred and fifty dollars, to be recovered, with all damages occasioned thereby, by an action at law.

SEC. 94. When any school officer is superceded by same. election or otherwise, he shall immediately deliver to his successor, all books, papers and moneys, pertaining to his office, taking a receipt therefor, which shall specify the particular class of books, papers and moneys thus transferred.

SEC. 95. All Acts and parts of Acts which have heretofore constituted the school laws of the State of Iowa, except those relating to school lands and the school fund, and all Acts and parts of Acts heretofore in force, relative to the State University, are hereby repealed, except that the officers created under those Acts, and the power and authority under which they act, shall continue in force until the offices created by this Act are filled, and the respective officers become qualified and enter upon the discharge of their respective duties, and all rights and liabilities, civil or criminal, which have accrued or been incurred under the Act or Acts hereby repealed, shall be in force in the same manner as if said Act or Acts were still in force.

Sec. 96. This Act to be in force from and after its publication in the Iowa State Journal and the Iowa Publication of Weekly Citizen; and any newspaper in this State publishing this Act, and forwarding to the Auditor of State a copy or copies containing the same, on or before the first Monday of April next, shall be entitled to receive from the State Treasury the sum of five dollars.

Approved March 12th, 1858.

I hereby certify that the foregoing Act was published in the Iowa State Journal on the 20th day of March, 1858, and in the Iowa Weekly Citizen, March 17th, 1858. ELIJAH SELLS, Secretary of State.

#### SCHOOL LAW OF IOWA.

AN ACT authorizing School Districts to subscribe for the " Voice of Towa."

- 1. Clerk of the District authorized to subscribe.
- 2. The Journal to be preserved.
- 3. Act to take effect by publication.

Section 1. Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Iowa, That the Clerk of any School District authorized trict in the State of Iowa, be and is hereby authorized to subscribe. to subscribe in the name of the District, for one copy of the "Voice of Iowa," the same being an Educational Journal, and the organ of the State Teachers' Association of the State, and that he pay for the same out of any funds belonging to said district. Is almost any out vii

Sec. 2. Said journal shall be preserved by said Clerk The Journal to and his successors in office, as the property of the Disbe preserved. trict, and when a library shall be formed, shall be placed in the hands of the Librarian for the use of the district.

SEC. 3. This Act shall take effect from and after its Act to take effect publication in the Des Moines Citizen, and Cedar Valley Times, without expense to the State. out tell decoxe

Approved March 16th, 1858.

I hereby certify that the foregoing Act was published in the Des Moines Citizen on the 24th day of March, 1858, and in the Cedar Valley Times on the 1st day of April. ah ovilonger right to og mischer Elijah sells, ino ban

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#### COUNTY SUPERINTENDENT.

AN ACT supplementary to An Act for the Public Instruction of the State of Iowa, and relating to the election of County Superintendent of Common Schools.

- 1. Counties not receiving law may elect in May.
- 2. County Judge shall give the notice.
- 3. Election and Canvass.
- 4. Act to take effect by publication.

Section 1. Be it enacted by the General Assembly of

the State of Iowa, That in case any county or counties of this State, shall for want of notice or other cause fail Countles not reto elect a County Superintendent on the first Monday elect in May. of April next, as provided in said act for the Public Instruction of the State of Iowa; it shall be lawful, and is hereby made the duty of such county or counties to hold an election for the election of said officers, on the first Monday of May next.

SEC. 2. The County Judge of each county in which County Judge such special election shall be required, fifteen days pre- notice vious to the day of said election, shall notify the Clerk of each township in the county of said election, and said Clerk shall cause five written or printed notices of said election to be posted in public places at least ten days previous to the day of said election.

SEC. 3. Said election shall be conducted and the Election and canvass of votes be had, as in the election of other county officers.

SEC. 4. This act to be in force from and after its Act to take effect publication in the Iowa State Journal and Iowa Citizen. Approved March 19th, 1858.

