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Chapter 211.

An Act to amend Section one hundred seven of Chapter eleven of the Revised Statutes, relating to Normal Schools.

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

Section one hundred seven of chapter eleven of the revised statutes is hereby amended by striking out the word "and" in the second line of said section after the word "Castine" and before the word "the," and by adding after the word "Gorham" and before the word "shall" in the second line of said section, 'and Aroostook county normal school at Presque Isle,' so that said section as amended, shall read as follows:

'Section 107. The northern normal school at Farmington, the eastern normal school at Castine, the western normal school at Gorham, and Aroostook county normal school at Presque Isle shall be conducted for the purpose and upon the principles herein set forth.

I. They shall be thoroughly devoted to the training of teachers for their professional labors.

II. The course of study shall include the common English branches in thorough reviews, and such of the higher branches as are especially adapted to prepare teachers to conduct the mental, moral and physical education of their pupils.

III. The art of school management, including the best methods of government and instruction, shall have a prominent place in the daily exercises of said schools.

IV. Said schools, while teaching the fundamental truths of christianity, and the great principles of morality, recognized by law, shall be free from all denominational teachings, and open to persons of different religious connections on terms of equality.

V. The principals of the normal schools and of all other schools in which normal departments are supported, wholly or in part, by the state, shall keep a register containing the names of all students entering such schools or departments, the date of entering and leaving, their ages, number of days' attendance, the length of the term, a list of text-books used, and all other information required in the blanks furnished by the state superintendent. Such register and blanks shall be returned to said superintendent by the first day of each December, and the information so furnished shall appear in his annual report, for the use of the legislature.'

Section 2. This act shall take effect when approved.

Approved March 28, 1903.

Principles and purpose of conducting normal schools.