

MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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ACTS AND RESOLVES

OF THE

FORTY-EIGHTH LEGISLATURE

OF THE

STATE OF MAINE.

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PUBLIC LAWS

OF THE

STATE OF MAINE.

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CHAP. 74.**Chapter 74.**

An act establishing County Teachers' Institutes.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in Legislature assembled, as follows :

Teachers' institutes to be held annually in each county on request of twenty-five teachers.

SECTION 1. It shall be the duty of the state superintendent of common schools on the written request of twenty-five teachers in any county, to hold therein annually a teachers' institute, to continue at least ten days, Sundays excepted, to give due notice thereof to all teachers, and persons proposing to become such, and invite their attendance. The state superintendent, or some person designated by him, shall attend and have charge of each convention, and employ suitable instructors and lecturers, to give instruction and addresses, with the view to aid teachers in qualifying themselves for a more successful discharge of their duties. An examination of teachers shall be held the closing day or days of the session, and certificates of scholarships and qualifications shall be granted by the examining committee, of such form and grade as may be deemed best by the state superintendent.

Institutes, how conducted.

SECT. 2. To defray the expenses of these institutes the sum of four thousand dollars shall be annually appropriated, to be expended by the state superintendent, who shall render an account thereof to the governor and council, to be examined and audited by them.

Expense of institutes.

SECT. 3. This act shall take effect when approved.

Approved March 13, 1869.

Chapter 75.

An act for the establishment of county supervisorships for schools.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in Legislature assembled, as follows :

County supervisors to be appointed.

SECTION 1. The governor and council shall appoint for each county, on the recommendation of the state superintendent of common schools, one person as county supervisor of public schools for each county, whose term of office shall continue three years, unless he be sooner removed by the governor.

Their duty.

SECT. 2. It shall be the duty of the county supervisor to visit the schools of his county as often as practicable, to note at such visits in a book provided for the purpose, to be designated the "Supervisor's Visiting Book," the condition of the school buildings and out-houses, the efficiency of the teachers, the method of instruction, the branches taught, the text-books and apparatus used, and the discipline, government and general condition of each