I hereby certify that the foregoing Act was published in the Iowa S ate Journal on the 24th day of April 1856, and in the Iowa Weekly Citizen, March 24th, 1858. ELIJAH SELLS,

Secretary of State.

MINUTES OF SUB-DISTRICT ELECTION. Sub-District, No. ...., ...... Township, ..... County, Iowa. ..... , 185...

At a meeting of the qualified voters of said sub-district ....

was appointed President and .... Secretary.

Whereupon, said voters proceeded to elect by ballot one Director for said sub-district, for the term of one year, and upon inspection of the several ballots given at said election, it was found and publicly declared that .... was duly elected. ...., Secretary. ...., President.

#### CERTIFICATE OF ANNUAL ESTIMATES.

To the County Judge of ..... County.

It is hereby certified by the Board of Directors of Township District of ..... that the entire amount of money necessary to be assessed on the taxable property of said township district, and expended therein, for school purposes, as directed in "An Act for the Public Instruction of the State of Iowa, passed March 13th, 1858, is ..... dollars as follows:

For Fuel and contingent expenses, ..... 8..... For district library,.....\$..... For .....\$..... ....., 185... By order of the Board. ...., Secretary.

#### NOTICE OF SUB-DISTRICT MEETING.

Notice is hereby given to the qualified voters of sub-district number ...., ..... township ...., .... County, Iowa, that the next annual election for Director in said sub-district will be held at the school house in said sub-district at . . . . o'clock, A. M., of the .... day of ...., 185... .... Director.

#### OATH OF DIRECTOR.

On the ....day of ...., 185.., personally appeared ...., and I then, and there administered to him the following oath (or affirmation :)

You .... do solemnly swear (or affirm) that you will sup-

port the Constitution of the United States, and the Constitution of the State of Iowa, and that you will faithfully and impartially discharge the duties of Director, in and for said sub-district, number ...., ..... township, ...... County, Iowa, according to law, and the best of your abilities. Director in said sub-district.

FORM OF A LEASE.—(See Sec. 30.)

Know all men by these Presents, that A. B., of the township of ...., in the county of ...., and State of Iowa, of the first part, for the consideration hereinafter mentioned, does hereby lease unto school district township of ....., county and State aforesaid, party of the second part, and their assigns, the following parcel of land, (here describe the land,) with all the privileges and appurtenances thereunto belonging; to have and to hold the same for and during the term of ...., from the .. day of ...., A. D., 18...

And the said party of the second part, as School Directors for the district aforesaid for themselves and their successors in office. do covenant and agree to pay the said party of the first part, for the said premises, the annual (or monthly as the case may be) rent of .... dollars.

In testimony whereof, the said parties have hereunto set their hands and seals, this .... day of .... A. D., 18....

A...., Lessor. C..... D..... G..... H.....

Directors of Township District of ...... In presence of

K..... L.....,
Note.—Retain a copy of the lease on file in the Secretary's office.

FORM OF A DEED.—(See Sec. 30.)

Know all men by these presents, that A.... B..... and C...., his wife, of the county of ....., in the State of Iowa, party of the first part, for and in consideration of the sum of .... to them, paid by Township, district of ...... County and State aforesaid, party of the second part, the receipt whereof is hereby acknowledged, do hereby grant, bargain, sell and convey to the said party of the second part and their assigns forever, the followdescribed parcel of land, namely: (here describe the land,) together with all the privileges and appurtenances thereunto belonging; to have and to hold the same unto the said party of the second part and their assigns forever; hereby covenanting that the title

so conveyed is clear and unincumbered, and that the said party of the first part will forever warrant and defend the same against all claims whatsoever.

In testimony whereof, the said A..... B..... and C...., his wife, who hereby relinquishes her right of dower in and to the above described premises, have hereunto set their hands and seals this . . . day of . . . , A. D., 18 . . ..

In presence of

D ..... E .....

STATE OF IOWA,

..... County.

