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Certificate to
be registered.

63. The certificate issued by each County Superintendent shall be numbered and registered in a book kept by the Board of County School Commissioners, and be delivered to their successors in office, and shall be denominated first or second grade, as the case may be, and the State Board of Education shall keep a book in the same manner as the County Superintendent; certificates of the first grade shall embrace orthography, reading, writing, arithmetic, geography, United States History, English grammar, bookkeeping, algebra, natural philosophy, physiology, plane geometry (four books), general history, National and State Constitutions, theory and practice of teaching, and the laws and the by-laws of the public school system of Maryland; and those of the second shall embrace orthography, reading, writing, arithmetic, geography, United States History, English grammar, History of Maryland, Constitutions of United States and of Maryland, physiology, algebra (to quadratics), theory and practice of teaching, the laws and by-laws of the public school system of Maryland; such a certificate held by a person who obtains a school within six months from the time the certificate was issued shall not continue in force longer than six months after acceptance of the position of teacher, unless the persons holding the same shall satisfy the County Superintendent of his or her fitness for governing a school, and his or her ability to impart instruction in the various branches taught in the public schools; but when the County Superintendent shall satisfy himself upon these points, he shall be empowered to issue a certificate, which shall continue in force for five years, unless revoked for cause; a person holding such certificate, who fails to obtain a school within six months after issuance of same, shall not be required to pass another examination in the same county for fifteen months from date of granting the certificate.

Holding a certificate.

Superintendent to visit schools.

66. It shall be the duty of the County Superintendent, or his assistant, at least three times in each year, to visit the schools in his county, if it contains sixty teachers or less, and twice a year in counties having more than sixty and less than one hundred and seventy-five teachers, and once a year in counties where there are more than one hundred and seventy-five; he shall observe the methods of the teachers and give him or her such practical suggestions as circumstances may prompt; he shall, whenever possible, attend public examinations and report quarterly in detail the result of his observances through the Board of County School Commissioners. In counties where the number of teachers shall exceed one hundred and seventy-