

which is a body politic and corporate, with power to organize, manage and direct a State teachers' reading circle.

Chapter 14. Teachers' Associations.

1888, art. 77, sec. 84. 1872, ch. 377. 1890, ch. 323.

91. District, county and State teachers' associations are recommended as important means of elevating the standard of public education by mutual conference, interchange of views and suggestions as to systems of teaching and discipline.

Ibid. sec. 85. 1872, ch. 377.

92. It shall be the care of the county examiner to aid in the organization of these associations, to encourage attendance, to secure competent lecturers, and to impart such information as will encourage teachers in their work, and fit them for the performance of their duties.

Ibid. sec. 86. 1872, ch. 377.

93. These associations may occupy any of the school houses.

Chapter 15. District Libraries.

Ibid. sec. 87. 1872, ch. 377. 1904, ch. 584.

94. For the further encouragement of education, district libraries ought to be established in each school house district under the care of the teacher, as librarian; for this purpose the sum of ten dollars per annum is ordered to be paid by the board of county school commissioners out of the State school fund to any school house district as library money as long as the people of the district raise the same amount annually; the books must be selected by the board of district school trustees and teachers from a list to be furnished by the State board of education.

1898, ch 515, sec. 1. 1902, ch 367, secs. 1 and 2.

95. The board of county commissioners of any county in the State shall have power to establish and maintain free public libraries and reading rooms in their respective counties for the use and benefit of the people of such counties, and for that purpose may levy an annual tax not exceeding five cents on each one hundred dollars of the assessed valuation of taxable property, such tax to be levied and collected in like manner as other general taxes of said county, and when collected to be known as the free library fund.