Be it remembered, that on this day, to wit: the .... day of .... A. D., 18..., personally appeared before me, the undersigned, a justice of the peace in and for said county of ...., A. B.... and C...., his wife, personally known to me to be the persons whose names are subscribed to the foregoing deed of conveyance as parties thereto, and severally acknowledged the signing and sealing of the same to be their voluntary act and deed for the uses and purposes therein contained. And the said C ..., being made acquainted with the contents of said deed of conveyance, acknowledged on examination apart from her said husband, that she executed the same, and relinquished her dower in the real estate therein mentioned, freely and without compulsion or undue influence of her said husband.

Given under my hand the day and year last above written.

Justice of the Peace.

Note.—The Directors should carefully investigate the title to property before purchasing, and no school house should be erected until a satisfactory title is obtained. The property should be deeded in the corporate name of the district and not in the name of the Directors.

FORM OF AGREEMENT BETWEEN DIRECTORS AND TEACHERS .- (See Sec. 30.)

It is agreed between A. B., C. D., and E. F., directors of township district of ..... county of ....., and State of Iowa, and G. H., a school teacher, of the County and State aforesaid, that the said G. H., is to teach the public school of said district, for the term of ...., commencing on the .... day of ...., A. D. 18..., for the sum of .... dollars per ....; and that for such services, properly rendered, the said A. B., C. D., and E. F., directors as aforesaid, are to pay the said G. H., the amount of his wages as ascertained by this agreement.

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#### Form for Teachers' Daily Register.

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Note.—This roll may be kept on a single sheet of paper, and should be posted weekly in the ledger or weekly roll, as in preceding form. To find the average number in daily attendance, let the "number of days present," be added up, and divided by the whole number of days. I do not conceive it necessary to keep an account of the branches studied by each pupil. Those taught in the school will be sufficient. The — signifies absent, 1 present, p. 1. present forenoon, p. a. present afternoon.

In witness whereof, the said parties have hereunto set their names this . . day of . . A. D., 18....

A. . . B. . . . . . . . . Directors. E. . . F. . . . . . Teacher.

In presence of I...., K....,

FORM FOR LIST OF NAMES OF PERSONS BETWEEN 5 AND 21 YEARS. (See Sec. 18.)

Eliza Smith, daughter of James Smith.

John Smith, son " "

James Burns, son of Joseph E. Burns.

Julia A. Smither, ward of Geo. W. Johnson. Charles Jenkins, orphan without guardian.

I hereby certify that the foregoing is a correct list of the names,

A.... B....,
Sec. of township district of .....,

Form of notice for regular District Meeting. (See Sec. 20.)

Notice is hereby given to the qualified electors Township District of ...... that the regular meeting of said District will be held at ..... on the ... day of ...., 18..at..o'clock, A. M., for the election of officers (omit the election of officers for meeting in October) and the transaction of other business.

Dated at ...., this .. day .. of ..., 18..

A....B.....
Secretary of Township District of......

FORM OF NOTICE FOR SPECIAL DISTRICT MEETINGS. (See Sec. 20.)

Notice is hereby given to the qualified electors of Township District of ...., that a special meeting of said District will be held at ...., on the .... day of .... A. D., 18.., for (here mention the object or objects of the meeting.)

Dated at ...., this .... day of ...., A. D., 18...

A...... B.......

Secretary of Township District of ......

FORM OF NOTICE FROM THE COUNTY JUDGE TO THE PRESIDENT OF A SCHOOL DISTRICT. (See Sec. 33.)

Office of County Judge, \ ..... County, March 1st, 18...

To the President of Township District of .....:

Sir:—You are hereby notified that, according to the apportionment of the school money made by the undersigned this day, the sum of . . . dollars is due Township District of . . from this office.

A...... B...... County.

CERTIFICATE OF TAX FOR BUILDING A SCHOOL HOUSE.

To the County Judge of ..... County.

It is hereby certified that at the regular meeting of the legal voters of district township of ....., the sum of .... dollars was

voted to be raised by tax, for building school houses, and the directors of said district have raised the per centum of said tax, among the sub-districts, as follows:

On sub-district No. 1, .... mills on the dollar.

