

officer any certificate required by this section shall be *prima facie* evidence that the child, who is or should have been mentioned in the said certificate, is thus unlawfully employed.

1902, ch. 269, sec. 133.

160. It shall be the duty of every parent, guardian or other person having control of a child under sixteen years of age, and of every principal or head teacher of said school where such child last attended, to furnish every employer of such child the certificates required by the preceding section. Such certificates, if in substantial conformity with the requirements of that section, shall be *prima facie* evidence of the facts required to be certified to as therein provided.

Ibid. sec. 134.

161. Any parent or guardian or other person having control of a child, or principal or head teacher who shall make any wilfully false statement respecting any of the facts required to be certified to as provided in sections 159 and 160 of this subtitle, shall be deemed guilty of a misdemeanor, and shall be fined not more than fifty dollars, or be imprisoned not more than thirty days, or suffer both fine and imprisonment in the discretion of the court.

Ibid. sec. 135.

162. No person shall employ any minor over twelve and less than sixteen years of age, and no parent, guardian or other person having control of a child shall permit to be employed or retained in employment any such minor under his control, if the said minor cannot read at sight and write legibly simple sentences in the English language while a public evening school is maintained in the city or election district or precinct in which such minor resides, unless such minor is a regular attendant at an evening or other school; provided, that upon presentation by such minor of a certificate signed by a regular practising physician, and satisfactory to such officer or officers as the school commissioners for such county or city may designate, showing that the physical condition of such minor would render such attendance, in addition to daily labor, prejudicial to health, said officer or officers so designated may issue a permit authorizing the employment of such minor for such period and upon such conditions as said officer or officers so designated as aforesaid may determine. Any person who employs or retains in employment a minor in