creation of teachers and pupils, not exceeding two in any CHAP. 221.

one year, nor longer than three weeks each; and provivided further, that if the said district school shall not be kept open the entire year, with the exception of the vacations aforesaid, the said district shall not be entitled to receive the whole of the said sum of two hundred dollars, but only a proportionate part thereof, the unpaid balance to be carried at the end of the year into the gen-

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SEC. 14. And be it enacted, That each local board of district trustees shall have the right to select and contract teachers with their own teacher or teachers; provided however, Proviso. that every such teacher, before he or she enters upon his or her duties in the said district school, must obtain from the board of education a certificate of his or her qualifications; it shall be the duty of the trustees of each school district immediately upon employing a teacher to make report thereof, with the name of the teacher chosen to the superintendent, who shall keep a record thereof, and of the names of all teachers who shall have obtained from the board of education, certificates. of qualification; and if any local board of trustees shall contract with and employ any teacher who has not obtained a certificate of his qualification from the board of education, such district shall not be entitled to receive from the superintendent, any contribution from the county funds to pay the salary of any such teacher until he or she has been examined by the said board of education, and found to be qualified

SEC. 15. And be it enacted, That the trustees of each of the several district schools shall visit the schools in their respective districts, at least once in every quarter, and shall make a careful examination into the character of the discipline, the proficiency of the pupils, the books that are in use, the condition of the building and the fixtures, and while visiting the school, the said trustees shall have entire control of it, may direct its exercises and conduct the examination of the classes themselves, or require the teacher to conduct it in their presence, they shall make quarterly reports to the board of education or superintendent, in the form prescribed by him, of the number of scholars in their respective districts, the average attendance at the school, the name or names and the salary or salaries of their teacher or teachers, male and female, the length of time the school has been kept open during the quarter, and the improvement and

general condition of the school.

SEC. 16. And be it enacted, That whenever a teacher Duty and powhas been duly elected or appointed and installed into prescribed.

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Trustees to visit schools quarterly