

LAWS OF MARYLAND.

shall be the duty of the inspectors aforesaid to inquire, and so far as they shall be enabled thereto, to ascertain and inform themselves as to all the qualifications mentioned and contained in the certificate hereinafter specified and given in form; and if they shall be satisfied as to the sufficiency of such qualifications, they shall certify, in writing, under their hands, and deliver such certificate to the person so examined by them as aforesaid, in form or substance following, viz:— 'We, the undersigned, inspectors of primary schools for the district, number —, in the county of —, do certify, that we have examined —, and do believe he or she, as the case may be, is of a 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 —, in the year of our Lord, one thousand eight hundred and —.

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— —, Inspectors of Primary Schools.

18. And it shall, and may be lawful for the inspectors of primary schools, to annul any such certificate so given by them, or their predecessors in office, as aforesaid, to any such person as aforesaid: *Provided*, That notice thereof, in writing, be given to the trustees of the school district, or some one of them, in which such person shall be employed as a teacher, and also to such teacher, at least three days before such certificate shall be annulled as aforesaid: And further, if any person shall be employed as a teacher, by the trustees of any school district, who shall not have obtained such certificate, as aforesaid, from the inspectors of primary schools of the county in which such district shall be situated, or whose certificate, so having been obtained, shall have been annulled as aforesaid, such district shall forfeit, for the time such person shall be so employed, as aforesaid, all right and claim to any share of the monies which shall come into the hands of the commissioners of primary schools aforesaid, during such time.

Annuling such certificates.

Forfeiture for employing teachers without proper certificates.

19. *And be it enacted*, That it shall be the duty of the inspectors of primary schools aforesaid, to visit all such primary schools within their respective counties, as shall have been formed in pursuance of this act, quarterly, or oftener, if they shall deem it necessary; and to examine into the state and condition of such schools, both as respects the proficiency of the scholars, and the good order and regularity of schools; and from time to time, to give their advice and direction to the trustees and teachers of such schools, as to the government thereof, and the course of studies to be pursued therein.

Inspectors to visit and examine quarterly.

20. *And be it enacted*, That a majority of the said inspectors present, and acting in the performance of any of the duties required of them by this act, shall be competent to perform any such duties: *Provided*, That in the examination of teachers, and certifying their qualifications as aforesaid, or in annulling any certificate as aforesaid, not less than three of the said in-

Quorum of inspectors.

Provided