4 4 4 2, ... 4 4 " 3, .... " 4, ....

By order of the Board.

Secretary.

#### LIST OF BOOKS

ADOPTED BY THE SUPERINTENDENT OF PUBLIC INSTRUCTION FOR THE USE OF PUBLIC SCHOOLS IN THE STATE OF IOWA.

Dictionary.—Webster's Dictionary.

Anatomy and Physiology.—Human and Comparative Anatomy, Physiology, Hygiene-by Mrs. Eunice P. Cutter; Anatomy, Physiology and Hygiene-by Calvin Cutter, M. D.

English Grammar.—Pinneo's Primary Grammar, Pinneo's An-

alytical Grammar.

Natural Philosophy.—Wells' Science of Common Things.

Astronomy.—Burritt's Geography and Atlas of the Heavens.

Botony. - Gray's First Lessons.

Arithmetic.—Enos' Mental Arithmetic.

Ray's Arithmetic, Part First.

Second. " Third.

History.—Parley's Illustrated History; History of the United States—by Emma Willard. Willard's History, (Universal.)

Readers.—McGuffv's Eclectic 1st Reader.

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The Heman's Reader for Young Ladies.

Spellers.—McGuffy's Eclectic Speller.

Webster's Definer.

Political Works.—Sheppard's Constitutional Text Book.

Geography.—Warren's Common School Geography.

Physical Geography.

Composition.—Parker's Aid.

Geometry.—Davies' Elementary Geometry. " Practical Geometry.

Surveying.—Davies' Surveying.

### FROM THE NEW CONSTITUTION.

#### ARTICLE IX-EDUCATION AND SCHOOL LANDS.

First—Education.

Section 1. The educational interest of the State, including Common Schools and other educational institutions, shall be under the management of a Board of Education, which shall consist of the Lieutenant Governor, who shall be the presiding officer of the Board, and have the casting vote in case of a tie, and one member to be elected from each judicial district in the State.

Sec. 2. No person shall be eligible as a member of said Board who shall not have attained the age of twenty-five years, and shall have been one year a citizen of the State.

SEC. 3. One member of said Board shall be chosen by the qualified electors of each district, and shall hold the office for the term of four years, and until his successor is elected and qualified. After the first election under this Constitution, the Board shall be divided, as nearly as practicable, into two equal classes, and the seats of the first class shall be vacated after the expiration of two years; and one half of the Board shall be chosen every two years thereafter.

Sec. 4. The first session of the Board of Education shall be held at the Seat of Government, on the first Monday of December, after their election; after which the General Assembly may fix the time and place of meeting.

Sec. 5. The session of the Board shall be limited to twenty days, and but one session shall be held in any one year, except upon extraordinary occasions, when, upon the recommendation of two-thirds of the Board, the Governor may order a special session.

SEC. 6. The Board of Education shall appoint a Secretary, who shall be the executive officer of the Board, and perform such duties as may be imposed upon him by the Board, and the laws of the

State. They shall keep a journal of their proceedings, which shall be published and distributed in the same manner as the journals of the General Assembly.

SEC. 7. All rules and regulations made by the Board shall be published and distributed to the several counties, townships, and school districts, as may be provided for by the Board, and when so made, published, and distributed, they shall have the force and effect of law.

SEC. 8. The Board of Education shall have full power and authority to legislate and make all needful rules and regulations in relation to Common Schools, and other educational institutions, that are instituted, to receive aid from the School or University fund of this State; but all acts, rules, and regulations of said Board may be altered, amended, or repealed by the General Assembly; and when so altered, amended, or repealed, they shall not be reenacted by the Board of Education.

SEC. 9. The Governor of the State shall be, ex-officio, a member of said Board.

SEC. 10. The Board shall have no power to levy taxes, or make appropriations of money. Their contingent expenses shall be provided for by the General Assembly.

SEC. 11. The State University shall be established at one place without branches at any other place, and the University fund shall be applied to that institution, and no other.

