

174. It shall be the duty of inspectors of primary schools to examine all persons who shall offer themselves as candidates for teachers.

175. They shall inform themselves as to the moral character, learning and ability of every candidate examined by them, and if satisfied as to his sufficiency in these respects, shall certify in writing, under their hands, and deliver to the candidate a certificate in form or substance as follows: "We, the undersigned, inspectors of primary schools for district No. —, do certify that we have examined —, and do believe he is of good moral character and of sufficient learning and ability, and in all other respects well qualified to teach a primary school. Given under our hands at —, the — day of —.

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176. The said inspectors may annul any such certificate so given by them or their predecessors; *Provided*, notice thereof in writing be given to the trustees of the school district in which such person shall be employed as teacher, or some one of them, and also to such teacher, at least three days before the same is annulled.

177. If the trustees of any school district shall employ a teacher who has not received the necessary certificate from the inspectors, or whose certificate has by them been annulled, such school district shall forfeit, for the time such person shall be employed, all right to any of the moneys which shall come into the hands of the commissioners of primary schools during such time.

178. The inspectors shall visit all primary schools quarterly, or oftener if they shall deem it necessary, and examine into the state and condition thereof, both as respects the proficiency of the scholars and the good order and regularity of the schools; and shall, from time to time, give their advice and direction to the trustees and teachers as to the government thereof and the course of studies to be pursued therein.

179. A majority of the inspectors present, and acting in the performance of any of their duties, shall be competent to perform any such duties; but in the examination of teachers and