SEC. 12. The Board of Education shall provide for the education of all the youths of the State, through a system of Common Schools, and such schools shall be organized and kept in each school district at least three months in each year. Any district failing, for two consecutive years, to organize and keep up a school, as aforesaid, may be deprived of their portion of the school fund.

SEC. 13. The members of the Board of Education shall each receive the same per-diem during the time of their session, and mileage going to and returning therefrom, as members of the General Assembly.

SEC. 14. A majority of the Board shall constitute a quorum for the transaction of business; but no rule, regulation, or law for the government of Common Schools or other educational institutions shall pass without the concurrence of a majority of all the members of the Board, which shall be expressed by the year and nays on the

final passage. The style of all acts of the Board shall be, "Be it enacted by the Board of Education of the State of Iowa."

SEC. 15. At any time after the year one thousand eight hundred and sixty-three, the General Assembly shall have power to abolish or re-organize said Board of Education, and provide for the educational interest of the State in any other manner that to them shall seem best and proper.

Second-School Funds and School Lands.

SECTION 1. The educational and school funds and lands, shall be under the control and management of the General Assembly of this State.

SEC. 2. The University lands, and the proceeds thereof, and all moneys belonging to said fund, shall be a permanent fund for the sole use of the State University. The interest arising from the same shall be annually appropriated for the support and benefit of said University.

SEC. 3. The General Assembly shall encourage, by all suitable means, the promotion of intellectual, scientific, moral, and agricultural improvement. The proceeds of all lands that have been, or hereafter may be, granted by the United States to this State, for the support of schools, which may have been or shall hereafter be sold, or disposed of, and the five hundred thousand acres of land granted to the new States, under an act of Congress, distributing the proceeds of the public lands among the several States of the Union, approved in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and forty-one, and all estates of deceased persons who may have died without leaving a will or heir, and also such per cent. as has been or may hereafter be granted by Congress, on the sale of lands in this State, shall be, and remain a perpetual fund, the interest of which, together with all rents of the unsold lands, and such other means as the General Assembly may provide, shall be inviolably appropriated to the support of Common Schools throughout the State.

SEC. 4. The money which may have been or shall be paid by persons as an equivalent for exemption from military duty, and the clear proceeds of all fines collected in the several counties for any breach of the penal laws, shall be exclusively applied, in the several counties in which such money is paid, or fine collected, among the several school districts of said counties, in proportion to the number of youths subject to enumeration in such districts, to the

support of Common Schools, or the establishment of libraries, as the Board of Education shall from time to time provide.

Sec. 5. The General Assembly shall take measures for the protection, improvement, or other disposition of such lands as have been or may hereafter be reserved, or granted by the United States, or any person or persons, to this State, for the use of the University, and the funds accruing from the rents or sale of such lands, or from any other source for the purpose aforesaid, shall be, and remain a permanent fund, the interest of which shall be applied to the support of said University, for the promotion of literature, the arts and sciences, as may be authorized by the terms of such grant. And it shall be the duty of the General Assembly as soon as may be, to provide effectual means for the improvement and permanent security of the funds of said University.

SEC. 6. The financial agents of the school funds shall be the same, that by law, receive and control the State and county revenue, for other civil purposes, under such regulations as may be provided by law.

Sec. 7. The money subject to the support and maintenance of Common Schools shall be distributed to the districts in proportion to the number of youths between the ages of five and twenty-one years, in such manner as may be provided by the General Assembly.

LIST OF

### COUNTY SUPERINTENDENTS OF COMMON SCHOOLS, ELECTED IN 1858, WITH THEIR POST-OFFICES.

COUNTY.	NAME.	POST-OFFICE.
Adair	George W. White,	Fontenelle
Adams	Edmond Homan,	Quincy
Alamakee	James W. Flint,	Wawkon
Appanoose	J. J. Cummings,	Centerville
Audubon	L. B. Montgomery,	Exira
Benton	Joseph Dysart,	Vinton
Black Hawk	Truman Steed,	Waterloo
Boone	James Phelon,	Boonsboro
Bremer	A. K. Moulton,	Fredericksburg, Chickasaw county
Butler	D. W. Mason,	Shell Rock,
Buchanan	O. H. P. Roszell,	Independence
Calhoun		
Carroll	W. H. Price,	Carrolton
Cass	James W. Brown,	Lewis
Cedar	Joshua Maynard,	Tipton
Cerro Gordo	oosiida maynaid,	Lipton
Chickasaw	J. C. Strong,	Bradford
Clarke	J. H. L. Scott,	Osceola
Clayton	Alonzo Brown,	Garnavillo
Clinton	J. Van Antwerp	De Witt
Crawford	Thomas Dobson,	Boyer River
Dallas	James O. Reed,	Adel
		Bloomfield
Davis	Harvey Dunlavy,	
Decatur Delaware	Thomas Johnson,	Garden Grove
	H. N. Gates,	Almoral
Des Moines	R. I. Graffee,	Burlington
Dubuque	Wm. Y. Lovell,	Dubuque
Fayette	S. W. Cole,	West Union
Floyd	L. L. Huntly,	St. Charles City
Franklin	Robert F. Piatt,	Hampton
Fremont	L. G. Bell,	Sidney
Greene	Jackson Orr,	New Jefferson
Grundy	Elias Macy,	Eldora, Hardin Co
Guthrie	N. B. Leinbach,	Panora
Hamilton	Adam C. Baum,	

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Hardin		Eldora
Henry	Sam'l L. Howe,	Mt. Pleasant
Howard		Vernon Springs
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Humboldt	George W. Mann,	
Iowa		
Jackson		
Jasper		Linnville
Jefferson	Rev. Reed Wilkinson.	Fairfield
Johnson	H. W. Lathrop,	Iowa City
Jones	Barrett Whittemore,.	Bowen's Prairie
Keokuk	John Rogers,	Sigourney
Kossuth	Rev. Chancey Taylor,	Algona
Lee	John A. Nunn,	Fort Madison
Linn	Albert Manson,	Marion
	J. B. Brigham,	Wapello
Louisa		Chariton
Inicas	John Anderson,	
Madison	James Sheperd,	Winterset
Mahaska	J. M. Loughridge,	Oskaloosa
Marion	Claiborne Hall,	Knoxville
Marshall	I. J. Teagarden,	Lafayette
Mills	Rev. J. W. Daniels,	Glenwood
Mitchell	H. P. Nelson,	Mitchell
Monroe	Sam'l Adams,	Albia
Monona	Chas. C. Bisbee,	Bellverdere
Montgomery	Wm. C. Means,	Ross Grove
Muscatine	Wm. F. Brannan,	Muscatine
Page	B. B. Hutton,	Clarinda
	Samuel Bell,	Des Moines
Polk	James B. Rue	Council Bluffs
Pottawattamie		
Powesheik	Leonard F. Parker,	Grinnell
Ringgold	Wendell Poor,	Redding
Sac	Geo. F. Browning,	Sac City
Scott	A. S. Kissell,	Davenport
Shelby	David Baughman,	Shelbyville
Story	Geo. W. Maxwell,	Goshen
Tama	Woodhull Helm,	Butlerville
Taylor	E. D. Bulen,	Bedford
Union	James W. McDill,	Afton
Van Buren	Anderson McPherin,	Keosaqua
Wapello	G. D. R. Boyd,	Ottumwa
Warren	J. E. Williamson,	Indianola
Washington	T. H. Dinsmore,	Washington
Wayno		Washington
Wayne	George Wright,	Clio
Webster	Stephen B. Olney,	Fort Dodge
Winnesheik	Henry C. Bullis,	Decorah
Woodbury	H. H. Chaffe,	Sergeant's Bluffs
Wright	Jacob Davidson,	Gold Field

## REPORT

OF THE

# Secretary of the Board of Education,

TO THE

#### BOARD OF EDUCATION

AND THE

### EIGHTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF IOWA.

DES MOINES
JOHN TEESDALE, STATE PRINTER.
1860.